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**NEWS IN BRIEF**

**Developments in terrorist attacks**

- Attorney General John Ashcroft warns the "very serious threat" of new attacks may increase if the United States retaliates against suspected terrorists.
- Taliban say they know location of Osama bin Laden's Afghanistan hide-out.
- Pakistani president says even under threat of U.S. military strikes, hopes "very dim" bin Laden would be surrendered.
- Afghanistan opposition says territory gained and hundreds of Taliban soldiers defected during three days of fighting in northern mountains.
- Saudi ambassador says two dozen members of Osama bin Laden's family evacuated from the United States following terrorist attacks; most were students evacuated under FBI supervision.
- New York police tally of missing at World Trade Center drops to 5,219; confirmed dead rises to 314. Death toll at Pentagon remains 189, Pennsylvania crash 44.
- Several thousand anti-war demonstrators march in Washington, D.C., on the second day of a peace rally.
- Trial resumes in Afghanistan for eight foreign aid workers accused by Taliban of spreading Christianity. The top judge assures workers the threat of U.S. military action would not affect their case.

**PUBLIC EYE**

Attendance at Kyle Field Saturday for the Notre Dame game was the largest in A&M, Big 12 and Texas histories

**87,206**

**TODAY**

**AGGIELIFE**

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Be very, very quiet

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• Publisher right to sue over use of symbols

**WEATHER**

**TODAY**  
HIGH 83° F  
LOW 53° F

**TOMORROW**  
HIGH 83° F  
LOW 54° F

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## Monies curtail 125th events

### Risk management a factor in planning

By EMILY HENDRICKSON  
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It only comes along every 125 years, but celebrations for Texas A&M's 125th anniversary are on a tight budget, organizers say.

A student coordinating committee, comprising student leaders from many facets of student life, was given the task of organizing anniversary events geared toward students, but some of the lavish plans were canceled because of cost and safety limitations.

"We received less than \$30,000 in funds, and decided to sell T-shirts in hopes it would help fund

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125th committee chairwoman

projects even more so we would not have to charge admission to the 125th events," said Veronica Saenz, chairwoman of the committee and a junior finance major. "It's a celebration, students should just be able to come and enjoy it."

Plans for a fireworks display were dropped because a 10-minute display would have cost \$10,000, a sum the committee could not afford and still adequately fund other events, Saenz said.

"What we did not realize was that all of the little things add up. For instance, cleaning up the drill field after the event is costly, so, the fireworks were pretty much out of the question, funding-wise," Saenz said.

The Oct. 3 festivities also are restricted by safety concerns, said Luke Altendorf, a committee advisor and associate director of the Memorial Student Center. Fireworks may have disturbed city residents, and would have posed a fire hazard because several fuel tanks located near the proposed display site, Altendorf said.

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## Plane forced to land on FM 2818

By BRADY CREEL  
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A twin-engine airplane stalled mid-air and made an emergency landing at the intersection of Harvey Mitchell Parkway and Raymond Stotzer Parkway Sunday afternoon.

The 1971-model Queen Air propeller airplane took off from Easterwood Airport about 1:50 p.m. When it reached an altitude of about 60 feet, its starboard engine stalled.

Pamela Hamm, a passenger aboard the plane, said there were nine people on board, all of whom had attended this weekend's home football game against Notre Dame and were flying home to Odessa. No one was injured.

Pilot Maurice Smith said he was

going to attempt to land the airplane on FM 2818, but did not have enough airspeed to get beyond the overpass where Raymond Stotzer Parkway meets FM 2818. He brought the plane down along the exit from FM 2818 instead.

"Unbelievable," Hamm said. "He just knew what he was doing."

Hamm said she saw when the engine stopped, but there was little time to react. "Scott just said 'get your seatbelts on,'" she said.

As the airplane descended, it clipped the top of a road sign, and it skidded about 200 yards when it struck



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A twin-engine airplane made an emergency landing on Harvey Mitchell Parkway and Raymond Stotzer Parkway yesterday after it stalled shortly after takeoff from Easterwood Airport.

the ground. The portside propeller was still running and tore itself and part of the wing off.

