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### STATE

#### Katrina leaves many sidelined in Dallas

DALLAS (AP) — More than 100 Tulane University students displaced by Hurricane Katrina arrived at Southern Methodist University Wednesday, including the entire football team.

Anthony Gatt, an international exchange student from Malta, said the first thing he did upon arriving at SMU was take a shower, eat breakfast and contact his family.

"I really needed to get in touch with my family. I needed to make sure that they knew that I was OK," he said. "They were very worried."

About 400 Tulane students originally were evacuated from New Orleans to Jackson State University in Jackson, Miss.

But when the remnants of Katrina struck Mississippi and knocked out power there, school officials decided to send out-of-state and international students to Dallas and Atlanta so they could try to get plane tickets home.

### NATION

#### FDA official resigns, citing morning-after pill decision

WASHINGTON (AP) — A high-ranking Food and Drug Administration official resigned Wednesday in protest of the agency's refusal to allow over-the-counter sales of emergency contraception.

Susan Wood, director of FDA's Office of Women's Health, announced her resignation in an e-mail to colleagues at the agency. The e-mail was released by contraception advocates.

The FDA on Friday postponed indefinitely its decision on whether to allow the morning-after pill, called Plan B, to sell without a prescription. The agency said it was safe for adults to use without a doctor's guidance but that young teenagers still needed a prescription and it couldn't determine how to enforce an age limit — a decision contrary to the advice of its own scientific advisers.

### WORLD

#### 800 Shiite pilgrims die in massive stampede

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Panicked by rumors of a suicide bomber, thousands of Shiite pilgrims broke into a stampede on a bridge during a religious procession Wednesday, crushing one another or plunging 30 feet into the muddy Tigris river. About 800 died, mostly women and children, officials said.

Hundreds of lost sandals littered the two-lane bridge while children floundered in the waters below, trying to reach dry land. The tragedy was the single biggest loss of life known in Iraq since the March 2003 U.S.-led invasion.

"We heard that a suicide attacker was among the crowd," said Fadhel Ali, 28, barefoot and soaking wet on the riverbank. "Everybody was yelling, so I jumped from the bridge into the river, swam and reached the bank. I saw women, children and old men falling after me into the water."

The crowd was on edge because of the 110-degree heat, a mortar barrage near the Shiite shrine where they were headed and the ever-present fear of suicide bombers.

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*"It's totally wiped out. ... It's devastating; it's got to be doubly devastating on the ground."*  
— President George W. Bush, from Air Force One

# PERPETUAL PERIL



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NEW ORLEANS RESIDENTS are rescued by helicopter from the floodwaters of Hurricane Katrina Wednesday in New Orleans.

## New Orleans mayor says thousands are probably dead, urges rest to flee flooded city

By ADAM NOSSITER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — With thousands feared drowned in what could be America's deadliest natural disaster in a century, New Orleans' leaders all but surrendered the streets to floodwaters Wednesday and began turning out the lights on the ruined city — perhaps for months.

Looting spiraled so out of control that Mayor Ray Nagin ordered virtually the entire police force to abandon search-and-rescue efforts and focus on the brazen packs of thieves who have turned increasingly hostile.

Nagin called for an all-out evacuation of the city's remaining residents. Asked how many people died, he said: "Minimum, hundreds. Most likely, thousands."

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## Big Easy's bowl-shaped topography, poor levee systems may hamper drainage effort

By CARLOS BERGFELD  
STAFF WRITER

Remnants of Hurricane Katrina may be all that remains of the storm, but the situation in flooded New Orleans continues to deteriorate.

The water level has been rising in the city because of some of the New

Orleans' distinctive geographical aspects.

Larry Tanner, a research associate for the Wind Science and Engineering Research Center, will travel to Louisiana with the Federal Emergency Management Agency on a team of experts to study the effects of the hurricane.

Tanner said New Orleans' unique geography will significantly hamper any drainage efforts.

"It's just a big old soup bowl," he said.

The city, situated from one to 20 feet below sea level and actually shaped like a bowl, has several factors worsening its situation.

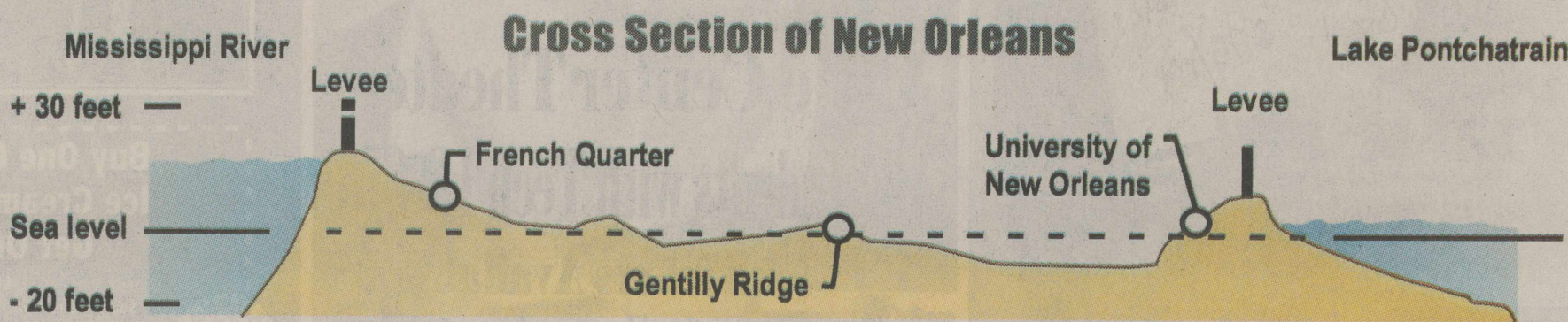
Ironically, New Orleans' levee systems designed to prevent flooding from Lake Pontchartrain and the Mississippi River have only exacerbated the flood conditions.

The levees that survived the storm now hold water inside the city, preventing natural drainage from occurring.

Ernst Kiesling, senior assistant dean for the College of Engineering, said the city's only option for water removal is to pump out the water, but this still presents a dilemma.

"With the difficulty of access to get equipment in there and with

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# Five Tech engineering students receive top grades

By ANGELA PAYNE  
STAFF WRITER

Five Texas Tech students received top honors on the Fundamentals of Engineering Test, which was administered by the Texas Board of Professional Engineers.

A total of 1,600 students took the test, and 19 students from Texas received top honors. Five of the students were from Tech.

"For a person to become a licensed engineer, if you follow the requirement of the Texas Engineering Practice Act, a student should successfully complete the FE, or Fundamentals of Engineering Exam within two semesters of graduating," said William Lawson, deputy director for the National Institute for Engineering Ethics. "However, it is not an affiliate with the College of Engineering; taking the test does not at all influence whether a student graduates."

The test is eight hours long and administered in two comprehensive parts, Lawson said. The first part is a basic engineering test over fields of engineering and the second part is more specific to the type of engineering that is being pursued by the student.

Lawson said taking the test is the first step in becoming a licensed engineer.

"One goes through a curriculum when entering the practice of engineering," he said. "One can choose to become a consultant and work with companies that do not directly react with the public, like NASA or Exxon, or work directly with the public and receive a license."

After passing the exam, the student will intern with a company for four years and is required to take the Principles and Practice of Engineering Test, Lawson said.

Roughly 90 percent of the students who take the test pass it, said Jeff Woldstad, associate dean of undergraduate students at the College of Engineering.

"The percentage of students who pass the test from Texas Tech is higher than the state average," Woldstad said. "However, it is a very difficult test."

The students must even use a specific type of calculator, Woldstad said.

"There is a list of basic scientific calculators that we must approve as the students enter into the test. The students use these to eliminate possible programming and infrared," he said. "We want to make it fair for the students by having them all use the same materials."

David Hasting, an architecture graduate student from Colleyville, was one of the Tech students to receive top honors on the test. Hasting scored in the 91st percentile. On a scale of 0 to 100, a 90 to 100 percentile score

receives top honors.

"I was pleased when I received my grade of 91 percent," Hasting said. "I didn't realize that I had done so well."

Erik Hanson, a civil engineering graduate from Greenville, also received a score above 90 percent on the test and was anxious about his grade.

"Like every other engineering student, I ripped (the envelope) open to see if I passed," he said. "It is definitely a blessing, and I am very happy."

The college provided a preparation course for those who wished to take the test, Lawson said. A mock test was given to the students so they could understand what would be on the real test.

"During the preparation course, we met twice a week and went over a chemical problem," Hanson said. "Some of the questions went way back to freshman year."

There was a thorough study schedule that each department provided, Hasting said. There also was a study guide given.

"The prep course for me made the test more manageable. We took a quiz every Tuesday and Thursday over things that would be covered on the test," he said. "The study guide was similar to the SAT, with practice problems. I studied about four hours a week."

Rahul Khopkar, a doctoral electrical engineering student from Bombay, India, also believes the prep course

was accommodating.

"That class was very helpful because it makes you practice every week for the exam," he said. "We took a practice test every time the class occurred."

Hasting said because of all of his preparation, he wasn't worried at all about the test and felt that he had studied enough.

"The week before I had three projects due as well as a paper," he said. "However, I felt good about the test; I knew all I needed to do was pass and knew that I had when I walked out."

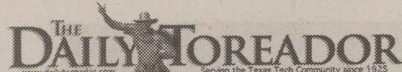
Hanson now is working at Jones & Boyd Inc. and taking a semester off. He then plans to return to school to receive his master's degree.

Hastings now is pursuing his master's in architecture and hopes to graduate in May.

Khopkar received his master's in Electrical Engineering at Texas A&M University and now plans to complete his doctorate in the Generation of Wind Power from Wind Turbines.

Only 1 percent of the students who take the Fundamentals of Engineering receive top honors. Lawson is thrilled and believes this is the first step in preparing students to be successful engineers.

"I am proud and excited," Lawson said. "The fact that so many students scored at the top reflects well on the student body."



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## Bush releases oil from petroleum stockpile

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush raised the possibility Wednesday that Hurricane Katrina will lead to even higher gasoline prices and shortages in some areas, even as his administration moved to release oil from an emergency government stockpile and to temporarily ease pollution standards on gasoline and diesel fuel.

"Our citizens must understand the storm has disrupted the capacity to make gasoline and distribute gasoline," Bush said in a Rose Garden speech after meeting with top officials to discuss the crisis.

"A lot of crude production has been shut down because of the storm," Bush said after returning from his Texas ranch to oversee federal relief efforts. He flew over some of the affected area on his way.

The decision to tap the Strategic Petroleum Reserve was an effort to keep production of gasoline and other fuels steady.

Even so, gasoline prices leaped nationwide as the extent of damage to the nation's oil-distribution network became more apparent. Key refineries and pipelines remained out of service, reducing fuel shipments to retailers.

Tapping the government reserves will "certainly help those companies and those refineries to function, whereas they wouldn't be functioning without a supply of crude oil," Energy Secretary Samuel W. Bodman told The Associated Press in an interview.

Moments after Bush's speech, Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., said the president's actions do not go far enough. "On energy, Americans were expecting a lot more from the President. He took a tiny baby step when a giant step is required," said Schumer, who contends Bush needs to release enough oil from the reserve to flood markets and drive down prices.

Rising gasoline prices have taken

a political toll on Bush, helping to drive down his approval ratings to an all-time low.

The oil reserves — about 700 million barrels of crude oil stored in underground salt caverns in Texas and Louisiana — were last tapped in September-October 2004 during disruptions caused by Hurricane Ivan.

In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, some 95 percent of the Gulf of Mexico's oil output was out of service, according to the U.S. Minerals Management Service. Nearly 5 million barrels of production have been lost since Friday because of the powerful storm and the shutdown of eight refineries.

"It is clear the consequences of the hurricane have become more widespread," Stephen Johnson, the Environmental Protection Agency's administrator, told a news conference.

A day after the EPA announced it would temporarily allow the sale of higher-polluting gasoline in Alabama, Florida, Louisiana and Mississippi, it acted to ease certain restrictions on gasoline blends and diesel fuel in the rest of the country as well.

"This will help take some pressure off the gas price," Bush said as gasoline prices soared toward \$3 a gallon in many parts of the country, surpassing that level in some places.

Bodman said freeing oil from the petroleum reserve would do little toward easing gasoline prices.

"Will it make a major difference in the price of gasoline? Based on the numbers that I see, probably not," Bodman told the AP. "It'll help some, but we have significant refining capacity that is dysfunctional, either because they don't have electric energy or because they're flooded, or both."

Some lawmakers have urged Bush to tap the reserve more aggressively in hopes of forcing prices down.

But the president's action is limited to just giving refineries a temporary supply of crude oil to take the place of interrupted shipments from

tankers or offshore oil platforms affected by the storm — and it requires the oil companies to replace the borrowed crude oil at a later time.

Bodman told a news conference he had approved the first in a series of requests from companies requesting oil from the reserve and was working on other applications. He said it was too early to tell how much oil would be released.

"We've also begun working with other agencies on planning, even before the storm came ashore, and have been in close contact with the state and local authorities assessing the overall impact of this storm on our nation's power infrastructure," Bodman said.

The administration's narrowly targeted step drew criticism from those advocating large releases from the reserve to try to drive down prices.

"The president is willing to do what it takes to relieve an oil company, but not enough to relieve the crushing burden of oil speculation and price-fixing on American consumers and small businesses," said Rep. Edward J. Markey of Massachusetts, a senior Democrat on the House Energy Committee.

Rep. Joe Barton, R-Texas, chairman of that committee, announced a congressional hearing Tuesday on Katrina's impact on energy markets. "I hope this is the silver lining that lets us really look at building new refineries and new pipelines and diversify the location so we are not as dependent on the area that the hurricane hit," Barton said.

Bodman ruled out action to impose a national ceiling on the price of gasoline.

"I don't think you'd find a lot of support for that," the energy secretary told CNN.

The production and distribution of oil and gas remained severely disrupted by the shutdown of a key oil import terminal off the coast of Louisiana and by the Gulf region's widespread loss of electricity, which is needed to power pipelines and refineries.

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# The heat is on

## Biology professor Dini takes stand on air conditioning issues

By LINDSAY WATTERS  
STAFF WRITER

When thinking about biology professors, most students' thoughts do not lean toward "The Full Monty," a Broadway play and 1997 movie about six men who form a male striptease act.

Though this was not the case as biology professor Michael Dini went from a suit to a T-shirt and gym shorts before a hot Wednesday afternoon biology class, the charade did cause students to raise eyebrows.

Dini said he stripped down to his mesh shorts, T-shirt and socks because it was too hot in the biology lecture hall.

"I did it because they weren't turning on the air conditioner," Dini said. "It should not have been that hot in there. The air conditioner works when they turn it on."

Dini said he does not know why the air conditioner has been off but he has speculations.

"I think someone is trying to save some money," Dini said. "The air conditioner came on at about four minutes after 8 a.m. because that's when the computer program turns it on because we can save money that way, I suspect. It's very difficult to teach and learn where the temperature is above 85 degrees."

Dini said Texas Tech does this in many other buildings on campus.

"I heard it's not just in the biology building," Dini said. "Chemistry buildings are having some difficulties also."

Dini said he has contacted authorities to report the situation but nothing has been done to solve the problem.

"I reported (the situation) to my chairman on Monday and even before class started (Wednesday morning)," Dini said.

Dini also told his students they

could also do something to fix the problem.

"I did tell my students that they have student senators that are supposed to be interested in their well-being," he said. "They should bring the issue to their senators' attention."

Dini said he hopes the air conditioning problem in biology lecture hall 101 can be straightened up before Thursday morning.

Kay Dowdy, director of academic support and facilities resources at Tech, said the problem was a simple mistake and was corrected as soon as possible.

