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City awards public housing residents special scholarships

By Dennis Killian
Daily Texan Staff

The Housing Authority for the city of Austin awarded scholarships to 28 public housing residents Friday during its annual ceremony at the Booker T. Washington Community Room in East Austin.

Scholarship program began in 2001 and gives away \$50,000 annually to deserving public housing residents, said the housing authority's spokeswoman Natasha Elstad.

Juan Penado, an 18-year-old resident of the Booker T. Washington Housing Project, said that he is grateful for the opportunity the scholarship gives him to further his education.

"I've lived here in a poor neighborhood since I was a little kid, so it's hard to find the money to go to college," Penado said. "Now I have the chance to go to college, earn a career and have more money to support my family."

Penado graduated in the top 10 percent of his class at Johnston High School, and said he is excited about attending the University in the fall. He plans on pursuing a degree in electrical engineering, he said.

Another scholarship recipient, Liza Ortiz said this scholarship will help her achieve her goal of becoming a nurse. Ortiz, a mother of three, is returning to Austin Community College in the fall, she said.

"The scholarship represents a lot of hard work that I've put in and overcoming a lot of things in my life," Ortiz said.

The scholarship funds are made possible through the housing authority's and the Southwest Housing Compliance Corporation, according to the housing authority's annual report. HACA is a

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"I've lived here in a poor neighborhood since I was a little kid, so it's hard to find money to go to college."

Juan Penado,
incoming student



Above, Ebony Jarmon receives her certificate from Carl Richie Friday at the Booker T. Washington Community Center, with Nathan and Tarronda Neal watch. In the fall Jarmon will return to Texas Southern University to pursue a degree in social work. **Left,** Judith Loredo, Dean of Academic Support Programs of Huston Tillotson University, gives the keynote address for the Resident Academic Scholarship Awards Ceremony for residents of the Housing Choice Voucher and Public Housing programs.

Photos by Jason Sweeten
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University planning to offer new cancer drug

University Health Services still in talks with manufacturer

By Farran Powell
Daily Texan Staff

University Health Services plans to offer Gardasil, a vaccine that immunizes against cancer-causing strains of the human papilloma virus.

The Centers for Disease Control Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices voted unanimously in June to recommend girls and women aged between 11 and 26 to be vaccinated with Gardasil to prevent cervical cancer, which can be caused by HPV.

The vaccine, manufactured by Merck & Co., is the first vaccine specifically designed to prevent cancer. Each year there are on average 9,710 women diagnosed with cervical cancer and 3,700 deaths from cervical cancer, according to the CDC.

UT Health Services is still negotiating details with the manufacturer.

"We just haven't got the logistics yet," said Theresa Spalding, medical director of UHS. "It takes three shots, and the total will cost between \$500 and \$600. We're still trying to work on a price."

Recent medical lawsuits against Merck for the drug Vioxx have pushed the company near bankruptcy, causing the company to increase prices on its pharmaceuticals such as Gardasil and Lipitor, said Gilbert Ross, executive director of the American Council on Science and Health, a consumer-based health organization in New York.

Gardasil will be the most expensive vaccine ever made, Ross said.

"Naturally, price is an issue," Ross said. "But it's an important drug to prevent cervical cancer."

The CDC recommends Gardasil to be included as a routine childhood vaccine, suggesting the new vaccine be administered to girls when they're 11 or 12 years old. The CDC also approved girls as young as 9 for the vaccine at the discretion of their physicians.

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DEJA VOTE

The historic Cathedral of Mexico City's Plaza Zocalo overlooks yellow flags held by supporters of the leftist Democratic Revolutionary Party.

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Tom DeLay hints at willingness to return to House

SUGAR LAND, Texas — Former U.S. Rep. Tom DeLay suggested Friday that he may not be ready for retirement just yet, a day after a federal judge ruled that his name must remain on the November ballot even though he resigned from Congress.

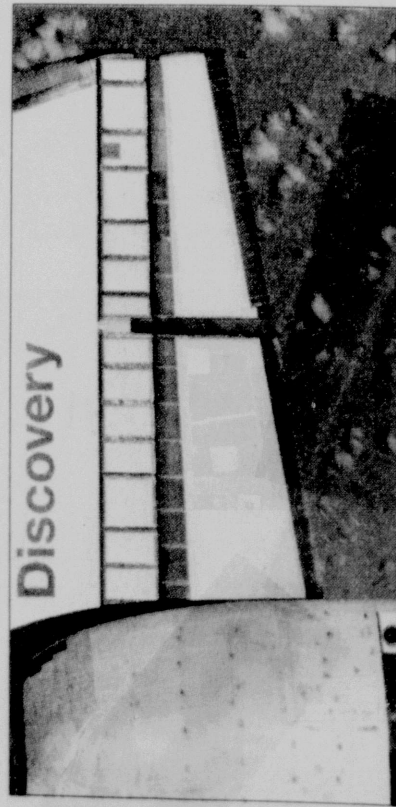
DeLay, who came home to Sugar Land for a previously scheduled event, also criticized U.S. District Judge Sam Sparks' ruling that the former House majority leader's name had to remain on the ballot.

"For this guy to say he can't tell where I'm going to be on Election Day, and that I am forced to be on the ballot, well, they may get exactly what they want," DeLay told supporters to raucous applause. Sparks is a Democrat appointed by Republican former President George Bush.

Later, reporters asked DeLay if he now planned to run. He didn't say no.

"We have to wait and see what the 5th Circuit does on appeal," he said.

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Discovery approved for re-entry

HPV: Parents in Texas may waive vaccinations for children

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Conservative Christian groups, including Focus on the Family, oppose the vaccine being listed as one of the mandated immunizations for public school attendance since HPV is transmitted through sexual encounters.

"Our concern is the protection of children and family and public policy," said Linda Klepacki, a Focus on the Family analyst for sexual health. "Parents have

a right whether their children are vaccinated."

In Texas, parents can waive vaccinations based on their religious beliefs.

"There is what is referred to as a conscientious reaction when a parent does not want their child to get a vaccination," said Doug McBride, spokesman for the Texas Department of Health. "They can waive it, but it's not something we encourage."

Penny Lane is in my ears and in my eyes, and will continue to be

LONDON — Penny Lane will keep its name.

Liverpool officials said Saturday they would modify a proposal to rename streets linked to the slave trade when they realized the road made famous by the 1967 Beatles song was one of them.

The unassuming suburban avenue was named for James Penny, a wealthy 18th-century slave ship owner. Liverpool, the Beatles' northern English hometown, was once a major hub for the slave trade.

Eric Lynch, 74, who gives tours focused on the history of Liverpool's involvement in the slave trade, said renaming any streets or squares would be a "disgraceful attempt to change history."

"It's like somebody in Germany deciding to bulldoze Auschwitz," Lynch said. "Like somebody deciding not to celebrate D-Day. If we don't know the past, how can we make sure we don't make the same mistakes? Are the monuments to the Irish famines going to go next?"

The 90-member council plans to talk Wednesday about a plan to rename several central Liverpool streets named for notorious slave traders.

Liverpool was an important port of call for slave ships traveling between Africa and the Americas. During the second half of the 18th century, much of the city's economy was based on the trade.



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SPLISH SPLASH



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Brothers Maron, right, and Alan Pena, left, splash each other at Barton Springs Sunday afternoon. Their mother stayed dry and watched them play from the shore.

Katrina survivors turn to body art

Fleur De Lis, city skyline, storm among popular motifs

By Stacey Plaisance
The Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Sean Jeffries never thought he'd feel so strongly about something that he'd permanently mark his body with a tattoo. But that was before he and a handful of friends were trapped in a city that spiraled into chaos following Hurricane Katrina.

Two weeks after being rescued by a caravan of buses led by the National Guard, he and two friends got small matching hurricane symbol tattoos in various shades of blue.

"We went through a lot," said Jeffries, a 38-year-old banker whose tattoo is on the upper portion of his right arm. "I'll probably never get another tattoo, but this one means something to me. I got it because it has meaning behind it."

Many survivors whose souls were scarred by Katrina are having images of hurricane swirls, crumbling buildings, names of the dead or broken hearts gushing floodwater indelibly etched into their skin.

"Katrina has moved people to do this more than anything else I've ever seen," said tattoo artist Jay Lyons, manager of Electric Ladyland Tattoos. "We're doing



Mel Evans | Associated Press

Steve Soule gets a tattoo shaped like a hurricane graphic with a Fleur De Le as the eye of the hurricane from 'Tiger' Mike Schroder at Schroder's Crescent City Tattoo in the Uptown neighborhood of New Orleans, La., Oct. 21, 2005. Hurricane motif tattoos have become very popular since Hurricane Katrina.

fathers and daughters together, older folks together. It's a lot of people who would have under any other circumstances not come in here."

Tattoo artists citywide say nearly a year after the hurricane that killed more than 1,577 Louisiana residents, as many as half of tattoo customers want storm-related images.

"It's kind of morbid, really, but I guess people are having strong emotions about what happened, and they don't know how else to say it," said Annette LaRue, the owner of Electric Ladyland Tattoos.

Jim Hand, a 58-year-old retired postal worker, had much of his lower left leg covered with a large fleur-de-lis. An eery, dark skull protrudes from the stylized lily that is the city's symbol.

The skull represents "something taking it over," he said. "Like pirates."

Lyons' shop has a book of fleur-de-lis images, including one engulfed in flames with banners that read: "Through Hell or High Water" and "NOLA Forever."

"We used to get one, maybe two requests a week, now it's one or two a day," Lyons said of the fleurs-de-lis, which since Katrina are requested by themselves or incorporated in larger storm-themed images.

Travis Diebolt of Crescent City Tattoo Co. said his clients have

asked for tattoos of the city skyline, the boot-shaped state of Louisiana and banners listing names of victims.

And at Art Accent French Quarter Tattoo parlor, Ray Nazworth says he's etched cracked and crumbling bricks and snapped tree limbs into clients' skin.

Lyons believes the tattoos are a kind of therapy for Katrina survivors.

"A big part of their lives has been lopped off," he said. "This is a way to reclaim that and say, 'I'm proud of who I am, where I'm from, that I'm here.'"

Andrea Garland and her husband, Jeffrey Holmes, say their matching "RIP Lower 9" tattoos are tributes to the Lower Ninth Ward residents who lost their lives and homes when the city's levee system failed, inundating the neighborhood with floodwater.

"Just because we were lucky doesn't mean it doesn't affect us," said Garland, whose Upper Ninth Ward home got about 3 feet of floodwater compared to several times that much in homes in many parts of the city.

"This is an event that's never going to leave us," she said. "It's something that's dramatically affected and changed our lives forever."

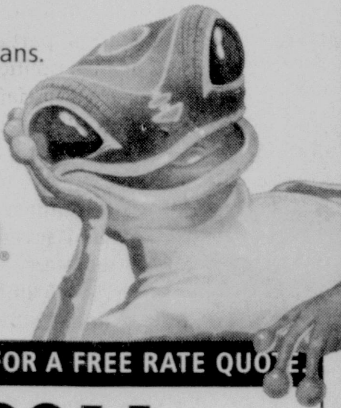
For Jeffries' friend Tim Lawrence, placement of his storm symbol tattoo was just as important as the image itself. The 31-year-old, an assistant manager at a French Quarter hotel, got his on the back of his neck—his way of putting the storm behind him.

"I'll always have a hurricane at my back," he said. "I never want to have one in front of me again."

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U.S. declines one-on-one talks with North Korea

WASHINGTON — The United States on Sunday pushed China to apply more pressure on North Korea to end its missile tests and return to international nuclear disarmament talks. A top diplomat said the aim is to show that Kim Jong Il's government has "no support in the world."

Undersecretary of State Nicholas Burns also indicated the United States would not grant North Korea the direct talks it is seeking in the wake of its test-firing of seven missiles, including some that possibly could reach the American continent. President Bush has opposed one-on-one talks, too.

The diplomatic goal is to compel North Korea to return to stalled six-nation talks aimed at ridding the reclusive communist-led nation of its nuclear weapons program, Burns said. The U.S. consistently has rejected direct talks with North Korea, preferring the six-party negotiations, deadlocked since November.

U.S. officials have previously said they would only have direct discussions with North Korea in the context of the six-party talks.

Floods lead governor to declare disaster in Colo.

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Flash flooding carried a teenager on a 5-mile ride down a drainage channel before he was rescued, as the waters blocked roads, inundated homes and forced evacuations in parts of the Southwest.

More thunderstorms and heavy rain were likely Sunday in New Mexico, the National Weather Service said. More rain also was possible to the north in Colorado, where storms had already flooded homes and washed out roads.

Colorado Gov. Bill Owens issued a disaster emergency order Saturday for Douglas County, southwest of Denver, where rain had washed out roads and flooded homes in areas stripped of vegetation by a 138,000-acre wildfire in 2002.

Bush ally says intelligence secrecy could be illegal

WASHINGTON — The White House possibly broke the law by keeping intelligence activities a secret from the lawmakers responsible for overseeing them, the House Intelligence Committee chairman said Sunday.

Rep. Pete Hoekstra, R-Mich., said he was informed about the programs by whistleblowers in the intelligence community and then asked the Bush administration about the programs, using code names. Hoekstra said members of the House and Senate intelligence committees then were briefed on the programs, which he said is required by law.

Hoekstra said the failure to brief the intelligence committees "may represent a breach of responsibility by the administration, a violation of law and, just as importantly, a direct affront to me and the members of this committee who have so ardently supported efforts to collect information on our enemies."

