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STATE

First execution of '06 scheduled for tonight

LIVINGSTON (AP) — Condemned Texas inmate Julius Murphy believes God will take care of him if he's put to death this evening for the robbery and fatal shooting of a man in Texarkana 8 1/2 years ago.

A relative of his victim is hoping for the same divine help for Murphy.

"I am angry with him, but my anger can't get in the way of saving his soul," said Mary Benson, whose nephew, Jason Erie, was gunned down in the attack. "I think he should have gotten the death penalty. I believe that's right. I believe it's biblical. But I don't believe anyone should die without first having a chance to know the Lord. Julius has this chance. And I'm hoping this will happen."

The Texarkana woman has written Murphy a letter saying she has forgiven him and sent him a book about the life of Christ. She also plans to attend the lethal injection, the first of the year at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Huntsville Unit where 19 executions in 2005 kept Texas the nation's most active capital punishment state.

"The Lord gives us the opportunity to help others to know him," Benson said.

NATION

Man gets stolen car back — 4 decades later

CARSON, Calif. (AP) — The last time Alan Poster saw his dream car, he was young and it was blue.

Nearly four decades later, he's a little grayer and the car has turned silver but it was love at first sight all over again as the Corvette somebody swiped in New York City was returned to him.

"It's a dream. Wow, this is a beautiful model," Poster said as officials unveiled the 1968 sports car. "This is definitely a miracle," Poster said.

Poster was living in New York City in January 1969 when the car he'd paid \$6,000 for only three months earlier was stolen.

In November, the Corvette was found at the Port of Long Beach, destined for a buyer in Sweden. A customs check showed it had been reported stolen on Jan. 22, 1969, but there was no address for the owner.

The car was seized and New York police notified. Two detectives spent days poring over microfilm files and managed to track down Poster and notify him that his long-lost Corvette had been found.

WORLD

Tokyo Exchange shuts down early amid panic

TOKYO (AP) — Panic trading spurred by a widening criminal investigation of a popular Internet startup forced the Tokyo Stock Exchange to shut down 20 minutes early Wednesday as share prices plunged for a second day.

It was the first time trading had to end early because the market's computers couldn't handle a surge of transactions.

The benchmark for the Tokyo exchange slid 2.9 percent Wednesday. The Nikkei 225 index dropped 464.77 points, its biggest one-day drop since May 10, 2004.

That compounded losses Tuesday when the Nikkei fell 2.8 percent amid reports of a widening investigation into allegations that Livedoor Co. had covered up massive losses. The index has fallen nearly 6 percent the last two days.

"Individual and foreign investors are selling in a panic," said Satoru Otsuka, senior economist at Mizuho Research Institute in Tokyo.

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Mine survivor emerging from coma

By VICKI SMITH
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. (AP) — Sago Mine survivor Randal McCloy Jr. is breathing on his own and appears to be coming out of his coma, more than two weeks after the mine explosion that led to the deaths of 12 other miners, doctors said Wednesday.

"With great hope we announce that Randy McCloy is awakening from his coma," said Dr. Julian Bailes, a neurosurgeon at West Virginia University's Ruby Memorial Hospital. "We consider him, probably best described, in

a light coma."

He said McCloy moves his arms and legs, he opens his eyes when doctors call his name and the family believes "he has some level of connectivity with them."

The 26-year-old McCloy has a long way to go, Bailes said.

"In many ways, we are in uncharted territory in predicting his recovery," Bailes said. "The long-term outlook will be measured in weeks and months, and not days."

Doctors hope to be able to move McCloy to a rehabilitation hospital within two weeks, said Dr. Larry Roberts.

McCloy, who was pulled from the Sago Mine more than 41 hours after the Jan. 2 explosion, is "opening his eyes, he has purposeful movement, he is responding to his family in slight ways," Bailes said. He said McCloy is also exhibiting facial movement and his brain stem function remains normal.

The blast itself is believed to have killed one miner immediately, and state officials have said the others died of carbon monoxide poisoning. McCloy may have suffered brain damage from his exposure to the gas, but the extent of the damage won't be known until he regains consciousness.

Doctors moved McCloy out of intensive care Tuesday and said his heart and liver functions are recovering slowly, but he remains on dialysis because of kidney damage. McCloy has been breathing without assistance for several days.

Officials investigating the blast are interviewing a series of witnesses.

The interviews are being conducted in private by officials from the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration and the state Office of Miners' Health Safety and Training. Representatives of the mine's owner, International Coal Group Inc. of Ashland, Ky., and the United Mine Workers union also were to attend.

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ABOVE, TEXAS TECH Vietnam Center employees Justin Saffell, left, head of information technology, and Thomas Reynolds, archival specialist, clean an AH-1 Cobra Gunship in Memorial Circle Wednesday morning. Four Vietnam-era helicopters were given to the Vietnam Center during a ceremony. BELOW, VIETNAM VETERAN and author Chester "Chuck" Carlock of Fort Worth speaks to gatherers at the donation presentation.



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Tech's Vietnam Center given four Vietnam-era helicopters

By LAURA BURRUS
STAFF WRITER

The Vietnam Center at Texas Tech received a donation of four Vietnam-era helicopters Wednesday. The donation was made by Chester "Chuck" Carlock, a Vietnam veteran.

Carlock said he began to acquire helicopters when he wanted to purchase one helicopter to take with him to reunions. He said he then started accumulating more for a museum. He said he knew they would always go into a museum, but he did not know where.

Carlock said he chose the Vietnam Center at Tech

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Tech student dies playing sport he loved

By ANDREW WOOD
STAFF WRITER

Whether it is his buddies from the basketball court or a close group of friends from his hometown, everyone will miss Mark Grecco.

Mark Grecco, 19, of Sugar Land, died Sunday of an apparent heart attack.

Although Grecco was a civil engineering major, some could argue that basketball was his main focus.

"He loved playing basketball at the Rec with his friends," said Sophie Scherperell, a sophomore business major from Sugar Land. "That's unfortunately how he died."

Scherperell said Grecco was part of a close group of friends from Sugar Land who met each

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'Friends' allegedly stab each other after argument

By PAUL ROBERTS
STAFF WRITER

A knife fight broke out between two co-workers Tuesday at about 6 a.m. Both victims were sent to the University Medical Center, said Sgt. Jeff Baker of the Lubbock Police Department.

Anthony Farrias, 35, and Johnny Barrera, 51, allegedly stabbed each other after an argument that occurred outside a residence in the 1100 block of 46th St.

Baker said the department received the call at 5:52 a.m.

Farrias was stabbed in the chest, and Barrera was wounded in the leg. They are now in satisfactory condition at UMC, Baker said.

"Farrias rushed to his cousin's home for medical assistance after being stabbed in the

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World powers pledge \$1.9 billion to help combat bird flu

United States offers \$334 million in grants to aid Southeast Asian countries

By MARGIE MASON
AP MEDICAL WRITER

BEIJING (AP) — After a year of unprecedented appeals for money to cope with the Asian tsunami and the South Asia earthquake, the world dug deeper Wednesday, pledging \$1.9 billion to fight bird flu and prepare for a potential pandemic.

The United States alone came up with \$334 million that will largely be used to help poor countries in Southeast Asia, such as Vietnam and Indonesia, where the H5N1 bird flu virus is endemic. The European Union pledged another \$261 million, responding with a renewed sense of urgency after the disease killed four children in Turkey.

As the two-day donors conference wrapped

up in Beijing, participants were again reminded of the risk as China reported its sixth human death.

"Nobody's wishing for more tragedies or more crises, but if the world has a better ability to respond to those, I think that's a good thing," said Jim Adams, head of the World Bank's bird flu task force, who said the \$1.9 billion in pledges over three years was a proactive step for the international aid community, which often responds to major disasters after they happen.

The World Bank had estimated \$1.2 billion to \$1.5 billion would be needed to prepare for a potential global pandemic and to fight bird flu, which has killed or forced the slaughter of an estimated 140 million domestic birds since it began ravaging poultry

stocks across Asia in late 2003. The virus has also jumped from poultry to people, killing at least 79 people in east Asia and Turkey.

Experts worry the virus could mutate into a form easily spread from person to person, possibly sparking a global pandemic that kills millions. So far, human cases have been traced to contact with sick birds.

David Nabarro, the U.N. coordinator on avian and human influenza, said the international outpouring of support at the conference attended by more than 100 countries showed a determination to try to avert disaster.

"What we've seen today is that the world really does care and wants to respond effectively to the threat of avian influenza and a possible human pandemic," he said, describ-

ing the response as "quite extraordinary."

About \$1 billion of the money came in the form of grants, while the other \$900 million will be distributed as loans — including \$500 million from the World Bank.

