

Fails

The full autopsy report wasn't expected to be released until Wednesday.

founder of Brigham and Women's Hospital Thromboembolism Service in Boston, told the Austin American-Statesman said any clotting that would occur in the calf after the kind of knee surgery Fails had would be minor and "rarely would they break off and go to the lungs

Like all freshman players at A&M, Fails was given a complete physical before reporting for football practices Aug. 5

Fails' roommate, freshman tight end Patrick Fleming, attended Colleyville Heritage High School in the Grapevine-Colleyville Independent School District last year with Fails.

Fails played in four games this season before undergoing the surgery.

"He likely would have started for us next year,

on campus were not present at during construction.

and possibly would have been starting right now if not for the knee surgery," Slocum said. Fails was voted Class 5A Defensive Player of the

Year by Associated Press Sports Editors last season. He was a first-team All-State selection by the APSE

Slocum said.

In his senior season, Fails registered 36 tackles and five sacks and forced three fumbles. In limited playing time this season, Fails was in on two tackles against Louisiana Tech. He also played against Baylor, Louisiana Tech and Virginia Tech.

In response, the University of Texas canceled its Monday night hex rally, a gathering traditionally held before the annual A&M-UT game that brings down a fictional witches' curse on the A&M football team. The rally was also cancelled after the 1999 Aggie Bonfire Collapse.

'Our hearts go out to the family and to the Texas A&M staff and players," UT head coach Mack Brown said in a statement. "There is nothing anybody can say. We understand their pain.'

> "Every log is wired in three different places," he said.

Alph Wright, a resident of Kingwood and a former student from the Class of 1985, was teaching his son Aggie wildcats while the bonfire was burning. Wright said Bonfire represents more than just tradition, it represents the desire to beat the

University of Texas. "(It's) not as good as the original," he said. "But it'll do."

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In the four to five weeks they

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Boston's Cardinal Law meets with

Voice of the Faithful reform group

Spivey said there were no

and the Texas Sports Writers Association Fails had been granted a medical redshirt,

books and a monthly stipend.

For more information, contact the Texas A&M University Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps Unit at 845-1775 or visit http://nrotc.tamu.edu.

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(Chick-fil-a closed on Sunday).

BOSTON (AP) Roman lay reform group Voice of the Faithful met face-toface with Cardinal Bernard Law for the first time Tuesday in an attempt to ease tensions that have simmered for months between the two sides.

The insurance concerns that

The cardinal, leader of the Boston Archdiocese, "squarely told us he was concerned about who we are and who we aspire to be," said Jim Post, Voice's president.

Four leaders from the group, formed this year by Catholics upset with the church's failure to rid the clergy of sexually abusive priests, met privately with the cardinal at the chancery for more than two hours.

Law twice told the Voice representatives that he wished they had consulted with him before forming their organization, said Bill Cadigan, vice president of the group.

"We saw that there are areas that we agree on and others that we don't," Cadigan said. "We didn't solve all of our problems in this meeting."

Voice in the Faithful started in a suburban parish early this year as the clerical sex abuse crisis which has plagued the church in 2002 unfolded in Boston. Voice now counts 25,000 members worldwide.

The group's critics say Voice of the Faithful is

sing the abuse crisis to change church teachings. But Voice leaders says they only want to help the church become stronger, partly through greater involvement of the laity.

Law and the group have had a contentious relationship, with the cardinal refusing to accept its donations and barring new chapters from meeting on church property. Those were among the topics of discussion Tuesday.

Donna Morrissey, a spokeswoman for the archdiocese, said Law viewed the meeting as a chance for the group to define its aims and how it viewed its relationship to the church.

While the emergence of new groups is a constant in the history of the church, a proper discernment must always take place to insure their compatibility with the faith, discipline and mission of the church," she said.

Morrissey would not detail what was said at the meeting, which she described as "cordial, respectful.

She said Law, who initially refused requests to meet with Voice leaders, was willing to see with the group again.

Voice of the Faithful's Compassion Fund has raised about \$56,000, and has appealed to Catholics who feel disenfranchised by the sex scandals.

tion authorities after their de abled boat was found at sea and two men were arrest for allegedly smuggling them to the United States. The Coast Guard came to the group's aid after their 2 foot, Florida-registered bo ran out of fuel off Key Wes on Monday, Coast Gua spokesman Luis Diaz sail The boat was towed to sho

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