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A portion of the Commuter North parking lot will be closed today for a City of Lubbock event.



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Student runs over parking attendant's foot!
Inside Police Blotter.

QUOTABLES

I got nowhere to go.

Meeshia Davis, 21, one of about 12,000 families made homeless by hurricanes Katrina and Rita who began checking out of their federally funded hotel rooms after the government pulled back funding for the temporary housing. (AP)

This is ... a rejection of the democratic process, which the Americans are calling for day and night. It's an interference and a collective punishment of our people because they practiced the democratic process in a transparent and honest way.

Mushir al Masri, a Hamas spokesman and incoming legislator, on reports that the United States and Israel were exploring ways to topple the militants' incoming government. (AP)

He's a great shot. He's very safety conscious. This is something that unfortunately was a bad accident.

Pamela Willeford, a member of the hunting party in which Vice President Dick Cheney accidentally shot another hunter. (AP)

STATE

Husband of accused baby killer testifies

McKINNEY (AP) — A woman accused of cutting off her baby's arms said she wanted to "give the baby to God" about a week before the 10-month-old girl was killed, her husband testified Tuesday during her capital murder trial.

John Schlosser said his wife, Dena Schlosser, was leaving church about a week before the November 2004 killing when she said she wanted to give Maggie to pastor Doyle Davidson.

"She said 'I want to give the baby to Doyle.' She said 'I want to give the baby to God,'" said John Schlosser, who has filed for divorce.

After calming her down and getting her into the car, he testified, he wasn't overly concerned about the outburst.

NATION

Mass. Wal-Marts must stock morning-after pill

BOSTON (AP) — The state pharmacy board ordered Wal-Mart on Tuesday to stock emergency contraception pills at its stores in Massachusetts.

Massachusetts becomes second state to require the world's largest retailer to carry the morning-after pill.

A Wal-Mart spokesman said the company would comply with the directive by the Massachusetts Board of Pharmacy and is reviewing its nationwide policy on the drug.

"Clearly women's health is a high priority for Wal-Mart," spokesman Dan Fogleman said. "We are actively thinking through the issue."

Wal-Mart now carries the pill only in Illinois, where it is required to do so.

WORLD

Conan meets look-alike president of Finland

HELSINKI, Finland (AP) — Conan O'Brien finally met his match.

The "Late Night" jokester, who ran a mock ad campaign endorsing the re-election of Finnish President Tarja Halonen because of her strong resemblance to him, red hair and all — had a face-to-face meeting with her Tuesday at the presidential palace in downtown Helsinki.

O'Brien handed the Nordic country's first female president a box of chocolates in the shape of a red heart as they posed for photographers before their 15-minute meeting. Halonen gave him Finnish troll dolls to take home.

"Someone like me knows he's lucky to get 15 minutes," O'Brien said, adding that the meeting was "very, very nice."

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Cheney victim has mild heart attack

SERIOUS SITUATION: 78-year-old lawyer moved back into intensive care after shotgun pellet shifts from chest.

By LYNN BREZOSKY
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — The hunting accident that produced a raft of Dick Cheney jokes and was briefly a source of merriment at the White House took a more serious turn Tuesday.

Harry Whittington, the 78-year-old lawyer shot by Cheney, suffered a mild heart attack after a shotgun pellet in his chest traveled to his heart, hospital officials said.

Whittington was immediately moved back to the intensive care unit and will be watched

for a week to make sure more of the metal pellets do not move to other vital organs. He was reported in stable condition.

Just hours earlier, the chief White House spokesman joked that the burnt orange school colors of the visiting University of Texas championship football team should not be mistaken for hunters' safety gear.

"The orange that they're wearing is not because they're concerned that the vice president may be there," said White House press secretary Scott McClellan. "That's why I'm wearing it."

Whittington suffered a "silent heart at-

tack" — obstructed blood flow, but without the classic heart-attack symptoms of pain and pressure, according to doctors at Christus Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-Memorial.

The doctors said they decided to treat the situation conservatively and leave the pellet alone rather than operate to remove it. They said they are extremely optimistic Whittington will recover and live a healthy life with the pellet left in place.

Asked whether the pellet could move farther into his heart and become fatal, hospital officials said that was a hypothetical question they could not answer.

Hospital officials said they were not concerned about the six to 200 other pieces of birdshot that might still be lodged in Whittington's body. Cheney was using 7 1/2

shot from a 28-gauge shotgun. Shotgun pellets are typically made of steel or lead; the pellets in 7 1/2 shot are just under a tenth of an inch in diameter.

Cheney watched the news conference where doctors described Whittington's complications. Then the vice president called him, wished him well and asked if there was anything that he needed.

"The vice president said that he stood ready to assist. Mr. Whittington's spirits were good, but obviously his situation deserves the careful monitoring that his doctors are providing," the vice president's office said in a statement.

Cheney, an experienced hunter, has not

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RIGHT DOWN THE MIDDLE

Experts, Tech students discuss proper way to pay for dinner, split the check

By LAUREN SCOTT
FEATURES WRITER

It's inevitable it will happen at some point, and it probably already has. The meal was great, conversation was flowing and your date looked amazing. Then the check comes.

Some people at this point would give up and leave the bill to their date. But what is one to do when the check comes — if the check is going to be divided up, does it really matter how it gets split?

Elizabeth Gabbert, a senior broadcast journalism major from Fort Worth, said her boyfriend usually pays for meals.

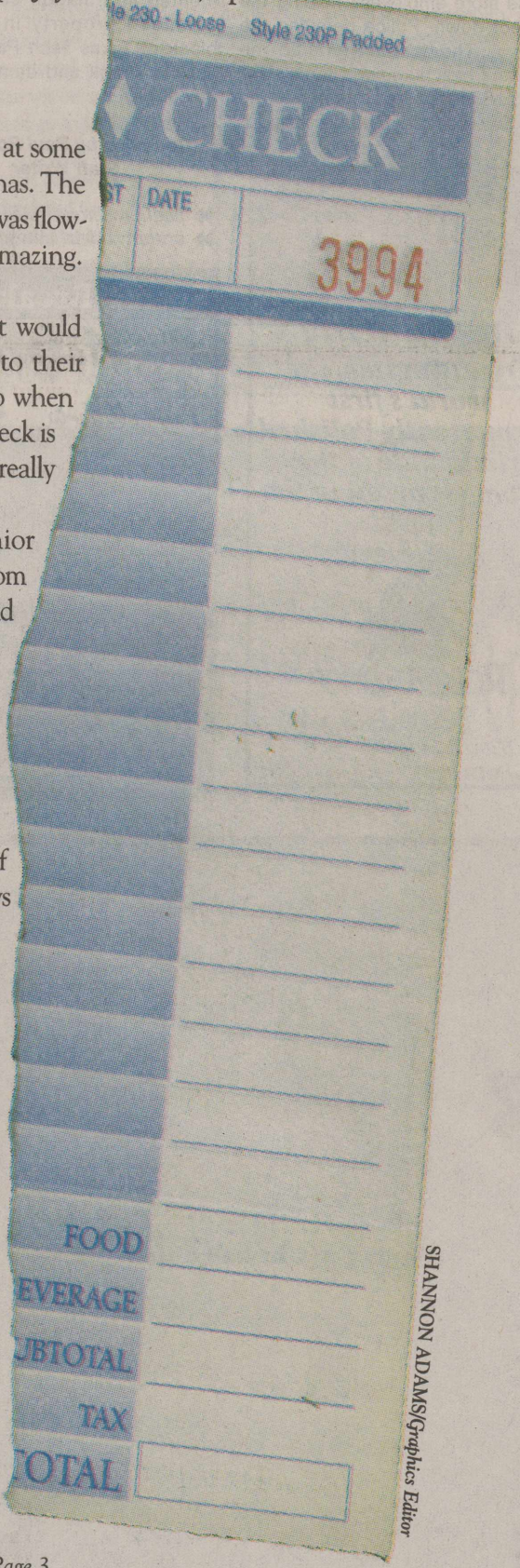
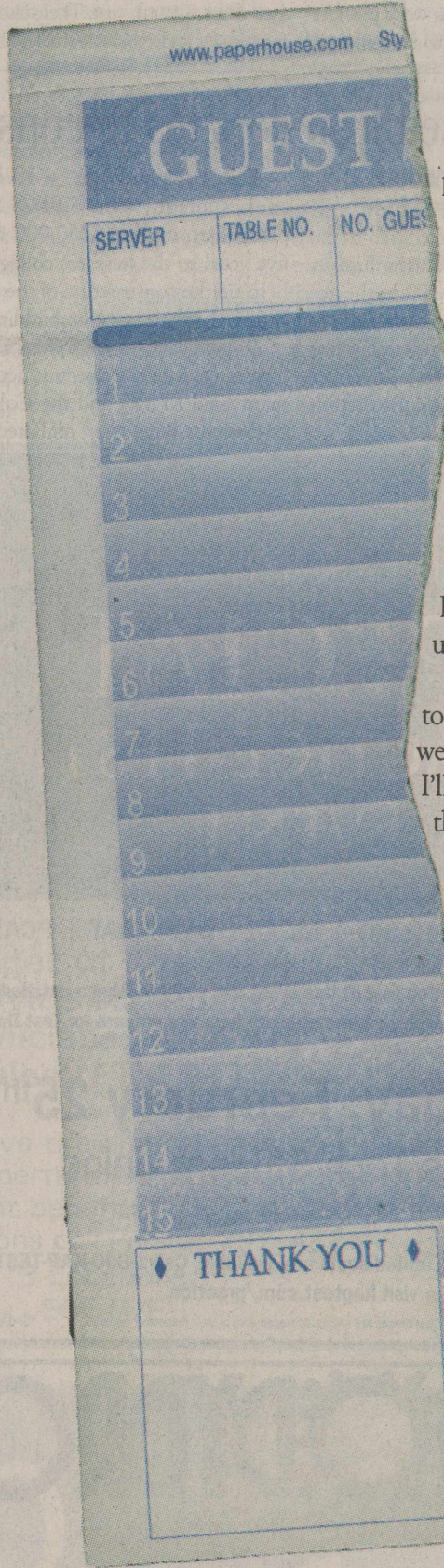
"He pays whenever we go out to a restaurant," she said. "But if we go out for dinner and drinks, I'll pay for the drinks and he'll get the dinner."

