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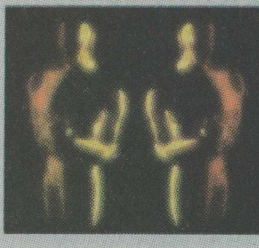
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Oscar loves 'Brokeback.'

**STATE**  
**Donald Trump looking into deals in Dallas**

DALLAS (AP) — Donald Trump says he is looking at real estate deals in Dallas and could make a move in the next few weeks.

Trump declined to say much about his plans, but he predicted that a Texas version of his Trump Tower luxury hotel and condominiums would be a hit.

"If you built a Trump Tower in Dallas, it would do very well," he said. "It would sell out quickly and at the maximum price, like it has everywhere else."

The question, however, is whether Trump is late to the party. Dallas is teeming with projects that will add several hundred luxury condominiums near downtown and the restaurant-laden West End.

The W Hotel and Residences, by Ross Perot Jr.'s Hillwood real estate firm, will have about 150 condos.

Trump said during a brief telephone interview that he knows all about the city's condo boom and office space bust.

"I know Dallas very well. It's a wonderful first-tier city," he said. "The market speaks for itself. It's got its ups and downs like any other city, but Dallas will always be Dallas."

**NATION**  
**Ex-postal worker kills 5, self at mail plant**

GOLETA, Calif. (AP) — A former postal worker who had been put on medical leave for psychological problems shot five people to death at a huge mail-processing center and then killed herself in what was believed to be the nation's deadliest workplace shooting ever carried out by a woman.

The attack Monday night was also the biggest bloodbath at a U.S. postal installation since a massacre 20 years ago helped give rise to the term "going postal."

Investigators would not release the killer's name or discuss a motive for the attack.

The rampage — the nation's first deadly postal shooting in nearly eight years — sent employees running from the sprawling Southern California complex and prompted authorities to warn nearby residents to stay indoors as they searched for the killer.

The 44-year-old woman managed to get inside the fenced and guarded Santa Barbara Processing and Distribution Center, apparently by driving her car close behind another vehicle through a gate, Santa Barbara County Sheriff Jim Anderson said.

**WORLD**  
**U.N. agency says Iran has atomic bomb documents**

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — A document obtained by Iran on the nuclear black market serves no other purpose than to make an atomic bomb, the International Atomic Energy Agency said Tuesday.

The finding was made in a report prepared for presentation to the 35-nation IAEA board when it meets, starting Thursday, on whether to refer Iran to the U.N. Security Council, which has the power to impose economic and political sanctions on Iran.

First mention of the documents was made late last year in a longer IAEA report. At that time, the agency said only that the papers showed how to cast "enriched, natural and depleted uranium metal into hemispherical forms."

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## Alito becomes nation's 110th justice

Nominee wins partisan Senate fight, 58-42

By **DAVID ESPO**  
 AP SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

WASHINGTON (AP) — Samuel Alito took his place on the Supreme Court Tuesday after winning Senate confirmation, a personal triumph for the son of an Italian immigrant and a political milestone in President Bush's campaign to give the judiciary a more conservative cast.

The 58-42 Senate vote was largely along party lines as Democrats registered overwhelming opposition to Bush's choice to replace Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, whose



Alito

rulings have helped uphold abortion rights, affirmative action and other legal precedents of the past 50 years.

Bush hailed Alito as "a brilliant and fair-minded judge who strictly interprets the Constitution and does not legislate from

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*Tech professors discuss implications of confirmation*

By **PAUL ROBERTS**  
 STAFF WRITER

Samuel Alito Jr. was confirmed into the Supreme Court Tuesday after a Senate vote of 58-42 made Alito the nation's 110th justice.

President Bush nominated Alito on Oct. 31 to replace Sandra Day O'Connor as an associate justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

According to *The Associated Press*, all Republicans except Sen. Lincoln Chafee of Rhode Island voted for him and four of 44

Democrats voted in favor of confirmation, the lowest total in modern history for an opposition party.

Craig Goodman, assistant professor of political science at Texas Tech, said it is not surprising that the president appointed Alito, which makes for a more conservative Supreme Court.

Goodman said it is a presidential obligation to appoint conservatives, since

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# MAKING HISTORY



THE REV. MARTIN Luther King Jr. is welcomed with a kiss by his wife Coretta after leaving court in Montgomery, Ala., March 22, 1956. King was found guilty of conspiracy to boycott city buses in a campaign to desegregate the bus system, but a judge suspended his \$500 fine pending appeal. Coretta Scott King died Tuesday.

*Black History Month a yearly chance to honor U.S. heroes*

By **CLARA COBB**  
 FEATURES EDITOR

It goes without saying, Dr. Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. — that's the first person you have to think of," Christer Blue said reflectively.

As Black History Month begins today, many Texas Tech and Lubbock community members will reflect on the impact of culture and diversity in our

society.

Blue, a senior marketing major and president of the Black Students Association, said he also likes Oprah Winfrey and Harriet Tubman, "because she was so brave in leading the Underground Railroad."

He said it is important to highlight Black his-

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Martin Luther King's widow, Coretta Scott King, who worked to keep her husband's dream of brotherhood and nonviolence alive, died Tuesday morning.  
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**NOTABLE PLAYERS IN BLACK HISTORY**

- Famous black people who TEKS (Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills) says high school grads should know before getting their diploma:
- THURGOOD MARSHALL — First black member of the U.S. Supreme Court
  - SOJOURN TRUTH — Involved with women's rights and abolition
  - HARRIET TUBMAN — Led more than 300 slaves to freedom
  - BARBARA JORDAN — First black congresswoman from the south
  - ROSA PARKS — Refused to give up her seat on a bus to a white man
  - COLIN POWELL — First black chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
  - BENJAMIN BANNEKER — Scientist, mathematician and astronomer
  - MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. — Reformed American society and gained equal rights by using civil disobedience or non-violent action
  - GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER — Diversified production of vegetables and peanuts
  - JAMES FARMER — Organized the Congress of Racial Equality
  - FREDERICK DOUGLASS — Orator, writer and abolitionist
  - WILLIAM EDWARD BURGHARDT DUBOIS — First black person to earn a Ph.D.
  - SHIRLEY CHISHOLM — First black woman elected to the U.S. Congress
- Source: Texas Education Agency's Social Studies Center

## Bush: 'America is addicted to oil'

By **TERENCE HUNT**  
 AP WHITE HOUSE CORRESPONDENT

WASHINGTON (AP) — A politically weakened President Bush declared Tuesday night that America must break its long dependence on Mideast oil and rebuked critics of his stay-the-course strategy for the unpopular war in Iraq.

"America is addicted to oil, which is often imported from unstable parts of the world," Bush said as he sought to drive the election-year agenda in his annual State of the Union address.

Rejecting calls for the withdrawal of troops from Iraq, Bush said, "There is no peace in retreat." He also slapped at those who complain he took the country to war on the erroneous grounds that Iraq possessed weapons of mass destruction.

"Hindsight alone is not wisdom," Bush said. "And second-guessing is not a strategy."

In an unscripted moment, anti-war activist Cindy Sheehan, the mother of a fallen

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## Congress may chop financial aid by \$12.7B

By **DANIELLE NOVY**  
 SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Federal financial aid for college students could be cut by \$12.7 billion today if Congress passes the measure to adjust funds, according to research conducted by the Campaign for America's Future.

The cuts in financial aid are embedded in the fourth version of Bill S.1932, in an act tagged as the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005.

