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Tech students give themselves for others.

**STATE**  
**3 convicted in deadly smuggling attempt**

HOUSTON (AP) — Three members of a ring responsible for the nation's deadliest human smuggling attempt were convicted Wednesday for their roles in the deaths of 19 illegal immigrants who were transported in a stifling tractor-trailer.

The defendants, all U.S. citizens from South Texas, were convicted of conspiracy to harbor and transport illegal immigrants. All face life in prison.

The defendants hid the immigrants in their home and moved them to other stash houses, eventually helping them get to the site where they were loaded into the airtight tractor-trailer for transport to Houston.

In addition to conspiracy, jurors found Victor Sanchez Rodriguez, 58, guilty of eight counts of harboring and nine counts of transporting illegal immigrants; his wife, Emma Sapata Rodriguez, 59, guilty of eight counts of harboring and six counts of transporting; and her half-sister, Rosa Sarraza Gonzalez, guilty of one count of harboring.

The jury deliberated for 13 1/2 hours over four days.

**NATION**  
**New GRE exam format delayed for one year**

(AP) — Students worried about planned changes to the GRE graduate school entrance exam are getting a reprieve: the test's makeover is being pushed back a year — until October 2007.

A new, longer and more expensive version of the GRE General Test, taken annually by 500,000 students applying to graduate school, was supposed to be rolled out this October. But the Educational Testing Service, which writes and administers the exam, said Wednesday that date would be pushed back because of logistical problems.

Most students already take the GRE on a computer, but ETS is switching to a more secure Internet-based system. The change is designed to expand access, but the new version will still be taken only at assigned locations on any one of about 30 test days per year.

For students, the change simply means they will have another year to take the old version — something some experts say is an advantage.

"Based on the severity of the changes, we were recommending students take it before it changes," said Matt Fidler, GRE program manager Kaplan.

**WORLD**  
**Outbreak of deadly bird flu reported in Africa**

LAGOS, Nigeria (AP) — Africa's first outbreak of the deadly bird flu virus was reported Wednesday in a large commercial farm in Nigeria that raised chickens, geese and ostriches, and 46,000 birds were slaughtered.

International health officials called for help to prevent the spread of the disease on the world's poorest continent, where governments are ill-equipped to combat it.

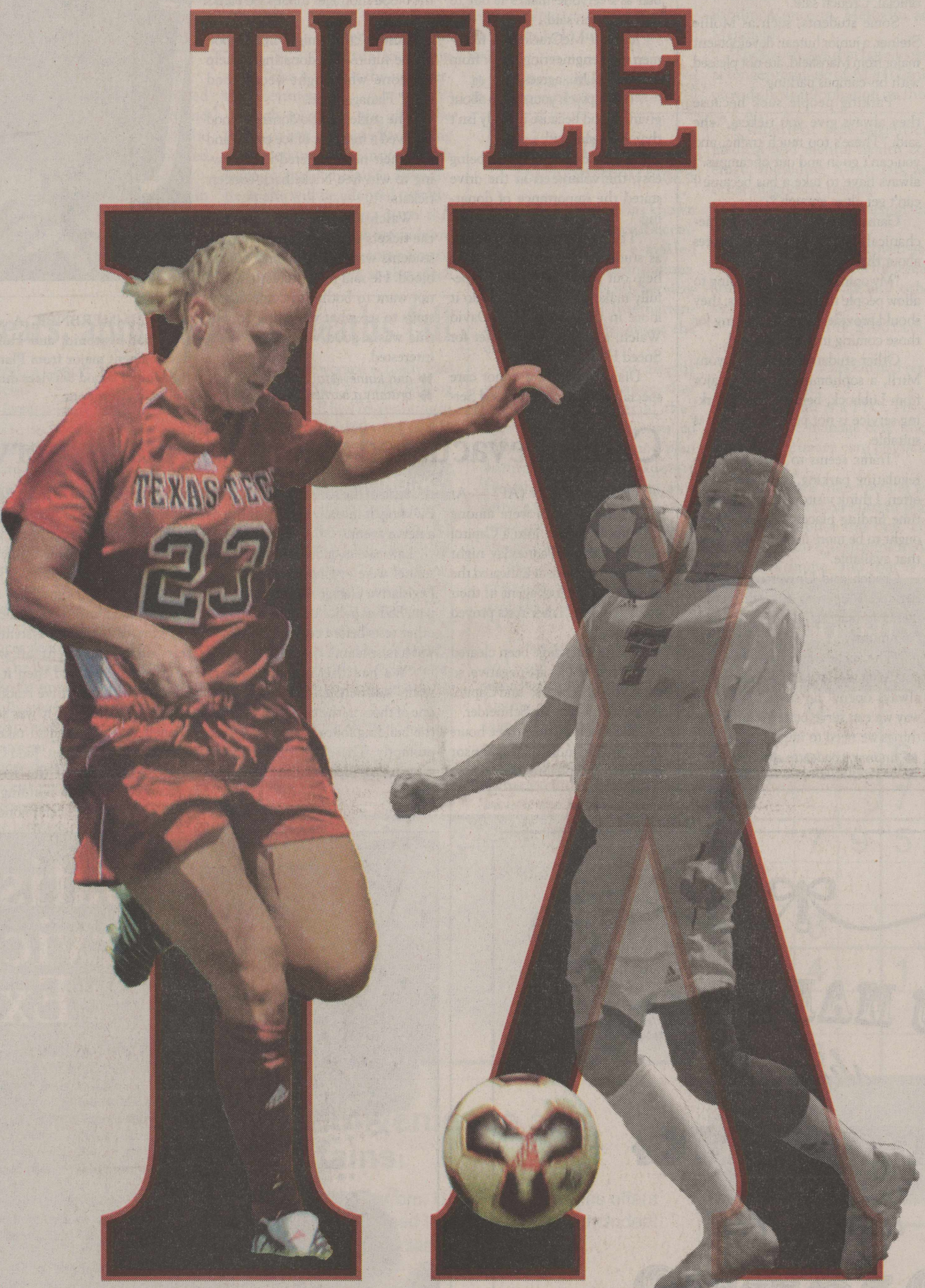
Nigeria said the outbreak was on a farm in Jaji, a village in the northern state of Kaduna. Agriculture Minister Adamu Bello told reporters the deadly H5N1 strain of the virus was detected in samples taken Jan. 16 from birds on the farm.

Nigeria, Africa's most populous nation with 130 million people, said it would work aggressively to halt the flow of any sick birds to unaffected zones.

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**By CARLOS BERGFELD & JEREMY REYNOLDS**  
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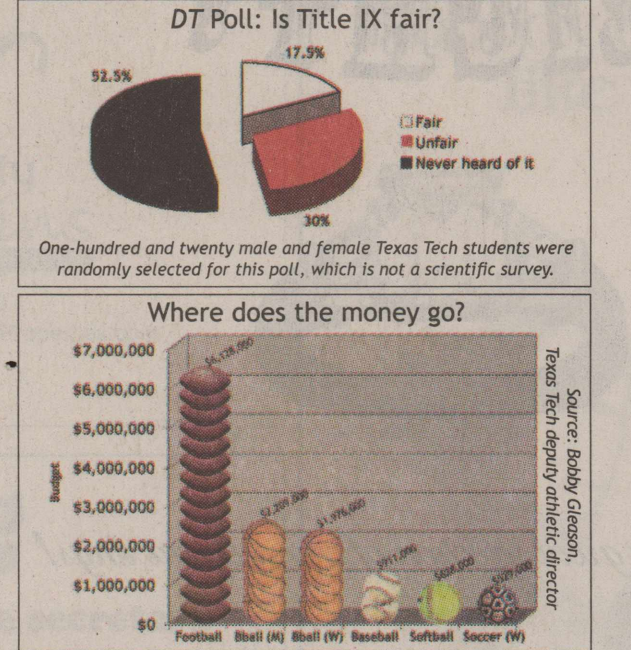
**And by KELLY GOOCH & LINDSAY WHARTON**  
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In February of 1986, men's swimming and diving coach Ron Holihan was on vacation when he received a telephone call from the Texas Tech Athletic Department telling him his program had been canceled.

"That was one of the best years we had at the Southwest Conference Championships," Holihan said. "We had brand new diving boards crated on the deck, ready to install."

Title IX, a federal law passed in 1972, requires colleges to provide equal opportunities to men and women at universities. This often requires schools to cut men's sports, such as swimming, diving, gymnastics and soccer, to have the money to support the women's sports, according to the Women's Sport's Foundation, an organization that strives to further women in sports.

To accommodate for Title IX, Tech had to make some changes to their sports roster, although these did not come immediately after the



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## Covenant breaks ground on hospital for long-term patients

**By LAURA BURRUS**  
STAFF WRITER

Covenant Health Care System broke ground on Wednesday for a new long-term acute care hospital.

The new hospital will be located on 20th Street between Memphis Avenue and Miami Avenue.

Susan Neves, vice president of Covenant Health System, said the new hospital will focus on the needs of patients who require acute care.

"The patients are medically complex patients that usually stay more than an average of 25 days," she said.

According to a fact sheet released by Covenant, this is the first long-term acute hospital in the Lubbock area.

The hospital will cater to the needs of patients who are dependant on life support systems including respiratory and cardiac monitoring, dialysis or ventilators, Neves said.

"Patients in this hospital will usually have something going on in several different areas," she said.

The current hospital does not cater to the needs of long-term stay patients, she said.

"The regular hospital is not really focused on long-term patients," she said. "They do a good job of providing care for them, now, but the new

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## Tech starts to obey '92 insurance regulation

**By MICHELLE CASADY**  
STAFF WRITER

Wednesday marked the beginning of a new, mandatory Texas Tech policy. The university now is requiring all international students to have health insurance.

According to www.internationalstudent.com, it is a United States federal law that all international students have health insurance before a university allows them to enroll.