Officials seize 'important' data from bombing suspect

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Lebanese authorities found maps and bombing plans on the personal computer of an al-Qaida suspect accused of plotting to attack New York train tunnels, a senior Lebanese official said.

Acting Interior Minister Ahmed Fatfat described the information found on Assem Hammoud's computer as "very important."

The FBI announced Friday that it had uncovered a plot to attack Hudson River tunnels, which carry more than 215,000 passengers each weekday between New York and New Jersey. U.S. officials said the plot involved at least eight people, including Hammoud. At least two besides Hammoud have been arrested, Lebanese officials said.

U.S. officials said the suspects hoped to pull off an attack involving "martyrdom and explosives" in October or November, but federal investigators working with six other countries intervened before the suspects could travel to the United States.

"It contained maps and bombing plans that were being prepared," Fatfat said in a local television interview.

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Shuttle cleared for safe return

By Seth Borenstein
The Associated Press

HOUSTON — Space shuttle Discovery's astronauts got some happy news Sunday: It's safe to fly home.

Mission Control informed the crew of six that the ship's thermal shielding is "100 percent cleared for entry" in another week.

"Boy, that is great news, that's fantastic," shuttle commander Steve Lindsey said. "And to get all that done by the end of flight day six ... is just amazing."

"Everyone here around the room, as you can imagine, is most happy," Mission Control replied.

Only one heat shield issue remained going into the late afternoon mission management meeting — a 2-inch-long piece of fabric filler sticking out about an inch from thermal tiles on Discovery's belly. Engineers determined it wasn't necessary to have an astronaut pluck the strip out during a spacewalk and that it posed no concern for the spaceship's return to Earth on July 17. So managers gave the heat shield an official bill of health.

Officials had already decided that several other nicks and spots ranging from bird droppings to frayed fabric were no big deal.

Deputy shuttle program manager John Shannon, chairman of the mission management team, said the healthy shuttle and the crew's accomplishments in orbit so far pave the way for the next mission in just over 1 1/2

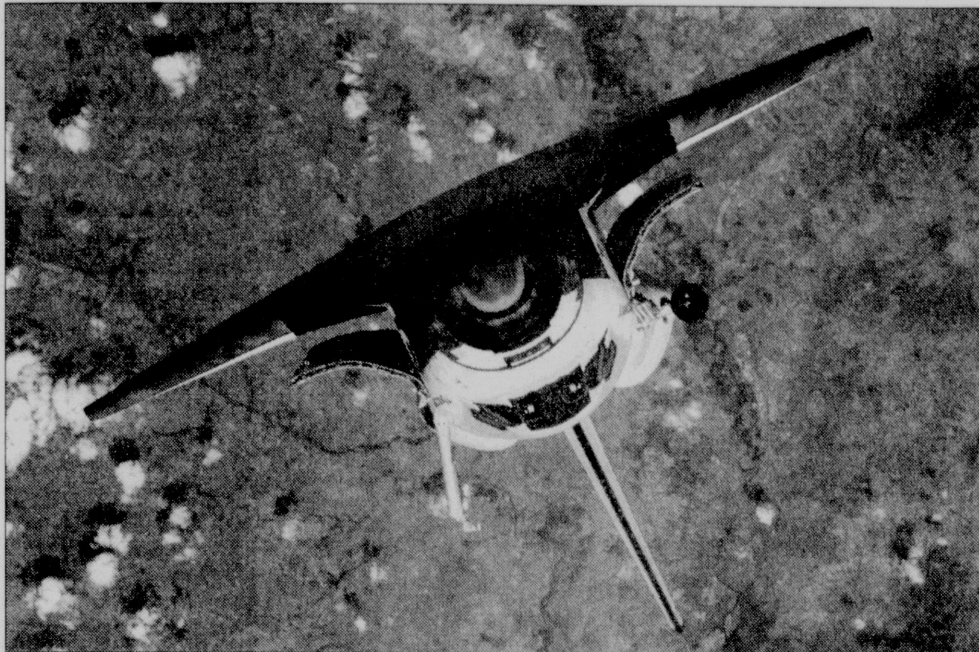


Photo Courtesy of NASA

On Thursday, Space Shuttle Discovery "poses" for a thorough series of inspection photos taken from the orbiting station.

months. That's when assembly will resume at the international space station; construction was halted by the 2003 Columbia disaster.

Sandwiched between a daring spacewalk Saturday and a crucial but more routine spacewalk Monday, Discovery's crew had an easy day Sunday, said pilot Mark Kelly. They were

scheduled to work only 15 hours, instead of 16 hours.

"Today has been a relatively light day compared to the others," Kelly said in the news conference. Those first five days of the mission were so busy "we had to take our meals on the run," Lindsey said.

Military charges 5 more in Iraq rape, slaying

By Ryan Lenz
The Associated Press

TIKRIT, Iraq — Four more U.S. soldiers have been charged with rape and murder and a fifth with dereliction of duty in the alleged rape-slaying of a young Iraqi woman and the killings of her relatives in Mahmoudiya, the military said Sunday.

The five were accused Saturday following an investigation into allegations that American soldiers from the 101st Airborne Division raped the teenager and killed her and three relatives at her home south of Baghdad.

Ex-soldier Steven D. Green was arrested last week in North Carolina and has pleaded not guilty to one count of rape and four counts of murder.

The U.S. statement said the five soldiers still on active duty will face an Article 32 investigation, similar to a grand jury hearing in civilian law. The Article 32 proceeding will determine

whether there is enough evidence to place them on trial.

One of the soldiers was charged with failing to report the attack but is not believed to have participated in it directly, the statement said. The four facing murder charges could face the death penalty if convicted.

The names of the five were not released, but a U.S. military official, speaking on condition of anonymity because of the ongoing investigation, said Sunday that the soldiers recently charged are two sergeants, two privates first-class and one specialist.

The March 12 attack on the family was among the worst in a series of cases of U.S. troops accused of killing and abusing Iraqi civilians.

U.S. officials are concerned the alleged rape-slaying will strain relations with the new U.S.-backed government and increase calls for changes in an agreement that exempts

American soldiers from prosecution in Iraqi courts.

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki has demanded an independent investigation into the case, which followed a series of claims that U.S. troops killed and mistreated Iraqi civilians.

According to an FBI affidavit filed in Green's case, he and at least two others targeted the teenager and her family for a week before the attack, which was not revealed until witnesses came forward in late June.

The soldiers drank alcohol, abandoned their checkpoint, changed clothes to avoid detection and headed to the victims' house, about 200 yards from a U.S. military checkpoint in the so-called "Triangle of Death," a Sunni Arab area south of Baghdad known for its violence, the affidavit said.

The affidavit estimated the rape victim was about 25. But a doctor at the Mahmoudiya hospital gave her age as 14.

Critics scrutinize Russia as G8 summit approaches

By Judith Ingram
The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Russia will take center stage this week when President Vladimir Putin hosts President Bush and other leaders of the world's biggest economies, reveling in resurgent global influence while facing the fiercest Western criticism since the Soviet collapse.

The Group of Eight summit, which opens in St. Petersburg on Saturday, crowns Russia's remarkable comeback from its 1990s status as an economic basket case.

Leaders of the world's top industrialized democracies will see the fruits of a boom built on gushing oil and gas revenues, beginning with the luxurious summit venue, the 18th-century Konstantin Palace, renovated for a reported \$300 million donated by state-dominated companies.

Yet the meeting hardly looks set to be the triumph the Kremlin had hoped for.

Russia differs with the U.S. and Europe on several diplomatic issues, chiefly opposing sanctions to curb the nuclear ambitions of Iran and North Korea. Moscow also is being accused of backsliding on the democracy that supplanted communist dictatorship.

Putin implies the West is using foreign affairs, democracy and free markets as clubs to beat Russia down.

"Not everyone was ready to see Russia begin to restore its economic health and its position on the international stage so rapidly," he told Russia's diplomatic corps last month. "Some still perceive us through the prism of past prejudices and ... see a strong and reinvigorated Russia as a threat."

Russia sees its deep energy resources and long-standing contracts with Western markets as the centerpiece of the energy security that Putin has declared the summit's top theme.

But Western and Russian critics regard Russia's domination of the market, along with the state's control over energy companies, as dangerous, especially after the fight over gas prices with Ukraine that led to a brief but jolting cut

in supplies to central and western Europe in January.

"Where you have state companies, security ends and danger arises," said Andrei Illarionov, who resigned as Putin's adviser last year, accusing him of backtracking on freedoms.

"The model of a state monopoly is an energy hazard to the world. It presents the world with the threat that energy supplies can be broken off at any moment for political, not economic reasons," he said earlier this month.

Moscow insists the quarrel with Ukraine was over its commitment to putting its commercial relationships on a market basis. But the West saw elements of revenge for Ukraine's 2004 Orange Revolution, which blocked Russia's preferred presidential candidate and brought Western-leaning Viktor Yushchenko to power.

Putin himself tied the price hike to the revolution in an interview last month with Western media executives. "Our friends (in the West) actively supported the Orange events in Ukraine," he said. "If you want to further support developments there, you pay for that."

Russia's backtracking on democracy, which has raised persistent doubts about its fitness to hold the rotating chairmanship of the G-8, promises to be another contentious issue.

Rights groups here and abroad have called on the summit participants to come out against political controls over Russia's judiciary, restrictions on freedom of speech and the growth of xenophobia — a phenomenon particularly visible in St. Petersburg, where skinheads have attacked and killed several foreigners the past three years.

"If the seven others don't indicate their displeasure, and positive changes toward democracy do not occur in Russia, those seven countries will have big problems in the near future because of Russia's lack of democracy," warned Yuri Vdovin, a veteran rights activist in St. Petersburg.

Associated Press writer Jim Heintz contributed to this report.

WORLD BRIEFLY

Iraqi president appeals for calm as attacks claim 41

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Masked Shiite gunmen rampaged through a tense neighborhood in west Baghdad on Sunday, dragging Sunnis from their cars, picking them out on the street and killing at least 41 in a dramatic escalation of sectarian violence.

Hours later, two car bombs exploded near a Shiite mosque, killing 17 people and wounding 38 in what appeared to be a reprisal attack, police said.

Sunni leaders expressed outrage over the killings, and President Jalal Talabani, a Kurd, appealed for calm, warning that the nation stood "in front of a dangerous precipice."

The brazen attack was likely to further inflame Shiite-Sunni tensions and undermine public confidence in Iraq's new unity government. It also raises new questions about the effectiveness of the Iraqi police and army to curb sectarian violence in the capital.

Russian plane catches fire, killing at least 122

MOSCOW — A Russian passenger plane carrying at least 201 passengers skidded off a rain-slicked runway in the Siberian city of Irkutsk on Sunday and plowed through a concrete barrier, bursting into flames. At least 122 people were killed, the Emergency Situations Ministry said.

Fifty-eight people were injured in the accident, the second major commercial airline crash in two months in Russia. The commission investigating the crash said preliminary information indicated that the braking system on the Airbus A-310 operated by airline S7 had failed, Russian news agencies reported.

The plane was carrying 193 passengers and eight crew members on a flight from Moscow.

After veering off the runway at about 7:50 a.m., the plane tore through a 6-foot-high concrete barrier, crashed into a compound of one-story garages and stopped a short distance from some small houses.

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The media needs a makeover

By Christine Acker
 Daily Texan Columnist

Here's a quick quiz: Who are your two United States senators? Here's another: Who won the Heisman in 2005? And another: What does Brangelina mean?

If you're like most people, you can answer the last two questions, but maybe not the first. Although this is less common on college campuses, people care more about celebrities, fashion or sensationalist news such as Natalee Holloway's disappearance than about real news, like genocide in Darfur or why we're in Iraq.

However, it may not be your fault. Blame it on the media: Reggie Bush, Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt have received much more publicity than John Cornyn and Kay Bailey Hutchison. You can't stub your toe without hearing about Kate Moss's cocaine usage. There's a book out about Natalee Holloway.

With such skewed media priorities, it is no small wonder that much of the United States remains uninformed and ignorant. Our world is one of infotainment — Brangelina and football sell more papers than Cornyn and Hutchison (unless one of them has recently embezzled money or killed someone while driving drunk).

People like to be entertained — it's one of the driving forces of humanity. People pay attention to things they find interesting. The challenge is to get them to find politics as interesting as celebrities. Infotainment sort of does this, but instead of making important news interesting, they take pictures of Shiloh Nouvel Jolie-Pitt.

Is it consumers' fault for not caring about the news, therefore causing the media to publish what sells? Or do people not care about the news because it's not as easily accessible? It's probably a little of both.

The media needs a makeover, although instead of adding couture, highlights and some Chanel sunglasses, it needs to strip them away.

Infotainment and celebrity coverage are not bad things, nor do they need to disappear. They have their place, and that place has expanded far beyond where it should be.

The media are how people communicate and reach each other, especially around the world. Most people will never go to Iraq, so they rely on the media to tell them what's going on. Same with Darfur. Same with Washington, D.C. But if the media rarely covers these incidents, the public is left ignorant and unable to take action against policies they do not like or help people

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around the world.

On the other hand, our busy lives leave us much less willing to spend time and energy reading the news when we'd much rather relax. Being informed takes effort, so many people opt out, or go to CNN.com and read the homepage. But CNN.com's stories are guilty of infotainment, too: While there is a headline reading "Children among 40 killed in Baghdad 'massacre,'" the headline next to it reads, "Why, Dave, why? CNN's Anderson Cooper talks to Dave Chappelle about his decision to leave his hit show."

It doesn't have to be a one-way street, with the media trickling down to the apathetic public whatever tidbit sells papers. If consumers show more interest in real news, the media will cover more real news, and vice versa. But, unless the media decides to make a massive reformation, it's up to the consumer to make the effort to be informed about issues that change people's lives.

