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Monday, Sept. 23 - Wednesday, Sept. 25  
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**Saddam applauds Iraqi troops**

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Turning up his rhetoric while scaling back his actions, Saddam Hussein lavishly praised his army for "liberating" part of northern Iraq and firing at U.S. warplanes patrolling the skies.

Speaking during a Cabinet meeting late Saturday night, Saddam again said he no longer recognized the "no-fly" zones over northern and southern Iraq that a U.S.-led alliance has been enforcing.

But he didn't say whether Iraqi forces would resume firing missiles at American and allied warplanes, a move that almost certainly would lead to renewed confrontation with the United States.

The latest trouble between the two countries began after Iraqi troops stormed into the north Aug. 31 to help a Kurdish faction defeat a rival group. Tensions have eased since Iraq announced Sept. 13 that it no longer would fire at planes enforcing the no-fly zones.

Iraq also hasn't used air defense radar systems to track U.S. warplanes since Thursday, military spokesman Lt. Col. Andrew Bourland said Sunday.

U.S. Secretary of Defense William Perry, speaking on a flight from Finland to Sweden, said Sunday that Iraq appeared to be "backing off" its threatening moves of a week ago. One of two U.S. aircraft carriers in region might return to its homeport next month, he said.

Still, the U.S. military buildup continued, with 600 more American soldiers arriving in Kuwait on Sunday and others on the way, said

Lt. Col. Thomas Nickerson, another military spokesman.

The last of 3,500 soldiers arriving from Fort Hood, Texas, were expected by midweek, Nickerson said. The United States has some 30,000 soldiers, 200 planes and 35 ships in the region.

Saddam said his troops were welcomed when they stormed into the northern Kurdish city of Irbil last month. "The marvelous reception of our valiant army reflected their authentic patriotism," he said.

With the help of the Iraqi army, the Kurdistan Democratic Party swept through the north and now controls virtually all of the Kurdish "safe haven" established by the United States and its allies in 1991 to protect the Kurds against Saddam's aggression.

The United States responded with missile strikes on Sept. 3 and 4 and expanded the southern no-fly zone.

The Iraqi army fired several missiles at U.S. warplanes patrolling the zones Sept. 11 and 12, but didn't hit any.

"The people of Iraq and their armed forces have foiled the conspiracies of the foreigner and his attempts to partition Iraq through the (no-fly zones)," Saddam said.

"The fighters of the air defense corps represented the whole of Iraq when they challenged the American aggression, despite (America's) advanced technology and weapons."

The allied jets have continued their patrols, flying as many as 100 sorties a day over the northern and southern zones. For a few days,

Iraq continued to track the planes although that apparently has stopped.

"They are very quiet," Bourland said. But, he added, "their moves are something we need to watch closely, all the time and that's exactly what we are doing."

Perry said the question of whether the USS Carl Vinson from the Middle East next month and return it to Bremerton, its home port, would be addressed at that time.

"When it gets to the date of decision to go, we'll look carefully at what's going on in Iraq," he said.

In other developments Sunday, Iraqi Kurdish radio claimed that forces shelled the outskirts of Qal'at Jabr in northeastern Iraq on Friday evening, destroying houses and property. There was a report of casualties.

"Voice of Iraqi Kurdistan" supported the Kurdistan Democratic Party, which controls northern Iraq. There have been reports of shelling on both sides of the border in recent days.

Iran has set up another refugee camp near its Bashmaq border post in the west to accommodate Kurdish refugees fleeing northern Iraq.

Some 400 refugees a day are entering via Bashmaq, the main border crossing area, according to Ali Yari, governor of western border city of Marivan. About 100 Kurdish refugees have fled to Iran, he said.

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**CUT**

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Becky Fields, a senior pink pot and environmental design major, said approximately 450 women participated in the first cut.

Before students can go work at the cut site, they must attend a cut class.

Cut classes focus on how to be safe at cut. The class instructs students on the appropriate clothing and behavior for the cut site.

Cut class is usually held in the Grove, but this year the junior red pots and brown pots visited residence halls.

Hopkins said when classes were at the Grove, they usually turned into "shouting matches between dorms," and the organizers wanted to change that.

"This way we get to dorms on a more personal basis," Hopkins said. "They'll benefit more from it."

Any student who missed the cut classes before cut started can still participate in cut by attending the classes held in the parking lots at the cut site.

Junior red pots oversee safety in the woods.

"Junior red pots have the complete responsibility of making sure what we went over in class is being practiced," Hopkins said.

Paul Young, a senior red pot and business administration major, said he devotes his time to Bonfire so other students can enjoy the long-standing tradition.

"It (Bonfire) shows the unity that all students can have working together and being behind each other," Young said.

Fields said she is involved in Bonfire to help make the night it burns a success.

"People work so hard together for one common goal, so for one night 60,000 people can come out and watch Bonfire burn," Fields said.

Students interested in participating in Aggie Bonfire may contact a residence hall representative, Women's Bonfire Committee or Off-Campus Aggies.

**NORMAN**

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Norman said the trip to New Orleans was a "wonderful pat on the back."

The other women who won the Marine Corps Trophy at Norman said.

"They were amazing, so energetic, so well rounded. They were obviously gifted in their own fields, but could communicate and talk about a lot of different things."

Norman is a role model for young girls, but she said she has her own role model, too — her mother, Noreen Norman.

"My mom is my big role model," she said. "She teaches math and science. I'd like to thank my mother for inspiring me to follow my dream."