"The air conditioning should have started at 6 a.m. but someone just missed it," she said. "It's hard to be perfect all the time. It should not repeat itself in the future."

Dowdy said, in this case, the air conditioner was not turned off to save money.

"We don't try to save money when it comes to classes and the classrooms," Dowdy said.

Andrew Brand, a sophomore general studies major from Artesia, N.M., said he was in the classroom and watched Dini take off the clothing he wore before class officially began.

"I saw him take off a button-up shirt and dress pants," Brand said. "He ended-up with only a T-shirt and gray mesh shorts on. I was sitting three rows from the front so I got a pretty good view of the whole thing."

He said he did not find the incident distracting but he did not believe the room temperature was uncomfortable because he lives in a non-air-conditioned residence hall.

"I didn't find (Dini taking off clothes) necessarily distracting," Brand said. "It wasn't hot to me though, because I live in a non-air-conditioned building on campus so my body dissipates heat differently than other people's, I guess."

Brand said as Dini was taking off his pants, Dini made a comment to the students to make sure they knew he was not going to take off all of his clothes.

"When he was taking off his pants, he looked at us and said, 'I'm not doing the Full Monty,'" Brand said.

Sara Albracht, a sophomore biology major from Pampa, said she was in the lecture hall when Dini took off his clothes.

"It didn't offend me, but I thought it was kind of inappropriate," Albracht said. "We, as students, would be expected not to do something like that."

She said she was bothered by the statement Dini made about the students needing to contact the Student Government Association about such problems.

"He said (students) are paying a lot of money for school and our responsibility is to talk to the SGA or administrators about the problem," Albracht said. "I thought it was kind of a smart-ass remark. It's his responsibility just as much as it is our responsibility."

Albracht said this is her first year to have Dini as a professor.

"This is my first time having him (as a teacher)," Albracht said. "I haven't heard of him doing anything like this before, though."

Brand said he was also bothered by Dini's statement toward the students about their responsibilities.

"I took it personally, as if he was saying (the incident was) a result of the students not being involved," Brand said.

Albracht said Tech students would be expected to act differently than Dini when it comes to a situation like this.

"Maybe, on Friday, I'll try (undressing) and see what happens," Albracht said.

# Tech adds 30 faculty members

By MEGHANN LORA  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The number of faculty at Texas Tech increased by about 30 this fall compared to last year.

In February 2004, President Jon Whitmore announced a plan to hire 100 additional faculty members by fall 2006. The university used funding from tuition increases to recruit more faculty members in an effort to reach that goal.

"It was pretty much driven by the idea that we want the students to graduate on time,"

Vice Provost Elizabeth Hall said.

About 90 new faculty joined Tech this fall, Hall said, and of those 90 faculty, 60 filled an existing position and 30 were placed in new positions.

"The replacement positions are people just leaving," she said.

"Part of the agreement when raising tuition was hiring new faculty. Those are what we call newly-funded positions."

Hall said the 60 replacement positions are not unusual. She said the number is consistent with the average in previous years.

According to the provost office's Web site, positions were created in various departments of the university including law, finance, art, mechanical engineering, music, advertising, geosciences and human development and family studies.

Hall said the newly funded positions were created based on demon-

strated needs of departments.

"The deans put in a request to the provost, and he made the decision," Hall said.

Students should experience the advantages of having more faculty at Tech, Hall said.

"I can't guarantee you smaller classes, but I guarantee more classes," she said.

Blake Harp, a sophomore biology major from Austin, said he thinks the tuition money could be used for other things that would benefit students more.

understand the needs of the students.

"As long as the professor can get across what they need to get across and students can understand it, that's what's important," he said.

"It's not the teacher increases that make me mad," he said. "It's these dumb little statues and question mark benches."

Hall said the university hosted a new faculty orientation last week. She said the new hires seemed eager to begin work at Tech.

"We saw the quality and enthusiasm of the new hires," she said. "They have a very good impression of Tech students."

*"It would raise (Tech's third tier) ranking if we got more quality professors."*

— BLAKE HARP  
Sophomore Biology Major from Austin

"It seems like kind of a waste of tuition money, really," Harp said. "It seems like the money could go to other things."

Harp said the university should look for more qualified professors to help elevate Tech's academic status.

"Texas Tech is a third tier school," he said. "It would raise our

ranking if we got more quality professors. It would make our tuition go a lot further."

Mike Dardnne, a junior civil engineering major from Austin, said hiring more professors is a positive move for the university if it is for the right reasons.

"If it's going to help (students) in class and get out of here and better their education, then yeah, it's good," he said. "But if it's to make us look bigger or better in the eyes of others, then no."

Dardnne said he wants Tech to hire people who are effective teachers and

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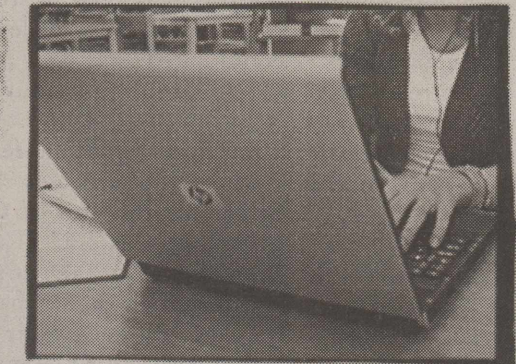
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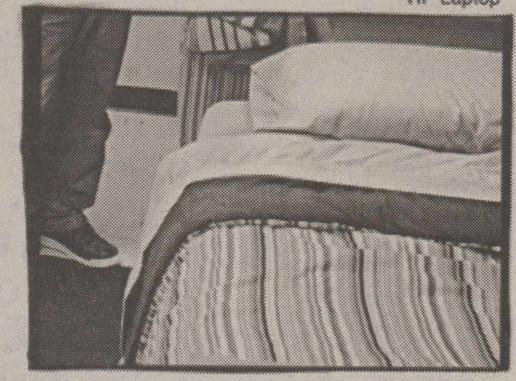
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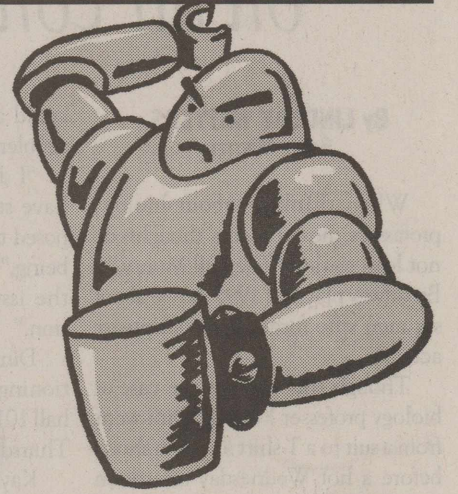
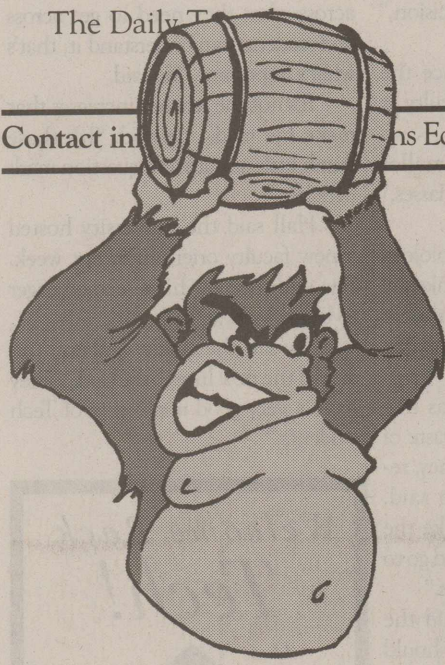
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Cindy Sheehan has pulled out of Crawford, but the debate lives on in the fist-ever...



# BATTLE ROYAL

## Sheehan victim of conservative smear 'Peace Mom' dishonoring son's memory

What can account for the hatred that Cindy Sheehan generates from the great fools of the Earth? Sheehan is the "Peace Mom" who, since the beginning of August, had been sitting outside Bush's ranch at Crawford in a protest camp named for her dead son, Casey, who fell in Iraq. Her very public request has been for a second meeting with the president.

She met him as part of a group in June 2004, but feels that was an inadequate formality. She wishes, she says, to have him explain what her son died for and why the war's still going on. No big stretch for the Commander-in-Chief of compassionate conservatism, right?

Wrong. Bush has refused to meet with her. And he's never looked worse. What better proof of the infinite irony of god that the man who was pleased to swagger like a thick-necked bull aboard an aircraft carrier now huddles behind his front gates like Saddam in a summer spider-hole? Where, sir, has your pride gone? Is this what Reagan would have done?

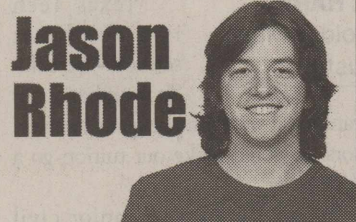
It's tough, though. Sheehan's no Kerry, whose swift boat succumbed so easily to the long knife and the lie. How difficult it must be for the opposition to climb into the mud pit with a woman whose anguish makes her Teflon to the smear.

How awkward for Bush and Co. that a recent ABC News/Washington Post poll shows 52 percent believe Bush should meet with Sheehan and 53 percent support the vigil itself.

This comes at a time when the president's ratings are troubling: Gallup shows his disapproval at 56 percent, a new high, and his approval at 40 percent, a new low.

The far right, especially Matt Drudge, likes to play cut-and-paste with Sheehan's public statements. Their editing of her words is, shall we say, creative.

At the very most, what



**Jason Rhodes**

Sheehan is guilty of is changing her mind a little bit, which is so extraordinarily rare that you and I do it every day.

A mourning mother is unsure about the "Great Cause." Seeing the case for Iraq fall apart, she decides that she opposes the war that took her son from her. How is this, in any way, outrageous?

But perhaps we should go directly to the sources of wisdom themselves, the critics. When given to use their own letters, and not those of Peace Ma, how do they rate? What careful dissections of this complex issue have they achieved?

"There is no question that she has thrown in with the most radical elements in this country...I think Mrs. Sheehan bears some responsibility for this and also for the responsibility of other American families who have lost sons and daughters in Iraq, who feel that this kind of behavior borders on treasonous." Bill O'Reilly said.

Sheehan, said Michelle Malkin, "has turned her private, personal pain into a public circus." And of course, Dr. Limbaugh was pleased to weigh in with this: "There's nothing about it that's real, including the mainstream media's glomming onto it. It's not real. It's nothing more than an attempt. It's the latest effort made by the coordinated left."

Limbaugh, of course, is right.

Here are some more facts that aren't real: Casey Austin Sheehan, the son of Cindy Sheehan, was a U.S. Army Specialist. May 2000, he joined the Army. He signed back up August 2003. In Sadr City, Iraq, he was killed, along with other volunteers, on a rescue mission April 4, 2004. Posthumous Purple Heart and Bronze

Star. Here's another treasonous set of facts that the "coordinated left" cooked up: 1,879 American soldiers have died, 447 of them since the election January 31.

Almost all of those who died would, I imagine, have families and loved ones. A share of moral authority belongs to every single one of those who mourn.

Some of them support the war, which is their right. Some oppose it, but quietly. You know what Cindy Sheehan is doing with hers.

Do I agree with everything Sheehan says? No. Several times she's been the spout of paranoid rambles about neocon political action committees and Israel.

This disapproves me. Then I remember that she's still a very angry, very sad person. Who wouldn't be? And what the lady lacks in theory, she makes up for in practice.

The fact that she exists must be a terrific embarrassment to George W. Bush. She isn't as silent as all those flag-draped coffins they're shipping back far away from news cameras.

Here is a woman you can't frighten. Can't bully. Can't buy. Who has the undeniable moral weight to challenge you, Mr. President — when your own moral gravitas, to say nothing of your political power, is at its weakest and most vulnerable.

They say every dog has its day. For George Bush, a very unlikely wolf is at the door.

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Casey Sheehan was a hero.

Cindy Sheehan is far from it.

Casey Sheehan was a U.S. Army Specialist killed in action in Sadr City, Iraq in April 2004. His story has been somewhat obscured if not forgotten in the wake of the media circus surrounding his more well-known mother Cindy — the so-called "Peace Mom."

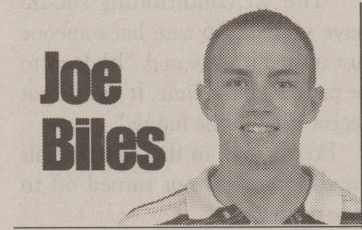
As is now well known, Cindy Sheehan arrived outside President Bush's Crawford ranch four weeks ago demanding a personal visit. In fact, she already visited with him last June, and at the time described him to *The Vacaville Reporter* as "sincere about wanting freedom for the Iraqis" and "sorry ... for our loss." Since then she's changed her story. Now

Bush was "detached from humanity" and lacking "any real compassion at all." The mainstream media has found its star in Cindy

Sheehan and has gone to great lengths to shield the public from her extremism.

To those who want to slander President Bush and dishonor the troops, the truth is no obstacle — a Michael Moore leftist who found a platform for radicalism in the tragic loss of her son is transformed into an unbiased everywoman speaking the "truth" to power.

Cindy Sheehan is no moderate. This past March she sent ABC's Nightline an e-mail saying her son died "for lies and for a PNAC (Project for a New American Century) Neo-Con agenda to benefit Israel." (Neo-Con is the left's codeword for conservative Jews.) When this was revealed Sheehan lied and



**Joe Biles**

claimed her associate James Morris edited her e-mail to support his own anti-Semitic agenda. In fact two other people, Tony Tersch and Skeeter Gallagher, received the e-mail directly from Sheehan and say it matched the one received by Nightline.

Sheehan has also compared President Bush to Adolph Hitler, calling him "Führer" on "Larry King Live." On MSNBC's "Hardball," she told Chris Matthews the liberation of Afghanistan from the Taliban was wrong too: "Well then we should have gone after al-Qaida and maybe not after the country of Afghanistan." I've met a few Afghans who would disagree.

In a speech given at San Francisco State University, Sheehan said "The biggest terrorist in the world is George W. Bush," and told CBS reporter Mark Knoller the terrorists that bomb American troops and kill Iraqi police recruits are "freedom fighters."

The butchers of Iraqi children? To Sheehan they're the next George Washingtons.

Sheehan persists in her claim that Bush "lied" about weapons of mass destruction, a popular claim of the extremist left. To date three separate investigations (by a Senate subcommittee, the bipartisan Iraq Intelligence Commission and the United Kingdom's Butler Review) have found that systemic failures in the collection and analysis of intelligence, not political pressure, caused the White House and the rest of the world to believe that Iraq was pursuing WMDs.

(Saddam Hussein kicking out and deceiving weapons inspectors didn't help the situation much. I'll also note there is no contesting the fact that Saddam owned and tested illegal weapons — for instance the Scud missiles he bombed Kuwait

with in 2003 or the Unmanned Aerial Vehicles he equipped with chemical sprayers.)

Military families aren't buying it. Last week moms and dads from the west coast caravan to Crawford as part of the "Cindy Sheehan Does Not Speak For Me" campaign. And a Rasmussen poll released Aug. 20 reveals that Sheehan is viewed unfavorably by 48 percent of military relatives and favorably by only 31 percent (the rest were undecided or didn't know who she was).

The media's attempt to bludgeon President Bush to political death with a woman who has enough free time to sit outside his ranch and claim he killed her son ignores one more piece of pertinent information — what Sheehan wants Bush to do after she insults him to his face.

Sheehan is calling for an immediate withdrawal of all U.S. troops from Afghanistan and Iraq. "Immediate withdrawal" are the left's codewords for "leaving behind a giant bloodbath in the Middle East."