She said her boyfriend of more than six years has always been generous in this sense.

"Even when I invite him out to dinner, he usually pays," Gabbert said with a laugh.

She said her splitting-the-check routine is different when she goes out with a group of friends.

"We usually divide it up individually, but it gets pretty annoying when restaurants won't separate the checks," she said. "We try to tell the waiter at the beginning of the meal to avoid



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Got Math? 20 percent of college graduates do not

By ANDREW WOOD
STAFF WRITER

To some college graduates, a college diploma might not be worth the paper it is printed on, especially if they are unable to multiply such simple equations as three times six.

A recent study conducted by the American Institutes for Research found 20 percent of U.S. four-year college graduates are quantitatively illiterate.

This means some graduates could be unable to analyze small things, such as having enough fuel in their car to make it to the nearest gas station, estimate a grocery bill or compare ticket prices, according to the online newswire, AScribe.

"The surprisingly weak quantitative literacy ability of many college graduates is troubling," said the study's director, Stephane Baldi, on AScribe's Web site. "A knowledgeable workforce is vital to cope with the increasing demands of the

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Recent weather may be sign in climate changes, faculty say

By DANIELLE NOVY
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The recent surge of diverse weather that has been keeping record keepers on their toes in recent months is causing some Texas Tech faculty to point to global climate changes.

On the heels of Lubbock's record-breaking 98-day stint without measurable precipitation, the northeast corner of the United States shattered records of its own when 26.9 inches of snow blanketed New York City, the thickest layer of snow to hit the Big Apple since records began in 1869, according to The National Weather Service.

David Tissue, an associate professor in the department of biology, said the recent variations in weather patterns

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Despite hardships, Worley continues to pursue dream

By MICHAEL CARDELL
STAFF WRITER

Ryan A. Worley's life has been a consistent upward battle of hard work and persistence while never letting anything stand in his way.

He said he loves the thrill of competition because it helps him rise above all diversity and his persistent behavior leads him to overcome every stepping stone along the way.

However, every step Worley makes comes with difficulty. Worley was diagnosed with cerebral palsy at birth, causing damage to certain motor control areas.

Despite everything, Worley played football throughout high school, and with the thrill of competition, he rose to a whole new level.

Although Worley may have trouble sometimes, he said he refuses to let it control his life or dictate his actions.

"I don't believe I have a disability," Worley said, "I don't let it control my life, and I believe I've earned what I've accomplished with the help and graces of God."

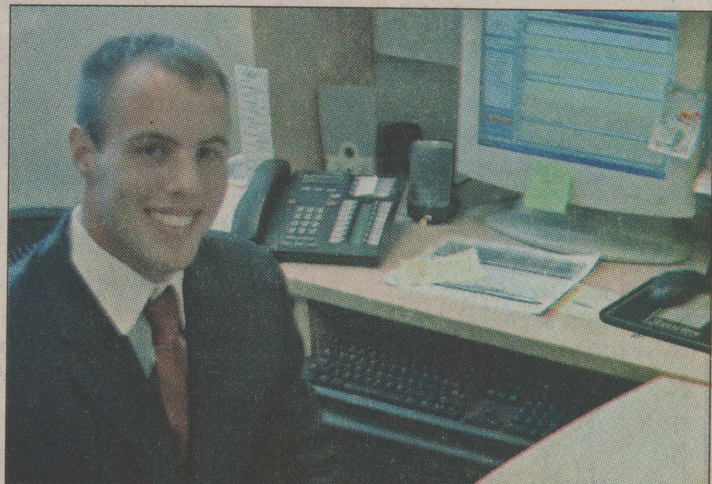
Worley said his best quality he learned growing up is to always be persistent.

"That's why I know I can do a good job as the SGA president," he said. "In this job it's easy to start something, let it go and hope it will just work itself out opposed to what I do by continuing to follow up and make sure the students' needs are met."

Worley said he helped drop fees by 14 percent as chairman of the transportation fee committee.

Lowering fees so Texas Tech may offer the best education at the best possible price, he said, is one of his biggest goals for next year as president.

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KELLY MATHERLY/The Daily Toreador

RYAN WORLEY, SGA external vice president, poses in his office at the Student Union Building Tuesday. Worley is one of three candidates running as Student Government Association president for 2006-07.

Texas Tech police blotter

Feb. 5
Lubbock Police arrested a non-student for public intoxication. The police responded to a call in reference to a 911 hang up. Upon arrival, the suspect was very upset and was yelling outside her apartment, according to the report. Police observed the suspect as very intoxicated. The suspect tried to chase after a victim as he tried to leave the apartment, according to reports. The suspect refused to calm down and tried to take a flashlight from the police officer's hand.

Feb. 6
 A **Texas Tech** police officer detained a student for an incident in the R-7 parking lot. The vehicle the student was driving ran over the foot of a parking attendant during a dispute over parking. The student was released pending the filing of charges with the Lubbock District Attorney's Office.

A **Tech** police officer responded to a medical call at the Athletic Training Center. A football player collapsed with chest pains after a strenuous workout. He was transported to the Covenant Medical Center Emergency Room by EMS.

A **Tech** police officer documented information concerning a suspicious male that had been seen in the Z3-L parking lot. A female reported that the male appeared to be following her after she observed him looking into vehicles in the lot.

Tech police investigated mischief in Weymouth Hall. A television had been thrown down the stairs.

Feb. 7
 A **Tech** police officer investigated criminal mischief in the English/Philosophy courtyard. The fountain was soaped.

A **Tech** police officer arrested a non-student for possession of drug paraphernalia and another non-student for possession of marijuana following a traffic stop in the R-18 parking lot. The two non-students were transported to the Lubbock County Jail. One of the non-students was released pending the filing of charges with the Lubbock County District Attorney's Office for unlawful carrying a weapon.

A **Tech** police officer documented a false report to a peace officer at the Tech Police Department. The case will be referred to the Student Mediation

Center and the Student Counseling Center.

A **Tech** officer investigated graffiti near the southwest door of Clement Hall. Obscene words were written on the wall adjacent to the door with an indelible marker.

Feb. 8
 A **Tech** Police officer investigated burglary of a vehicle in the Z5-B parking lot. The passenger side window of a vehicle was broken and an iPod was taken.

Tech Police investigated burglary of a vehicle in the Z5-C parking lot. There were no signs of forced entry into the vehicle. A wallet and its contents were taken.

Tech Police investigated harboring a juvenile runaway, which occurred at Weymouth Hall. A male student who allegedly allowed a 16 year-old female runaway to stay with him was arrested.

A **Tech** police officer documented the requested assistance to the El Paso Police Department, in locating a missing juvenile, who was found in a residence hall on the Tech campus.

