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# STUDENT AFFAIRS *MONTHLY NOTABLES*



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## LIFE IN AGGIELAND

When Sea Aggies speak of "The Other Education," they are talking about leadership training, clubs, intramurals, traditions, student government and all the other aspects of the TAMUG experience. Many elements converge to create the campus atmosphere: the student newspaper (NAUTILUS), the drama club, and more than 60 student organizations, which include academic, professional, community and campus service, religious, and just-for-fun student groups.



### *Who said college was going to be easy?*

Each year, the Office of Student Counseling provides services to undergraduate and graduate students at TAMUG. The Office is staffed by licensed counselors and the services rendered to students are free, voluntary, and confidential. The Office staff is dedicated to assisting students in their pursuit of personal and academic growth, to help students gain a better understanding and appreciation of themselves, and to supporting students as they make important decisions about their lives.





## Division of Student Affairs

The Division of Student Affairs is responsible for the social, moral, and intellectual development of TAMUG students through their involvement in student organizations, leadership activities, recreational sports, and other co-curricular and extracurricular activities. Student Affairs also oversees housing, judicial services, multicultural services, counseling & career services, and residence life programs as well as advises student organizations about program planning, university rules, risk management and the function of organizations to students throughout their college career. Furthermore, they allocate funding for eligible student organizations and aid in campus wide events such as Aggie Muster, Maritime Ball, Family Weekend, and Spring Fest. In addition to providing students an avenue to participate in several club activities, Student Affairs is also responsible for dispersing football tickets and ordering the highly honored Aggie Ring!

The staff of the Division of Student Affairs encourage all students to take advantage of their many opportunities available through “the other education” activity programs.

Find out more by visiting our webpage:  
[www.tamug.edu/campuslife/](http://www.tamug.edu/campuslife/)

*“Wherever I am,  
whatever I am doing,  
as long as I live I will  
bleed Maroon.”*

- Dr. Robert M. Gates,  
US Secretary of Defense



# Student Diversity Initiatives: Notables

[www.tamug.edu/diversity/students/](http://www.tamug.edu/diversity/students/)

- Mr. Danny Roe, Diversity Education Specialist, is working with Residence Life to create TAMUGs Gender Neutral Housing Procedures
- Mr. Roe is also working with the Gulf Coast Center, UTMB, and ACCT to provide training for transgender clients. In turn, promote HIV prevention to all members of our campus community. The partnership between all organizations are growing and advancing diversity and inclusion in Galveston.
- Aggies United, a council comprised of TAMUG students, staff, and faculty, had a viewing of The Death and Life of Marsha P. Johnston – a film that re-examines the 1992 death of transgender legend Marsha P. Johnston, who was found floating in the Hudson River. Originally ruled a suicide, many in the community believe she was murdered.



## Our Mission

We provide programs and services that encourages members of our community to gain a deeper understanding, awareness, and appreciation for their own culture, as well as embracing the dignity of all cultures from our global society.

We are committed to creating an inclusive community of respect that positively encourages and attracts diverse populations to join and contribute to the university community as a student, faculty, and/or staff member.

# Cadet Life: Notables

[www.tamug.edu/corps/](http://www.tamug.edu/corps/)

## SCG Auxiliary University Program NATOPS Weekend

The Texas A&M University at Galveston Auxiliary University Program (TAMUG AUP), a detachment of Flotilla 6-8 of the US Coast Guard Auxiliary, hosted the annual US Coast Guard Auxiliary University Program (USCG AUP) National Operations (NATOPS) weekend on the campus of Texas A&M University at Galveston. Delegates from eleven AUP units across the nation and a delegate from the Corps of Cadets on the main campus convened to discuss challenges facing the US Coast Guard as well as the Auxiliary. NATOPS is also an opportunity for representatives to earn training hours required as part of their membership in the Auxiliary. In addition to a presentation from Sylvia Rivera and CAPT Kevin Oditt (Commander of USCG Sector Galveston-Houston), who delivered the key note, delegates also participated in training activities on-campus involving the damage-control simulator and ship simulator as well as various training events at USCG Sector Field Office Galveston. NATOPS concluded with a forum featuring COL Michael Fossum, RADM Michael Rodriguez, representatives from the US Coast Guard, and representatives from the US Coast Guard Auxiliary.

The Auxiliary's first units on college campuses took root in 2007 at Auburn University, The Citadel, and The College of William and Mary. AUP now includes nearly 200 members in 11 units representing over 30 colleges and universities across the United States. Alumni are imbued with a strong commitment as Leaders in Service. Nearly 70% go on to serve with the Coast Guard in some capacity, while the others embark on a variety of other careers in the public and private sectors.

Students work alongside the Coast Guard's active military and civilian personnel in areas as diverse as business operations, information technology, GIS, public policy, environmental response, and maritime strategy. Their Program of Study focuses on basic Coast Guard knowledge, safe boating, incident management, operations, and leadership.

*Associated Photo: NATOPS Forum.jpg*

*Associated Photo: NATOPS DC Trainer.jpg*

*Additional photos available at <https://www.facebook.com/tamugaup/>*



## Our Mission

*The Department of Recreational Sports is to provide safe and inclusive activities that promote a healthy and physically active lifestyle while developing social, leadership, and other life skills which will enrich the education of our students and the campus community.*



## Recreational Sports & Outdoors: Notables

[www.tamug.edu/campusrec/](http://www.tamug.edu/campusrec/)

- **Recreational Sports Field**

The field netting for both end lines has been installed, which will provide added safety for cars and pedestrians around the field as well as decrease lost equipment.

- **Outdoor Program**

6 student participants plus 2 trip leaders braved the freezing temperatures of the Ouachita Mountains in mid-March to complete a 26.8 mile trek around the Eagle Rock Loop. This trek introduced beginner backpackers to the sport in a big way with over 4,000 feet of elevation gained and lost, along with several large river crossings.

- **Intramural Sports**

A team led by Marcel Buie competed in the extramural Texas A&M Regional Basketball Tournament March 23-25<sup>th</sup>. Basketball official Avery Schieck was selected to officiate the Regional Basketball Tournament as well. Intramural & Club Sports Coordinator Dylan Cooke was selected to serve on the Officials Committee for the tournament.

- **Club Sports**

- Lacrosse secured their first win of the season against Stephen F. Austin on 3/3 by a score of 23-2.
- Sailing took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Barn Yard Bizarre at Texas A&M University on 3/3.
- Aggie Crew competed in the Heart of Texas Regatta on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. They finished 4<sup>th</sup> in the Men's Masters doubles.
- Volleyball - Men's and Women's clubs competed in the SIVA Crossovers and at the SIVA Championships March 24-25<sup>th</sup> in Ft. Worth.
- Men's Volleyball is hosting the annual Mark Villarreal tournament on April 14<sup>th</sup>.



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