The measure passed through the Senate in a 51 to 50 vote, with Vice President Dick

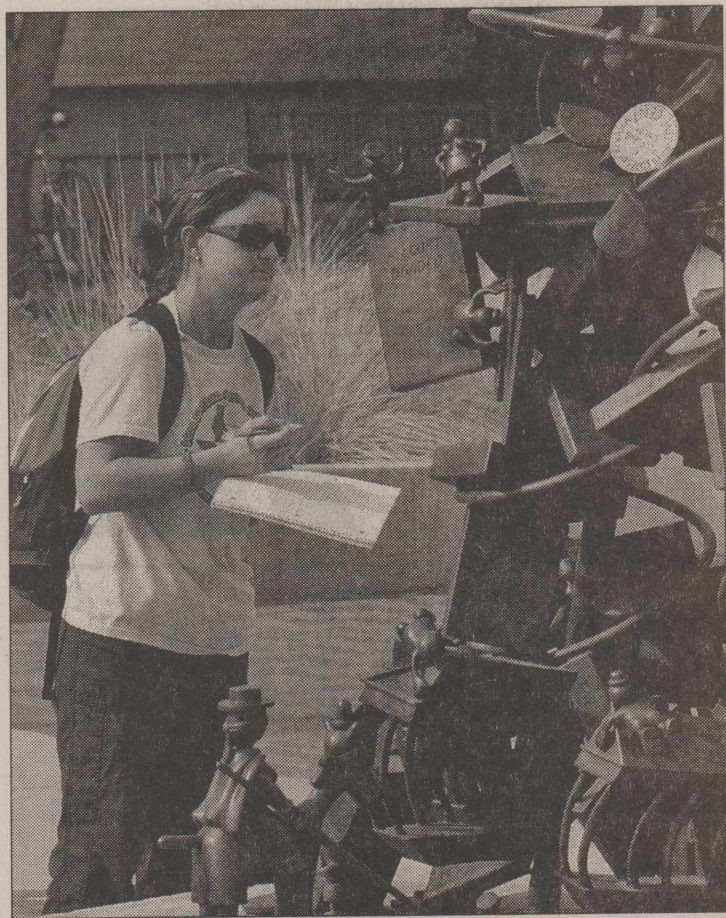
Cheney's casting the deciding vote, according to *Associated Press* reports.

Toby Chaudhuri, communications director for Campaign for America's Future, said as Congress reconvenes, one of its first orders of business is to vote on a budget plan that will make it hard for families to pay for college.

"Financial barriers should never stand between a qualified students a college education," Chaudhuri said in a telephone

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TECH TORNADO



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NIKKI SHUPING, A junior English major from Lubbock, critiques the "Tornado of Knowledge" sculpture Tuesday afternoon outside the Student Union Building for her art appreciation class.

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Texas Tech and Lubbock police blotters

**Jan. 23**  
 A Texas Tech police officer responded to a fire alarm, which occurred in the basement of the Education building. The building was evacuated after low pressure caused a fire alarm.

A Tech police officer investigated graffiti, which occurred on the northwest side of the Student Union Building. An obscene picture was spray painted on the building.

A Tech police officer investigated criminal mischief, which occurred in the first floor study room of Bledsoe Hall. A window was broken.

**Jan. 24**  
 A Tech police officer investigated an assault involving two employees, which occurred at the Physical Plant Central Warehouse.

A Tech police officer detained a student for public intoxication, which occurred in the north service drive of Carpenter/Wells. The subject was released to a responsible party pending the filing of charges with Judge Blackburn's office.

**Jan. 25**  
 A Tech police officer responded to a 911 medical emergency, which occurred in the Education building. A female employee was unconscious for a short period of time. She regained consciousness and was transported to the University Medical Center room by Emergency Medical Services.

A Tech police officer investigated

harassment, which occurred at the Red Raider Club. An employee received unwanted e-mails.

A Tech police officer investigated criminal mischief, which occurred at the Dairy Barn grain tower. There was graffiti on the wood panel covering the window of the grain tower.

A Tech police officer responded to a report of a loud party in Bledsoe Hall. A student was detained for possession of alcohol by a minor. The student was issued a Lubbock County citation and released. The officer also documented that several students in the room violated the Code of Student Conduct by consuming alcoholic beverages on campus.

A Tech police officer investigated criminal mischief to a flowerbed near the south service drive of the Carpenter/Wells Complex. Landscaping and the sprinkler system were damaged.

**Jan. 26**  
 A Tech police officer performed a welfare check of a non-student male sleeping in a parked vehicle in the Z-3 parking lot. The student who owned the vehicle provided a consent search.

During the search, a smoke pipe with marijuana residue was found. The owner of the vehicle admitted ownership of the smoke pipe. The owner was detained and released after being issued a Lubbock County citation for possession of drug paraphernalia.

A Tech police officer responded to a 911 medical emergency, which occurred at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center. A student suffered a possible broken nose while playing racquetball. Emergency Medical Services transported him to the University Medical Center emergency room.

A Tech police officer documented

suspicious activity on the east side of the Administration building. A student organization was observed conducting a group activity that appeared to be out of the norm. The adviser was notified of the incident.

A Tech police officer responded to a medical assistance call at Sneed Hall. A 21-year-old student called 911, because of his level of intoxication, and was concerned of his own safety. He refused assistance from Emergency Medical Services. The student remained in his room under the supervision of the Community Adviser.

**Jan. 27**  
 A Tech police officer investigated criminal mischief, which occurred on the south side of the Career Center. A cigarette urn was knocked over and damaged.

A Tech police officer issued a criminal trespass warning to a non-student at the request of the dean of the human sciences department after the individual was released from Tech employment.

A Tech police officer investigated a theft, which occurred at the Softball/Tennis Complex locker room on Jan. 24. \$120 was taken from an unsecured locker.

A Tech police officer detained a non-student, for possession of alcohol by a minor, which occurred in the Z-4 parking lot. The non-student was issued a Lubbock County citation and released.

**Jan. 28**  
 A Tech police officer responded to a 911 medical emergency, which occurred in Wall Hall. A male student was reportedly suffering from alcohol poisoning. Emergency Medical Services for further treatment transported the male to University Medical Center

Emergency Room.

Lubbock police officers investigated an aggravated robbery that occurred at the EZ Pawn store on 50th Street. A suspect allegedly entered the business and pointed a handgun at the victim and demanded money. He then reportedly demanded the victim's car keys and fled the scene in the victim's vehicle. Police shortly afterward observed the victim's stolen minivan and pursued the suspect north on IH-27 to Hale Center. The suspect then struck a moving train in further attempts to evade police. The suspect sustained minor injuries, which were treated and he was taken to The Lubbock Police detention facility for booking.

**Jan. 29**  
 A Tech police officer investigated harassment, which occurred at Wall Hall. A student received numerous harassing phone calls from her ex-boyfriend.

Lubbock police officers investigated an aggravated assault, which occurred at the Town and Country gas station on 34th Street. Suspects and victims allegedly got into a fight inside the store. The suspects began firing a weapon inside and outside the store. Front windows and doors along with a gas pump and the ceiling were all hit by gunfire. Nobody was hit with gunfire, but two victims were treated for injuries involving broken glass projected into the victims' eyes. The two black male suspects were not located when officers arrived. The incident was noted as possibly gang related.

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# City Council votes to allocate additional funds to help citizens pay utility bills

By MICHELLE CASADY  
STAFF WRITER

In light of the recent deaths of two elderly Lubbock citizens, the City Council held a special call meeting at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday.

The couple, Alfredo and Adita Quiroz, reportedly froze to death in their home because they were unable to pay their energy bill.

After hearing of the deaths, Councilman Tom Martin suggested extra funds be found to aide citizens in similar situations.

Mayor Marc McDougal put Councilwoman Linda DeLeon and Councilman Floyd Price at the helm of the project.

"When Floyd and Linda presented this morning, they had found \$30,000 left over from the franchise tax that we could use for utility assistance programs," McDougal said.

The city has had programs like this in place for several years.

"With the rising cost of energy, we saw a large need for aiding the utility assistance programs," said community development director Bill Howerton.

The programs in place come from the federal government and trickle down into the localities.

The Federal Department of Health and Human Services gives funds to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

From there, the money is distributed to the different comprehensive energy assistance programs in the different counties.

The city of Lubbock distributes the funds they receive to two different organizations.

Those organizations are Lutheran Social Services and Catholic Family Services.

"In the meeting the Council voted to distribute \$15,000 to Lutheran Social Services and \$15,000 to Catholic Family Services," Howerton said.

To take advantage of the utility assistance programs offered by the city, a resident simply has to dial 211 and can be directed on where to go for help.

"From January to November of 2005, we helped approximately 1,000 citizens with the utilities assistance programs," said Joe Rangel, contract

coordinator for the department of community development.

McDougal said though he is happy with the amount allocated to aid these programs, he wishes there was more.