A **Tech** officer investigated a theft in Bledsoe Hall. A Sony PlayStation Portable video game device and game were taken. The room had been left unlocked.

A **Tech** police officer investigated burglary of a vehicle in the Z5-C parking lot. The locking mechanism for the driver side door was broken to gain entry and a Panasonic stereo and multiple CDs were taken.

A **Tech** police officer investigated criminal mischief to a vehicle in the Z5-C parking lot. The locking mechanisms of the door handles on both doors to the pickup were damaged.

Lubbock Police took a junior high student into custody after the junior high principal reported finding the student in possession of marijuana on the junior high campus.

Feb. 9
Lubbock Police arrested a man attempting to steal a variety of food products from United Supermarket store at the 1700 block of 50th Street, according to the report. Police arrived to see store employees holding the suspect down. Police detained the suspect. The suspect entered the store and took numerous items placing them in bags he brought into the store, according to the police report.

He then attempted to leave without paying for the items.

Lubbock Police investigated a burglary of a person's home. The victim reported a number of stolen items including a laptop, a camera, a diamond ring and a Gameboy and games, according to the report. At the time of the report, the suspect was still unknown.

Tech police investigated criminal mischief in Murdough Hall. Several individual residence hall room doors had shaving cream sprayed on them and an acoustic ceiling tile was broken.

A **Tech** police officer documented information concerning damage to a vehicle, which occurred in the Z-3 parking lot. The driver side of a parked and unattended vehicle had been scratched.

A **Tech** police officer documented information concerning assisting another agency, which occurred in the Ranching Heritage Center. A non-student was arrested for an outstanding warrant out of the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office. The individual was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

A **Tech** police officer documented information concerning a damaged fence, located at the North Farm Area. An unknown individual drove through a section of the fence.

A **Tech** police officer documented information concerning three juveniles having a confrontation in the crosswalk west of the Human Sciences building on Akron Avenue.

A **Tech** police officer detained a student for possession of an open container of alcohol in a vehicle, observed during a traffic stop in the 2500 block of 15th Street. The individual was issued a Lubbock County citation and was released.

A **Tech** police officer investigated graffiti in the basement of Gaston Hall. An inappropriate phrase was etched into the northern stairwell door.

A **Tech** police officer documented information concerning damaged property in the 200 block of Texas Tech Parkway. A vehicle struck and damaged the fence line.

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HSC showcases student research

Department of Physiology hosts 18th annual event, seminars

By LAURA BURRUS
STAFF WRITER

The department of physiology is hosting the 18th annual Student Research Week, which began Tuesday and will go through Friday at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center.

The week is designed to let undergraduate, graduate and doctorate students display research they have done in the medical field.

Todd Ward, president of the Graduate Student Association, said this year's symposium is on senescence, which he defined as a fancy word for aging.

He said aging is a growing topic in the media and is important that research is being done on it.

"Aging is a very relevant subject due to the cultural demographics that are arising," Ward said.

Seminars will be held Thursday and Friday. He said they are free of charge and open to the public.

"Seminars are open to everyone in the Health Sciences Center and also the community," he said. "We want everyone who is interested to be able to come."

Pamela Johnson, the director of graduate program for biomedical sciences, said the week is completely student-led.

"The week is totally student-run," she said. "They go out and solicit well-known speakers for the event. They also make the judging criteria for the research poster contest."

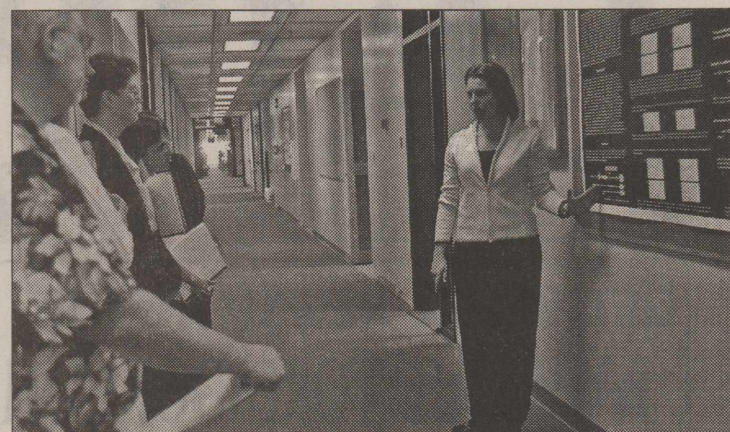
She said most of the students are graduate or doctorate students.

"The majority of them are biomedical research students," she said, "but we also have nursing and allied health students."

The student who has done the research designs each poster, she said.

"They have to be able to present their own research," she said. "They can't use their faculty mentors."

She said students have worked hard on the research, and this week provides an opportunity for them to show off their



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JENNIFER GAINES, a fifth-year doctorate student studying microbiology and immunology, presents her research poster entitled, "The Expression of ptxR P1 and P2 Promoters: the Effect of Oxygen and the Alternative Sigma Factor," which regards an examination over the ptxR expression under aerobic and microaerobic conditions, to a panel of judges Tuesday afternoon in the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

"It wouldn't be fair for an undergrad student to compete with a third or fourth year grad student," he said.

Priya Uppuluri, a student pursuing a doctorate in microbiology and immunology, said she participated in the event last year. She said her husband is participating in the event this year.

She said the event is a platform where students can present all of their research to the public.

"We take all the data that we've collected for the past two or three years and we put it in a PowerPoint presentation," she said. "Then we present it to our faculty mentors and they look over it, then we make a draft of the poster."

She said the general research that is done by microbiology students is the study of microorganisms, called biofilms, on a genetic level. She said the main goal is to find out what an organism does to make a fungus, which invades the body and causes diseases in the body.

The posters will be available for viewing on the fifth floor of the Human Sciences building until 5 p.m. Friday.

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Dallas-based firm donates to construction of new BA

By CHRIS ATWOOD
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The KPMG accounting firm in Dallas will give \$136,000 to the accounting department and the Jerry S. Rawls College of Business today. It is the first installment of a much larger donation to help with construction costs.

Eric Stegemoeller, a KPMG spokesperson, said KPMG has pledged to donate \$250,000 over five years to the business college to help aid the construction of the new Business Administration building.

Robert Ricketts, a professor and former chair of the account department, said KPMG and the College of Business have been affiliated for

almost 20 years.

"They're one of our supporters," Ricketts said. "They hire a lot of our graduates."

KPMG also has helped the business college to become a more high-profile school in the nation than it previously was, Ricketts said. It also has helped to recruit and retain high quality students and faculty.

Stegemoeller said KPMG's Texas Tech alumni have put forth half of the money to be donated and the firm is matching their donations dollar for dollar.

"KPMG is committed to helping Texas Tech, specifically in the area of accounting, to produce qualified candidates to go into the work force," he said.

Ricketts said he believes KPMG has taken the time and resources to invest in the education of students and that they are one of the college's most generous supporters.

KPMG's intern program this semester is made up of nearly 25 percent Tech students, Stegemoeller said. The firm also recently has hired several Tech graduates from the College of Business.

The presentation ceremony will be at 5:15 p.m. in the Canyon Room in the Student Union Building.

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Correction: In Tuesday's edition of *The Daily Toreador*, Danielle Sorelle-Miner was misrepresented in the wet T-shirt contest story. She is a graduate student studying human development and family studies. The DT regrets the error.

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Residents, councilwoman DeLeon speak about problems at local property during Structural Standards Commission meeting

By CARLOS BERGFELD
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

City Councilwoman Linda DeLeon made an appearance in the City Council chambers Tuesday, although not in her Council seat.

DeLeon asked the Structural Standards Commission, chaired by L.V. Andrews, to take action on a property in her neighborhood.

"I would urge you to take an aggressive role here and really bring this house up to a living standard," she said to the Council during the commission's public hearing Tuesday. "If it's not, then it needs to be bulldozed down."

The house, located at 1723 30th St., was the only property at the hearing upon which a civil penalty was imposed.

Stuart Walker, manager of codes for the City of Lubbock Code Administration, said resident Frank Woodside would be charged \$2,750 for failing to improve the condition of his property by Jan. 30 after being warned 55 days ago on Dec. 30.

The total charges resulted from a \$10 fine per violation per day for five separate violations: flimsy supports for a multi-story porch overhang, damage to the porch causing a trip hazard, wood rot on the trim, trim in need of paint and a cracked and damaged sidewalk causing a trip hazard.

Woodside was not at his residence Tuesday afternoon and could not be reached by phone for comment.

In lieu of columns to hold up the overhang, wood struts have been propped under the awning, and they rest at a slant relative to the ground.