Immediate withdrawal didn't work out so well for South Vietnam and Cambodia when President Nixon tried it 30 years ago. (Admittedly neither did Vietnamization, but the fact is that Nixon cared a lot more about getting the troops out than he did about successful Vietnamization.) Immediate withdrawal is the stab in the back that would permanently anti-American animosity in the Middle East.

I'm the first to admit that the Bush administration has made numerous mistakes in Iraq — like not sending enough troops in the first place.

There is plenty for reasonable people to protest. Cindy Sheehan is not a reasonable person. She is a witty tool of extremists who deserves our pity, but not our ears.

The only honorable course in Iraq is to stay until the mission is complete.

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# SGA officers ready for first meeting of semester

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The George W. Bush Library campaign and Raider Gate are two topics to be discussed at the Student Government Association's first meeting of the 2005-2006 school year today.

SGA President Nathan Nash said the meeting will begin with a call to order, with the pledge of allegiance, roll call and reading of the senate journal to follow.

The meeting will commence at 7 p.m. tonight in room 101 of the agricultural science building.

Nash said he will be among many people to speak at the second meeting of the 41<sup>st</sup> session. Others include Vice President for Student Affairs Michael Shonrock, Brian Box, Matt Cadwallar and Brooks Stoy of the Facilities, Planning and Construction committee, David Miller, who heads the Texas Tech George W. Bush Library campaign, SGA External Vice President Ryan Worley and SGA Graduate Vice President John Hanson.

The George W. Bush Library would be a great addition to the campus, Nash said.

"I am glad that our senate is already considering the addition of the Bush Library," he said. "But we have a long way to go."

Worley said he will discuss relief for Hurricane Katrina and the Take A Kid To The Game day project on Sept. 17.

"I want to focus on those two things," he said.

The recent natural disaster, Worley said, would be a friendly way to help out the victims and their families.

"(It) would be nice to do something to help them out," he said. "As good

as we have it here in Lubbock, we have to respond to help others."

Worley compared the victims' need for relief to the way citizens in Lubbock would possibly feel if a tornado devastated the city.

"If a tornado devastated Lubbock, the way that happened, we would want them (people who live outside the area) to help us," he said.

SGA Internal Vice President and President of Student Senate Casey Harmon said she will issue the Report of the Student Senate President, addressing internal issues such as the senate retreat, contact information updates and senate manuals.

Harmon said she encourages SGA senators to attend upcoming events such as the groundbreaking for the building of the Wellness Center and Raider Gate.

Freshman Advisory Board and Freshman Council, she said, along with university committee appointments, will also be discussed.

The pursuit for the George W. Bush Library on the Texas Tech campus, Harmon said, will be the main topic discussed at the meeting.

"It is pretty much the main focus," she said.

Harmon said she anticipates the meeting and expects a positive turnout.

"We are expecting pretty full attendance," she said.

Following Harmon's report, Nash said, will be the first reading, where Senate Resolution 41.02 will be resolved. The resolution concerns Tech as the future site of the George W. Bush Library.

Other routine motions will follow the reading, she said, where new senators are sworn in and committees present their reports.

The committees include academics, budget and finance, graduate affairs, historical, intergovernmental relations, public relations, rules and administra-

tion, student services and university life.

Nash said Freshmen Involvement Advisor Ryan Todd will also speak at the meeting.

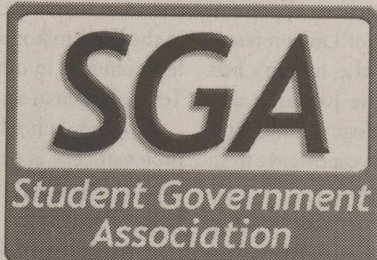
The SGA Senate, Harmon said, will discuss legislation for the upcoming week.

Nash said calendar discussion will follow the routine motions, where the SGA will address calendars such as consent calendar, senate calendar and SGA calendar.

The calendars, Nash said, will be the time to debate and decide the previous topics discussed.

Harmon said she doesn't expect much depth from the reports because the meeting will be the first meeting of the year. She said the meeting will also be a chance for people in the various committees to familiarize themselves with one another.

"We are just getting back on campus," she said.



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## Legislature's actions could mean death penalty for doctors who perform late-term abortions

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas doctors who perform abortions without parental approval or after the third trimester could face capital murder charges because of a new law that takes effect this week, a prosecutors group says.

The Texas District and County Attorneys Association has outlined that scenario in its new book updating the Texas penal code and in public presentations around the state. The group says such charges could occur under the new law because of the 2003 fetal protection law.

Sen. Jane Nelson, R-Lewisville, who pushed the parental consent measure, said in a prepared statement that her legislation was strictly limited to giving parents the right to consent when a minor is considering an abortion and to preventing late-term abortions.

"There were no discussions about the death penalty during our legislative discussions of this issue, so that was certainly not the intent," Nelson said.

A capital murder conviction can result in the death penalty.

Rep. Ray Allen, R-Grand Prairie, who sponsored the 2003 bill defining an embryo or fetus as an "individual," said the law may need clearing up in a future legislative session.

"I don't see the Legislature wanting to charge doctors with capital murder based on a technical legal issue over whether parental consent was properly documented," Allen said.

The fetal protection bill was designed to allow for prosecution of a person who harms or kills an embryo or fetus, supporters say. Exceptions were made for legal drug use, action taken by the mother or a "lawful medical procedure."

But legislators this year defined performing an abortion on an unmarried girl under age 18 without proper consent or performing an abortion in the third trimester that isn't covered by certain exceptions as a "prohibited practice" in medicine. The law takes effect Thursday.

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# Lubbock relief efforts en route to Katrina disaster

By ANNE GEPFORD  
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Despite the miles distancing Lubbock from New Orleans and the aftermath from Hurricane Katrina, the storm's effects have had an impact on the Lubbock community.

Meg Jakubik, the director of disaster services at the American Red Cross chapter in Lubbock, said though the Lubbock area was not directly hit by the hurricane, people in Lubbock were responding as if it were.

"I think any time something like this happens it gives the community a chance to get together and show support," Jakubik said.

With Louisiana being just a state away from Texas, she said the number of people calling and asking to help in some way had increased since the storm hit.

A few streets away at the Salvation Army, volunteers answering phones experienced a similar reaction from Lubbock residents.

"People are calling now to volunteer to go down there and help," said Maj. Ernest Branscum, the commanding officer of the Salvation Army of Lubbock. "Part of the problem is that we don't have a place for them to stay. We're trying to send them down to help."

Branscum said there is no place to house the volunteers in the disaster area because of the damage Hurricane Katrina caused. For this reason, he said, people have not been sent for the fear that they will be in the way of rescue workers already assisting in the area.

While the Salvation Army may be waiting on a final decision for their volunteers, they have already sent a mobile feeding unit that is completely self-contained to Louisiana.

According to the Salvation Army Web site, one mobile feeding unit can serve 5,000 meals per day

and is the preferred food provider during hurricane response efforts by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

"It's already there," Branscum said. "This will serve anybody in this total disaster."

Although the mobile feeding unit, or canteen, can feed victims from the area, it often is used for emergency aid workers, volunteers and the National Guard as well to facilitate relief efforts.

"Many times we are stationed with the National Guard group," Branscum said. "It depends on what is going on."

The Lubbock community, Branscum said, has been very helpful in funding the canteen.

"Obviously we have got the heart of the community with the number of calls we've gotten," he said.

The night desk clerk at the Salvation Army shelter, T.J. Reed, said the amount of help received from the community is similar to when the tsunami hit Indonesia less than a year ago.

"The phone's ringing quite a bit," Reed said. "Lubbock's real good when it comes to something like this."

Over at the South Plains Food Bank, David Weaver Jr., the executive director, said they have been receiving calls as well.

Weaver said the food bank is sending non-perishable food items, water bottles and breakfast bars to assist in the relief efforts.

"Right now the immediate need is for these items," Weaver said. "We're looking at our inventory and seeing what we can provide."

Weaver said the easiest way for people to donate to all of the organizations providing relief is financially, because then the organization can spend the money on what is needed most in the disaster areas.

"Lots of aid organizations have set up donation sites online for financial organizations," Weaver said.

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- <http://www.spfb.org>

# Tech law professor appointed chief council for the Research and Innovative Technology Administration by Bush

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President Bush recently appointed Texas Tech School of Law professor Victoria Sutton as the nation's first chief counsel for the Research and Innovative Technology Administration. She will take a year of leave from Tech beginning Sept. 1.

According to [www.rita.dot.gov](http://www.rita.dot.gov), the administration was created in 2004 and is dedicated to the advancement of Department of Transportation innovation and research in transportation technologies and concepts. Sutton will lead the administration to promote economic growth that will ultimately result in a better transportation system for the country.

Tech School of Law Dean Walter Huffman said Sutton's appointment would increase awareness and visibility of the university system.

"She has the opportunity to gain extraordinary expertise to bring back to her students," he said. "Dr. Sutton

will also be able to raise the visibility of Texas Tech and the law school."

Presidential appointments are common to many of the law schools in the Washington area, but are much less common in other states, such as Texas, Huffman said.

The law school will lose a great professor, but is ecstatic about Sutton's opportunity to serve the nation, Huffman said.

"We hate to lose, even for a year, a professor with her talent," he said. "But we do recognize what a prestigious opportunity this is for Dr. Sutton."

Courtney Self, a junior pre-law student from Rockwall, said Sutton's appointment would be good for Tech.

"It shows that we're a good school," she said. "We have good professors."

Self said she thinks Tech is already somewhat visible on a national level because it is a large school, but that this presidential appointment will

increase national awareness about the university's academic programs.

Tech students will benefit when Sutton returns to teaching because of the experiences she will have had, Self said.

"(Sutton) will have a broader knowledge of things," Self said. "She'll have had more experience because she'll have been doing something other than teaching law."

Sutton currently serves as the director of Tech's Center for Bio Defense, Law and Public Policy.

Before joining the faculty at Tech, Sutton served as assistant director of the White House Science Office and in the Environmental Protection Agency.

According to the Web site, the administration will be part university research lab and Silicon Valley entrepreneurial company. The agency will foster the exchange of ideas and information and work to move these innovative ideas from the laboratory into the field.

# Tech graduate student to join Red Cross relief efforts

By ANDREW WOOD  
STAFF WRITER

With her friends in mind, graduate student Melanie Castleberg felt the call to travel to New Orleans and help with the relief efforts.

Castleberg said she sensed a connection to the disaster by thinking of those in the area who remain close to her. The hurricane disaster, she said, allowed her to realize how natural disasters could happen to anyone.

"Because I know people there, (the

hurricane damage) makes me think it could happen anywhere," she said.

She compared the situation to the possibility of the citizens of Lubbock having to endure a natural disaster, such as the city being flooded with water.

"We could have had flash flooding," she said. "It could happen anywhere."

Castleberg, a graduate student from Fort Worth studying political science, plans to leave for New Orleans with the American Red Cross, whom she said she is grateful to.

"The Red Cross would help me if a disaster was here," she said.

Castleberg has already spoken with one of her friends who were in the area during the hurricane, she said. Though she said the victims feel overwhelmed and frantic, she was told the people are remaining emotionally strong in their reaction.

"They are taking (the hurricane damage) as well as could be expected. They question everything," she said, while speaking of the way the survivors plan to live the rest of their life.

Castleberg said her group will be conducting relief in New Orleans for an estimated three weeks. When she returns, she said she knows she will have to make up much of her missed school work in Lubbock, but she believes her dilemma is minute compared to the victims' suffering.

"I will have homework to catch up on," she said. "The effect on my life will be minimal to the effect of the others."

Castleberg strongly recommended that other Tech students and other Lubbock citizens to volunteer to the local American Red Cross. She said the organization is currently working with volunteers to leave for New Orleans on Sept. 10.

She encouraged students who have interest in volunteering to go to the local American Red Cross to fill out an application. She said volunteer

services are open to everyone as she expressed concern for people who are interested in becoming involved, but are still unsure.

Castleberg said she hopes for the group coming in for her relief to arrive as soon as possible.

"If they don't come and relieve me, I many never come back to Lubbock," Castleberg jokingly said.

Castleberg's trip to New Orleans, she said, will be her second trip made for relief work.

She visited Arkansas in 1999 after seven tornadoes ravaged parts of the states.

"Seven tornadoes in a state that small basically hit the whole state," she said. "It was a really big thing."

"I feel bad because they are going through an emotional nightmare. There is a lot of stuff people lost," she said, mentioning photographs and personal possessions.

Castleberg said she is not scared and is anticipating the opportunities to help the people.

"I am not really scared, I feel for the people down there," she said. "My adrenaline rushes. I am so ready to go down there."

Dennis Patterson, an associate professor of political science, has worked closely with Castleberg and her studies. He said she is reliable and will do well in her work during the next few weeks.

"I have known her as one of our more conscientious students," he said. "She has a commitment to achieving good social goals."

The Red Cross Web site mentions various ways the people can become involved in any activity in addition to disaster relief. The Web site says more than one thousand American Red Cross units can be found in the United States.

The Lubbock chapter of the American Red Cross is located 2201 19<sup>th</sup> Street in Lubbock and can be contacted at (806) 765-8534.

# Sheehan and protest group leave Crawford

CRAWFORD (AP) — Dozens of war opponents on Wednesday left their makeshift campsite near President Bush's ranch after a 26-day roadside vigil that drew thousands and ignited the anti-war movement.

Cindy Sheehan, a fallen soldier's mother who arrived in Bush's adopted hometown Aug. 6 and refused to leave until he talked to her, boarded one of several buses heading on a tour to continue spreading her message.

"This is where I'm going to spend every August from now on," Sheehan said as she smiled and waved through a bus window.

After stopping in 25 states the next three weeks, the three buses in the "Bring Them Home Now Tour" will meet in Washington, D.C., for a Sept. 24 anti-war march.

Sheehan will be on the southern route, with its first stop in Austin for a rally later Wednesday. On Friday protesters plan to go to U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay's office in the Houston area.

Sheehan will leave the tour next week to spend time with her family, including her mother who recently suffered a stroke, which caused Sheehan to miss a week of the protest.



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With most of the city under water, Army engineers struggled to plug New Orleans' breached levees with giant sandbags and concrete barriers, and authorities drew up plans to clear out the tens of thousands of remaining people and practically abandon the below-sea-level city. Most of the evacuees — including thousands now suffering in the hot and muggy Superdome — will be moved to the Astrodome in Houston, 350 miles away.

There will be a "total evacuation of the city. We have to. The city will not be functional for two or three months," Nagin said. And he said people would not be allowed back into their homes for at least a month or two.

If the mayor's death-toll estimate holds true, it would make Katrina the worst natural disaster in the United States since at least the 1906 San Francisco earthquake and fire, which have blamed for anywhere from about 500 to 6,000 deaths. Katrina would also be the nation's deadliest hurricane since 1900, when a storm in Galveston killed between 6,000 and 12,000 people.

In Mississippi, bodies are starting to pile up at the morgue in hard-hit Harrison County. Forty corpses have been brought to the morgue already, and officials expect the death toll in the county to climb well above 100.

President Bush flew over New Orleans and parts of Mississippi's hurricane-blasted coastline in Air Force One. Turning to his aides, he said: "It's totally wiped out. ... It's devastating, it's got to be doubly devastating on the ground."

"We're dealing with one of the worst national disasters in our nation's history," Bush said later in a televised address from the White House, which most victims could not see because power remains out to 1 million Gulf Coast residents.