"We knew there would be some extra dollars, we just weren't sure how much," he said. "It's a really good program. Hopefully we'll be able to help over 200 families with the money."

Federal aid for the programs has been shrinking and the cost of energy has been rising.

"Money from the government for almost all programs has been decreasing for the past eight years," McDougal said. "We have had more requests, more good requests than we had dollars to spend."

This program is cost-free to Lubbock residents. The Lutheran Social Services and the Catholic Family Services were chosen because of their histories with the city and the fact they have been awarded grants from the state of Texas in the past.

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# Black History

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tory this month, but he said he feels the impact of Black people everyday.

"I personally believe in celebrating Black history all year long," he said.

James Joiner, a sophomore pre-law major, said he believes people should be thinking about how far black people and all people have come in the fight for equality.

"Just the struggle and what we had to overcome at the time of the civil rights movement — I'm sure every black family was (involved) during those times," he said. "I applaud them for all they've done, and I wish I was there to help them."

Joiner said those who fought and continue to fight for equality are "up there at the top."

Changes still need to be made,

Blue said, as the fight for equality continues in the black community, locally and nationally.

"I would like to see less African Americans arrested," he said. "I would like to see more African Americans in school."

Blue said the Black Students Association will be doing a couple of social projects and community service events such as going to an elementary school, hosting Black History Week beginning Feb. 19 and hosting a black poetry night.

He said he believes Black History Month is "a chance to acknowledge how far we've come, and how far we need to go."

His philosophy for celebrating his heritage is simple.

"To pull together is to avoid being pulled apart," he said quoting Rev. Jesse Jackson.

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# Woodruff, Vogt transported to U.S.

ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, Md. (AP) — Wounded ABC anchorman Bob Woodruff and cameraman Doug Vogt arrived in the United States on Tuesday for treatment at a Navy hospital for the wounds they suffered in Iraq.

They were airlifted from the U.S. military base in Ramstein, Germany.

The journalists were among patients on a C-17 military evacuation plane that arrived at Andrews Air Force Base. Woodruff and Vogt were then taken by bus to the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda.

David Woodruff said Tuesday on ABC's "Good Morning America" that his brother's condition was "markedly" better Tuesday morning.

"That just doesn't hold water," he said. "It just makes for good politics."

The polarized debate on educational funding between the two sides of politicians, including those representing the Lone Star State, will be dealt with in Congress today.

Karen Modlin, the press secretary for Joe Barton, representative for the 6th district of Texas, said Barton is planning on voting in favor of the bill.

"He will be supporting it," she said, naming his involvement in other committees, such as one aiming to reduce wasteful spending in Medicaid, as the reason.

Chaudhuri said the vote within the House would probably be close. "Congress is very split," Chaudhuri said. "This decision will affect every student in America."

For more information on the bill, visit [www.loc.gov/index.html](http://www.loc.gov/index.html).

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# Financial Aid

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interview.

The bill's proposed \$12.7 billion cut in student financial aid, the biggest cut in U.S. history, will have an effect on all U.S. students, he said.

"America will only retain its world economic leadership if it invests in higher education," Chaudhuri said. "Other countries are making very aggressive academic investments and they are paying off for them."

He said this piece of legislation exposes the Republican agenda, while additionally providing lawmakers with the opportunity to decide if they stand behind everyday working families, who are the ones that will take the brunt of the cuts if the bill is passed.

Meanwhile, Steve Forde, spokesman for the Committee on Education and the Workforce, conversely said the bill could make the federal

student financial aid program more efficient by reducing lender subsidies.

"Excess subsidies known as 'floor income,' (or) any rate higher than the guaranteed minimum, will be eliminated and federal insurance against defaulted loans will be reduced by 1 percent," Forde said.

The money saved by trimming costs in certain areas is meant to help reduce the national deficit, he said.

There are additional benefits students will see in the near future if the measure is passed, Forde said.

"It will raise the annual maximum amount that students can take out with these types of loans," he said.

Chaudhuri said Republicans in Congress are claiming they want to reduce the national deficit by cutting funding for federal financial aid, but they are preparing a bill that would give tax breaks to the wealthiest Americans.

In response, Forde said the two issues have no correlation.

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"There are 25 offices across the state of Texas," said Anthony Badke, a resource program specialist.

If the caller selects 2, they can receive information about food stamps, Medicaid, Children's health insurance programs and several other state of Texas ben-

efits and services. Pressing 2 also will connect the caller with someone in a local office.

"Right now this is only offered in and around the Austin area, but should be available here (Lubbock) sometime in October," Badke said.

Pressing 3 is reserved for persons wanting to report fraud or abuse of any kind. Dialing 3 will connect the caller with the Inspector General

for the state of Texas.

The 211 service is available to help citizens with all health and human services needs. It is a toll-free number, and is available 24 hours a day and seven days a week.

For more information visit [www.211texas.org](http://www.211texas.org).

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## Sick in college? See Dr. Williams

When I find out my friends, colleagues and classmates are "under the weather," it makes me sad. Since I am an expert on everything, the advice this fifth-year senior has for anyone sick in college is simple. Go see Dr. Williams. By Dr. Williams, I don't mean my favorite physician at Thompson Hall.

I now have come to the conclusion the cure-all for everything in college is Evan Williams. Who is Evan Williams? What is Evan Williams? You know that you know. Evan Williams is the cousin to Jim Belushi's college favorite: Jack Daniel's.

That's right — cheap bourbon whiskey is the cure all for any college sickness, illness or ailment. This is of course with the exception of herpes. Cheap bourbon whiskey can actually perpetuate herpes as well as other STDs.

I came to this conclusion before a concert the other weekend. After I witnessed a student who spent a day vomiting everything they ate that day, I watched the same student take a shot of the cheapest bourbon whiskey they could buy at the bar. Miraculously, they then felt great.

I realized, in the middle of an acoustic set, modern medicine is missing a crucial link. Now, under no circumstances should someone use medicine

**Clara Cobb**



irresponsibly or abuse medicine, such as whiskey. But I cannot deny its influence on a college student's health. College students get sick often, and whiskey is always readily available.

Cheap bourbon whiskey prevented another student from having mono for the third time. That's right — the third time. A college student's immune system, in the best-case scenario, is seriously as effective as a bowl of oatmeal.

Mono is the only case where cheap bourbon whiskey actually cures an STD. A student was diagnosed with mono on a Thursday and decided they weren't going to accept the mono diagnosis until Monday. Sure enough, on Monday, the student actually had drunk the mono away.

Any college student who has lived in the germ cesspool known as the residence halls has felt flu-like symptoms. High fever, achy pains, sore muscles — believe me when I tell you, I have seen incredibly ill students jump out of bed at the very mention of whiskey.

Common cold? Strep throat? Sure,

you can call at 4 a.m. on Monday morning to get on the Thompson Hall waiting list and maybe get an appointment in before Friday at 6 p.m. Or, you can just frequent your friendly neighborhood local bar or liquor store. I'm sure your 8 a.m. class professor will understand when you bring in your empty bottle instead of a "legitimate doctor's note."

Another instance of bourbon being a cure-all is using it as a substitution method for birth control. While using whiskey as birth control, remember to keep the appropriate body parts wrapped as whiskey again, does not prevent nor cure herpes.

This may sound crazy, and I have never personally tried this, but I know from close personal vicarious experience and being an expert on everything since apparently alcohol thins your blood, it also can post-poner your period ladies. This information is especially useful if you have a long-distance boyfriend.

On occasion, I have seen another magical substance used to cure college ailments and illnesses. This amazing elixir commonly is known as tequila. However, tequila's homeopathic medicinal qualities are nothing compared to that of whiskey. Whiskey is the most amazing of Codines, and tequila is just Adderal.

Screw your campus Quack Shack

and take my advice. I'm serious. Cheap bourbon whiskey can kill all viruses and bacteria as long as the bacteria/virus is inside your body. Whiskey is for internal use only (this also is why it is ineffective against STDs). I am, however, convinced if whiskey could be concentrated into a cream form, it could cure herpes, including herpes of the mouth.

The recommended dose is two shots, but feel free to take two more shots every 30 minutes until proven effective.