"It's federal law. International students are supposed to have health insurance. I think it's been federal law since 1992," said John Borrelli, dean of the Tech graduate school.

When asked if Tech had been breaking federal law since 1992, Borrelli said he had no comment, but when asked if this was the first year this policy had been implemented at Tech, Borrelli confirmed it.

"This plan was implemented in a clumsy manner," said Saket Waghmode, a graduate student from India studying biology. "We already have a lot of rules to follow, like we can't work off-campus, and we're running out of options to support ourselves."

Waghmode said he found out about the implementation of the policy Wednesday.

Nayeem Chowdury, a senior electrical engineering major from

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## Lubbock State Rep. Isett to deploy to Iraq

**By BRITTANY BARRIENTOS**  
NEWS EDITOR

Lubbock State Representative Carl Isett announced Wednesday that he's gotten the call of duty, and will be deployed to the Middle East.

The call comes despite recent Associated Press reports stating the number of National Guard and military reservists in Iraq will be reduced by one-third by the end of the year.

According to a statement from Isett's office, he will be assuming a leadership role in a new battalion for the U.S. Navy Logistics Support Group, and will be stationed in Kuwait and Iraq as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Isett, who has served was elected as a member of the Texas House of Representatives in 1996, currently serves on the House Appropriations Committee.

Isett's chief of staff, Robin Blanchard, said Isett was not available for comment, because he currently is in training in Williamsburg, Va.

In his statement, Isett assured residents his district, which includes Lubbock, that he will continue to serve them as best he can.

"While my assignment will take me away from my family, friends and the legislative district I represent... I am confident that I will continue to be able to serve my constituents in the 84th House District," Isett said in the statement.

How he will do this, he ex-

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## Time to say goodbye to Traffic & Parking ... and hello to University Parking Services

By **ANDREW WOOD**  
STAFF WRITER

A Texas Tech department has a new name and hopes it is able to spring a new attitude among students and Tech faculty.

In an effort improve relations and service, Traffic and Parking formally changed its name to University Parking Services last month. The department also changed the business structure.

Better communication is one of the main goals, said Eric Crouch, director of University Parking Services.

"The way we were set up wasn't very conducive to communication," he said.

The department also changed its managerial structure. In a recent news release, Crouch stated that the preceding structure caused communication problems.

All of the department's functions will be operating "under one roof," he said. Representatives who deal with impounded vehicles and parking enforcement will join the rest of the department and no longer will be stationed at the south side of Tech Police Department building.

The scattered services often caused confusion and would send people to the wrong place, Crouch said.

Another reason for the name change was to focus more on parking and less on traffic.

The Tech Police Department deals with on-campus traffic issues more, he said.

"We ended up with people calling, and they would be transferred to the police station," he said.

Crouch said students, faculty and staff would complain after they received different information from different places.

"You'll get the same information, no matter who you ask," he said.

The department wants to form a University Parking Services advisory committee, which Crouch said is the department's "first major step."

As part of the restructuring, many people in the department had their

positions switched around.

Crouch said people could expect more changes in the next few months.

The department plans to host more checkups for vehicles, long-term bicycle storage during the summer and possibly could have a carpooling program.

The department also wants to change the entry stations' appearance to blend in more with campus architecture.

"If you stop and take a look at them, some of them are in pretty bad shape," he said.

Department officials have plans for other major changes, but nothing official, Crouch said.

Some students, such as Mollie Steiner, a junior human development major from Mansfield, are not pleased with on-campus parking.

"Parking people suck because they always give you tickets," she said. "There's too much traffic, and you can't go in and out of campus. I always have to take a bus because I can't get close enough."

Gama Aranda, a sophomore mechanical major from Midland, agrees about the department's flaws.

"My opinion is, if you're going to allow people to live off-campus, they should provide adequate parking for those coming in," Aranda said.

Other students, such as Bryony Mirrl, a sophomore English major from Lubbock, believe Tech's parking service is not perfect, but still is suitable.

"Traffic seems to do a good job regulating parking," she said. "But often, I think visitors have a difficult time finding places to park. There ought to be more information about that available."

Crouch said University Parking Services is open to questions, comments and suggestions from the Tech Community.

"The most important thing for people to know is that my door is always open," he said. "The only way we can serve better is know the things we need to improve."

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## On-campus blood drive draws crowd, but not enough to conquer nationwide blood shortage

By **KATIE KINNEY**  
STAFF WRITER

Sneed residence hall hosted a blood drive held by United Blood Services from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The purpose of the drive was to collect more units of blood for the blood shortage that Lubbock and surrounding areas face.

Jeremy Ferguson, assistant blood donor care supervisor for United Blood Services, said the shortage is pretty much nationwide, not just in Lubbock, and that giving blood is not that difficult.

"Giving blood really isn't as bad as everyone makes it out to be," Ferguson said.

Jennifer McCracken, a freshman civil engineering major from Roswell, N.M., agrees.

"Don't psych yourself up about giving blood because it really isn't that bad," she said.

Besides donating blood being easy, the volunteers at the drive stated the importance of donating.

"I think it's important because as students it is an easy way to help out other people and hopefully make a habit of it and do it more in the future," said David Walch, a community adviser for Sneed Hall.

Diana Franklin, a donor care specialist from United Blood Ser-

vices, said she also hopes for return donors in students.

"If students start a young age, they will be donors for life," she said.

Students donating were signed in by the community advisers and were given a packet to read about donating blood, and were given juice while they waited.

Many of the students at the drive seemed excited about giving blood.

"It doesn't take very long to give blood, and you are giving people something in times of need," McCracken said.

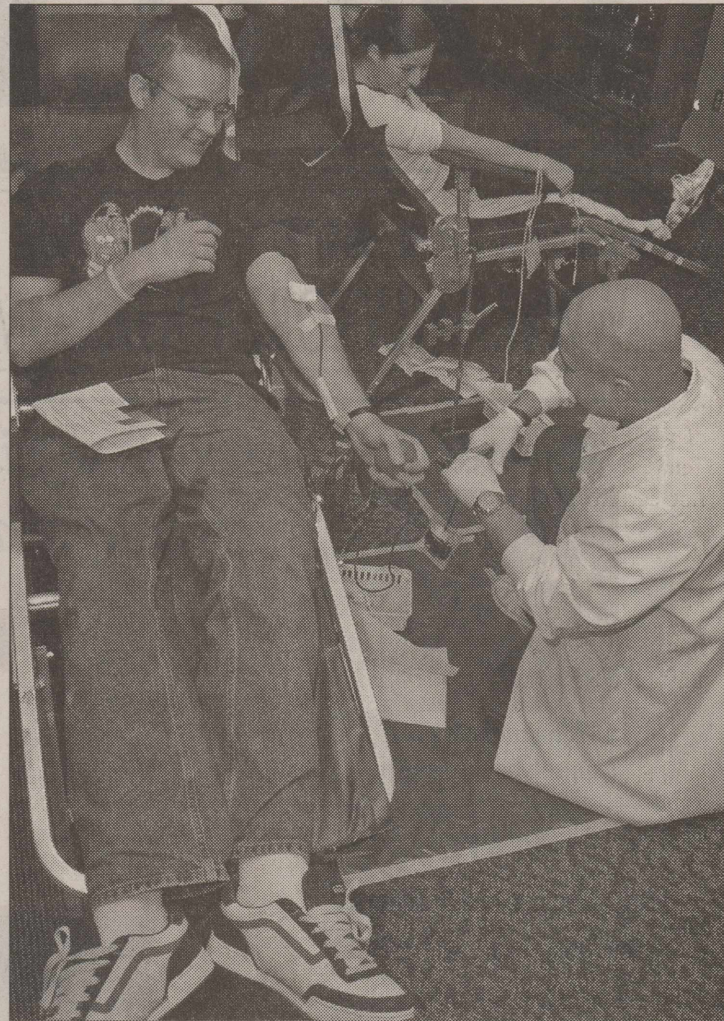
Stacey Flanagan, a freshmen English major from San Antonio, said donating blood was something that needed to be done to help with the blood shortages that blood banks faced.

"Just in case I might need blood in the future, I'm donating to help someone who might need blood now," Flanagan said.

The students who donated blood received a free pint of ice cream and had their name entered in a drawing to win free Nickelback concert tickets.

Walch said the ice cream and the tickets were incentives to make students want to come and donate blood. He said most students would not want to bother to come downstairs to see what was going on, but this was a good way to get them interested.

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JOEL ZIMMERBNER, A sophomore mechanical engineering major from San Antonio, and Holley Jackson, a freshman early childhood development major from Plano, have their blood drawn by Jose Salas of the United Blood Services during the blood drive in the Sneed Hall lobby Tuesday afternoon.

## Capitol evacuated after false alarm nerve agent detected

WASHINGTON (AP) — At least nine senators were among 200 people herded into a Capitol parking garage Wednesday night after a security sensor indicated the presence of a nerve agent in their office building. Later tests proved negative.

"Test results have been cleared and all test results are negative, so that's very good news," said Capitol Police Sgt. Kimberly Schneider.

The all-clear came three hours after an air-monitoring sensor indicated a suspicious substance in

the attic of the Russell Senate Office Building. It initially tested positive as a nerve agent.

Lawmakers, aides and other personnel were evacuated to the West Legislative Garage shortly after 6:45 p.m. EST as police conducted several other tests before concluding that it was a false alarm.

"We had this warning system work," said Sen. Jeff Sessions, R-Ala., one of those in the garage. "People in the building followed the directions promptly. There was no panic, no running, no upset or anything like that."

Police said none of the people

who were evacuated to the garage showed any signs, such as a runny nose, of exposure to a nerve agent. Schneider did not immediately know what triggered the alarm but said it could have been something as innocuous as a cleaning substance.

