

# Swamp Aggies News

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## A&M alumni club forms in Gainesville

In early November 2004, Melissa Muegge '04 and Ricky Telg '87 began

the search for Aggies in Gainesville and the surrounding area.

With the help from the Texas A&M Association of Former Students, they contacted local Aggies and received about 50 responses from individuals who were interested in beginning the club.



Ricky Telg, '87, was elected president of the newly formed Swamp Aggies.

On Feb. 1, 2005, approximately 35 Aggies met at the Olive Garden in Gainesville for the club's initial meeting.

There, Aggies signed the official charter, shared their favorite traditions, elected club officers, and chose the club's name—



“Swamp Aggies,” or otherwise known as the North Central Florida A&M Club.

The gathering of the initial meeting led to the club's recognition as the sixth chartered A&M Club in Florida.

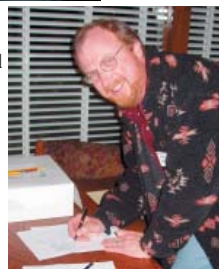
Door prizes and a Texas A&M decorated cake also added to the evening's festivities.



NCF A&M Club Vice president Shannon Arnold won a Former Students Association shirt.



Aggies in North Central Florida were eager to sign the chapter's charter.



Aggies reminisced and “whooped” it up at the inaugural meeting.



Mark Feb. 9, 2006, on your calendar as the next club meeting at Gainesville's Olive Garden. See the “Upcoming Events” box for more details.

## Aggies observe Muster

On April 21 the North Central Florida Texas A&M Club celebrated their inaugural Muster at the University of Florida's Animal Science Building.

Dean Jousan and Nathan Krueger did an excellent job cooking all the food. There was reminiscing about everyone's favorite moments at A&M, and then there were the traditional events. The group sang a rousing rendition of the “Aggie War Hymn.”

NCF A&M Club President Ricky Telg read the invocation, Shannon

Arnold read the “Roll Call for the Absent,” and Muster chair Adam Hayashi then called roll for the Aggies in North Florida who passed away.

It was a touching moment in which members from the club came forth to light candles in memory of those who had died. Rex Hill, class of '43, was the oldest Aggie in attendance.

Muster is now celebrated in over 300 places worldwide on April 21.

You definitely don't want to miss Muster in 2006.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **Thursday, Feb. 9, 6:30:**

North Central Florida A&M Club gathering at **Olive Garden** restaurant 3440 SW Archer Road in Gainesville (in front of Wal-Mart).

Elections to be held.

Please RSVP to Ricky Telg by **Feb. 2** at [rjtelg@yahoo.com](mailto:rjtelg@yahoo.com) or (352) 335-5010.

**March 3-5:** Texas A&M baseball team plays UF Gators.

**March 3: 6:30 p.m.**

**March 4: 2 p.m.**

**March 5: 1 p.m.**

# Club watches Clemson game, plays 42

The Swamp Aggies gathered in early September at Bellamay Grand Apartments to watch the Texas A&M Aggie football team open their 2005 season in a battle against the Clemson Tigers.



This event gave ample time for conversing and socializing by those in attendance.

While watching the

A&M game, a couple of games of 42 broke out and some learned how to play this domino game so that they will be ready to play at future social meetings.

Everyone enjoyed the pizza and snacks provided for the game as well.

The football game was exciting and hard-fought by both teams. In the end, Jad Dean, the field goal



goal to put them ahead by the score of 25-24 with two seconds left in the game.

The Aggie defense gave a valiant effort in the game, forcing the Clemson kicker to convert six field goals, which set a Clemson school record.

Although the Aggies ran out of time and fell to Clemson, The Swamp Aggies did their part to keep the spirit of the 12<sup>th</sup> Man alive.

## A&M/t.u. game a thriller to the end

On Nov. 25, the North Central Florida A&M Club gathered at the Bellamay Grand Apartments to watch the "Lone Star Showdown" from Kyle Field.



Sandwiches and desserts were served as our group watched

the fearless freshman quarterback, Stephen McGee, lead the Aggies in his first career start.

Anticipation and excitement ran high during the game as we hoped the Aggies would pull through and ruin the Longhorns perfect record, but No. 2 Texas held on for a 40-29 victory.

In the end, it was comforting to



socialize with other Aggies and share the A&M football tradition and spirit!

### Pepperoni rolls recipe

This recipe is from Muster chair Adam Hayashi who provided these yummy pepperoni rolls during the A&M/t.u. game.

I got hooked on these back in college at Double Dave's in College Station. These are very close to the Double Dave's recipe and don't last long around the house! The dough, while sweet, meshes extremely well with the pepperoni, cheese and spices.

1 1/2 cups lukewarm water

1/3 cup sugar

1 package dry active yeast (or 2 1/4 teaspoon)

1 teaspoon salt

1/4 cup dry powdered milk

4 cups flour

4 ounces thin-sliced packaged pepperoni

4 ounces grated mozzarella or provolone cheese

1/4 teaspoon oregano

1/4 teaspoon basil

egg glaze (if desired)

Dissolve sugar, yeast, salt, and powdered milk in the warm water. Stir in the flour using extra flour as needed to make a soft dough that isn't too sticky.

Turn out onto a floured board and knead for a couple of minutes. Shape into a ball and let rise in an oiled bowl for two hours or until volume is doubled.

Put the dough onto a floured board and cut into 12-15 pieces. Take each piece, flatten it lightly on the board with your hand or rolling pin and place 3-4 slices of pepperoni in the middle, overlapping but not stacked. Add cheese. Roll up like a jelly roll and then primp it with your fingers to seal the ends into an oval with no pepperoni sticking out. Place on an ungreased baking sheet.

Melt a tablespoonful of margarine and beat in an egg and two teaspoonfuls of sugar for the egg wash/glaze. Brush rolls lightly with this glaze. Bake rolls at 400 degrees until golden brown (about 23 minutes). Brush immediately and lightly with melted margarine.

## North Central Florida A&M Club Membership

North Central Florida A&M Club ("Swamp Aggies") membership is from January to January. Please remit annual dues to the address below or bring dues to the February meeting at the Olive Garden. Dues cover expenses such as mailings and for get-togethers.

**\$25 Individual and/or family (two or more Aggies in a family)**

**\$10 Graduate student (if you're married and both are graduate students, please remit \$20)**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

A&M graduation year: \_\_\_\_\_ Major at A&M: \_\_\_\_\_

Feel free to e-mail this information to [rjtelg@yahoo.com](mailto:rjtelg@yahoo.com).

Make checks payable to **North Central Florida A&M Club**.

Send payment to: Ricky Telg, 3125 NW 48th Place, Gainesville, FL 32605