

THE BATTALION DEBRIEFING



Rachel Redington, THE BATTALION

Playtime is over Ryan Busse, a senior agriculture development major, helps his tired dog, Maverick, out of the water at Research Park Tuesday afternoon.

► Campus

PTTS, UPD offer free bicycle identification

There will be a bicycle identification and registration program from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. today in the area between Rudder Tower and the MSC. Officers from the Department of Parking, Traffic and Transportation will complete all necessary paperwork on registration, and officers from the University Police Department will engrave bicycles with their owner's driver's license number. The service is free.

► Nation

CBS pulls shows to save its ratings

NEW YORK (AP) — *Almost Perfect* apparently wasn't. The comedy was one of two put on "hiatus" — meaning there's no immediate plans to reschedule them — by CBS after a disastrous opening night for its Wednesday lineup. The network also temporarily shelved the lauded drama *EZ Streets*, and plans to show movies for the rest of the month in the now-vacant Wednesday night spots.

CBS had pledged patience for its new programming, but moved quickly because of the critical November ratings "sweeps" period,

which began Thursday. *Public Morals*, billed as an adult sitcom about a parliament vice squad, is given only one airing.

Almost Perfect, starring Travis as a writer on a TV show, was in its second year, held the 9 p.m. time slot. The network hasn't quite given up on *EZ Streets*, a bleak and violent drama revolving around a police detective (Ken Olin).

Man shoots himself in government office

SAN MATEO, Calif. (AP) — A man who had argued with Rep. Lantos' staff over disability benefits went into the congressman's office Monday and shot himself to death. The 40-year-old gunman, whose name was not immediately released, shot himself once in the chest and died at a hospital. Police spokesman Terry Reidy said the man entered the office around midday and talked with a woman working in the office. "The gal said he had a gun and said, 'Don't fire at me. Then he fired one round into his chest,'" Reidy said.

Lantos, a native of Hungary, represented a Northern California district since 1981 and is co-chairman of the congressional Human Rights Caucus.

► This day in history

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 6, the 311th day of 1996. There are 55 days left in the year.

- On this date:
- In 1854, the king of American march music, John Philip Sousa, was born in Washington, D.C.
- In 1860, former Illinois Congressman Abraham Lincoln defeated three other candidates for the presidency.
- In 1861, Jefferson Davis was elected to a six-year term as president of the Confederacy.
- In 1888, Benjamin Harrison of Indiana won the presidential election, defeating incumbent Grover Cleveland by gaining the required number of electoral votes, even though Cleveland led in the popular vote.
- In 1900, President McKinley was re-elected, beating Democrat William Jennings Bryan.
- In 1913, Mohandas K. Gandhi was arrested as he led a march of Indian miners in South Africa.
- In 1956, President Eisenhower and Vice President

Nixon won re-election, defeating Democrats Adlai E. Stevenson and Estes Kefauver.

- In 1976, Benjamin L. Hooks was chosen to be the new executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, succeeding Roy Wilkins.
- In 1977, 39 people were killed when an earthen dam burst, sending a wall of water through Toccoa Falls Bible College in Georgia.

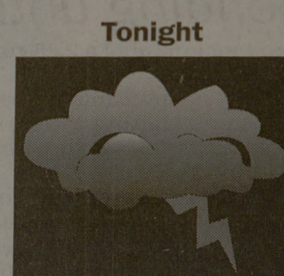
► Today's birthdays

Director Mike Nichols is 65. Country singer Stonewall Jackson is 64. Country singer Guy Clark is 55. Actress Sally Field is 50. Pop singer-musician Glenn Frey (The Eagles) is 48. NBC-TV newscaster Maria Shriver is 41. Actor Lance Kerwin is 36. Actress Lori Singer is 34. Rock singer Corey Glover (Living Colour) is 32. Actor Peter DeLuise is 30. Actor Ethan Hawke is 26.

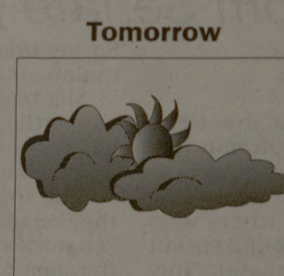
► Weather



Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms.



Cloudy with a 70 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms.



Some early morning showers. Clearing skies in the afternoon.

Highs & Lows

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