The U.S. pledge, the most of any single country, was mostly in the form of grants and technical assistance. Billions more will be spent over the next three years to develop vaccines and additional funding will come later for the regional stockpiling of antiviral drugs, said Nancy Powell, U.S. senior coordinator for avian influenza and infectious diseases.

About \$280 million was newly approved by Congress, while the remainder was moved from existing programs, including \$31.3 mil-

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Former Patterson-UTI exec Nelson's trial set for May, assets to be auctioned

By MICHELLE CASADY
STAFF WRITER

The court date has been set for former Patterson-UTI CFO Jonathan Nelson.

On May 1, Nelson will face the court on charges that he allegedly embezzled \$70 million from Patterson-UTI during a five-year period.

"This is a case in which Mr. Patterson used money from Patterson-UTI as if it were his own personal checkbook and abused the trust of not only the share holders but other employees, as well," said Katherine Addleman, associate director of enforcement for the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Hillary Nelson, who filed for divorce from Nelson on Dec. 6, according to court records, is requesting that she be able to keep

\$4 million that was transferred to her shortly before his accounts were frozen.

Executive Director of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce Vicki Shroyer said the Snyder community still supports Patterson-UTI despite the negativity the case is bringing to the company.

"They are an outstanding company overall," she said. "They are extremely involved in this community with charities and the chamber board. They always do things they don't have to do."

"We're waiting to see what kind of an impact this will have on our community. I believe this is an isolated event, and it doesn't take away from what the company has done for our community."

Though the name of the person who uncovered the possible embezzlement scandal is not being released, many believe it was another company employee.

"Patterson-UTI noticed some

potential irregularities and advised us (SEC) to look into the matter further," Addleman said.

Nelson already has confessed to embezzling \$29 million by means of a fraudulent invoice scheme, according to court records.

Local media have reported there will be an auction of some of Nelson's assets.

"Having an auction is not uncommon in a case like this," Addleman said. "Most of the time the courts will appoint a mediator to oversee the auction from a separate party."

Reports state Nelson took the money from Patterson-UTI then transferred the money to the accounts of other business he owned. Nelson allegedly then used the money from the other businesses to buy things including six homes, 41 vehicles, six airplanes, one helicopter, a cattle ranch and several businesses.

Some Snyder citizens are worried about the economic effect this will have on their community.

"We don't have many companies around here where someone would be able to steal \$70 million," Shroyer said. "Nothing like this has ever happened to our community before, and I hope this incident does not have any long term effects on our business climate here."

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More than 3,200 still listed as missing after Hurricane Katrina

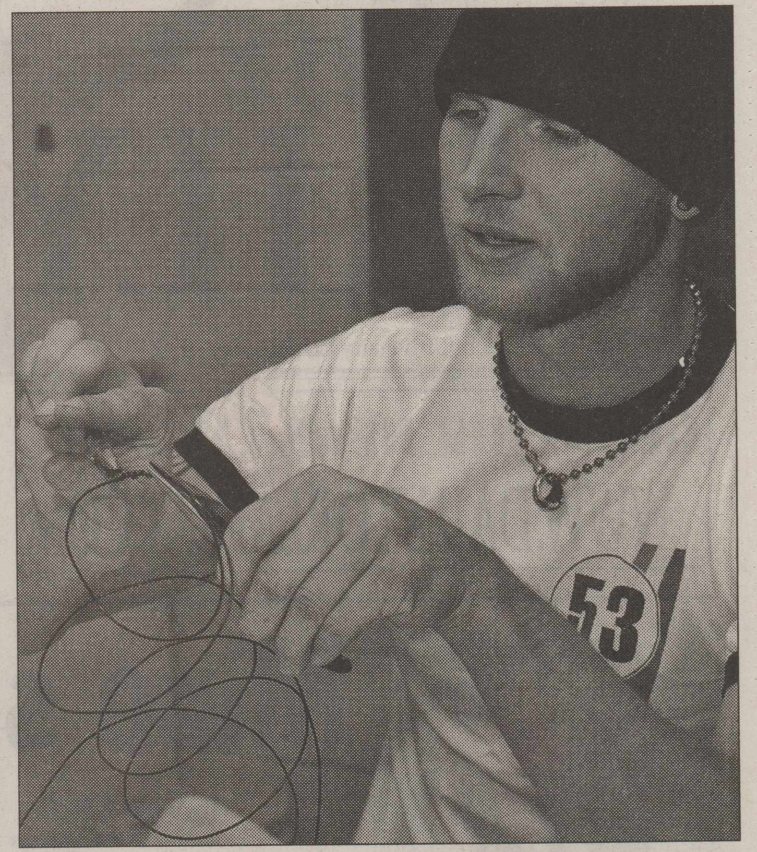
NEW ORLEANS (AP)—More than 3,200 people are officially still unaccounted for nearly five months after Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast, and the state medical examiner wants the search to resume for those missing from the most devastated neighborhoods.

A total of nearly 11,500 people were reported missing to the Find Family National Call Center, a center run by federal and state workers. The reports included people from throughout the Gulf Coast area, but most were from Louisiana.

As of Wednesday, all but about 3,200 had been located, the agency said.

Dr. Louis Cataldie, the state's medical examiner, said he planned to ask state and parish officials to recheck about 400 addresses where authorities have consistent information about people missing from badly flooded neighborhoods. Most are in east New Orleans; about 50 are from St. Bernard Parish.

DO THE TWIST



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RON SWANN, A sophomore art major from Lubbock, works on his wire apple for design II Wednesday afternoon in the basement of the Art building.

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Here comes the bride, and some money, too

Study shows marriage 'pays' in the long run

By DANIELLE NOVY
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Married couples are seeing gold, and it is not just their wedding bands they are looking at; a recent study found a lasting marriage improves one's financial status.

Jay Zagorsky, a research scientist at Ohio State University's Center for Human Resource Research, found that a person who stays married accumulates about twice the personal wealth of a divorcee or a singleton. The study additionally found divorce is not quite as clean as simply slicing a couple's assets in half. Each divorcee loses nearly three-fourths of their personal wealth in the years surrounding the divorce, according to the study's publication in the Journal of Sociology.

Zagorsky said the massive amount of money a couple sheds during a divorce is one of the most surprising figures he discovered after his research.

"I had always heard divorce was crushing, but I didn't realize just how crushing it could be," he said.

A married person's net worth begins to decrease about four years prior to a divorce, thanks to factors such as looming legal fees and the costs

associated with splitting into separate residences, Zagorsky said.

Aside from divorce, the study found many Americans' bank accounts were constantly in the upward swing.

"Single people's net worth increases slowly and steadily," he said. "Yet, once someone gets married, their wealth goes up dramatically."

The study tracked both the net worth and marital status of more than 9,000 people from 1985 to 2000, Zagorsky said.

"I merged those two things together to figure out a pattern," Zagorsky said of his methods. "I wanted to find out what happens to wealth when someone gets married or divorced."

The pool of participants have been involved with National Longitudinal Survey of Youth since 1979, and represent the youngest sector of the baby boomer generation.

Zagorsky said results might vary if a different age group had been under speculation.

"The vast majority of the people we studied got married between the ages of 19 and 25," he said.

Chris Newton, a freshmen civil engineering major from Kingwood, said although he does not know anyone who married to lessen their respec-

tive financial burdens, he does know couples who decided to live together to divide expenses.

"They can share the bill together," he said. "It's easier if they can split the rent two ways."

Don Arterburn, a professor in the department of applied and professional studies, said often people are under the impression that combining their incomes into a single household will save money.

"There are much better reasons to get married than to get married because you want to be better off financially," Arterburn said.

People have the tendency to assume that since they have more money together, they can spend more than each did individually, he said. A premarital counselor can help a couple formulate a budget.

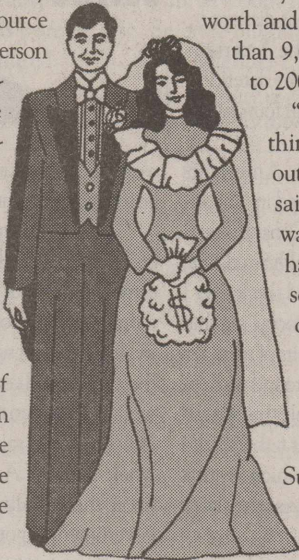
Arterburn said money disputes frequently play into the equation of the commonly cited reason for divorce "irreconcilable differences."

"One of the downsides of a breakup is it can be very expensive and cause financial burdens," he said.

Zagorsky said the study left him with merely one piece of prominent advice.

"Getting married and staying married is a great way to increase your wealth," he said. "But, don't get married as a way to get rich, because divorce is an easy way to destroy that wealth."

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Chopper

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because he knew Tech was a learning environment for many students.