Acker is an English and rhetoric senior.

THE FIRING LINE

Quite a compliment

Brad Gray's piece, "Ken Lay's closing bell" on July 7, was New York Times quality writing. And he can think, too. Had he been on my team instead of back in high school, I might not have lost the Ten Commandments case. Congratulations, Mr. Gray.

Thomas Van Orden
 Attorney
 July 7, 2006

Patriotism, not xenophobia

I believe Garth Heutel missed the point of U.S. Rep. John Carter's comments in his column Thursday.

Carter, like many Americans including myself, is obviously concerned with our society's newfound lack of emphasis on assimilation. The desire to learn English is a key indicator of a person's national loyalties and long term intentions for residency. For our democracy to operate effectively, we need our voters to identify themselves as American and to vote for the candidate who they feel

will best serve America and Americans, not the interests of their native land, racial group or other special interest.

It is wrong of Heutel to label people with feelings the same as my own as xenophobic. We are not scared of the values persons from other cultures may bring to our shores. We do, however, feel that immigrants should recognize, respect, and hopefully adopt many of the common American values that we hold dear.

No, this is not xenophobia; it is patriotism.

Tony McDonald
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 Government sophomore
 July 7, 2006

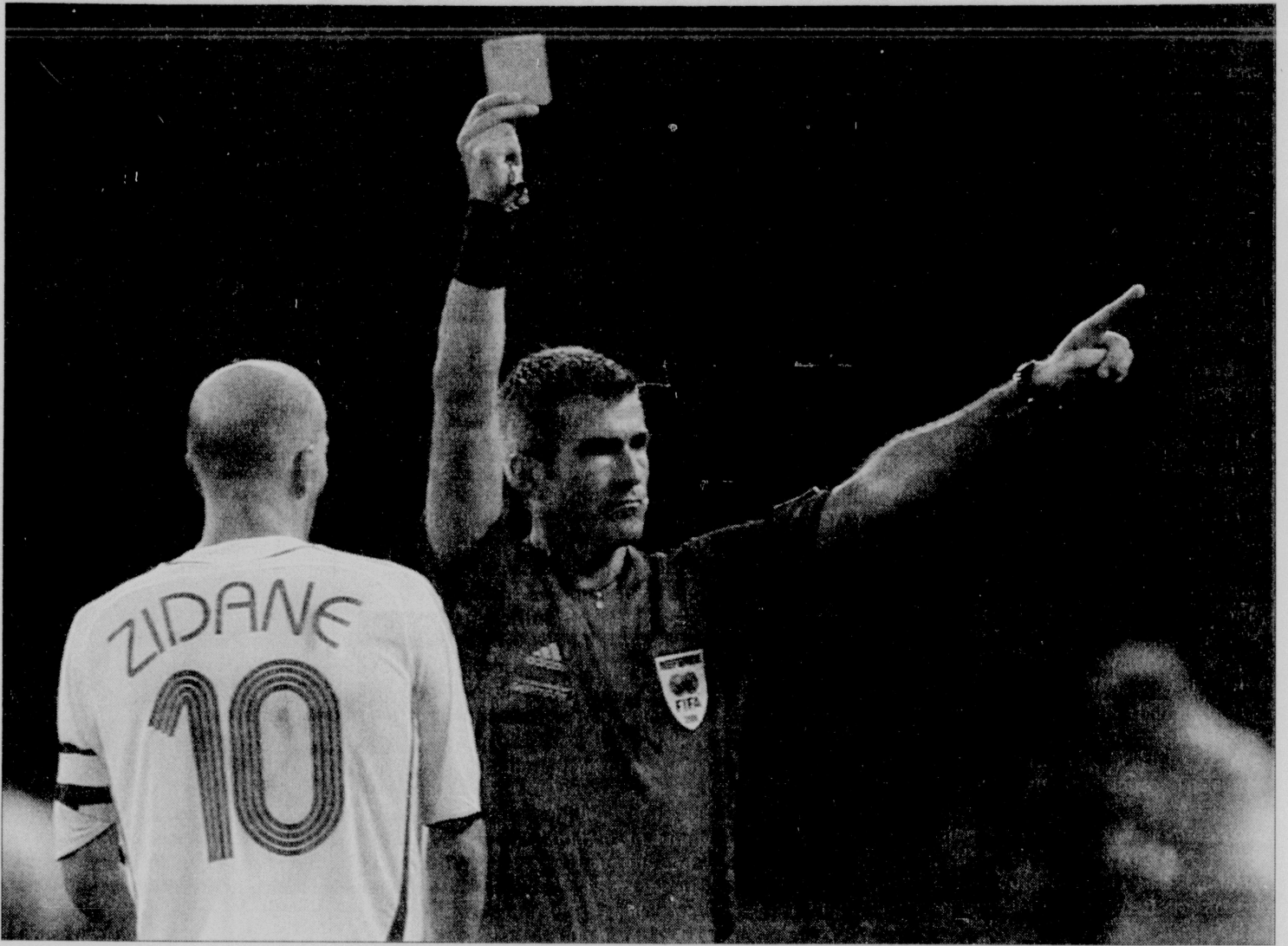
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ZIDANE'S FINAL ACT



Luca Bruno | Associated Press

Zinedine Zidane, France's star midfielder, is ejected from the World Cup Finals in overtime after he viciously head-butted an Italian player. It was a shameful finale for one of soccer's all-time greats, as Zidane has said he will now retire from international and club soccer.

ON THE RECORD

"A former technology manager at a major telecommunications company said that since the Sept. 11 attacks, the leading companies in the industry have been storing information on calling patterns and giving it to the federal government to aid in tracking possible terrorists. 'All that data is mined with the cooperation of the government and shared with them, and since 9/11, there's been much more active involvement in that area,' said the former manager, a telecommunications expert who did not want his name or that of his former company used because of concern about revealing trade secrets."

Eric Lichtblau and James Risen, "Domestic surveillance: The program," *The New York Times*, Dec. 24, 2005

"A security consultant working with a major telecommunications carrier told me that his client set up a top-secret high-speed circuit between its main computer complex and Quantico, Virginia, the site of a government-intelligence computer center. This link provided direct access to the carrier's network core — the critical area of its system, where all its data are stored. 'What the companies are doing is worse than turning over records,' the consultant said. 'They're providing total access to all the data.' ... A government consultant told me that tens of thousands of Americans had had their calls monitored in one way or the other. 'In the old days, you needed probable cause to listen in,' the consultant explained. 'But you could not listen in to generate probable cause. What they're doing is a violation of the spirit of the law.'"

Seymour Hersch, "Listening in," *The New Yorker*, May 29, 2006

"The Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) filed a motion for a preliminary injunction in its class-action lawsuit against AT&T today. However, much of the evidence that was to be included in the motion — as well as the legal arguments based on that evidence — was held back temporarily at the request of the Department of Justice (DOJ). While the government is not a party to the case, DOJ attorneys told EFF that even providing the evidence under seal to the court — a well-established procedure that prohibits public access and permits only the judge and the litigants to see the evidence — might not be sufficient security."

EFF press release, March 31, 2006

"Mark Klein's declaration is based on his personal observations and is relevant to a robust, national debate currently taking place around the country. As an AT&T technician, Mr. Klein's job included repairing and maintaining the fiber optic cables that carry Internet data from all over the world through AT&T's San Francisco central switch. What he observed — that the signal carrying the Internet data over fiber optic cables was 'split' such that an exact copy of the data was redirected to the National Security Agency — had been the topic of public discussion months before he went public with his observations. ... Mr. Klein asks that his declaration be unsealed."

Amicus brief to make public testimony from Mark Klein in the EFF v. AT&T case, May 4, 2006

"The executive branch has consistently tried to evade any restrictions on its electronic surveillance, since the first federal statute prohibiting interception of communications was passed. When Section 605 of the Communications Act of 1934, which prohibited wiretapping, was enacted, federal agents argued that they were immune from the flat prohibition that 'no person not being authorized by the sender shall intercept any communication and divulge or publish the existence contents, substance, purport, effect or meaning of such intercepted communication to any person.' The Supreme Court, however, squarely rejected government immunity in *Nardone v. United States* (1937), when the Court rejected the government's use of wiretap derived evidence in court. The Court construed the statute's 'plain words' and 'clear language' to find that its prohibition applied to the government."

EFF v. AT&T Amicus brief from law professors, June 16, 2006

"In December of 2005, the press revealed that the government had instituted a comprehensive and warrantless electronic surveillance program that violates the Constitution and ignores the careful safeguards set forth by Congress. This surveillance program, purportedly authorized by the President at least as early as 2001 and primarily undertaken by the National Security Agency without judicial review or approval, intercepts and analyzes the communications of millions of Americans. ... But the government did not act — and is not acting — alone. The government requires the collaboration of major telecommunications companies to implement its unprecedented and illegal domestic spying program. On information and belief, AT&T Corp. has opened its key telecommunications facilities and databases to direct access by the NSA and/or other government agencies, intercepting and disclosing to the government the contents of its customers' communications as well as detailed communications records about millions of its customers, including Plaintiffs and class members. This collaboration began before AT&T Corp. was acquired by AT&T Inc. (formerly known as SBC Communications, Inc.). On information and belief, Defendants continue to assist the government in its secret surveillance of millions of ordinary Americans. Complaint for damages by EFF, Jan. 31, 2006

"This lawsuit arises out of a disagreement with the federal government's national security policies. Through this lawsuit, the Plaintiffs seek to challenge intelligence activities allegedly carried out by the National Security Agency at the direction of the President, as part of the government's effort to prevent terrorist attacks by al Qaeda and other associated groups. Plaintiffs believe these activities to be unlawful, allege that AT&T is assisting the NSA with those activities, and seek through this lawsuit to hold AT&T liable for its alleged assistance. Whatever the truth of plaintiffs' allegations or the merits of the underlying dispute over the lawfulness of the NSA surveillance activities acknowledged by the President, this case has been brought by the wrong plaintiffs and it names the wrong defendants. ... We are aware of no case in which a telecommunications carrier — even when known to be involved in such activities — has ever been held liable for allowing or assisting government-directed surveillance. As a result, whether or not it had any role in the Program, AT&T is entitled to immediate dismissal."

Motion by AT&T Corp. to dismiss the EFF v. AT&T case, April 28, 2006

"AT&T Inc. is incorporated in Delaware. Its principal (and only) place of business is in San Antonio, Texas. ... AT&T Inc. is a holding company, conducts no business of its own and has no assets other than stock in its subsidiaries. AT&T Inc. provides no telecommunications services or Internet services to the public, and does not itself make or sell any products or services. AT&T Inc. does not provide telecommunications or Internet services to the public or, for that matter, make or sell any products or services. It owns various subsidiaries, some of which offer telecommunications services. ... Rule 12(b)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure governs motions to dismiss for lack of personal jurisdiction. Plaintiffs have the burden of establishing that the Court has personal jurisdiction over the defendants."

Motion by ATT, Inc., to dismiss the EFF v. AT&T case, April 28, 2006

"It cannot be disputed that the United States properly has asserted the state secrets privilege in this case. The Director of National Intelligence [John Negroponte] ... has formally asserted the state secrets privilege after personal consideration of the matter. ... Similarly, in *Ellsberg v. Mitchell* (D.C. Cir 1983), a group of individuals filed suit after learning during the course of the "Pentagon Papers" criminal proceedings that one or more of them had been subject to warrantless electronic surveillance. Although two such wiretaps were admitted, the Attorney General asserted the state secrets privilege, refusing to disclose to the plaintiffs whether any other such surveillance occurred. As a result of the privilege assertion, the court upheld the district court's dismissal of the claims brought by the plaintiffs. The Government had not admitted overhearing, because those plaintiffs could not prove actual injury. The same result is required here. In light of the state secrets assertion, Plaintiffs cannot prove that their communications were intercepted or disclosed by AT&T, and thus they cannot meet their burden to establish standing. Accordingly, like other similar cases before it, this action must be dismissed."

Government motion to dismiss (or for summary judgement) from the Justice Department, May 12, 2006

"I support [The Director of National Intelligence]'s assertion of the state secrets privilege and statutory privilege to prevent the disclosure of the information detailed in my classified declaration that is available for the Court's ... review. ... Moreover, because proceedings in this case risk disclosure of privileged and classified intelligence-related information, I respectfully request that the Court not only protect that information from disclosure, but also dismiss this case to stem the harms to the national security of the United States that will occur if it is litigated."

Declaration of Lieutenant General Keith B. Alexander, Director, National Security Agency, May 12, 2006

Virginia university puts iPod on school supply list to supplement multiple music major courses

By Gerren LaQuint Fisher
Daily Texan Staff

For music majors at Virginia's Radford University, iPods are no longer just a popular recreational accessory. Starting this fall, the portable music players are as required as a textbook.

The Radford iPod initiative was the idea of David Zuschin, music history and literature professor. Tired of juggling CDs for

teaching music history, Zuschin started using iPods to more easily handle the music required for his courses. Over time, the professor proposed to the Radford music school this use could be replicated throughout the entire music school for students and instructors.

"We purchased 26 iPods for students to use in a music history course," said Zuschin of

Radford's iPod pilot program, which was used to test the idea. All of the music to be studied in the course was stored on the devices and the trial turned out to be a success with the students, Zuschin said.

The requirement has been met with some criticism from the student body, but Zuschin said those concerns have been addressed.

