

CAMPUS BRIEFS

A&M-Galveston researcher tags Ridley turtle

A Texas A&M University at Galveston marine expert released an endangered Kemp's Ridley turtle into the Gulf of Mexico near Sabine Pass Tuesday, after placing a satellite tagging device on it to monitor its movements so that more can be learned about the marine creatures.

Andre Landry Jr., director of the Sea Turtle and Fisheries Ecology Lab at A&M-Galveston, placed the satellite tag — which makes use of global positioning systems — on the turtle's shell Monday in preparation for releasing it into the water near the McFaddin National Wildlife Refuge, about 50 miles east of the Texas A&M-Galveston campus.

"The satellite tag will transmit critical information to us about the turtle's feeding grounds, migratory habits and key environmental parameters," Landry said.

The released turtle — a juvenile — is about the size of a dinner plate, Landry says. When fully grown, it will double its current size.

Registration continues for 'News Makers/News Breakers'

Online registration of student leaders and student journalists for this year's "News Makers/News Breakers" leadership conference, set for Saturday at Texas A&M, continues this week at <http://battalion.tamu.edu>.

"News Makers/News Breakers: Conversations on Leadership in Public Life" invites as many as 200 students to engage professionals in the fields of government, journalism, law and public affairs on the practical aspects of communicating public business through the news media.

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Edwards

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Paschall said. "More and more Americans are realizing that it needs to change and I think if the general American public speaks as a whole we might actually see it happen."

Several others present at the speech disagreed with Paschall.

"I don't think I'll be throwing my vote away, I will still have voted for who I wanted to vote for, and I will have participated," said Jose Villalopez, a graduate political science student.

Edwards said it is difficult to institute a system of direct elections, yet remained optimistic.

"It's a long shot, but it's possible, and we know how to do it," Edwards said. "Once enough people understand the ineffectiveness of the Electoral College and realize how inherently flawed it is, I think it might actually happen."

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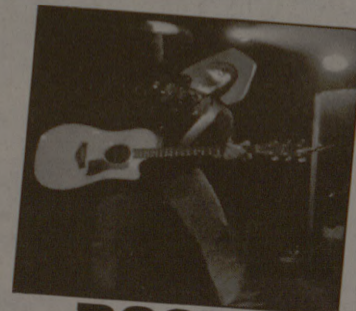
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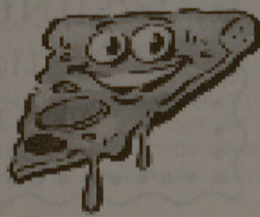
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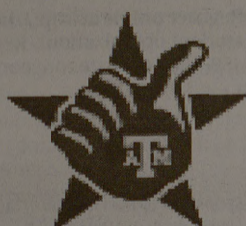
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