Remember, if you are going to use the cheap bourbon whiskey, don't be cliché, and lose the pearl-snap shirt. Also, this amateur doctor recommends you not pay more than \$2 per shot or \$10 per bottle.

Author's note: The content of this column is not to be taken seriously. Don't drink underage. Don't binge drink. And please, don't think whiskey actually can cure anything or that believe that I believe it can. *The Daily Toreador* and Student Media does not condone, support or encourage the use of alcohol, underage or irresponsible drinking. Nor do I — unless it's really entertaining.

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### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

## Kopf column defends immoral stances of Democrats

In her column, "Democrat Stereotypes Ignorant," Abbie Kopf makes a desperate attempt to claim the Democratic Party is just misunderstood. She wants all of us to believe that Democrats actually "support our troops." But, all we have to do is listen to what they say about our troops.

I could quote senators Dick Durbin, John Kerry, Ted Kennedy and *Toreador* columnist, Dave Ring, if you need examples. The Democrats, almost in unison, overplayed the Abu Ghraib incident to make our troops look like savages, but when good news comes out of

Iraq (which is nearly every day), they are silent. Every Democrat interviewed after the second successful Iraqi election was noticeably disappointed that it went so well. If Democrats are pulling for a U.S. victory in Iraq, they have an odd way of showing it.

I wasn't surprised to see that Kopf was proud that her party supports gay marriage. She actually claims that homosexual couples are discriminated against by not being allowed to marry. How ignorant is that? Wouldn't the definition of marriage have to be changed before that would

be possible?

I am bothered that Democrats want to belittle and trivialize the sanctity of marriage this way. Maybe the importance that family plays in a great American society just isn't seen by the Democrats.

Kopf actually claims that Democrats are not pro-abortion, and they are pro-choice. Then why is it that Democrats are doing everything possible to increase the number of abortions? They are not in support of a 24-hour waiting period, parental consent and are absolutely against religious counseling before the abortion

takes place. Believe it or not, 55 percent of Democrats in congress are for partial-birth abortion. Democrats most definitely are pro-abortion.

Many stances the Democratic Party takes are against my morals as well as many other Americans. Kopf can try to justify it anyway she wants, but in the end being anti-troops, pro-gay marriage and pro-abortion is wrong.

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### VIEW FROM THE BIG 12

## Bush's cut to loan program detrimental to students

By NEIL SPECTOR  
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(U-WIRE) LAWRENCE, Kan. — For once Kansas State University got something right.

During the president's visit to Manhattan on Jan. 23, a KSU student did something that not everyone in the world was able to do: She questioned her leader.

According to the Los Angeles Times, the question was "Recently, \$12.7 billion was cut from education, and I was just wondering, how is that supposed to help our futures?"

The president responded as if he were confused, and it seemed that he couldn't hear the question. It wasn't until after the student repeated her question that she got an answer that neither she nor the rest of the audience expected.

The same Times article reported that President Bush responded by saying, "I think what we did was reform the student-loan program. We're not cutting money out of it. In other words, people aren't going to be cut off the program. We're just making sure it works better."

When I realized that this was the intention of the president, I had to laugh.

I laughed because the new plan does more than just cut the budget for federal student loans; it also increases the interest rates of current loans. How is this making things better?

Through this budget cut, funds are not only being taken away from student loans but also from single mothers and foster parents, among other people. How can the president live with himself knowing that he is providing a tax break for people who have an annual income of more than \$1 million? Does he know that there are many other people out there who have a greater need for that money? If he did, this

plan would not exist.

This whole arrangement is not smart at all. It has the sole intention of taking from the needy and giving to the rich. Where is the justice in that? Why take away from the people who have legitimate needs while others who have more than enough receive a break?

George Bush is in his second term and he is doing things to prove to everyone that he nothing left to lose. Only a President with nothing left to lose could support such a plan, as he no longer needs support of the American people. If he did, a plan like this would be nowhere on his radar.

## Drama in January

Trouble with 'Full House', Saddam and Nagin make for interesting month

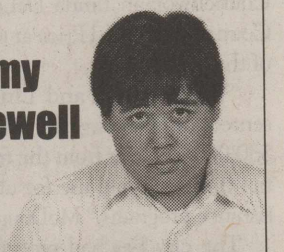
We're only one month into the new year, and all signs are pointing toward 2006 being the craziest year in the history of modern humanity. Three weeks ago I wrote a column predicting what would happen in the coming year, but with this year already off to an auspicious start for a dilettante (Google it) such as myself, it leaves me with a plethora of column opportunities for the week. So many that I can't decide between them (that would be like trying to pick one of my children). I know, I don't actually have any children, but I mean that in a way similar to my favorite joke — I did not lose a leg in Vietnam to be scrutinized in this manner. I know what you're thinking, "you have both your legs Jeremy," to which I say, that's right, I did not lose a leg in Vietnam. And since I am marked with such indecision, I will instead write several shorter "columns" and hope that Mr. Hershberger thinks it's all right (Mr. Martin graduated).

1. Jodie Sweetin is in rehab for methamphetamine addiction — I couldn't believe it either. If Stephanie Tanner and her millions of dollars in royalties cannot resist the allure of drugs, what chance is there for the rest of society? Does anyone else find it odd that every member of the cast of "Full House" has seemingly been cursed with a lack of success? John Stamos has a terrible show on ABC (sound familiar?). Dave Coulier is on a terrible reality show (sound familiar?). The Olsen twins lost their career the minute they turned 18, Bob Saget is creating a parody of "March of the Penguins" and Candace Cameron has given up acting in favor of a Web site that tells people they are all going to hell. The "Full House" curse, you read it first in *The Daily Toreador*.

2. Saddam Hussein decides to throw a teenage girl style "hissy fit" in the middle of his war crimes trial. I guess it was wishful thinking to believe that Saddam would "go gently into that good night". However, I thought he would be a little more sedated than he is currently — especially since he was found hiding in a ditch and has since had photos published that show him in his underwear (their color was not especially flattering). The sad thing is that he legitimately believes he will regain his leadership of Iraq.

3. Mayor Ray Nagin decides to use Martin Luther King Jr. Day to proclaim that New Orleans was destroyed because God is mad at America and that it should be rebuilt as a chocolate city. So the obvious question is, won't the

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chocolate melt in the summer? That is, unless they cover it in a candy shell, that as everyone well knows, will require that the buildings be in your mouth in order to melt, as they will certainly not do so in your hands. I don't understand how a city made out of M&M's could withstand the force of another hurricane without being reinforced with concrete, which would then, in turn, render the city completely inedible. What's the point of a chocolate city if you can't eat it?

Nagin later clarified his comments by offering a small insight into how chocolate is actually made. "How do you make chocolate? You take dark chocolate, you mix it with white milk, and it becomes a delicious drink. That's the chocolate I'm talking about." I'm glad he cleared that up, I didn't know he was talking about Yoo-Hoo. He obviously wants to prevent another flood by fortifying the city of New Orleans with the five vitamins and two minerals found in that nutritious and delicious chocolate drink. Not to mention Riboflavin, which I'm pretty sure is the same thing as plywood.

All this talk about fortification and chocolate has made me wonder what should be used to rebuild Lubbock should the unthinkable happen. We can't use chocolate since that's taken by New Orleans. What about life savers? The shape seems like that it would be too easily carried away by the harsh winds of the Llano Estacado. Add in the grotesque aroma that would be emitted when those fruit flavors combine with the cattle smell that permeates the air, and you can see why that's a bad idea. What about the Licorice city? I don't really like licorice because it tastes like feet and since I'm making this decision, it's out. Lubbock is a city that you criticize as just taking up space, until its not there. It is overlooked and often taken for granted, but is a necessary part, equal to its more publicized counterparts.

Lubbock — the nougat city.

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# Activist Coretta Scott King dies at 78

"First Lady of Civil Rights movement," MLK's widow remembered, mourned

ATLANTA (AP) — Coretta Scott King, who worked to keep her husband's dream alive with a chin-held-high grace and serenity that made her a powerful symbol of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s creed of brotherhood and nonviolence, died Tuesday. She was 78.

