

# Vasectomies, heart disease 'not linked'

United Press International BOSTON — A two-part British study released Thursday refuted a claim made by previous researchers that vasectomies increase the risk of heart disease in men.

Doctors at the University of Oxford, England, studied 6,300 medical records and found men who had undergone a vasectomy had no greater incidence

of heart disease than men who had not been sterilized.

"There was no evidence of an increased risk of cardiovascular disease," the doctors wrote in the New England Journal of Medicine.

One part of the study looked at 1,764 Scottish men who had the operation in which the tube that leads from the testes is severed. It found that 6½ years

after the operation the men had no more heart disease than men who had undergone other types of minor surgery.

A Yale University Medical School researcher who worked with the doctors said the study laid to rest fears raised by a 1978 Science magazine article that reported monkeys with vasectomies had a greater risk of heart disease.

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## What's Up

### Friday

**UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHAPEL:** Graduate students and those over 22 will meet at 6 p.m. at the University Lutheran Chapel, 315 N. College Main, College Station, and go out for supper.

**LATTER DAY SAINT STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** Ben Pashkoff will speak on "The Messiah from the Jewish Perspective" at a "Sandwich Seminar" from noon to 1 p.m. at LDS Institute of Religion Building on the corner of Jersey and Throckmorton. Lunch will be served — a small fee charged.

**TAMU CHESS CLUB:** A meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. in 402 Rudder.

**MSC AGGIE CINEMA:** "Airplane II" will be shown at 8 p.m. and "Some Kind of Hero," starring Richard Pryor, will be shown at Midnight in Rudder Auditorium. Admission is \$1 and \$1.50, respectively, with a Texas A&M I.D.

**ISA:** An Administrative Council meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. in 510 Rudder.

**MSC BASEMENT COMMITTEE AND MILLER HIGH LIFE:** The Lotions, a reggae band from Austin, will perform at 8 p.m. in The Grove. If it rains, the performance will be at Rumours. Admission is free.

**TAMU ROADRUNNERS:** Run for the Arts T-shirts will be distributed to runners who have not received them at noon in 235 Dunn Hall.

**TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY "CENTURY SINGERS":** A car wash is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. today and April 16 in the parking lot of Mama's Pizza.

### Saturday

**ALPHA TAU OMEGA:** The Fourth Annual Spring Softball Tournament is scheduled all day today and Sunday at Central Park.

**MERCEDES-BENZ CLUB OF AMERICA:** The South Central Regional Rally Meet is scheduled for today and Sunday. For more information, call Vivian at 779-8303 or 825-2506.

**CSA (CATHOLIC STUDENT ASSOCIATION):** A mass in Spanish is scheduled for 7 p.m. at St. Mary's Church.

**OUTDOOR RECREATION COMMITTEE:** Sign up now in 216 MSC at the secretaries island for the Great Smokie Mountains Backpacking Trip on May 14 thru May 22. Sign ups end April 27. For more information, call 779-2945 or stop by the ORC cubicle.

### Sunday

**CLASS OF '86 VET SCHOOL:** An open horse show is scheduled for April 24 at the Equestrian Park (Farm Road). There will be both Western and English Divisions. Mail to Kathy Bartholomew, P.O. Box 7271, College Station, 77844.

**MSC VARIETY SHOW:** Tickets for the MSC Variety Show April 15 (Parent's weekend) at 7:30 p.m., are now on sale at Rudder Box Office.

**OFF CAMPUS AGGIES:** Kite Flying and Frisbee Contests scheduled from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on the polo field behind Zeta. There will be a 50 cents entry fee.

**UNIVERSITY LUTHERAN CHAPEL:** A Fellowship service followed by topic discussion is scheduled for 6 p.m. at University Lutheran Chapel, 315 N. College Main, College Station.

**TEXAS A&M CYCLING TEAM:** The 1983 Aggie Road Race is today. Races will be at 8 a.m., 9:15 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. The start/finish will be on Spence Street in front of the Pavilion. Non-USCF bicyclists are invited to enter a 10-Kilometer citizens race at 11:45 a.m.

**HILLEL JEWISH STUDENT CENTER:** An Ecumenical Memorial with members of the Campus Ministers' Association is scheduled for 9 p.m. in 201 MSC Ballroom.

**MSC VARIETY SHOW:** Art Linkletter Productions will video-tape ten of the Variety Show acts at 7 p.m. in the Lounge for their cable TV series "Coming On."

**SADDLE AND SIRLOIN CLUB:** The 10th Annual College Horse Show to benefit Bryan/College Station Spinal Cord Injury Association will begin with sign ups at 8 a.m. The show starts at 10 a.m. at the Texas A&M Equestrian Center (Farm road 2).

**INTRAMURAL-RECREATIONAL SPORTS:** Softball and volleyball games begin today. For more information, call 845-7826. All-University Track and Field events are scheduled today. Field events start at 1 p.m. and running events at 7 p.m. at Kyle Field.

**ALPHA PHI OMEGA:** Alpha Phi Omega is sponsoring a "Bike" program on Monday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Rudder Fountain. Veterans of Foreign Wars will give out reflective tape to promote bicycle safety.

If you have an item for "What's Up," you can fill out a note to 216 Reed McDonald at least two days in advance of the publication. No items are accepted by phone.

## Rock ban outrages fans

United Press International WASHINGTON — Rock 'n' roll fans, a top White House aide among them, are outraged at Interior Secretary James Watt's banning of rock music by groups like the Beach Boys from Washington's annual July 4 festivities.

Watt took the action, he said, to strike a blow for "wholesomeness" at the annual festivities that attract hundreds of

thousands to Washington's Mall. Las Vegas entertainer Wayne Newton instead will headline this year's revelry.

Although Watt did not mention the Beach Boys by name, his action provoked objections from the group that got its start in the 1960s singing about surfing, California and "Good Vibrations."

At a news conference in New Brunswick, Canada, where the Beach Boys were performing Wednesday night, group member Mike Love said he was "a little bit tired of being branded as part of a rock group which is supposed to be associated with drugs and alcohol — it is totally false."

"The secretary and the Beach Boys agree on one thing, and that is wholesomeness should be a part of the July Fourth program," Love said in an interview on the ABC news show "Nightline."

Two disappointed fans were

Vice President George Bush and Deputy White House Chief of Staff Michael Deaver.

"It's an unfortunate action since my wife and kids and the entire neighborhood went to see them last year and had a wonderful time," said Deaver. "I think for a lot of people the Beach Boys are an American institution. Anyone who thinks they are hard rock would think Mantovani plays jazz."

Newton, who will donate his services like the rock groups before him, is a friend and political supporter of Reagan. The Beach Boys did a fundraising concert for Bush when he was running against Reagan in the 1980 GOP primaries.

"The vice president is a friend of the Beach Boys, and he likes them very much. They have been good friends to him," said Bush spokeswoman Shirley Green.

A White House spokesman said there was no move to coun-

termmand Watt's action. Deaver said he was stating his personal view only and Green denied a disagreement between Deaver and Watt.

Watt complained to the Washington Post about drug use, high alcohol consumption, broken bottles, some in-

people and some fights at the concerts during the last several years. "The reason, we concluded, was the rock bands

attracting the wrong element, and you couldn't bring your family, your children, down the Mall," he said.

The Beach Boys' public relations representative issued a statement saying, "The Beach Boys find it unbelievable that Watt feels they attract a wrong element to their concerts."

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