Where the porch should be, a cratered basin of dirt borders the front of the house, and wooden planks form a makeshift bridge across this area for access to the property's entrance.

"As you can see, it is an eyesore," said Robin Matthews, an attorney and neighbor to Woodside's property who also spoke to the commission.

Matthews said the house has been in disrepair since she moved into the area in 2003 and has been a blemish in the area for her as well as a hazard for her neighbor's children.

"Her front door is literally 25 feet away from that demolition site," Matthews said.

DeLeon added to Matthews' testimony by saying the problem has been going on for much longer than the two years cited by Matthews.

Although not in the state it is now, DeLeon said the house had structural problems 13 years ago when she moved in to the area.

"Even the porch was falling back then," she said. "It really deters from others who are looking to buy homes in the neighborhood."

Code Enforcement Inspector Mike Richard-

son said Woodside demolished the porch and support columns two years ago in preparation for renovations, although these never came through.

He said he had been in contact on and off with Woodside, who promised to perform repairs on the house.

However, Richardson said there had been no noticeable improvement on the house since he began investigating it one year ago.

"That garden hose that you see has been in the same spot for the last year," said Richardson, while presenting a picture of the property to the commission.

The commission motioned to have an additional order levied on the house for repair, removal or demolition within 55 days.

In addition, the commission desired to increase the fine for each violation to \$100 per day, but Manager of Codes Walker said the maximum fine in this case could be no more than \$10.

The \$10 fine per violation for each day of non-compliance will be continued for the property.

The hearing also addressed a progress update for two properties and issued repair, remove or demolish orders on 11 new cases.

A tour of the properties in question was held Monday.

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Check

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having to split the check when we are finished eating."

Gabbert said she and her friends split the check individually to be fair.

"If I ordered a salad and someone else ordered a steak, I don't want to have to pay for part of that," she said. "That's just not fair."

According to "Emily Post's Etiquette" by Peggy Post, either option is fine. The book recommends dividing the check by the number of people at the meal if the group frequently eats together; at one meal someone might order soup and at another meal might order lobster.

However, the book also suggests speaking up if one diner feels like he or she is paying for more than what he or she consumed. For example, if three people are dining out, and two of the diners share wine, it would be unfair to presume the third diner would help pay for the wine.

Gabbert said although she likes to split the check individually, sometimes it is not an option.

"You just have to grin and bear it sometimes," she said. "I don't like doing it, but if it avoids an unnecessary fight with my friends,

it's worth it."

The book also recommends notifying the waiter if one wants him to keep the change; this prevents the waiter from having to stand in line to return the change to the customer.

An article by M.P. Dunleavy, an etiquette expert, stresses picking up the tab if hosting the function. In one example she gives, a friend attended a birthday party and was under the impression the person who invited her was going to pay for dinner. It turned out each person was responsible for their \$100 share of the bill.

The article also suggests diners split the check evenly when they reach 30 years old, regardless of who ordered what.

Post stresses the host pay for all bills. According to the book, the host should inform the maitre d' or waiter in advance who the check should be given to at the end of the meal. This prevents confusion after the meal and keeps another guest from being able to foot part of the bill.

So whether a nice meal is in order with your sweetheart or a girls' night out is coming up with some friends, experts recommend to keep the proper splitting-the-check etiquette in mind. Be polite and courteous to your fellow diners, and after-meal activities will be much more enjoyable.

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align with predictions made by the global climate models.

"It is very hard to ascribe a single event to global warming, but the global climate models predicted very erratic weather patterns," he said.

Katharine Hayhoe, an associate research professor in the department of geosciences, said she believes global warming is affecting the big picture, but it does not determine day-to-day weather patterns.

"Tomorrow might be hotter than today or colder than today," she said. "Global warming won't affect that."

Still, Hayhoe said the bizarre weather occurrences cropping up across the United States partially could be accredited to the early effects of global warming.

"Dry spells in the winter are normal for Lubbock, although certainly a dry spell that long isn't normal," Hayhoe said of the nearly 100-day streak. "We can't say that the dry spell this winter was because of global warming, but we can say that it was worse because of the warmer temperatures."

She said because global warming is a gradual process, steps should be taken now to better the planet for future generations.

"The United States can act as a role model for the rest of the world," Hayhoe said. "When people are buying cars, they can look at high-efficiency options."

In response to critics stating that global warming is not a real problem but rather an overreaction to sporadic weather, Craig Zimmermann, an assistant professor in the department of biology, said it is best to take the conservative route and err on the side of caution.

"It is better to take the necessary precautions," he said. "It always could be something else, but we know we're adding carbon dioxide — that's a fact," he said.

Carbon dioxide levels have been increasing since the Industrial Revolution, Zimmermann said in explanation. An increase in carbon dioxide leads to an increase in temperatures.

"We know that greenhouse gases lead to atmospheric warming," he said.

As the planet heats up, it is not just the avid skiers and snowboarders who will be affected; Zimmermann said population shifts in a variety of species are an additional result.

"A lot of populations are changing," he said. "Plants are flowering earlier than ever they ever have, and the warm temperatures are conducive to mosquito-spreading diseases."

Despite the fact that NASA officials named 2005 the warmest year since the late 1800s, according to www.nasa.gov, some individuals still regard global warming as a myth.

The Science and Environmental Policy Project for example, denounces global warming as an overblown issue. According to their Web site, www.sepp.org, data from weather satellites and balloon instruments fail to show signs of warming.

Manik Talwani, a geophysicist at Rice University, said he does not see a direct correlation between global warming and short-term fluctuations such as Lubbock's drought or the recent snowstorms in New York.

"It is not clear to me how sudden events, whether snowfall or drought, could be directly associated with global warming," he said. "There could be a little danger if people begin taking everything that happens and blaming it on global warming."

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Worley

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Worley said his other important initiatives are to continue the scholarship campaign started by current Student Government Association President Nathan Nash, continue his work with the career center, work with the United Way, as well as the oil project to unite Texas schools at the legislative session next year.

Nash said Worley could bring energy to the president's office if he were to be elected.

"He's an energetic worker with a great attitude," he said. "And he's very dependable in his role and responsibilities."

Nash said, as external vice president, Worley's main focus was on anything to do with Tech's partnerships and alliances with the community.

Worley's greatest achievement is the relationship he developed with the apartments for the bus routes, he said.

"His work with the apartments made it possible to subsidize the prices for the bus contract," Nash said, "making it possible to lower the students' cost."

Worley's uncle, Chris Chorn, a 21-year-

old Tech student, said Worley is hard-working and dedicated.

"He's usually leaves the house by 8 a.m. and doesn't get back until after 8 p.m.," Chorn said. "He's very compassionate and kind, and once he gets his mind set on something, he won't rest until it's complete."

Chorn said he believes Worley's greatest strength is his heart and compassion; however, it also is his greatest weakness.

"Sometimes he thinks more with his heart than with his mind," Chorn said. "Which isn't wrong because he'll always do the right thing, but his feelings often get too involved with his decision making."

Worley said he worked with teen involvement in high school for fourth- and

fifth-grade students.

"It was a growing experience," he said. "They probably taught me more about life than I probably taught them."

Worley said if he is not elected to be SGA president, he will probably go to Washington, D.C., to participate in the Congressional Fellowships program.

He said the program is to develop leadership skills by having its participants work on Capitol Hill for three days a week and doing community service.

"I've always had to work hard to prove myself," Worley said. "But, it made me realize that there's nothing I can't do."

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Osama the Hippo

Naming animals after America's enemies sets dangerous precedent

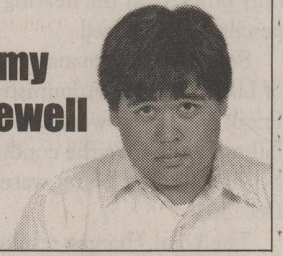
On Aug. 23, 1996, Osama Bin Laden declared war on the United States in an effort to expel the heretics from the Arabian Peninsula and formally founded the organization known as Al-Qaida. Since then, he has attacked numerous assemblies and hotels, the USS Cole, and most infamously, the World Trade Center in New York. I know what you're thinking, is Jeremy writing a serious commentary on the War on Terror? Is he now incapable of the pure, unadulterated, silliness that all his previous columns were crammed with? Does he really think that anyone holds him in any esteem whatsoever? Does he really write while playing PlayStation? Will he please stop typing questions? The answer is no, well, I guess I did stop typing questions. No to everything, except for the last question, the answer to that one is yes.