"Students were naturally wor-

ried about cost and why they have to go with an iPod," said Zuschin. Though Radford recommends students purchase a 30- or 60-gigabyte iPod, the iPod Nano has been deemed an acceptable alternative. The requirement for iPod over other digital music devices is rooted in uniformity with Radford's Opus X digital music library.

"[Opus X] is just an iTunes data-

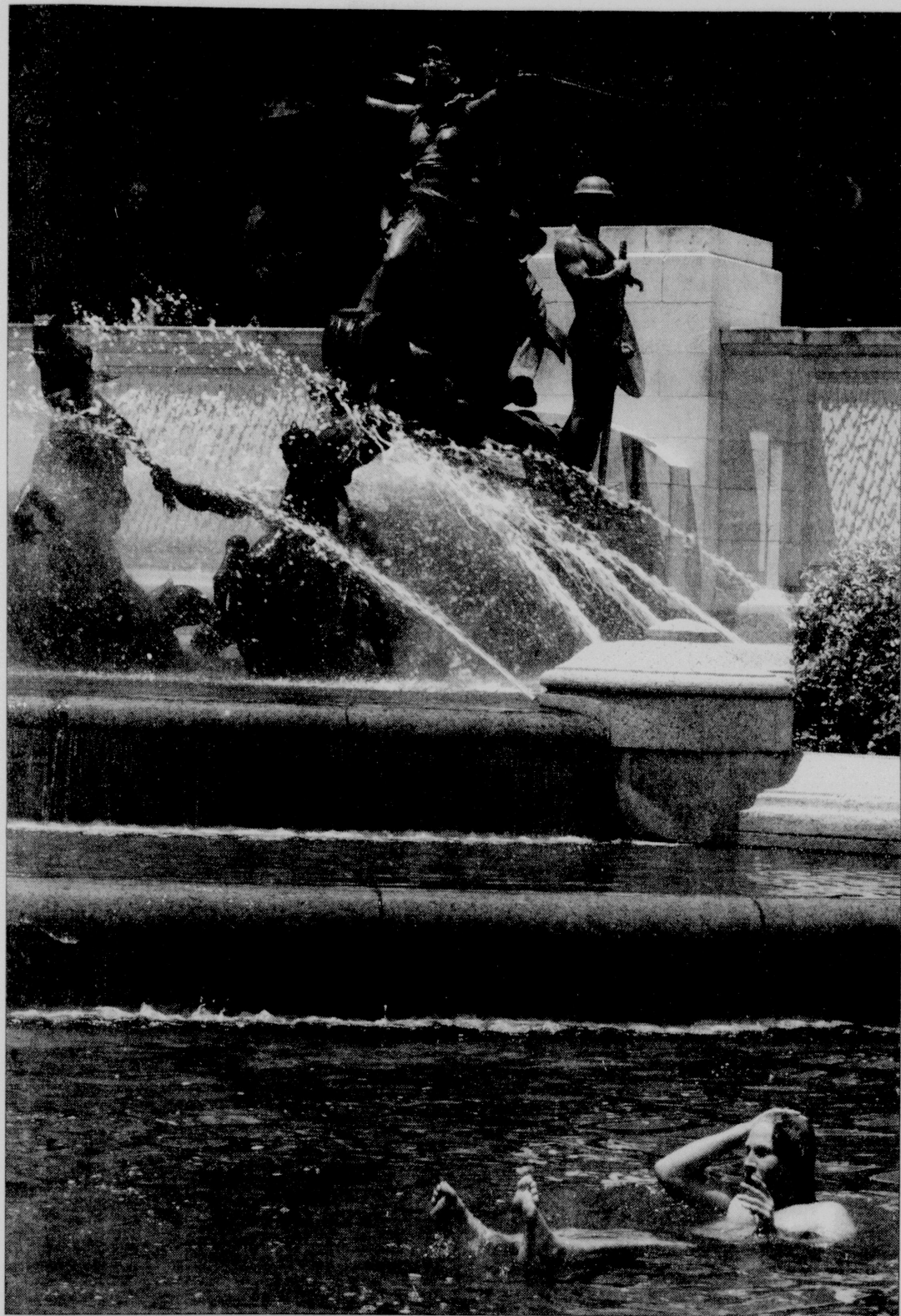
base," Zuschin said. "One computer will be a server with the entire library's CD collection."

iTunes will stream music to allow students to listen in the lab and students will go to a lab proctor to download music into their iPods.

The iPod initiative is comparable to other technological initiatives at other schools, Zuschin said. Since the fall semester of

2002, UT students engaged in College of Education teacher preparation professional certification programs have been required to have Apple laptop computers. Students in the full-time McCombs School of Business MBA program are required to have a laptop computer, running both Microsoft Windows XP and Office 2003 and able to connect to an Ethernet or wireless network.

IS THAT ALLOWED?



Jason Sweeten | Daily Texan

Jared Shaved cools off in the Littlefield Fountain on Sunday afternoon.

UNIVERSITY BRIEFLY

UT hospitals among nation's best

U.S. News and World report named UT M.D. Anderson Cancer Center the nation's second-best cancer center and recognized three other UT System hospitals in its annual survey of America's best hospitals.

M.D. Anderson fell less than 1 percentage point behind the leader, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City. UT-affiliated St. Luke's Episcopal hospital in Houston ranked No. 6 in heart disease treatment. UT Medical Branch ranked No. 50 and No. 27 in kidney disease and ear, nose and throat, respectively.

Also, the UT Health Science Center in San Antonio was recognized for heart surgery, orthopedics and endocrinology specialties. Out of more than 5,000 respondents

to the survey, only 176 made the list in a single specialty. In addition to cancer, MD Anderson ranked among the top 10 in the fields of gynecology, urology, and ear, nose and throat.

"To be named one of the best cancer hospitals in the nation and the only one in Texas is truly an honor," said M.D. Anderson President John Mendelsohn. "It recognizes M.D. Anderson's commitment to providing our patients with the very best in innovative treatments based on research."

The survey used an index combining several criteria to evaluate the care, according to an U.S. News and World Report article explaining the survey's methodology. Patient mortality, nurse-to-patient ratio, technology and reputation factored into each hospital's ranking.

—Justin Ward

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UT System professor recognized in hall of fame

By Stephanie Matlock
Daily Texan Staff

UT Southwestern professor and Cancer Immunobiology Center Director Ellen Vitetta has been inducted into the Texas Women's Hall of Fame.

Vitetta, a strong activist for women in science, is among four women recognised this year for long-lasting contributions to the state. Other 2006 inductees include an artist, the director of Casa de Esperanza and the Texas commissioner of education.

"I regard The Texas Women's Hall of Fame to be important for the women in Texas, and my election to this group to be a great honor," Vitetta said.

Research done by Vitetta

includes her co-discovery of Interleukin-4, a molecule that helps to regulate many cells both inside and out of the immune system; the development of immunotoxins and monoclonal antibodies; and the development of a ricin vaccine.

The ricin vaccine was made from a chain from ricin that was genetically engineered to be non-toxic, but able to generate anti-ricin antibodies when injected into mice and humans, Vitetta said. The vaccine protected mice from 10 lethal doses. Then blood was taken from people, who were also given the vaccine and produced antibodies, and a serum was made which was then introduced into mice. They were protected from

ricin once challenged with it, suggesting the antibodies made by human volunteers would have also worked in people.

Vitetta, who holds the Scheryle Simmons Patigian Distinguished Chair in cancer immunobiology, served for 10 years as chair of UT Southwestern's Women in Science and Medicine Advisory Committee.

"It is important for young women not to have to go through many of the things that I went through," Vitetta said. "Things will be easier for them as a result of the activism by my generation of women."

Vitetta will be honored in a ceremony on Oct. 11 in Austin, and said she plans to continue her work at UT Southwestern.

SCHOLARSHIPS: Aid offers new opportunities

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federally funded agency that provides affordable housing and supportive services to approximately 19,000 residents and 7,000 families.

HACA President James Hargrove said that the scholarship money will help put these residents on path to better their life.

"Making scholarships avail-

able to residents that live in public housing affords them an opportunity to get the skills necessary to move on and achieve their goals and dreams," Hargrove said. "I'm proud of them, because they have stepped out of certain circumstances that most people would just throw their hands up."

Ortiz said people of all ages can pursue their educational dreams

and had some words of advice to other public housing residents who are in a similar situation.

"I encourage other men and women who live in public housing and feel that they can't do anything with their life because of their surroundings, that you can do it," said Ortiz. "You have to be persistent and have goals, but don't let where you live or your situation bring you down."

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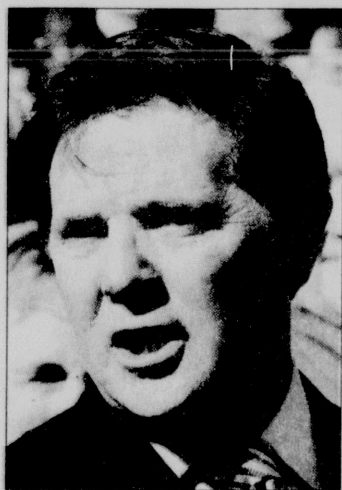
ELECTION: Sugar Land race may include DeLay on ballot

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The Texas Republican Party appealed to the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans immediately after Sparks' ruling Thursday in Austin. Attorney Jim Bopp said he hoped to have a decision from the higher court this month, allowing the GOP to nominate a new candidate.

DeLay, who is awaiting trial on Texas charges of money laundering and conspiracy in a campaign finance case, won the Republican primary in March but resigned from Congress on June 9 and said he has moved to Virginia.

He still owns — and his wife, Christine, still lives in — his



Tom DeLay

Sugar Land house, where DeLay also spends time, the Democrats pointed out.

Democrats want to keep his name and his legal troubles on the minds of voters as Democrat Nick Lampson tries to capture DeLay's 22nd congressional district seat in suburban Houston. The party sued to keep the GOP from removing DeLay's name from the ballot.

Republicans want to name a replacement nominee, and several prominent Houston area politicians are vying for the spot.

The U.S. Constitution states a member of Congress on Election Day must be an inhabitant of the state where his district is located. Sparks said he was not convinced that DeLay would not return to Texas.

Farmers market raises funds for AIDS group

Sunset Valley Farmers Market inspired in part by Whole Foods, founder says

By Kami Loukipoudis
Daily Texan Staff

Despite the threat of rain followed by the blistering sun of summer, the site of Saturday's Sunset Valley Farmers Market was one of activity. Children, parents and dogs roamed amongst the stands in search of fresh produce and unique gifts.

The market held its first Helping Harvest Day, in which 5 percent of all proceeds go to AIDS Services of Austin. The event was based, in part, on Whole Foods' 5-percent days, said Pamela Boyar, market director and founder.

Customers could choose from among organically grown food; farm-raised, grass-fed beef; alternative bakery products; petrified wood, handmade jewelry; and other local businesses' products.

"We are very charitable,"

Boyar said. "Most of our festivals benefit the Capitol Area Food Bank."

Boyar started the Sunset Valley Farmers Market 10 years ago and has been helping out local organizations since. In approximately one year, the Market will have a brand new permanent cover that will feature a solar-powered rain collection system.

ASA is also a participant in many AIDS fundraisers such as its annual AIDS Walk, said Meagan Potts, ASA spokeswoman.

"Twenty-five percent of our budget comes from fundraising, the rest is from federal and government sources," Potts said. And while events such as the Helping Harvest Day bring in a significant amount of revenue, the most profitable events are those organized by the ASA

itself, she said.

Saturday's profits are not designated for any specific use by ASA, and the money will go toward the general services provided to clients, Potts said. ASA provides legal assistance, dental care, case management, a food pantry and assistance with medication to Austinites. There is also a prevention department that will receive a percentage of the profits, Potts said.

Throughout the day, roughly 200 people visited the market. To help with the heat, the customers were handed a free fan labeled with HIV and AIDS statistics in central Texas as well as information on how ASA helps the AIDS community of Austin.

"Infections are on the rise across the board," Potts said.

In Texas there were 29,816 people living with HIV and 22,460 people living with AIDS in 2004, according to the Centers for Disease Control annual report. Only Florida and New York have higher numbers of

infected individuals. According to the same report, Texas was ranked fourth nationally for new HIV and AIDS cases, with 3,298 reported cases, and fourth in the number of cumulative AIDS cases through 2004 with 64,479.

The numbers of new infections is also rising each year, up from 155 in 2003 to 191 in 2004 in the Austin area, according to the report.

"There are more than 3,400 people in Central Texas living with HIV and AIDS," Potts said. "There is also 1,500 to 2,000 people who are infected but don't know." The official number for 2005, given by the Texas Department of State Health Services in the Texas HIV/STD Surveillance Report, reported 3,212 people living with AIDS in Travis county.

Potts was unsure how much money was raised at the event at press time. The constant flow of shoppers through the market on Saturday is an indication of a positive outcome, Boyar said.

Protests in Mexico City draw more than 280,000

By Claire Harlin and JJ Hermes
Daily Texan Staff

MEXICO CITY — In the historic center of Mexico's largest city, street vendors just off the Supreme Court steps serve grilled ears of corn smothered in mayonnaise next to boxes of Q-tips for ten pesos. Mayan Indian dancers bless passers-by with sacred incense near the enormous cathedral.

On Saturday, politics overshadowed culture and commerce as 280,000 people, as estimated by the country's Secretary of Public Security, rallied in support of a vote-by-vote recount of the July 2 presidential election, the second democratic presidential election in modern Mexican history.

Although the Federal Election Institute certified the conservative candidate Felipe Calderon as the winner Thursday, with a 0.58 percent lead, leftist candidate Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, who called for the "Informative Assembly," laid out evidence of fraud amongst the masses Saturday and vowed to fight for victory.

