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Local musicians sing to cure blues of Katrina evacuees.

STATE

White House: Barbara Bush making 'observation'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Barbara Bush was making "a personal observation" when she said poor people at a relocation center in Houston were faring better than before Hurricane Katrina struck, President Bush's spokesman said Wednesday.

Scott McClellan, the White House press secretary, did not answer directly when asked if the president agreed with his mother's remarks.

Mrs. Bush, after touring the Astrodome complex in Houston on Monday, said: "What I'm hearing, which is sort of scary, is they all want to stay in Texas. Everyone is so overwhelmed by the hospitality. And so many of the people in the arena here, you know, were underprivileged anyway, so this is working very well for them." She commented during a radio interview with the American Public Media program "Marketplace."

NATION

Schwarzenegger says he will veto gay-marriage bill

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) - Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger announced Wednesday he will veto a bill that would have made California the first state to legalize same-sex marriage through legislative action.

Schwarzenegger said the legislation, given final approval Tuesday by lawmakers, would conflict with the intent of voters when they approved a ballot initiative five years ago. Proposition 22 prevents California from recognizing same-sex marriages performed in other states or countries.

"We cannot have a system where the people vote and the Legislature derails that vote," the governor's press secretary, Margita Thompson, said in a statement. "Out of respect for the will of the people, the governor will veto (the bill)."

Proposition 22 stated that "only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California."

WORLD

U.S. rejects 20 million barrels of oil from Iran

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) - Iran offered to send the United States 20 million barrels of crude oil in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina if Washington waived trade sanctions, but a State Department official said Wednesday that offer was rejected.

In a gesture that mirrors American aid offers after a devastating 2003 earthquake in Iran, Tehran's envoy to the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries said his government would ship up to 20 million barrels of oil, state radio reported late Tuesday.

"If U.S. sanctions are lifted, Iran is prepared to send that quantity of oil to America," the radio quoted Hossein Kazempour as saying.

In Washington, the State Department's executive secretary, Harry K. Thomas Jr., said the offer was rejected because it was conditional.

Last week, the Iranian Foreign Ministry offered to send relief supplies to the American Red Cross; Iranian newspapers reported that no response had been received.

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Tulane student-athletes welcomed to Tech

STUDENTS + -

By ANNE GEPFORD SENIOR STAFF WRITER

A typical orientation for a first-year Texas Tech student might include the identification cards, campus maps, and traffic and parking speech that were given to Tulane University student athletes — but it's not every day student body president Nathan Nash puts his cell phone number on a dry erase board in a room

At the Marsha Sharp Center for Student Athletes Wednesday, several different departments from around campus sent people to welcome Tulane student athletes, coaches and staff in a quick orientation to Tech.

"It's certainly a slam-dunk orientation," said John Anderson, associate director of athletics. "It's pretty much happening in one day."

Tulane's baseball and women's basketball squads will be admitted to Tech under a tuition and enrollment agreement worked out by

Tulane President Scott Cowen. Tech will provide housing, meal services and enrollment.

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Tulane University baseball and women's basketball teams arrived Wednesday at Texas Tech to enroll their student athletes into classes and set them up in campus residence halls in order to finally begin the fall semester.

Baseball coach Rick Jones addressed the media Wednesday afternoon at the Marsha Sharp Center for Student Athletes and said Tech gave the teams a great welcome and he is looking forward to working with Tech

"I've been here for less than 24 hours and there's no way that anyone can make you feel more welcomed, myself, my staff and my players than the way everyone from the director's office to coach Hays to the those associated with the administrator's office have made us feel here at Texas Tech," he said.

The Tulane staff and student-athletes were able to begin enrolling in Tech classes for the fall semester and getting

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(TOP) LISA STOCKTON, coach of the Tulane Green Wave women's basketball team talks to reporters. (BOTTOM) JAMI MONTAGNINO, a guard who averaged 7.5 points per game last season for the Green Wave, shares her thoughts

Mallory grand jury issues no indictments

By JAY LANGLEY SENIOR STAFF WRITER

STEVE LEWIS/The Daily Toreadon

JORDAN GREIF, A freshman from Austin

and pitcher for the Tulane Green Wave base-

ball team, turns in registration paperwork at

orientation Wednesday afternoon at the Mar-

sha Sharp Center for Student Athletes

HIGH 90 / LOW 66

After much consideration the Lubbock County grand doctors reports." jury declined to issue any indictments in the case involving the death of Coronado High School student Thomas people testified Wednesday.

cause of death as an ecstasy intoxication.

"This was a very dynamic case," said Bill Sowder the conscientious grand jury."

Wednesday was the second time in the past two weeks was unable to come to a decision, requesting more informathis jury did a great job."

"This jury was a hold-over from last month," Sowder

Grand jury members change every month, he said. It decisions. He said he had no opinion on the Mallory case. was the decision of this grand jury to extend their duty in

order to hear all of the facts.

said. "But the jury was very thorough. They took an oath and delivered justice." The jury, Sowder said, gave the case extra consideration that a high school student died.

because of the nature of the case and because of the extra "There are approximately 800 overdoses in Lubbock

every year," he said. "This one was the only one that got so much attention."

Matt Powell, the assistant district attorney, said the jury was extremely cautious in coming to the decision.

"I don't think people realize how much information they asked for," Powell said. "We gave them everything they asked for and then some — from police reports to

Sowder said he is not at liberty to discuss how many

He said the names of the people who testified and Mallory died June 12. The autopsy report identified the the nature of the information the jury considered is confidential.

Nineteen people were subpoenaed to testify. Sowder Lubbock criminal district attorney. "I think we had a very said not everyone testified and those who testified had all been subpoenaed.

"Lubbock County grand juries always do a great job," that the jury heard the facts of the case. Last week the jury Sowder said. "Based on the dynamics of the case, I think

> Sowder said because of the attention the case has received, a grand jury was the best option. He said while he trusts grand juries, he does not always agree with their

"This was more of a case where I simply brought as much information to the jury as possible," he said. "I have no influ-"It was very time-consuming for everyone," Sowder ence on the decision because the DA and the assistant DA are not in the room when the jury makes their decision."

Sowder said the most important thing to remember is

"Just because no indictments were handed down, that doesn't mean anyone is happy today," Sowder said. "It's

important to remember that this is a tragedy." Last month, Mallory's mother, Louise Mallory Stinespring, filed a wrongful death civil suit against nine defendants, including Tyler Duane McDougal and Lubbock physician Dr.

Guy Wells. The civil case has not yet been tried.

Ford, Toyota recalling nearly 5 million trucks and SUVs

By KEN THOMAS ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ford and Toyota, two of the world's largest automakers, on Wednesday recalled nearly 5 million pickup trucks and sport utility vehicles in separate moves to respond to concerns of engine fires and problems with the power-steering

The recall by Ford Motor Co., the fifth-largest auto industry recall in U.S. and SUVs from the 1994-2002 model years, includ-

ing the top-selling F-150 pickup. The National Highway Traffic Safety

Administration and Ford have been investigating complaints of engine could cause overheating and a fire. fires linked to the cruise control switch

Toyota Motor Corp., meanwhile, recalled 978,000 sport utility vehicles and pickup trucks over complaints that a rod linking the steering wheel and the wheels could fracture when the steering wheel is turned while the Nader, a longtime auto safety advocate, vehicle is stopped. The affected vehicles said the recall was insufficient, citing include the 1990-1995 4Runner SUV, 1989-1995 truck 4WD and 1993-1998 T-100 pickup.

legations of engine fires related to the safety," Nader said.

vehicles and would continue a probe launched earlier this year. There have been allegations of three deaths in cases cited in news reports or lawsuits in Iowa, Georgia and Arkansas.

Ford's recall includes the 1994-2002 F-150, 1997-2002 Ford Expedition, 1998-2002 Lincoln Navigator and 1994-1996 Ford Bronco equipped with factory-installed speed control. It covers most of the vehicles being evaluated by

Ford said its inquiry found brake history, involved 3.8 million pickups fluid could leak through the cruise control's deactivation switch into the system's electrical components, leading to potential corrosion. That could

lead to a buildup of electrical current that

Owners will be notified by mail immediately. Dealers will install a fused wiring harness to act as a circuit breaker in the system. The company said the harness would cut off electrical current to the switch if the current increases.

Former presidential candidate Ralph similar switches found on 16 million Ford vehicles.

"Ford Motor Company's sluggish In the Ford case, NHTSA said and piecemeal approach to its automo-Wednesday it was reviewing 1,170 altive responsibilities betrays motorists'

of chief justice," said Austin Ab-

bott, a sophomore business major

from San Antonio. "Older people

Students, faculty discuss Roberts nomination

SUPREME COURT FACTS

Supreme Court chief justice nominee

· If confirmed, he would be the youngest

current member on the court (Clarence

If confirmed, he would be the youngest

chief justice at the time of confirmation

since 1801 when 46-year-old John

Thomas, next youngest, is 57).

John Roberts is 50.

By DANIELLE NOVY

STAFF WRITER

As the confirmation hearings for definitely have more wisdom and life John Roberts slated to begin on Mon- experience. Bush wants him in there

day come closer, a cloud of uncertainty and speculation surround Bush's nominee for chief justice.

On the Texas Tech campus, students and faculty express their own reserves about Roberts and where

his beliefs and political viewpoints said Prins. "He did not serve long as

will lead our nation. "He is too young for the position

difficult to assess. Marshall took the bench. "It is hard to Source: Staff research evaluate Roberts,"

because he'll be

there for 30 years

— Bush wants to

an assistant politi-

cal science profes-

sor, said Roberts'

history makes him

Brandon Prins,

keep his ideals."

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LITTLE BALL, BIG FUN



STEVE LEWIS/The Daily Toreador

JOHN CHONG (ORANGE), a senior psychology major from Abilene, plays table tennis against Rogelio Hernandez, a junior mechanical engineering technology major from Midland Wednesday at the Robert H. **Ewalt Student Recreation Center.**

Smith returns from Mexico, finalizes joint MBA plan

By BETH AARON SENIOR STAFF WRITER

U. S., and between Tech and Uni- officials. versidad de Anahuac.

and other university officials left for he said. "It was important for us Mexico City on Aug. 29 and re- to be there because it showed our more student interest in the

the Universidad de Anahuac campus and meeting with U.S. ambassadors from Mexico and U.S./Mexico immigration officials.

Smith said he would like to see more Tech alumni become interested in the MBA degree program so that they may better understand international business and culture.

"With this being such a global show Mundo Ejecutivo. society today, it's important that Tech

tional experiences," he said.