"One of the alarm systems that tests air quality went off with a positive reading, and then it went off again with a positive reading, so I guess they thought it was serious enough that they had to take very aggressive action," Sen. Judd Gregg, R-N.H., another of the senators evacuated from the building, said while speaking on a cell phone from

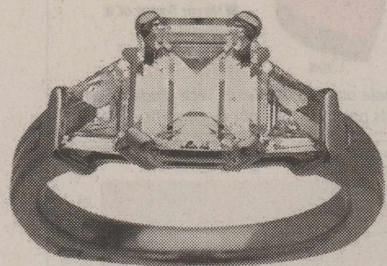
the garage.

Gregg said everyone was eager to go home but understood the need for the delay.

"I started out flying in Air Force One and ended up in the garage with 200 of my closest friends," he said. Earlier in the day, Gregg accompanied President Bush on a brief visit to New Hampshire.

A spokesman for Sen. John Thune, R-S.D., said people tried to leave the area but police directed them into the underground parking garage across the street. There, police distributed water and gave regular updates.

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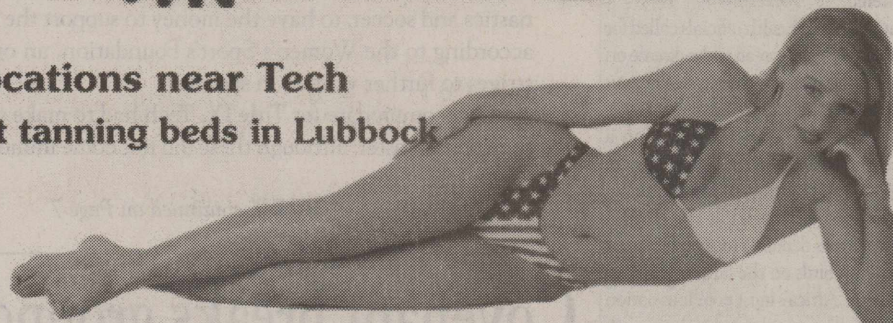
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# Officials explain responsibility of owning pets

## Neglected dog found in shopping cart at local store brings attention to the problem of people abandoning their pets

By DANIELLE NOVY  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

When Hub City pet owners find themselves unable or unwilling to care for their animals, abandoning them in shopping carts or sealed cardboard boxes is the option some households are turning to.

Maggie Durham, an undergraduate adviser in the department of psychology and former president of the Humane Society of West Texas, said many individuals are not certain as to what measures they should take to make sure their pets land in safe hands.

She said when people are fin-

ished caring for their animals, they sometimes simply abandon them in a parking lot or by the side of the road.

"People need to know that taking an animal out into the country or the PetSmart parking lot and leaving it there is really not the thing to do," she said.

Presley Rose, a senior psychology major from Brownwood, said she discovered an abandoned dog in a PetSmart shopping cart said while she was volunteering with the Lubbock Pet Project on Saturday.

Rose said when she noticed some newspapers moving around in the bottom of a nearby cart, she lifted up the paper and discovered a tiny dog walking around.

"There were feces matted up in its fur," she said. "It was very emaciated; the hair was overgrown; it was very skinny and weak."

Durham said judging by the

feces by the dog's side, the animal had been trapped in the cart for several days before it was rescued.

"It's a fairly common occurrence," she said. "People do this all the time; they'll leave cats in taped-up boxes ... this dog was close to death."

Belinda Richardson, founder of the Lubbock Pet Project, said the dog went unseen for several days because she was so small.

"She ended up trapped in a very torturous situation," she said. "She is now at the vet's getting treatment."

Such instances are often the result of pet-owners abandoning their pets with the notion that because their animal is friendly, he or she will be adopted quickly, Richardson said. Yet, often this is not the case. After animals are abandoned, they become scared and will often wait at the place

they were dropped off for their owners to return.

"One time a beautiful golden retriever was left at a park," she said. "It was two months before he was willing to let someone touch him."

Mandy Winton, executive director of the Lubbock Pet Project, said she wants every individual to consider what exactly owning a pet entails before they adopt one.

"Animal ownership is a real responsibility," she said. "It involves time and money."

She said people who are interested in finding a new home for pet can start by putting it in the paper and looking to friends to help find it a good residence.

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# FDA report details 25 deaths in children and adults given ADHD drugs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Twenty-five people died suddenly and another 54 suffered serious cardiovascular problems after taking drugs to treat attention deficit hyperactivity disorder between 1999 and 2003, the government says.

Children accounted for 19 of the deaths and 26 of the cases of nonfatal cardiovascular problems, including heart attack, stroke, hypertension, palpitations and arrhythmia, according to a Food and Drug Administration report released Wednesday.

The report's release came a day before an FDA panel was to discuss new ways of examining the potential cardiovascular risks of the drugs, which include amphetamines such as Adderall, and methylphenidates, sold as Ritalin, Concerta, Methylin and Metadate.

The few studies that have looked at longer-term use of ADHD drugs provide little information on those

risks, the FDA said. The cardiovascular risks include heart attack, stroke, hypertension, palpitations and arrhythmia.

Sales of drugs to treat ADHD have increased sharply in recent years, with use growing at a faster rate among adults than children, according to a recent study by Medco Health Solutions, a prescription benefit manager. Spending on ADHD drugs soared from \$759 million in 2000 to \$3.1 billion in 2004, according to IMS Health, a pharmaceutical information and consulting firm.

Death and injury reports led the FDA's Canadian counterpart, Health Canada, to yank the ADHD drug Adderall XR from the market for six months last year.

A Canadian panel eventually concluded there was inadequate evidence of increased harm from Adderall XR compared with other available therapies—a conclusion the FDA also reached based on data on hand.

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Executive Director  
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# First time in 70 years, annual cancer deaths fall

ATLANTA (AP) — For the first time in more than 70 years, annual cancer deaths in the United States have fallen, a turning point in the war on cancer likely achieved by declines in smoking and better tumor detection and treatment.

The number of cancer deaths dropped to 556,902 in 2003, down from 557,271 the year before, according to a recently completed review of U.S. death certificates by the National Center for Health Statistics.

"Even though it's a small amount, it's an important milestone," said Dr. Michael Thun, who directs epidemiological research for the American Cancer Society.

It's the first annual decrease in total cancer deaths since 1930, according to a cancer society analysis of federal death data.

For more than a decade, health statisticians have charted annual drops of about 1 percent in the cancer death rate — the calculated number of deaths per 100,000 people. But the actual number of cancer deaths still rose each year because the growth in total population outpaced the falling death rates.

"Finally, the declining rates have surpassed the increasing size of the population," said Rebecca

Siegel, a Cancer Society epidemiologist.

Experts are attributing the success to declines in smoking and the earlier detection and more effective treatment of tumors. Death rates have fallen for lung, breast, prostate and colorectal cancer, according to American Cancer Society officials, who analyzed the federal death data.

Those are the four most common cancers, which together account for 51 percent of all U.S. cancer deaths.

The breast cancer death rate has been dropping about 2 percent annually since 1990, a decline attributed to earlier detection and better treatment. The colon and rectum cancer death rate, shrinking by 2 percent each year since 1984, is also attributed to better screening.

The prostate cancer death rate has been declining 4 percent annually since 1994, though the reasons for that are still being studied.

The lung cancer death rate for men, dropping about 2 percent a year since 1991, is because of reductions in smoking. The lung cancer death rate for women, however, has held steady, a sign that reflects a lag in the epidemic among women, who took up smoking later.

The total number of cancer

deaths among women actually rose by 409 from 2002 to 2003. Among men, deaths fell by 778, resulting in a net decrease of 369 total cancer deaths.

### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

(AP) — **CANCER MILESTONE:** The number of U.S. cancer deaths has fallen for the first time in more than 70 years. New data show 556,902 people died from cancer in 2003, a decrease of 369 from the year before.

**THE EXPLANATION:** Smoking is on the decline, and cancer is spotted earlier and treated more effectively.

**SIGNIFICANCE:** Roughly half a million Americans still die each year, but experts see this as a milestone.

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### Insurance

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Bangladesh, said he has known about the policy since December, when he was e-mailed information from organizations, such as Student Health Services and the Office of International Student Affairs, about the changes.

If students do not already have health insurance that meets specific criteria, they then are automatically enrolled in the student insurance plan administered by Academic Health Plans, according to a letter addressed to international students found on the Student Health Services Web site.

The letter also states the premium is \$765 and covers students from Jan. 1 until Aug. 15.

"I'm graduating in May. Why do I need Texas Tech insurance after I graduate? And why am I having to pay for it until August?" Chowdhury said.

The specific criteria current insurance policies held by international students must meet include the following:

- Inpatient and outpatient medical and mental health coverage, including X-ray, lab, and other diagnostic testing.
- Inpatient and outpatient surgery benefits
- Prescription drug coverage
- Maternity benefits for female students covered as any other sickness
- A minimum of \$100,000 in coverage
- Medical evacuation and repatriation benefits
- If the plan is a PPO, HMO, or other type manage care, there must be a primary care physician in Lubbock

"This means many people will have to cancel their current plans just to sign up for this one. Lots of students have health insurance from back home, and that is no

longer valid," Waghmode said.

Many faculty and staff expressed concern about this new policy.

"To me this jeopardizes the moral, at least, of the students. This should have been handled with more notice, more options, and with out the high-pressure sales tactics," said Lewis Held, associate professor of Biology.

While the policy does concern Waghmode, it is not enough to make him unhappy at Tech.

"I am very happy here. I am learning things I couldn't have back home. I just want them to treat us a little better," he said. "We're here to study, we don't want any controversy."

