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Doctoral Degree Nearing Finish

Officials confirmed yesterday that the Ph.D. thesis project initiated in 1995 is in the final stages. Work is scheduled to be completed December 15.

The news was accepted with a mix of joy and skepticism. For three years, taxpayers have patiently awaited the end of this ambitious educational endeavour. They are elated that a date has been set, however are fully aware that the thesis may not be completed on time.

The project has already been marred with setbacks and cost overruns and is months behind schedule. Indeed, the experiment has seen a number of peculiar occurrences including catastrophic failures and unexplained energy sources that some had hoped was cold fusion.

Project manager, Sama Bilbao, was quoted to say, "Whenever something is done for the first time, the unexpected always plays havoc with timelines and finances. Look at the (International) Space Station. We are doing things that nobody has done before. The benefit to science will be enormous and guarantees a place for nuclear energy in our future."

Bilbao has retained her faith throughout the project and is determined to see it through to the end. In fact, the next major undertaking, the employment search, is already in full swing and is expected to take a fraction of the time as the thesis.

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Zoo Now Open

The Bilbao Zoo opened last August with an unusually large number of critters. Currently available for public viewing is a multilevel hamster cage occupied by Ratonito Dormilon (see picture to right).

The hamster is frequently seen sleeping in her access tubes which run from one level to the other. Exercise consists of dropping food from these tubes and then collecting it.

The zoo also contains a fine collection of South American and African fish in four aquariums. The largest, a 90 gallon tank, is home for several jack dempseys, red terrors, a severum and a fish known only as 'Shy Guy.'

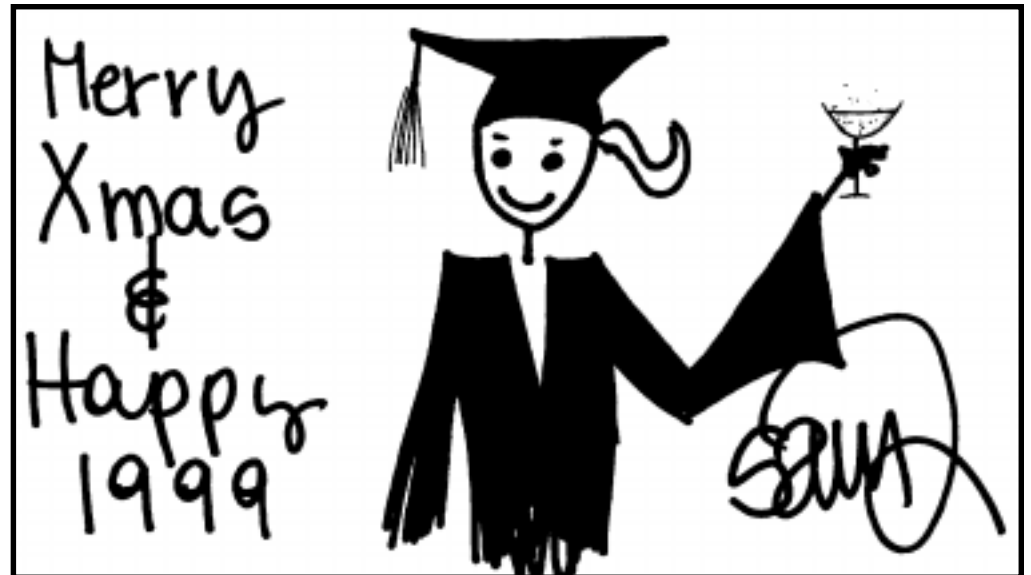
The smallest tank, 10 gallons, is occupied by two large angels who constantly harass the other residents, enough to scare them completely out of the tank.



One of the residents of the Bilbao Zoo, Ratonito Dormilon, mugs for the camera in her new multilevel home. The zoo caretaker indicates she regularly sleeps in the tubes connecting the levels.

The zoo is anxiously awaiting the moment when the collection can be added to by a dependable canine, possibly a german shepherd named Bat.

Zoo hours are flexible and it is recommended you make a reservation if you would like to visit.



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Headquarters moves to new location

Bilbao Inc., has moved it's headquarters from University Avenue to Stevens Street. The move occurred in August during a sweltering heat. The duration of the move was woefully underestimated due to a mysterious increase of company assets in recent years. The move was necessary to accommodate new employees.

"We have about doubled the square footage of our offices with this move," says Bilbao president Sama Bilbao. "Things were really cramped at the old location

and it was in our best interest to relocate. We will miss the old location though. It was very kind to us and we had several successful years while there."

Although the new headquarters is further out of town, transportation has not proven difficult because bus service is free.

"We are very happy here, but won't hesitate to move again if our needs change," added Sama.

All phone numbers remain the same for the new offices.