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uisiana. We didn't miss a  
at," he said.  
Hovland said the dental school  
a huge debt of gratitude to  
many private practice den-  
ts who accepted LSU's call to  
ve as mentors and teachers  
seniors following Katrina.  
Those dentists became their  
lity," he said.  
Considering the circum-  
nces that led to the LSU den-  
school receiving the Gies  
ard, Hovland was asked if he  
uld prefer not to win the  
ard again.  
Maybe we can win it for an-

other reason," he said.  
Gies, who died in 1956, was a  
pioneer in dental education. He  
was one of the founders of the  
Columbia University School of  
Dental and Oral Surgery.  
The LSU dental school re-  
turned to its New Orleans cam-  
pus near City Park in Septem-  
ber, resuming classes and pa-  
tient care.  
"We're happy to be home,"  
Hovland said, noting that the  
school decided after the storm  
to retain a clinical presence in  
Baton Rouge.  
The dental school educates

about 75 percent of the dental  
professionals practicing in  
Louisiana and is home to the  
state's only research center for  
oral health. The school also is  
a primary provider of continuing  
education and forensic dental  
services to police and emer-  
gency personnel in Louisiana  
and Mississippi.  
The dental school headed up  
the Dental DMORT Unit which  
processed more than 1,000 vic-  
tims of the flooding following  
Katrina. DMORT stands for  
Disaster Mortuary Operational  
Response Team.

## id case

riend.  
own has maintained he  
t to the scene as Brooks'  
n representative and simi-  
d not remember who was  
e. Michael Dubos, who re-  
ported Brown, told the jury  
lient was incidental to the  
e. He said the government  
"willing to sacrifice"  
wn to get Brooks.  
ooks resigned from the po-  
department last year.  
wn took a medical retire-  
t in 2007 because of an old  
ry.

## Iberville jury acquits BR man in murder case

Westside bureau  
PLAQUEMINE — An Iberville  
Parish jury on Thursday night  
found Leverezn S. Hall, 20, of  
Baton Rouge, not guilty of second-degree murder.  
The 10:15 p.m. verdict ended a  
three-day trial for Hall, accused  
of the fatal shooting of Karl  
Joseph, 22, of Plaquemine, on  
Aug. 8, 2005. The shooting grew  
out of a dispute among several

people at a Plaquemine truck  
stop, law enforcement authori-  
ties reported at the time.  
Judge Alvin Batiste of 18th Ju-  
dicial District Court presided  
over the trial. District Attorney  
Ricky Ward represented the  
state, along with lead prosecutor  
Tony Clayton and Assistant Dis-  
trict Attorney Dana Larpenteur.  
James Manasseh was Hall's  
defense attorney.



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Associated Press writer  
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and creativity in this city, per-  
haps best known for its food  
and jazz, make it as good a  
place as any to capitalize on the  
digital economy, the founder of  
Monster.com said Friday. But  
Jeff Taylor said it all comes  
down to execution.  
"You can decide that you're  
going to be a corridor for four  
different types of business,"  
Taylor told The Associated  
Press before giving a speech to  
the Louisiana Technology  
Council, a group whose de-  
clared goal is to turn this tradi-  
tional oil-and-gas state into the  
"Tech Capitol of the South."  
"The reality is, it's hard to  
move the needle very far. Be-

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