Obrador's campaign coordinator played a telephone recording at the rally that he claimed showed a plot by rivals to make him lose the recount. The recording was allegedly between opposition party government officials the day before the election and said the votes would swing in favor of Calderon.

In his speech, the Democratic Revolution Party leader announced a national political march that will leave Wednesday from the country's 300 electoral districts and head toward Mexico City.

The marches will conclude with another assembly in the same plaza next Sunday. Obrador asked that each person in attendance bring 10 more to the capital.

Although supporters were full of anticipation and loyalty for the charismatic Tabasco state native, they showed a strong lack of control.

Before Obrador's entrance, false alarms caused stampedes.

With the town square completely filled, crowds of riot police barricaded and protected surrounding streets and nearby government buildings.

Fear of violence pervaded some of the build-up to Saturday's assembly, but the event went on without major incidents.

With less than a decade of non-authoritarian rule under Mexico's belt since the early 1900s, such an assembly is a rare occurrence in the nation.

Manuel Duarte, a Mexico native who lives in Los Angeles, said people are much more polarized and disenchanted with the government in Mexico than in the U.S., so they work harder to be involved in the



Claire Harlin | Daily Texan Staff

political realm.

"We really have no voice in Mexico, because the people in power control everything," said Duarte, who was visiting family in Mexico City. "But when you see people unite like this, yes, they have a voice."

Mexican newspapers have been reporting on inconsistencies with the July 2 election.

La Jornada reported Friday that in the state of Jalisco, 290 polling places tallied the exact same number of votes for Calderon. The paper estimated that 40 percent of the ballot boxes in the region had irregularities.

Despite opinions about whether the election was fair, or who the best leader for Mexico is, the next president is faces the challenge of uniting 30 million voters who were split down the middle in favor of Calderon and

Obrador, as well as the 11 million who voted for somebody else.

That uncertainty was compounded by the confusion amongst the public when both candidates announced victories before final counts were announced last Thursday.

"Whatever happens now, it's going to be hard, because the country is so divided," said Israel Ayala, a college student studying communications in Mexico City.

Ayala said he doesn't think that there are problems in Mexico, and the government is headed in the right direction under current President Vicente Fox and Calderon's National Action Party.

"In the past, during the rule of the PRI, we were not even able to assemble like this," Ayala said. "Now we actually have the power and rights."

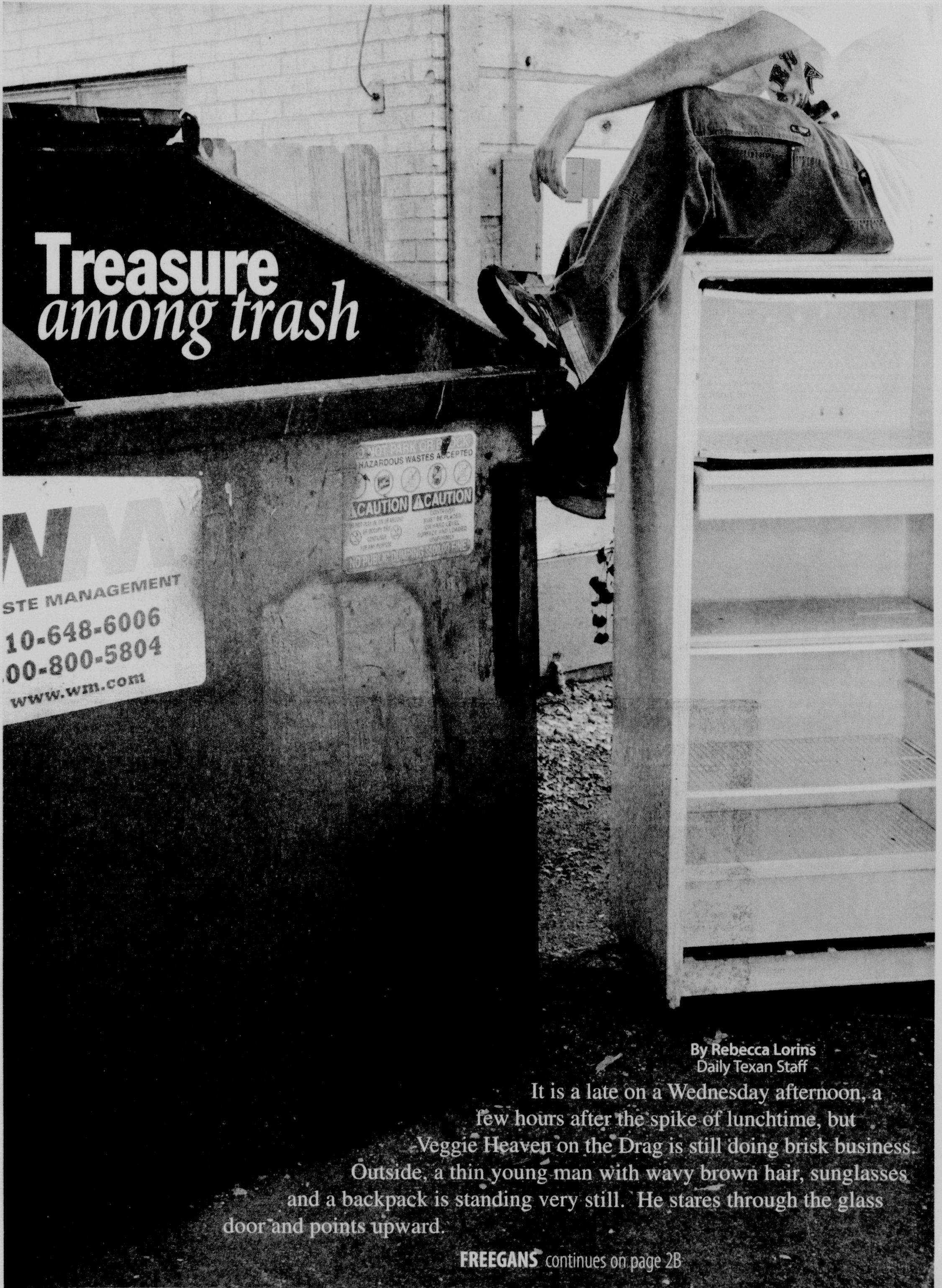


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Thousands assemble in Mexico City calling for a vote-by-vote recount in the recent close presidential election. Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, the Democratic Revolution Party candidate, claims to have evidence of voter fraud. Conservative Felipe Calderon won the election by a .58-percent margin.



Treasure *among trash*

By Rebecca Lorins
Daily Texan Staff

It is a late on a Wednesday afternoon, a few hours after the spike of lunchtime, but Veggie Heaven on the Drag is still doing brisk business. Outside, a thin young man with wavy brown hair, sunglasses and a backpack is standing very still. He stares through the glass door and points upward.

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secure release of
Dallas Austin

R&B producer was arrested in Dubai
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capture life
in Africa

UT alumna records her experiences
in Kenya on film

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Tenor Pavarotti
recovering from
cancer surgery

'King of the High C's' diagnosed
with cancer last week

FREEGANS: Movement claims one man's trash is another's treasure

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After only a beat, a server is at the door with a small container that she hands to the young man, who takes it and walks away.

"Yes, we have a lot of homeless people and others who come here," said Hiong Chen, who works at the restaurant. "We give them food, because otherwise it would go to waste."

Members of a recent political movement, freeganism, would applaud the restaurant's actions. Freegans are on a mission to "rescue" food and other products from languishing in already overfull landfills. Living on the surplus and waste of capitalism, freegans hope to make waste obsolete.

Although there is no single leader articulating the philosophies of freeganism, Adam Weissman, creator of the two-year-old Web site *freegan.info* and de facto spokesperson for freeganism, has emerged as an energetic adherent who wants to spread the word, and he has an increasingly rapt audience. He leads regularly scheduled trash tours in New York City and co-hosts public monthly dinners organized around food recovered from dumpsters.

Weissman defines the word, which is derived from "free" and "vegan," broadly as a set of strategies of non-participation in the current economic structure. These practices may include recovering waste such as disposed food and other products, freecycling, biking, squatting, foraging wild plants and guerilla gardening.

"Lessening one's impact is a shared goal" among freegans, Weissman said.

Freeganism seems to flourish in urban environments, where the concentration of people and commodities is densest and where the cycles of consumption and disposal run exceptionally high. Although there is a range of activities under the umbrella of freeganism, the one activity most often associated with the term is "Dumpster diving," a result of what Weissman calls the "media-created definition" of the word.

Kayla Fanning, a 23-year-old vegan from Austin, said she met freegans while living in San Francisco in 2005. She said she wouldn't be surprised to hear that freeganism existed in Austin, given the conduciveness of the city to alternative lifestyles.

Freeganism does exist in Austin, but in a more dispersed fashion

than the New York public dinners found in headlines.

"I'm not sure if there is much of a freegan community anywhere," said Mark Hano, a two-year resident of Austin who participates in a freegan lifestyle. "Just a bunch of people trying to reduce their impact and contributions to capitalism as part of a larger picture. If freeganism ties into anything, it's anarchism."

Hano, who follows a vegan diet, said he barter for food by volunteering at a grocery store and an organic farm and secures the rest through regular "dumpstering." Certain items, such as bread, are thrown away daily in large quantities, so he reclaims it.

A similar thought passed through Angie Senchack's mind when she began working for restaurants and catering companies after she left her job at Dell. A few years earlier, Senchack earned her bachelor's degree in business and engineering from UT and entered the corporate world without a second thought. Soon, she found herself working 50 to 60 hours a week and "spending money left and right." She said she had the sensation of "rushing through life" and realized she was making money only to spend it on products she didn't need. Finally, she quit.

But the patterns of consumption and waste that Senchack sought to leave at Dell existed in the food industry under a different guise. She understood when her supervisors explained that liability laws prevented them from donating surplus food at the end of a night, but that didn't stop her from feeling horrified when, after a long night working at a restaurant or catering a fancy party, platters of good food were thrown away.

A few months later, Senchack discovered a variety of "freegan" practices, although she prefers the phrase "voluntary simplicity." Today, she works for an environmental nonprofit and promotes sustainability in her everyday life.

Unlike the freeganism of Weissman, which boasts trash receptacle directories online, the freeganism of Austin does not seek the spotlight.

While the avoidance of the media may be propelled by a desire to evade cooptation, it may be rooted in another kind of self-preservation. Freegan Web sites and public networks promote responsible scavenging and cleaning up after oneself as a mat-

ter of ethos, but also as a way to minimize tussles with the law. Freegans worry that the criminalization of dumpstering will deepen as visibility increases. They also express concern that access to their best sources of discarded food and other goods will be cut off by law enforcement or business owners if publicized too widely.

Under the current city code, "scavenging from, disturbing or removing the contents" from any receptacle serviced by the city is treated as a Class C misdemeanor. David Cruz, the court clerk from Justices of the Peace Precinct 5, said he has never seen a case before the court in the nine months he has been there, and Jerry Hendrix, public information administrator for the city's Solid Waste Services, confirmed that the code is "hard to enforce."

The city code applies only to city receptacles, which are usually located at residences. Receptacles at commercial locales are managed by one of several private waste management companies. Although there is no state or city law prohibiting scavenging in these commercial receptacles, business owners may file criminal trespassing charges if the receptacles sits on private property, said Roger Wade, public information officer at the Travis County Sheriff's Office. He added that if the receptacle sits on the curb or street, it is considered public property.

Most business owners do not get as far as the court system. Some, like Veggie Heaven, choose to give away surplus, but it is nearly impossible to eliminate all waste, said Dan Gilotte, general manager of Wheatville Co-op.

The store tries to establish partnerships to limit excessive waste.

"Items like produce and deli items that are past their due date are frequently donated to groups like Food Not Bombs and others," Gilotte said. "We also have some folks with rescued animals that avail themselves of our lettuce trimmings and such."

Some businesses choose to lock their receptacles cutting off access to the contents and rousing freegans' fear. As the largest local donor to the Capital Area Food Bank, HEB donated a total of 1,364,943 pounds of food in 2005. But HEB's disposed waste ends up in a horizontal hydraulic compactor, used by most conglomerates. Storm Miller, a manager at Green Mesquite, said the restaurant

began ordering a securable model of receptacle from Allied Wastes in order to prevent a pattern of intrusive and messy foraging.

Food inspectors from the Environment and Consumer Health Unit at the Austin/Travis County Health Department enforce Texas food establishment rules by making unscheduled visits to businesses that provide food to the public, including restaurants, convenience stores and hospitals, to ensure they comply with state laws based on FDA statutes on food safety. If inspectors identify a violation, they witness the disposal of the contents. Vince Delisi, supervisor in Consumer Health said, "The bottom line is, you don't know why something was thrown out and once it is in the receptacle, it becomes contaminated. It may be poisoned by chemicals, bird droppings, even raw chicken juice." He added that some business owners will even pour bleach on the disposed food to denature it.

"What do we need to do, put up a sign on the Dumpster that said you eat this at your own risk? I hope it doesn't come to that," Delisi said.

Mark Reed, an animal rights activist and vegan who moved to Austin from Columbia, Mo., said that any serious freegan will scrutinize food for contamination. Reed, who practiced freeganism when he lived in Missouri, said that even receptacles at big grocery stores were accessible in Columbia, and that it was fairly easy to figure out if something was edible.

Anne, a former Austinite now living and studying biology in Philadelphia, said it's common knowledge among those who Dumpster-dive that food is "unsellable before it is inedible."

Senchack agreed.

"Many store owners think that if they have five bruised apples among 50, people won't buy any of them," she said. "It's all about presentation." The same thing can be said of freeganism itself, starting with the word.