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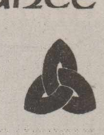
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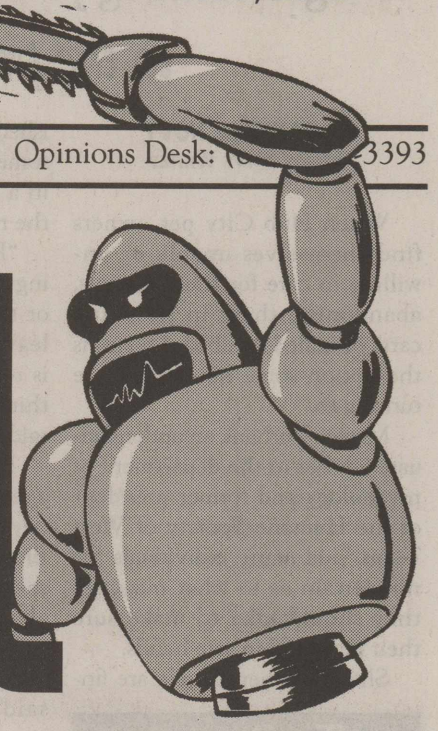
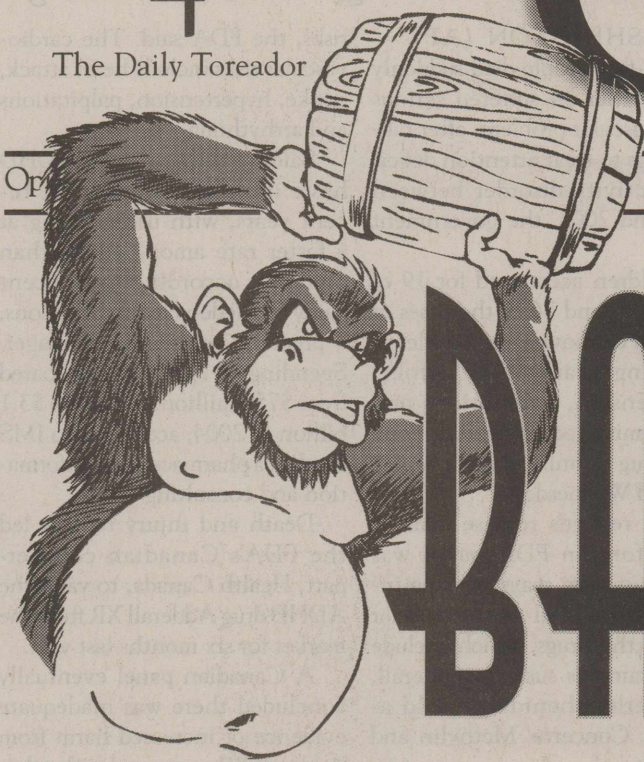
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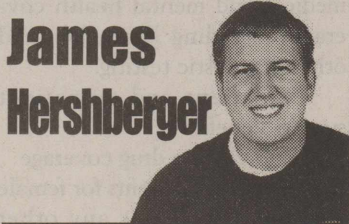


# BATTLE ROYAL

## Bush plan forgets impoverished Private accounts wise for U.S.

What are the American people? Are we a citizenry united by a sense of pride who work together to better our nation, ourselves and those who will follow us? Or are we just a bunch of individuals and families looking out for only our own interests who happen to live in a country with others who we don't really trust or care about?

Ask a conservative that question in regards to the war on terrorism and they might get misty-eyed as they speak of the importance of standing together in the wake of the attacks on our towers on Sept. 11, 2001, the necessity of supporting the war in Iraq for the sake of our boys fighting overseas.



**James Hershberger**

*If he is successful in taking away such an important safety net of social stability, what sort of legacy will Bush be leaving behind?*

Then ask them about it in relation to social security and those misty eyes transform into a sour scowl as they speak about individual responsibility and their resentment of people who make stupid choices.

This is a hypocritical double standard. I believe that true patriots watch out for each other. While I'm not saying I would give a hundred bucks to anyone who asks, I do think we have some obligations to one another. That's why I am pro-troops (though anti-lying about reasons for going to war) and opposed to President Bush's proposed Social Security plan. That's right friends, according to Wednesday's *Washington Post*, the failed reform plan was snuck into the White Houses' latest budget. Even though it's a new year, turning social security into private accounts is still a terrible idea, as it would create more poverty and inequality in the U.S.

With an annual operating costs of about \$570 billion according to their homepage, the Social Security Administration is the U.S. government agency with the largest budget, even bigger than the department of defense. It is however, facing some serious problems. Back when President Franklin Delano Roosevelt created it in 1935, it had three workers paying in for every recipient. Now roughly 16 taxpayers have to pay in to make the measly check that every retiree receives.

In 2005's State of the Union speech, Bush proposed a plan that would radically change Social Security. Rather than be a trust fund, where citizens pay in and receive payments back later, he wants social security to be a private investment project. People would finance high, medium and low risk accounts that they will be able to live off of after they retire.

The plan was met with opposition by both Republicans and Democrats

in Congress and is not considered a 2006 priority by Congressman Roy Blunt, the GOP's House Majority leader. The chances of it succeeding are low.

It lacks support for a good reason. The plan will increase the number of people in poverty. If a guy is barely making a living wage, the amount that he can pay into social security will be very little if any at all. There is a very good chance that this person being foolishly idealistic and/or ignorant about the nature of the market and invest in high-risk accounts. What is that person supposed to do when he turns 70 and he has no money to live on? Sure he made some stupid decisions, but should anyone who doesn't have a master's degree in economics be forced to work full-time until they fall over dead?

So you Bush-fans argue for personal responsibility. That is until fate deals you a rough hand. Imagine working hard at a good job, investing in your medium-risk account that Bush finagled for you, until your sixties. Then your spouse is diagnosed with a lethal disease and the medical costs wipeout your savings. The market takes a turn for the worse and you lose your social security money. Now, you have no options. This hypothetical situation will be a reality for some people if the Bush plan is passed.

The disdain most conservatives have for the poor is disheartening. It seems to me that middle class people have true resentment for those in the lower class. If because of bad financial choices, certain people can't afford rent, food and medical expenses its tough luck for them. Those that say this are the same people who complain about crime rates. They are also the same people who claim to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ.

So if Bush's plan sucks, what is a viable solution? Congress should develop a plan to take a combination of raising the retirement age and taxes and rolling back the tax cuts. If people are living longer, then why shouldn't they be working longer? The amount of time in the workforce should be proportional to the amount of time retired. Some people respond saying that their 65-year-old grandparents are in no condition to work. First, I wonder why these people would then expect someone who has a low-income and made poor investing decisions to work until they die. Secondly, people who are not in condition to work due to old age should file for disability funds. But many senior citizens are still able to work. If 30 is the new 50, then 70 should be the new retirement age.

Additionally, we should raise taxes and contribute them to social security. Now before everyone boos me on the way to the English building, allow me to refer to economist Paul Krugman who said, "extending the life of the trust fund into the 22nd century, with no change in benefits, would require additional revenues equal to only 0.54 percent," the U.S. Gross Domestic Product, which is only "three percent of federal spending" and far less than we have spent in Iraq.

Finally, it is absolutely imperative to discontinue Bush's infamous tax cuts. Taxation is all about sacrifice. When we ask who should bear the brunt of taxes, the small group of wealthy people or the large number of less wealthy people, we should ask what each group will be sacrificing. While wealthy people carrying the burden may have to give up a new luxury car, middle class and low-income people carrying may have to give up sending a child to college or worse.

No one should depend on Social Security for his or her post-work years. It should be a supplement, a little extra, a safety net. If he is successful in taking away such an important safety net of social stability, what sort of legacy will Bush be leaving behind?

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In his second term, President Bush prioritized the necessity of "wise and effective," Social Security reform. He has not provided a detailed plan, but rather, he has given certain guidelines for Congress in the development of legislation for this. Some have accused Bush of the lack of specificity; however, given the vast amount of material on this subject, maybe he was right in vesting most of the power in the diversity of opinions to make an educated reform proposal backed by the general public.

Why is there a problem? Because of life expectancy increasing and the WW11 baby boomers expected to start retiring, the number of people on Social Security will be more than the workforce paying for it. From 2005-2025, the Social Security population will increase 69 percent and the workforce, which is used as the support will only grow 13 percent.

Although there is a surplus of money now, by 2041, the Social Security funds are expected to be depleted. The costs of the system are expected to be 14 percent higher than the income of the system, and by 2080, the costs are projected to be as high as 43 percent.

Some argue that only mid-range statistics are used, and long-range statistics depict a much less severe projection. However, the Congressional Budget Office recently announced that there is a significant long-range shortfall in Social Security. This was a report that contradicted the Social Security Board of Trustees and its own prior announcements. So, given the information, there is definitely a need for reform. President Clinton acknowledged there were problems and talked of a plan concerning private accounts. During his term, President Clinton and Congress both agreed that Social Security reform was "economically imperative and politically feasible."

Now the big question remains about how such a divided Congress will work together to make a comprehensive plan to save this system. If government does nothing, it will eventually be forced to raise taxes, reduce spending or borrow money.

The goal of the Bush administration is to expel the old way of Social Security



**Rebekah Wilks**

and phase in personal private accounts. There are countless arguments on how this should be done, if at all. However, based on the evidence, I agree that they are secure, cost-effective, and practical.

What about the young adult population? Will we be "left out" of this plan and forced to fend for ourselves? Would switching now would cause me to lose half of the earnings that I have already accrued during the years I have worked. There are careful measures that have gone into legislation to prevent this in the past and will reappear in 2007. A bill was introduced that would allow workers of ages 21 to 54 to put 6.2 percent of their payroll tax into personal accounts. These people would no longer accumulate the benefits of Social Security, but be issued a marketable "recognition bond" (which again, would gain more money than the current system in the future) equal to what has already been accrued with the present Social Security system.