Beto Cardenas, special assistant Representatives from the Texas to the chancellor and director of Tech College of Business Admin- federal relations with the Tech istration traveled to Mexico City, University System in Washington, Mexico, to finalize a joint master's D.C., said interest on the other side in each class, the program degree program aimed at fostering of the border was apparent when he is not limited to such relations between Mexico and the spoke with Universidad de Anahuac small numbers, Phil-

"The caliber of interest from Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith individuals there is overwhelming," ter touring level of interest in a program of this magnitude."

> rector of international busi-Rawls College of Business said the joint MBA Program at UA/ TTU received a No.

1 ranking last April, among the top MBA programs in Mexico in profitability by the Mexican television the degree program, which entails joint master's program in business ad-

Four classes have graduated from administration at Tech and one year of Business at (806) 742-5433.

move through ways to have internathe program in the 10 years since it in at Universidad de Anahuac, set first time an agreement has been graduates, Cardenas said. reached to issue a joint degree from both universities.

Although 4 to 8 students graduate foundations such as healthcare or lips said.

In fact, the College of Business Administration is making a push to generate program, Phillips said. Students with various undergraduate degrees Emily Phillips, associate dia are eligible for the MBA program.

Smith agreed students should take ness education programs in initiative in building strong resumes with unique opportunities such as the joint MBA program with Universidad de Anahuac.

> "The key now is we need to get kinds of experiences," he said.

Students who come away from spending a year studying business ministration, call the Rawls College

began, Phillips said, but this is the themselves apart from other business

Graduates from the program have gone on to work in large

> the U.S. Department of Commerce as well as other corporations including Permex, the third-largest global energy company in

> the world — "bigger than

Exxon Mobile," Cardenas said. In the future, Smith said Tech will continue to cultivate a personal and professional relationship with

Universidad de Anahuac. Other advantages of the close relationship with Universidad de Anahuac, besides building trust between two universities and two nations, Cardenas said, is the possibility more students interested in these of sharing research bringing scholars to give lecture series at Tech.

For more information about the

First-ever Mexican aid convoy sent to the United States

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexican army convoys and a navy ship laden with food, supplies and specialists traveled to the U.S. Wednesday to help in the Hurricane Katrina relief effort — a highly symbolic journey marking the first time Mexico's military has aided its powerful northern neighbor.

The convoy was expected to arrive at the U.S.-Mexico border Wednesday evening and cross into U.S. territory early Thursday, President Vicente Fox's

Radio talk shows and newspapers in Mexico buzzed with excitement over news that this country, long on the

receiving end of U.S. disaster relief, was

sending a hurricane aid convoy north. The convoy represents the first Mexican military unit to operate on U.S. soil since 1846, when Mexican troops briefly marched into Texas, which had separated from Mexico and

joined the U.S. It included military specialists, doctors, nurses and engineers carrying water treatment plants, mobile kitchens, food and blankets.

to 'protect Tech community' recovered, though. Once the juice is shut

Tech PD distributes Tasers

By LINDSAY WATTERS STAFF WRITER

defense weapons.

The Taser guns will be used by the officer-involved, deadly-force situ-

Maj. Gordon Hoffman of the Tech PD said each officer has gone through training courses on how and when to use the gun, how the electricthe gun.

public to know the officers will not arises where it is necessary to use the gun for protection. The gun will be officer or an innocent person.

"It's all about protecting the Tech community," Hoffman said. "If someone is really out of control, it is a good way for an officer to protect himself and other people from injury. Once we get the person subdued, then we will stop using the Taser and handcuff the person."

For instance, he said, if someone armed with a club or another similar weapon is approaching a police officer, the officer has the option of using the Taser gun to stop the armed person from many feet away.

Before the police officers began carrying the Taser guns, they only used two non-lethal weapons as options for protection: a baton and chemical spray. Hoffman said the Taser gun would be a more appropriate form of defense in many situations than the other two forms, which had many disadvantages.

"Most of the officers trained to use the Taser guns elected to have them used on their own bodies," Hoffman said. "It's not required but they wanted to experience it first-hand before they used it on someone else.'

Tech PD Training Sgt. John Poirier said he experienced the force of the Taser gun during training.

'The probes hit my back, and I immediately felt the electricity running through my body," he said. "The electricity immobilized me,

off, you don't feel anything."

Poirier said every time a police Texas Tech Police Department officer begins a shift, the officer would recently issued its police officers Taser do a test on the gun and make sure the guns as an alternative choice to lethal electricity arch of the Taser is correctly functioning.

The Taser gun closely resembles a police officers to reduce instances of handgun in appearance and function. A Taser has a safety button to prevent accidental activation, like a handgun. Unlike a handgun, a Taser can subdue a victim from up to 21 feet away without

When activated, the Taser releases ity affects the nervous system of the two sharp probes attached to 21 feet of body and other factors concerning steel wires, which transmit the electricity. The gun contains an aiming laser He said it is important for the to precisely strike the subject and a low intensity light to aid in sight. The Taser use the Taser guns unless a situation can also be used directly on the subject's skin or clothing with the same effect.

The Taser releases 50,000 volts of used strictly for defense of a police electricity when activated that causes the subject to fall or freeze in place, allowing the police officer to control the subject. The gun has a timer and stops the electric current after five seconds.

> According to the Taser certification course, the weapon will not cause heart failure, damage to nervous tissue, electrocution in wet environments, or death. The subject may not remember any pain after the electric charge ceases. If the probes are not removed properly from the skin they could cause pain and

> Ashley Alkek, a junior advertising major from Dallas, said she is glad the police officers will not have to use their handguns as much now that they are offered an effective form of non-lethal

> "I hate guns, so I would prefer the officers used them as little as possible," Alkek said. "It's good they have the Tasers. I would feel safe with one of

> Alkek said she hopes the officers will not experience a situation when they will have to use the Taser guns, but she appreciates the Tech PD using many different forms of non-lethal weapons instead of just carrying a deadly

> Hoffman said he has seen the Taser guns used on the TV show "Cops," and it is interesting to watch how quickly the police officers can take control of a potentially dangerous situation.

"It is an effective tool and when used and I went to my knees. I instantly properly, it will be a very good thing,"

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Marvel Enterprises goes on its own, new movies in 2008

By CARLOS BERGFELD STAFF WRITER

Though meant to give asthan a help to the superheroes Web site. they serve.

cerned, ditching its production million. studios and changing its name to Marvel Entertainment, Inc. sistance, comic book sidekicks Tuesday to mark its new business can often be more of a hindrance strategy, according to Marvel's

Enterprises, Inc. has decided to with each film expected to have control is nice, but they're also Comics, said he

benefit Marvel in several ways. Marvel secured \$525 million "I think it would be pretty easy Like a hero giving the boot to finance the production of films to say that they're trying to make ployee of Star his cumbersome sidekick, Marvel for up to ten Marvel characters, more money," he said. "Artistic Books and

> going to reap the benefits." Formerly, movies based on ing comics most Marvel characters like "Spider- of his life. Man" and "X-Men" were produced by other production studios some changes — in this case, Sony Pictures and are necessary 20th Century Fox, respectively.

Baugh said movie studios the transition have been cashing in on super- from print to screen. hero movies by appealing to the

"There's always been this he said. kind of interest in fantasy and in, maybe not superheroes, but heroes that can do things comic book heroes are doing," he said.

book films' recent box-office successes could be attributed to the

When making superhero films

said, movie studios commonly their characters in future films. Scott Baugh, an assistant pro- change certain details of the fessor of English, teaches classes comic-book character or provide somebody that cares about them, show on KTXT-FM, said Marvel's on film studies and said the move origins and background informa- usually you get a really good prodtoward increased control will tion that comic book readers uct," he said.

would already know.

has been read-

Kochis said when making

"In 'X-Men,' the whole yelaudience's dreams of extraordi- low spandex thing wouldn't look flattering on Hugh Jackman,"

Kochis said he enjoys seeing movies about superheroes, even though several recent superhero movies have been of poor quality Another reason for comic and less faithful to their comic Dagger," "Dr. Strange," "Hawkbook roots.

"As long as Nick Fury isn't Chi." built-in following movies based transforming into gigantic robots on superheroes already have, or something like that, it's OK with me," he said.

tion of its own films should result Web site.

go solo as far as its films are con- a budget of approximately \$165 for a mainstream audience, Baugh in more accurate depictions of

Kochis said the success of "Sin

ator Frank

The list of characters and groups slated to star in future characters are currently scheduled films includes several of Marvel's for release in 2006, as Marvel had remaining comic book fran- already licensed these films out to chises: "Captain America," "The other studios: "Ghost Rider," "X-Avengers," "Nick Fury," "Black Men III" and "Punisher II." Panther," "Ant-Man," "Cloak & eye," "Power Pack" and "Shang-

Paramount Pictures will distribute the new films, the first of which will hit theaters in sum-Kochis said Marvel's produc- mer 2008, according to Marvel's

jor from Houston who co-hosts "When you actually have the "Metropolis" comic book future plans seem more profit driven than anything else.

"There's some good stuff in Danny Kochis, a 12-year em- City" and director Robert Rodri- there, but you can tell it's just guez's col- trying to get everything out," laboration he said. "I think they're going with "Sin to over-saturate the market with City" cre- comic-book things.'

Morse said the most successful Miller, he superhero movies are faithful to was listed the comics and encourage people as the co- to read the original comic books, director while poor superhero movies for the like "Elektra," based on a Marvel film, shows character, are produced with little faithful adaptations can be regard to anything but projected box office sales.

Three films based on Marvel

Correction: In the story "Divine Nine," which ran Sept. 7, Dameon Middleton was referred to incorrectly. He is the assistant director or career management at the Rawls College of Business.



KELLY MATHERLY/The Daily Toreador

MARVEL COMICS, CREATOR of characters such as Spiderman and the X-Men, has decided to go on its own and has secured more than \$525million to finance new movies, due out in summer 2008. Other films based on Marvel characters were already financed before the deal, and films such as "Ghost Rider," "X-Men II" and "Punisher II" will hit Baugh said. theatres in 2006.