Barbara Fisher, a food blogger and former journalist, objects to the term "freeganism" and said that what they do is actually parasitical to capitalism.

"They are benefiting from a system which they supposedly stand against," she said.

Trash-picking has been around forever, it is just that nobody called themselves a fancy name

and made up some sort of ring-stick-it-to-the-man philosophy to surround it, Fisher added.

"The idea of freeganism is not new," she said. "Folks in the '60s in Berkeley started reclaiming wasted food and distributing it to poor people."

It is the difference between the freegan and the poor that particularly bothers Fisher. After participating on a listserv devoted to freeganism, she said she believes many freegans engage in their practices in order to help themselves and not to benefit the poor.

Most make distinctions between those who partake in dumpstering because they have to and those who choose the lifestyle as an overtly political critique. Jeff Ferrell, a professor at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth and the author of "Empire of Scrounge," said this distinction is misleading and unhelpful.

Ferrell's book is based on his year as a full-time scrounger after he resigned from his tenured position in Arizona.

"The freegan may articulate their politics a little bit differently or more overtly than the typical scrounger, but folks who live on the street, homeless folks I met in Fort Worth who scrounge also have a keen political sense. They are aware of the gap between rich and poor and develop a critique of an economy that forces them into minimum wage work, if that. Just like the freegans, they are experimenting with ways of living that are different from mindless work and mall shopping."

"Freeganism?" asks Pepper Roberts, sitting on the steps of Austin Resource Center for the Homeless downtown on a Monday waiting for the 6 p.m. meal. "It sounds like something some kid on Guadalupe made up after drinking some wine and smoking a really good joint."

Roberts, who identifies himself as a retired professional camper and a member of Disabled American Musicians, received his bachelor's degree in music with a minor in political science from UT in 1972. Despite his initial appraisal of the term, Roberts said freeganism carries some important insights into our contemporary culture.

"The statement they're making is that we've become a disposable society — a throwaway society," he said, adjusting his wheelchair. "We're rapidly becoming a wasteland, and we even throw

people away."

One of freeganisms' most powerful critiques, according to Ferrell, is of consumerism and the harm done by consumerism.

"Consumerism destroys ecological systems and human communities," he said. "It razes rainforests and destroys sustenance economies. Consumerism is an assault on other species."

But it is the wide variety of animal species that vegans are most concerned about, and many are angry with the way the word "freeganism" echoes the name "veganism" without equally echoing its ethical choices. Although some freegans choose a vegan diet, freeganism does not prescribe a code, and the general philosophy is that when food enters the waste stream it is "divorced from the harm done by its production." Thus, freeganism may justify the eating of meat, if it is free. Although Weissman said that debates between vegans and freegans about the term "freeganism" revolve around a "silly point of etymology," the disagreements run deep.

Ross Abel, a design senior at the University and a long-term vegan, said that while he supports the ideal of freeganism, he dislikes when he sees people who say they are vegan eat meat or food with animal-derived ingredients and justify it as "freegan."

For Weissman, choosing whether or not to consume animal products is an "utterly trivial point." He said that freegans don't see one industry as the root of all evil.

"Our consumption in a capitalist economic model is not defined by what we ingest," he said.

Steven Moore, the co-director of the Center for Sustainable Development at UT, said that freeganism should be taken seriously as a critique of dominant values and habits.

"Sustainable development is best understood as an evolving meta-discourse that is very pluralistic — meaning that there is no orthodox or correct doctrine to follow. In this spirit, freeganism added to the conversation."

"The engine that drives McDonald's exploitation is the influx of capital, not our ingestion of the meat," Weissman said. "They do not care whether we eat their hamburgers or use them as Frisbees. All they care about it is that we spend our money."

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, sits at a piano in his Capitol Hill office in this May 6, 1997, file photo. Hatch, a musician in his own right, helped secure the release of Atlanta R&B producer Dallas Austin from a Dubai jail after a drug conviction, his office confirmed Saturday.



Cameron Craig
Associated Press

Senator helps spring producer from prison

By The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — U.S. Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, a musician in his own right, helped secure the release of Atlanta R&B producer Dallas Austin from a Dubai jail after a drug conviction, the senator's office confirmed Saturday.

In a statement released through his staff, the conservative Republican said he was contacted by Austin's attorneys, then called the ambassador and consul of the United Arab Emirates in Washington on Austin's behalf.

A Grammy winner who has produced hits for Madonna, Pink and TLC, Austin was arrested May 19 and convicted of drug possession for

bringing 1.26 grams of cocaine into Dubai.

On Tuesday a court sentenced him to four years in jail and said Austin, 34, should be deported after serving the term. Hours later, Dubai ruler Sheik Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum pardoned and released Austin.

Hatch spokesman Peter Carr confirmed that both Hatch and Austin employ Atlanta entertainment lawyer Joel Katz. Hatch has written and recorded hundreds of religious and patriotic songs.

Austin's attorneys said they enlisted Hatch's help because he has influence with Dubai.

Hatch said he was confident Austin "will learn from this experience."

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Alumna captures African experience

By Ella Miesner
Daily Texan Staff

Annie Greene never expected to find herself in Africa, but now she is intent on going back. At home in the United States while waiting for her Kenyan work visa to be processed, Greene has finally had time to reflect on her experience and to share it with others through her photographs.

Greene always had an interest in photography, but, as a Psychology and Latin American Studies major on the pre-med track, she never had time in her schedule to take any photography classes. Instead, Greene spent her time studying abroad, traveling to Italy and Mexico, and discovering a passion for global health issues.

Unsure of what path to take after graduation, Greene was referred by a friend to an on-campus Peace Corps recruiter who inspired her to apply to the program. Though she expected an assignment in Latin America, Greene was deployed to impoverished Africa to work on AIDS education initiatives.

Greene found that her work in Africa gave her a new perspective on the continent. "The way we tend to

orient ourselves toward Africa is kind of unhealthy," Greene said. "It's not all about strife."

Not all about strife, but still challenging. Trying to start programs to help people in the community focus on their health was emotionally demanding work. Greene found solace in her photography and her community, keeping her camera as a constant companion as she traveled. Though she lacked formal training or equipment, she sought to convey her new reality to the world through pictures.

The children impacted Greene the most, and they are the subjects of the majority of her photographs.

"The children present an image of hope for the future," Greene said. That image is what she captured on film.

One of the photos, "Living Praises," shows displaced Kenyan children in the act of worship. Greene was impressed by their spiritual devotion, even though they had lost everything but their lives. Another photo, "Rays of Light," features a young girl named Esther whom Greene met in Mwangori, Kenya. Greene said this picture was the first time she had been around Esther without her crying.

After Greene returned to the United States this February, she finally had the chance to process her photographs and look at what was on the film. The photos were recently on exhibit at Tae House in Houston, and Greene would like to show them on campus sometime in the future.

Greene said the reactions of viewers after seeing the pictures have been one of the most interesting parts of the experience. She left a log book in which people recorded their comments, everything from life changing revelations to simple admiration.

Thoughts and perspectives like those elicited in her visitors' book were one of Greene's main goals in putting her images on display.

"I hope what they do is just help us see that children are children," Greene said, "to help us develop a consciousness of what people really are regardless of their circumstances."

Greene's own consciousness has been changed and she will be traveling back to Kenya to work with displaced refugees. Once again, her camera will be her companion, and she hopes to continue to spread a new consciousness of Africa beyond the borders of strife.



Courtesy of Annie Greene

Annie Greene traveled to Africa to work on AIDS education and returned with photographs documenting the experience. This photo, titled "Rays of Light," features Esther, a Kenyan child, who Greene said "never once sat in my presence without crying in protest until this day when she allowed me to photograph her."

Pavarotti diagnosed with cancer, undergoes pancreatic surgery

By Verena Dobnik
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The tenor of his times to opera buffs and a celebrity whose personality captivated even casual fans, Luciano Pavarotti was recovering Friday from surgery for pancreatic cancer, a kind of cancer often considered a death sentence.

His manager said he's recovering well, and two cancer experts said surgery offered improved odds for survival.

The 70-year-old Pavarotti, recognizable around the world with his smiling bearded face and heavy bulk, became the most popular opera tenor since Enrico Caruso during a career that began in his native Italy 45 years ago. In his heyday, he was known as the "King of the High C's" for the ease with which he tossed off difficult top notes, and he turned "Nessun dorma," an aria from Puccini's "Turandot," into a universally recognized signature piece.

Pavarotti was preparing to leave New York last week to resume a farewell tour when doctors discovered a malignant pancreatic mass, manager Terri Robson said from her London office. All his remaining 2006 concerts have been canceled.

"Fortunately, the mass was able to be completely removed at surgery," she said, adding that "his physicians are encouraged by the physical and emotional resilience of their patient."

She told The Associated Press he underwent surgery within the past week at a New York hospital that she declined to identify. He remained hospitalized on Friday.

Because pancreatic cancer is usually diagnosed at an advanced stage, it has one of the worst prognoses of all types of malignancies. Fewer than 4 percent of patients are still alive five years after diagnosis, and the majority die within a year.

But when the cancer is contained and can be surgically removed — as was Pavarotti's — "that means he has a chance for long-term survival," said Dr.

Dan Laheru, an oncologist at the Johns Hopkins Kimmel Cancer Center in Baltimore, one of the world's leading institutions for pancreatic cancer.

Current studies show that 15 percent to 20 percent of patients with pancreatic cancer who have had surgery are still alive five years after being diagnosed, Laheru said. Of such patients, 63 percent survive one year and 42 percent two years.

"The fact that he had surgery suggests his disease was localized, and the outlook is more optimistic," said Dr. Len Lichtenfeld of the American Cancer Society.

The pancreas, a 6-inch-long organ that lies behind the stomach, serves two main functions. It produces insulin that controls the body's use of sugar, and it secretes enzymes needed to digest food. The cause of pancreatic cancer isn't known, but risk factors include age, cigarette smoking, excess weight and a fatty diet.

At an age when most tenors are long retired, Pavarotti's infrequent performances in recent years capped a four-decade career at the pinnacle of the music industry.

He took advantage of the television age to become a widely marketed artist, especially as one of the Three Tenors, including Plácido Domingo and José Carreras, who sang together at four World Cup soccer finals.

Domingo's eyes welled with tears at the beginning and the end of a concert he participated in Friday night in Berlin for this year's World Cup final.

"When I was singing the last aria, I couldn't help being quite sad, thinking that Luciano is in this moment suffering," Domingo said. "It was very, very emotional."

Domingo said he last saw Pavarotti in May, when he visited him in the New York hospital where Pavarotti was recovering from back treatment. "His innate strength seemed to have conquered those troubles, and I hope that the same inner fortitude will make him overcome his current

troubles. In the meantime, I'm sending from Europe to New York the most positive thoughts and much affection through space to him."

The Three Tenors gave their first concert exactly 16 years ago Friday in Rome after Carreras overcame leukemia, and Domingo said Pavarotti's illness might spark a reunion. "Once we did it when Jose was feeling bad. It would be very nice to be able to do it for Luciano," Domingo said.

While Pavarotti's active career in operas was over, fans around the world anticipated his concerts — often electronically amplified. His last performance was at the Turin Winter Olympics when he sang "Nessun dorma" at the opening ceremony.

Pavarotti then canceled eight concerts in April to undergo back treatment and postponed five June dates because of complications from back surgery.

The tenor has kept a residence in New York, where he'd made his Metropolitan Opera debut on Nov. 23, 1968, in Puccini's "La Bohème." He became an international superstar after nailing nine high C's in "Ah! Mes amis," as Tonio in Donizetti's "La Fille du Regiment" at the Met in 1972.

Pavarotti's Met finale, on March 13, 2004, was his 379th performance with the company.



Tenor Luciano Pavarotti underwent surgery for pancreatic cancer and is "recovering well," his manager said Friday. The singer was preparing to leave New York last week when doctors discovered a malignant pancreatic mass.