The federal government dispatched helicopters, warships and elite SEAL water-rescue teams in one of the biggest relief operations in U.S. history, aimed at plucking residents from rooftops in the last of the "golden 72 hours" rescuers say is crucial to saving lives.

As fires burned from broken natural-gas mains, the skies above the city buzzed with National Guard and Coast Guard helicopters frantically dropping baskets to roofs where victims had been stranded since the storm roared in with a 145-mph fury Monday. Atop one apartment building, two children held up a giant sign scrawled with the words: "Help us!"

Looters used garbage cans and inflatable mattresses to float away with food, blue jeans, tennis shoes, TV sets — even guns. Outside one pharmacy, thieves commandeered a forklift and used it to push up the

storm shutters and break through the glass. The driver of a nursing-home bus surrendered the vehicle to thugs after being threatened.

Police said their first priority remained saving lives, and mostly just stood by and watched the looting. But Nagin later said the looting had gotten so bad that stopping the thieves became the top priority for the police department.

"They are starting to get closer to heavily populated areas — hotels, hospitals, and we're going to stop it right now," Nagin said in a statement to *The Associated Press*.

Hundreds of people wandered up and down shattered Interstate 10 — the only major freeway leading into New Orleans from the east — pushing shopping carts, laundry racks, anything they could find to carry their belongings.

On some of the few roads that were still open, people waved at passing cars with empty water jugs, begging for relief. Hundreds of people appeared to have spent the night on a crippled highway.

Starting Thursday, authorities planned to move at least 25,000 storm refugees to the Astrodome in a vast convoy of some 500 buses provided by the federal government. With the air conditioning knocked out, the Superdome has become stifling, its toilets are broken and there is nowhere for anyone to bathe.

Nagin, whose pre-hurricane evacuation order got most of his city of a half a million out of harm's way, estimated 50,000 to 100,000 people remained, and said 14,000 to 15,000 a day could be evacuated in ensuing convoys.

"We have to," Nagin said. "It's

not living conditions."

He also expressed concern about people staying in the water: "People walking in that water with those dead bodies, it can get in your pores, you don't have to drink it."

In addition to the Astrodome solution, the Federal Emergency Management Agency was considering putting people on cruise ships, in tent cities, mobile home parks, and so-called floating dormitories.

The floodwaters streamed into the city's streets from two levee breaks near Lake Pontchartrain a day after New Orleans thought it had escaped catastrophic damage from Katrina. The floodwaters covered 80 percent of the city, in some areas 20 feet deep, in a reddish-brown soup of sewage, gasoline and garbage.

Around midday, officials with the state and the Army Corps of Engineers said the water levels between the city and Lake Pontchartrain had equalized, and water had stopped spilling into New Orleans, and even appeared to be falling. But the danger was far from over.

The Army Corps of Engineers said it planned to use heavy-duty Chinook helicopters to drop 15,000-pound bags of sand and stone as early as Wednesday night into the 500-foot gap in the failed floodwall.

But the agency said it was having trouble getting the sandbags and dozens of 15-foot highway barriers to the site because the city's waterways were blocked by loose barges, boats and large debris.

In Washington, the Bush administration decided to release crude oil from the federal petroleum reserves after Katrina knocked out 95 percent of the Gulf of Mexico's output.

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the lack of power and so forth, it's a monumental problem," he said.

Lack of food and proper sanitation for survivors and rescue workers add to the list of troubles.

Although nothing quite like Katrina has hit the U.S. before, Kiesling said, experts have long predicted the flooding of New Orleans.

"It's been feared by people from disaster mitigation for years — it's their worst nightmare," he said.

A September 2001 *Popular Mechanics* article entitled "New Orleans Is Sinking" detailed the events of a hurricane of the same magnitude as Katrina hitting the city.

More recently, an FX miniseries called "Oil Storm" aired in June that predicted similar events and ended with gas prices in the U.S. becoming permanently set at \$4.

A slightly similar situation to Katrina occurred in the Galveston hurricane of 1900, and the flooded city responded by building up the city's foundation and creating a large sea wall to prevent future flooding.

Kiesling said building up the city may or may not be a viable option for New Orleans, as the geography differs from that of Galveston.

In spite of the ever-present danger of flooding, New Orleans continued to grow and expand, Kiesling said, making the damages from Hurricane

Katrina all the more devastating.

More stringent building codes are usually met with resistance, but should be enforced in New Orleans with features like stilts and improved building foundations, Kiesling said.

Tanner, who will be traveling to Louisiana possibly as soon as next week, said the emergency team will be planning for the future rather than dealing with the current disaster situation.

"The whole purpose of the investigation is to try to learn how to mitigate the effects of such horrific hazards," he said.

Blow-out walls and stilted houses built above the designated surge zone are current precautions taken when constructing houses in coastal zones, but even these would not have prevented Katrina's damage.

The surge level of Katrina breached the designated surge levels in New Orleans by a substantial amount, Tanner said.

Richard Peterson, associate director of the wind science and engineering program, said Tech researchers are retrieving wind data from three experimental towers that managed to operate during the storm.

He said after the city is drained, it is very likely New Orleans will be rebuilt, although it remains in a dangerous coastal region.

"Given the cultural history of New Orleans, there's going to be an awful lot of people from around the world that would not want to see Bourbon Street and things like that gone forever," he said. "The government's not going to say 'Thou shalt not build below sea level.'"

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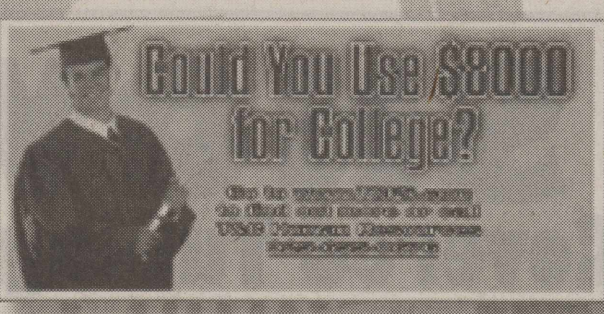
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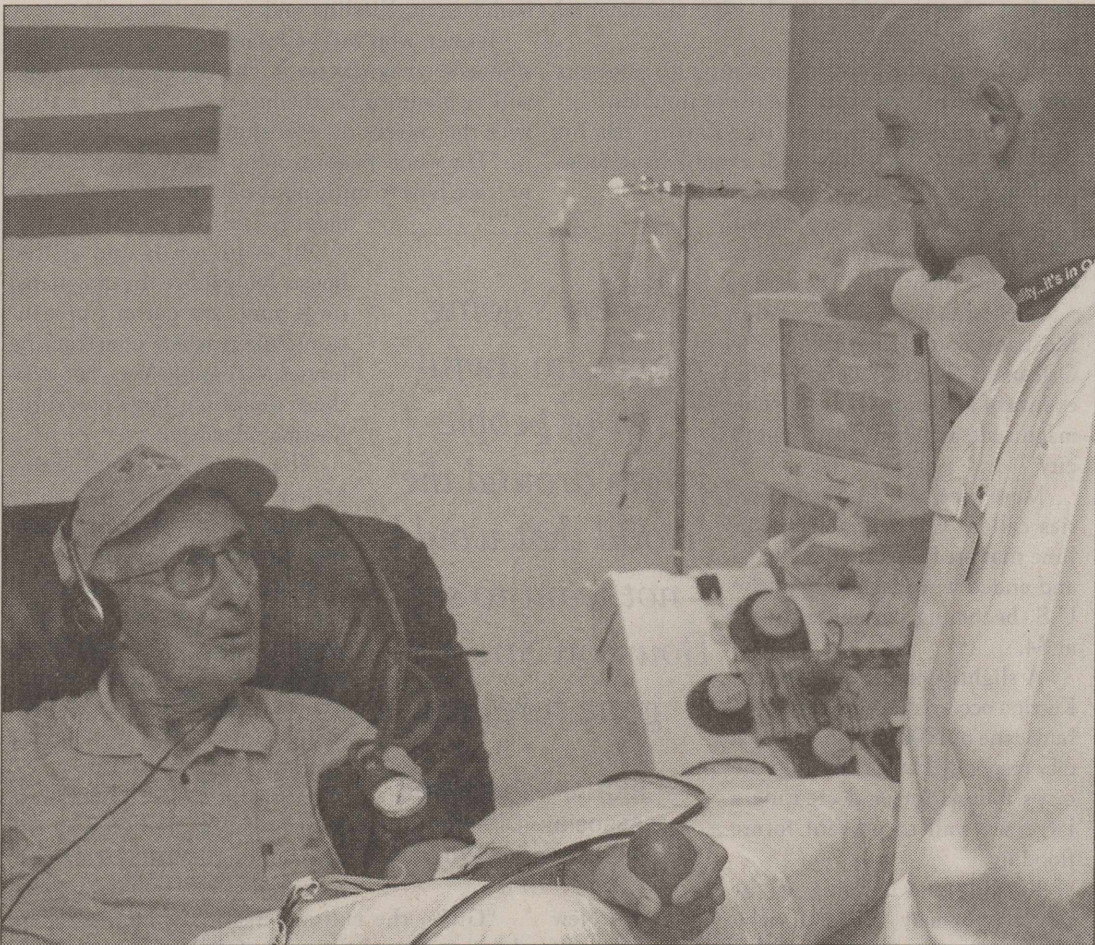
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# Katrina brings need for blood donors nationwide, locally



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LEAD DONOR TECH Supervisor Paschen Booth, a senior English major from Big Spring, checks on donor Gerald Franks of Hart on Wednesday at United Blood Services, located at 2523 48th St.

By JAY LANGLEY  
STAFF WRITER

In the face of Hurricane Katrina, Mix 100 and the Lubbock United Blood Service are teaming up to get people to donate blood for hurricane victims.

Kelli D'Angelo is the mid-day disc jockey at Mix 100 and works as a program director for the station. She said this year is the ninth annual Labor of Love Blood Drive for the radio station.

"Typically around holidays such as Labor Day the blood supply is drained," D'Angelo said.

The importance of giving blood has taken on new importance with Hurricane Katrina, she said.

"Not only do we want to have enough blood for the people of Lubbock, but we want to give as much as we can to Louisiana," D'Angelo said.

Mix 100, D'Angelo said, has constant reminders to listeners to give blood. Three times a day a station staff member goes to UBS and does live call-ins.

"People might be low on cash," she said. "But they can always give blood."

A single blood donation can help up to four people.

"How many people can go home and say 'Hey I saved four lives today?'" D'Angelo said.

Wednesday the UBS received a call from Louisiana requesting extra donations. Les Long, the community supervisor at United Blood Service, said the staff would do whatever they could to get blood to Louisiana.

"Right now they are mainly requesting blood platelets, but in the future they will probably need other things like red blood or even plasma," Long said.

The UBS currently raises the second most blood donations in the country. However, the Red Cross of Lubbock, ranked No. 1 nationally in total blood donations, does not have a blood

donation center in Lubbock.

"We (the UBS) are currently sending help to hurricane victims from all over the country," Long said. "We have centers in places like New Mexico and Wyoming."

Long said people should be willing to give blood even when there is no disaster like Hurricane Katrina.

"Only 5 percent of the population that can give blood actually does give blood," he said.

A person can give blood if they are at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and are in good health.

"Approximately 4 million Americans every year owe their lives to blood transfusions," Long said.

A person can give blood every six weeks, Long said.

"If every person who gives blood in this country would give blood one more time during the year, there would be no blood shortage," he said.

Resa Uptergrove gave blood at the UBS on Wednesday. Uptergrove said it was the second time she has donated blood this year.

"If I was in a situation where I needed blood I would want to know there was some available for me," she said.

Uptergrove said giving blood is especially important in the face of Hurricane Katrina.

"We need to give extra help to the people in Louisiana and Mississippi," she said.

Rhonda Teal is a donor recruiter for United Blood Service. Teal said getting Tech students to give blood is important to the UBS.

"We usually try to have at least one blood drive per week on campus for the students," Teal said. "We have the drives at residence halls, sororities and fraternities and occasionally at the library."

The next UBS blood drive is scheduled for Sept. 7 at Murray Hall.

## TV telethons announced for Katrina victims

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hurricane Katrina telethons reminiscent of benefits for tsunami and 9/11 victims were announced Wednesday with artists including Wynton Marsalis and Green Day, while Jerry Lewis' annual Labor Day fundraiser will join in as well.

Lewis said Wednesday his telethon for the Muscular Dystrophy Association would include celebrity appeals for hurricane relief. MDA also will donate \$1 million to help victims in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama, he said.

"While the needs of 'my kids' are with us all year-round, Hurricane Katrina is a national disaster on a scale that's difficult to comprehend," the actor-comedian said in a statement. "We simply couldn't ignore the need to help."

Celebrities will appeal for donations for hurricane victims during the first four hours of the telethon and its concluding four hours. The broadcast begins at 8 p.m. Sunday and ends at 4:30 p.m. Monday.

A special 800 phone number will be used for the Katrina donations, with proceeds going to the Salvation Army in the hard-hit states.

Hurricane relief efforts will be seen across a number

of TV channels, which have been filled with images of tragedy and destruction caused by Katrina.

"A Concert for Hurricane Relief" will air on NBC, MSNBC and CNBC at 7 p.m. Friday, NBC Universal Television Group announced Wednesday.

The hourlong special, hosted by "Today" show co-host Matt Lauer in New York, is scheduled to include performances by Marsalis, Harry Connick Jr. and Tim McGraw, all with ties to the affected areas, NBC said. Leonardo DiCaprio and other celebrities are expected to participate.

Viewers will be encouraged to donate to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund.

Another aid effort was announced by MTV Networks, starting with a Sept. 10, music special airing on MTV, VH1 and CMT and intended to raise funds for the American Red Cross and other organizations.

Besides Green Day, scheduled performers include Ludacris, Gretchen Wilson, Usher, Alicia Keys, John Mellencamp, the Dave Matthews Band, Rob Thomas, David Banner and Linkin Park's Chester Bennington.

## Law aims to stop cell phone use by minors while driving

By LINDSAY WATTERS  
STAFF WRITER

Texas law enforcement officers will begin enforcing a new law today preventing people under the age of 18 who have had their driver's license for six months or less from using a cell phone while driving.

According to a bill analysis by the Senate Research Center, the law will attempt to reduce the risk of automobile accidents and unsafe driving among the youngest class of drivers.

According to the analysis, a person under the age of 18 who has had their license for less than six months can use a cell phone in the car if the vehicle is stopped, the phone is being used with a hands-free device or if the person is using the cell phone to make an emergency call to a 911 emergency service, hospital, fire department, medical doctor's office, health clinic or to an individual to administer first aid treatment.

Senator Kel Seliger, from the 31<sup>st</sup> district, said the law was derived from an existing law.

"The existing law said a young person who has had their license for less than six months cannot drive in the car with more than one passenger who is under the age of 21," Seliger said. "This new law amends the existing law."

Seliger said they chose the age of 18

because most people receive their license years before they turn 18.

"For most young people, this will affect them when they are 16 years old or close to that age," Seliger said.

Seliger said he hopes this law will cause less young people from being side-tracked while driving.

"We are hoping to move some of the distraction for new drivers," Seliger said. "I wish (young people) would pay less attention to CD players, iPods and other distractions also. We want less attention given to these things and more on driving."

Seliger said he was elected as state senator in 2004 and since then, this idea has come up in many discussions.

"I thought it sounded like a really good idea," Seliger said.

He said scientific studies have shown cell phones are a miserable distraction to drivers.

Lubbock Police Department officer Brad Hopper said the police department has not heard much about the new law yet, but he said the law is going to make their job a little more difficult.

"I've heard briefly about it," Hopper said. "From what I've heard the law is going to be very hard to enforce."