E-lert sent to parents, addressed evacuee

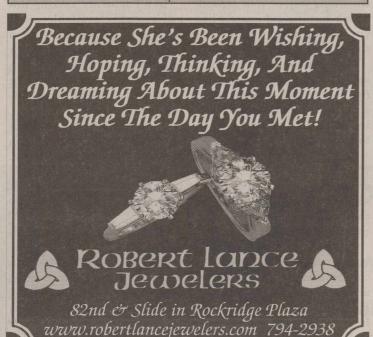
housing arrangements An E-lert has been sent out to the parents of Texas Tech students, clearing up the rumor that evacuees from New

Orleans are being housed on campus. The E-lert states the 400 evacuees are being housed at Reese Technology Center. The Lubbock Municipal Colesium was originally designated a housing location for overflow, but is unnecessary since Lubbock will not receeive any more

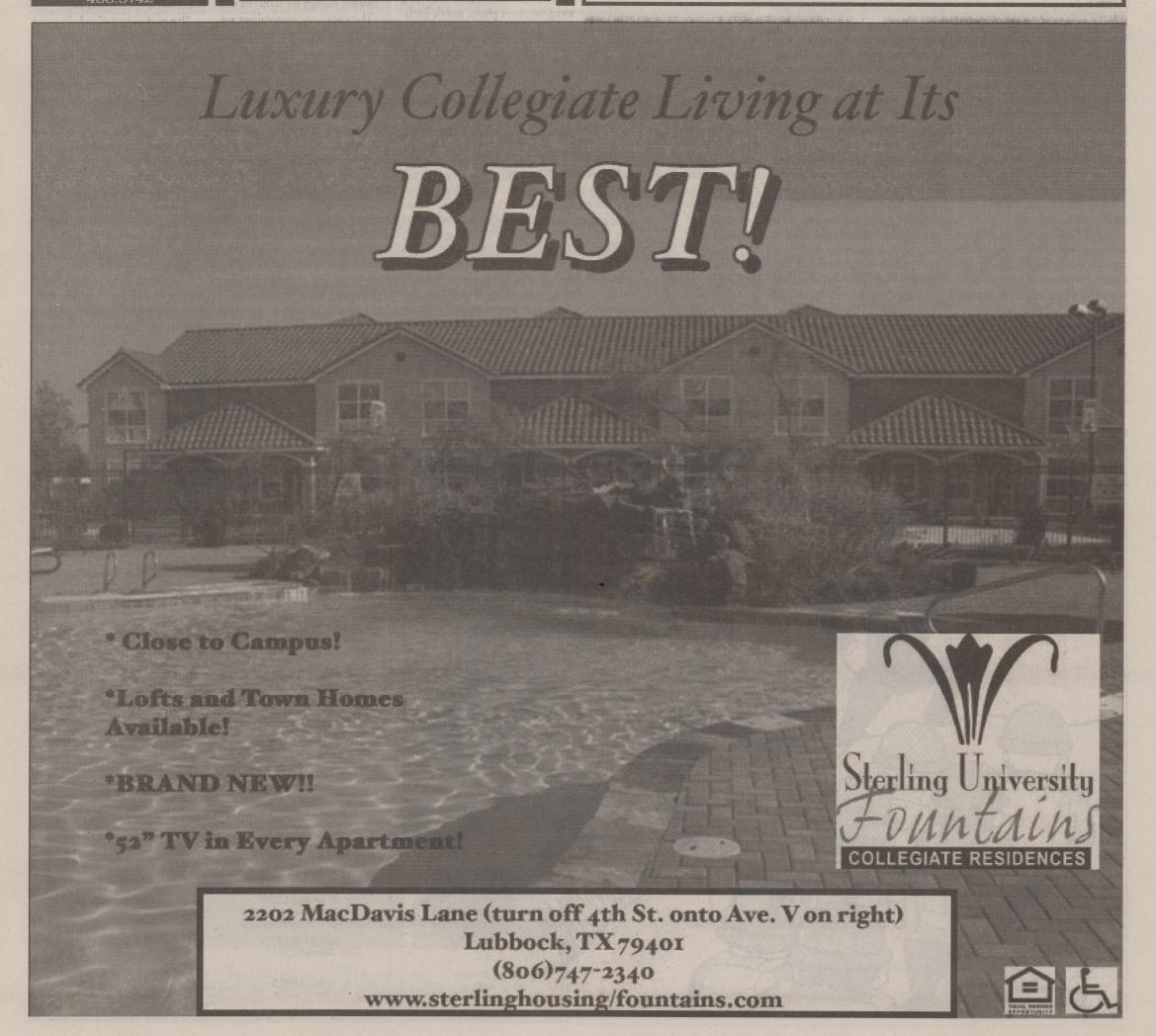
However, Tech has added 10 undergraduate students, three law students and 50 Tulane athletes.

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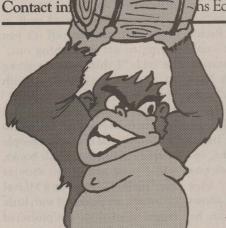


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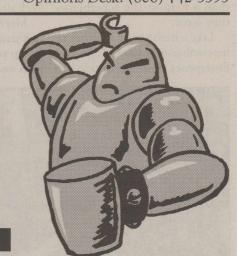
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The FDA has ruled the controversial contraceptive Plan B will not be sold over the counter, but the debate continues in...



remember watching Madonna's "Papa Don't Preach" on my Lparents' couch with an overwhelming and incapacitating terror of getting pregnant. Coming from a very religious family, having a baby out of wedlock falls somewhere between crucifying Jesus and forming a coke habit

having an unplanned child. From erroneous conception of emergency the apprehensive Virgin Mary to contraception is that it is an aborticollege coeds desperately waiting for facient, a pill that is equivalent to an

Coming from a very religious family, having a baby out of wedlock falls somewhere between crucifying Jesus and forming a coke habit.

curse to everyone else.

Luckily, with the widespread use of effective birth control, our cause women to be sexually pro- force young women to mother sexuality freely and responsibly. at their inception. Also, most proleaders and politicians.

Women were believed to be as Planned Parenthood does. licentious and also unchristian if they forced the hand of God and Planned Parenthood International prohibited birth. In some states, such as Connecticut and Massachusetts, it was illegal for women to use birth control, including married ones, until and it's time Planned Parenthood tion against the late 1960s and early 1970s.

Now, the majority of married couples make use of the oral contra- opposition to emergency contra- sorry that we ceptive. According to the United ception have ended dozens of lives let semantics Nations Web site, 61 percent of all women of reproductive age who are married or in a consensual union are using contraception.

rights, a bevy of birth control options it the day after, you have a one-way tion. What the pioneers fought for, also has helped women remain free ticket to hell. to decide when they want to have children.

However, just as religious and debate has only begun. political leaders fervently denounced



the oral contraceptive for decades, Historically, women always have the Plan B emergency contracepthat damned second line on the EPT, abortion. However, Plan B cannot to prevent pregnancy. end a pregnancy, therefore it is not an abortion.

According to the Food and by delaying or inhibiting ovulation, and/or altering tubal transport of sperm or ova (thereby inhibiting fertilization), and/or altering the

version of birth control, as opposed issue is freedom. to the pill RU-486 that actually why is Plan B so reprehensible?

generation is unshackled from that miscuous, coincidentally the same multiple children, at risk to both burden and able to experience our sentiments about oral contraceptives the child and the mother? However, this battle was a long life advocates define pregnancy as what would and arduous fight against religious the moment of fertilization, rather happen if this than the moment of implantation, slippery slope

Iim Sedlack, director of Stop states that "...this is semantics. ended in the Emergency contraception ends the usurpation of life of human beings in the womb, our protectold all its customers the facts."

I wonder how many of those in Would we be that could have been by taking oral and an undeniable gray area of contraceptives? Apparently, taking a morality trump science? birth control pill the day before sex With the progression of women's guilt of ending life, but if you take opposition to emergency contracep-

Semantics enters in for both sides

Again, the FDA has postponed at Abbie.Kopf@ttu.edu.

its decision as to whether to sell emergency contraception over the counter, without a prescription. That would have been helpful to the Denton rape victim, whose pharmacist wouldn't refill her morning-after pill prescription in February 2004 because of religious convictions.

All around the nation, pharmacies, including major chains such as suffered under the grave dread of tive pill now is under attack. An Wal-Mart, are refusing to sell Plan B, with or without a prescription. The debate over emergency contraception is much larger than the ability

According to the New England Journal of Medicine, emergency contraception could prevent an Drug Administration, emergency estimated 800,000 abortions a year, contraceptive pills are not effective as well as 1.7 million unwanted if the woman is pregnant. They act pregnancies. In addition, thousands of would-be teen mothers are unable to obtain access to oral contraceptives, but if the FDA allowed emergency contraceptives to endometrium (thereby inhibiting be sold over the counter, anyone, especially teenagers could prevent Simply stated, Plan B is a stronger an unwanted birth. But the real

Is it possible, my fellow the consequences of pregnancy have incites abortions for women who are women, that we could lose our been a blessing to the prepared and a in the early stages of pregnancy. So right to reproductive freedom? In this day and age, could we First, many people believe it will revert back to antiquity and

> we are dangerously treading actually pregnancy?

I urge every man and woman who is completely disassociated with the utilizes oral contraceptives to rethink we could very easily lose.

of the contraception debate. And the Kopf is a senior sociology major from Lubbock. E-mail her

FDA ruling threatens women's rights | Plan B should never become 'plan A'

s a child, there were few things more enter-Laining to me than my Etch A Sketch. If there were no cartoons on the television, or we were taking a long car trip to visit relatives, I could always, without fail, find solace in my Etch A Sketch.

because if you turned one knob the wrong way, or your artwork wasn't turning out exactly like pill so easily available could you'd hoped, you could just result in many youths relying on shake it up and start over.

up and start over," worked just pill, however, does not prevent fine for my Etch A Sketch, but the spread of sexually transmitit seems this philosophy is be- ted diseases. ing applied to everyday life in today's society.

you don't like the outcome, just It could result in STDs being runny nose is much shake it up and start over. Con- spread like wildfire throughout sequence is no longer a word the younger, less-informed dethat carries much weight with mographic. the youth of today.

is green-lighted for over-the- incentive for teens to abstain counter sales, it is likely that an from sex. Without there being uneducated America will take consequences for actions, why lightly the life-long implications choose right over wrong? Why

When researching for this it" risk free? column I decided to check

> the mes- filiation. sage, "Con-

rather disturbing viewpoint I came across in several of the the counter. Their views are someone from having a child. written as if pregnancy is some the attempts our corrupt govern-



Here's an interesting fact for The Etch A Sketch was great them — pregnancy is how we all got here in the first place

In all actuality, making this the morning-after pill as their The philosophy of "shake it sole form of contraception. This

Releasing this pill and not requiring a doctor's prescription If something happens and to obtain it is simply intolerable.

With so many options read-If the morning-after pill ily available, there would be no wait, when you could "just do

> site that Food and Drug Administration standpoint. came up on put a stop to the morning-after Google was pill being available over the while I was having sex," is not one pro- counter. This is an issue of a legitimate excuse to take such claiming public health, not political af- extreme measures as the Plan B

Those trying to compare this now offered as over-the-counter medicines, are clearly off base.

Keeping someone from havsites was advocating making ing a headache or a runny nose the Plan B pill available over is much different than keeping

Giving this pill over-thehorrible epidemic that must be counter status would mean that relying on modern medicine to stopped at all costs in spite of it is available not only to those who might be truly "in need," ment has made to take away our but also 12-year-old girls. More ism major from Alvin. E-mail her education courses need to be at Michelle.Casady@ttu.edu.

given before such a powerful drug is released for the masses to consume without a doctor's prescription or advice. Call me crazy, but I don't think a girl in elementary school is well informed enough to take, or much less have access to a morning-after pill.