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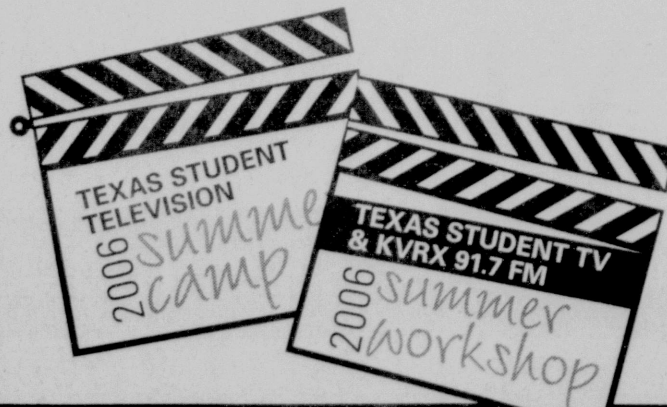
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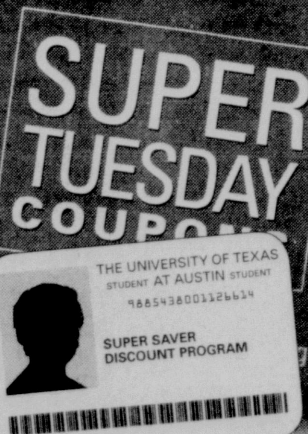
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by Shaun Stewart

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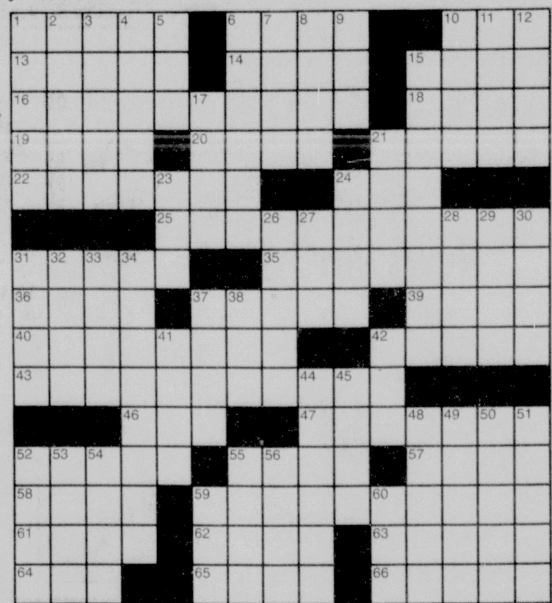
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ACROSS

- 1 Soccer scores
6 Not go to
10 Crow's call
13 "Kate & _____" of 1980's TV
14 Opera set on the banks of the Nile
15 Pepsi, but not 7-Up
16 Conversation filler #1
18 Tends a garden
19 Rotary telephone part
20 Sale tag words
21 Cowboy's workplace
22 Lively, playful musical piece
24 Rank above maj.
25 Conversation filler #2
31 An arm and a leg

- 35 Place for an F.D.R. chat
36 Smell
37 _____ Michaels of "S.N.L."
39 Les États-____
40 Lamp fuel
42 Dead tired
43 Conversation filler #3
46 "Obviously!"
47 Lines on weather maps
52 Geek
55 Not just one of the two
57 Basic util.
58 Frees (of)
59 Conversation filler #4
61 Meter or liter
62 Shoe bottom
63 Ouzo flavoring
64 Understand
65 Gorbachev was its last leader: Abbr.

- 66 Extend the due date of
DOWN
1 "Oh, fer _____ sake!"
2 Kind of acid
3 To whom a Muslim prays
4 City NNE of Paris
5 The Caribbean, e.g.
6 Gives the green light
7 New Zealand bird
8 Mrs. William McKinley and others
9 Salary
10 Masked critter
11 Actor Baldwin
12 Laundry
15 Attributes (to)
17 "The Producers" extra
21 Womanizer
23 "Treasure Island" inits.
24 Very center
26 Violinist
27 Yang's counterpart
28 Full complement of baseball players
29 Valhalla chief
30 Pacific states, with "the"
31 Trickster in Norse myth
32 The same: Lat.
33 Extra



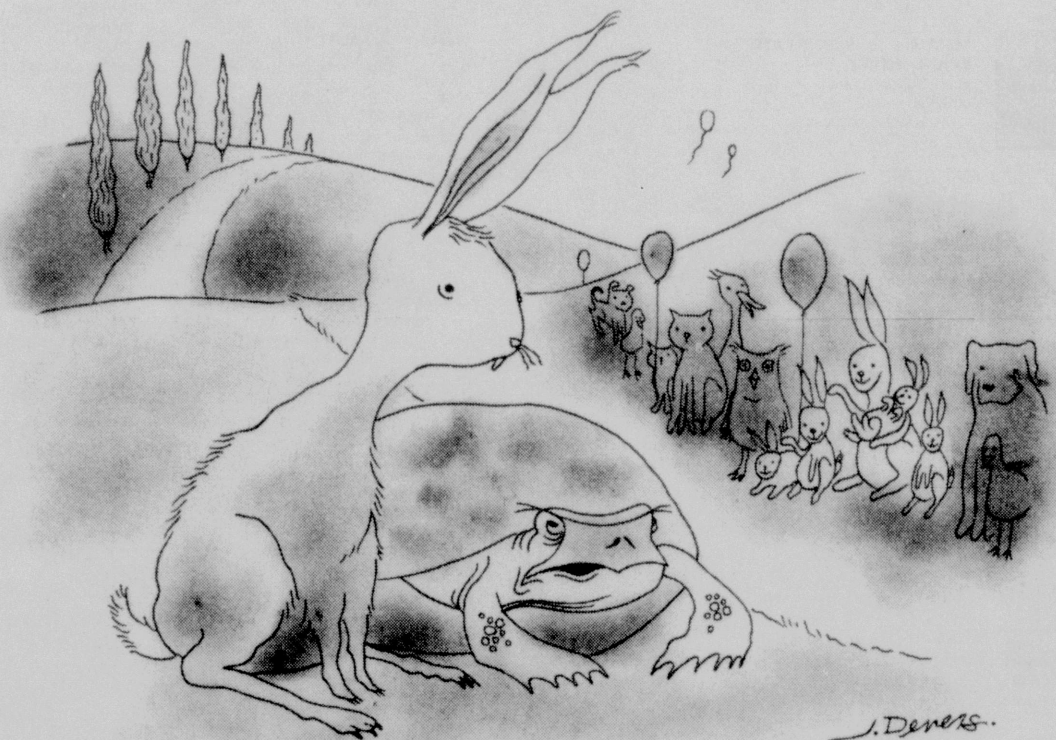
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- 34 Most encompassing
37 Lustful one, informally
38 Yoko, the "fifth Beatle"
41 Treat rudely
42 _____ cone
44 One or the other
45 Worker safety grp.
48 Designer Geoffrey
49 _____ Ailey American Dance Theater
50 Witherspoon of "Walk the Line"
51 Fastener that's twisted in
52 Pharmaceutical
53 Merlot, for one
54 Revise
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59 Sch. in Stillwater
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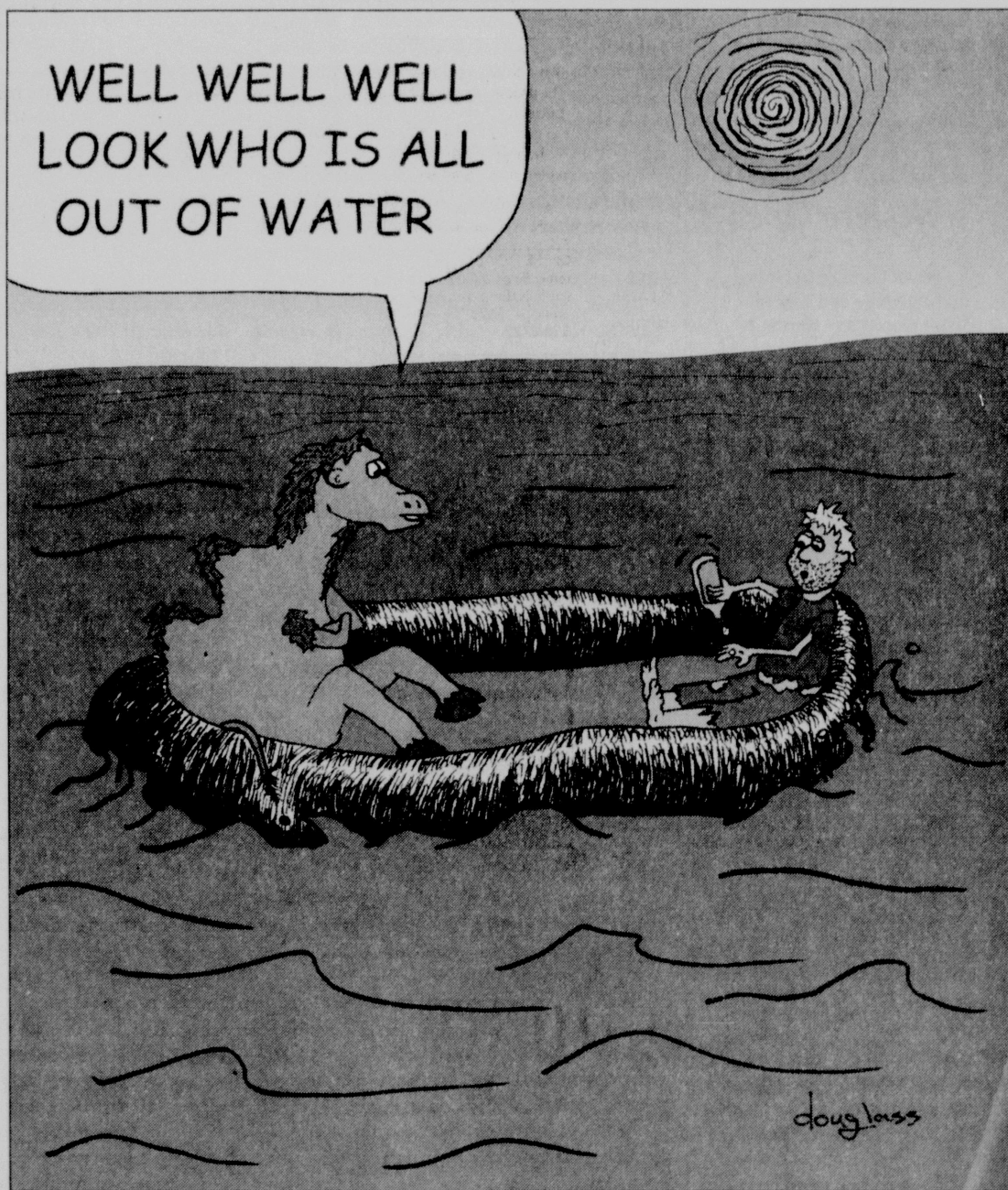
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Answers to the Friday, July 7 puzzle

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Newsworthy



Federer, Mauresmo win Wimbledon

Top-ranked Roger Federer got even against No. 2 Rafael Nadal as Federer ended a five-match losing streak to Nadal on Sunday, winning 6-0, 7-6 (5), 6-7 (2), 6-3 to earn his fourth straight Wimbledon title and eighth Grand Slam championship.

Nadal had beaten Federer in four finals this year, including at the French Open last month, but couldn't match him on the Swiss star's favorite surface.

The milestones keep piling up for the 24-year-old Federer, who strengthens the case for consideration as being among the greatest players of all time.

In winning his 48th consecutive match on grass, he became the third player in the Open era to capture four successive Wimbledon championships, joining Bjorn Borg (five straight from 1976-80) and Pete Sampras (1997-00).

On Saturday, Amelie Mauresmo was able to capture her first Wimbledon title over Justine Henin-Hardenne.

Mauresmo sank into her chair after losing the first set of the Wimbledon final and buried her face in a towel.

Then Mauresmo straightened up and gave herself a little talking-to, deciding that this was the moment to cast off the burden of being known as a player who couldn't come through when it counted.

Holding her serve and her nerve down the stretch, Mauresmo came back to beat Justine Henin-Hardenne 2-6, 6-3, 6-4 on Saturday to win Wimbledon for her second Grand Slam title — and first that she got to celebrate properly.

—The Associated Press

Immelman wins Western Open

Trevor Immelman birdied the 18th hole and held off Tiger Woods and Matthew Goggin to win the Western Open on Sunday for his first PGA Tour victory.

Immelman needed to par the 18th to win. Instead, he knocked in a 32-foot putt for a birdie, putting him at 13-under 271 for the tournament, two strokes ahead of Woods and Goggin.

Vijay Singh, the leader through three rounds, was 2 over for the day to fall out of contention. Singh and defending champion Jim Furyk finished at 9 under.

Phil Mickelson shot 71 and finished 3 over in his first tournament since the U.S. Open, where a double-bogey on the final hole cost him the championship.

Immelman birdied the 15th and 16th holes to go to 13 under. He let out a grin after hitting a 10-foot putt on 16.

The South African, who has four European tour victories, bogeyed 17 but made up for it on the 18th and finished at 4-under-par 67 for the day.

—AP

Rangers rally to top Twins' ace

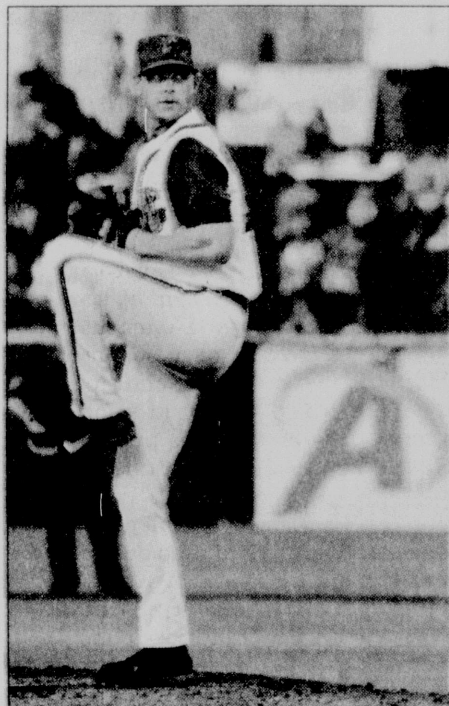
All-Star left-hander Johan Santana was making quick work of the Texas Rangers, striking out five of the first six batters he faced.

Until the Rangers finally got a blop and then a couple of late blasts, two-run homers by Mark Teixeira and All-Star center fielder Gary Matthews, to beat the Minnesota Twins and Santana 5-2 on Sunday in the teams' last game before the break.

For the third year in a row, the Rangers (45-43) have a winning record at the All-Star break. They finished third in the AL West the last two seasons.

—AP

Pitchers duel in Round Rock



Jason Sweeten | Daily Texan Staff

Brandon Backe winds up for a pitch during his rehab start with the Round Rock Express.

By Brad Gray
Daily Texan Staff

ROUND ROCK — For the second time this year, the Round Rock Express got a taste of the major leagues.

Three weeks after Roger Clemens' rehab start, Houston Astros starting pitcher Brandon Backe pitched for the Express against Ben Sheets, who was also making his second minor-league start for the Nashville Sounds before returning to the Milwaukee Brewers for a workout in Arizona on July 13. Backe is returning from an elbow injury, while Sheets is nursing a case of tendonitis in his shoulder.