"I thought they would carry on and keep a World War II museum going," he said. "Usually the state takes them, and they don't get put into a museum. Here, I think they'll keep it going for young people."

Carlock said he had to spend years refurbishing the helicopters for them to become what they are today.

Steve Maxner, deputy director of the Vietnam Center, said he believes the helicopters made a nice addition to the museum.

"We're really happy to have these as a part of Tech and carry on the learning," he said.

Carlock said he always has taken care of the helicopters and feels confident they will be in good hands

with Tech.

"When they were unloading them yesterday, I was scared they would scratch the paint," he said. "But then I realized they weren't mine anymore, and they could do what they wanted."

Maxner said he then chimed in and said, "No, but please don't scratch the paint." After Carlock finished telling Maxner how to stir the touch-up paint, Maxner said Carlock is modest in telling people about all the work he had to do to refurbish the helicopters. Maxner said one helicopter, the Cobra Gunship, was a mangled piece of metal when Carlock received it.

Maxner said the helicopters will be stored at the Reese Technology Center and will be brought out for special events including parades and Veterans Day.

Maxner said he is appreciative of Carlock's generosity.

"Our projects would not be as successful if it weren't for generous people, like him, who share with us their experience," Maxner said.

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Gov. Perry's visit to campus caused unnecessary conflict

By KATIE KINNEY
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Gov. Rick Perry arrived on campus Jan. 10 to begin his re-election campaign for Texas governor. During his visit to this campus, there was some speculation as to if his visit at Texas Tech was legal.

Several Web sites of public universities state it is both illegal and unethical to use state property for political agendas, but pinpoint employees doing things such as e-mailing political information or making copies of posters, rather than actually having political figures on the campus.

"The governor appeared at the Frazier Alumni center, which is leased property from Texas Tech University, making it not part of the university," professor Bill Dean said.

Dean is the executive vice president and CEO of the Alumni Association, and said he was not present at the center when Perry arrived.

"The governor paid for the space of the alumni center," he said. "Since the alumni association leases it, the governor can use it."

Dean said he is not aware of any laws regarding the use of the alumni center by politicians to announce their candidacy or for other political means. The Frazier Alumni Pavilion is privately owned and can be used for a number of reasons.

"If a politician has the sponsorship of a group on campus, such as the Young Democrats or Young Republicans, and has paid to use the campus' facilities, then a politician has the right to campaign on campus," said Mike Sanders, vice chancellor of governmental relations.

Politicians may use the Student Union Building as a resource or as a place to talk with students and

faculty as long as they follow certain rules that the university states, Sanders said.

It is not unlikely that politicians would stop at a college campus on their campaign tour or even to visit.

"It is a common occurrence for politicians to stop at college campuses," political science professor Craig Goodman said. "It is a good way for them to find supporters and also volunteers for their campaign."

Politicians coming to college campuses also help increase the number of young adult voters.

"College campuses are not the most efficient use of a campaign because of the low demographics in young voters, but we want younger voters, we want their feedback so it's likely that politicians will come to colleges," Goodman said.

Chancellor Dr. David Smith said having Perry at Tech helps the university.

"The governor recognizing Tech is a good thing," he said. "We work with these politicians, and we would encourage them to visit the campus."

Smith said it is not unusual for the governor to visit the Tech campus.

"It has happened before, and it will happen again. It's important for politicians to recognize the university and the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center," Smith said. "Fortunately we have a facility like the alumni center for them to use."

The governor's visit benefits more than just the university.

"I think the governor coming to Texas Tech is also important for Lubbock and our community," Smith said.

Primary elections will be conducted in March, and the election will take place Nov. 2.

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Former President Ford responding to pneumonia treatment

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. (AP) — Former President Gerald R. Ford was showing improvement after five days hospitalized for treatment of pneumonia and could be released Thursday, his chief of staff said.

"He is responding to treatment and shows improvement every day. He is sitting in a chair reading his newspapers and we continue to anticipate a Thursday discharge," spokeswoman Penny Circle said in a statement Wednesday. Ford, 92, was admitted to Eisenhower Medical Center on Saturday.

It was his second hospitalization in five weeks at the medical center near his Thunderbird Estates home in the Southern California desert.

In mid-December, Ford underwent routine tests at Eisenhower and was hospitalized overnight because of what Circle called "a horrible cold."

Ford became the nation's oldest living former president with the death of Ronald Reagan in June 2004. Reagan was 93.

White House spokesman Ken Lisius said: "The president and first lady wish President Ford a speedy recovery and wish him and his family all the best."

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Remember King, forget Old South

During my time at Texas Tech, I have learned some facts that astounded me. I was floored when I was told about Einstein's theory of relativity, that Shakespeare mostly used plots from existing works and that this girl I knew freshman year had the clap (I would never have guessed).

But nothing has amazed me more than my discovery that a large number of Tech students wish the South had won the Civil War. When speaking to them, I am perplexed that educated people can be endeared to a movement that was so blatantly racist and wrong.

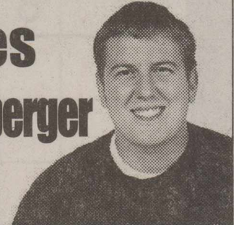
Earlier this week, we took a day off in honor of the birth of Martin Luther King Jr., a key figure in the civil rights movement. Today is the 198th anniversary of the birth of General Robert E. Lee, a key figure in the Civil War.

There is a reason why King's birthday is commemorated and Lee's goes unnoticed. King's brave actions were beneficial to all Americans, especially blacks while Lee's misguided efforts were detrimental to all Americans, especially blacks.

Slavery is the most prominent cause of the Civil War. Certainly there was tension over tariffs and westward expansion. But slavery was at the root of these disputes. Abraham Lincoln and other Northerners did have racist views and many Southerners did not own slaves. Still, one movement resulted in freedom for blacks while the other sought to keep suppressing them.

Although for many supporters of the Union the Civil War was not a crusade to liberate slaves, it is because of Lincoln that an enslaved people were emancipated, and most South-

James Hershberger



erners were in support of denying blacks freedom.

As a rather liberal gentleman, I try to be open-minded to the viewpoints of others. But it is impossible to be open-minded about slavery. It is unconditionally immoral. Therefore, a state or region that allows slavery is immoral, at least in terms of that.

The justifications neo-confederates offer to explain their views are illogical. A common argument is Southern plantation owners were on the brink of voluntarily giving up their slaves because the practice was not cost-effective.

This has little, if any, historical evidence. But if slavery had been practiced in America since the founding of Jamestown in 1619, why would slave masters decide to stop more than 200 years later? It seems unlikely. Even if they did, it would have been gradual. That means more mistreatment and deaths for slaves. Also, even if it declined in popularity, there always would be some wealthy people who at least owned house slaves. As King said, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." Even a small number of slaves is unacceptable.

People who agree with the principles of the Confederacy are hypocritical. When talking about states' rights in regards to slavery, they typically say something like "states should have the right to allow slavery or not allow it. It

should be the state's decision."

Me, being the sly lawyer's son that I am ask, "OK then, theoretically say that was the case and a large number of blacks moved to the North and founded their own state. After a while they decide they will start enslaving white people. How would you feel if your loved one became a slave of this theoretical state?"

Inevitably, the person looks disturbed and says, "I would go there and free them." Putting oneself in another person's shoes has a tendency to change perspectives.

Modern-day rebels also are hypocritical on the subject of states' rights. They claim that states should have the right to determine their own laws, at least until gay marriage comes up.

Many people I know claim to be in favor of states' rights, but believe there should be a federal constitutional amendment banning same-sex marriage. What happened to states being able to do what they want?

Some might say I'm hypocritical because I think states should decide whether to allow same-sex marriage as well as rule over most issues.

The difference is that I think the federal government only should intervene on affairs that endanger the Bill of Rights, most importantly the right of "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

The practice of slavery denies this right to people. Unlike supporters of the Old South, I sincerely do believe in states' rights, but only when the states are not oppressing anyone.

People who support the Confederacy have a dilemma: How does one respect where they came from, yet recognize that their ancestors fought

and died for an unjust cause?

I can sympathize with this. If you haven't noticed, my last name is as German as Apfelkuchen. While my family immigrated to the U.S. long before World War II and my grandfather fought for the Allies, it is certain that relatives of mine were Nazis. How can I be proud of my German heritage when they were responsible for the Holocaust? I follow the Christian proverb, "love the sinner, hate the sin."

Southerners should be proud of where they came from, just as I am proud of Germany. But we have to admit that slavery and the Holocaust were wrong.

No matter what we say, our ancestors were not perfect. We should focus on the positive. Everyone remembers their late grandmother as a kind and loving person, downplaying that she was a gossip and a cheapskate. When people wave Confederate flags and refer to the Civil War as "The War of Northern Aggression," they are disrespecting their heritage by presenting their fore bearers in a negative way.