The issue is so hotly contested that even the assistant commissioner of the FDA, Susan Wood, resigned her post. According to the e-mail announcing her resignation, Wood left due to the pill

Keeping someone from having a headache or a different than keeping someone from having a child.

not being released after it had been tested and approved.

I feel as if many people are trying their hardest to turn this The problem with making debate into a liberal vs. conserout www.google.com and look the morning-after pill available vative situation. Really, this is around for other opinions and over the counter is not a politionally about protecting and educheck some cal debate. President Bush did cating the general public. It is not demand that it be locked the FDA's responsibility to look h e away forever to keep evil from out for the overall well-being first Web our impressionable youth. The of our citizens, from a medical

"Oh, well my condom broke morning-after pill.

If you are responsible enough dom broke? drug to others such as Claritin to have sex, then you should be Go to Plan and Ibuprofen, which were once responsible enough to deal with available by prescription but are the consequences that could

> Life is not an Etch A Sketch. Sometimes things happen that don't go exactly as planned, and people just have to deal with them. Learn to take responsibility for your actions, and stop

■ Casady is a freshman journal-



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College of Education students prepare to teach hurricane evacuees

By MEGHANN LORA ASSOCIATE NEWS/COPY EDITOR

The Texas Tech College of unteering our time as well." Education is offering to help Hurricane Katrina evacuees who are being housed at Reese Techchildren and education.

Karen Jacobsen, director of Lubbock, Jacobsen said. public relations for the College of Education, said

a Frenship Independent School District teacher informed the college about the need for school supplies.

She said children are enrolling in Lubbock area schools, but do not have basic school supplies such as backpacks, paper, pencils or crayons. Faculty, staff and students began collecting school supplies and said. "This would be for parents schooling proand families in need.

something, and we just thought facility." this would be a way to help," she said. "We felt strongly about vol-

proposed two programs to assist in ensuring that students housed , She said faculnology Center by focusing on at Reese Center receive a quality ty and students education during their time in could provide

> "One is a reading project lessons for a that our students and few hours each faculty would do," she day so students

> > program." sistant professor in the skills to the College of Edu- do that," Todd cation, is proposing said. "I think it another program to might be a need

Reese Center. "(Todd) is offering to do in- have." house school for them," Jacobsen

- especially those in kindergar- parents. ten through third grade - might The College of Education has be too traumatized to leave their more political science major understands why they might

basic academic said. "It would be a would not fall reading enrichment behind.

"It seems Reese Todd, as- like we have help the evacuees at some families out there might

The on-site

Todd said younger children off-site school away from their educational programs.

parents for a full day of school. from San Antonio, said setting not want to send their children

up educational programs for families is a good idea.

I think this a new city." is one of the their normal

lives."

toiletries to help those children who don't feel comfortable send- gram would be a short-term senior landscape architecture reading center," she said. "We ing their small children to school. project, Todd said. It would con- major from Lubbock, said the would like to provide those "Everybody here wanted to do It would be right there at the tinue until the students become students at Reese Center would services if they are needed."

comfortable enough to go to an benefit from having on-site

He said the families have Melissa Wooldridge, a sopho- been through so much and

> "When you're taken away the evacuated from the world you always knew, it's kind of a tough situation," Hargrove said. "It's hard "There's when you have nothing and so many ways are taken away from where you to help, and were born and raised and put in

> Jenny Garcia, an adminbest ways," she istrative business assistant in said. "That'll the College of Education, said probably help the two educational programs them so even- are ready to be implemented, tually they can but have not been approved by get back to officials at Reese Center.

> "We have contacted the Reese Center to see what Benjamin educational needs they might Hargrove, a have out there, such as a

Celebrities, stars visit evacuees in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — Famous faces such as Jamie Foxx and Oprah Winfrey have been seen strolling through the cots set up at the Reliant Astrodome for those taking refuge from Hurricane Katrina.

Venus Iunius, who was forced from her New Orleans home during the hurricane and spent three days on top of a bridge until a bus brought her to Houston, said the celebrity visits have been nice "because right now we need everybody we can get.'

So far she's seen Jada Pinkett Smith, Winfrey and Foxx.

"When I saw him I just ran to where he was at," she said. "He was so fine. I was just wishing he could have took me home with him."

Foxx, who is working with the NAACP on relief efforts, said that celebrities should get giving when the going

"The reason you have to do this is you have to let them know that you're real," Foxx said at an NAACP event after visiting the Astrodome. "I had one guy say, 'It's about time we get some black celebrities down here.' I'm calling on all of them to come down here to see how it really is."

Rehnquist honored at funeral service; Arlington burial followed

dent Bush led the nation in a final every task before him," Bush told the recalled with appreciation. tribute to William H. Rehnquist on audience during a two-hour service Wednesday, remembering the 16th at historic St. Matthew's Cathedral. integrity.

The president told hundreds assembled at Rehnquist's private funeral — family, former clerks, lawmakers and Cabinet members — that the justice was a kind soul are interred. who accomplished much in a life

WASHINGTON (AP) — Presi- the sense of duty that he brought to president — a gesture the president career and family.

National Cemetery in a grave not respectfully of his ability on the scholar, a tireless champion of life far from where several other justices high court.

that included 33 years on the high Rehnquist managed to attend Bush's power of his arguments. second inauguration in January and

fondly remembered a bright, witty funeral audience. chief justice as the Supreme Court's Rehnquist was a steady, guiding pres- and persuasive Rehnquist, a man steady leader and a man of lifetime ence on the court, Bush said of the she met at Stanford Law School

> "He never twisted arms to get sense, a great American." Despite battling thyroid cancer, votes," she said, but relied on the

"We remember the integrity and administer the oath of office to the Rehnquist as a man who balanced since Tuesday morning.

"No one smelled more roses than Justice Sandra Day O'Connor my dad," James Rehnquist told the

Cardinal Theodore McCarrick, in a welcome to those assembled chief justice who died last Saturday more than half a century ago. "He in the Roman Catholic church, was clearly the brightest student in praised Rehnquist as a "loving father Burial was set for Arlington our class," she said, and she spoke and husband, an outstanding legal and a true lover of the law: in every

Rehnquist's flag-draped casket was brought to the church from the Family members portrayed court, where he had lain in repose

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Students

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Anderson said Wednesday was the earliest most of the team members could the country, even though some still were missing.

"We want you to be as happy as you can here, and we're glad to have you," Janis Haney, interim associate director for Housing and Residence Life, told the students at orientation.

issued to the athletes in one room, while in another room, people from the admissions and registrar's offices tried to admit students and make class schedules.

Brenda Martinez, assistant director of admissions for Tech, said she and four others quickly were trying to admit students that had been affected by the

tion," Martinez said. "They're taking it step-by-step and so are we.

Admissions specialist Caryn Mulanax said the admissions office started admitting students affected by the storm last Monday, although it had a hotline open all weekend long.

students had been admitted. While the majority of them are from Tulane, several are also from other universities in body not so much older," she said.

Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana.

Martinez said most Tulane students will probably choose to return to their own university, but for the moment, Tech will be home. It completely is up to the students, she said, as to whether be found after being displaced all over or not they choose to return to Tulane when it reopens or stay at Tech.

"We're trying to offer an immediate solution for them," she said. "Obviously, they've had a lot of uproar in their lives."

While the uproar from the storm will continue to impact student athletes Introductions and welcomes were from Tulane as they try to bring their lives back to normal, women's basketball player Alendra Brown said that while life was difficult in New Orleans recently, she welcomes the change in

> "Now that I came here to Texas Tech, I feel comfortable," she said. "I feel welcome. I didn't expect this."

Brown, originally from New Orleans, said she didn't know what "This is definitely a unique situato expect when leaving her home. She said the orientation to Tech was basic and very similar to the one they went to at Tulane, despite the time crunch.

In reaction to receiving a cell phone number from the student body president, Brown said it made things She said roughly 55 undergraduate easier and more convenient for the Tulane students.

"A lot of people like to talk to some-

In Egypt, a historic vote for president, but balloting marred by fraud charges CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — For the first time Egyptian voters had a choice of Wafd — and the president was expected to win handily. Final results were not

candidates for president Wednesday in an election the United States hopes due until Saturday. will be a key step toward democracy across the Middle East.

Opposition party members, human rights monitors and citizens told The Associated Press that election workers at polling places in Luxor and other towns instructed voters to choose Mubarak. In Cairo and Alexandria, supporters of the ruling National Democratic Party promised food or money to poor people if they voted for Mubarak, voters said.

The leading opposition candidate, Ayman Nour, charged the elections "are not fair at all," and vowed to reject rigged results.

However, a top official in another major opposition party, El-Sayed el-Badawy, said that while fraud and intimidation were apparent, "This is the first time for a president to reach out to the citizens and ask for their support. This is a positive thing. Osama Attawiya, spokesman for the country's election commission, said

the panel had received no major complaints or reports of problems. Nine candidates ran against Mubarak this time, but only two were con-

sidered significant — Nour of the al-Ghad Party and Noaman Gomaa of the

El-Badawy and several independent monitoring groups said they thought But the ballot was marred by charges of fraud and the near-certainty turnout was low, contrary to government predictions of high turnout. The the vote would merely give longtime President Hosni Mubarak another six number of voters might indicate whether recent calls for reform have shaken Egyptians out of an apathy generated by years of stagnation.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Sean McCormack said the U.S. government was following the election closely and called the vote "a

These elections really mark a historic departure for Egypt, in the fact that you have multicandidate presidential elections. I think it's safe to say that Egyptians have not seen a presidential election like the one they have just seen in their lifetimes," he told reporters.

In one clear sign of the changes sweeping Egypt, more than 3,000 people marched through downtown Cairo at midafternoon to protest against Mubarak — by far the largest crowd ever drawn by the group Kifaya, or "Enough" in Arabic. Police watched from a distance despite government vows to block protests. Two demonstrators were beaten by government supporters.

Until now, the 77-year-old Mubarak has been re-elected in referendums in which he was the only candidate and voters could only choose "yes" or "no" to his continuing in power.

Athletes

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room and board before they were given to show it. a campus orientation tour of Tech. The players will be staying in the Wall/Gates residence hall and will begin classes as soon as possible.

and Residence Life, said they will do been incredible." everything they can to help out the

"My hope is that we will just show and is glad she is here as a friend. these students a big West Texas welcome," he said.

Women's head basketball coach Lisa Stockton said she has never seen side," she said. this type of eagerness from her students to begin classes.