Hopper said the officers will not be able to tell who the law applies to just by observing them on a cell phone while driving.

"We won't be able to see their driver's license while they are driving," Hopper said. "We won't know how old they are just by looking at them."

Twenty-year-old Lauren Peterson, a junior restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from Dallas, said she is glad the law does not affect her or any of her friends.

"I'm glad they didn't make this law when I was 16," Peterson said. "If I were these kids, I would be really mad."

Peterson said she heard rumors Texas legislators were trying to pass a law like this one but she never thought it would happen.

"I never thought they would actually make it illegal to talk on your cell phone in the car," Peterson said. "My sister is 16 years old and has only had her license for two months. I guess I'll have to call her when she's not in the car."

Peterson said she agrees it will be difficult for the police to enforce the law.

"They aren't going to know who is a 16-year-old who has had a driver's license for under six months and who is a 17-year-old who has had their license for a year or more," Peterson said. "They are going to have to pull over every kid they see on a cell phone and check their license."

Seliger said he does not expect many young people to protest the new law.

Said Seliger: "I expect a very little number of people protesting the law."

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# Katrina's diaspora: thrown to the winds and longing for home

HATTIESBURG, Miss. (AP) — The refugees of Hurricane Katrina, scattered in every kind of motel from tawdry to Best Western, just want to go home.

But they are stranded in this swamp-hot purgatory of Southern Mississippi where nothing runs. Not the tap water, not the toilets, not the ATM machines, not phones of any kind — and most definitely, not the air conditioning.

"I don't know what's going on," said Linda Rowe, a poker dealer who does know her Biloxi casino was blown across U.S. Highway 90 — she saw it on a generator-run television propped on the back of a pickup truck in the motel parking lot.

"I just want to get out of here," she said. "It's just awful."

None of the evacuees know what is left of their homes, or when they'll be allowed to get even close to them.

Except the folks from New Orleans. They know that they'll be away even longer.

"Nuthin', nuthin', nuthin'," groaned Craig "Poncho" Thompson. "We got nuthin'."

He and his fiancée, Gabriella Frank, left their New Orleans home on Lake Pontchartrain at noon Sunday. "My fiancée waited 'til the last minute. I'm a man, I was ready to go."

Getting out the door proved the easiest task. It took them 10 hours to make Meridian, Miss., a drive that normally takes three.

After one night, they moved south to devastated Hattiesburg, where there were motel rooms, but little else.

Thousands of others were engaged in this same, storm-induced migration, setting out for safety in all directions, bunking with friends or family or settling down at any hostelry or shelter that would have them.

Kenny Graves, 55, is staying at the Central Elementary School shelter in Gulfport, Miss. He

waited in a long line at a pharmacy for water.

"They don't have no food, no water. It's about 300 people over there," Graves said. "Last night we built a wood fire, and this lady went to her house and got a bunch of hot dogs and we cooked them on the wood fire for the kids. The adults had crackers."

Memphis officials estimated that the influx of refugees had swelled their Tennessee city's population by more than 10,000, and they set up a committee to help find temporary housing. Schools there announced they would take in kids who had left their usual classes far behind.

"Even if this causes some discomfort to some degree, it's all about the kids," said spokesman Vince McCaskill. "The key for us now is just to get those kids in school."

In Hattiesburg, a city of 45,000 that is home to the University of Southern Mississippi, an unknown number of refugees were all in the same boat, or wishing they had one.

U.S. Highway 49, which leads south into Gulfport, is closed. Tall pines, uprooted or snapped at their base, blocked parts of the road. Downed power lines twisted like yarn through trees at half mast, and traffic snarled both sides of the four-lane highway that cuts through this city.

Everyone was searching for the same thing: gas.

Gas and rumors of gas prompted evacuees to drive aimlessly for miles, wasting precious fuel. Stranded vehicles with empty tanks have been abandoned along the clogged road, forcing some to take drastic measures.

A smiling middle-aged woman in tight leopard-print pants, who looked as if she had dressed for the occasion, strode into the middle of Highway 49 and stuck out her thumb.

When that didn't work, she lost her smile, and started screaming.

No one stopped.

With no way to talk to the outside world and little chance to see it, stories spread like bad rumors. The next town over had electricity (it didn't). The National Guard was bringing in gas tankers (not yet). Electricity wouldn't be restored for two months (who knows).

P.J. Tadej is lucky. His house in Gulfport survived. His wife, his two kids, and the dogs he breeds — all 14 of them — holed up in Hattiesburg's Comfort Inn, about 50 miles from home.

"We'll be out of here in a day or so," he said, drinking a hot soda. "We're very, very, very, very lucky."

His 13-year-old son Matthew doesn't think so. He's bored out of his mind. "I sleep," he said. "There's nothing else to do except sleep and walk the dogs."

His sister, Brittney, 11, was eating a breakfast of dry cereal with her fingers.

"We do other things," she countered.

Like what? "We hit each other," she replied.

Her father admonished her. "At least we have a home to go to."

Rowe is pretty sure her home is gone. She lived in the back bay of Biloxi, near Highway 90, which was covered with water, debris and the hurricane-thrown remnants of the gulf's massive barge casinos.

"I have no job, and I probably have no house," she said, smiling. "My husband has to see it before he believes it's gone. I just want to go West for a couple of weeks and regroup."

What will they do next? "What can I do?" she asked.

"I try to live in the present. What's gone — that's just material stuff."

Despite her words of optimism, Rowe's eyes filled with tears.

"It's a lot to take in," she said, and looked away. "It's really just overpowering."

# Airlines cancel more flights and prepare for possible fuel shortages

ATLANTA (AP) — Some major carriers have canceled flights to the New Orleans and Gulfport, Miss., airports — popular destinations for tourists, convention participants and gamblers — until at least next week, increasing financial pressure for the airlines as they also deal with potential fuel shortages.

Daily jet fuel production nationwide has been cut 13 percent because of damage from the hurricane to Gulf Coast refineries, according to Jack Evans of the Air Transport Association.

"What it means is there is less fuel essentially," Evans said Wednesday. "Carriers are having to take measures to conserve fuel at airports where they are low and tanker in fuel when serving some destinations on the East Coast."

Louis Armstrong New Orleans International Airport, meanwhile, has reopened to allow humanitarian flights in and out during daylight hours, but officials are unsure when commercial service will resume there. The uncertainty has raised questions about the financial impact on the airlines that in particular serve that airport. One runway is usable but getting to the airport

is difficult, officials said.

Officials said the New Orleans airport has no significant airfield damage and had no standing water in aircraft movement areas. The airport did sustain damage to its roofs, hangars and fencing. At the Gulfport airport, which is served by five airlines, there was some damage to the control tower and to AirTran's gate area, said Tad Hutcheson, an AirTran spokesman.

The flight cancellations and fuel problems come at a time when the major airlines, especially Delta, are already reeling.

"I think all of the airlines will feel this," said airline expert Terry Trippler, who runs a travel Web site cheapseats.com. "It's a little more than a blip, but New Orleans and Gulfport alone is not going to put Delta into bankruptcy. I think \$70 a barrel oil is the straw that would break the camel's back."

The airlines that serve the area.

Atlanta-based Delta Air Lines Inc., the nation's third-largest carrier, has canceled all flights into and out of the New Orleans and Gulfport airports through Monday, spokeswoman Chris Kelly said. As for fuel, Delta is working closely with suppliers to make sure contingency plans are in place to

deal with any potential shortages, Kelly said.

AMR Corp.'s American Airlines, the nation's biggest carrier, canceled 34 flights in and out of New Orleans on Wednesday. Spokesman Tim Smith said the Fort Worth, Texas-based carrier doesn't expect to resume scheduled flights there until next Tuesday at the earliest.

Houston-based Continental Airlines Inc. and its Continental Express commuter service canceled 40 flights on Wednesday and a similar number for Thursday in and out of New Orleans and Gulfport, Miss., said spokeswoman Julie King. She said Continental was not having trouble finding fuel and could carry extra fuel aboard planes if shortages develop.

No. 2 U.S. carrier United Airlines, a unit of Elk Grove Village, Ill.-based UAL Corp., which was still updating flight cancellation numbers Wednesday, does not expect a significant financial impact, spokeswoman Jean Medina said. United said it is not planning to resume service to New Orleans until Monday afternoon. The airline, which does not fly to Gulfport, Miss., has 14 roundtrip flights per day to New Orleans.

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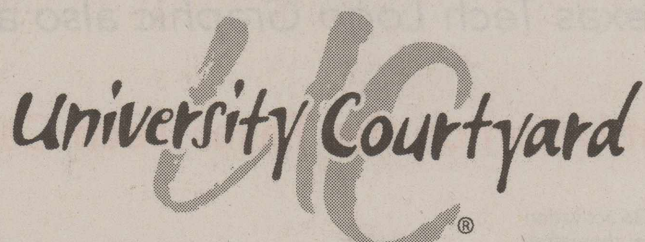
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# New Sam's Place 'upscale and upbeat'

By DANIELLE NOVY  
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech students now have one more option when selecting a place to dine, thanks to the late-August opening of the newest Sam's Place mini-market located in the Murray residence hall.

The 7,000 square foot expanse of seating and market-style food counters offers six culinary options: The Coffee Grinder & North End Café, The Ancho Grill, the Asian Wok, La Fogata Churrasco Grill, Sunset Strips and Tuscan Kitchen.

Specialty coffees, smoothies, wraps, patty melts, pasta specials and stir-fry are just some of the specialty items that are prepared daily. Candy, snacks and a wide range of school supplies are also available during the hours of operation, which are from 7 a.m. to 2 a.m. Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Kirk Rodriguez, unit associate director of hospitality services, said the Murray Hall Sam's Place is both different and unique when compared to other dining options on the Tech campus.

"From the standpoint of line flow and operation, it offers front-line cooking," he said. "It is more visual and there are more lines to select from. Another big difference is the seating area and coffee bar. They give students a good place to talk to their friends and study."

The newest Sam's Place was a key feature of the \$24 million Murray Hall project. Its metallic color scheme and expansive coffee shop-style seating are just a few of the aspects that set it apart from the rest of Tech's dining experiences.

Sean Duggan, managing director of Housing and Residence Life, said he is excited to see the entire Murray facility come together.

"I think it was important to us when designing facilities to make sure we had modern and up-to-date dining facilities on campus," he said.

Duggan said creating a contemporary atmosphere provides students with a place to spend their leisure time in addition to just providing a comfortable place to eat meals.

"It's definitely special," he said. "It has a very nice ambiance, and the environment is trendy. It's just a fun place for students to hang out."

Larry Wolfe, senior planner of Worrell Design Group, said one of the Murray Hall Sam's Place's best features is the welcoming design.

"It's upscale and upbeat," Wolfe said. "It's a unique place for the student body to go and spend time."

Valerie Castillo and Nicole Benitez are just two of the of Sam's Place employees who rotate around the market preparing and serving food at multiple stations.

"It's nice, bigger and has a lot of room," said Castillo. "I love it."

Benitez had good things to say about the new facility as well.

"The food is really good and it's a nice place to work," said Benitez.

Matt Wisniewski, a junior political science major from Plano, said the primary drawback is the heavy cloud of construction surrounding the Murray residence hall.

"They could have chosen a better location for Murray," he said. "With all of the on-going construction, it makes getting to Murray an inconvenience for students."

John Gutierrez, a sophomore architecture major from Albuquerque, N.M., said the newest Sam's Place is one of the best dining opportunities on the Tech campus.

"It has really good food and a lot of selection," Gutierrez said. "It's just a good place to eat and meet a lot of new people."

# Gas prices leap, crude oil slips, gasoline being rationed by retailers

(AP)—Gasoline prices leaped nation-wide Wednesday as key refineries and pipelines remained crippled by Hurricane Katrina, crimping supplies and leading to caps on the amount of fuel delivered to retailers.

To boost supplies, the U.S. government said it would loan oil to refineries facing shortfalls and relax environmental restrictions on the type of gasoline sold during summer. Crude futures prices fell but remained close to \$69 a barrel.

Just how bad the situation becomes for motorists, who are facing pump prices in excess of \$3 a gallon in a growing number of markets, depends on how quickly electricity can be restored to Gulf Coast pipelines and refineries, analysts said. Flooding may have left some important refinery equipment submerged and it will be days before a full damage assessment is completed, industry officials and analysts said.

Some rays of hope emerged Wednesday. The Colonial Pipeline Co. said it would restore

partial service with help from diesel generators that will allow it to begin shipping gasoline, heating oil and jet fuel from Houston to markets up and down the East Coast. Similarly, the Louisiana Offshore Oil Port, through which 10 percent of all U.S. oil imports flow, said generators would enable it to gradually resume partial

service. "Every little bit is going to help," said oil analyst John Kilduff at Fimat USA in New York.

A significant amount of oil and gas production in the Gulf of Mexico remains shut and reports of banded-up platforms and rigs continued to trickle in as companies conducted aerial inspections of offshore facilities.

Onshore, wholesale gasoline suppliers have begun capping the amount of fuel they sell to retailers in certain markets to make sure retailers do not take delivery of more fuel than they actually need. Analysts said that while shortages have been reported in a small number of markets, they do not believe the problem is widespread and they cautioned motorists not to top off tanks out of fear.

With retail gasoline prices surging to record highs and motorists facing \$3 a gallon at the pump in a growing number of markets, BP PLC said in an e-mail to clients that it is making "pricing decisions with prudence and restraint in the wake of this natural disaster."

Light sweet crude for October delivery on the New York Mercantile Exchange fell 87 cents to settle at \$68.94 a barrel, down from an overnight high of \$70.65. On Tuesday, oil futures settled at \$69.81, the highest closing price on Nymex since trading began in 1983, although still below the inflation-adjusted high of about \$90 a barrel that was set in 1980.

# HSC SGA discusses student concerns at first meeting

By BETH AARON  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Although stretches of road construction and several cross streets separate the main Texas Tech campus from the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Christina Powell, vice president of communications for the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Student Government Association, said all Tech students have something in common.

"We're all still students," said Powell, a second-year medical student from Dallas. "We're all stressed; we're all poor."

Concerns of HSC students range from campus security, access to quiet study facilities and up-to-date technology, Powell said.

Parking is not a pressing concern for HSC students as it is for many undergraduate students, Powell said, but as the HSC continues to grow, the issue could pose a problem.

Navin Nikam, HSC SGA vice president of finance, said for now, the HSC SGA will concentrate on better serving its students.

"Kind of our main goal is to represent the students and their voice," he said.

The HSC SGA represents students on HSC campuses not only in Lubbock, but also in Amarillo and El Paso, Nikam said. The organization also deals with the Tech main campus.

HSC SGA President Landon Westfall, a third-year doctoral student in the graduate school of biomedical sciences in the department of microbiology and immunology, said HSC SGA and Tech's SGA are moving toward opening the lines of communication between senators.

"We're trying to continue that idea of working together and to maintain communication with the main campus," he said.

The HSC SGA is planning on exchanging senators with the Tech SGA, having one senator from each organization sit in on opposite meetings so that HSC students can be made more aware of events happening on the main campus, Powell said.

"That helps with our goal of open communication," said HSC

SGA Vice President of Operations Lauren McReynolds, a senior in the School of Nursing from Houston.

Already, both student government associations have contributed to passing legislation to appoint a student to the Board of Regents and will draft senate legislation in support of bringing the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum to Tech, Westfall said.

Ninety percent of HSC students participate in community service either in conjunction with organizations or individually, Westfall said.

This year, the HSC SGA would like to alert the Lubbock community of the contribution HSC has made to its residents, Powell said.

Increasing knowledge about the accomplishments of HSC students will raise the value of the HSC and the Tech main campus, Nikam said.