No, I am not writing about the war on terror (is Bush still calling it Operation Enduring Freedom?), but I am writing about Osama Bin Laden. I know that is both confusing and seemingly paradoxical. However, if you haven't skipped past this page and to either the Sudoku or the crossword puzzle (if you'll notice, they are now on separate pages, thus making the students flip through, and hopefully read, more of the paper to find what they want) please give me a chance to explain. This is not a column about terrorism; it is about hippos, or more specifically, a hippo.

According to National Public Radio, a hippopotamus of indeterminate gender has been attacking canoes as they move through the Congo River in central Africa. My first thought was Bush wants to cut funding for Public Radio when they report ugly news like this, what's his problem? Then I wondered, if there are hippopotami in the water, why are these people (apparently they are called Congolese) canoeing? It turns out that they don't have automobiles in the Democratic Republic (which of course means it is neither a democracy, nor a republic) of the Congo, which was once called Zaire and that boats are their primary source of transportation. One villager, on his way to sell dried fish in the city, saw the boat behind him attacked by the hippo. The people were dragged under the water and eaten, their belongings strewn about.

So the question is what does Osama Bin Laden have to do with a hippo that attacks villagers in a country that most of us have never heard of? It turns out that while there are many hippo attacks each year — the hippo is Africa's most dangerous animal and kills more people than

Jeremy Glidewell



more feared animals such as the lion — this one is noteworthy because the villagers have named the hippo Osama Bin Laden. Why? Because he is "Powerful, deadly, and elusive. Like Osama Bin Laden, he makes these attacks. People are always trying to catch him, and he's uncatchable [sic]."

Then they played a clip of the villager's laughter on the radio, as if he made some clever joke. Well, this is no laughing matter. We cannot let people name animals after bad people. That is not to say I'm against all homage in the form of animal names. I have several dogs named after various people — Einstein McNeilsbohr, Roscoe (after the guy from "The Dukes of Hazzard"), Buddy (for Buddy Holly), Lucy (unlike me, my mom likes "I Love Lucy") and Fritz von Wienerdog (That one just makes me laugh). To name a hippo after the world's No. 1 terrorist sends a wrong message.

It says, hey America, we here in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (not to be confused with the Republic of the Congo, who we are friends with), not only do we not like you, we are going to name our animals after your enemies. You may think I'm making large scale generalizations based on little fact, but as is often the case when I generalize, I really do not care. Left unchecked, there is no telling what the Congolese (if that's what they're really called), will name an animal next. I can see it now — Saddam Hussein the Rabbit (because we found him in a hole), Kim Jong II the Orangutan (because he has ugly, poofy hair). Maybe other countries that don't like us will take the hint and join them in psychological warfare. There'll be North Korean Amur goral named Hitler and Cuban marlin named Cornwallis. America must stop this before it becomes a trend. With that I call for a boycott of all Congolese (again, from the Democratic Republic of, not the Republic of, the Congo) exports — which according to Google, is pretty much just low-quality coffee.

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Kwan leaving Olympics evokes odd patriotic sympathy, sadness

Love for country leads you to odd places.

For example: The case of poor Michelle Kwan. I was watching the recording of the Opening Ceremony, seeing my countrymen and women walk down into the winter stadium of Turin. Knowing that a day later she'd be out of the running for gold. I felt sorry for her.

Then it struck me — why? I've never met her. I'll probably never know her. Why was I sad for her? She wasn't family. Wasn't a friend. Her life affected me not at all. What is Kwan to me? Or to you? Or she, really, to us?

Yet here I was, experiencing an emotion, sadness. Because she was wearing the colors of my flag.

How odd. A Spaniard or a citizen of Japan has an obvious and easily understandable reason to yell for their team: usually, they're branches of the same ancestral tree. A Japanese woman is just that, Japanese. All of her ancestors back into the dim reaches of history were probably Japanese. Same if you're Turkish or Swedish or Vietnamese — all of your grandparents and their grandparents were likely Turks or Swedes or Vietnamese for centuries. There's a clear social and biological thread going back for maybe a thousand years or more. Sure, a lot of nationalistic identity is bogus. Inter-marriage and migration have been rampant in history. And the idea of a "people" could be seen as a political mischief of the 19th century. But roots are roots.

In America, things are different. Thursday, for example, let's say I moved to China. I could learn Mandarin or Cantonese, absorb myself in the culture, take up a palatial residence in Beijing and forget the first 25 years of my life. Yet it's doubtful that I, or many generations of my descendants, would be considered

Jason Rhode



So when I feel bad for Michelle Kwan, an American who has just seen her last Olympics, what am I feeling? We don't have any religion, ethnicity, obvious genetic commonalities, or millennial history to unite us. Why do I feel pity for her and less sorrow for the Austrian (who I'm probably more closely related to) who might sprain his foot tomorrow?

citizens of the Middle Kingdom. This goes for most nationalities — I tried to date this Greek girl once and found out how dimly un-Hellenic I was. From her mother, no less. This isn't just a racial thing. My

ancestry's German, for example, but I suspect this would be the case even if I spent a hundred years in Berlin. I doubt that I'd be considered a proper German, ever.

But a German or Chinese person who comes to America is American if they make the effort. You can be an American almost immediately. And there's the genius of it.

Most people who are rooting for someone at the Olympics do so, I suspect, because they had the dumb luck to be born on the same plot of land as the athlete in question. And that is the stupidest reason ever to give your loyalty to something. It's reptilian. According to this principle, a man might be born on a garbage heap. And because he happened to enter the world on this junk pile instead of another, he would defend his pile against all comers; would declare its superiority because it happened through fate and fate alone to be his.

Whether it deserved his allegiance, whether there was any inherent good to it, would never enter his mind. America's different. Sure, a Frenchman can love France because she's French; Americans don't have that kind of luxury. Nobody's been an American for that long.

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The answer's simple: Michelle Kwan and I, and Bode Miller, and you, are partners, voluntary partners, in the same odd, strange, miraculous, improbable joint venture called America. The main thing

we share is a common belief. We've all drank the same Kool-Aid, so to speak. We're all shareholders in this enterprise. Because America isn't a clump of land or blood or anything so mundane. It's a set of ideas. Which turns out to bond tighter than hoops of steel.

I distrust any fidelity that comes pre-packaged. It's not enough to be born in the confines of America. That doesn't make you "American;" I think you have to earn it. It's the difference between passively inheriting and actively buying with your own money. I think America is something that has to be purchased anew by each generation. The contract is under renegotiation, always. It's not enough that your parents and their parents threw in with it. You have to do so, too. And at some point, independently, Kwan and I, each quite unknown to the other, did just that. Hence my disappointment at my business partner, and co-conspirator's, loss.

Let me point out that it is not only my duty, but my great joy, to criticize wickedness done for or in the name of this country, especially by its incompetent and corrupt leaders. Most of the day-to-day patriotism you'll see, especially on bumper stickers, is of the reactionary, ridiculous kind. It's cheap, hollow, easy sentiment. Chest-thumping for thumpings sake. But there is something true, sweet and profound, once you get past all the crap — and that deeper love is brilliantly displayed at the Olympics. Where, for a woman my age who I've never met, I felt an emotional connection because we happened to be true believers in the same difficult but wonderful dream. USA, USA. •

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VIEW FROM THE BIG 12

King's funeral misused by liberals as a political platform

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(U-WIRE) STILLWATER, Okla. — Everybody loves to take a crack at Dubya. From the war in Iraq and phantom weapons of mass destruction, to Hurricane Katrina and domestic spying programs, liberals and conservatives alike have voiced their displeasure in the president's decision-making during his past two terms.

On a day when Coretta Scott King was buried next to her late husband, Martin Luther King Jr., the 85-year-old Rev. Joseph Lowery bellowed, "We know there were no weapons of mass destruction (in Iraq). For war billions more, but no more for the poor."

On a day investigators confirmed that

the recent Alabama church arsons were hate related, former president Jimmy Carter brought Coretta Scott King's funeral attendees to their feet when, in direct reference to the domestic spying program that has been nipped over the past two months, he mentioned the government's "secret wiretapping and surveillance" of the King's during the civil rights movement.

On a day that should have been used to celebrate civil rights, its future in this country and one of its fine pioneers, liberals were content to use the podium as a bunker and their mouths as machine guns aimed straight at the Bush administration.

Following the funeral, Lowery, a close friend to the King family for a large part of his life, defended himself on MSNBC's

Tucker Carlson's show, "The Situation," by saying his remarks were not aimed at Bush but were used to emphasize what Coretta Scott King stood for, which was "speaking truth to power."