Who will pay for the retired population now with the workforce not supporting them? The current surplus of this system's funds will be more than able to fund these people. Some argue that the personal retirement accounts will be more of a cost and "bankrupt" the U.S. However, in all actuality, under the current proposal, the funds will be converted into bonds, which historically have stimulated the economy and returned about 5 percent, which is more than the return on the current Social Security system of around 1.2 percent. Placing the money into private accounts will enhance the real wealth of the nation.

Will this system perpetuate poverty? The way the plan would be designed to generate and create wealth that can be passed on through the generations to allow for the children to gain benefit from the parent's fund. This "nest egg," would represent the work they have done through their life, rather than a check every month that quickly dissipates.

Some say that the board appointed by the president to watch over these funds would vest too much power in the government. This board would in the long run, vest more power in the people, which America has traditionally been known for.

This board would be appointed to watch over these funds, and then, when one's account reaches a certain price level (indexed to inflation), they would turn it over to a private bank. After the certain amount is person may opt out of paying into their "Social Security" fund if desired.

Currently, a politician can literally change the benefits that one accrues through Social Security. With private accounts, it would be much harder to change the system with a politician having the say over your benefits. You would have the say in what you get.

The Chilean government made the successful transition from socialization to privatization in 1981, and shortly following, Argentina, Peru, Columbia, and Mexico have made the switch. Britain has allowed the individuals or employers to choose to get out of the state system since the 1970's. The Chilean switch has been copied by Hong Kong and is planned by Hungary. Australia has also made the switch.

Our own Federal government has tried a similar system with the "Thrift Savings Plan." This plan is a "retirement, savings, and investment plan for federal employees that has similar features to the social security debate.

Under the current reform plan, workers would be given a choice whether to participate in the PI program or not for a specified period of time until it is "safe" in their eyes to make the switch. Congress is working on plans to put built-in floors in the system in cases of difficulty or unemployment among other small details.

Socialistic markets have never been truly successful in comparison to capitalistic systems. Why? One of the many factors that attribute to economic growth is increasing the output per person. If a system is not stable, the public will not invest in it. Property rights are what promote strong economic growth. These, in theory, would provide more incentive for the public to work causing an increase in labor participation and thus an increase in income. In comparison, with the combination of bonds, and a more capitalistic-like system, this privatized plan has the potential for major economic growth. You be the judge, given the facts, doesn't supporting a "wise and effective" reform outweigh the troubles of the present day Social Security system?

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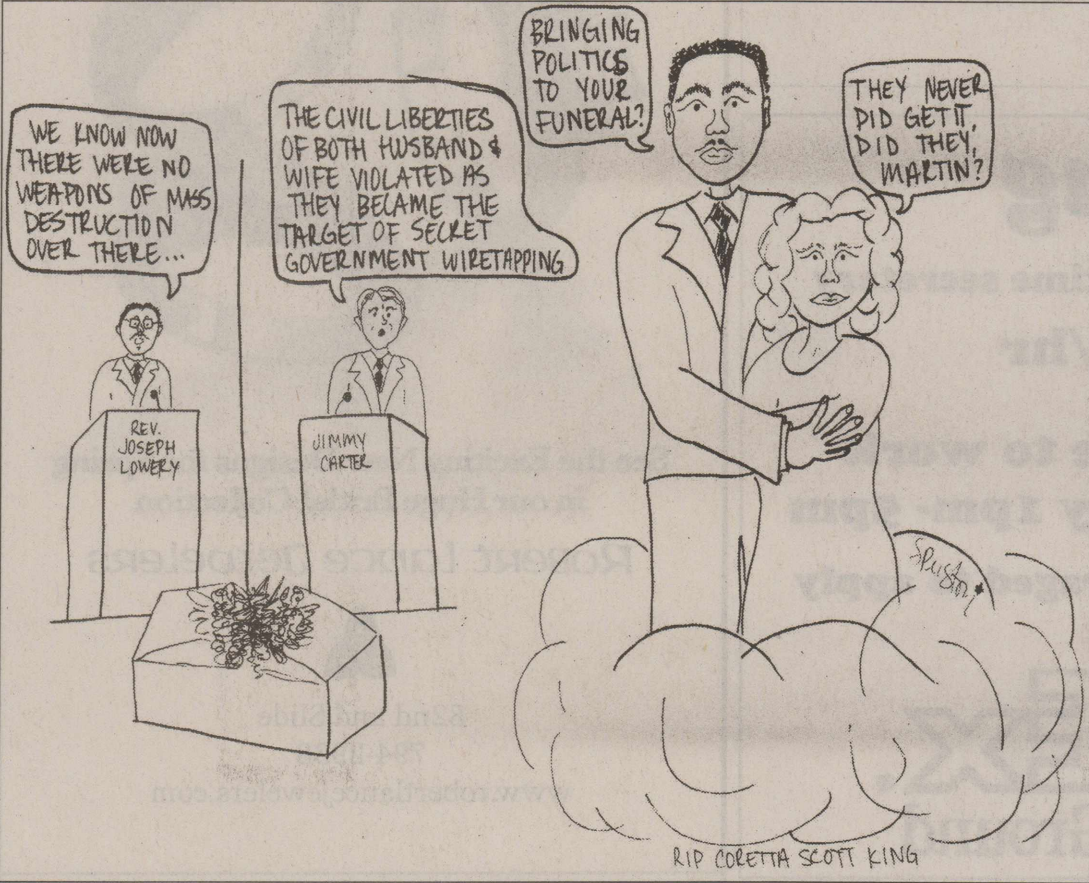
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# Illegal immigration debate in Congress could directly impact Lubbock community

By **SETH BURT**  
STAFF WRITER

About 12,000 illegal immigrants will enter the U.S. today, said Arizona Sen. John McCain. It is currently estimated that eight to 11 million immigrants live in the U.S. illegally and undocumented. Of these, one million live in Texas alone, according to Texas Rep. John Carter. Of this million, in 2004 *The Daily Texan* reported 1,246 attended Texas colleges and universities.

Illegal immigration is a big issue before the American people and the U.S. government, and mixed opinions fill the air in Washington, D.C., trying to decide the best solution.

The House of Representatives has started to take action by passing H.R. 4437 on Dec. 16.

"(The) House has passed legislation, if it is passed by the Senate it will completely shut down the borders," said Steve Pringle, legislative director for the Texas Farm Bureau.

President Bush, opposing the closing of the borders, advocates a temporary worker program which will allow immigrants to work for a temporary time in the U.S., then be

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returned home, according to the White House Web site.

"I am supportive of a guest worker program. I would like to see a broader program," said Texas Tech political science professor Craig Goodman. "There is no incentive for them to give us their current status."

Texas, however, spends \$4 billion annually educating illegal immigrants and their U.S.-born siblings, stated Texas Rep. John Carter at a Capitol Hill hearing in November. In 2001, the Texas State Legislature passed House Bill 1403, allowing illegal and undocumented immigrants to attend Texas colleges for in-state tuition and to receive financial aid.

"The idea makes sense," Goodman said. "If we want to provide immigrants with the opportunity, they need to be educated."

Texas college students, who have lived legally in Texas their whole lives, and who fight for position and financial aid in Texas, may see these ideas differently.

U.S. citizens cannot ignore the fact of illegal immigrants living in the country.

The agricultural industry in the U.S., Texas and Lubbock included,

desperately relies on them for production and labor, Pringle said.

"At least 50 to 80 percent of the labor supply is from immigrant labor," he said. "If the government shuts down the border, in terms of illegal immigration, they will do more to impact agriculture negatively than all of the recent trade agreements have positively for agriculture."

According to a new report released Tuesday, the American Farm Bureau predicts the fruit and vegetable sector in America will disappear. Shutting the borders could result in a \$9 billion annual loss in the agricultural industry.

In addition, Bush stated in the State of the Union Address Jan. 31 that the U.S. cannot function fully without immigrant workers.

Bush has, however, greatly increased border security and patrol. Increasing funding by 60 percent since the start of his presidency, Bush has allowed for 400 immigration enforcement agents and 250 criminal investigators to be added to the borders, according to the White House Web site.

As illegal immigration continues to be a problem facing the U.S., Texans seemed to be torn. The U.S. agriculture and economy cannot function without immigrants; yet, college students must endure additional competition for education and financial aid.

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## Cool reception on Capitol Hill for Bush's call to cut two Social Security benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional Republicans on Wednesday shunned President Bush's election-year call to cut Social Security benefits, and one committee chairman accused the administration of seeking to end "a pittance for widows and widowers."

"I have no plans to pursue these proposals," said GOP Sen. Charles Grassley of Iowa, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee.

The budget that Bush submitted to Congress on Monday proposes eliminating a \$255 lump-sum death benefit that has been part of Social Security for more than 50 years. It also urges Congress to cut off monthly survivor benefits to 16- and 17-year-old high school dropouts.

If approved, the two proposals would save a combined \$3.4 billion over the next decade, according to administration estimates.

Based on early reaction, or lack of it, prospects for congressional passage seemed remote. Democrats hastened to criticize the proposals on Tuesday and continued their attack into a second day.

Both Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., and House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., were quick to applaud Bush's overall budget proposals on Monday, but their aides declined repeated requests over two days for comments on the president's suggested change in Social Security.

Rep. Bill Thomas, R-Calif., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, also offered no reaction.

Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., a member of the Senate GOP leadership, said, "I haven't looked at that," adding he was unable to offer an opinion.

As the Finance Committee chairman, Grassley has jurisdiction over Social Security, and he made clear the administration's proposals would not be on the year's agenda.

## Isett

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plained further in the statement.

"I have an excellent staff in both my Lubbock and Austin office who will keep me informed on a daily basis of the needs and concerns of my constituents," the statement read. "I will have connectivity through the Internet and, to a lesser degree, by telephone."

According to the statement, Isett was called up from the U.S. Navy Reserves after 15 years and will serve as a commander — a position he

recently was appointed to.

