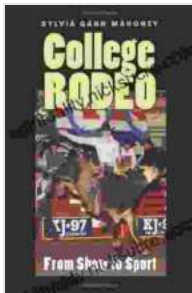


# From Show to Sport: Centennial of the Association of Former Students of Texas

## A Century of Service and Support

In the fall of 1898, a group of 12 former students of Texas A&M College gathered in Bryan, Texas, to form the Association of Former Students (AFS). Their purpose was to create an organization that would support the college and its students.



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Over the past century, the AFS has grown from a small group of alumni to a powerful organization that supports the university in a variety of ways. The AFS provides scholarships, funds faculty research, and supports student organizations and activities.

The AFS is also a strong advocate for Texas A&M University. The organization works to promote the university's reputation and to ensure that

it has the resources it needs to continue to be a top-tier institution.

## **The Early Years**

The early years of the AFS were marked by a focus on social activities and camaraderie. The organization held annual reunions and other events that brought former students together.

In 1906, the AFS began publishing the Texas A&M Magazine, which has become one of the most respected alumni magazines in the country.

The AFS also played a role in the development of Texas A&M's athletic program. In 1909, the organization helped to fund the construction of Kyle Field, the university's football stadium.

## **The Modern Era**

In the modern era, the AFS has continued to grow and evolve. The organization has expanded its focus to include a wider range of activities, including:

- Providing scholarships
- Funding faculty research
- Supporting student organizations and activities
- Advocating for Texas A&M University

The AFS is now a major force in the Texas A&M community. The organization has more than 100,000 members and a budget of more than \$10 million.

## The Future of the AFS

The future of the AFS is bright. The organization is well-positioned to continue to support Texas A&M University in the years to come.

The AFS is committed to providing scholarships, funding faculty research, and supporting student organizations and activities. The organization is also committed to advocating for Texas A&M University and ensuring that it has the resources it needs to continue to be a top-tier institution.

The Association of Former Students of Texas is a vital part of the Texas A&M community. The organization has a long and proud history of service and support. The AFS is well-positioned to continue to support Texas A&M University in the years to come.

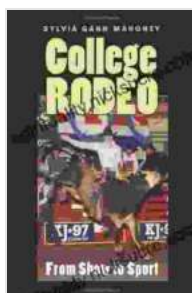
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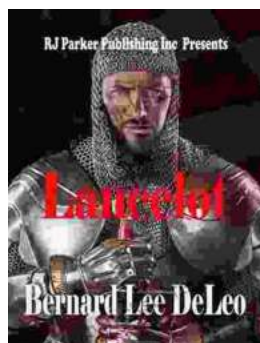
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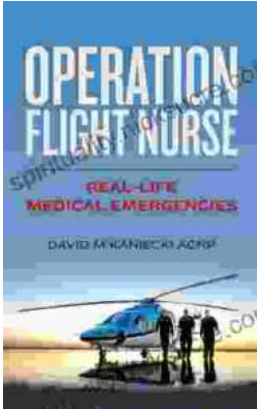
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