"I can't tell you how many of my players have never wanted to be in class more because they were worried about missing their semester," she said.

has been able to make it to Lubbock yet, very helpful in getting adjusted to the her roster of 17 players are here and are ready to get back to work. Junior guard Jami Montagnino said she is ready to and Tech enough for what they have begin a normal semester and get back done for us and our student athletes," into the swing of things.

forgetting about what's going on in to be a big relief for us." our country and to start playing some basketball," she said.

working out a schedule with the Tech like this. athletics so they will be able to start and other coaches will be trying to do it afterwards," he said. what ever they can to help the studentathletes.

easiest possible situation for them and ers are out of trouble and safe. give them the best support that we can," she said.

Although this is Tech country, Sharp said that the support from Red Raider and Lady Raider fans should be great and they have already begun

"I can't even begin to tell you what Lady Raider fans have done so far," she said. "The e-mails, the calls, the things that they have brought to this office Sean Duggan, director of Housing that are high quality things have just

> Stockton said she has made two trips to Lubbock in her 11 years at Tulane

> "I've been here twice as a coach at Tulane and always as an opponent, so I'm really glad to have them on our

Stockton said the team will try to put things behind them and begin to focus on what is in front of them.

"Just getting re-focused, that's the biggest thing," she said.

Stockton said the welcoming and Although not all of Stockton's staff support from the community has been

"We can't thank this community she said. "Just being in one spot and "We are all so ready to start almost knowing what we're going to do is going L

Jones said he and his players have discussed situations in games and on The Tulane women will try to start the field and it relates straight to events

"You can't control a natural disaster, practices some time next week. Lady I guess the largest in our nation's history, Raider coach Marsha Sharp said she but you can control how you respond to

Although New Orleans is around 870 miles away from Lubbock, Stockton "That's our goal is to make this the said the important thing is that the play-

> "For right now, I guess home is Lubbock," she said.

Roberts

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a federal judge and so most of the released papers are from his stint in the Reagan and Bush administrations, I believe. In both instances, he served the administration and so it is not easy to determine whether the views are his own or those of the administrations he worked for.'

Rajmani Subedi, a civil en-Nepal, said he does not feel well informed of what John Roberts stands for.

"I knew that Rehnquist died," Subedi said. "After that, I didn't know anything about John Rob-

Roberts' 50-year life has been speckled with numerous notewor-

Welcome Back

Red Raiders

Roberts attended Harvard for both his undergraduate degree and law school, from which he graduated from in 1979.

A major stride in his career came House counsel Fred Fielding from 1982 to 1986. Later, he served as a law clerk for Chief Justice William Rehnquist before President Bush appointed him to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia

gineering graduate student from record include arguing for government regulation that banned abortion counseling by federally funded family planning programs in 1990 and voting to uphold the arrest of a 12-year-old girl for eating a french fry inside a D.C. metro-rail station in the case Hedgepeth v. Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority.

1997-1998 Leadership Directory of Born in Buffalo, N.Y., in 1955, the Federalist Society. This guild sup-

ports applying tenets of the Constitution as it was originally written.

a Reagan Republican.

when he served as an aide to White not as ideological as (Antonin) restraints," he said.

Scalia," said Prins. Matthew Wisnewski, a political erts' resume speaks for itself. science major from Plano, said John

Roberts' life story is something that not even Hollywood could create.

Highlighted cases in Roberts' ence, said, there are differences in However, whether he deserves to be judges' ideologies that can affect the Chief Justice — that is for the

"There is a difference between a judge who wants to use the court to Prins said Roberts had the aura of move the country in a conservative direction and a judge who wants to "He is conservative, but perhaps uphold and not overrule judicial self-

Wisnewski said he believes Rob-

"Roberts certainly has the merits to become a Supreme Court justice," he said. "He argued 39 cases in front Lawrence Mayer, a professor of the Supreme Court, representing in the department of political sci- various clients on dividing issues. Senate to decide."

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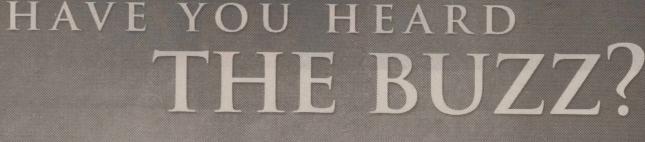
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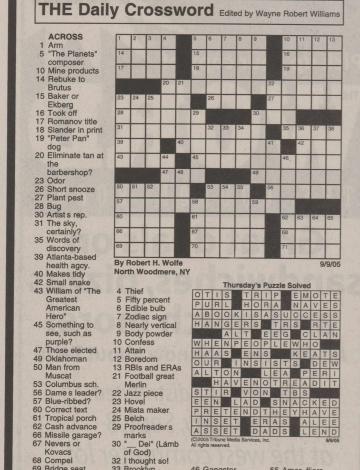
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BANDS PERFORM at Jake's Sport's Cafe for a benefit concert where all proceeds went to South Plains Food Bank. Right: Michael Stone, also known as Stoney B. Blues from New Orleans, performs onstage with Don Caldwell and the Lubbock TX Rhythm Machine during the Reese Benefit Concert Thursday night.

By BECKY NORMAN FEATURES WRITER

Villa, Unspoken Levels, Icarus Fixed, Live Nights in Voodoo, and Thrift Store Cowboys all played at Jake's Sports Café Saturday night to raise money for the South Plains Food Bank. A wide range of sounds flowed from the stage; music from Hip-Hop to Jazz to Alternative Country were all crowd pleasers.

Colt Compton, a sophomore music major from Lubbock, set up the charity event, and his hip-hop jazz band, Nilla rocked the stage with rappers from Unspoken Levels. Nilla has been together for about seven months, and brings a new sound to Lubbock listeners. Nilla and Unspoken Levels work together to create original and innovative music. Icarus Fixed, another local band, also played for the fundraiser. Jamie Conlon, a junior Personal Financial Planning

major from Carrolton, said the bands at the benefit were pleasantly surprising.

"This is my first time to see Icarus play," Conlon said. "Icarus has a unique and original sound. I like them and I would truly like to see them play for a second time."

Thriftstore Cowboys was the last band to play, and they were definitely what the crowd was waiting for. The fans rushed to the dance floor to dance when the Cowboys started playing.

Nolan Riley, a Tech graduate from Panhandle, said Thriftstore Cowboys is the voice of Lubbock.

"Their fresh, original, and true to their roots," Riley said. "Thriftstore Cowboys are the epitome of Lubbock mu-

"Their fresh, original, and true to their roots," Riley said. "Thriftstore Cowboys are the epitome of Lubbock music."

Daniel Fluitt, lead singer for the Thriftstore Cowboys, said, the band comprised of Tech graduates, intends to hang

out around their home town, and continue to please their fans.

"The band has been together for about five years," Fluitt said. "We love the people here."

The four bands attracted an audience of more than 300 people whp donated 100 percent of the proceeds to the food bank.

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ednesday night, more music filled the air, this time, at Reese Technology Center as local bands brought Lubbockites and Gulf Coast evacuees together.

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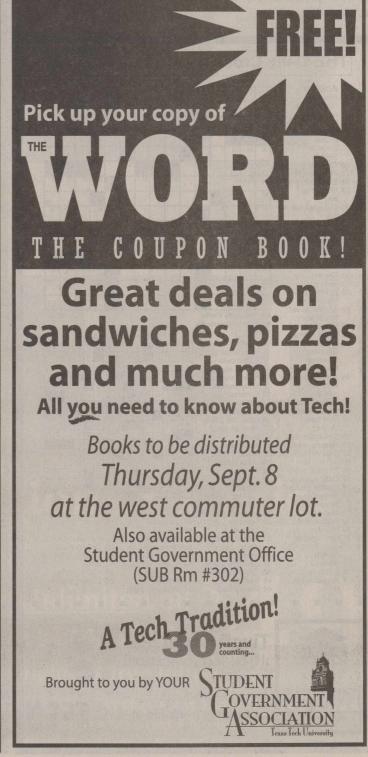
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TECH: WORKIN' IT

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SAM'S PLACE EMPLOYEES SHED LICHT ABOUT ON-CAMPUS JOBS

Most students do not have to worry about cleaning and counting money during their day at school, but for Ryan Burke, a junior biology major from Keller. it's just a typical day at school.

Keller, it's just a typical day at school.

Burke is a Sam's Place shift manager on campus and he said he enjoys

his job.

"It's on campus, it's not too hard, and it's convenient to work here," he

said.

His hours change doily because of his class schedule, but he works at least

His hours change daily because of his class schedule, but he works at least part of every day. He closes the store twice a week.

Burke said closing consists of cleaning dishes and wiping the counters.

The employees also verify the amount of money they have obtained that day.

"I'm here doing the register most of the time when I'm here," he said.

"I'm here doing the register most of the time when I'm here," he said. Sean Duggan, director of housing and residence life, said a campus job is a good opportunity for students.

"It's a great way to integrate work experience and class experience all in

one place," he said. "I think students see the value of working on campus," he said.

When there is an opening for a student employee, Duggan said, it usually

does not take long to fill the position.

The Housing and Dining department employs 200 students, he said. Most

The Housing and Dining department employs 200 students, he said. Most students do not see the hard work Tech employees do.

"It helps students to learn how much hard work it takes to keep the place running," he said.

Jobs on campus enable students to see how Texas Tech attempts to keep 20,000 students happy, he said.

Shift Manager Burke said he rarely has a problem with the Tech student

Shift Manager Burke said he rarely has a problem with the Tech student body. He said everyone is usually nice and courteous to him.

"For the most part I don't think we have anybody that's a real jerk," he said.

Oscar Lazo, a senior exercise and sports sciences major from Pasadena, Calif., said he had some difficult experiences with the student body when he worked at Sam's Place for five months in 2004.

Some of the students would look down on the people that worked behind the counter, he said.

"The kids are really big jerks," he said. "They didn't know I was also a student."

He said he made \$5.60 an hour, he said, but he believes it was not enough to compensate for the difficulties involved with his job.

"With the amount of stuff you have to put up with it's not nearly enough," he said.

Even though some of his work environment was difficult, there were

benefits to working on campus, he said. For instance, Lazo received a discount on meals for working at Sam's Place. He said was nice not having to worry about where to get meals.

"It definitely worked around my schedule," he said.

The only problem with scheduling, Lazo said, is he would have to work late hours sometimes and he often needed more time to study.

"It really does affect you," he said. "It didn't give me anytime to study."

Lazo said he had to choose school before his work so he was not able to spend the amount of time required for his job, which eventually led him to quit.



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SAM"S PLACE EMPLOYEE Logan Pettyjohn, a freshman pre-med major from seminole, prepares a smoothies for Brandon Tobias (right), a petro-leum and land management major from Midland, while Hannah Arlette, a junior pre-nursing major from West Columbia, stand in line Wednesday afternoon in the Student Union Building.