The "first lady of the civil rights movement" died in her sleep during the night at an alternative medicine clinic in Mexico, her family said. Arrangements were being made to fly the body back to Atlanta.

She had been recovering from a serious stroke and heart attack suffered last August. Just two weeks ago, she made her first public appearance in a year on the eve of her late husband's birthday.

Doctors at the clinic said King was battling advanced ovarian cancer when she arrived there on Thursday. The doctors said the cause of death was respiratory failure.

News of her death led to tributes to King across Atlanta, including a moment of silence in the Georgia Capitol and piles of flowers placed at the tomb of her slain husband. Flags at the King Center — the institute devoted to the civil rights leader's legacy — were lowered to half-staff.

"She wore her grief with grace. She exerted her leadership with dignity," the Rev. Joseph Lowery, who helped found the Southern Christian Leadership Conference with King's husband in 1957.

Former Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young, one of Martin Luther King's top aides, said Coretta Scott King's fortitude rivaled that of her husband. "She was stronger than he was," Young said.

Coretta Scott King was a supportive lieutenant to her husband during the most dangerous and tumultuous days of the civil rights movement, and after his assassination in Memphis, Tenn., on April 4, 1968, she carried on his work while also raising their four children.

"I'm more determined than ever that my husband's

dream will become a reality," the young widow said soon after his slaying.

She pushed and goaded politicians for more than a decade to have her husband's birthday observed as a national holiday, achieving success in 1986. In 1969 she founded the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change in Atlanta and used it to confront hunger, unemployment, voting rights and racism.

"The center enables us to go out and struggle against the evils in our society," she often said.

She also accused movie and TV companies, video arcades, gun manufacturers and toy makers of promoting violence.

King became a symbol in her own right of her husband's struggle for peace and brotherhood, presiding with an almost regal bearing over seminars and conferences.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, who was with her husband when he was assassinated, said Tuesday that she understood that every time her husband left home, there was the chance he might not come back. Jackson pronounced her a "freedom fighter."

"Like all great champions, she learned to function with pain and keep serving. She kept marching. She did not flinch."

In Washington, President Bush hailed her as "a remarkable and courageous woman and a great civil rights leader."

After her stroke, King missed the annual King celebration in Atlanta two weeks ago but appeared with her children at an awards dinner a few days earlier, smiling from her wheelchair but not speaking. The crowd gave her a standing ovation.

Despite her repeated calls for unity among civil rights groups, her own children have been divided over whether to sell the King Center to the National Park Service and let the family focus less on grounds

maintenance and more on King's message. Two of the four children were strongly against such a move.

Gov. Sonny Perdue ordered flags at all state buildings to be flown at half-staff and offered to allow King's body to lie in repose at the Georgia Capitol. There was no immediate response to the offer, the governor's office said.

King died at Santa Monica Health Institute in Rosarito Beach, Mexico, south of San Diego, said her sister, Edythe Scott Bagley of Cheyney, Pa. She had gone to California to rest and be with family, according to Young.

Coretta Scott was studying voice at the New England Conservatory of Music and planning on a singing career when a friend introduced her to King, a young Baptist minister studying at Boston University.

"She said she wanted me to meet a very promising young minister from Atlanta," King once said, adding with a laugh: "I wasn't interested in meeting a young minister at that time."

She recalled that on their first date he told her: "You know, you have everything I ever wanted in a woman. We ought to get married someday." Eighteen months later, in 1953, they did.

The couple moved to Montgomery, Ala., where he became pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church and helped lead the 1955 Montgomery bus boycott that Rosa Parks set in motion when she refused to give up her seat on a segregated bus. With that campaign, King began enacting his philosophy of nonviolent, direct social action.

Over the years, King was with her husband in his finest hours. She was at his side as he received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964. She marched beside him from Selma, Ala., into Montgomery in 1965 on the triumphant drive for a voting rights law.

Only days after his death, she flew to Memphis with three of her children to lead thousands marching in honor of her slain husband and to plead for his cause.

"I think you rise to the occasion in a crisis," she once said. "I think the Lord gives you strength when you need it. God was using us — and now he's using me, too."

*"Like all great champions, she learned to function with pain and keep serving. She kept marching. She did not flinch."*

— REV. JESSE JACKSON  
Political Activist

## Address

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soldier in Iraq, was taken into custody by police in the House gallery just before Bush spoke to a joint session of Congress. She was escorted from the visitors gallery after she caused a disruption, a Capitol Police official said.

With Congress facing midterm elections in November, there was a partisan mood in the chamber as Bush, hampered by big budget deficits, offered a modest program.

Democrats stood and cheered when Bush said that Congress did not act a year ago "on my proposal to save Social Security." Bush shook his finger and continued, "yet the rising cost of entitlements is a problem that is not going away."

Switching gears, Bush asked lawmakers to join him in naming a commission to examine the impact of Baby Boom retirements on Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid spending.

He declared that "the state of our union is strong" despite Americans' anxieties about the war in Iraq, the economy and soaring energy costs. Oil prices are inching toward \$70 a barrel, throwing a cloud over the economy and pinching Americans' pocketbooks.

Bush called for increased federal research into alternative fuels such as

ethanol made from weeds or wood chips instead of corn.

Virginia Gov. Timothy M. Kaine, chosen to deliver the response for the Democrats, scolded Bush on the soaring national debt, the frustrated effort to rebuild the hurricane-battered Gulf Coast, Medicaid cuts and other issues. On Iraq, Kaine said that Americans were given "inaccurate information about the reasons for invading" and that troops were given body armor that was inadequate.

"The federal government should serve the American people," the newly elected governor said. "But that mission is frustrated by this administration's poor choices and bad management."

Bush's address came amid a changing of the guard elsewhere in Washington. Conservative judge Samuel Alito was sworn in as a new Supreme Court justice, replacing Sandra Day O'Connor, who has been a moderate swing vote. The Senate also confirmed Ben Bernanke to be chairman of the Federal Reserve, replacing Alan Greenspan after 18 1/2 years in the influential job.

Alito was in the House chamber, alongside new Chief Justice John Roberts, another Bush nominee, and Justices Stephen Breyer and Clarence Thomas. The president was applauded 58 times in a speech that ran slightly more than 50 minutes.

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## Implications

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he is Republican.

"If John Kerry were president, there is no way he would have appointed Alito and Chief Justice John Roberts, as well," Goodman said.

Political Science Assistant Professor Kevin Scott said Bush is not the only one to appoint conservative judges.

"Ever since the Reagan administration, Republicans have been trying to appoint conservative judges," Scott said.

Scott said the American Bar Association says Alito is well qualified for the position, so there is no question of skill.

Goodman said Sandra Day O'Connor had a conservative reputa-

tion when she was appointed in 1981. "Some Democrats think Alito is too supportive of executive powers, and question his position on abortion rights," Scott said.

According to media reports, Alito graduated from Yale Law School and was nominated by George H.W. Bush to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit in 1990.

"People are worried about how Alito will interpret the Constitution," Goodman said. "Especially when it comes to abortion rights."

Goodman said Bush might have a chance at appointing another Supreme Court justice.

"Justice Stevens is currently 85," Goodman said. "If President Bush gets a chance to appoint a new member, expect to see huge debates."

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## Alito

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the bench."

"It is a seat that is reserved for few but that impacts millions," said Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist moments before the Senate sealed Alito's place in history as the nation's 110th justice.

Alito, 55 and a veteran of 15 years on the appeals court, watched on television alongside Bush at the White House as the Senate voted.

He was sworn in about an hour later in a low-key ceremony at the Supreme Court building across the street from the Capitol. Chief Justice John Roberts, Bush's first nominee for the high court, administered the oath of office.

Alito's confirmation has been a certainty for days, and all Republicans except Sen. Lincoln Chafee of Rhode Island voted for him. Only four of 44 Democrats voted in favor of confirmation, the lowest total in modern history for an opposition party.

"There is no consensus that he will

allow the court to perform its vital role in continuing the march of progress toward justice and equal opportunity," said Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, leader in a final attempt to derail the nomination that exposed Democratic divisions instead.

Roberts was confirmed by a far wider margin, 78-22, late last year, replacing the late William H. Rehnquist.

Republicans were unanimous in voting for Roberts, and Democrats had split evenly, 22 in favor and 22 opposed.