As we celebrate the legacy of King, we also should contemplate what could have been. Had General Grant and the Union army not defeated Lee and the rebels, we might very well still live in a nation where freedom was an irony.

By throwing away Confederate memorabilia and antiquated ideals of Southern righteousness, we embrace King's dream of racial harmony. If Tech could do that, I would be truly astounded.

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U.S. should return to Christian roots

Recently I visited a local high school and observed the activities, behavior and attitudes of the students. Taking into account my observations and my research, I concluded that disrespect, lethargy and violence lace the American youth. Why is this? I blame the deterioration of America's basic moral foundation based in Christianity.

Why would I say the American foundation is the morals based in Christianity? In 1787 during the Constitutional Convention, Benjamin Franklin said, "Sir, I have a lived long time, and the longer I live the more convincing proofs I see that God still governs in the affairs of men, if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without our fathers notice is it possible that we can build an empire without our fathers aid? I believe the sacred writings which say that except the Lord build the house they labor in vain that build it."

From the day Franklin said that, a clergyman began each session of the Constitutional Convention to call upon God's guidance in prayer. Patrick Henry stated, "The greatest pillars of all government and social life (are) virtue, morality and religion. This is the armor my friend, and this alone that renders us invincible."

Many of the American founding fathers and various influential and significant political figures in history have been cited talking on the subject, such as George Washington, John Adams, Alexander Hamilton and many others.

The Declaration of Independence technically is not a legal document. However, it was intended as a manuscript to express public opinion of the blooming American nation to England. It states, "But all men are created equal. They are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights appealing to the supreme judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions with a firm reliance on the protection of the divine providence."

This opinion sounds to me like our forefathers thought very highly of God. After expressing this attitude, the U.S. Constitution was drafted, and its sole purpose was the limitation and restriction of government. Our forefathers saw how "religious-run" governments were corrupt and wanted to balance that out by not persecuting additional beliefs or religions but holding a God in high esteem.

Second, what is the American connection between morality and Christian foundations? There is no better author than George Washington himself. On Sept. 19, 1796, during his farewell address, he stated, "Of all the dispositions and habits which lead to political prosperity, religion and morality are indispensable supports ... reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principle."

Even in modern times, Christianity has strongly influenced our leaders. Ronald Reagan said, "Without God, there is no virtue, because there's no prompting of the conscience. Without God, we're mired in the material, that flat world that tells us only what the senses perceive. Without God, there is a coarsening of the society. And without God, democracy will not and cannot long endure. If we ever forget that

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we're one nation under God, then we will be a nation gone under."

The 10 Commandments are not part of our law, but are the model from which it came. Throughout history these have been moral guidelines for the benefit of humanity. If one can get sued for simply displaying these, the moral conduct of our forefathers, we have forgotten the roots of our heritage. James Madison said, "We have staked the whole future of American civilization ... upon the capacity of mankind for self-government; upon the capacity of each and all of us to govern ourselves, to control ourselves, to sustain ourselves according to the 10 Commandments of God." With our Christian foundation and our moral base missing, what will go next?

Finally, how does lack of Christian morality translate into the deterioration of the family? Because of the digress from the moral foundations of America, parents no longer instill these values in our children. James Noll, in "Taking Sides: Clashing Views on Controversial Educational Issues" wrote, "We are recovering the wisdom that we do share a basic morality, essential for our survival; that adults must promote this morality by teaching the young, directly or indirectly, such values as respect, responsibility, trustworthiness, fairness, caring and civil virtue; and that these values are not merely subjective preferences but that they have objective worth and a claim on our collective conscience. Such values affirm our human dignity, promote the good of the individual and the common good, and protect our human rights."

In the past, children were able to look to their parents for guidance, discipline and moral examples. Now, pop stars and Hollywood sensations with skewed moral judgments have taken on this role. These children will go on to have children and perpetuate the vicious cycle. A local teacher, when interviewed, said children from troubled or broken homes "are far more susceptible to disobedience and peer-strife."

Not everyone believes in Christian principles, and they, according to law can worship their God and not be persecuted for their religious beliefs. This is why America is so great. The nation's founders wanted to create a perfect balance in that America would be a haven from religious persecution, in the meantime upholding its heritage of Christianity while not imposing it on others.

The people of the United States should turn back on history and learn a lesson from it. Upholding the basic morals of life could solve many of the problems lacing society and government today.

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VIEW FROM THE BIG 12

Liberal activist judges hurt U.S., Alito worthy court nominee

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(U-WIRE) MANHATTAN, Kan. — We don't live in a democracy. Americans live under a judicial oligarchy with tyrannical tendencies. Composed of nine unelected lawyers, the Supreme Court thwarts the democratic process with appalling frequency.

The mental disorder of judicial activism borders on treason. The chief symptom of the mental disorder of liberal judicial activism is schizophrenia.

Namely, liberal judicial activism births

unintelligible, contradictory, and ultimately schizophrenic Supreme Court decisions.

Consider this schizo. The Court holds that the Constitution protects flag burning and virtual online child pornography. Yet, this same Constitution somehow does not protect peaceful dispersal of pro-life leaflets at abortion clinics or student-led prayer at football games.

Many Americans don't support abortion on demand, expulsion of God from the public square, gay marriage, reverse racism quotas, illegal immigrant welfare or lawyers for al-Qaida terrorists.

Restoration of the Constitution and return of contentious political issues to the

people is simple — replace judicial activists with non-activist or "restrained" justices who strictly interpret the law, not create law.

That would be unjust. With the nomination of Judge Samuel Alito, leftists are ringing their hands in dread of placing a non activist on the Court.

Hard-left Democrat senators like Teddy Kennedy have mounted a desperate dubious diatribe against Judge Alito.

No time to watch the confirmation hearings? Thankfully for you, I'm a free-lance satirical stenographer. Here's a free excerpt:

Sen. Kennedy: Judge Uhliotto, we can't

roll back the 50 yee-uz of progress against discrimination on the basis of race and jinduh. Jinduh, that sounds a lot like gin. Mmmm, gin.

Judge Alito: I'm sorry Senator, was that a question?

Sen. Kennedy: Well, what I'm trying-[hiccup]-to say is that Bush hates all women and black people in New Orlinz. And he nominated you, didn't he?

Judge Alito: Well, yes Senator — he did nominate me.

Sen. Kennedy: Ha! I knew it! You hate women and blacks, don't you?

Stenographer: Note to reader, alcohol and liberalism not as good as advertised.

First SGA meeting of semester scheduled to be held tonight

The Texas Tech student senate will meet today for the eighth meeting of the 41st session.



Three senate resolutions comprise the legislative agenda.

The first resolution will determine whether to appoint a recycling coordinator, who will be responsible for day-to-day actions and report to the recycling committee.

The second resolution is the impeachment of student senator, Chuck Morton, who is being impeached for missing two consecutive senate meetings.

The third resolution will determine the need for bus turnouts

on Flint Avenue by the Business Administration building, similar to turnouts at Holden Hall and the Student Union Building.

SGA Chief of Staff Matt Fowler said the bus turnouts might help with traffic congestion and student safety.

The senate also will discuss the upcoming budget and take intent forms for senate and executive officers who want to run for office in the upcoming elections.

The meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. in Room 101 of the Agriculture Science building.

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U.S., Europe reject Iran's request for talks on nuclear program

PARIS (AP) — Europe, backed by the United States, on Wednesday rejected Iran's request for talks on its nuclear program, cranking up international pressure on Tehran to suspend uranium enrichment.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said "there's not much to talk about" until Iran halts nuclear activity. But Iran's president accused the West of acting like the "lord of the world" in denying his country the peaceful use of the atom.

The quick dismissal of Iran's request for a ministerial-level meeting with French, British and German negotiators focused attention on the next step: the U.S. and European push to refer Iran to the U.N. Security Council, which could impose economic and political sanctions.

Russia and China, which have veto power on the council, appeared

to remain the greatest obstacles. Both nations are opposed to sanctioning a country with which they have strong economic and strategic ties.

The national security adviser of Israel, which strongly supports hauling Iran before the Security Council, was in Moscow on Wednesday to make his country's case, as was the French foreign minister. Tehran's ambassador to Russia urged the Kremlin to resist what he called pressure from other countries.

Even if there were consensus on sanctions, the five permanent Security Council members would be faced with a dilemma. Placing an embargo on Iran's oil exports would hurt Tehran, which earns most of its revenues from energy sales, but also roil world crude markets, spiking prices upward.

Tips for avoiding sexual assault

The Lubbock Police Department filed a sexual assault report Tuesday at Clement Hall, said Texas Tech Assistant Chief of Police Maj. Gordon Hoffman.

"This kind of incident is very rare," Hoffman said. "Sexual assault was reported only twice since 2004."