University Police Director Bob Wiatt said the airplane landed on University-owned property, west of Research Park.

The Department of Public Safety was handling the investigation until investigators from the Federal Aviation Administration arrived.

## Walesa: America must respond cautiously

By EMILY HENDRICKSON  
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America must respond cautiously and prudently to the recent terrorist attacks to avoid perpetuating the cycle of violence, said Lech Walesa, the former



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Former President of Poland Lech Walesa speaks at Rudder.

### Former president of Republic of Poland speaks about democracy at Rudder Auditorium

mer president of the Republic of Poland who spoke Friday to an audience that filled Rudder Auditorium.

"The natural reaction is to take vengeance and hit back, but what do you hit? The rocks and dirt?" Walesa said. "We must be strong, but we must struggle peacefully, not by violence or vengeance."

Walesa said he would always be grateful for the support of the American people during Poland's struggle against Communism and that he would stay in the United States for the next two months to demonstrate Poland's solidarity with America.

"When times of challenge come, I want to be with the American people," Walesa said.

Walesa, whose speech was titled "Democracy: The Never Ending Battle," rose to international fame in 1980 when he led the Lenin Shipyard strike in Gdansk, Poland, while the nation was under Communist rule.

At that time, Polish workers were upset over an increase in prices set by the government and were demanding the right to set up independent trade unions. On Aug. 14, 1980, the workers were on the verge of abandoning their strike when Walesa, an electrician active in the underground labor movement, delivered a stirring speech from the top of a bulldozer. The workers were revitalized by his passion and the

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## Dettwyler speaks about breast health awareness

By CHRISTINA HOFFMAN  
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Katherine Dettwyler, a former associate professor of anthropology at Texas A&M, specialized in anthropological studies of breast feeding and spoke frequently about breast health awareness. She researched affects of using formulas over breast-feeding, finding that women who choose not to breast-feed greatly increase their chances of breast cancer.

But in Fall 1999, Dettwyler was diagnosed with breast cancer. She left her tenured A&M faculty position to move closer to her family in Delaware, undergoing surgery and chemotherapy that fall and radiation the next spring.

"We decided that life was too short to live so far away from family," Dettwyler said. "I really miss Aggies and Aggieland. But in Delaware, we are closer to my family, so that in the event my cancer recurs and I don't get to

see my kids grow up, at least they will be close to extended family."

Dettwyler's diagnosis still affects her and her family because of the chance of recurrence. Once she reaches the five-year mark after her diagnosis in September 2004 without any further detection of cancer, Dettwyler may consider herself "cured," she said.

Dettwyler said smoking and breast surgery, in addition to formula-feeding, increases the chance of breast cancer.

"Expect breast cancer to affect many people you know and love, so become educated," she said.

One of every eight women in the United States is expected to develop breast cancer during her lifetime, according to figures released by the American Cancer Society. Each year, the cancer society estimates 182,800 women will be diagnosed and nearly 41,000 will lose their lives to the disease.

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## Nelson promotes Farm Aid

NOBLESVILLE, Ind. (AP) — Willie Nelson, who brought a flag-waving crowd to its feet Saturday with "This Land is Your Land" at Saturday's Farm Aid concert, said keeping family farms strong will keep America strong.

"I think it's important to take care of the people who grow our food," said Nelson, who co-founded Farm Aid in 1985 with John Mellencamp and Neil Young.

The nonprofit group's 14th benefit concert in 16 years highlighted American farmers' role in helping the nation fight terrorism. Farm Aid performers said the concert has always been about keeping America strong by helping the farms that feed the country.

"We're at a moment when a lot of people are asking what is America, what represents America," said Dave Matthews, one of the performers. "Certainly, I think that the family farm is a main ingredient of what made America."

In light of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, Nelson called for the federal government to renew support that farmers, oil and steel producers received during World War II — special subsidies to help them cover production and labor costs.

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