In the eyes of HSC students, Powell said, the medical campus has already improved with a new recreational room complete with a workout center, pool tables, showers and other amenities specifically for HSC students.

"I think that all of our students are very happy with the facilities," she said.

As she is a medical student herself, Powell said she attends six class hours daily and is taking more than 20 hours this semester.

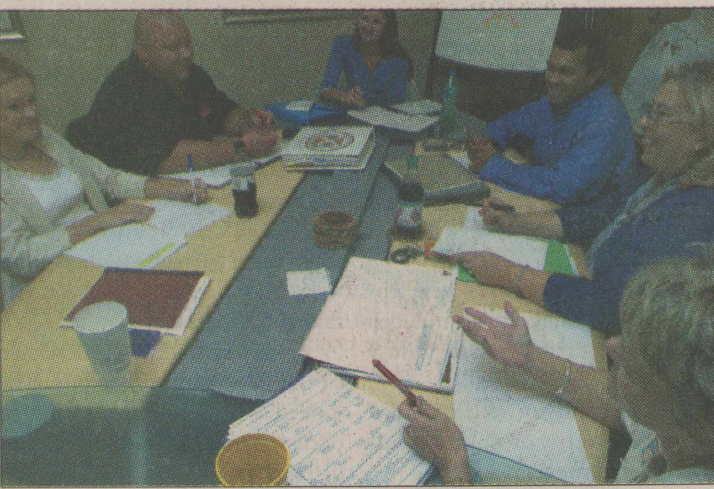
She said most of the complaints she hears from HSC students are about managing time and fit everything in while still enjoying being a young adult.

"Looking at it on paper, it doesn't seem too bad," Nikam agreed, "but once you get there it's not what you thought it would be at all."

Powell said she would like HSC students to know that when they are stressed out or have concerns, they can come to the HSC SGA for assistance.

"We are here to support our students," she said. "They should come to us — come to us first if they have concerns because that's why we have jobs — That's what we're here for; to be approachable and accessible."

For more information about the HSC SGA, visit [www.student.ttuhsu.edu/sga](http://www.student.ttuhsu.edu/sga).



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THE HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER SGA members discuss concerns facing HSC students at the first meeting of the semester. Soon each association will swap out a member with the Tech SGA so each area sees all perspectives.



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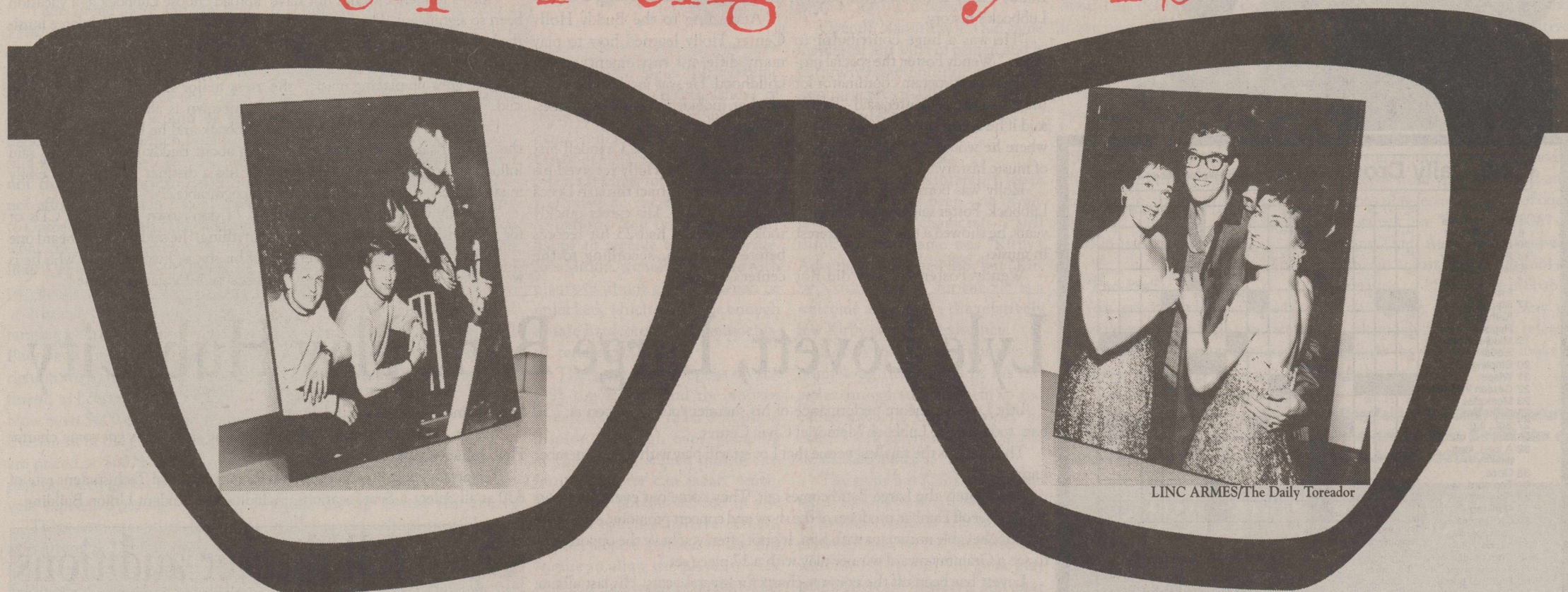
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## celebrating 69 years



By **LINDSAY WHARTON**  
FEATURES WRITER

The Buddy Holly Center will host a birthday celebration for what would be Buddy Holly's 69th birthday.

Wendy Foster, the special promotions and program coordinator for the Buddy Holly Center, said the celebration will be held Sept. 3 at the center and it is free to the public. There will be activities all day to remember the man that is a musical legend of Lubbock.

The main attraction is the opening of a Buddy Holly exhibit never previously released to the public, she said. The exhibition is set to open Sept. 2.

For the most part, the Buddy Holly exhibit has not changed since the opening and this is a way for the fans to see new Holly articles, Foster said.

Dawn Jose, a gallery assistant for the center, said the new gallery's purpose is to show more about what Holly did and what era he was from.

"We're trying to show the never-before-seen items," she said.

The exhibition includes a soft fender guitar case that Holly carried, two of his original guitar picks and several stage shirts,

### BUDDY'S BIRTHDAY: SEPT. 3

11:30 a.m. - guided tour with Bill Griggs

12:30 p.m. - "Guitar Then and Now" workshop

2:30 p.m. - songwriting workshop and tour,

3:30 p.m. - food, cash bars and cake

3:30 p.m. - live music begins

from the Buddy Holly Center

Jose said.

There also are items from his childhood, such as artwork he created in school.

"We thought this would be perfect to go along with his birthday celebration," she said.

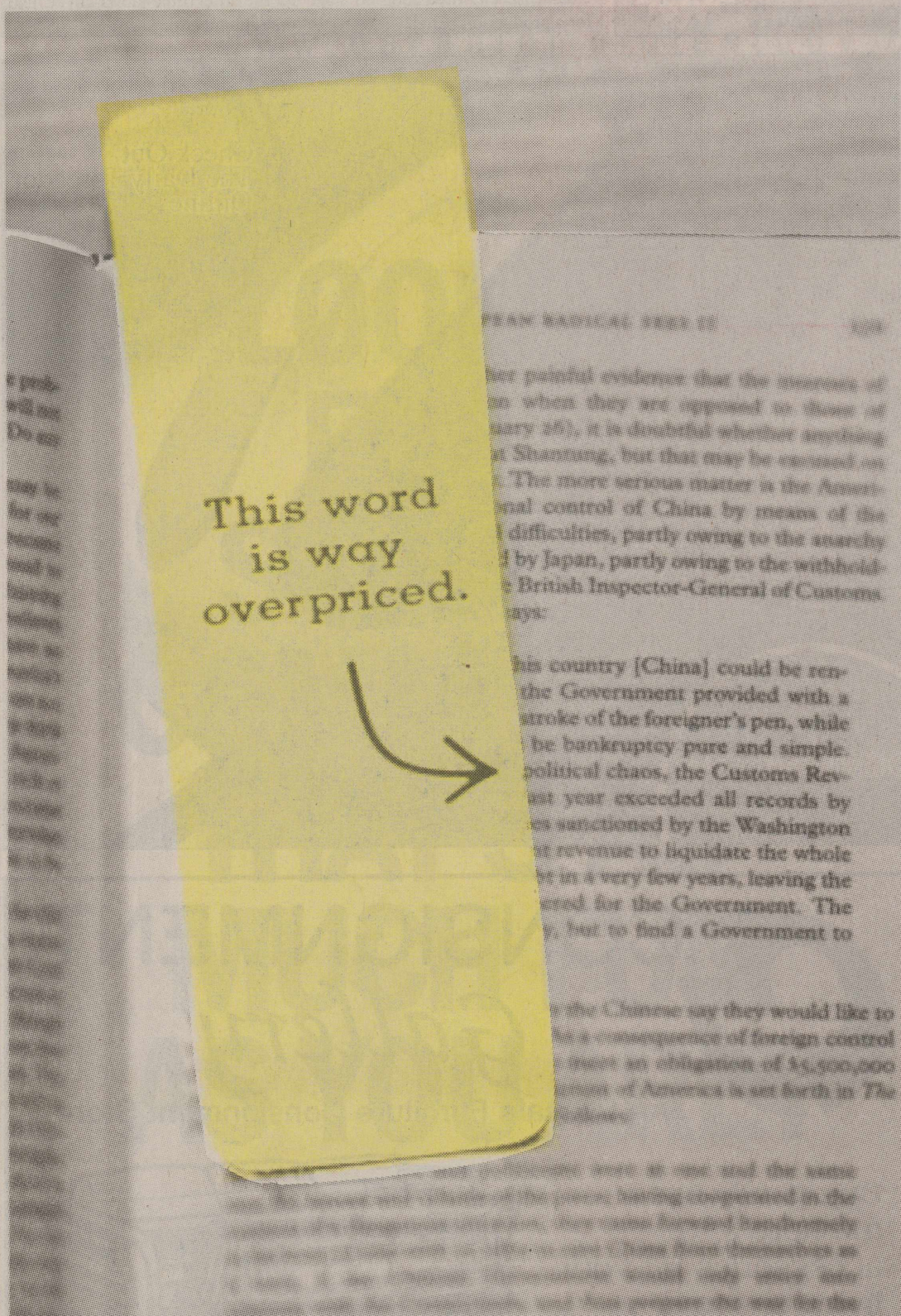
In 1999 when the gallery opened, Foster said the center collected the artifacts from Holly's widow, family and friends. Also, private collectors donated or loaned their Holly possessions.

She said the center usually has a symposium event that lasts the entire weekend but decided on an in-house party this year.

The event will include a guided tour at 11:30 a.m., children's workshops, free food and musical entertainment.

According to the promotional flyer, the Meadows Courtyard at the center will have three bands performing. Waiting to Derail, Spitfire Tumbleweeds and Thriftstore Cowboys will all be performing in honor of Buddy Holly.

Foster said next weekend, there will be a Clovis Music Festival to honor Buddy Holly. The theme is '50s music and the remaining members of Buddy Holly's back-up band, The Crickets, will perform. She said the reason it is in Clovis is that Holly recorded music at Norman Petty's recording studio in Clovis. The festival will be Sept. 8 to 10.



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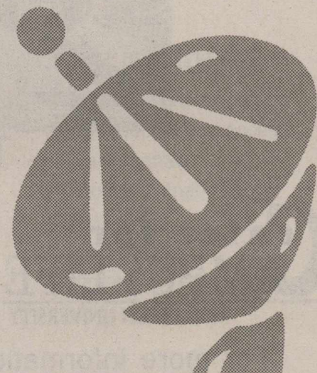
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# the day the music died

By **LINDSAY WHARTON**  
FEATURES WRITER

Before the day the music died, it was born in Lubbock. Arguably Lubbock's greatest claim-to-fame, Buddy Holly is an integral part of Lubbock's history.

"He was a huge contributor to music," Wendy Foster, the special promotions and program coordinator for the Buddy Holly Center, said. "People said if he continued there's no telling where he would have taken the face of music history."

Holly was born Sept. 7, 1936, in Lubbock. Foster said even in his early years, he showed a talent and interest in music.

Wendy Foster said she did not

realize what a large influence Holly had on the music industry until she began working at the center. Holly was the inspiration for many great bands including the Beatles, who named their band after Holly's band, the Crickets.

According to the Buddy Holly Center, Holly learned how to play many different instruments in his childhood. He was interested in music that included rhythm and blues, bluegrass and country.

Talent agent Eddie Crandell first discovered Holly. Holly received his first recording contract through Decca Records in 1955. His career quickly took off and he had 25 hit records before his death, according to the center's records.

At the age of 22, Buddy Holly died in a plane crash. He died with fellow musicians the Big Bopper and Ritchie Valens, in what is referred to as "The Day the Music Died." The cause of the crash is still unknown.

Holly's influence would not have been so significant if he had not had the background that had inspired him to cultivate his talents, she said.

"He grew up playing music," she said.

Dawn Jose, a gallery assistant for the center, said Holly had a large influence for the amount of time he made music.

"He only was signed and touring for 18 months," she said.

Holly has many fans all over the world, Foster said.

Before his death he was one of the first American musicians to tour Europe and Australia, she said.

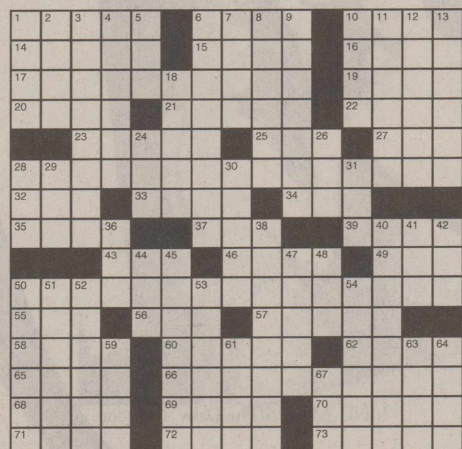
A center volunteer moved from the United Kingdom because of Buddy Holly, she said. Many fans abroad choose Lubbock as a vacation destination due to Holly's large musical impact.

Mikal Stevens, a sophomore business major from Canyon, said his hometown is about 100 miles from Lubbock and he has grown up learning about Buddy Holly. Stevens said he has a distinct voice that is easily recognizable.

"I don't own any of his CDs or anything," he said. "But, if I heard one of his songs, I would know who he is because his voice is unique."

## THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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1 Ship measure  
6 Pedestal part  
10 Blow to a wrist  
14 For all to hear  
15 Israeli airline  
16 "Don't Preach"  
17 Start of Katharine Hepburn quote  
19 Middle Eastern leader  
20 Striplings  
21 Wisps  
22 Garden invader  
23 Memorize  
25 Giant Mel  
27 Sgt., e.g.  
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### Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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## Lyle Lovett, Large Band play Hub City

Lyle Lovett's encore performance of his summer tour will open at 7:30 p.m. today at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

The center is the smallest venue that Lovett will play with the 17-member Large Band.

"Very rarely the Large Band comes out. They come out every five years maybe," Geoff Dunbar, producer of the show and concert promoter, said. "He's got unbelievable musicians with him. It's not often you have the opportunity to see a Grammy award winner play with a 17 piece set."

Lovett has been off the country charts for several years. His last album, "My Baby Don't Tolerate," debuted in 1993. Lovett won Grammy's in 1989, 1994 and 1996. He is best known for his songwriting and his short marriage to Julia Roberts, which ended in divorce in 1995.

Dunbar said he was surprised more radio stations do not play Lovett songs, which he finds to be well written and exciting to listen to.