He said the victim was believed to have known the attacker.

According to a pamphlet titled "Strategies to Help Avoid Sexual Assault," some tips for safety include:

When walking alone, people should act self-assured and confident they know where they are going.

If a person suspects someone is following them, she should cross the street or walk quickly to a well-lit, well-populated location.

For those who walk or jog, try to vary the route and time on the street. Being predictable is risky.

Awareness and assertive behavior may be a person's best defense against becoming an easy victim.

Real anger instead of fear may not be expected by a would-be attacker and may throw him off guard.

Take a self-defense course.

People should trust their instincts. If a person, place or situation makes them uneasy, leave or change it immediately.

Use common sense. If it seems

risky, it probably is.

At home:

People should be sure they know who is at the door. If a sales or repair person is legitimate, he will not mind being asked for identification to confirm his identity.

Women who live by themselves should never advertise the fact by listing a full name in the phonebook or on a mailbox. They should use their first two initials or even add another name.

Everyone should get to know their neighbors.

In The Car:

Lock all car doors whether in the car or not.

If a person suspects he is being followed, he should keep driving and stop only in a well-lit and populated area. If practical, people should drive to the nearest police station to let officers know they are being followed.

If someone's car breaks down, raise the hood and then remain in the car with doors locked until the police arrive. If a cell phone is present, try to contact the police or a friend for help.

Keep cars well serviced to decrease chances of being stranded along side of the road.

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Grecco

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other their freshman year at Tech.

Another one of his hometown friends, Joe Roberts, a sophomore mathematics major from Sugar Land, said Grecco would stop by at the residence halls for a random conversation with him.

"(I will remember) the way he made everyone laugh and smile," Roberts said. "He just treated everybody the same. He didn't judge anybody."

While Grecco was known for his athletic talent and passion for basketball, he also stood out because of his personality and sense of humor.

"He always made me laugh," Scherperell said. "He was always the most amazing person, never a mean bone in his body. I think we're going to miss his humor. It won't be the same without him. He was truly happy with his friends at Tech."

If Grecco was not hitting the court, he easily could have been seen in the residence halls playing videogames with friends, including Kenton DuBose.

DuBose, a sophomore pre-med major from Amarillo, said he knew Grecco from their time spent in the residence halls.

DuBose said he believed Grecco was a hard worker in the classroom and took on the challenge of civil engineering.

"He led his life with a sense of purpose," DuBose said. "He was in a very hard major and didn't ever give up."

Mark's mother, Susan Grecco, said he was aiming to become the third-generation civil engineer in the family. His father and grandfather are civil engineers.

She agreed that her son should be remembered for his passion in sports. Grecco's athletic ability went beyond the basketball court, his mother said. He also participated in Little League baseball, soccer and other intramural sports at Clements High School and Tech. She said Mark Grecco jumped in the swimming pool from the time he was able to walk.

After coming to Tech, his friends helped him become a more funny and sensitive person, she said.

"He was fun, and his friends said they enjoyed being around him," Grecco said. "They're going to miss him bad."

Maj. Gordon Hoffman, Texas Tech police assistant chief, said Grecco complained of chest pains while playing basketball at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center. After his friends dialed 911, he was taken to the University Medical Center.

"We understand it may have been due to a medical condition," Hoffman said.

Grecco has a viewing service, planned for 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday at Earthman Southwest Funeral Home in Stafford. His funeral is scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday at Christ United Methodist Church in Sugar Land.

"I was just lucky to be his mom," his mother said. "I was just glad to have him for 19 years."

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What his friends said ...

Here is what some of Mark Grecco's friends had to say about him in the days after his death.

"Where does one start when they hear the name Mark Grecco ... we can't help but smile, because that was the nature and emotion that he brought to each one of us. I don't think our hearts will allow us to ever forget such a great guy, teammate and especially friend. You will always be with us, whether or not its in the classroom or on the court. We love you and you will be forever missed!"

"Let us not look upon the tragedy that lay before us ... but behold the past the Mark left behind! He was a great guy who made a difference in many ordinary people's lives. I know you will be missed Mark, and my thoughts and prayers go out to your family. Rest in peace."

"Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal."

Mark was such an amazing friend. I know we will all cherish the moments we spent with him and the great memories he gave us. My prayers are with your loved ones. I miss you."

"I love you man, and we're all with you and thinkin' of you..."

"For the last time we gaze into the face of an amazing friend. To the ones that knew you the best, you were an inspiration to us all. You could always make us laugh, no matter what, always be there for us when we needed you. You will live on forever in our hearts. Making us smile at the mere memories that we have. We selfishly mourn not for the times you would have had, but for the times we would have had with you. We miss you and we love you so much."

"Mark you were my brother and I can never forget you because you were family to me here and in Sugar Land. I'll never forget your blue poo ... I'll carry you with me forever... love and miss you ... It's hard to see your door closed..."

"Words can not explain how he touched my life, and I am going to miss him. He was more like a brother I never had. Please keep his family in all your prayers."

"Mark, man you are the best. I will never forget all the good times you have. Like all the countless times of 'Halo,' basketball, other sports we play, the time the senior video was filmed at your house. We will all miss your company. Rest in peace Mark."

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U.S. Supreme Court steers clear of abortion ruling, ask N.H. lower court to reconsider

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court steered clear of a major ruling on abortion Wednesday, instead giving New Hampshire a chance to save its parental notification law.

Justices agreed that the New Hampshire law could make it too hard for some ill minors to get an abortion, but at the same time they were hesitant about stepping in to fix the 2003 statute. They told a lower court to reconsider whether the entire law is unconstitutional.

"Making distinctions in a murky constitutional context, or where line-drawing is inherently complex, may call for a far more serious invasion of the legislative do-

main' than we ought to undertake," retiring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor wrote for the court.

The New Hampshire case had been expected to be much closer at the high court.

Instead, justices found consensus on narrow grounds, that a lower court went too far by permanently blocking the law that requires a parent to be told before a minor daughter ends her pregnancy.

O'Connor, a key swing voter at the court on abortion rights, last year announced plans to retire and she will step down soon if the Senate confirms nominee Samuel Alito.

O'Connor, who supports Roe, made clear that the court was not going to break new ground in what may

be her final days on the bench. "We do not revisit our abortion precedents today," she wrote in the opening of the brief opinion.

David Garrow, a Supreme Court historian at Cambridge University, said the decision "can be read as another step toward a long-term, middle-ground truce, or at least stalemate."

The case returns to the 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Boston, which had ruled that the law was unconstitutional. The statute requires that a parent be informed 48 hours before a minor child has an abortion but makes no exception for a medical emergency that threatens the youth's health.

Phyllis Woods, a former state representative from Dover, N.H., who was a main sponsor of the bill, said she was pleased by the ruling but concerned that the appeals court might require a broad health exception. "Our concern has always been that a blanket health exception opens the door and really negates the whole purpose of the bill," Woods said.

New Hampshire's appeal gave the court a chance to clarify when laws

pose an "undue burden" on a woman in choosing to end a pregnancy. O'Connor is an architect of the undue burden standard, and was the deciding vote in the last abortion case in 2000, when the justices ruled that a Nebraska law banning a type of late-term abortion was too burdensome. That law did not have an exception to protect the mother's health.

Justices did not deal directly with that question, although O'Connor wrote: "under our cases it would be unconstitutional to apply the act in a manner that subjects minors to significant health risks."

"In the case that is before us ... the lower courts need not have invalidated the law wholesale," O'Connor wrote. "Only a few applications of New Hampshire's parental notification statute would present a constitutional problem."

The opinion, just 10 pages, was a partial victory for New Hampshire in a case that had been closely watched by other states with restrictions. Justices had been told that 24 states mandate a parent's approval and 19, including New Hampshire, demand parental notice.

Officials to continue bracing for fires in Texas for 3 months because of drought

DALLAS (AP) — Firefighters are expected to remain in place for at least three months in the drought-stricken state as they brace for grassfires that could destroy urban areas or spread quickly through thick East Texas forests.

State and federal emergency officials said Wednesday that prolonged drought, low humidity and high winds in Texas left many areas of North and East Texas vulnerable. Fires spurred by the conditions have already burned 455,127 acres across Texas, destroyed 343 homes and killed three people since late December.

"We're preparing for operations through the end of April; that's not good news," Jack Colley, chief of the governor's Division of Emergency Management, said during a conference call.

Colley said officials are concerned that the large amount of dry vegetation in parts of East Texas create an especially dangerous situation. National Weather Service meteorologist Steve Fano said the area has received less than three-quarters of an inch of rainfall since Dec. 1, and drought conditions were expected to last throughout

the winter. "That's a critical area for us because of the potential to have large forest fires, much like you'd see on the West Coast," Colley said.