President Bush took the political jabs in stride, was the first to stand following Lowery's speech and gave the reverend a big hug as he approached the pulpit. Though the president had to have been shaken by the comments, he is hip to the idea that this country operates on a system that allows free speech and criticism of its government.

Carter had the nation's attention at the funeral and I didn't, but if I did you can bet that there would have been no talk of the domestic spying programs or weapons of mass destruction. These issues

have been severely beaten over the head recently, only to widen the gap between America's two major political parties and referring to them during something as sacred as a funeral service is unheard of.

In an age where there is more anti-American propaganda than ever, we as Americans need to focus on what makes our country whole rather than what divides it. Racism is hard enough to overcome without the political baggage.

On a day when the world buried Coretta Scott King, a preserving, strong woman who fought for human rights everywhere, it should have used the opportunity to rejoice that we've had the pleasure of having people like her as Americans, rather than exploit the opportunity to springboard a political party.

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Clinton has Democratic support for presidency Math

By SETH BURT
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Hillary Clinton currently leads the polls for presidency of 1,200 likely primary voters in seven states including New Jersey, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, South Carolina and Vermont, according to the American Research Group.

Texas and Lubbock, however, are known for voting consistently Republican in elections. Though researched, no polls were found of Texans showing any support for Clinton running in 2008.

A simple search on Google for "Hillary Clinton for President" finds 17.7 million pages full of support and opposition for the idea of Clinton running as the Democratic Party's candidate.

Many sites — such as www.hillary.org and www.anyonebutHillary2008.com — specifically are designed to encourage support or voice opposition for Clinton although she has yet to declare if she will run in 2008.

Marco Fornari, a junior mechanical engineering major from Italy, offered his thoughts on Clinton's possibility for running.

"She actually promised to run for (presidency) 2008 during the John Kerry campaign," he said. "She has been putting the idea of her running in

people's mind for more than six years. She has prepared Democrat voters to see her as a candidate."

The College Republicans and the University Democrats from Tech had mixed opinions on whether Clinton will choose to run for the presidency.

Matt Fowler, a junior mechanical engineering major from Keller and the president of the College Republicans, said he believes she will run.

"Dick Morris (political advisor for President Clinton) was recently in Lubbock at a speaking event in which I attended, based on what he said there is a real possibility for her to run in 2008," he said. "She has the support of the Democratic Party base. She has positioned herself through her working in the Senate to secure her position in 2008."

Vice President of the University Democrats, Andy Reay, a junior chemical engineer major from Albuquerque, N.M., offered a different opinion. "I honestly think she is just testing the waters," he said. "I think when she says she doesn't know, she means that."

Though the elections are a little more than two years away, people have already formed opinions of whether they will vote for or against Clinton if she runs.

Reay said people hold some of these opinions

without knowing why they do.

"Hillary Clinton is really unpopular in parts of the country," Reay stated. "I think in a lot of ways, Hillary Clinton running would be a gift to the Republicans. I think she would make a great president, but I don't think she is the best candidate that the Democrats have."

Fowler said Clinton is a person who sparks everyone's interest. "I think that Hillary Clinton is a person that everyone has strong feelings about," Fowler said.

The College Republicans, Fowler said, deal with two major issues currently: the war on terrorism and Social Security.

"The war on terror will be something still going on in 2008, we see with Iran's threats to acquire nuclear technology," Fowler said. "Social Security is another issue for College Republicans. At its current rate, it will not be around. We have paid into it all of our lives. We want it to still be viable once our generation retires."

Most people interviewed would agree, but said it is still early to determine who will run.

"We are in the middle of 2006 midterm elections, as the time gets closer we will see a bunch of people from both sides step out (to run)," Fowler said.

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"I don't know what we've done as educators," said Carl Seaquist, associate mathematics professor.

One example he mentioned was when he heard a student ask their friend to multiply four times seven.

Seaquist said fewer people realize the importance of the math used in their everyday life.

"What's important is it seems like people accept what number is given," he said. "We're not used to doing those divisions and looking at them, and looking at figures, so sometimes, we make foolish decisions."

Seaquist said the problem even exists in the U.S. government, and referred to U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia's miscalculation of the United States' population.

The AIR's study also looked at students' external factors, such as the college's status as private or public, their parents' graduation status and household income.

The study states there are no major differences with students at public and private schools, or between part-time and full-time students.

"No overall relationship exists between literacy and the length of time it takes to earn a degree, or between literacy and an academic major," AScribe states.

In the study, 1,827 graduating students from 80 colleges, four-year and two-year, were surveyed, according to AScribe.

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global marketplace."

However, AIR's recent study also proved the literacy rate is not much different than the past few generations. In a telephone interview from Washington, D.C., Larry McQuillan, AIR media relations representative, said today's college graduates are slightly more quantitatively literate than graduates from past generations.

"There's not much a huge difference between college kids today and college grads a few years ago," he said.

The study targets college administrators to help them realize if their students are ready to work in the real world, McQuillan said.

"The real audience for the survey are college administrators so they can look at the results and decide if any of the findings apply to their institution," he said. "They're the ones who have to judge what's best for the institution."

At Texas Tech, some employees, such as Vickie Hampton, professor and program coordinator at the personal financial planning division, said they see the increasing problems themselves.

"We occasionally find students' math challenged or quantity challenged," she said.

The failure to understand credit card interest rates or car payments is two examples Hampton mentioned.

This could be because some college students are afraid of math, she said.

Cheney

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spoken publicly about the accident, which took place Saturday night while the vice president was aiming for a quail. Critics of the Bush administration called for more answers from the Cheney himself.

The furor over the accident and the White House delay in making it public are "part of the secretive nature of this administration," said Senate Democratic Leader Harry Reid of Nevada. "I think it's time the American people heard from the vice president."

Whittington has said through hospital officials that he does not want to comment on the shooting. A young man at Whittington's Austin home who identified himself as his grandson said Tuesday he did not have time to talk to a reporter and closed the door.

Before hospital officials announced details of Whittington's condition, the hunting accident had produced lots of Cheney jokes on late-night television.

"I think Cheney is starting to lose it," Jay Leno said. "After he shot the guy he screamed, 'Anyone else want to call domestic wiretapping illegal!'"

Hospital officials said they knew that Whittington had some birdshot near his heart and that there was a chance it could move closer since scar tissue had not had time to harden and hold the pellet in place.

After Whittington developed an irregular heartbeat, doctors performed a cardiac catheterization, in which a thin, flexible tube is inserted into the heart, to diagnose his condition, said Peter Banko, the administrator at the hospital.

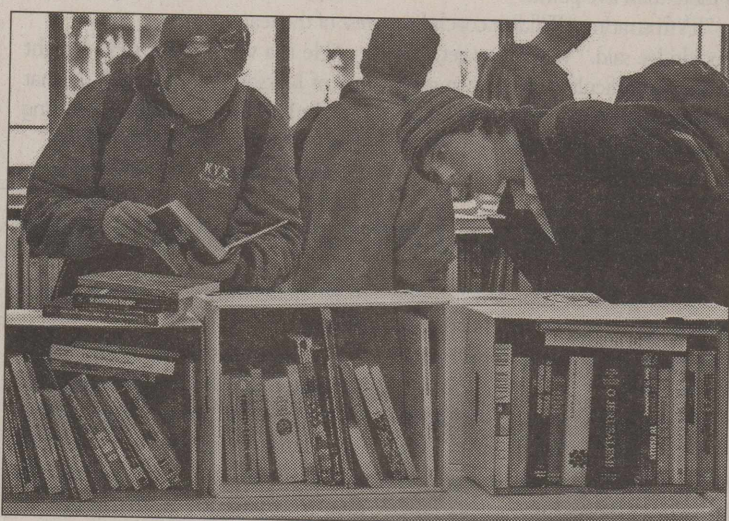
The shot was either touching or embedded in the heart muscle near the top chambers, called the atria, officials said. Two things resulted:

It caused inflammation that pushed on the heart in a way to temporarily block blood flow, what the doctors called a "silent heart attack." This is not a traditional heart attack where an artery is blocked. They said Whittington's arteries, in fact, were healthy.

It irritated the atria, caused an irregular heartbeat known as atrial fibrillation, which is not immediately life-threatening. But it must be treated because it can spur blood clots to form.

Most cases can be corrected with medication.
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CHRIS SCHNEIDER, LEFT, a junior management major from San Antonio, looks through a book while James Stewart, a junior English and journalism major from Hale Center, looks at the different selections of books at the book sale in the Croslin Room of the library Tuesday afternoon.

