

Myths and legends of Georgetown finally resolved

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We've all heard them by now. You know the stories that seem just a little too sensational to believe. Well, the homework has been done, and here are the answers

Myth One: The columns of Giddings were built around barrels of bourbon.

Debated, but most likely false. With all the technology you would think they would be able to x-ray them and find out, but it seems no one is in a real hurry to find out. "As far as I know, we've never done anything to find out, largely because no one really believes it," says Kitty Taylor.

Myth Two: The monuments in front of the old library are gravesites.

False. The two monuments are simply that, memorials to past Georgetown alums. However, there are two children



Billy Ray--the rumors are true

buried in that spot, according to Dr. Robert Snyder. The markers can be seen clearly when the grass is trimmed. When the college bought the property, there was a small family plot on the land.

Myth Three: Billy Ray Cyrus was once a student at Georgetown.

True. Billy was enrolled for

about six weeks in the early eighties. He was here on a baseball scholarship, but left when it was time to make the second tuition payment say Chemistry professor, Susan Campbell. And, how would she know, you ask. Well, Campbell and the country music singer dated for six years.

It's true, Billy actually came to Georgetown because Dr. Campbell was enrolled here. Laughing,

she pulled a yearbook from the shelf and displayed a picture of her and Billy Ray as she was being crowned homecoming queen at Russell High School in 1979. "We broke up when he told me that he had a 'vision' that he needed to quit his job, buy a guitar, and start a band," says Campbell. Does she have any regrets about breaking it off

with the country singer? "Are you kidding? I'm happily married and have three children. There's nothing to regret."

Myth Four: There used to be a bowling alley in the basement of the student center. True. Before that, it was located beside Hinton Field in the field house. Georgetown alum Kitty Taylor remembers bowling on the single, wooden lane. "We had to bowl a 100 to pass the class. The lane so warped it took me all semester."

Myth Five: Tom Cruise once graced the halls of Georgetown.

"Absolutely false," according to the admissions office. As far as they know he's never even been on campus.

Myth Six: There used to be a swimming pool in the basement of the Gymnasium.

True. It was located where the weight room and racquetball court are now.

Students want a bigger role in homecoming

■ Students give their own opinions about the activities they'd like to see

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At our college there seems to be some misgivings toward homecoming. One of the main responses from the students was that a better advertisement of current activities would be an effective investment.

There is a schedule of homecoming events online and in pamphlet forms that are available on this campus. Still the activities listed in these schedules are primarily directed to alumni. These forms of advertisement are not geared to inform the students of their activities.

At other colleges like UK we see a more direct unified act of advertisement. Director of Homecoming Holly Machel stated, "we send out homecoming packets to every student organization." These packets go out two weeks before homecom-

ing week begins. This packet includes schedules, rules, guidelines and explanation of every activity during the homecoming week. This may not be completely applicable to our campus but at least a schedule in the mail might be effective on our campus.

Even though some students were aware of some activities, several of these students didn't really think the promoted activities appealed to them. Jared Sloan said, "The school tries but the students don't buy into it."

The college does put an effort into student homecoming activities like having a student homecoming committee. This could be because the students have other ideas in mind for a fun spirit filled homecoming.

Senior Mike Mulhall said, "We need Bonfire's and things students can get involved in."

Others students suggested activities that brought the campus communities together. We do have fraternity dances, but these are not apart of the college planned event, designed to promote fraternity spirit and not

school spirit. The college does promote the unique songfest, but this is still competitive among different groups on campus.

Many of the students felt that there should be activities that unified the campus in school spirit. Sophomore Heather Kiser thought a campus homecoming dance with a Halloween theme would be a good idea. Sara Luttrell suggested the campus dance should be on a night in the week that didn't interfere with other dances. Luttrell also thought that a movie night with a movie that had to do with college life. This would mean that people that went to the other activities would be able to still attend the homecoming dance.

There were several other ideas that had to do with themes throughout the week. Several thought that dress up days would be interesting. This would be where different days were dedicated to different

themes like school colors, dressing in the fashions of different decades, pajama day or even backwards day. They also thought that the caf should have some of their theme nights during homecoming week.

You can make suggestions about how to make the college's homecoming something you can call your own. The Student life office has asked any questions or ideas to be directed to Jennifer Fairchild at ex.. 7969 or AGS at ex. 8151.

Schedule of Homecoming Events

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Tuesday October 15
5 p.m.

Dinner/Pep Rally/ Banner Making Contest

Come to the Quad for a campus wide celebration of Homecoming Week with food, music, and crafts.

Thursday, October 17
7 p.m.

Open Song Fest Dress Rehearsal

Knight Hall Chapel
All students and faculty are welcome to come to Thursday's dress rehearsal for songfest.

Friday, October 18
5-7 p.m.

Reception for artist Truman Marquez
Anne Wright Wilson Fine Arts Gallery

View the postmodern impressionist works of this Austin, Texas-based artist.

7:30 p.m.
Song Fest

Knight Hall Chapel
A night of music, theater, and fun for everyone

Saturday, October 19
9:30 a.m.

Residence Hall Brunches Meeting in the Quad

TBA
Hanging of the Homecoming Banners around stadium Rawlings Stadium

11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
Tiger town Pre-Game Tailgate Brunch
Tiger Town Tent, adjacent to the stadium. Come to enjoy socializing, food, and drinks: \$10 per person.

1:30 p.m.
Homecoming Football Game-Tigers vs. Lambuth

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