He said firefighting planes and crews were positioned throughout threatened areas to keep fires from suburban and urban areas.

"We have aircraft airborne almost all the time" he said, adding that aggressive attacks early on were the best way to contain damage.

"With these winds of 25, 30, 40 miles per hour, when a simple grassfire occurs, that fire will move at that speed — and that speed will increase the intensity of a very small fire, and it will create just a firestorm," Colley said.

He said state and federal officials continued to support volunteer fire departments across Texas, rotating in firefighters from other states to combat exhaustion.

Federal Emergency Management Agency officials said its efforts were continuing to help fire victims, while simultaneously working to assist evacuees from the hurricanes that blasted the Gulf Coast and Texas Coast in August and September.

Bird Flu

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lion originally set aside for the tsunami. Powell said most of the U.S. funding would be focused on the hardest-hit countries in Southeast Asia.

"It certainly puts a responsibility, that we've taken very seriously, to be among the leaders in the effort," she said. "It will be used in coordination with the other donors and with the technical agencies."

Large chunks of the total \$1.9 billion will go to poor countries where the H5N1 virus poses the greatest threat, including improving surveillance, rapid response and containment mechanisms should a pandemic flu

strain emerge within their borders.

Other money will be used for strengthening laboratories and poultry vaccination programs. The World Health Organization, U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization and the World Organization for Animal Health will also receive funding.

EU Health Commissioner Markos Kyprianou said the EU increased its commitment to \$121 million, about \$20 million more than it announced last week. In addition, he said the 25 member states pledged a combined \$140 million.

"Never before has humankind had a window of opportunity to prepare for the event of a pandemic before it actually happens," he said.

Meanwhile, Japan pledged \$159

million and host China pitched in \$10 million as Premier Wen Jiabao promised the communist government would be forthcoming with information about outbreaks.

"China is ready to fully use the existing cooperation mechanisms to give countries and international organizations concerned, timely and accurate updates on the latest developments of the avian influenza epidemics," he told donors.

China was criticized for its sluggish response to severe acute respiratory syndrome, or SARS, in 2003.

The conference drew more than 700 delegates and was hosted by China, the World Bank and the European Commission.

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Houston City Council considering law that would outlaw renting hotel rooms for prostitution

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston City Council is considering a proposal that would make it illegal for motels and hotels to rent rooms knowing they would be used for prostitution.

Houston police Capt. Steven Jett said the ordinance would help the police stop motels from becoming prostitution hide-outs, especially the motels that cater to such customers. "It's not going to be used every day, but it will be used, and it will be just another tool to stop the most blatant motels from operating," Jett said.

Council members were receptive to the proposal at a Tuesday meeting, but some questioned how police planned to enforce the law.

Councilman Michael Berry asked how police could prove a violation of the law unless motel clerks were

required to ask customers the nature of their business.

Jett said police would have to show that a motel employee knew a room was going to be used for prostitution. Prosecutions would be possible only when undercover officers overheard motel employees specifically discussing prostitution or sex acts, he said.

He said officers have seen motel employees selling condoms or receiving kickbacks from prostitutes.

"They know what they are doing," he said. "We can impact them a whole lot with this ordinance."

Joan Johnson, president of the Hotel & Lodging Association of Greater Houston, said she was initially concerned that the law would unfairly target some association members. But after reading the measure, she decided not to fight it.

While the ordinance encompasses

any type of room or building rentals, it would not apply to a situation in which a renter stays for more than 27 days continually. The ordinance would carry a maximum \$2,000 fine.

Stabbings

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chest," Baker said. "The cousin notified the police immediately about the condition of Farrias."

Police still are investigating the case and trying to figure out why the fight took place.

"The two are co-workers and friends," Baker said. "They had been out all night drinking and were heavily intoxicated, but we still do not know what started the argument."

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Lubbock regular finds niche in Texas

Stoney LaRue cites Wille Nelson as major influence, inspiration

By LAUREN SCOTT
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His career has taken him throughout the United States.

His popularity has grown with every move he has made.

With a wife as a manager and idols including Willie Nelson and Ray Charles, Stoney LaRue has grown to be a prominent Texas country music sensation.

LaRue grew up in Stillwater, Okla., and said he was always surrounded by music.

"My dad drove a truck for a band," he said.

LaRue started playing the guitar when he was 10 years old, and at 12, he recorded his first song.

He kept playing the guitar and singing until his big break finally came.

"I was at the Wormy Dog Saloon, and Cody Canada and Jason Boland were playing that night," LaRue said. "They called me up on stage to sing with them. It was the best 21" birthday I could've asked for."

When he was finished singing, the owner of the bar offered him a weekly Monday night gig. "No one showed up at first," he said while laughing.

But that all changed. After he had a fan base in Stillwater, he decided to move to Texas.

"It was just a more centralized location," LaRue said. "There were more people to watch me play. There are more people in the Dallas-Fort Worth area than the entire state of Oklahoma."

LaRue said Nelson was a musical inspiration, and because of this, he covers some of Nelson's songs. He sings the songs with the same tone in his voice Nelson does.

"People love it," LaRue said. "I started it randomly one night on stage, and it has stuck."

His entire career is not glory though.

"We're on the road 250 days a year," he said after confirming with his band members. "I have a wife and two kids; it's not easy being away, but you get used to it."

LaRue's production company, 36D, is based in New Braunfels. He said the production company

also works with Cross Canadian Ragweed, Randy Rogers Band, Mike McClure Band, and Mickey and the Motorcars.

LaRue said if he was not singing and entertaining for a living, he would be a motivational speaker.

"I would want to talk about love and good intentions and joy and compassion," he said. "They are all things that apply to your everyday life."

The most important thing in life is to find peace within oneself, LaRue said.

"Being comfortable in your own skin is so important," he said. "I have such a deep understanding for honesty and truth because of my life. It feels like I'm searching for something that I know is out there; I just don't know where."

LaRue said many people believe LaRue is his last name, but it is not.

"Stoney is my real first name, and LaRue is my real middle name," he said. "My last name is for you to find out."

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Laura Bush still not tagged as an 'F' word

ABUJA, Nigeria (AP) — She's far from being tagged a feminist, yet Laura Bush, the librarian-turned-first lady who's often seen reading aloud to children, is raising her voice on women's issues around the world.

In travels over the past 10 months from Afghanistan to the Middle East to Africa, Mrs. Bush has broadened her focus on education, her trademark issue, to push equal opportunities for women in nations where they often have second-class status.

Discussing women's issues is a

bit more challenging than reading "Make Way for Ducklings" to schoolchildren. Mrs. Bush, soft-spoken and polite, has found herself in frank chats abroad about sexuality, AIDS and rape in addition to less-sensitive topics like helping women gain access to education, health care and jobs.

It was the jarring accounts of severe repression and brutality against women in Afghanistan that piqued her interest in women's lives abroad.

"I think that what happened to

me really happened also to the other people in the United States," Mrs. Bush said, reflecting on her plane during a four-day swing through West Africa, a trip that ends on Wednesday.

"After Sept. 11, when we all looked at Afghanistan and saw the oppression of women there, it awakened a lot of people to the plight of women around the world," she said.

The first lady took just two solo foreign jaunts — both to Europe — during President Bush's first term.

So far in his second, she's made four trips abroad to talk mostly about women's issues and education.

"I would say there's a B plot that's been going on with Laura Bush that maybe people haven't been noticing," said Carl Sferazza Anthony, a historian and student of America's first ladies. She's shining a light on inequality among women living in traditionally male-dominated cultures. He's dubbed it a kind of "international feminism."

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Jeremiah Houston — 10:30 p.m. Bash Riprock's, \$3

Down 1450 — 10:30 p.m. Blue Light, \$5 for men, no cover for women

Icarus Fixed — 11 p.m. Whiskey Dix, no cover

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Levi Smith — 8 p.m. Sugar Brown's

Cooder Graw — 8 p.m. Wild West

La Masa — 8:30 p.m. La Diosa Acoustic Jam — 10:30 p.m.

Whiskey Dix, no cover

Dr. Scoob & The Acoustic Grove — 10:30 p.m. Hub City, \$5

Electric Gypsies — 10:30 p.m. Bleacher's Sports Café, \$5 adults, \$8 minors

Mike McClure — 11 p.m. Blue Light

SATURDAY

Los SOB's — 9 p.m. La Diosa, \$5

Electric Gypsies — 10:30 p.m.

