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Denver Texas A&M Club Newsletter

Aggie Muster

April 21, 2003

"Softly call the Muster..."

Howdy Ag's!! The Texas A&M Club of Denver proudly invites you to Aggie Muster on April 21, 2003. This year's speaker is Mr. M. L. (Red) Cashion '53. Red Cashion is the Chairman Emeritus of ANCO Insurance Managers and is currently a Trainer in the National Football League Referees. He is probably best known as one of the best-respected Referees to ever call an NFL game. Somewhere during his NFL career he developed his famous "First Downwwnnnn" call. A short biography on Red is enclosed with this newsletter.

Muster will be held at the Radisson Hotel Denver Stapleton Plaza, 3333 Quebec Street. Social Hour will begin at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:30 p.m., to be followed by a speech by Red Cashion and the Muster Ceremony.

The cost per person is \$32. Please see the "Muster Registration Form", which is included this year with the A&M Club of Denver Membership Renewal, and is enclosed with this newsletter.

Directions:

From I-70 & I-25 intersection, take I-70 East. From the I-70 & I-225 intersection, take I-70 West. Take the Quebec Street exit. Turn South on Quebec Street (Right from I-70 headed East, and Left from I-70 headed West) and go 0.9 miles. Take the first entrance into the Radisson. Continue straight ahead through the parking lot to the Northwest corner of the parking lot (located behind the building). The entrance to the parking garage is on the NW corner of the Radisson Hotel.

This year's Muster Chairman is:

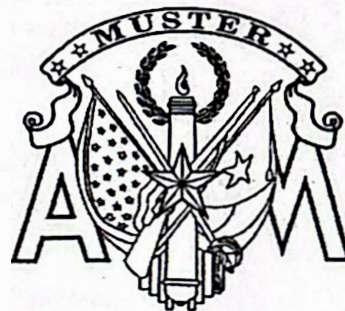
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Up-Coming Events...

Dominoes Party – March 28th at 7:30pm

The March Dominoes party is going to be hosted by Julie Schumaker. 2992 Hooker Street.

Her house is located in the Highland Park area near 32nd & Lowell.

From I-25, exit Speer North. Take Speer to 29th and turn left at the light (there will be a left turn lane only available at the intersection). Cross Federal and Hooker Street will be on your right after you pass Grove Street. There is no street sign off of 29th for Hooker, but the streets are alphabetical, so after you pass Hazel on your left, Hooker will be your next right (neither street runs both directions off of 29th). Her house is located on the right where 30th T-intersects with Hooker. It's a double house lot, her place is in front, 2992, with a wrap-around porch and chain link fenced in yard. Look for the red light out front!

All dominoes parties are BYOB!

Happy Hour –April 3rd at 6:00pm

The April Happy Hour is going to be at Fado Irish Pub located downtown at 19th and Wynkoop. This is just across 20th from Coors Field and next to Denver ChopHouse and Brewery. See ya there April 3rd at 6pm - ???

If you have a favorite bar you want to meet at, let Steve or Mark know, we would all love to try it out.

Annual Summer Picnic - July 19th

The annual summer picnic is scheduled for July 19, 2003, so be sure to save that date. The picnic will take place at DeKoevend Park again this year, which is located near Arapahoe and S. University Blvd. This is a great time to meet other Ags in the Denver area and to have an afternoon of good food, volleyball, horseshoes and of course dominoes. Look for more details in the next newsletter and to be posted on the website.

A meeting including officer elections will take place at the picnic. Please contact one of the current officers if you would like information about becoming an officer for the club. Look for more information in the next newsletter.

Red Cashion '53

M. L. (Red) Cashion, Class of '53, is the Chairman Emeritus of ANCO Insurance Managers and is currently a Trainer in the National Football League Referees. He is probably best known as one of the best-respected Referees to ever call an NFL game.

Red was born in College Station, TX on November 10, 1931 and grew up in College Station. He was raised in the middle of the TAMU campus where his father (Mason L. (Cash) Cashion, Sr.) was General Secretary of the YMCA. He graduated Texas A&M University in 1953 with a BBA and a Personnel Management Minor. He is the father of 4 Children; Shelley, Sharon, Joyce and Jim. He also has 6 grandchildren; Cash, Field, Caitlin, Colter, Mason and Marshall. His wife Lou Burgess Cashion (now deceased) attended classes during the summer at Texas A&M at a time when women were not permitted to attend regular classes. She received a BBA in Economics from Texas Women's University in 1952 (then Texas State College for Women). As a matter of fact, his mother-in-law was the daughter of T.O. Walton, Sr., past President of Texas A&M. His father-in-law Hershel E. Burgess was a member of the Texas A&M Athletic Hall of Fame (Burgess Dinner held every fall in his memory), lettered in three sports, Golden Gloves champion at Texas A&M, starting fullback on the famous 1929 National Championship Aggie football team.

Red Cashion has had an outstanding professional career, but is probably best known as an NFL referee. He began officiating in Texas high schools in 1952 during his senior year at Texas A&M University. For 21 years, officiated junior high, B Team, high School and college football in the Southland, Lone Star and Southwest Conferences. He joined the NFL (National Football League) in 1972 as a Line Judge and 4 years later became a Referee (at the urging of his children, who up to that time saw only his ankles on television). Somewhere along the way developed his famous "First Downwnnn" call. He was Referee in Super Bowl XX (Chicago Bears vs. New England Patriots) and Super Bowl XXX (Dallas Cowboys vs. Pittsburgh Steelers). He retired as an active official from the NFL after 25 years following his final playoff game between Jacksonville Jaguars vs. Denver Broncos in Denver on January 4, 1997.

During his 25 years as an official with the NFL, in addition to two Super Bowls, he officiated 18 playoff games, a Pro Bowl and almost 500 professional games. Named to two other Super Bowls, but did not officiate except as an alternate to permit retiring referees to handle those games. He is also Past President of the Professional Football Referees Association (NFL). Red was a 1999 Inductee into the Texas Sports Hall of Fame (Only football official in the Hall of Fame).

Red started his professional insurance career when he purchased half interest in an insurance agency in 1956 with total sales of \$96,000. In 1966, agency merged to form ANCO Insurance Managers and continues under that name today. ANCO now has 6 offices in Texas and operates a wholesale division for over one hundred other agencies and has over 150 employees. Sales in 2001 were over \$100,000,000. Today, ANCO provides a full line of insurance services from life and accident, group, property and casualty for large and small risks, as well as a large personal lines business. Personal lines are underwritten, processed and issued by ANCO.

Today Red still lives in College Station where he is on the Board of Directors, Past-President, or President of many civic organizations where he has exhibited integrity and a demonstrated commitment to service through an interest in bettering the lives of others through volunteer efforts.



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In Memorium

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| We stood a little taller, | ... and so we've joined together |
| and a little prouder then | with our brothers of the past |
| When we heard the call of Muster | To make our final resting place at |
| and the Roll Call just begin. | Aggieland our last. |
| We stood there all together | We take a toast to our brotherhood |
| and wiped away the tears | wherever they may roam, |
| When our names were called out softly | For us the trek is over |
| and answered with a "Here!" | Aggieland we're coming home. |

By Lt. Col. David Harrigan '68