In the statement, Isett said he was glad at the chance to serve his country again.

"It is an honor to wear the uniform of the United States Navy and to fulfill my duty when my country calls upon me in time of war," he said in the statement.

Isett received both his bachelor's degree in accounting and finance, and master's degree in finance from Texas Tech. He currently is the chairman for Budget Oversight for the Insurance Committee.

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**Correction:** Tuesday's article, "Texas Tech awards first chess scholarship," contained erroneous information. Knight Raiders was misidentified as Knight Riders. Also, Nelly Estrada was not offered a scholarship from Texas Tech. *The Daily Toreador* regrets the error.

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hospital will really focus on those critically ill patients."

The new building will have three floors in the beginning. Neves said the fourth floor, which would hold another 25 rooms, would be shelved in for a later expansion.

According to a fact sheet, the first floor will have a pharmacy, outdoor rest areas, dining room, conference room and administrative offices. The second floor will have 28 rooms, eight of which will be equipped with ventilators. The third floor also will have 28 rooms, eight of which will be negative and positive pressure rooms and two of which will be isolation rooms.

Steve Hunter, president and CEO of Covenant Health System, said in a news release that the hospital would meet the needs of its patients and its patients' families.

"The Covenant Long Term Acute Care Hospital is part of our continued commitment to meet the needs of our patients and families and to help our physicians provide the best care for their patients, in the most appropriate setting," the release stated. "This hospital is the culmination of our promise and that of our physicians — to respond to the needs of patients in our communities today

and in the future."

Neves said the cost of the hospital is about \$12 million. She said that includes the building and equipment costs.

She said the new hospital will provide some new jobs for citizens of Lubbock.

"They will be looking for a few more physical therapists, respiratory therapists and nurses to help staff the new hospital," she said.

The hospital is scheduled to open in January 2007.

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# Tech professor discusses offensiveness of prophet Mohammed cartoon, reasons that riots ensued

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The importance of learning what is beneath the surface is something Faiz Rahman said he believes is important.

It was a few days after the Oklahoma City bombing in 1995 when Rahman said he was going to the mosque.

It was early, and no one was there, yet. He said saw a brown box, taped up, sitting beside the door. He said his first reaction was to call the police because he thought it was a bomb.

The police arrived and destroyed the box. All that was inside were some books that someone had left by the door.

Rahman said once he learned what was inside the box, he no longer was afraid.

The cartoons of the prophet Mohammed may be an expression of freedom of speech that has caused events including protests, riots and

stampedes, but Rahman said he believes people should get to know each other before killing each other.

Rahman, an associate professor in the range, wildlife and fisheries management department, said people should not assume that everyone who belongs to a certain group is the same.

He said when people find out what is inside something or someone, they are not afraid anymore.

"Once you start getting to know someone you begin to see they are human," he said. "I think it's a good thing to get to know each other before we start killing each other."

Rahman said he does not agree with the reaction some Muslims have had toward the cartoons.

"I totally disagree with the violent acts that have been taking place," he said. "From the religious point of view, it's not acceptable."

He said he does not understand why the cartoons were published. "What is the purpose of it?" he

said. "What did it do to serve others? Was it just provocative?"

The retaliation from the Muslims has provoked a small battle, Rahman said.

"It's almost like, 'Who has the upper hand?'" he said. "So, you do this, and I'll do that. It's like an eye for an eye and everyone ends up blind."

Rahman said he believes the U.S. news media are right in not publishing the cartoons. He said it was a poor act of civic responsibility for the Danish newspaper to publish them in September.

"They are probably legal and under freedom of speech," he said. "But, it's a civic responsibility to not publish them."

Rahman said publishing cartoons that suggest something dire about a particular people or group does not mean that the entire group is like that. He said it only takes one small comment about a group before people begin stereotyping the whole group.

It is the same as publishing something that states everyone of all cultures, races and ethnicities are the

same, he said.

"You don't see cartoons that claim all blacks are a particular something or all women are a particular something," he said.

CNN reported Wednesday that President Bush is asking governments around the world to help put an end to the violent acts caused by the cartoons.

There have been 10 deaths caused by the violent demonstrations, according to www.cnn.com.

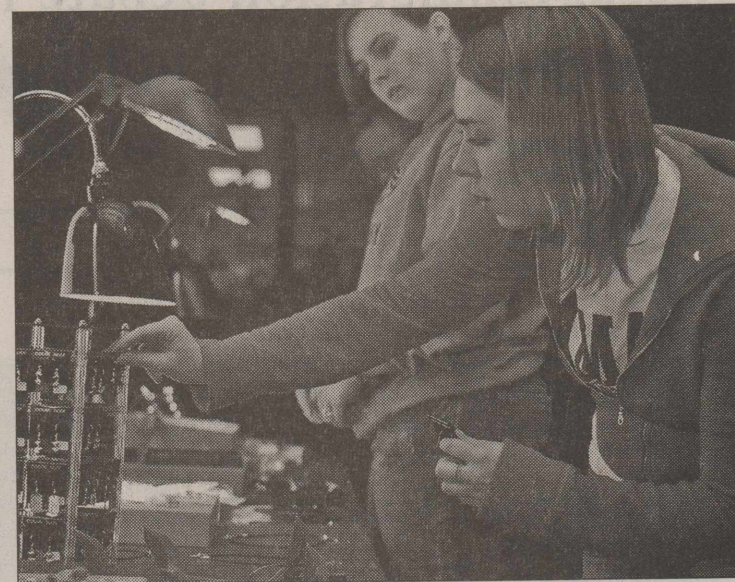
Rahman said Muslims respect all the prophets, and he believes the reaction would have been the same if a prophet like Jesus was depicted instead of Mohammed.

He said people should learn about other people's points of view before making conclusions about other people.

"It's not always agreeing with each other," he said. "It's about knowing each other's viewpoints or you only get information from extremists."

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KATIE BARNES, A junior visual studies major from Houston, eyes some earrings while Kati Holley, a junior photo art major from Marble Falls, looks at some rings and necklaces at the jewelry sale in the Art building Wednesday afternoon.

## Mules retrieve ballots as long vote count gets underway in Haiti

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Guarded by U.N. troops, mules carrying sacks of ballots trotted down from mountain villages Wednesday as authorities began the slow process of collecting and tabulating election

results. Scores of U.N. peacekeepers patrolled quiet streets of the capital, Port-au-Prince, as Haitians eagerly awaited the returns from Tuesday's vote, the first since a bloody uprising ousted former President Jean-Bertrand Aristide two years ago.

The polls, guarded by the 9,000-strong U.N. force, were fraught with delays early in the day but largely free of the violence that has plagued the capital since Aristide fled.

The leading contender heading into the vote was Rene Preval, a 63-year-old agronomist and former president widely supported by Haiti's poor masses. The shy, soft-spoken Preval, Haiti's only leader to finish his elected term, is a former ally of Aristide, who is in exile in South Africa.

Preval's closest rivals include Charles Henri Baker, 50, a wealthy garment factory owner, and Leslie Manigat, 75, who was president for five months in 1988 until the army ousted him.

More than 50 percent of the 3.5 million registered voters were believed to have cast ballots, said David Wimbush, a U.N. spokesman, adding that a precise figure wasn't yet available.

"I think no one can deny the legitimacy of this process because people really participated," the special U.N. envoy to Haiti, Juan Gabriel Valdes, told Associated Press Television News.

However, he conceded that polls opened too late and "some people were not even able to vote."

Senate candidate Myrlande Manigat, the wife of Leslie Manigat, said initial reports from party representatives monitoring the vote count indicate Preval has a big lead in her western district, which includes much of metropolitan Port-au-Prince and outlying areas.

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# Title IX

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passage of the amendment. There is nothing in Title IX that mentions the lack of opportunities for men in college sports. It states that schools are required to provide equal opportunity to men and women.

"We were one of the last in the Southwest Conference to incorporate (Title IX) in the intercollegiate level," said Joe Hornaday, an assistant director of athletics at Tech.

In 1986, Tech canceled its swimming and diving programs for both men and women, and additionally canceled support of the women's softball team, Hornaday said. Tech recently had added women's basketball and tennis, and later would add women's soccer and softball back to the list of official women's sports programs.

Hornaday said Tech needed to cut some of their programs, including women's programs, as a result of adding more economically favorable women's sports, such as basketball, in compliance with Title IX.

"It was more of a financing issue than anything else," he said.

Holihan said he doubted Title IX had anything to do with his team's loss of funding, but never was told exactly why the program ended.

"You never could get a straight answer on it," he said.

Being Title IX compliant does not necessarily mean giving equal dollars to men's and women's sports — it means having equal opportunities.

Tech participates in Title IX peer reviews and does a compliance

self-study every 10 years, but Title IX issues do not come into question unless someone brings a complaint against Tech.

"We're making every effort to (be compliant), and I think for the most part we are," said Judi Henry, senior associate athletic director. "Every institute across the country has struggled to budget all of their expenses."

Swimming and diving were expensive sports that did not support themselves financially and could not be kept with the addition of the other women's sports after the passage of Title IX, Henry said. The Lubbock Independent School District hired Holihan almost immediately after he lost his job at Tech, and he said he has been the aquatics coordinator for the Lubbock Independent School District since 1986 when the team lost university support.

"Ron came in, and he took over the team and had a successful six years, and then they just dropped the men and women's program about the same time, and they didn't even know it was coming," said James McNally, coach of the men's swimming and diving team from 1952 to 1979.

Although he retired before the program was canceled in 1985, McNally said he kept in close correspondence with Holihan during the final years of program.

McNally said the swimmers and divers had some of the highest graduation rates on campus during his 26 years of coaching, an uncommon characteristic among sports teams.

As of now, there is not a swimming and diving team at Tech even

at the club level.