Dunbar said anyone who attends the show can expect an unbelievable

performance — Lovett will deliver.

"It's an experience you'll never forget," he said. "He's got some charm. Hell, Julia Roberts fell for him."

Tickets for the concert are still on sale for a special Tech student rate of \$30 at all Select-a-Seat locations, including the Student Union Building.

## Open fall theater auditions look for Texas Tech talent

Tryouts for the fall theater productions will be held today on the main stage of the Charles E. Maedgen Jr. Theatre.

Two tryout sessions will be held: the first will be from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., and the second will be from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Anyone wanting to audition will need to pick up an audition form from the Maedgen Theatre call board and make 10 copies before tryouts begin, in addition to bringing a memorized monologue and a memorized 16 bar song complete with sheet music.

Privitt said the audition process consists of each person being allotted two minutes to present a memorized monologue and sing 16 bars of a memorized song on stage for a production panel.

"This year our fall main stage productions will be 'Crazy for You' and 'The Last Night of Ballyhoo.' Our lab theater productions will be 'Social Darwinism' and 'keeping abreast,'" Richard Privitt, unit coordinator of theater and dance, said.

All theater and dance majors are required to try out, but tryouts are open to all Texas Tech students.

"We usually have more than 100 audition and our program has increased in size from last year, so I am anticipating that we will have more people go through the audition process this fall," Privitt said.

Callbacks for "Crazy For You" will be Friday, September 2 from 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. on the Maedgen Theatre main stage. Callbacks for the other three shows will be held on September 6.

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# NINTENDO DS OFFERS GAMERS AN AFFORDABLE ALTERNATIVE

I'll admit I was very surprised when Microsoft announced in August the Xbox 360 would begin selling Nov. 1 for a mere \$299.99.

Then I read more and saw that \$300 would get you a stripped-down version of the next-gen console without a hard drive or wireless controller. The only other package available would be the logical one to buy, which Microsoft said will sell for \$399.99. OK, still not that bad, although certainly not affordable. When I went over to GameStop.com and checked out what their pre-ordering would be like, I couldn't find either of the two packages on the Web site.

Instead, they only offer bundles ranging from \$600 to nearly \$2000. I'm not so sure they're making the right move by only targeting the affluent, as I certainly can't afford to blow even \$600 on a game system. Even most of the games for the 360 are priced at \$60. Needless to say, playing video games is becoming a very expensive pastime.

There is an exception, however, as Nintendo's DS and Sony's PSP have been competing in the handheld market. Handhelds and their games have usually been much

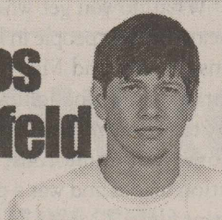
more affordable than their console counterparts due to traditionally lower production values for the less powerful, portable hardware. The PSP has been challenging this notion with its do-everything multimedia portable and games like those found on the PS2 with similar development costs. As a result, the system launched at \$250 and games are still around \$50.

The DS has taken the route of its Nintendo predecessors and launched at a relatively low \$150, with its software usually costing only \$30. The system has been out for a little less than a year, but August 21 Nintendo lowered the system's price even further to \$130. OK, it's relatively cheap, but is it worth it? Over the summer, I took my brother's DS for a spin on some of the newer releases and was pleasantly surprised.

**What's a "shmup?"**

Although not terribly unique, "Nanostray" for the DS is a solid shoot-em-up (what the really hardcore-old-school-possibly-annoying gamers call a "shmup") from Majesco with arguably the best graphics out of any game for the system.

**Carlos Bergfeld**



The game lacks the extreme difficulty and mercilessness of most shooters, but this makes the game much more accessible to casual gamers. However, the game offers rankings for each level that you must be incredibly talented to perform well on. I was usually happy to receive a passing grade. In addition, a challenge mode with plenty of insane challenges can be unlocked, which should be enough to sate hardcore gamers' masochistic tendencies.

The game play happens on the DS's top screen, and the bottom screen serves as a radar and status display, although even glancing at the bottom screen during this frantic shooter can mean death. Since the bottom screen of the DS is a touch-sensitive screen, the developers decided to use this feature to allow the player to pick between four weapon modes. This feature works OK, but sometimes

changing modes can be awkward. Having multiple weapon modes provides a fresh twist to the age-old game-play, and it also adds some strategy in deciding the best weapon for the situation.

Overall, Nanostray is a fun game for almost any kind of gamer, and it faithfully represents one of the last gaming genres that is still around in its original form.

**Kirby really sucks**

Kirby, one of Nintendo's lesser icons, has always been one of my favorite gaming characters. I still think his best game was "Kirby's Adventure" for the NES, but "Kirby: Canvas Curse" for the DS is a welcome addition to the relatively few Kirby games in existence.

Kirby's main power consists of mimicking the powers of his enemies through sucking them up and eating them. In "Canvas Curse," he doesn't suck up enemies, but he still steals their powers.

The game has Kirby turned into a ball by an evil witch, and to play it, you have to guide him around by drawing lines on the touch-screen with the DS's stylus. The game play is actually very intuitive, and after playing the game, I really missed

having the increased level of interaction that this game offered.

Although relatively short, "Canvas Curse" has tons of unlockables to extend its playtime several times over. This definitely is a must-buy if you own the system.

**"Meteos"**

This is the next level in the evolution of puzzle games. Made by the creators of "Lumines" for the PSP, the game has players line up blocks horizontally with the stylus and launch them off the screen. "Meteos" is almost a reason to buy a DS in itself.

**"Pac-Pix"**

You get to draw a Pac-Man (misshapen, big or little) and then devour all the ghosts on the screen. It's short, but fun.

**I thought touching was bad...**

Nintendo's seemingly indelicate marketing campaign for the DS states

"Touching is good." After playing a few of the games the system has to offer, I would definitely agree.

The DS would make a good purchase, especially for traditional gamers, but also for anyone who just wants to play good, creative games in a totally different way. The system is even going online later this year, and a fifth in the original "Super Mario Bros." series is currently in the works.

If you require more multimedia functions from your handheld and want to play lesser versions of console games like "Madden 2006" or "Grand Theft Auto," watch movies on the go or just look really cool or something, a PSP would probably be the (more expensive) way to go, although the system's release schedule for the holidays looks a little barren.

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# Summer movies mainly action, comedy

The summer provided audiences a lineup full of highly entertaining movies — most of which were action and comedy films.

Beginning in May and winding down now, the summer was all about sitting back, relaxing and being entertained — not being analytical or intellectually challenging.

## Kingdom of Heaven

This film marked the start of the summer movies and set a high par for the following films. Kingdom of Heaven takes place after a widower (Orlando Bloom) kills a man and goes on the run.

After finding out being a knight is in his blood, he goes to the holy land of Jerusalem to help fight in the Crusades. Along the way, he learns to fight, lead and love again. Ridley Scott is a great director, and audiences are sure not to forget this fantastic and visually stunning film. Scott's use of imagery was beautiful and he has a way of making every shot mesmerizing.

## Star Wars Episode III: Revenge of the Sith

The highly anticipated saga-end-

## Tiffany Hargis



The musical number at the end of *(The 40-Year-Old Virgin)* has to be one of the funniest moments in the movie. This sequence alone is reason to watch the film.

ing episode of Star Wars came May 20<sup>th</sup>, concluding the 28-year-old pop-culture phenomenon. The dialogue is never great in a Star Wars film, but to make up for it, Star Wars has cutting

edge graphics, a bunch of explosions and epic fight scenes.

We watch as Anakin (Hayden Christensen) finally goes to the "dark side" and become Darth Vader, betrays Obi-Won Kenobi (Ewan McGregor) and the Jedi counsel, and forces Luke and Princess Leia into hiding as infants. These movies are classics, and I'm sad that I do not have any more to look forward to.

I know that these past three can never add up to the original trilogy, but it was interesting to see why and how everything happened before our beloved Luke became the hero.

## Batman Begins

This is the best Batman yet. Audiences were able to see Bruce Wayne (Christian Bale) before he had his alter ego, why he picked the bat as his symbol, why exactly his parents died and how he learned to fight.

Not only do we get the great actor as our new Bruce Wayne, but we get director/writer Christopher Nolan (Memento) who directed and helped write this film. Whoever convinced Nolan to be a part of this project is a genius. Nolan did a fantastic job balancing the dramatic suffering Bruce goes through and the intense

battle scenes.

## Mr. and Mrs. Smith\*

What do you get when you join the two sexiest people in Hollywood? Answer: Mr. and Mrs. Smith. Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie were meant to star in a movie together. This movie was humorous, had great action scenes and was a pretty intelligent film.

The characters were well formed, and there always was an emotional underlining to the actions. This made John and Jane Smith more real and unpredictable. I commend the writers! However, the person I give the most credit to would have to be John Powell, the composer of this film. The music was a character itself and told the story and portrayed the emotions of each scene.

## Charlie and the Chocolate Factory\*

A better title for this film would be 'Willy Wonka Has Daddy Issues.' I personally have never read "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," so I'm not certain if the book implies the reason Willy Wonka (Johnny Depp) is strange because of his father's influence over what young Willy ate.

Personally, I missed the Gene

Wilder Wonka who was quirky and weird, but seemed to have omnipresence over his factory. Depp's Wonka always seemed like a ditz that was shocked when things went wrong and enjoyed the Oompa-Loompa songs too much. On a brighter note, Freddie Highmore, who played Charlie once again, did a phenomenal acting job. Dakota Fanning better watch out or Freddie might soon surpass her popularity as a child star.

## The Island

This is one of my personal favorites this summer. Maybe because Michael Bay is not one of my favorite directors or the premise sounded as if it was trying to be like *The Matrix*, but I did not go into the movie theater with high expectations for this film.

To be subtle, I was blown away. The Island made me jump in my seat, laugh hysterically and sigh with relief after holding my breath.

Both Scarlett Johansson and Ewan McGregor did a wonderful job at being naïve and innocent in the real world after escaping a lab facility where they were kept as clones for people out in a society they thought was destroyed. This was the ultimate sit back and be entertained movie of

the summer.

## The 40-Year-Old Virgin\*

This has to be the funniest movie of the summer, if not the year. Steve Carell did an excellent job at portraying a geeky, shy 40-year-old virgin. He created a character that was extremely believable, and he was exactly how I would imagine someone to be as the title character. Andy Stitzer's (Carell) three friends each have a different method to picking up women, and it's fun to watch how Andy handles each different type of girl.

There were moments that were sweet and enduring and others that were racy and disgusting. The musical number at the end of the film has to be one of the funniest moments in the movie. This sequence alone is reason to watch the film. The 40-Year-Old Virgin still is in theaters, and I recommend anyone who is amused by sexual humor to see this film.

\* Movie still is in Lubbock theaters.

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# Music scene changes from dull summer to awesome semester

Clear out your Tuesdays, boys and girls. After a summer that provided only a few bright spots (Sufjan Stevens can't be expected to carry the torch for everyone), get ready for what's new out there in the world of alternative/indie rock, and let me be the first to tell you: It's going to be a good semester full of praise, excitement and the best snarky comments you've seen this side of Pitchfork Media.

Surprisingly, the bulk of the music that excites or terrifies me is all coming out on the same day: Oct. 4.

I'll give you the good news first. Broken Social Scene, the ten-member Canadian music collective that released one of the best albums of 2003, *You Forgot It in People*, will release their newest work on this wonderful, terrible day. Listeners who like a dash of post-rock in their indie will no

## Marcus Parks



doubt love their new self-titled album. Although I don't know if they'll ever top their previous release, I have good faith that this one will be at the very least pleasantly listenable.

Have I heard it? No. Have I heard any of these albums I'll be talking about? Of course not. But you'll have to trust my gut on all of these.

The next Rocktober (HA!) 4 release that I know quite a few of you have been waiting for since first hearing the dance-punk breakthrough of "Take Me Out" is the Scottish band Franz Ferdinand's second album. I

have it on good authority that this one is no sophomore slump, so if you dug the first record, chances are this one will be your dance party hit as well.

Now, I know the label "emo" has a stigma that can only be compared to the backlash of nu metal, but there are still some quality acts that can only be described using this moniker. Fortunately, most of them are in hip-hop.

Emo-rap superstars (and I use that term loosely) Atmosphere are dropping their newest on Oct. 4 as well. Here's to hoping clever lyrics in hip-hop will eventually reach the mainstream. But, half a listen to almost any rap on the radio with the exception of the new Gorillaz track will tell you the buying public wants to stay as far away from anything witty or cerebral as they can.

Our next artist is also known for her clever, almost pretentious lyrics. Some of the bigger fans out there have already heard what they thought would be her new album, but recent press releases tell us that Fiona Apple's new album will only feature two tracks of the pirated material that has been floating around the internet for oh so long. While most of you only remember Apple from the bordering-on-pedophilia video for the song "Criminal," I'm surprisingly excited about her new release. At least she's stopped with the 96-word-long album titles.

Unfortunately, with all of this good music coming out, there has to be some bad to darken the mood. Indie-rock's resident annoying soccer mom, Liz Phair, has decided to keep recording and releasing music, despite millions of former fans begging her not to. C'mon, this was the woman who recorded *Exile in Guyville*, the album that had a song called "F\*\*k and Run!" Now all she wants to do is write songs about playing Xbox with her new boyfriend. *Somebody's Miracle* will no doubt be as big, if not a bigger,

joke as her last record. Extraordinary my ass.

Thankfully, that's the only thing coming out this semester that really gets under my skin. If I have to eat my words in a month, you'll read it here first.

As exciting as all these albums are, they still aren't the one I'm looking forward to the most. And I guarantee five, maybe ten of you will actually listen to it. Why? Because it's weird — really weird. I know for a fact this band cuts their own hair and doesn't take showers on even a weekly basis. I know because they stayed at my house two years ago and I couldn't get the smell of greasy, unwashed touring musicians out of the couches for weeks. I'm only telling you about them because they're interesting specimens, to say the least.

The album: *Hypermagic Mountain*. The band: Lighting Bolt. The release date: Oct. 18. Featuring two guys from Rhode Island both named Brian, Lighting Bolt makes me want to punch someone in the face. I decided long ago that was the highest distinction anyone could bestow upon

a band that rocks like this.

The guitarist, who we'll call Brian One, plays a bass with two guitar strings and two bass strings. He essentially plays two different parts on one instrument at the same time. If that isn't talent, I don't know what is. Brian Two, the drummer, spends most of the show with a mask on his face that looks like a Muppet threw up on his head and a small circular microphone that he keeps shoved in his mouth. Their stack of amps is probably 10-15 feet high and their shows are so loud, I had friends who, even with earplugs, complained of ringing three days afterward.

This is noise-rock at its best. In fact, most of these albums are by artists at the top of their games and while I know the only album I'll like the least will also be the one Tech students listen to the most, I don't care. As long as one person picks up one of these albums, I'll have reached my goal.