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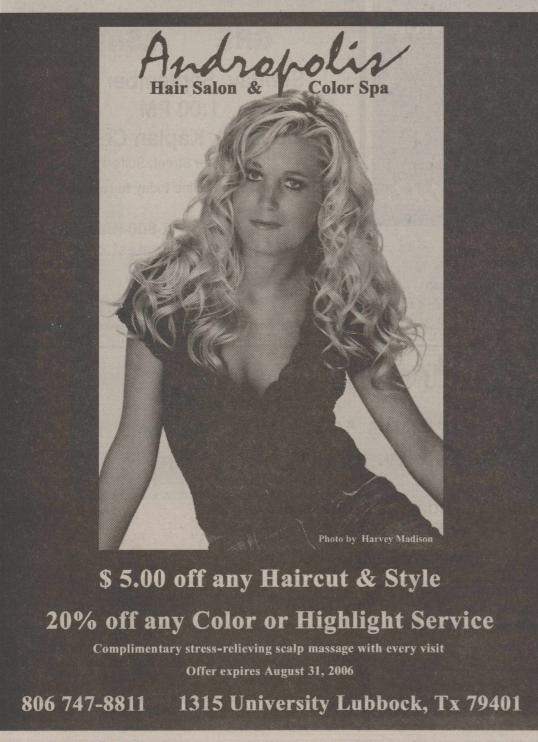
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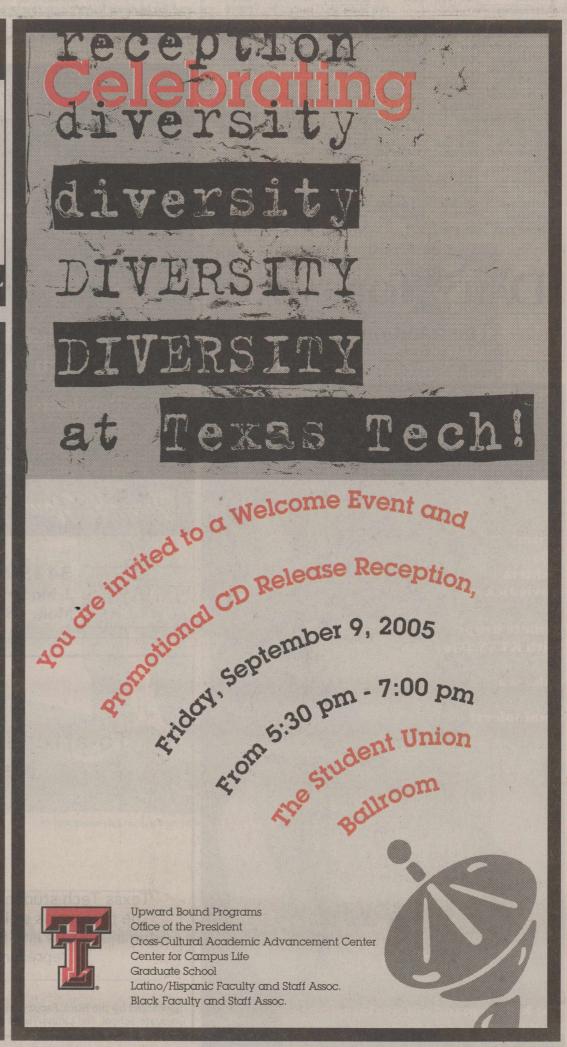
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Politics and music: What was West thinking?

When it comes to politics, it Marcus seems the only sound bites we get from the musical community these days are from the morons. Take five minutes on the Internet and tell me I'm wrong. Go ahead. I'll wait here.

There. Satisfied? I'm too young to have many real memories of mainstream musicians saying anything relevant or smart about politics, but I'm sure some of our older students and most of our professors remember a time when this wasn't so.

They remember a time when Bob Dylan and almost every significant musician at the time spoke out against a war they didn't believe in. They remember when politics and music were not two mutually exclusive properties; rather, it seemed almost inappropriate to not mix the two.

But at the end of the day, most musicians traded their protests signs for corporate desk jobs and tied their hair back in ponytails, which, no matter how hard the music executives try, never looks cool. They may have failed, but they still get an A

And when we thought music in America was finished being pissed off about things that actually matter, we got Public Enemy, and the world seemed right again. We had a voice in Chuck D that people could get behind, a voice they could listen to.

THURSDAY



trying to effect change through their Kanye West.

years Chuck and other influential mind at the time? members of the hip-hop community, such as Russell Simmons, have made

minds while Flavor Flav is married to Ivan Drago's main squeeze. Chuck isn't gone; he just doesn't have as big on national television. He had a of an audience.

But our musical heritage is missing something important that other countries may have. We didn't get bands like The Clash on American soil. Punk in England affected change. Punk in America and all of its many offshoots have spent 30 years preaching to the choir.

In the last four years, the musical community has been doing just that Ever since the election of Gore, sorry, incompetent government.

Last week, the embarrassing side came shining through in the form of an ill-conceived, stumbling tirade

his side as its court jester. Over the through your egotistical, self-absorbed

OK, so I can understand a little of what he was saying. Some of it may enormous strides in poor black neigh- even be the truth. I'm against the borhoods through social programs current administration just as much and, you know, actually talking to as any other liberal Lubbockite, even though we are in a depressingly small Today, Chuck D is cruising the minority here. But there is one thing

He had a gigantic audience, live off-stage.

fighting against the administration, a statement that could have mobitinhs he has something important another Generation X ridden with a united by their sometimes justified, lized people into doing something to to say. Nobody needs that right now. new kind of apathy. And I've somesometimes embarrassing hatred of an change almost apocalyptic conditions. We need someone who can actually times thought that hip-hop could the overwhelmingly poor, mostly say something important, someone be to America what punk was to black, victims of New Orleans had to relate to and inspire thought and England, but as long as Kanye West been living in for the better part of change in an ever-apathetic society. is allowed to speak his mind in public, last week. There was a chance there Never mind that he wasn't speaking during a relief special for the victims for Kanye West to be a musical voice who was going to be the so-called take him seriously and as long as he for people like me. He wasn't supposed of Hurricane Katrina made by one in the mainstream that actually knew "voice of our generation" have been is the only person in hip-hop making to. The point was that somebody was of the most arrogant men in music, what he was talking about. He had the wrong. The person who holds that headlines, the genre will carry that Bush doesn't care about black chance to speak out on behalf of the be the conscience of music, the one Chuck D was the king of music's people?! What the hell were you musical community and on behalf of who will call our country and our I'm smart!" at the top of your lungs

Instead, he became a target, a joke, wrong. something inflammatory to put on a T-shirt to garner dirty looks from all time for criticism. Obviously most tives" page in Newsweek, but the the conservatives on campus, which, people don't agree with that, but lasting reverberations won't last past honestly, isn't that hard to do.

But I don't need a cheap laugh

Bush in 2000, musicians have been chance to say something important right now from a bumbling rapper who have a voice. We could all be lost,

chance to do something important, a title has always been and will always stigma as well. social conscience with Flavor Flav at thinking, Kanye? What was going young people and artists everywhere. government on everything they do is usually a good sign you are neither.

anyone with half a brain knows a next week. As wildly inappropriate as his fundraising special isn't the best place statement was, it was still pretty damn for West to declare his dissatisfaction to have, Kanye. I hope you enjoyed funny to see the look of intense fear on with Bush. But had he made a concise it while you had it, if there was any Mike Myers face when West made his and biting statement against the utter there to begin with. college circuit, still trying to change I know: Kanye West blew a beautiful infamous Bush comment, like some- failure of our country's response to one had just shot his grandmother the people of the Gulf Coast, it could Parks is The DT's music critic. have been.

So far, all my predictions about that will never be. It's impossible to

Screaming, "I'm important and Comments like the ones West made Conservatives say now is not the last week may make the "Perspec-

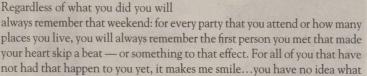
Credibility is an important thing

E-mail comments and questions Maybe our generation will never to Marcus.J.Parks@ttu.edu.

Rudy knows good sex, relationships and how to survive dating at Tech

he time spent at any college SEPTEMBER 8, 2005 or university can be filled with experiences that could affect the rest of your life. Recall your very first weekends at Texas Tech. Were you going to bid day parties or moving in for the first time on your own?

you are about to get into.



Dating in college can be very tricky, and believe me when I say I have dated some interesting men while I was an undergraduate here at Tech. Everything from short, tall, preppy, grungy, hairy, foreign and down-right crazy specimens that I at one time or another called my boyfriend. Now each man did have his qualities that made me keep my interest in him for a while, but I am happy to say that after all of my searching, I have found "him" and for the love of God, I am not letting go. Since I am now one of a dyad I seem to, all of a sudden, have the knowledge my single friends want. tions to Morgan.L.Rudy@ttu.edu.

Male and female friends alike come to me because they know I will be blunt and tell them how to really get what they want out of someone.

I seem to get asked a lot how to meet anyone worthwhile here in Lubbock, well that's what this column is all about. You might be asking yourself what makes this person so qualified to be writing this type of column. I have a degree in communication studies and I am currently a graduate student here; that means I know how to talk to different kinds of people and have studied interpersonal skills that most people have no idea about. But more than that, I have been in the trenches and I happily made it out....alive.

Take this column for what you want, it's more of a fun how-to guide to meet new people, keep them once you have them and, of course, how to dump them while keeping your belongings from being set on fire. I will cover something new every week and if you want to know anything, just ask. If I not had that happen to you yet, it makes me smile...you have no idea what do not know the answer I can find someone who does. I will cover where to meet someone, where to take them on dates, pick-up lines that really work and what to do with someone once you have them (if you know what I mean). I would not call this column so much a "sex" column, but more of an advice section of the paper that you can use or not. Just remember, you could be meeting your future spouse or future ex tonight; either way,

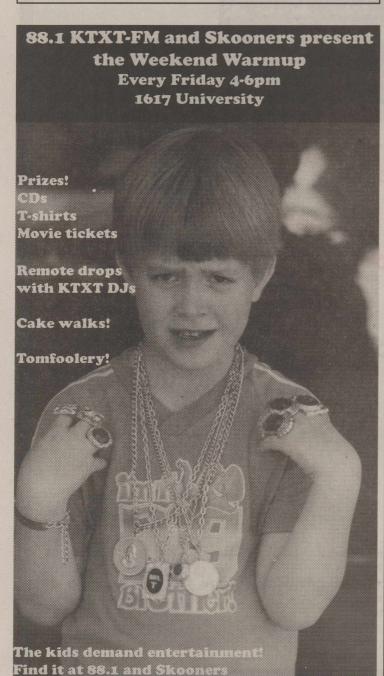
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TEXAS

2004: (11-1, 7-1 Big 12)

RETURNING STARTERS: (7 OFFENSE, 9 DEFENSE) is the question racing through the of Louisiana-Lafayette in which Hiesminds of all those who bleed burnt man hopeful Vince Young did his best orange. After suffering through season to silence critics by connecting on 13 after season of championship predictions, this year's Longhorn squad may have what it takes to bring home the hardware.

