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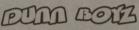
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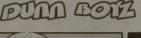
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BY: WILL LLOYD

Turf

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inexpensive, totaling \$700,000. The new field was built similar to a 100,000 square foot golf green under the U.S. Golf Association system, incorporating the same tile drainage system as professional golf courses, Duble said. Over the tiles lay four inches of gravel and 12 inches of organic sand.

"This sandwich effect allows for a drainage system that prevents standing water from collecting on the field," Duble said. "The secret behind its success, however, is that the field is mowed daily to maintain density

and quality of turf." Goertz said former A&M football coach R.C. Slocum requested the new field for

recruiting purposes. 'Because of the heat factor of artificial turf, sand-based turf is preferred by football players,"

Goertz said. Artificial turf is 15 to 20 degrees hotter than sand-based, which can make a considerable difference, especially when playing a football game in the middle

of a hot Texas afternoon. Another factor that comes into play with recruiting, Goertz said, is that most high school stadiums have natural grass. When a high school senior considers which university to play football for, he is most likely going to prefer a

stadium with turf similar to what he played on in high school. Sand-based turf also causes

fewer injuries because the dense soil below the grass creates padding, Goertz said. A&M head soccer coach Phil

Stephenson said the soccer team incorporated this new grass and irrigation system into its field two summers ago, when the field's clay subsurface was removed and replaced by sand. The field can drain 39 inches of rain in one hour, he said.

This has helped out the soccer team in that the sand-based turf has taken rain out of the equation," Goertz said.

Stephenson said the team performs better because it is a consistent surface with no "lakes" on

No games have been canceled since the field renovations, and on Aug. 31, the women's soccer team was able to defeat Southern Methodist University despite a deluge from a tropical storm.

Never having to cancel practice because of drainage problems gives the team a leg up on the competition, Stephenson said.

"The field renovation was a paramount need of the athletics department because too many games and practices were postponed or canceled due to rain," Stephenson said. "We now have one of the best soccer fields in the

Faculty

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capabilities."

Along with the enhancement of the learning environment, A&M will be given the chance to track intellectual capital from across the country, said Mary Jo Richardson, interim dean of the College of Geosciences. "The audacity of the program

will resonate through academia, and allow us to attract colleagues to A&M who might not otherwise have considered our University," Richardson said. "Whereas others are dealing with cutbacks, A&M is making a visionary move forward.'

The junior faculty who will be hired will be built around the senior nationally-known faculty hired for specific programs, Gates said. He said Vision 2020 contains

12 key elements needed to create the 'culture of excellence' it aims

"The first imperative of Vision 2020 is elevating the faculty, a hiring plan that will strengthen the undergraduate studies, graduate studies, arts and sciences and stress diversity," Gates said.

Jane Conoley, dean of the College of Education and Human Development, said new faculty will be used to teach more honors courses. An application to prepare teachers for high need areas of Texas focusing on bilingual which is set to gain 70 new fa ty members within the next years, is a major recipient of

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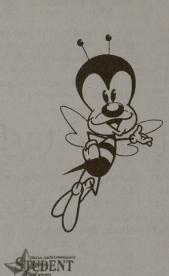
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