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 by **R.DeLuna Dotson**


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 GET YOUR HEAD OUT OF THE GUTTER AND HELP US FIGHT THIS STAR THING, WEDGE!
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Cuts
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 Gates said training will be provided by Right Management of Houston, a firm that specializes in assistance for those in career transition. Human Resources will also provide individual job-search assistance and training on how to use the Human Resources Employment Office's online application system.
 Overall support and services, Gates said, are accessible to laid-off employees through the Employee Relations Office and the Employee Assistance Program.
 "Many of them have families who must also share in these regrettable personal setbacks," he said. "In a very real sense, we are all diminished by any loss to the Aggie family."

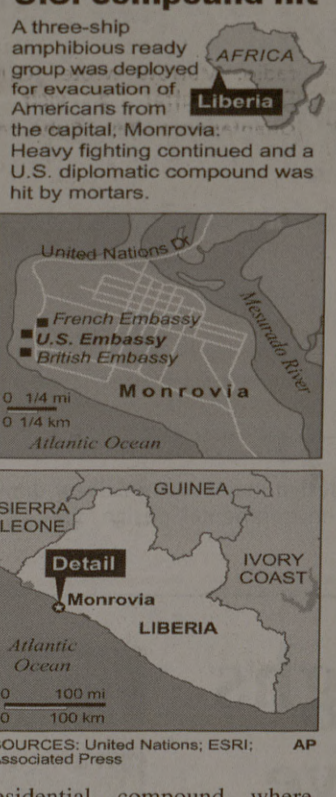
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 "It was a great experience for everyone," Porchia said.
 Porchia said everyone in the Department of Honors Programs and Academic Scholarships was glad all the work they did paid off.
 "We have worked very hard on this program and we are glad to see it become successful and recognized," she said.
 The award was established in 1989 to reward universities in the United States and Canada that create innovative programs and services to aid the school in student retention and encourage students to be successful on and off campus, according to the Noel-Levitz Web site.
 Nominees are judged by a panel of higher education administrators and consultants who base their decision on effectiveness, originality, creativity, use of resources and adaptability to other institutions, according to the Web site.
 A&M was one of nine universities honored.

NEWS IN BRIEF
Bush requests help with Iraq
 CRAWFORD, Texas (AP) — President George W. Bush said Monday he is working to persuade more nations to help in Iraq, where Saddam Hussein loyalists are killing coalition forces in a war that persists alongside rebuilding efforts.
 Speaking at his Texas ranch with the leader of one supportive country, Premier Silvio Berlusconi of Italy, Bush said, "The more people involved in Iraq, the better off we will be."
 At the same time, he accused the governments of Syria and Iran of harboring terrorists and said terrorism was the greatest obstacle to peace in the region.
 The mention of Syria and Iran by Bush were a way to keep reminding those countries of the need to take strong action against terrorists, Bush spokesman Scott McClellan said on Air Force One during the flight back to Washington.

U.S. Embassy hit in heavy shelling in Liberia
 By **Alexandra Zavis**
 THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
 MONROVIA, Liberia — A thunderous barrage of mortars shook Liberia's capital Monday, hitting residential neighborhoods along with two U.S. Embassy compounds, and killing more than 90 people as government and rebel forces fought over President Charles Taylor's last stronghold.
 Wailing Liberians lined up bloodied, mangled bodies outside the U.S. Embassy, demanding to know why Washington has not sent troops to end more than a decade of strife in the West African nation founded by freed American slaves.
 With more than 360 people injured — some hauled to the hospital in wheelbarrows, others screaming in pain — Monday appeared to be the bloodiest day of fighting in three rebel attempts to take Monrovia in the past two months.
 Before the shelling began, American HH-60 Pave Hawk helicopters landed in the U.S. Embassy compound in a driving rain, dropping off about half of a 41-member Marine security team. Dressed in green camouflage, body armor and helmets, they jumped out and ran up a hill.
 About 23 foreign humanitarian workers and journalists clutching bags and backpacks ran to the spinning aircraft as Marines and embassy officials shouted: "Go! Go!" Among them were the United Nations' last seven foreign staffs, who had returned to Monrovia just two weeks earlier during a lull in fighting.
 The State Department criticized the rebel group Liberians United for Reconciliation and Democracy for "reckless and indiscriminate shooting" and appealed to neighboring African countries to guard against weapons going to Liberia.
 Shifting the target of U.S. rhetoric from Taylor to the rebels, spokesman Philip T. Reeker said, "If we're to trust them in the future to participate in the democratic governance of Liberia, we need to be able to see them keep their commitments now."
 U.S. officials also announced that 4,500 more American sailors and Marines have been ordered to position themselves closer to Liberia, if needed for an evacuation of Americans, peacekeeping or some other mission.
 "We're concerned about our people," President Bush told reporters in Crawford, Texas. He indicated he had not yet decided the size of a U.S. force that might be sent to help a promised West African peacekeeping mission in Liberia.
 U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan once again urged Washington and West African states to commit troops.
 "I think we can really salvage the situation if troops were to be deployed urgently and promptly," he said.
 During 2 1/2 hours of sustained mortar fire, a shell slammed into a U.S. Embassy