Roberts was viewed by Democrats as one conservative replacing another. By contrast, Alito is seen by Democrats and outside groups aligned with them as a Reagan-era conservative replacement for a moderate justice whose opinions kept the court centered.

The conservative Family Research Council said it welcomed Alito's confirmation on behalf of those whose "weariness over the court's embrace of judicial activism rallied voters across the country in pursuit of a new course."

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## Sheehan arrested before Union address

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cindy Sheehan, the mother of a fallen soldier in Iraq who reinvigorated the anti-war movement, was arrested and removed from the House gallery Tuesday night just before President Bush's State of the Union address, a police spokeswoman said.

Sheehan, who was invited to attend the speech by Rep. Lynn Woolsey, D-Calif., was charged with demonstrating

in the Capitol building, said Capitol Police Sgt. Kimberly Schneider. The charge was later changed to unlawful conduct, Schneider said. Both charges are misdemeanors.

Schneider said Sheehan had worn a T-shirt with an anti-war slogan to the speech and covered it up until she took her seat. Police warned her that such displays were not allowed, but she did not respond.

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## NOMINATION SPECULATION

... And the Oscar won't go to anyone until March 5, but the Academy buzz begins

Traditionally, the Academy for Arts and Sciences likes to make a point with who it chooses as winners for the Oscars. In 2001, it decided to give recognition to two black actors — Denzel Washington and Halle Berry — in a decision that grew into controversy in later months.

**Jeremy Reynolds**



bles while protesting films such as "TransAmerica" and "Brokeback Mountain," the opportunity for voters to make their mark on gays in Hollywood is rounding the bend and heading for the homestretch.

An all-gay winners' circle is a possibility looking at the nominations for this year, but I wouldn't hold my breath about it.

"Brokeback Mountain" is the obvious front-runner for the best pictures race after nabbing eight nominations and top honors at the Golden Globes. However, compare the winners for best picture from the Golden Globes to the ones for the Oscars, they almost never match up.

Look for George Clooney's film "Good Night and Good Luck" to edge "Brokeback" off at the end of the night. Also do not count out Steven Spielberg's film "Munich" as a serious contender for the top spot.

I know many people are pulling for Heath Ledger to win best actor for "Brokeback," so I'm sorry to be the one who has to drop the bomb. Phillip Seymour Hoffman ("Capote") already has marked the category as his own. His portrayal of writer Truman Capote solidly defines him as the best actor in Hollywood today.

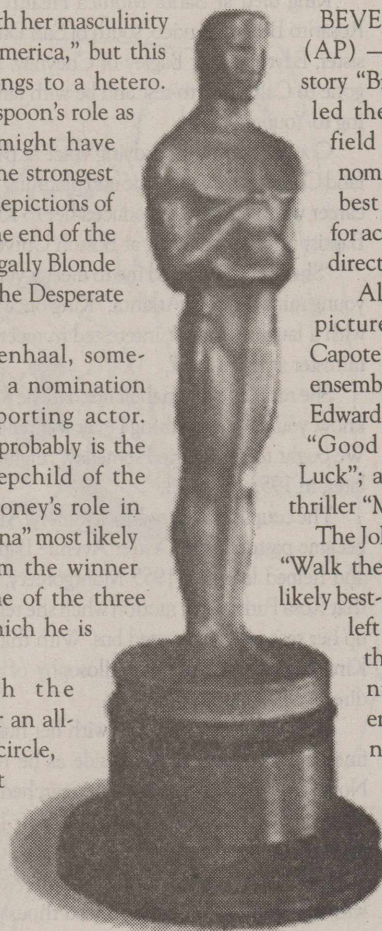
As for best actress, I know Felicity Huffman swooned the Golden Globe

voters over with her masculinity from "TransAmerica," but this category belongs to a hetero. Reese Witherspoon's role as June Carter might have been one of the strongest and dead-on depictions of the year. By the end of the night, Mrs. Legally Blonde will beat out the Desperate Housewife.

Jake Gyllenhaal, somehow, grabbed a nomination for best supporting actor. However, he probably is the redheaded stepchild of the category. Clooney's role in the film "Syriana" most likely will make him the winner of at least one of the three awards for which he is nominated.

Although the table is set for an all-gay winner's circle, do not expect one. Would it somehow change the face of Hollywood if Ledger won best actor for making out with another dude? Absolutely not. The only surefire thing someone can bet on is that gay and lesbian alliances around the country will unite once their hopes of an all-homosexual cast of winners fails.

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BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — The cowboy love story "Brokeback Mountain" led the Academy Awards field Tuesday with eight nominations, among them best picture and honors for actor Heath Ledger and director Ang Lee.

Also nominated for best picture were the Truman Capote story "Capote"; the ensemble drama "Crash"; the Edward R. Murrow chronicle "Good Night, and Good Luck"; and the assassination thriller "Munich."

The Johnny Cash biography "Walk the Line," considered a likely best-picture nominee, was left out of that category, though Joaquin Phoenix and Reese Witherspoon earned acting nominations.

Three films were tied with six nominations each — "Crash," "Good Night, and Good Luck" and "Memoirs of a Geisha," though "Geisha" was shut out in the top categories.

"Munich," which had fallen off many awards analysts' best-picture picks after a lukewarm reception, scored well with five nominations, including director for Steven Spielberg.

"King Kong," directed by "Lord of the Rings" creator Peter Jackson, earned only technical nominations,

losing out in the major categories.

George Clooney picked up three nominations: as supporting actor for his role as a steadfast CIA undercover agent in "Syriana" and best director and co-writer for "Good Night."

It was the first time ever that a contender was honored with acting and directing nominations for two different movies.

Along with best-actor contender Ledger, and directing nominee Lee, "Brokeback Mountain" scored nominations for Michelle Williams as supporting actress, Jake Gyllenhaal as supporting actor and Larry McMurtry and Diana Ossana for their screenplay adaptation of Annie Proulx's short story.

Director Lee said he was gratified at the reception both homosexual and heterosexual audiences have given "Brokeback Mountain," which has proven a steady box-office draw across the country.

"I didn't know there were so many gay people out there. Everywhere, they turn up," Lee said. "More importantly, I think I'm amazed how people everywhere have had the sensitivity to want to get into the complexity of the issue, the probability of love, the illusion of love, all those things. It's not simple things you can categorize as right or wrong."

The acting categories were a mix of familiar Oscar faces such as past winners Judi Dench and Charlize Theron, veterans like Clooney, Witherspoon, Rachel Weisz, David Strathairn and Felicity Huffman gaining their first academy attention, and young performers such

as Williams and Amy Adams as a big-hearted Southern waif in "Junebug."

Philip Seymour Hoffman, the best-actor favorite for his remarkable embodiment of Capote, joined Ledger in the best-actor category. Hoffman has triumphed at earlier film honors, including the Golden Globes.

Along with Hoffman, Ledger and Phoenix, the other nominees were Terrence Howard as a small-time hood turned rap singer in "Hustle & Flow" and Strathairn as newsman Murrow in "Good Night, and Good Luck."

The best-actress race presumably will shape up as a two-woman contest between Huffman in a gender-bending role as a man about to undergo sex-change surgery in "Transamerica" and Witherspoon as singer June Carter, Cash's musical companion and future wife, in "Walk the Line."

Huffman won the Golden Globe for best dramatic actress, while Witherspoon earned the Globe for best actress in a musical or comedy. Witherspoon beat Huffman on Sunday for the best-actress prize at the Screen Actors Guild Awards.

"Brokeback Mountain" led a wave of independent films that scored big in the nominations, instead of the studio fare that normally dominates the Oscars. Other than "Munich," most bigger budget movies that had been on the best-picture radar, such as "Walk the Line," "Memoirs of a Geisha" and "Cinderella Man," were overlooked in the top Oscar category.

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## Lady Raiders look to defend home court as 'Horns come to town

By **TRAVIS CRAM**  
SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

If there is one thing Texas Tech coach Marsha Sharp knows for sure, it's that the Lady Raiders need to protect their home court Wednesday night against Texas.

Tech (9-9, 4-3 Big 12) is coming off a tough road loss to Missouri after winning its two previous contests.