The 'Horns return 15 starters from the 2004 team that finished 11-1, including a victory over Michigan in the schools first trip to the Rose bowl.

Texas' long road to the national title must first go through Columbus, Ohio, as they travel to clash with fellow powerhouse No. 4 Ohio State, in the first ever meeting between the two programs.

national title quest will come in touchdowns. week five when the annual Red River Shootout takes place with arch-rival Oklahoma. Oklahoma has won the contest five years in a row, continually being the squad to suck the life out of heading up an experienced secondary. promising Texas teams of the past.

balanced attack with ample amount of 12 favorites. vetran talent returning on both sides

of the ball.

Texas enters the second week of the season boasting a No. 2 national Could this finally be the year? That ranking and coming off a 60-3 blowout of 17 passes for 173 yards and three

touchdowns. No one has ever doubted Young's game-changing ability, but hopes around Austin this season

are that a talented stable of running backs will be able to match the production of last years starter Cedric Benson, and take some of the focus from opposing defenses off of Young.

Jamaal Charles, Selvin Young, Henry Melton and Romance Taylor all rushed for at least 60 yards and a score against Lafayette, with Charles leading Another road block for the Horn's the pack going for 135 yards and two

The defense is anchored by senior defensive tackle Rodrique Wright, and linebacker Aaron Harris, with conerbacks Cedric Griffin and Michael Huff

The Red Raiders travel to Austin The 2005 Texas team features a on Oct. 22 to take their shot at the Big

—Trey Shipman

Alive and Well

TEXAS A&M

2004: 7-5 (5-3 Big 12)

season under head coach Dennis open up the passing offense. Francione hoping to make a return to the Big 12 championship and possibly a BCS birth. The Aggies were pre-ranked at 17 in both polls but dropped out of the top 25 after losing on a last second field goal to Clemson last week.

The strong A&M offense is lead tackles with 85 by first team All-Big 12 quarterback Reggie McNeal, who is coming off in College Station. McNeal went 8 Oklahoma Nov.12 and the State down and one interception as well Texas on Nov. 26. as, nine carries for 100 yards against

the Tigers. The dual rushing threat of McNeal and junior running back RETURNING STARTERS: (OFFENSE 9, DEFENSE 10) Courtney Lewis will provide A&M Texas A&M returns for its third with a powerful running game to help

> The Wrecking Crew returns to A&M this season with eight of last year's starters. The defense is led by 2005 preseason First-Team All American Jaxson Appel at strong safety. Appel led the 2004 Aggies defense in

The Aggies key games will come in the month of November when his most successful season thus far they take on Texas Tech Nov. 5, of 16 for 110 yards with one touch- Farm Lone Star Shootout against

—Travis Cram

The Daily Toreador staff believes one of these three programs will win the Big 12 Conference title. Texas Tech is in the running to finish within the Top 4 of the Big 12.

OKLAHOMA

2004: 12-1(8-0 Big 12)

RETURNING STARTERS: (OFFENSE 5, DEFENSE 5) The Sooners entered the 2005 season fresh off their second consecutive BCS Championship appearance and with hopes of making it a third; but with an early loss to TCU questions, have raised about whether they are reloading or

The key losses on offense include stand out wide receivers Mark Clayton and Mark Bradley. Early quarterback favorite Paul Thompson made his Sooner debut last week. going 11 of 26 for 109 yards and one interception against

Patterson and the Horned Frogs. Tuesday Oklahoma announced freshman quarterback Rhett Bomar will be the starting quarterback this weekend against Tulsa. Bomar played for part of last week's game and had a key fumble in the second half that led to TCUs go ahead touchdown.

the defensive scheme of Gary

2005 Heisman hopeful Adrian Peterson will have to prove to the voters and fans that he is more than a one-season wonder. Peterson was held to 63 yards on 22 carries against TCU and had the lone touchdown 12 and at Texas Tech on Nov. 19. for the Sooners. Most teams will be study-

ing the nine-man front the Horned Frogs used to stop Peterson and put the pressure on the OU quarterbacks. Peterson had 11 100-yard rushing games last season but if he is held to fewer touches and less yardsper-carry this year, it might be hard for the running back to have a repeat season as a crucial threat in the backfield.

The Sooners defense suffered key losses with most of their secondary gone to the NFL, along with defensive 2003 Heisman winner Jason White and end Dan Cody. Senior Dusty Dvoracek

> returns to the defense after having to sit out most of the 2004 season for violating NCAA rules after the defensive end received a DWI last year. Dvoracek is a definite thereat to quarterbacks and stopping the run on the

Analysts suspect that OU will be able to recover from their loss by the time they play Texas on Oct. 8, but not all agree that the Sooners will be able to keep their five-game winning streak alive against a talented Texas team. OU has won the last five games against the Longhorns by a combined total of 189-54.

Other key games for the Sooners include a meeting in Los Angeles with UCLA on Sept. 17, Texas A&M on Nov.

-Travis Cram



Big 12 Conference Standings - 2004

- NORTH
- 1. Colorado (7-5, 4-4 Big 12) 2. Iowa State (6-5, 4-4)
- 3. Missouri (5-6, 3-5)
- 3. Nebraska (5-6, 3-5)
- 5. Kansas (4-7, 2-6)
- 5. Kansas State (4-7, 2-6)
- SOUTH
- 1. Oklahoma (12-0, 8-0 Big 12) 2. Texas (10-1, 7-1)
- 3. Texas A&M (7-4, 5-3)
- 4. Texas Tech (7-4, 5-3)
- 5. Oklahoma State (7-4, 4-4) 6. Baylor (3-8, 1-7)

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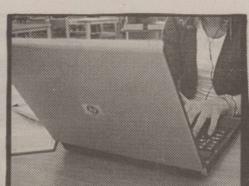
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COLORADO

2004: (8-5, 4-4 Big 12) RETURNING STARTERS: (OFFENSE 7, DEFENSE 5)

For the third time in four years, Colorado University won the Big 12 North Division Title last season.

This season, graduating seniors left an open gap for the team's top running back. Lawrence Vickers doubled down last season, playing both the tailback and the fullback position, so he should be able to step up this year with the experience he is bringing to a table that does not have very many high rollers.

Other standouts who might make a difference given the time and opportunities are: leading-receiver Evan Judge, Blake Mackey and Dusty Sprague. Most of the running back and receiver posiplayers have a high chance of making 82 tackles. the starting rotation.

Quarterback Joel Klatt is a solid year. choice for the starting position. He

stands alone at the top of the pole without much competition. Right now he stands to break most of the records at the school for passing. He is looking to be the first three-year starter for the school since 1992.

A big part of CU's off-season rested in putting together an offensive line that could give Klatt more than a few seconds in the pocket to pass the ball off. Last season, the

team allowed 62 pressure situations and countless balls batted down. The defensive side of the ball

will return with a bit more experience. The team is returning 10 starters from last year, including linebackers: Akarika Dawn, Jordon Dizon and Thaddaeus Washington. The three were among the team's top five tacklers last season. tions are up for grabs, but all three of the Dizon set a true freshman record with

Colorado will not play Tech this

—Jeremy Reynolds

IOWA STATE

2004: (7-5, 4-4 Big 12)

coming back this season hoping to continue the record of four bowl games in the last five seasons.

Head coach Dan Mc-Carney ended last season by winning seven games to become tied with Colorado for first place in the Big 12 North; the team came within a field goal

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of winning the division.

The key to their winning last RETURNING STARTERS: (OFFENSE 8, DEFENSE 8) season was a baby step. The team The Iowa State football is first had to snap its 13-game conference loosing streak.

This season the team is returning 31 letterwinners.

> On offense, the team is returning fullback Ryan Kock. Though he probably will not carry the ball often in the coming season,

his role is still important as a strong lead blocker and an anchor in the back field.

The team took its biggest hit at the tight-end position, loosing three starting seniors. This season, the hole at the position is up for grabs for a few upper classmen. Ben Barkema should be one of the ends after getting some playing experience in the bowl game last year. This season, he should concentrate on his ball skills with a little more attention on his lead blocking.

—Jeremy Reynolds

They've got a pulse

2004 RECORD: (4-7, 2-6 Big 12)

RETURNING STARTERS: (OFFENSE 7, DEFENSE 8) In the last few years, half of the University of Kansas' football team has shown up for the games. In 2003, the offense put up record numbers, last year the defense stepped up while the

This season, if both the offense and defense will show up to the games ready to play, then the team may finally be able to compete for fans with the basketball team.

Returning this season on the defensive side of the ball is corner- season proved to be wide receiver Mark back Charles Gordon and linebacker

Gordon returns from his sophomore season after being named to the 3rd team All-American team. He also ended the year tied for the national lead in interceptions with seven, which is the most of any Kansas player since 1, in Lubbock.

2004 RECORD (5-6, 3-4 Big 12)

That said, there weren't many

individuals who welcomed the

idea of former Raiders coach

Bill Callahan replacing Frank

Solich and instituting the pass

Callahan begins this year

tempts to return the Husker squad to

Taking the reins of Callahan's spread

Taylor and the passing offense struggled

offense this season is junior quarterback Zac

in week one, in Nebraska's 25-7 win over

Maine. Taylor threw for 192 yards on 36

attempts with zero touchdowns, and two

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alternative.

Taylor as he takes over for Joe Dailey.

firmly on the hot seat as he at-

oriented pass first offense.

the its glory days.

NEBRASKA

defense kind of program.

Returning in the backfield for the

Reid will return with the honor of

At quarterback, the team has

took snaps for the squad during

conference play last season.

Providing help in the

backfield will be return-

ing senior Clark Green.

Green has 2,090 yards and

11 touchdowns in his first

three seasons at the school.

The teams top wide out last

Simmons who gained 90 percent of

the team's receiving yards and all but

three of the team's 25 touchdowns.

He caught two passes in every game

last season and averaged a little more

Kansas plays Texas Tech on Oct.

—Jeremy Reynolds

being named to the All-Big 12 team.

He started in 10 games last year and led

competition between junior Adam

Barmann and seniors Brian Luke and

Jason Swanson. Each of the players

the team with a total of 109 tackles.

Linebacker Bo Rudd returns to lead the unit and added an interception return for a touchdown.

than 11 yards per carry.