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Tech takes on KSU with chance to dance fading

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Texas Tech's NCAA Tournament hopes may end or continue at 7 p.m. today at the United Spirit Arena when it faces Kansas State.

Although selection Sunday is still more than a month away, the Raiders are in must-win mode if they want to dance in March. But they are reeling. They have lost two consecutive games and are looking to stay away from being below .500 for the first time this season.

But despite its mediocre season, Tech (12-12, 4-6 Big 12) still has the possibility of reaching the NCAA Tournament. But it will be tough.

Check the scenario.

If the Raiders can run the table and win their last six conference games, they will have 10 conference wins.

Check the history.

Only one team in the history of the Big 12 has had 10 wins and not made the Big Dance (Colorado in 2003-04).

On paper the Raiders' opponents look more favorable than not. Tech only faces one team with a winning conference record.

Check the schedule. After tonight's game Tech is at Nebraska (5-5), home against Oklahoma (7-3), at Oklahoma State (3-8), at

Baylor (2-9) and finish the season at home against Texas A&M (5-6).

If Tech does not win out, the only possibility of Tech reaching the NCAA Tournament is to win the Big 12 Conference Tournament in mid March in Dallas.

But it all begins tonight when it faces the Wildcats, who is another team looking to run the table.

The Wildcats looked like the surprise team on the Big 12 earlier this season after beating Kansas on the road. However losing four of its last five games has ruined their party.

Though they haven't been getting blown out. During seven of their last eight losses, the Wildcats have not lost by more than five points.

"It's frustrating," Wildcat coach Jim Wooldridge said. "When you get that close, it is difficult, but the common thread is we haven't been good enough to win those games. It doesn't say almost loss. It says loss."

Speaking of loss, Wooldridge has not been on the sidelines the last two games after having neck surgery. He said he hopes to be back tonight.

Filling in for him has been assistant coach Jimmy Elgas.

Tech coach Bob Knight said having an interim coach holds no disadvantage for the Wildcats.

"Any good assistant coach knows enough about the program to step in when they have to," he said. "That is what they have (at Kansas State). There is no advantage for us. Who knows, it could be a disadvantage."

The Raiders are lead by guard Jarriss Jackson, who paces the offense with 19.2 points per game.

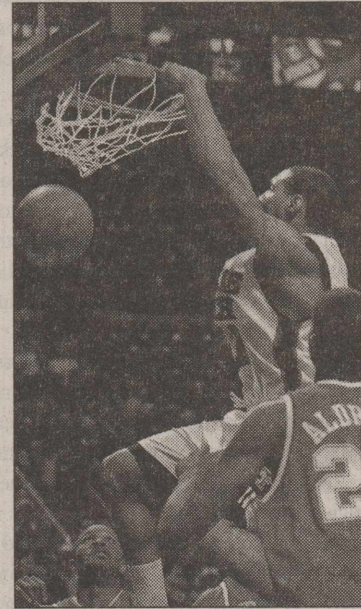
Knight said he would like to see the ball out of Jackson's hands more so he can move and create shots without the basketball. But he can't do that without better ball handling from the rest of the team.

"He is a very good cutter," Knight said of Jackson. "But he can't do that with the ball. We can't utilize his cutting ability without better ball handling."

Forward Cartier Martin, who aver-

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DAVID JOHNSON/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH FORWARD Dior Lowhorn throws down a dunk in the Raiders' 66-54 Feb. 6.

ages 18.8 points per game and 6.9 rebounds per game, leads the Wildcats.

"We have to contain him," Knight said.

It would be a good idea if Tech wants to make the field of 64.

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OLYMPIC UPDATE MONDAY'S RESULTS

ALPINE SKIING: MEN'S COMBINED		
MEDAL	COUNTRY	ATHLETE
GOLD	USA	T. LIGETY
SILVER	CROATIA	I. KOSTELIC
BRONZE	AUSTRIA	R. SCHOENFELDER

LUGE: WOMEN'S SINGLES		
MEDAL	COUNTRY	ATHLETE
GOLD	GERMANY	S. OTTON
SILVER	GERMANY	G. KRAUSHAAR
BRONZE	GERMANY	T. HUENNER

SPEED SKATING: WOMEN'S 500M		
MEDAL	COUNTRY	ATHLETE
GOLD	RUSSIA	S. ZHUROVA
SILVER	RUSSIA	M. WANG
BRONZE	GERMANY	R. HUI

OVERALL MEDAL COUNT: TOP 5				
	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOT.
NORWAY	1	5	5	11
RUSSIA	4	3	2	9
USA	5	2	0	7
GERMANY	4	1	2	7
NETHERLANDS	0	2	3	5

LADY RAIDERS IN ACTION AGAINST IOWA STATE

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CLEMENS HEADS U.S. ROSTER FOR CLASSIC

NEW YORK (AP) — Roger Clemens was among 30 players picked Tuesday for the U.S. roster for next month's inaugural World Baseball Classic.

The 43-year-old right-hander, who led the major leagues in ERA last year, still hasn't decided whether he will pitch in the major leagues this season. He made the decision to pitch for the United States after he spent time working out in the past month.

"I needed a couple of weeks to see where my body was going to be and get my mind right for this," Clemens said.

Under baseball's rules, he can't re-sign with Houston until May 1.

Boston, the New York Yankees and Texas also have expressed interest in signing the Rocker, and Clemens said he has met with several teams, without going into specifics.

Clemens won't make a decision about the season until after he's done pitching in the tournament, which runs March 3-20.

U.S. Roster

Relievers: Chad Cordero, Brian Fuentes, Todd Jones, Brad Lidge, Joe Nathan, Scot Shields, Huston Street, Mike Timlin, Billy Wagner, Dan Wheeler.

Catchers: Mike Barrett, Brian Schneider, Jason Varitek.

Infielders: Derek Jeter, Chipper Jones, Derrek Lee, Alex Rodriguez, Mark Teixeira, Chase Utley, Michael Young.

Outfielders: Johnny Damon, Jeff Francoeur, Ken Griffey Jr., Matt Holliday, Vernon Wells, Randy Winn.

With overhauled rotation, Rangers head to optimistic spring

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The Texas Rangers have overhauled their starting rotation, and found some needed relief.

New general manager Jon Daniels — at 28, younger than most Texas players — was even able to make the deals to get needed pitching while keeping mostly intact the core of standout position players.

So now the Rangers head into another optimistic spring. Maybe this time they finally have the pitching

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to go along with their always potent offense.

"Now it's up to us," said All-Star first baseman Mark Teixeira, who won AL Gold Glove and Silver Slugger awards last season. "Now that we've brought pitchers here, if we perform, we can play with anybody in the league. ... I'm excited."

Beside signing AL ERA leader Kevin Millwood to a five-year deal after his season in Cleveland, the Rangers traded for former NL All-Star Vicente Padilla from Philadelphia and Adam Eaton (11-5 last season) from San Diego.

"I think everybody kind of saw last year that the way to win is just through

pitching," said Millwood, who got a \$60 million, five-year deal and picked Texas over Boston. "They've addressed that, and that attracted me a lot."

The deal with the Padres also brought reliever Akinori Otsuka. The hard-throwing right-hander will be the expected bridge to closer Francisco Cordero, a role the Rangers struggled to fill last year after the two top setup men from 2004 had elbow surgery.

Rangers pitchers and catchers report to camp in Surprise, Ariz., on Wednesday, and their first team workout is Thursday. The rest of the team will report by Monday, and the first full-squad workout is Tuesday.

