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AGGIE MUSTER IS SATURDAY, APRIL 21

The March 1923 *Texas Aggie* urged, "If there is an A&M man in one-hundred miles of you, you are expected to get together, eat a little, and live over the days you spent at the A&M College of Texas." Of course, the other purpose of Muster is remembering those we have lost in the past year.

Continuing a tradition that began in 1974, Dick Piner's (class of '50) estate will be the site of the 2018 Aggie Muster sponsored by the New Orleans A&M Club. The Piners' address is 4401 Patterson Drive (River Road) in Algiers. Parking is not permitted along the levee. If parking is not available in the Piners' driveway, please park on the nearest side street.

We will start the social hour at 3:30, but you may arrive a little earlier to enjoy the Piners' beautiful gardens. This will give you an opportunity to spend some time with old classmates and make new friends. Dinner will start at 5:00 with the business meeting starting at approximately 6:00 PM followed by the Muster ceremony.

The cost for the meal is \$25/adult or \$15/student. Children, 12 and under, are free. Plenty of cold drinks will be on hand. An Eventbrite registration email will be sent if you prefer to register online.

The deadline for reservations for the meal is Monday, April 16. Please return your reservation form with payment as soon as possible. If anyone needs to make late reservations, please call Angela Piper '87, club president, at (406) 698-0788.

MARDI GRAS REPORT

FISH DRILL TEAM RECEPTION RECAP

The Fish Drill Team (FDT) represented Texas A&M University by competing in the annual National Drill Competition at Tulane University against teams from other colleges from around the nation. The team traveled on Thursday 8 February and competed on Friday 9 February 2018. The FDT also marched in the Iris Parade on Saturday 10 Feb 2018. After the parade the Club hosted the FDT for lunch at Hard Rock Café in the French Quarter. There were about a half-dozen Club members at the luncheon to welcome the FDT.

ROSS VOLUNTEER COMPANY RECEPTION RECAP

On Monday, Feb 12, 2018, our club hosted a luncheon for the RVs at the Hard Rock Café. The Ross Volunteer Company arrived at 11:00am and enjoyed camaraderie, mingled with, and received beads from with the several club members and guests who were present. The Club received a framed photo of the '17-'18 RV Company in appreciation. The Ross Volunteer Company led the Krewe of Rex Parade on Tuesday, Feb 13. The 4.25 mile parade route began at the intersection of Napoleon Ave. and S. Claiborne Ave, and ended at the intersection of Canal and South Peters Street.

NOLA A&M CLUB NOTES AND NEWS

Financial – The total cost of the FDT and RV lunches was \$4,339. The Club received \$1,210 from Club members in direct support for these two events. The Greater New Orleans Area Texas A&M Foundation received \$869 in direct support for these two events. The shortfall of \$2,260 was larger than last year. Again it demonstrates that Club membership dues play a significant role in providing these services to current students in fulfillment of one aspect of the Club's mission, to host A&M students who travel to New Orleans as members of student organizations that foster leadership development. Please consider paying dues if you have not done so already. Small amounts from a broad base of constituents goes a long way in ensuring that we can continue to provide this service to student groups in the future. Your mailing label indicates whether we have a record of your dues payment for 2018. Please check the label to determine if you have paid your dues.

SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

An update on the Larkin Scholarship initiative will be given at Muster; however, the Club is very close to being able to endow another scholarship.

The Club has been involved in funding and monitoring the following scholarships: 1) New Orleans A&M Club Sul Ross Scholarship, 2) New Orleans A&M Club Matt Altman '99 Memorial Sul Ross Scholarship, 3) (New Orleans A&M Club) Matt Altman '99 Memorial Corps Scholarship, and 4) Guy Mathew Altman '99 Memorial Scholarship (endowed by Frank Larkin '57). The current recipients are as follows:

- 1. **Tristan Lyons '19** of Crosby, TX is a member of the Aggie Band. He is also involved in the Symphonic Band, the Wind Symphony, the Danceland Orchestra, and the Aggie Eagle Post. He is majoring in Architecture.
- 2. **Catherine Clayton '19,** a junior from of Bossier City, LA, is a Political Science major and is considering applying for law school. She recently ordered her Aggie Ring!
 - 3. Brett Rogers '20 is a Human Resources major.
- 4. **Jared Schonfarber '19** is pursuing a degree in Forestry and a career in the Army Infantry. Jared has now received his Aggie Ring!

Membership and Donation Form				
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Muster reservation - # @ \$15/s	tudent		xxxxxxxxx	
Muster reservation - # @ free/c	hild 12 and under		xxxxxxxxx	xxxxxxxxx
Scholarship Donation (tax deductible	f donated to Foundation)			
Other - please designate				
Total			\$	\$
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