Bleachers, \$5 adults, \$8 minors

Derek Montgomery — 10:30 p.m. Hub City, \$5

Phil Pritchett — 10:30 p.m. Blue Light

SUNDAY

Pat Green — 8:30 p.m. Wild West, \$25

Spring Creek Bluegrass Band — 9 p.m. Hub City, \$5

Open Jam — 10 p.m. The Spoon, no cover

MONDAY

Anthony Garcia — 9:30 p.m. Bash Riprock's, no cover

Wes Nixon Presents an all-acoustic, original open mic — 10 p.m. Blue Light, no cover

John Sprott — 10:30 p.m. Hub City, \$5

TUESDAY

John Sprott — 9 p.m. at Crickets, no cover

Wes Nixon Open Mic — 10 p.m. Bash Riprock's, no cover

The Sean Frankhauser Trio — 10 p.m. Rocky LaRue's, no cover

WEDNESDAY

I-Chingaderos — 8 p.m. The Spoon, no cover

Plain Brown Wrapper — 10 p.m. Crickets, no cover

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More than a 'Breakaway' Musically bigoted still love a little pop

Clarkson snubs 'American Idol,' professional roots

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Singer Kelly Clarkson, who vaulted to fame as the first "American Idol" winner in 2002, is not letting any of her songs be used by new contestants on the show.

A spokesman for Clarkson insisted it's nothing personal, but the stance prompted a public scolding from "American Idol" judge Simon Cowell.

"I think that by ignoring the show you're ignoring the audience who put you there," Cowell said Tuesday.

Clarkson of Bursleson, has become a major star in the past year, with her hit "Since U Been Gone" earning both massive sales and critical respect, particularly from a rock community that has looked upon "American Idol" contestants warily. Her album "Breakaway" earned a Grammy nomination for best pop vocal album.

Yet it may have cost her a good relationship with the nation's most popular talent show.

"American Idol" must obtain permission from owners of song licenses before the music can be used on the show. While many love the exposure, some artists — the Beatles, for one — like to rigidly control use of their music.

Clarkson is not allowing any of her songs to be licensed for other uses, said Roger Widynowski, a spokesman for Sony BMG. "It has nothing to do with 'Idol,'" he said.

The show's executive producer, Nigel Lythgoe, said he requested songs to be used on this year's show. He said he's not even sure Clarkson herself is aware of the situation.

Before "Breakaway," Clarkson fired Simon Fuller, the "American Idol" creator, as her manager, saying that although he is a "great guy," she needed someone who could give her career more attention. She teamed with Swedish hitmaker Max Martin on "Since U Been Gone."

It's the same delicate position faced by countless other musicians through show biz history, wanting to break away and show artistic independence without alienating those who gave them their start.

Cowell said he hoped Clarkson would let her music be used on "American Idol."

"No matter how talented Kelly Clarkson is, she would not be in the position she's in now without winning this show," he said. "And forget the way she feels about us

or the producers or anybody else, or the terrible songwriters she alleges she was with which sold her millions of records.

"It's the public who bothered to pick up the phone to vote for her," he said. "If she refuses to give songs to be used on the show, it's like saying to every person who voted for you, 'you know what? Thank you. I'm not interested in you anymore.'"

With the seemingly unquenchable public interest in "American Idol," it's not like the show really needs Clarkson. But she's plainly the best example producers can point to as proof that they can open the door to wish fulfillment.

Sony's Widynowski said he would not comment on Cowell's remarks.

Clarkson, in an interview with *The Associated Press* last year, said she knows she'll always be identified as an "American Idol," and she has no problems with that.

"That's where I got my start," she said. "They always talk about the big first thing that you did. I think the only thing that I do mind is I don't want people to only focus on that."

For his part, Cowell said, "I

"American Idol" started Tuesday for what I believe is season 87. I sat on my couch, self-indulging in my yearly brainwashing. I enjoyed this season opener although I was hyped up on cold medication and celebrating the recent breaking of a fever.

This year, children who watched the first season longingly in the summer of 2002 as 12-year-olds are now old enough to audition. Let the games begin.

The producers of this hit TV show, while rolling in money, are still airing weeks of tape before the actual competition begins of people who suck. I am sure that is not libel in any form, I am just inspired by Simon Cowell.

If the American public gets such a kick out of hearing the awful singers, why not make it a competition of the worst acts? Oh wait, been there, done that, different network.

I consider myself to be an "American Idol" connoisseur. I have been with the hopefuls every step of the way. I also will admit I am a closeted pop whore. I do not always fill my ears with what I consider "good" music 24 hours a day. I rock a little Britney every once in a while. I don't even feel guilty, and rush for a Wilco album afterwards. Even if I feel like I am cheating on my actual musical tastes, I have to remind myself, "Hey, a girl's gotta dance."

My biggest problem with "American Idol" is: I just cannot pick the

Lauren Henckel



Aiken's sexual preference. This is coming from the girl with absolutely no "gay-dar." I am convinced he likes women, but is so busy lobbying and touring that he has not found time to settle down.

If you are not an "AI" fan, I am sure you have been met with scorns and gasps of, "I can't believe you don't watch," from your friends who are "believers." I know I have berated a few friends for losing the faith in "American Idol."

I enjoy this mind-melting reality television show for what it is worth: a glitter-laden cluster-you-know-what of potential talent, corporate sponsorship and one cheesy host. In other words: This crap is pure genius.

Do you remember what the holidays were like as a child? Let "American Idol" fill the void! Full of magic and surprises, "AI" is the event that lasts (what seems like) longer than basketball season and potentially gives Americans hope.

Seeing as I am doped up on cold and flu medication, I had no idea what this column would materialize into, but look! It is all about Fox programming! I would like to thank my sponsors: Ford, Cingular Wireless, Coca-Cola and whoever invented the phrase "pitchy" for your continuous support.

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Let them entertain you . . .

NEW YORK (AP) — Hilary Swank and Chad Lowe recently announced their separation, but the Oscar-winning actress says they hope to rescue their eight-year marriage.

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Isaac Hayes was being treated at a Memphis hospital for exhaustion, his longtime songwriting partner said.

DETROIT (AP) — Aretha Franklin will join New Orleans singer Aaron Neville in performing the national anthem at next month's Super Bowl. They will be accompanied by another veteran New Orleans musician, pianist Dr. John.

LOS OLIVOS, Calif. (AP) — The giraffes and other exotic animals Michael Jackson has kept at his Neverland Ranch are not being mistreated, federal officials have concluded.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — An online casino has a piece of Capt. Kirk. William Shatner has sold his kidney stone for \$25,000, with the money going to a housing charity, it was announced Tuesday.

OCALA, Fla. (AP) — Juvenile was arrested in central Florida and later released on his own recognizance on a warrant related to a child support case, jail officials said.

NEW YORK (AP) — Sanaa Lathan denies she had an affair with Denzel Washington, her co-star in the 2003 thriller "Out of Time," in the February issue of *Vibe*.

NEW YORK (AP) — John Lennon's original draft of the lyrics to the Beatles' classic "A Day in the Life" went on sale Tuesday, the 39th anniversary of the date Lennon was inspired to compose the song after reading his morning newspaper.

DETROIT (AP) — Aretha Franklin will join New Orleans singer Aaron Neville in performing the national anthem at next month's Super Bowl. They will be accompanied by another New Orleans musician, pianist Dr. John.

Feminist

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Mrs. Bush is among the most private of American first ladies. She prefers to play cheerleader for her husband and refrains from disclosing her own personal views.

"The hints are that she is somewhat more liberal than her husband, and this interest in women's issues may be a way for her to realize some of her own interests," said Barbara Kellerman, author of "All the President's Kin."

But Kellerman adds: "I would not put Laura Bush at the forefront of the rank of well-known American feminists. ... It's all very ladylike and very proper. I don't mean to diminish its symbolic importance, which I think is of some value, but I think we should label it accurately."

Mrs. Bush isn't the type to grab

a placard and run out to join a women's rights march. She takes a much softer approach.

Noelia Rodriguez, the first lady's former director of communications, said Mrs. Bush often gets her work done with a "velvet hammer."

Mrs. Bush's advisers say privately that while she's stepped up her international travel, she hasn't turned her back on her beloved domestic projects — fostering literacy and preventing young boys and girls from choosing lives of crime and drugs.

There's no second-term make-over under way for Mrs. Bush, they say. Nor is she being sent out to do public events to score political points with women voters.

The first lady is genuinely interested in seeing a better life for disenfranchised women, they say. Her interest in Africa, in particular, is fueled by her daughter Barbara, who recently worked in

an AIDS pediatrics hospital in South Africa.

Mrs. Bush began her second-term travel in Afghanistan in April 2005. She visited a teacher training institute in Kabul and talked positively about how millions of women and girls had returned to work and school after the Taliban regime was ousted. Still, especially outside the capital, women are forced to adhere to restrictive Islamic traditions, including wearing burkas.

A month later in Jordan, Mrs. Bush told Middle Eastern leaders that if the right to vote is to have meaning, it cannot be limited to men. "Freedom, especially freedom for women, is more than the absence of oppression," she said.