Pamela Grundy, author of "Shattering the Glass: The Remarkable Story of Women's Basketball," said athletes who participate in club sports and do not have the chance to be NCAA affiliated, should not blame Title IX.

"It is not men's sports versus women's; it's men's sports versus football," Grundy said.

If the football program at Tech shared money here and there, men's sports, such as soccer, would not be a club team, but an NCAA one, Grundy said.

She said it is not one specific sport, but an overall funds issue that contribute to club sports going without collegiate funding.

"The money is what drives everything," Henry said. "It's such a complex issue I think a lot of people will identify a different factor or reason why there aren't more opportunities."

Zach Goolsbee, a senior psychology major from Mansfield, is the president of the men's soccer club team at Tech. Goolsbee said he has concerns about Title IX, but he understands the purpose.

"It's so women's sports have the benefits they deserve to have,"

Goolsbee said. "But it's unfortunate to some of the other guys that play sports."

The men's team does not receive the opportunities of the NCAA affiliated teams, Goolsbee said.

Many soccer players do not take the game seriously because there are no scholarship programs, and they do not receive much publicity around campus, Goolsbee said.

"Our fan support definitely isn't there," he said.

The team members handle the marketing and advertising of the club, while official Tech sports have the university control its publicity, Goolsbee said.

Because of the lack of funds, Goolsbee said most club teams do not have coaches. He said the only men's club soccer team in Texas that has a coach is Texas State.

He said funding for the program comes from the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center. The recreation center has four levels of rankings depending on how well the team is performing, Goolsbee said.

Funds beyond that come from the players themselves, Goolsbee said. Everyone on the team is required to pay dues, which he said, is another deterrent in being a

member of a club as opposed to an official Tech team.

Goolsbee said Tech should consider having an official men's soccer team. Houston and Dallas have some of the top soccer programs in the nation, which means Tech would have a good opportunity to obtain high-quality athletes.

The only school in Texas with a Division-I soccer program is Southern Methodist, which means the team has its pick of the top players across the state, said Jason Deifik, another player from the Tech men's soccer team.

"(SMU) is like what Duke is in basketball," Deifik said.

In the coming years, women's sports may be changing because of Title IX, Grundy said. Under President Bush's new guidelines, colleges are required to give enough money to women's sports to satisfy the demand from the female student body, Grundy said.

Bush's re-clarification on Title IX on March 18 stated athletic departments could conduct e-mail surveys to determine if the demand is being met, Grundy said. After the e-mails are collected, the athletic department can determine if the interest level for women's sports is

being met, Grundy said.

This means that the less e-mail responses the school gets, the lower the interest level, which means less funding.

At universities around the Big 12, athletic departments are hiring outside consultants to come in and evaluate the school on Title IX issues.

Laura Tietjen, associate director of athletics at Kansas State, said her school hired Lamar Daniel in 2001 to evaluate their Title IX compliance. Daniel formerly worked for the U.S. Department of Education Office of Civil Rights.

During Daniel's visits, Tietjen said he interviewed athletes, coaches and staff at the university. Tietjen said to stay Title IX compliant, her school gives 85 scholarships for football and 11.7 for baseball.

Karen Morrison, associate athletic director at Colorado, said the university was found noncompliant in 2002, but worked closely with the Office of Civil Rights in Denver and has been found compliant since then. She said there is now a gender equity sub-committee to make sure the school stays compliant.

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## They'll take it: Tech wins despite 16 turnovers

By **TRAVIS CRAM**  
SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

Texas Tech's win over Oklahoma State Wednesday night proved one thing to everyone — defense wins ball games. Tech (11-10, 6-4 Big 12) beat OSU (6-16, 0-11), 48-35, at the United Spirit Arena, handing the Cowgirls their 11th consecutive loss and keeping Tech in the hunt for the Big 12.

Tech coach Marsha Sharp said she was pleased to be back at home and happy to mark another victory down in the books.

"It's a great win," she said. "We're thrilled to get 'em and move on forward from here."

It was mostly a quiet game for the Tech offense, hitting less than 35 percent from the field while giving up 16 turnovers.

Senior LaToya Davis scored her 14th double-double of the season with 12 points and 14 rebounds while senior Erin Grant put up 10 points for the Lady Raiders.

Grant found herself in foul trouble early in the game, forcing Sharp to go to the bench and Tiny Henderson.

Henderson hit her first shot of the contest, knocking down a trey to open up an 8-0 run for Tech, and putting the Lady Raiders up 26-15 at the break.

Despite turning the ball over seven times in the first half, Tech's defense held OSU to one field goal in the final 10 minutes before halftime.

OSU made 6-of-24 from the field in the opening period, its lowest field goal total of the season for one half.

The 15 points scored by OSU was the second-lowest total for a first half this season. Baylor held the Cowgirls to 14 en route to a 57-26 win.

After the game, OSU coach Kurt Budke said he never has dealt with a problem in scoring like the predicament his team was in Wednesday night.

"We just can't put the ball in the hole," he said.

The scoring problems carried over

into the second half for the Cowgirls, who did not hit a field goal until the 13:49 mark, their first since senior Catherina Turner knocked-down a jumper with 5:26 left in the first half.

But while OSU was having its share of troubles, Tech was having a hard time finding the hole as well.

After hitting 4-of-5 to open the second period, the Lady Raiders made three field goals over the next nine minutes.

Sharp was able to call in the reserves for some much-needed minutes after the bench generated one point in the last contest against A&M.

Sophomore Tawanna Flowers and junior Patrice Edwards got more than 10 minutes each, combining for six points.

"They responded well," Sharp said. "We were excited about getting them some time tonight."

Although OSU did put together a 14-6 run, it was too little, too late.

Budke said he has to give credit to how well Tech was able to execute on

both ends of the court.

"They play great defense," he said. "And I'm not sure there's a better team we've played who passes as well as they do."

Tech held freshman Shaunte' Smith to nine points in the contest after she put up 16 against the Lady Raiders last time the two teams met.

Junior Alesha Robertson hit three of Tech's four three-pointers on the night for her only points in the game.

Junior Brooke Baughman was held scoreless, taking only three shots in 38 minutes.

Sharp said she wished Baughman had taken a few more shots when she had the opportunities.

"There were a couple of times when I thought she had it," Sharp said.

Tech will look to win its second consecutive game when the Lady Raiders take on Colorado 7 p.m. Saturday at the USA.

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TEXAS TECH GUARD Erin Grant drives to the basket in the Lady Raiders' 48-35 victory over Oklahoma State Wednesday at the United Spirit Arena. Grant had 10 points in the effort.

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## Mavs Nowitzki, Terry to compete in 3-point contest

DALLAS (AP) — Dirk Nowitzki and Jason Terry were selected Wednesday to participate in the NBA's Three-Point Shootout, pitting the Dallas teammates against each other and four other competitors during the All-Star weekend in Houston.

As Terry walked off the court after the Mavericks practiced Wednesday, he saw Nowitzki in the corner taking shots from long range.

"Hey bro', what are you doing?," Terry asked Nowitzki. "What is this?"

"I'm getting ready," joked Nowitzki, who was really going through a routine shooting drill.

Defending champion Quentin Richardson of the

New York Knicks, 2001 winner Ray Allen of Seattle, Chauncey Billups of Detroit and former Mavericks player Raja Bell of Phoenix are the other participants. The contest is Feb. 18, a night before the All-Star game.

Nowitzki is shooting a career-best 43 percent (69-of-162) from three-point range. Terry has made 41 percent (95-of-230) of his long-range shots.

"We'll be looking at each other, and hopefully we'll meet in the finals," Terry said.

"It's about having fun, and hopefully one of us will bring the trophy to Dallas," Nowitzki said. "If somebody beats me, it better be Jet."

## Tech golf outplays five of Golf Week's Top 50

By **JAY LANGLEY**  
SENIOR SPORTS WRITER

The Texas Tech men's and women's golf teams started the spring season on a high note finishing second and third in their respective tournaments Tuesday.

In Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., the men's team shot a three-round team total of 901, five strokes behind first place UCLA. Tech beat out five teams currently ranked in the Golf Week Top 50.

"I am more pleased than surprised," coach Greg Sands said. "The field was a really good group of teams. I am not surprised because we played well in the fall."

The finish was the highest for the

men's team since a first place finish at the 2003 UTSA Invitational.

Junior Oscar Floren led the team with a three-round total of 217, good enough to take home the individual title at the Mercedes-Benz Collegiate Championship.

Floren, a Golf World Magazine mid-season All-American, earned the first individual tournament victory for a Red Raider since Kyle Willmann in 2001.

"Oscar was really consistent," Sands said. "That was the key. Especially with the course playing as tough as it did." Sands said Sawgrass Country Club is as difficult a course as the team will face all season.

"It was as tough as I have seen in my

six years at Tech," Sands said. "Especially with the added elements of wind, rain and cold."

Senior Andrew Dresser finished in the Top 5 for the sixth time in his career with a fifth-place finish and three-round total of 222.

Freshman Garrett Merrell finished third for the Tech team and 25th overall with a total of 230.

Sands said he was pleasantly surprised by Merrell's effort.

"It was his first tournament for us," Sands said. "It was good to see him step up the way he did."

Fellow freshmen Jake Younan-Wise and Brandon Lakatta rounded out the Tech team with finishing totals of 232 and 246 respectively.

Younan-Wise stepped to the 16th tee with a lead in the third round.

"If Jake could have finished strong he easily would have had the best round of the day," Sands said. "Unfortunately for him, a round of golf is 18 holes and not 15. But he showed a lot of promise out there."

Sands said the goal of the men's team is consistency.

"Even on days when we are not playing our best golf, I would like to see us be in a position where we have a chance to win," he said.

The Raiders return to the links March 6-8 at the Hyatt Plantation Club Invitation in Dorado, Puerto Rico.