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**Intramural Registration Dates**

Sport	Registration	Fee
Tennis	Sept. 16-24	Free
Horseshoes	Sept. 16-24	Free
Golf	Sept. 23-Oct. 1	Green Fee
Pre Season Indoor Volleyball	Sept. 23-Oct. 1	\$5
Indoor Volleyball	Sept. 23-Oct. 1	\$35
Track and Field	Sept. 30-Oct. 6	Free
Flickerball	Sept. 30-Oct. 8	\$20
Putt Pull Singles	Sept. 30-Oct. 8	Course Fee
Pickleball	Oct. 7-Oct. 15	Free

**TAMU  
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**Grand Canyon  
Backpacking** Nov. 26-Dec 1  
\$465\*  
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Join TAMU Outdoors in an awesome backpacking adventure to the Grand Canyon during the Thanksgiving holiday. Hike through a vast array of rock formations, colors, and climatic zones.  
\*Students and Faculty with Rec Memberships. Non-rec membership trip prices available at the TAMU Outdoor office or call 845-4511.

**Rock Climbing** Sept. 27-29  
Learn to climb and enjoy a weekend looking at the world from high above at Enchanted Rock State Natural Area. Register at TAMU Outdoors today.

**Basic Outdoor First Aid**  
Sept. 30, Oct. 1&3, 6-10pm  
Learn basic knowledge of first aid in the outdoors with Rec Sports. Class offers instruction in first aid for burns, poisoning, and other medical emergencies.

Register at TAMU Outdoors, located behind the Student Recreation Center facing Olsen Field. For more information, please call 845-4511. Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Discover & Aggie Bucks are accepted.

**Indoor  
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Finally, it's your serve as the indoor volleyball season begins at the Rec. Get ready to take on your friends in the most exciting intramural volleyball competition ever.

Registration begins today and continues to October 1

Only \$35 a team!

Sign up at the Rec Center.  
Don't be Late--get your team signed up now!



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**TAMU Outdoor Fall Schedule**

Event	Date	Rating	Register	Fee**
Kayak Roll Clinic	Sept. 24	B	Sept. 9-23	\$12/15
Rock Climbing Trip	Sept. 27-29	B	Sept. 9-23	\$69/70
Day Canoe Trip	Sept. 28	B	Sept. 9-23	\$28/33
Basic Outdoor	Sept. 30	B	Sept. 2-23	\$40/48
First Aid	Oct. 1, 3	B	Sept. 2-23	\$40/48
SCUBA-Open Water	Oct. 1-3	B	Sept. 9-30	\$150/180
Diver Course	8-10, 12-13	B	Sept. 16-30	\$54/64
Kayak Workshop	Oct. 5-6	B	Sept. 16-30	\$54/64
Intro Rock Climbing	Oct. 12	B	Sept. 23-Oct. 8	\$25
Winter Break Trip	Jan. 3-11	I	Sept. 16-Dec. 2	\$325/390

\*\*Faculty/staff without Rec Memberships and Bryan/College Station Community Members  
\*Students & Faculty with Rec Memberships  
\*\*Price includes: program, water bottle, point system forms, and discussion further fitness testing  
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The Grown-Up Taste Continues To Grow...**

Stop by Friday September 27th for the worldwide premier of three new Deluxe Sandwiches

We'll have samples to tempt your taste buds and sandwiches to please your grown-up appetite

Available at all Bryan/College Station McDonald's on Friday September 27th



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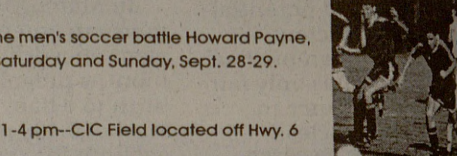
**Games**

**Men's Soccer** Watch the men's soccer battle Howard Payne, Rice and the University of Texas Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 28-29.

**Saturday** Men's Soccer vs. Howard Payne 1-4 pm--CIC Field located off Hwy. 6 and Greens Prairie Rd.

**Sunday** Men's Soccer vs. Rice 1-3pm -- CIC Field located off Hwy 6 and Greens Prairie Rd. Men's Soccer B vs. UT 1-3pm -- Simpson Drill Field

**Sport Clubs**



Find out more about Rec Sports' Feature Programs by coming to the Member Services Desk or calling Dana Woolsey at 842-3995.

**\$50/sem. Unlimited  
Aerobics**

Rec Center Aerobics. Come to our free classes or purchase a pass for the classes you want.

Unlimited Semester Pass	\$50
30 Class Punch Pass	\$45
20 Class Punch Pass	\$30
10 Class Punch Pass	\$15
One Class Pass	\$2

**Feature Programs**

**American Taekwondo**

Classes begin now and meet Monday/Wednesday at 5:30-6:30 p.m. and Tuesday/Thursday 7:00 p.m. room 134 Rec Center. Great price, only for 11 weeks.

**Jazz Dance**

Classes begin today and meet Monday/Wednesday at 5:20p.m.-6:20p.m. and Tuesday/Thursday 4:15p.m.-5:15p.m. in room 303 Rec Center. Sessions are only \$15. Students can take 4 classes a week during a class session.

**F.R.E.S.H.**

A TOTAL WELLNESS PROGRAM  
The F.R.E.S.H. Start Wellness Program is a six week program that begins with a free Fitness Assessment for the first 200 participants administered by Senior Exercise Technology Majors. Starts Oct. 1.

A point system is employed to assess your progress exercising, eating nutritiously, and managing stress.

**\$12 for Rec Center Members  
\$18 for eligible Non-Members**

Price includes: program, water bottle, point system forms, and discussion further fitness testing

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