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 Office."
 Irvin, of St. Petersburg, Fla., said he would probably arrive in Baltimore on Tuesday and travel to Chestertown to meet with Dotson.
 Baylor head coach Dave Bliss did not immediately return telephone calls Monday night. The school's athletic department did not immediately have comment.
 Last Thursday, Dotson voluntarily went to the Dorchester County sheriff's office near Hurlock to make a statement about Dennehy's disappearance. He was never in custody and was not arrested, leaving the office with his high school basketball coach.
 Waco police declined to discuss what Dotson told authorities last week, saying only that it did not change the course of their investigation.
 Dennehy's Chevrolet Tahoe

Tuition
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 universities in Texas.
 The University tried to show the value it places in graduate students by increasing the funding to their health care premiums by \$3 million, Gates said.
 Gates said he did not think the education obtained through involvement in campus organizations, would be affected by the tuition increase.
 Mike Friedman, a graduate psychology research assistant, said he came to the presentation because there has been a lot of uncertainty in the graduate student community about tuition and fees. He said there has been a 50 percent increase since he applied to graduate school, in 2001.

Marines ready, U.S. compound hit
 A three-ship amphibious ready group was deployed for evacuation of Americans from the capital, Monrovia. Heavy fighting continued and a U.S. diplomatic compound was hit by mortars.


was found June 25 in a strip parking lot in Virginia Beach. Authorities said Friday they were trying to determine if a 9mm handgun found Thursday in a Waco apartment complex near Baylor was related to Dennehy's disappearance.
 According to an earlier search warrant affidavit, an unidentified informant reported to Dotson that Dennehy's cousin he shot Dennehy as two argued while shooting handguns in the Waco area.
 Some of Dennehy's friends say he told them that he and Dotson were being threatened and that they obtained Dennehy's family claimed the foot-10, 230-pound center coaches he feared for his life.
 Bliss has repeatedly said and his staff were not aware of any threats.
 Dotson lost his basketball scholarship this spring and is not expected to play at Baylor next season.
 Debbie Perkins, mother of Chris Perkins, a sophomore computer engineer major, said she came to see how much the tuition will increase.
 "When it hits the pocket, parents get concerned," she said.
 Lova Randrianarivony, graduate teaching assistant in the math department, said she came to find out how much more she will have to pay so she can calculate what she has left for food expenses.
 "I think the cuts have not been done fairly," she said. "There are things that could have been done that haven't been."
 She said the money for cooling the buildings on campus could be cut and the money spent on the new Web page for the library could have been used for other purposes.
 The residential compound lined them up in front of the embassy, next to a wall cordoned with the American seal.
 "We're dying here," screamed some in the crowd, as American servicemen in camouflage watched from behind bulletproof glass.
 One man held up a hand scrawled sign that said "Today G. Bush kill Liberia people."
 Down the hill from the embassy, a small boy lay face down in the grass — the victim of a blast just yards away. Leaves and greens he was collecting for a meal scattered around his body.
 In a densely populated residential neighborhood, a shell hit a house, killing 18 people in one strike, emergency workers said.
 At least 47 Liberians were killed in other strikes Monday, officials at John F. Kennedy Hospital and aid groups said.
 Bloodied patients screamed with pain lay on mattresses on the floor.
 "We really don't know how we are going to cope with the situation," said Mohammed Sheriff, the hospital's medical director. "All of a sudden we just started receiving, and receiving, and receiving."
 More than 200 injured arrived at the hospital in pickup trucks, police cars and wheelbarrows.
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