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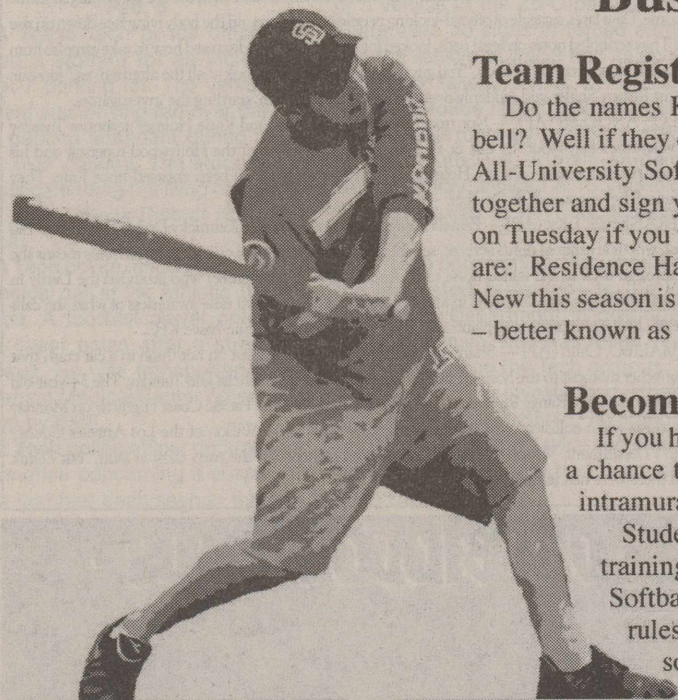
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Saturday 8:00am - 10:00pm
Sunday 12:00pm - 12:00am

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

Recreational Sports



Bust Out The Bats, Softball Season Is Here

Team Registration Takes Place Next Week

Do the names Kappa Sigma, Angry Pirates, Elite, Victory, Bibendum's, Nanny Goats, or Chico's Bail Bonds ring a bell? Well if they don't, these are just 8 of the 280 teams that will be playing for a chance to be Texas Tech Intramural All-University Softball Champions this season. Yes, it's that time to get your buddies or your residence hall floor together and sign your squad up next Tue., February 21st - Thu., February 23rd. Remember to get your team in on Tuesday if you would like a specific time; if not, you will probably get a time that is left over. The divisions are: Residence Hall, Greek Black, Greek Red, Men's Open, Women's Open, Women's Greek, and Co-rec. New this season is a CR- recreational league. This league is for the non-so-competitive-win-at-all-cost player - better known as the fun league. For more info, visit recsports.ttu.edu or call 742-2945.

Become A Softball Official

If you have been searching for a fun, flexible job that offers good pay, and a chance to meet new people, then we have the JOB for you. Become an intramural softball official!

Students wanting to officiate softball are encouraged to attend the first training clinic on TOMORROW night at 5 pm in Rec Center, Room 201. Softball officials make \$8 per game and are thoroughly trained in the rules, mechanics, and gamesmanship. Some knowledge of baseball or softball is helpful to an individual wanting to officiate.



Tournament Time

The 5th Annual Spring Softball tournament - The Big Kahuna, is coming next Saturday! This preseason intramural tournament is limited to Tech Students, Faculty, and Staff. A cost of \$30.00 per team will cover the cost of officials, specially designed glasses for the winning team, and two guaranteed games. To register, come by the Student Rec Center, room 203, 8 am-5 pm. Space is limited to the 1st 24 teams.

Heartbeats

A quick pulse around the Rec Sports world...

Aquatic Center Events

5000 Meter Swim
Sat March 4, 9am

Test your endurance!! Are you up for the challenge of swimming 100 lengths of an Olympic sized pool? The 5000 meter challenge is a long course event for both competitive and non competitive swimmers.

Registration is at the Aquatic Center and will continue through Thursday March 2nd. For more information please call us at 742-3896!

The swim is free! T-shirts will be available for sale, & YES we'll count your laps.

Lifeguarding Classes

Want to learn lifesaving techniques? Do you want to work outside this summer? Don't wait until it's too late to register! Become a Certified American Red Cross Lifeguard. This course includes Lifeguarding, Standard First Aid, and CPR for the Professional Rescuer. The cost is \$120 for TTU students. Books are included in the course cost. Upcoming sessions:

- Session 2: Apr. 1-9
Sat/Sun, 8am-6pm
- Session 3: April 4-27
T/Th, 6:30pm-10pm
- Session 4: Apr. 22-30
Sat/Sun, 8am-6pm

FITNESS/WELLNESS

Job Opportunities

Wanna teach Group Fitness Classes? We will begin a fitness instructor training class that will meet on Mondays from 2:15-4pm, beginning on Mon, Feb 20. Please contact Chrissy Huffman via email at chrissy.huffman@ttu.edu for more details.

The Fitness/Wellness Center is seeking an energetic licensed **massage therapist**. Position announcement and applications are available in the Fit/Well or online at www.recports.ttu.edu. Questions? Contact Jana.Baker@ttu.edu.

Wellness Blood Screenings Tomorrow

Valentine's Day may be over but be good to yourself and your significant other by taking charge of your health. Learn your cholesterol level as well as numerous others at the Wellness Blood Screenings to be held in the Fitness/Wellness Center tomorrow morning. UMC's Healthsource will draw blood. Results of Blood tests include Lipid Profile (\$10), Glucose (\$5), Wellness Chemistry profile (\$25), CBC (\$20), Iron (\$10), Thyroid (\$15), Colon Cancer Screening Kit (\$10), PSA (\$20), C-Reactive Protein (\$30), Blood Typing (\$15) and Homocysteine (\$35). Bone Density Screenings (\$15) are non-invasive and will also be offered. For descriptions, please go to www.recports.ttu.edu. Rec Center membership is NOT required. Please register by TODAY at noon by calling 742.3828. Payment is due the morning of the tests. Please come fasting (no food or beverages 10 hours prior). Make a commitment to better health. Begin by learning your current blood levels and continue with exercise, better nutrition and stress management.

Get Your Move Back On...

2nd Session Specialty Classes

From traditional favorites like Spin City and Salsa to the new mix of ClimbYO or Jump Rope, we're sure we have a class for you. 2nd session registration begins Monday, February 20th and all class times can be seen at recsports.ttu.edu.

2nd Session Classes:

Ballet, Belly Dance, Boxing, Clogging/Tap, Country West Dance, Jazz Dance, Jump Rope, Knockout Jam, Mat Pilates, Men's Weight Training, Prenatal Water Fitness, Racquetball, Salsa, Spin City, Swing Dance, Women and Weights, Yoga, Yogilates and ClimbYo.

OUTDOOR PURSUITS CENTER

EXPLORE MORE THIS SEMESTER with the OPC Trips Program! All semester long, the OPC is offering many exciting Weekend adventures. These trips are designed for a personal challenge, education and most of all - FUN. Everything you need is provided, equipment, food, transportation, you just need to pick the trip or trips you want to go on and register TODAY in the Outdoor Pursuits Center. Check out these upcoming trips...



BIO GRANDE CANOEING MARCH 10-18

We are returning to the Lower Canyons of the Rio Grande for our annual spring break canoe trip. The Lower Canyons near Big Bend National Park possess some of the most remote and scenic river canyons. These canyons are full of geological, floral and cultural features. This trip is for everyone from the adventurous beginner to the experienced canoeist/camper.

SIGN-UP DEADLINE	DEPARTS	RETURNS	PRICE	SKILL LEVEL	FITNESS LEVEL
March 2	3/10	3/18	\$250	intermediate	moderate



CAPROCK DAY HIKE MARCH 4

A little over an hour from Lubbock is West Texas' best kept secret. Caprock Canyons State Park is a beautiful area known for its extensive canyon system and rock outcroppings. We will take the day to hike around 4 miles and enjoy the brisk air. You will certainly enjoy this day away!

SIGN-UP DEADLINE	DEPARTS	RETURNS	PRICE	SKILL LEVEL	FITNESS LEVEL
March 2	8am	5pm	\$20	beginner	easy

OUTDOOR PURSUITS CENTER SPRING WORKSHOP SERIES

Ski and Snowboard Maintenance Workshop

Get your skis or board ready to hit the slopes with this February 15th workshop covering edging, beveling, and waxing. Once you take this workshop, you're welcome to use our tools and setup during our shop hours. The Ski Workshop date is February 15th from 6:30-8pm. Cost is \$15.

The Art of Sourdough Breads in Dutch Ovens

Spend the evening learning about sourdough breads and baking in Dutch ovens. This workshop will work you through the nine steps of baking with sourdough starters and teach you how to manage heat while baking in Dutch ovens. Price includes the scrumptious bread you will prepare. This Workshop is February 21st from 6-8pm. Cost is \$5.

The Outdoor Pursuits Center's hand's-on learning style of these workshops offers participants the opportunity to be involved and have FUN! Workshops fill fast, so pre-register at the Outdoor Pursuits Center. Complete details on this and other workshops can be found at recsports.ttu.edu.

Coming Soon!	INTRAMURALS	Entries Due	SPECIAL EVENTS	Event Date	SPECIAL EVENTS	Event Date
	Softball Officials Meeting	Feb. 16	Ski Maintenance Wkshp.	Feb. 16	Lifeguard Challenge	Feb. 23
Spring Softball	Feb. 21-23	Long Course Swimming	Feb. 18	2nd Session Specialty Class		
Big Kahuna Softball	Feb. 24	Weight Watchers	Feb. 20	Registration Begins Feb. 20th!		
Badminton Tournament	Feb. 28	Group Running	Feb. 21			

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