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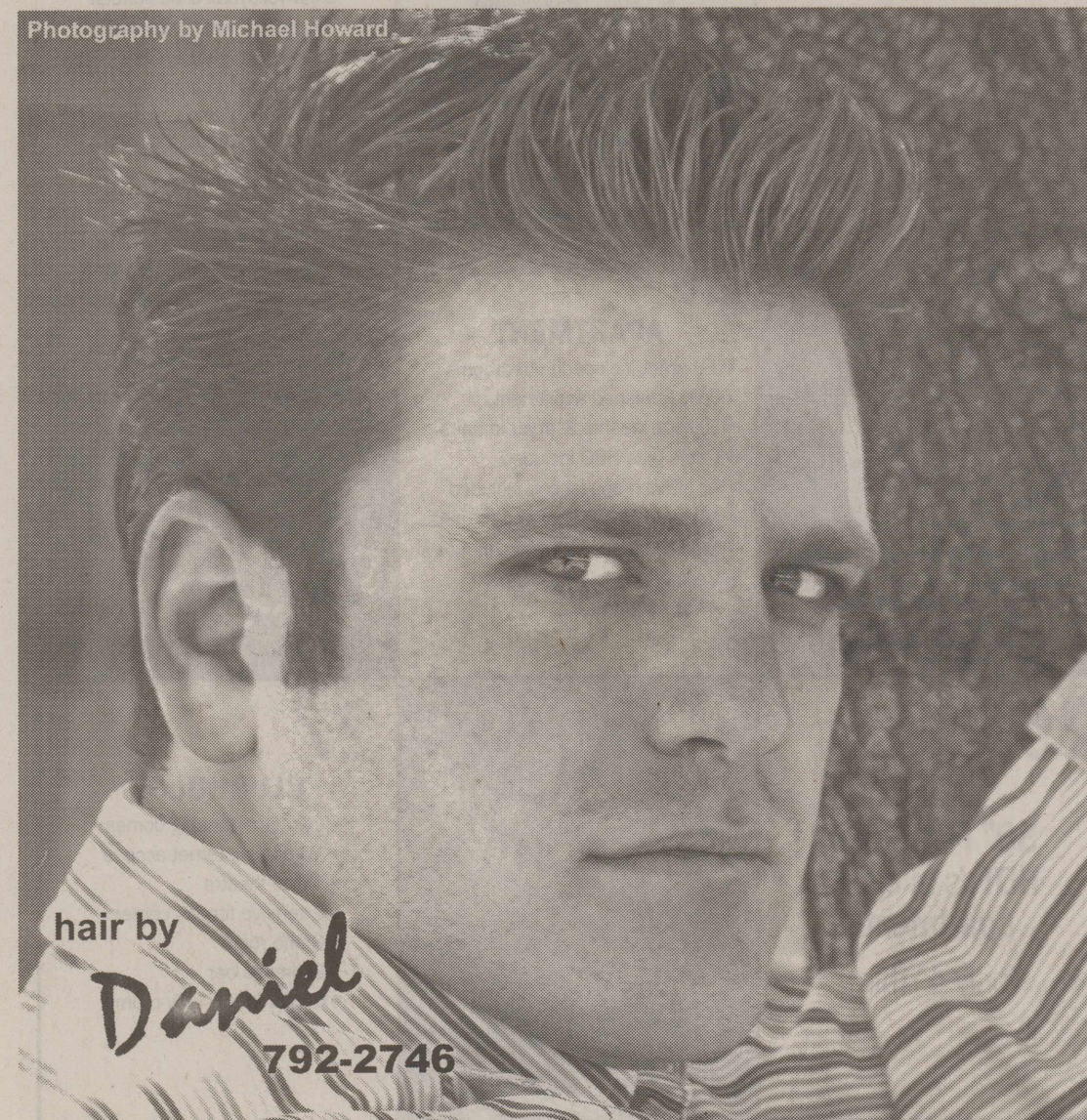


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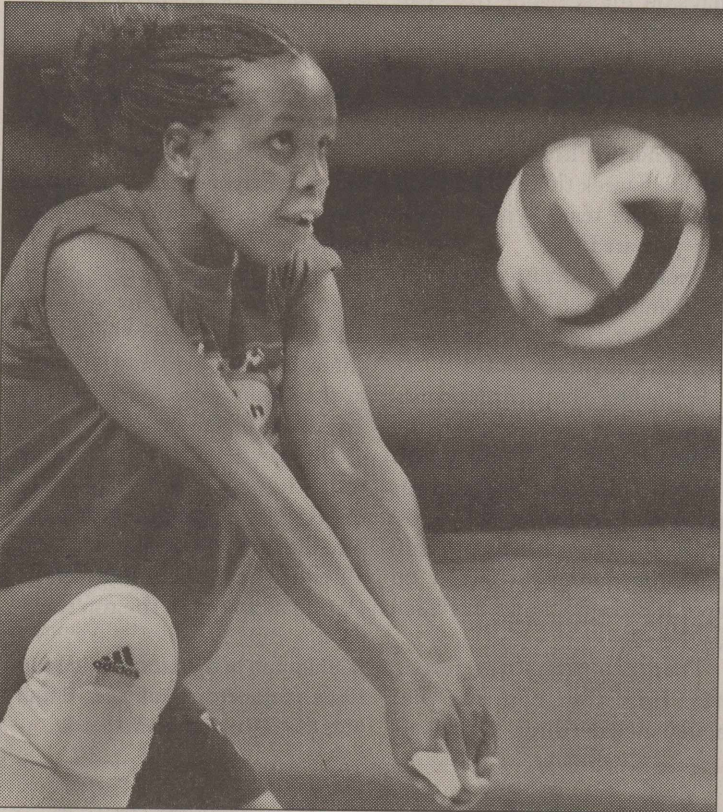
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## Raiders receive new top gun in transfer Sang



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PHILISTER SANG, JUNIOR outside hitter for the Texas Tech volleyball team, attempts a dig during practice Wednesday.

By TRAVIS CRAM  
SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

Playing a Division I sport in a major conference is not something that every NCAA athlete gets to experience when making the jump to the collegiate level, but for Texas Tech junior outside hitter Philister Sang it has become a reality.

Sang, a transfer student from Indian Hills Community College, said she wanted the chance to play at a more competitive level.

"It's a lot different because here it's like everybody is playing hard and it's a lot more competitive than playing with junior colleges," she said.

Sang visited Tech last year and it only took that single visit for her to convince herself that she wanted to come and play at Tech and in the Big 12.

"This was my first visit and after that I was just set to come here," she said.

According to the Tech athletics Web site, Sang was a first-team All-American in 2004 at Indian Hills and also won the Top Gun award for most kills, which happened to be a school record.

The 6-foot-3-inch outside hitter said

she has some improvements to make in her game this year.

"I'm going to improve on blocks," Sang said. "I did not block well and I really want to do better at that and get more kills."

She said that many of the players have helped her develop on the court since coming to the team this year and making the transition to a "faster-paced" type of play.

"Some of them like Desiree, Amy and Emily really tried to talk to me about the game and help me," she said.

Head coach Nancy Todd said Sang has the experience to be at this level but a lot of the transition is working her into the system at Tech.

"She's just got to establish herself and work with the setters out there on the court," Todd said. "Sometimes with international students there's a barrier, but she has done a good job in trying to communicate out there with everyone."

Sang is originally from Nairobi, Kenya, where she attended Kerotet Girls School. She recorded the most kills in the nation while playing there and also competed in track and field.

Last weekend she led the Red Raiders in kills against Wichita State with 16 and had another 18 kills with 12 defensive digs against Houston to record her first double-double.

"I want to be able to play a lot and maybe make the team better and just

trying hard to play my best," she said.

Junior outside hitter Kiley Lyons said Sang has become a real presence on the court.

"She's great," Lyons said. "She's stepped in, she works really hard and she's really added a lot to our team."

After opening the season with two consecutive losses, Tech will play Oral

Roberts and Stony Brook before facing state-rival Southern Methodist on Saturday. Sang said the team will have to keep improving every week.

"The first games are always different," she said. "That's just the way they go and there's nothing you can do about it...people are nervous and you just try to play better after that."

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## Women's soccer to assist with Katrina victims

This weekend the Texas Tech soccer team will begin accepting non-perishable donations for the victims of Hurricane Katrina at their events.

As of now, soccer is the only Tech sport that has committed itself to helping the victims of the hurricane.

Items needed include any toiletry items, non-perishable food items and clothing items.

Beth Lippert, a senior goalkeeper for Tech, said she

felt that collecting donations is very important.

"What happened down there was a major tragedy and it's our job as American citizens to help out," Lippert said.

As of Wednesday, New Orleans sat at 80 percent under water with a death toll expected to climb when more homes are searched. There are 10,000 refugees who went for shelter when the hurricane struck.

Many of these people will be bused to the Astrodome in

Houston, which can provide shelter for 25,000 people.

Tech will play host to Northwestern at 7:00 p.m. Friday and will enter the contest riding a 3-2 victory against Sam Houston on Tuesday.

Sunday the team will take on Minnesota and play host to Olympic soccer player Heather Mitts. She will be part of a dinner with fans Saturday evening followed by a free clinic after the game on Sunday.

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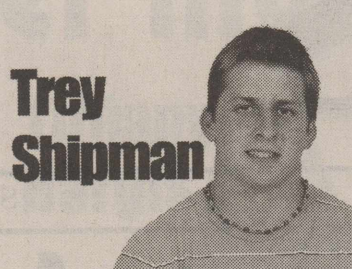
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# Will a diet of cream puffs have the Raiders ready for the spotlight?

Nothing can fill the air early on a cool, fall Saturday morning better than the aroma of a fresh baked pastry escaping from the neighborhood doughnut shop. All sorts of delicious thoughts can flood your mind: freshly glazed doughnut holes, bear claws with just the right touch of cinnamon or even those little cream puffs filled with icing so gooey you have to wash your hands at least twice after eating just to get rid of all the stickiness. As the first game of the Texas Tech football season approaches, you have to believe that a craving for these same delicacies had to have been on the minds of coach Mike Leach and Athletic Director Gerald Myers when they sat down to piece together this season's nonconference schedule.

The first three opponents are no doubt hot out of the baker's oven for a season in which its preseason AP ranking of 21 is its highest since 1977. In one month, the Red Raiders will host Florida International on Sept. 10, Sam Houston State on Sept. 17 and will round out the month with the mighty Sycamores of Indiana State on



**Trey Shipman**  
Sept. 24. Not exactly the schools you typically see leading the highlights on ESPN, or even ESPN the Ocho, for that matter.

So why would the bigwigs of Tech football put such meager opponents on the schedule of a team that has hopes of achieving things that haven't been done in the LBK for quite some time?

There are several things that factor into the making of a schedule but one theme is always prevalent. Money. Green, moola, dinero, franks, pounds, euros, Benjamins, scrilla. No matter what currency, nationality or slang you put it in, it remains the same.

In terms of finances, these types of opponents do make the most sense for the university. Here's a little crash course on the financial aspects of making a schedule.

When a school schedules a one-

time non-conference game the home team is required to shell out in order to help incur part of the visiting school's travel expense. The price tag typically ranges from \$500,000 to \$600,000. For example, as confirmed by Myers, last season's contest with Texas Christian cost the school around \$600,000. However in the case

of smaller Division I-A schools such as Florida International and Division I-AA schools like Sam Houston State and Indiana State, the cost is nearly cut in half at around \$300,000 a pop.

Keep in mind that each Tech home game grosses around \$1 million in revenues for the school. So financially speaking, the three cream puffs prove to be more valuable than the one or two chocolate éclairs.

What about in terms of on-field activity? What about the action that all 52,000 plus pay for and come to watch every Saturday?

With fifth-year senior quar-

terback Cody Hodges taking the field atop the depth chart for the first time this season, a gimme game or two will probably be extremely beneficial in helping him fully grasp the reins of the nation's top offense from the past two seasons.

Tech fans should even look forward to watching their new favorite quarterback lead his team to the end zone probably seven to 10 times a game for the first three weeks.

In all actuality the Raiders should easily have the country's largest average margin of victory for the first month of the season, with the average score sitting somewhere around 70-10.

While the offensive onslaughts will do wonders for the confidence of the players and have Tech fans buzzing about how 'this is the year,' will this pastry-filled non-conference schedule fully prepare them to compete in one of toughest conferences in the country? The solution to this contro-

versy is simple. Take your two cupcakes the first and third weeks of the non-conference schedule. Then for that second week schedule somebody that can at least put up a fight for the first half. Schedule someone like Texas-El Paso, the mean green of North Texas, even Rice (where the first week of tests raises more excitement around campus than the first game) would be better than what's on the schedule this year. By taking this path you get your warm-up game with week one, a little more of a challenge week two and a game to ease you into conference without getting too beat up in week three. You're still 3-0, but the team is just a little more prepared.

There's actually no reason this team cannot be 6-0 heading into Austin Oct. 22 for its meeting with the Longhorns.

Following their three games of patty cake in September, the Raiders open Big 12 play with Kansas, Nebraska and Kansas State, in that order. While all three of these programs should be improved from last season, on paper it certainly looks like Tech has the edge.

Then comes the true test in their final four contests that should include three top 25 op-

ponents in Texas, Texas A&M and Oklahoma. As long as those first six weeks of the season include Raider victories, there's no reason why the strength of schedule won't at least come close to evening out.

After last season's Holiday Bowl shellacking of then-No. 4 California, as harsh as it may sound, a mere trip to the Houston bowl no longer will satisfy Raider fans. With the ample amount of talent returning on offense and nine starters coming back from a much improved defensive unit, Tech fans are beginning to see visions of the Cotton Bowl or dare I say it...maybe even a trip to the conference championship. The latter may be a tad premature, but if the steady improvement under Leach continues, one of these days the program has to be able to climb one more rung and put itself in the same tier as Big 12 bullies Texas and Oklahoma.

So go ahead, Raiders, enjoy those icing-filled, gooey little treats as an appetizer. Just make sure they get you ready to stomach all those bear claws and éclairs glazing at you from the top shelf.

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*(They're) not exactly the schools you typically see leading the highlights on ESPN, or even ESPN the Ocho, for that matter*

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## Katrina forces high school athletes elsewhere

DALLAS (AP) — For some families displaced by Hurricane Katrina, resuming a sense of normalcy includes making sure their sons can still play high school football.

With Texas high school coaches already being approached by Louisiana residents about joining their teams, the University Interscholastic League said it would allow displaced students to compete at the schools where they temporarily enroll.

Thousands of storm refugees will likely enter the Texas school system following widespread damage caused by the hurricane, Texas Education Commissioner Shirley J. Neeley said.

At West-Orange Stark High School, which sits along the Louisiana border, football coach Dan Hooks said five players displaced by the storm have contacted him about

joining his team.

"They've come up to me and said, 'Coach, can we play?'" Hooks said. "It's just sickening what happened. We want to do whatever we can to help."

Athletes whose entire families move to Texas will follow the same procedure of in-state transfers. Students wanting to play sub-varsity sports can participate almost immediately, while varsity players must sit out for 15 days after completing paperwork and getting approval from the district executive committee.

The process is more involved for students who enroll with guardians remaining in Louisiana. They must also apply for a waiver from the UIL, which has traditionally been a safeguard against recruiting or players seeking a move for strictly athletic gains.

Submitting the waiver usually requires a \$100 fee, but UIL spokeswoman Kim Rogers said the cost has been waived because of the hardships families have already endured.

"This is completely different than any situation we've had," Rogers said.

Rogers said the UIL has received inquiries from school districts around the state about athletic transfers from Louisiana. She said waiver requests will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Beaumont ISD athletic director Rodney Saveat said he expects to start receiving transfer requests soon. In Dallas, where large shelters were being set up Wednesday, district athletic director Troy Mathieu thinks the UIL will be accommodating with almost all transfers.

"Given the circumstances, I would think they would be very considerate," Mathieu said.

Mathieu, who oversaw operations for the Sugar Bowl in New Orleans before coming to Dallas, said the damage he's seen on television suggests that New Orleans schools would be pressed to resume athletics this year.

For football players hoping to play in college, missing an entire season can extinguish hopes of being offered an athletic scholarship.

Recruiting guru Bobby Burton of Rivals.com said as many 150 players with Division I potential live in areas that suffered extensive damage from the hurricane. Burton said transferring could diminish an athlete's playing time and exposure, lessening their chances at getting noticed by college coaches.

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