On her first trip to Africa in July 2005, Mrs. Bush urged South African women to take control of their sex lives and advertised a new initiative to provide real protections for abused women.

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No. 16 Sooners down Sharp-less Lady Raiders

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Freshman center Courtney Paris had her 10th straight double-double, finishing with 17 points and 19 rebounds as No. 17 Oklahoma beat Texas Tech 63-57 Wednesday night.

Oklahoma (14-4, 4-0 Big 12) remained the conference's only unbeaten team in league play heading into its game Saturday at defending national champion Baylor.

Texas Tech (7-8, 2-2) was without head coach Marsha Sharp, who was briefly hospitalized earlier in the day after suffering flu-like symptoms

during a shootaround at the Lloyd Noble Center.

Sharp, 53, felt nauseous and short of breath and was taken to the hospital as a precautionary measure, team spokeswoman Tammi Hoffman said. Sharp was released after tests came back normal.

The medication Sharp took for the nausea caused her to be too sedated to coach the Lady Raiders on Wednesday, Hoffman said. Assistant coach Krista Gerlich ran the bench in the absence of Sharp, who plans to return Saturday, when Texas Tech hosts Nebraska.

The Lady Raiders cut a 13-point second-half deficit to one midway through the period before Oklahoma pulled away again.

Texas Tech simply had no answer for Paris, who had her 15th double-double of the season — tops in NCAA Division I. She's scored in double figures in each of Oklahoma's 18 games.

The Sooners opened the second half on a 7-2 run to take a 44-31 lead on a basket by Paris with 16:42 left. Texas Tech rallied and pulled within 49-48 on center LaToya Davis' three-point play with 10:12 left.

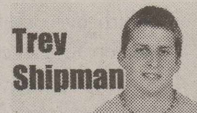
The Sooners pushed their lead back to 10 points, at 58-48, with 6:34 left. Texas Tech came within five points three times after that, but no closer. The Lady Raiders didn't make a basket during the final 4 minutes.

The Lady Raiders made just 14 of 25 free throws (56 percent) and shot 29.7 percent from the field. Alesha Robertson led Texas Tech with 16 points and 10 rebounds.

Oklahoma, which had a 52-40 rebounding edge, used a 10-0 run to close the first half and take a 37-29 at the break.

With General in command, don't expect any lottery picks

While the Red Shipman



Raiders were in the process of taking their 80-46 shellacking at the hands of the No. 5 Texas Longhorns Tuesday, ESPN, who was carrying the game, panned to a familiar face in the crowd.

Wearing a neatly pressed, red button-down dress shirt, he was smiling and shaking hands with an older man, obviously a UT fan seated nearby.

For those who missed the game and have no idea who I'm talking about, maybe this will help:

"Dre love the kids."
Texas Tech's all-time leading scorer, Andre Emmett, was in attendance at the Frank Erwin Center in Austin that evening.

I could be way off here, but if I had to guess, Emmett didn't receive his courtside seats from his former coach Bob Knight. The two managed to coexist, but let's face it, they weren't exactly Vince and Mac, Michael and Phil, or even Kobe and Phil.

A Raider alum begging Emmett to return to grad school and apply for a fifth year of NCAA eligibility would be just as likely. Anyone who's watched the 2005-06 Tech squad knows they could use his help.

But the simple fact is Andre's gone, and more than likely, players of his stature aren't soon to follow.

This season, in guard Terry Martin we've already seen a player with promise put Lubbock in the same place as Mac Davis — his rearview mirror.

Martin said the reason for returning to his home state of Louisiana was a mere case of homesickness and that he got along fine with the General and the rest of the Raider program.

I'm not touting Martin as a blue-chip prospect, but in my opinion, he left for the same reason the Raiders won't be getting a commitment from one under Knight: They can't take the heat, so they get as far as they can from the kitchen.

The discipline Knight has become so infamous for, is the same reason the

Raiders aren't going to get a high-flying recruit that with each passing season, fans worry will bolt for the NBA. It's not the style for kids today.

The dust and wind of the LBK probably play a factor, but in essence, they don't want to play for a no-nonsense kind of coach. Today's breed of players wants to throw the no-look pass, jack up 35-foot threes and hang on the rim anytime they get the chance. I'm not even saying there's anything wrong with that, but I can guarantee you Knight wants no part of it.

He wants a player who shoots 80 percent from the line, who will set a solid screen and who's not afraid of sprawling on the floor for a loose ball (See former Raider point guard Ronald Ross).

Knight has a certain way he likes to do things, and you can't really argue with a guy that sometime next season will likely become the winningest coach in NCAA history.

"Well," you ask, "What about Jarius Jackson? What about Martin Zeno? Are you saying these guys aren't superstars?" Actually, yes I am.

Jackson and Zeno both are great college players and fit into Knight's system perfectly, but don't expect to see them pulling down a paycheck for it — at least not in the great U.S. of A.

Any team Knight puts together at Tech between now and his retirement will look much like the current group of Raiders who lie before us (Who by the way, this guy still thinks will be part of March Madness). Not necessarily in wins and losses, but in style of play. No J.J. Redick's and no Adam Morrison's, but a group of guys that have a thick skin and aren't afraid of breaking a sweat.

Sounds kind of like a team that made it to the Sweet 16 last year — I'm pretty sure they were from Lubbock. And as for this year's freshman-laden squad, take a page from Emmett. "Dre love the kids."

Learn to love them, too.

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No. 1 Duke stays unbeaten

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Sean Dockery saved Duke again. This time, he didn't wait until the final buzzer.

With the top-ranked Blue Devils' unbeaten record on the line, Dockery made a go-ahead 3-pointer and set up another instant later by Lee Melchionni to help them beat No. 14 North Carolina State 81-68 Wednesday night.

J.J. Redick had 28 points and Shelden Williams added 21, but it was Dockery's plays down the stretch that helped Duke reach 17-0 (5-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) for only the second time. The other was during a run to the NCAA title in 1992.

The Wolfpack (14-3, 3-2) was never too far away in a game that featured 16 lead changes and nine ties, the last at 65 following a free throw from N.C. State's Gavin Grant. On the other end, Dockery swished a 3 as Tony Bethel slammed into him.

When his free throw clanged off the rim, Dockery chased down the rebound and found Melchionni alone at the top

of the key. His jumper also found the mark, and suddenly, the Blue Devils had a six-point lead. They never were challenged again.

They trailed at halftime for only the second time this season — the other came against Virginia Tech on Dec. 4. That's when Dockery made a 40-foot heave at the buzzer to give Duke the improbable victory. He made sure this one had little drama in the final seconds.

Duke closed this game with a 16-3 run. Earlier this month, the Wolfpack saw North Carolina score the final 13 points to win.

Cedric Simmons had an incredible game for N.C. State, finishing with a career-high 28 points, nine rebounds, seven blocks and three steals.

Grant had 13 points for N.C. State, his first game in double figures in more than a month. But he and Simmons couldn't overcome uncharacteristically poor games from Engin Atsur and Iljan Evtimov. They each scored only two points, about nine below their averages.

Sheffield sex tape accuser sentenced

CHICAGO (AP) — A Chicago man who tried to blackmail New York Yankees slugger Gary Sheffield and his wife by claiming to have a video showing her having sex with R&B singer R. Kelly was sentenced Wednesday to more than two years in prison.

Derrick Mosley, 39, a self-styled minister and community activist, was sentenced to 27 months, but will get more prison time later because he was on probation for bank fraud at the time of the alleged extortion.

Mosley maintained throughout the case that he had not meant to blackmail anyone and that he had been misunderstood when he offered to provide Sheffield's wife, DeLeon Richards-Sheffield, with personal counseling.

"I'm sorry it got to this point, given my track record with the community," he told federal Judge Samuel Der-Yeghiayan.

Prosecutor Clarence Butler brushed such claims aside.

"The jury didn't misunderstand," Butler said. "The jury convicted him

of all four counts."

Mosley was convicted Nov. 15 of two counts of extortion and two counts of wire fraud for plotting to extort money from Sheffield and his wife.

Prosecutors said Mosley asked for \$20,000 in return for destroying a tape that he claimed showed DeLeon Richards-Sheffield having sex with Kelly before she married Sheffield.

Sheffield said in a statement released at the time of Mosley's arrest that his wife "had a long-term relationship with a well-known professional singer over 10 years ago."

The investigation began after Sheffield's agent, Rufus Williams, alerted the FBI that Mosley had called him on Nov. 3, 2004, to discuss the matter.

During the trial, Williams testified that Mosley told him that Mrs. Sheffield "needed to atone, she needed to repent," and suggested that he could be her paid spiritual consultant.

Williams said Wednesday that Sheffield would have no comment on Mosley's sentencing.

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