Backe started off in a hole in the first inning. He gave up a walk to Sounds center fielder Tony Gwynn Jr., who quickly scored on a Dave Krynzel single after stealing second.

"The start to the game was rough," Backe said. "I got into

an 0-2 count to Gwynn, and I just tried to pound the zone. But he came back, and I ended up walking him."

Despite the first-inning mishap, Backe recovered quickly and got into a rhythm in the second, retiring three with the help of a Mike Rodriguez diving catch in center field. He went on to give up seven hits and two runs and struck out five batters after throwing 93 pitches.

"I felt more confident as the game went on," Backe said. "There weren't a lot of balls that were hit hard. I don't know about my speed, but that shows that my location was pretty good."

Sheets' toughest batter was Backe himself. Backe hit two doubles during his two at-bats and drove in two runs in a fashion befitting a player that spent most of his earlier days in the outfield and only started

pitching when he played for Galveston Community College. Sheets said that he didn't mind having to face another major league player.

"I don't really care who it is. I'm just here to get myself back into shape."

Ben Sheets,
Nashville Sounds' starter

"I don't really care who it is," Sheets said. "I'm just here to get myself back in shape. I want to do well for these guys out here, because they're busting their butts, but for me the results don't matter. It's just a matter of how I'm feeling and whether I can get back and help the Brewers out."

Backe's hits as well as a

Cody Ransom home run were enough to lift the Express over the Sounds to a 4-3 victory.

Noticeably absent from Sunday's game were Express Manager Jackie Moore and right-handed pitcher Jason Hirsh, who were playing at the All-Star Futures Game in Pittsburgh, a prelude for the Major League All-Star Game.

The rest of the team takes a four-day break before traveling to New Orleans to take on the Zephyrs in a four-game series beginning on July 13.

Pitchers Chris Baker and Jason Hirsh, as well as left fielder Luke Scott, will make the trip up to Toledo, Ohio, to represent the Express at the Triple-A All Star Game on July 12.

Brandon Backe will make his next scheduled rehab start July 14 against the Sounds, before he is expected to make his return to the reigning National League Champion Astros.

Italians win 4th World Cup title

By Barry Wilner
The Associated Press

BERLIN — The beautiful game turned vicious, even venomous Sunday.

It was all still beautiful to Italy.

And very ugly for France, which lost captain Zinedine Zidane with a red card after his nasty head butt in extra time, and then went down 5-3 in a shootout after a 1-1 draw.

Explanations were nonexistent for Zidane's action in the 110th minute of his farewell game. He was walking upfield near defender Marco Materazzi when, in his final act for his national team, he bashed his shaven head into Materazzi's chest.

Not quite. Zidane, who is retiring, might have been provoked, but he definitely knocked over Materazzi.

Without their leader, the French still had their chance in the shootout. But the Italians, never masters of the penalty kick, made all five, setting off an hour of hugging, dancing and fist-pumping celebrations.

"This squad showed great heart," Gennaro Gattuso said. "Maybe it wasn't pretty, but we were hard to beat."

They were impossible to beat and gave up only one goal actually scored by an opponent. And no, it was not pretty.

Outplayed for an hour and into extra time, the Italians won it after Zidane committed the ugliest act of a tournament that set records for yellow and red cards, diving and, at times, outright brutality.

Without their leader for the shootout, the French only missed once. But Italy was perfect. Fabio Grosso clinched the Azzurri's fourth championship, and his teammates had to chase him halfway across the pitch to celebrate.

Until now, no team since the last Azzurri champions in 1982 had to endure the stress and anguish of a soccer scandal. Rather than be disrupted by the current probe ripping apart the national sport back home, the Italians survived.

Verdicts in the match-fixing trial that could relegate four teams — and 13 of Italy's 23 players — to lower divisions are expected next week.

France underwent a renaissance of its own in the last month. The French, racked by dissension, nearly went out in the first round for the second straight World Cup, and then Zidane turned them around. They controlled the flow of play Sunday, only to fail to finish through 120 minutes.

Their only goal, Zidane's penalty kick in

the seventh minute, was the lone score by an Italy opponent in seven games.

But the Italians put the ball into the net 12 minutes later on Materazzi's header off a corner kick. And then they held on in a game marked by sloppiness and malice.

Rarely did Italy threaten over the final 75 minutes. But the Azzurri ignored recent history — they lost a quarterfinal shootout to France in 1998, when Les Bleus went on to their only championship.

Andrea Pirlo, Materazzi, Daniele De Rossi and Alessandro Del Piero all easily beat France goalkeeper Fabien Barthez in the shootout. The difference was the miss by rarely used David Trezeguet, which hit the crossbar on France's second attempt.

When Grosso connected with his left foot, the sliver of Italian fans in the opposite corner of Olympic Stadium finally could let out their breath — and screams of victory.

With a 25-game unbeaten streak dating back nearly two years, the Italians added this title to their championships in 1934, 1938 and '82.

Zidane used his head again in the 110th, albeit the wrong way, and almost got away it. Argentine referee Horacio Elizondo didn't see the butt, and Buffon charged out of his net imploring Elizondo to seek help.

The ref finally asked his assistant on the sideline, then pulled out the red card.

France's Thierry Henry went down in the first minute in a seemingly innocent collision with the impregnable Cannavaro. Henry stayed on the ground, clearly dazed, for two minutes before being helped off with an ice bag held to his head.

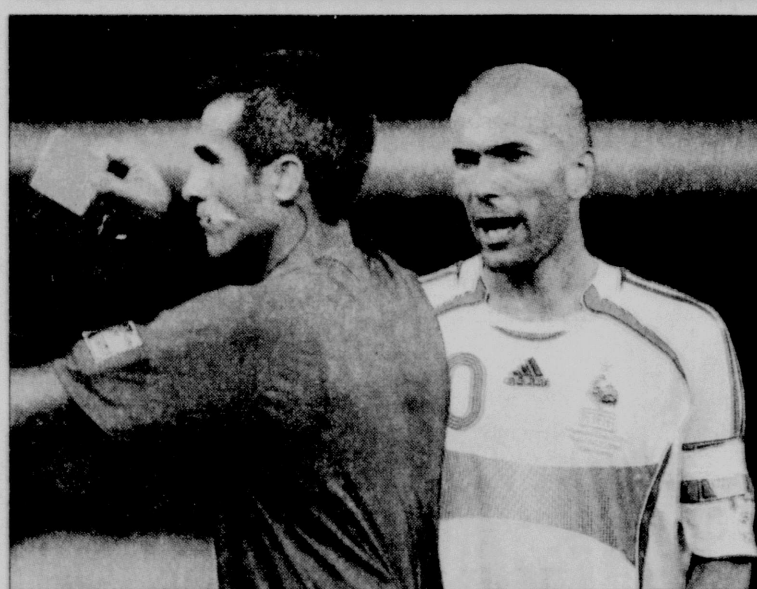
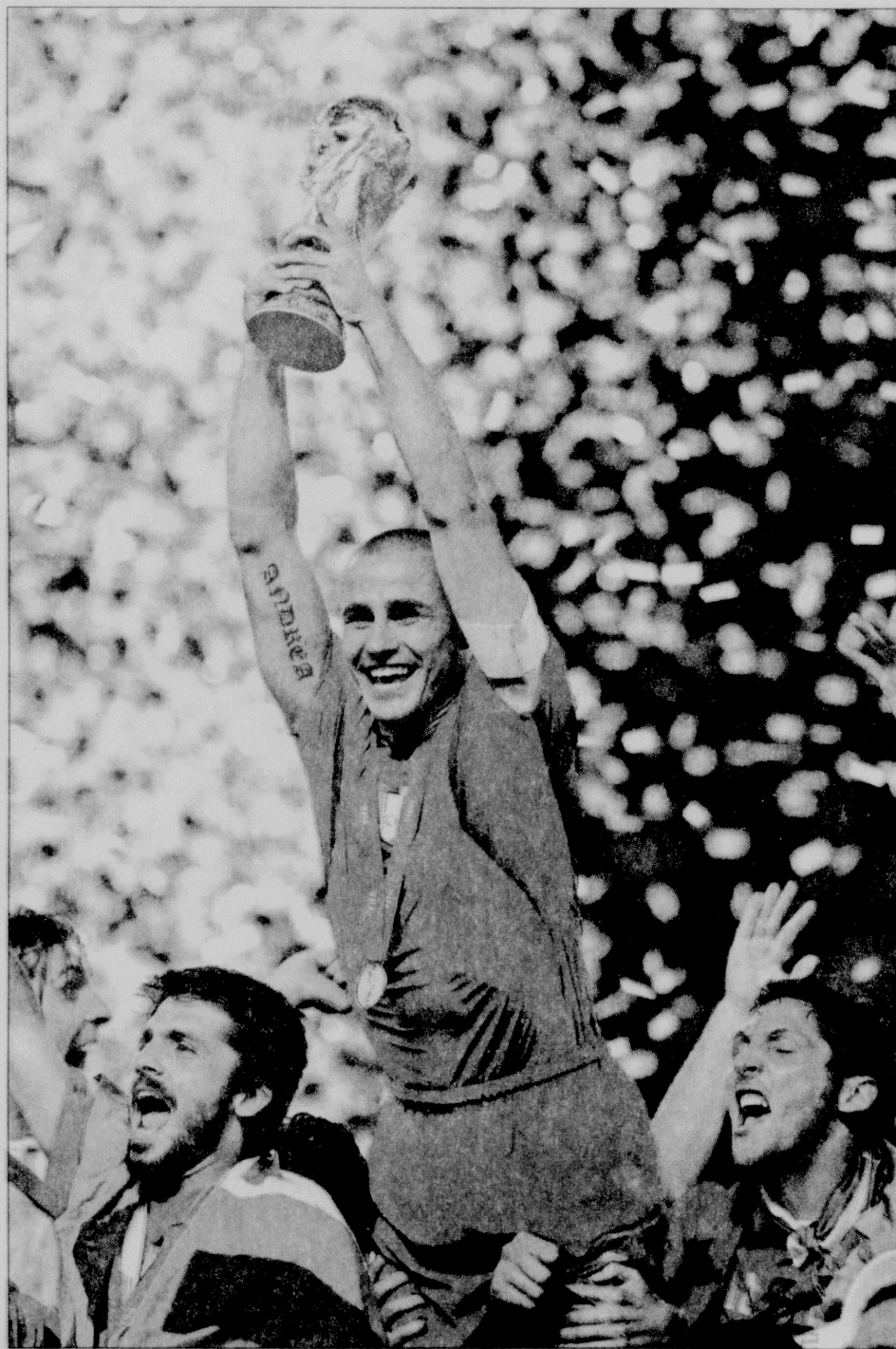
The striker soon came back and his first touch, naturally, was a header. It was a terrific one, too, falling at the feet of a breaking Florent Malouda.

Malouda stumbled — many might say dived — in the penalty area and Elizondo immediately signaled a penalty kick.

For the rest of the half, the French showed little of the flair that carried them this far. And Italy tied it with one of its strengths: a set piece.

Mauro Camoranesi won a corner kick on right wing and was setting up to take it when Andrea Pirlo signaled Camoranesi to back off. Pirlo took the corner, a perfect spiral that found the head of defender Materazzi above France's Patrick Vieira.

Materazzi's header soared past goalkeeper Fabien Barthez to tie it.



Above, Italian Fabio Cannavaro celebrates with his team after defeating France in penalty kicks in the World Cup finals. Left, French star Zinedine Zidane is ejected from the final by referee Horacio Elizondo.

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Longhorn pitching coach leaves for North Carolina State

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Former Longhorn pitching coach Tom Holliday has accepted a position as associate head coach and recruiting coordinator at North Carolina State, ending his three-year career at Texas.

At NC State, Holliday joins head coach Elliott Avent and assistant coaches Tony Guzzo and Jeff Waggoner.

"Elliott has a quality program, and I'm proud to be part of his staff," Holliday said. "Our goal is to get the Wolfpack as a regular

participant in the College World Series."

This will be the first time the two coaches have coached the same team, but Holliday and Avent aren't strangers by any means, which makes the move a little less surprising.

"I've known the Holliday family for many years, and they will make a great addition to the Wolfpack family," Avent said. "Tom is a great coach, and he has been a good friend. This is a real coup for NC State University."

Holliday begins coaching next

season at the school that ended Texas' run of College World Series appearances last season. The Wolfpack knocked the Longhorns out of the 2006 NCAA tournament during the Austin Regional before having their season end there too.

That game also marked the end of Holliday's third season under Texas head coach Augie Garrido. While at Texas, Holliday received College Baseball Magazine's Pitching Coach of the Year in 2005 and worked with current Oakland A's closer Huston Street.

"Tom will be missed by our entire program. We are thankful for all of his hard work and devotion to our entire team over the past three seasons at The University of Texas," Garrido said. "As the associate head coach and recruiting coordinator at N.C. State, [Holliday] has the opportunity to act on the leadership skills that he has developed from his vast experiences at Oklahoma State and Texas."

"We wish him all the best as he joins a close personal friend in coach Avent and accepts the chal-

lenges in helping the Wolfpack reach the College World Series on a consistent basis."

NC State will be just the fifth team Holliday has coached in more than 30 seasons. He was an assistant coach for his alma mater, Miami (Fla.), for one season before leaving to coach Arizona State to its National Championship in 1977. After that season, Holliday went to Oklahoma State for 26 years, where he served as pitching coach and then head coach for the Cowboys until leaving for Austin in 2003.