Sharp said there is no question in her mind about how much home court means to the Lady Raiders and what they must do to protect it.

"It's traditionally been one of the home courts that people feel like it gave a great advantage," she said.

But the same holds true when the Lady Raiders head on the road for their away games.

For example, Missouri decided to have a "dollar day" against Tech this past Saturday, where fans could get in for only a dollar in order to help push the attendance up against the Lady Raiders.

Sharp said there might not be a program out there that has played on more promotional nights than Tech has.

This has become a trend in arenas everywhere in order to boost attendance ratings against top-ranked teams or rivalry games.

In men's basketball on Saturday, then-No. 4 Texas played against Oklahoma in Norman, Okla. Fans who attended the game found shirts draped across their seats

that said, "Cheer like a Champion" across the front of the shirt.

OU won the game, handing the Longhorns their first conference loss of the season.

Many Tech fans remember the game against Texas two years ago, a game coach Bob Knight has not forgotten as well.

Red, white and black shirts were set at the seats in the arena, alternating colors by each section to create a sea of colors to hopefully distract the visiting Longhorns.

It did not distract Brandon Mouton, who hit a desperation turn-around three-pointer as time expired to send the game into overtime, and eventually give Texas another win against the Red Raiders.

The Lady Raiders did a similar act this season against then-No. 4 Baylor, giving white shirts to fans to wear during the game, whitening-out the arena as Tech defeated the Lady Bears.

"It's really a compliment to the fan-support teams have," Sharp said.

Although attendance is down from previous seasons, the Raiders and Lady Raiders, for the most part, have been able to win games at home this season, combining for a 17-3 record.

But the same holds true for many Big

12 teams at home this season.

Men's and women's teams in the Big 12 have combined for a 216-52 record at home this season while going 55-82 on the road.

Senior LaToya Davis said much of it is intimidation and how the arena appears when you walk in.

"I think it's kind of scary for teams to come here and play," she said. "Our fans make the place loud and it gets us fired up when we hit our shots."

Texas (11-7, 5-3 Big 12) comes into the contest against the Lady Raiders one game after giving coach Jody Conradt her 880<sup>th</sup> win to make her the second-winningest coach in NCAA history, for men and women.

UT has only one road win this season, and Sharp hopes the trend continues when they enter the United Spirit Arena at 5 p.m. today. She and Davis both know what the game will really come down to — rebounds.

"It is going to be the biggest difference in this game," Sharp said. "We didn't defend the rebound very well against Missouri, and we have to do it here."

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# Cowboys select contractor for new stadium

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have chosen the team that will build a new \$650 million retractable-roof stadium expected to be ready for the 2009 NFL season.

Oklahoma-based Manhattan Construction was selected as the lead contractor to build the stadium. The Cowboys also announced Tuesday that Manhattan Construction will have a strategic alliance with local minority-owned firms Rayco Construction and 3i Construction.

Management from each of the

companies will direct onsite construction.

The 30-acre construction site in Arlington is near the Texas Rangers baseball stadium, which opened in 1994 and was also built by Manhattan Construction. The company built Houston's Reliant Stadium, the Texans' home and the NFL's first retractable-roof facility.

"As a consultant, Manhattan has been a part of our organization as we progressed through the development of this stadium project," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said. "The experience they

have in this type of construction is invaluable."

Construction on the 75,000-seat Cowboys' stadium is scheduled to begin this year. Arlington voters approved paying for half of the project by raising sales, hotel and motel and car-rental taxes, though the team will still be known as the Dallas Cowboys.

The Cowboys have called Texas Stadium in Irving home since 1971. The 65,529-seat stadium, with its famed hole in the roof, was built for about \$35 million.

# Dunk contest set; James says no thanks

NEW YORK (AP) — Atlanta Hawks forward Josh Smith could become the third player to win consecutive NBA slam dunk contests when he participates in the event during All-Star weekend.

Michael Jordan won back-to-back competitions in 1987-88 and Jason Richardson did it in 2002-03.

Joining Smith in contest this year will be Andre Iguodala of the Philadelphia 76ers, New York Knicks 5-foot-9 guard Nate Robinson and Hakim Warrick of the Memphis Grizzlies.

LeBron James, one of the league's premier in-game dunkers, declined an invitation to participate for the third year in a row.

"I'm not a slam-dunk-competi-

tion-type of guy," said the Cavaliers forward, who won the only dunk contest he ever entered as a high school senior. "On the spur of the moment, I can do dunks during the game. I can't think of a dunk before I do it. I'll leave it up to the guys who don't play as many minutes as I do. Those guys can go out there and throw the ball between their legs and stuff."

He doubts that he'll ever enter.

"I don't think so," said James, who plans to participate in the All-Star weekend's skills challenge. "I got the first two years out of the way and that's when you usually do it. I don't want to be defined as being in the slam dunk contest, it's just not me."

Asked to pick a winner, James first mentioned Smith, then Robinson.

"Watch out for him, too, being as small as he is, he could be another Spud Webb."

Webb, a 5-foot-7 guard, won the contest in 1986.

Judges for the event, scheduled for Feb. 18 in Houston, all have ties to the Houston Rockets. Clyde Drexler, Moses Malone, Elvin Hayes and Kenny Smith were all stars for the team and former coach Rudy Tomjanovich led the Rockets to two NBA titles.

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Deerfield Village 3424 Frankford. Green fields, trees, shrubs, and flowers. New Stucco walls, metal roofs, and red tile porches. Recently remodeled. W/D connects in some. Approved pets welcome. New fenced pet park plus another open park on-site. 792-3288. Like nothing else in Lubbock! Ask about specials. Take a virtual tour at [www.lubbockapartments.com](http://www.lubbockapartments.com).

**NOW LEASING**

Close to campus. We have some wonderful 1-2-3 bedroom homes in nice quiet residential areas. Nice appliances & lovely yards. Short-leases available. For info call Ann 795-2011.

**PARK TOWERS**

How high can you rise? Come see us at Lubbock's only highrise. The best view in Lubbock. 14th floor indoor heated pool, underground parking garage! Workout facilities. Penthouses, 3, 2 & 1 bedrooms. Even efficiencies! Close to Tech & Depot District. Lift your standard of living. Park Towers Highrise @ 1617 27th. 806-747-5236. Come enjoy the high life.

**PEPPERTREE**

One, two, and three bedroom available. Beautiful trees, great location, pool, laundry, some fireplaces. Ask about specials. Take a virtual tour at [www.lubbockapartments.com](http://www.lubbockapartments.com). 5302 11th. 795-8086.

**QUAKER PINES**

1 & 2 bedroom townhomes, and flats. New C/H/A. Ceiling fans, patios, beautiful landscaping, pool, laundry, 16th & Quaker. 799-1821.

REDUCED! 6116 b 79th - New Construction - 3/3/2 with built-in appliances - lovely earth tone paint and carpet - great location in rapidly developing area - Freship Schools - \$995.00

REDUCED! 5805 7th - 2/2/2 townhouse with fireplace, central heat/air - Freship schools - \$653.00

1613 B 38th 3/1.5/1cpt for lease - refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, washer/dryer connections - central heat/air - \$595.00 plus utilities

NEW CARPET - 2011 63rd - 2/1/1 house for lease - huge back yard - central heat/air - washer/dryer connections - \$550.00

2 bedroom mobile home in Holiday Mobile Home Park - water paid - 4702 4th #107 - \$450.00

6110 36th #9 - 2/1.5/1 studio duplex - fireplace - w/d connections - wet bar - all electric - \$650.00

REDUCED! 5915 13th - 3/1.5/1 house available for lease - recently redone and looking good! - \$715.00

8304 Geneva - 3/2/2 house available now - \$775.00

1514 42nd - CUTE 2 bedroom, one bath, one car garage house for lease - large back yard - washer/dryer connections - central heat/air - stove and refrigerator - leasing for \$550.00

5719 - 63rd Street - Roomy 3/2/2 just off Frankford - Nice house with fireplace - lots of amenities - fireplace - hot tub - \$1350.00

3212 93rd - 3/2/2 house now leasing - fireplace, nice yard - \$975.00

FRESHIP - 6522 7th - lovely 3/2/2 just off Milwaukee - sprinkler system - all electric - \$1050.00

4616 Erskine - 2/2/1 house for lease - \$650.00

4301 B 58th - 2/2 duplex with 2 living areas - \$750.00

Maureen Gass, Agent 790-3176 [www.lubbockrentpro.com](http://www.lubbockrentpro.com) WestMark Property Management 794-5800

**RENTALS AVAILABLE**

1, 2, 3 bedrooms. Call Century 21 John Walton Realtor Property Management today 806-793-8111.