In Orlando, Fla., the women's team recorded their highest finish of the year with a tie for third at the University of Central Florida Invitational at Stoneybrook Country Club.

Junior Marla Troester finished in a tie for third with a two-day total of 146, the first Top 5 finish of her career.

Christine Kovalcik recorded her first Top 25 finish with a total of 155. Gloriana Soto, Ashley Slavich and Megan Dowdy rounded out the five-person team with scores of 158, 159 and 159 respectively.

Competing as an individual, freshman Brynn Anderson posted the highest finish of her career with a 157 total, good for 31st place. Also as an individual, Ulrika van Niekerk shot a total of 164, good for 54th place.

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## Celtic music brings 'postive vibes' to Hemmle tonight

By **ABBY STONE**  
FEATURES WRITER

It's not typical party music, but the Celtic music that will be filling Texas Tech's Hemmle Recital Hall tonight, is sure to provide nothing short of a good time.

Ryan McKasson and his sister Cali, are hoping to bring to life a type of music that makes people want to get up and dance. The Celtic sounds they play are upbeat and filled with positive energy.

Cali McKasson said Celtic music was first played in pubs and dance halls for people to drink and dance to. It is nothing like the sounds of 50 Cent or Nelly found on nightclub play lists, but she said it still has the power to make a person want to party.

"This music just makes you feel good," she said.

Celtic musicians do not play with any sheet music, Cali

McKasson said. Everything played during a concert is done 100 percent by ear.

"There is a freedom in the playing of the music that is so fun," she said.

Christopher Smith, assistant professor of music history and literature, said playing an instrument allows a musician to be creative and free.

"There is a huge wealth of very individual very personal approaches to playing any instrument or any music," said Smith who also is the director of the Vernacular Music Center.

The fiddle Ryan McKasson will be playing is the same instrument as the classical violin, Smith said. The difference in the two instruments is the energy and sound. McKasson must play with rhythmic lift to create an energetic tone, while the violin focuses more on technical aspects.

"The difference between a fiddle and a violin is essentially

in the brain of the person playing it," he said.

McKasson has taken his fiddle all over and has played with famous names such as Elvis Costello, Beck and Bjork, Smith said. This concert is a rare and infrequent opportunity for Tech students and Lubbock residents to experience the energetic sounds this band has to offer.

"You don't get to hear this music in Lubbock," he said. "And, you darn sure don't get to hear it for free."

Ryan McKasson said playing music for people is a way for him to positively influence their lives. Folk music especially has that powerful ability. For Tech students, going to this concert will boost the rest of their semester.

"It's like a tonic or something," he said. This concert is a gateway for people to tap into an ancient tradition that is so popular in the U.S. today.

"We do Scottish music kicked up a notch or two," he said.

Cali McKasson said the band just added a drummer who adds more of a Bluegrass angle to their traditional sound. This makes the band a little more mainstream, with a sound similar to other Folk music bands, such as Nickel Creek.

"It's a really hip sound," she said.

McKasson said she hopes people will come to the concert and enjoy it and then go and find other Celtic bands and support them.

"It changes your life to hear this kind of music," she said. "It frees you up to explore new things."

The concert begins at 8 p.m., and the admission is free for Tech students and \$5 for the general public. To preview the McKassons before the show, tune in to KOHM-FM at 9 a.m.

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### Grammys have nothing on music zombies

By **JOSH JUSTICE**  
MUSIC CRITIC

It is said that writing about music is like dancing to architecture. I'm OK with that because I'm going to write about zombies. More specifically, I will consider which dead musicians I would like to see return in 2006 as the hideous, flesh-eating undead, and which living musicians they would eat. This, it seems, is the only just punishment for the "artists" behind the worst albums and songs of 2005, as the Grammys have come to a close, and now there is no further punishment for making bad music.

1. **Trace Adkins, "Honky Tonk Badonkadonk."** — Adkins misappropriated an already out-of-use term from the ridiculous, bling-bling segment of rap culture. The existence of Adkins and fellow musicians Big and Rich, which I will discuss later, all beg the question, "Where the hell did all the cool white dudes go?" You know, guys like Merle Haggard and Hank Williams, who didn't have to adopt slang and stoop to singing about synonyms for a woman's behind. Wait, I hear one now. I hear him dragging his guitar behind him, his low baritone voice moaning as he draws near. Yes! Zombie-Johnny Cash! He immediately eats Trace Adkins, finds he

is unsatisfied, and eats Toby Keith for good measure. He then writes a harrowing, stark anthem about the ordeal, drinks a bottle of whiskey and returns gracefully to his grave.

2. **Kidz Bop, "Volume 7, 8."** — Two doses of bopping in one year? Somebody has to stop these kids. A children sandwich! A zombie Mama Cass! A match made in heaven. Perhaps more importantly, someone must stop parents from signing off on this. Assuming she can survive the child-wich, Cass should then turn on Kidz Bop's parents. Can you believe Amazon charges \$13.49 for this bopping? But Josh, everyone's entitled to an opinion, right? Wrong. Kids aren't. They're dumb.

I'm waiting for someone to come out with Kidz-Bump, where kids cover hardcore rap songs, including both gangster and misogynistic anthems like 2 Live Crew's "Face Down, Ass Up." Now that's what will get me to spend that \$13.49.

3. **Big & Rich/Cowboy Troy, Anything they touched.** — 2005 saw a commercial flourishing of a relatively new genre, hick-hop. I tremble in fear at the partnership of slick pop-country and hip-hop. When did this seem like a good idea? Many would call Cowboy Troy's "I Play Chicken with the Train" a progressive leap, an open-minded

combination of musical genres. This would ignore Troy's absurd lyrics and awful delivery. But guess who's not ignoring it? That's right. Zombie Zpac.

4. **Hilary Duff/Lindsay Lohan, "Most Wanted/A Little More Personal."** — Does a music columnist always need to actually listen to the music about which he is writing? No. Not when it's this. So did I! No. But Zombie-Brian Wilson did. And he's angry. And hungry. Ignore the fact that the former lead-Beach Boy is not yet deceased, because he might as well be, considering his acid-damaged existence as a harmonizing half man, half zombie. I hope 2006 will welcome female artists like Joanna Newsom, Bosque Brown and Cat Power. They may not maintain the appealing faux-virginal image, but I suppose they're too busy being talented and creative. Remember: When there is no creativity, there is nudity.

5. **Ying-Yang Twins, "Wait (The Whisper Song)"** — I can't repeat here the lyrics in the unedited version of this song. Listen, and then we will stop lying to ourselves about the prosperity of our nation, especially in terms of women's rights and decency, and face the cavernous depths to which people will sink for money. I'm sure men and women alike were dancing to this in the club, ignoring the lyrics, ignorantly grinding. Please pay more attention when listening to music. That's all I ask.

No no zombies here, just an education and beatdown from KRS-One, an amazing, socially-conscious rapper, who explores more themes than just audacious, rapist banter. Then again, an Ol' Dirty Bastard zombie would be pretty cool.

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### Lubbock's live music preview

**TODAY**  
The Wes Nixon Band — 9 p.m. Bash Riprock's.  
Icarus Fixed — 10 p.m. Whiskey Dix, no cover.  
Levi Smith — 10 p.m. Bleacher's Sports Cafe, \$5 adults, \$8 minors.  
Jack Daniel's Presents: Thursday Night Groove — 10:30 p.m. Hub City Brewery, \$5.  
Brad Ethridge — 10:30 p.m. Buffalo LaRue's, no cover.

**FRIDAY**  
Waiting to Derrail — 8 p.m. Space 1110  
Grady — 8 p.m. Stein's Coffee.  
Caleb Jude Green — 8:30 p.m. Sugar Brown's Coffee.  
The Dead See w/ Sho-Bula and Orbital Burn — 9 p.m. Jake's.  
Hogg Maulies — 9 p.m. Bash Riprock's.  
Stoney LaRue — 9 p.m. Wild West, \$8.  
Peace of Ash w/ Broken Dayz — 9:45 p.m. Daiquiri Lounge.  
Tall — 10 p.m. Fire and Ice, no cover.  
Kinky Wizards — 10 p.m. Bleacher's, \$5 adults, \$8 minors.  
Anthony Garcia — 10 p.m. Gaslight.  
Acoustic Jam — 10:30 p.m. Whiskey Dix, no cover.  
Darren Welch — 10:30 p.m. Buffalo Wild Wings, no cover.

**SATURDAY**  
Kinky Wizards — 9 p.m. Bleacher's, \$5 adults, \$8 minors.  
Bo Salling w/ Burn The Wagon — 9 p.m. Jake's.  
The Scott McCurry Band — 10 p.m. Rocky LaRue's, no cover.  
Cellus & The Loose Grip — 10 p.m. Texas Cafe (The Spoon)  
Peace of Ash w/ Broken Dayz — 10:30 p.m. Jake's

**SUNDAY**  
Spring Creek Bluegrass Band — 8 p.m. Hub City, \$5  
Open Jam — 10 p.m. Texas Cafe (The Spoon), no cover

**MONDAY**  
Wes Nixon Presents an all-acoustic, original open mic — 10 p.m. Blue Light, no cover  
John Spritt — 10:30 p.m. Hub City, \$5

**TUESDAY**  
John Spritt — 9 p.m. at Cricket's, no cover  
Wes Nixon Open Mic — 10 p.m. Bash Riprock's, no cover  
The Sean Frankhauser Trio (Open jazz jam) — 10 p.m. Rocky LaRue's, no cover

**WEDNESDAY**  
Reverend Horton Heat w/ The Legendary Shack Shakers — 8 p.m. Jake's  
Plain Brown Wrapper — 10 p.m. Crickets, no cover  
Dr. Scoob & The Acoustic Groove — 10 p.m. Rocky LaRue's, no cover  
KDON Live Stream — 10:30 p.m. Whiskey Dix, no cover

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