Huskers is Corey Ross who provided the The Huskers are a proud breed, that teams only offensive touchdown against are accustomed to being a hard-nosed, win Maine, en route to accumulating 80 yards by running the ball and playing lights out on 20 carries.

If Saturday's opening victory was any indication the Husker defense, is on its way back to being the "black shirts" of old. The defense recorded 11 sacks, and stifled any attempt by the Maine offense to get going.

Nebraska will look to avenge its worst loss in school history when Tech travels to Lincoln on Oct. 8.

Enter new coach Mike Gundy, whose resume touches nearly every rung on the OSU ladder. His services to program include quarterbacking the school to consecutive 10-win seasons, being a member of the coaching staff for 10 offensive coordinator and now he'll

phins Nick Saban.

MISSOURI

2004 RECORD: (5-6, 3-5 Big 12)

in Brad Smith running the show

at quarterback. The stage was

set for the Tigers to have a

season to remember, but

Smith failed to build on

the promise he showed as

freshman and sophomore,

they suffered a loss to Troy

ence play.

State on national television

in week two, and hit a five-game

fans in Columbia, Mo. had hoped for.

start to all, and the Tigers enter play hop-

far for a replacement for coach Les

Miles who accepted the position at

LSU left vacant by the Miami Dol-

Though the 2005 season gives a fresh

toughest conferences.. Gundy takes on a squad filled with both talent and question marks.

The offense will rely on the Woods 12.

to Woods tandem, of little brother

schedule out of the way Oct. 1, Oct. 8 and cause a sharp pain in Tech's defense in

Oct. 15 in games against Kansas, Nebraska late October. and Kansas Stare.

The first two conference games represent meetings against Nebraska.

after those three conference games because Tech will meet the Texas Longhorns Oct.

one touchdown and threw for three in last the bat, and if we can get through this, Saturday's 57-point thrashing of Louisiana- we should be OK for the test of the year," Next, Tech will get its Big 12 North Lafayette. That two-pronged attack could Hodges said.

that seemed to hit on all cylinders in the

ing to prove to the rest of the country

Smith returns as a senior to run a What didn't go wrong for the revamped no-huddle, spread offense Missouri Tigers in 2004? Picked as a

they should not be overlooked.

top 20 team in the preseason, picked season opener against Arkansas State. to win the Big 12 north in a runaway, Smith was named as the SBC Big 12 and had a Heisman trophy candidate player of the week by completing 29 of 37

> pass attempts for 317 yards and four touchdowns in the Missouri victory. The quarterback also returned to being the dual-threat player he was

in his first two seasons by collecting 95 yards on 12 attempts. Defensive ends Brian Smith

and James Kinney return to a defenlosing streak at the tail end of confer- sive unit sure to feature many new faces. Smith ranked third in the Big 12 with seven Not exactly the story book ending the sacks, and will attempt to take pressure off of an over-hauled secondary that led the conference in pass defense last year.

—Trey Shipman

OKLAHOMA STATE Donovan, tossing to big brother 2004 RECORD: (7-5, 4-4 Big 12) D'Juan. The family connection is loaded with athleticism as both ath-Returning Starters: (7 offense, 6 defense) The Cowboys didn't have to look letes return to the 2005 squad hoping

plishments. In the second half of Saturday's 15-10 victory over Montana State,

to build on the previous years accom-

the Woods brothers had no trouble getting acquainted as Donovan found D'Juan in the corner of the endzone for what proved to be the game winning touchdown.

The defense is looking to fill holes left by five departseasons including two stints as the ing starters, but will be led by senior safety Jamie Thompson, who finished try his luck at making the Cowboys eighth in the Big 12 last season with a contender in one of the country's 63 tackels, as well as recording three forced fumbles.

The Cowboys will host the Red Raiders in Stillwater, Okla. On Nov.

—Trey Shipman

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CONTINUED FROM PAGE 14 er docket, a Tech fan finds the schedule

wholeheartedly defended in August. "We scheduled seven because we knew that with five last year, we would have to make up for it," he said.

Tech will open the schedule with four 22 in Austin. consecutive home games for the first time since 2000 when Tech started 4-0 on the Harrell. way to a 7-6 season. The first three contests this time around will be against teams Tech has never met in its 80-year history.

overloaded with home games, a move drastic opposites as Tech has lost once in nine A&M, Oklahoma State and Oklahoma. Tech Arhletic Director Gerald Myers meetings to Kansas and has won once in eight There will be no time for an ice bath

Texas quarterback Vince Young ran for

Tech finishes with alternating away and home games against Baylor, Texas

After the conclusion of the Big 12, Tech hopes to finish with only a few scrapes and bruises — and with a bowl invitation for the sixth consecutive year.

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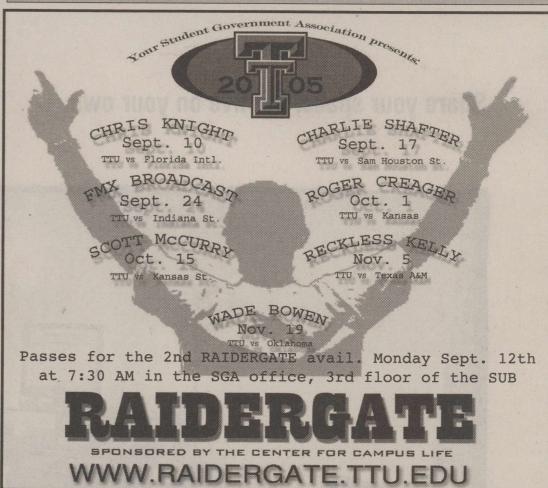


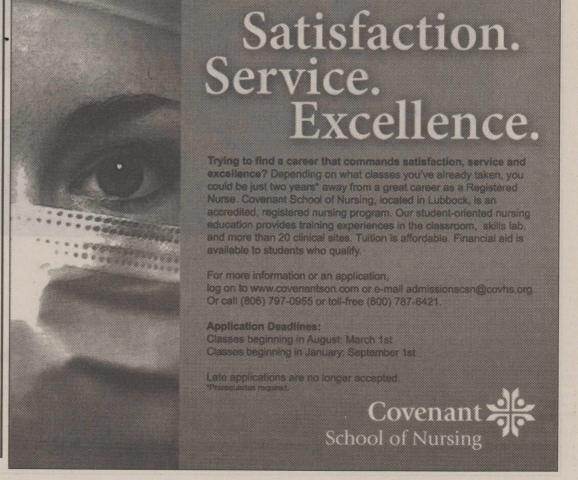


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2004: (3-8, 1-7 Big 12) Returning Starters: (Offense 4, Defense 8)

There is really only one thing Baylor University is going to want to concentrate on coming into the new football year, and that is improving on its three wins from last season.

Junior tailback Paul Mosley did not get a vast amount of playing time last season, but being a year older in experience, he is primed equipped offensive line blocking for him. Last season he rushed for 582 yards.

Shawn Bell, a junior quarterback, is mostly known throughout the college sports world for his pass to receiver Dominique last season.

> peared in nine games for 57 starts. the Bears. He was ranked 8th in the Big 12 with 118.1 per game).

On the defensive side of the ball, the the coaches. to have a break out year with the better- Baylor team was ranked last in the nation last season in turnovers forced with four Bears' homecoming game. interceptions and five fumble recoveries.

Zeigler for the win over Texas A&M The secondary returns plenty of experience in free safety Maurice Lane and safety Willie As a sophomore, he ap- Andrews return this year with a combined

Coach Guy Morriss leads the Bears into the new season with 16 years of coaching pass efficiency and 11th in behind his name. Last year two of his passing average (60.4 yards - athletes, Daniel Sepulveda and Andrews, were placed on the All-Big 12 Honors from

Baylor will play Tech on Oct. 29 for the

—Jeremy Reynolds going to 11 consecutive bowls ers in the conference and could

KANSAS STATE 2004: (4-7, 2-6 Big 12)

Returning Starters: (Offense 6, Defense 6) Head coach Bill Snyder is entering the 2005

season hoping to get back to their winning ways after a disappointing 2004 season. The 2004 Wildcats missed their first bowl game after since 1993.

len Webb, who will be looking to in 2003. find a way to gain yards after losing to the NFL.

Defensively, Kansas State will be lead by second team All-Big 12 defensive end Scott Edmonds and linebacker Maurice Mack. Mack is one of the quickest lineback-

help contribute to the Wildcats The offense will be headed by stopping the run in a defense that quarterbacks Dylan Meier and Al- was ranked sixth in the nation

Kansas State won their season last year's Heisman hopeful run- opener against Florida Internaning back Darren Sproles tional 35-21 and will have key games at Oklahoma Oct. 1, at Texas Tech Oct. 15 and against Texas A&M on Oct. 22.

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What Big 12 team will fill the right prescription for success?

By BRYAN WENDELL MANAGING EDITOR

nation table, and the tongue depressors have been licked as the season with losses. the Doctor of Expectations warms his

stethoscope. It's time for the annual checkup of the Big 12 Conference, and Texas Tech is hoping it receives a clean bill of health before the pulse of the season quickens.

Tech has three nonconference games before the conference opener Oct. 1 against Kansas, but coaches, players and fans see those three games as conditioning for what is to

"It'll be good to be healthy and not too beaten up before players to learn something from the Oklahoma conference," said backup quarterback Graham Harrell.

Two key Big 12 South rivals already have been diagnosed The butcher paper has been pulled out over the exami- with an early problem as Oklahoma and Texas A&M started up too much in wins and losses, which is clearly

> The seven-point upset handed to the Sooners by Texas opposite, what gives you a loss? Not playing Christian raised some eyebrows in the Tech locker room, well gives you a loss," he said. "The only thing including those of Raider coach Mike Leach.

"There were a lot of surprises this week," he focused you are." said. "First games are like that. Teams tend to develop more after their first game than at any other point in every Big 12 South the season."

Tech plays 10 games in a span always, and of 70 days before the game will face Big against Oklahoma, and 12 North Tech quarterback Cody foes Kansas Hodges knows it's Nebraska too early to give a and Kansas prognosis for that State.

"Obviously, may say some of the Big Tech fared 12 schools who got well in that beat on Saturday draw, as will be better Colorado, when we play Iowa State them," he said. and Mis-"We don't souri each play OU un- are receiv-

til Nov. 19, so ing votes you can't re- in either

"I think a lot of time this thing gets wrapped important, but how do you get a win or the you can control is how well you play and how

The Raiders will play school once, as

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ally read too the Associmuch into ated Press their loss." or USA Leach, Today however, polls for wants the Week 2,

which the Raiders don't play. Of Tech's Big 12 North opponents, only Kansas State shares that distinction with three votes.

Even though the schedule could be a more difficult pill to swallow, Hodges said any team, even No. 21 Tech, is vulnerable.

"It is early in the year and anybody can be beat," he said.

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