**RESERVE NOW**

Brand new houses for rent by Lubbock Country Club, 5 minutes from campus. Large porch & yard, tile. 905 Xavier,

# EXPERIENCE

**Student Rec Center Hours**  
**Monday - Friday** 6:00am - 12:00am  
**Saturday** 8:00am - 10:00pm  
**Sunday** 12:00pm - 12:00am

**Aquatic Center Hours**  
**Monday - Friday** 6:30am - 8:45am  
**Saturday-Sunday** 12:00pm - 7:00pm  
 12:00pm - 9:00pm

# Recreational Sports

## FITNESS/WELLNESS

### Start Making Valentine's Plans Now



The Fit/Well has 3 great ideas for Valentine's Day: Register for the Partner Yoga class that will be held on Sunday, February 12 from 6 - 7:15 pm. Cost is \$6 per couple. Register for the Couple's Massage Workshop that will be held on Sunday, February 12 from 7:15-8:30 pm. Cost is \$6 per couple or register for BOTH workshops for \$10! Looking for that great gift for someone special? Buy a Massage gift certificate for an hour massage. Cost is \$35 for members and \$45 for non-members. We have a special Valentine's Day envelope to put it in.

### ClimbYO

What is it? It's a 6-week class that combines yoga and climbing at the wall. Experience with yoga or climbing is NOT required, we will teach you! The cost is \$30 and the class meets on Fridays 10:30a-12p, beginning February 3. Register in Fit/Well today! WE ARE OFFERING A SPECIAL DISCOUNT ON THIS CLASS: \$5 off individual that signs up; \$12 off if you bring a friend and you BOTH sign up at the same time.

### The CHAMPS

- Winners from Friday's All-Nighter Tournaments
- 3 on 3 Basketball Men**  
Ohh Peaches
  - 3 on 3 Basketball Women**  
Who's Next
  - 3 Point Shootout (tie)**  
Josh Payne  
Sean Opperman
  - PlayStation II**  
Nathan Frost
  - Table Tennis**  
Linning Ye (men's comp)  
Avnish Mohan (men's rec)  
Xin Tao (women's comp)  
Kalee Johnson (wom. rec)
  - Squash**  
Daniel Hilario
  - Racquetball**  
Cliff Fedler (men's comp)  
Johnny Kissko (men's rec)  
Lauren Stoffels (wo. comp)  
Leah Rodriguez (wo. rec)
  - Inner-Tube Water Polo**  
We are Pirates
  - Volleyball**  
Crooked Aces (comp)  
Scrubs (rec)
  - Texas Hold'Em**  
Brian Shelton
  - Dodgeball**  
Crips
  - Bouldering**  
Matt Riles  
Ben Stevenson
  - Speed Climbing**  
Matt Riles (men's)  
Sarah Pledger (women's)
  - Slam Dunk Contest**  
Donnell Moore

### Iron Man Triathlon Entries Due Friday

Trying to stay motivated to workout? The Iron Man Triathlon Challenge will test your determination—the object is to complete the Iron Man distances—2.4 mile swim, 112 mile cycle and 26.2 mile run—in 15 days (3 weekends). Indoor and outdoor walking, running and cycling count and so do laps with flippers and pull bouys! Register in the Fitwell by Friday. There is an \$8 fee.

### Weight Training Workshop On Saturday

Do the weight rooms confuse you? Have questions about specific machines or how to work certain muscles? There will be a weight Training workshop on Saturday at 10. The cost is \$3. Register in the Fit/Well.

## AQUATIC CENTER

**Wet Set** – Try to out-swim the sharks, to our newest destination... the Great Barrier Reef! It's not too late to sign up.

Sign up now for **Swim Fit**. Registration is limited so sign up now. Tuesdays Feb. 7 – Apr. 18: 6-8pm; \$30 students; \$40 Rec member

**Youth Learn to Swim Classes** still available. Be sure to sign up your little one before space runs out! Tuesday/Thursday Feb. 14 – Mar. 9; \$32 TTU, \$35 Community.

For more information contact the Aquatic Center 742.3896 or go online to [www.recsports.ttu.edu](http://www.recsports.ttu.edu)!



The actual Winter Olympics may be a few weeks away, but many students tried their skills in the Rec version of the Torino games during the All-Nighter last Friday.



NEXT WEEKEND,  
CHOOSE YOUR ADVENTURES WITH US...

### Amazing campus Race

FRIDAY, FEB. 10

You have not had fun on campus until you participate in Texas Tech Campus wide adventure race. You and your partner will have two and half hours to solve clues about and around campus. The winners of this event will have to use strategy to solve mental and physical challenges in the given amount of time. A trophy will be given to the winning time and door prizes will be raffled off to each time that enters the race.

### TELLURIDE FILM FESTIVAL

FRIDAY, FEB. 10

7PM HUMAN SCIENCES RM. 169 Telluride Mountain Film on Tour returns to Texas Tech for the 3rd year row. This Film festival features the best selections from America's premier festival of mountain, adventure, cultural, and environmental film and video. Don't miss this rare opportunity! Program will include exhilarating and provocative works from around the world.

### CLIMBING COMPETITION

SATURDAY, FEB. 11

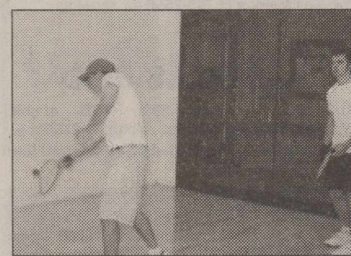
Join us for the 6th Annual Vertical Plains Climbing Competition. The winner of this competition is the climber having the most FUN. There are categories for the 1st time climber to the advance. Each year \$1000's of schwag is given away as door prizes. Come enjoy the company of climbers from around Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

COMPLETE DETAILS AT [RECSPORTS.TTU.EDU](http://RECSPORTS.TTU.EDU)

## INTRAMURALS

### Inner-Tube Water Polo Registration

Only 2 days left to play the wettest, most exciting sport that Intramurals has to offer this semester – Inner Tube Water Polo. Get your friends together, look for your spring break bathing suit, and jump into the Student Rec Center Pool on Sundays – 1st game will not be until the Sunday after super bowl Sunday. No skill needed just bathing suits and a good time.



### Racquetball Anyone?

The NEW Intramural Racquetball League is coming!! The 1st ever spring Racquetball League will be held on Fridays - February 3rd, 10th, 17th, playoffs Feb. 24th & March 3rd. Entries will be taken through 5:00 p.m. on Thursday February 2nd at the Intramural Sports Office, Room 203 of the Rec. Center. You come and sign-up for your own time slot (play times are from 6 pm - 9 pm every Friday). There is no entry fee for you to play so everyone can afford it and we have LEAGUES for everyone. So if you are just learning how to play or a seasoned veteran, sign up and come have an enjoyable evening of Racquetball at the Rec.

Coming Soon!	INTRAMURALS	Entries Due	SPECIAL EVENTS	Event Date	SPECIAL EVENTS	Event Date
		Inner-Tube Water Polo	Feb. 1-2	Triathlon Challenge	Feb. 3-19	Stroke Mechanics Clinic
	Racquetball League	Feb. 1	Group Walking	Feb. 3	Group Running	Feb. 7
	Table Tennis League	Feb. 14	Wt. Training Workshop	Feb. 4	Swim Fit Begins	Feb. 7
	Spring Softball	Feb. 21-23	Long Course Swimming	Feb. 4	Vertical Plains Adv. Fest.	Feb. 10-11

## VANDALISM.

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RAIDER ISLAND SMOOTHIES is the answer for a snack on the run. Stop in and enjoy one of the seven flavors of fresh made smoothies available at the café.

Hospitality services