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'Wanna see my what?'

Texas school districts banning 'grills' in classrooms

By DANIELLE NOVY
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Several school districts across the Lone Star State have been making recent modifications to their dress codes to ban the latest trend to explode on the high school scene: the mouth jewelry known simply as "grills."

While hip-hop artist Nelly turned the fashion craze into a song aptly titled, "Grillz," it seems Texas teens have taken to wearing the sparkling teeth-coverings to school — a reality that some education officials deem harmful to the learning environment.

Dale Caffey, the public information officer for the Waco Independent School District, said a committee decided in May to add a ban on grills to the district's ever-evolving dress code.

"Just like styles change, dress codes have to look at each style and see if it is appropriate for school," he said. "Grills' were one of the biggest changes that

came about this year."

Caffey said there are two major issues that laid the foundation for the committee's decision regarding the mouth gear.

Firstly, he said local dentists helped determine that grills proved to be unhealthy for the wearer and dangerous to the development and upkeep of teeth. Secondly, the committee noted that since students sometimes make noise with their removable grills they could be disruptive to the learning environment.

"Last year we had quite a few students at several campuses in the district wearing grills" he said. "Yet, surprisingly, I have not heard from any students complaining about the ban."

The Waco ISD was not alone in their recent dress code modification; school districts in Grand Prairie, Mesquite, Arlington, Irving and DeSoto all also raised similar bans on oral jewelry

for the upcoming school year.

Still, despite various school districts' clamping down on the trend, hundreds of Web sites are still marketing the mouth wear.

John Hallett, store manager for the Las Vegas-based jewelry store Mr. Bling, said he has seen grills sell for as much as \$8,000 or \$9,000 a pop to teens.

Grills have become more popular recently through music and music videos, Hallett said.

They are the most popular among teens aged between 15 and 18.

Still, Hallett said he does not take issue with school districts who ban this particular form of jewelry.

"It's really up to the schools what they want to do," he said simply.

Additionally, Hallett said those who do choose to sport the oral jewelry should be careful to brush and clean their investment every day and avoid wearing their grill 24 hours a day.

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America's next target — N. Korea's Kim Jong-Il

You can hardly go a week in the world without a world leader pretending they're a child. Once again we're at a standoff with a foreign country over a known weapons program, and once again lawmakers and diplomats are at a loss for the next step. North Korea refuses to talk with us, insisting that their missile program is their right as a sovereign state (it's like a teenager turning 16 and demanding to have a driver's license).

The key word around Washington and in discussions across the globe is diplomacy. You remember diplomacy, right? Diplomacy prevented the first Gulf War, it's the same diplomacy that prevented the 1993 attack on the World Trade Center, the attack on our embassies in Tanzania and Kenya, the attack on the U.S.S. Cole, the attacks of Sept. 11, the attack in Madrid, the Iraq War (at least we took the initiative in solving that situation), and last year's attacks in London. Diplomacy is great. Although it worked in years past, that was before the United Nations turned into the international version of "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy." Instead of using military power to dictate proper behavior (if dictators are going to act like children, they should be treated as such), the U.N. has resorted to using the back of their hand to slap faces around the globe with "sanctions" and "resolutions". Ever since Saddam Hussein started ignoring the edicts and commands of the United Nations, its usefulness as an international policy maker and political body have failed, and with it diplomacy will fail.

One has to look no further than the current crisis in North Korea. China is floundering on putting pressure on North Korea to abandon their missile

Trey Caliva



program.

Despite the missile tests taking place last week, the U.N. has been virtually unresponsive. The strongest language we can get from the U.N. is the chance of a "potential" vote on sanctions from the U.N. Security Council. (This is notwithstanding that China has publicly stated that it would consider using their veto power on the security council if any resolution comes to vote.) The rest of the world that has a vested interest in defeating evil and terrorism around the globe has a responsibility to do so.

North Korea's missile ambitions must be ended, immediately. With the possibility of a long-range North Korean missile having the potential to reach the Western United States coast, we can't afford the same risks we took with Islamic terrorists in the late 90s (we all know how that turned out). It's time to get back to the original foreign policy President Bush set-out to accomplish following the attacks of Sept. 11. It's our duty to rid the world of potential threats to America and her allies. We've taken out the Taliban and Saddam, Kim Jong-Il communist regime should be next.

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THE OLD, TERRORIST HEZBOLLAH



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THE NEW, PARLIAMENTARY-DEMOCRACY HEZBOLLAH



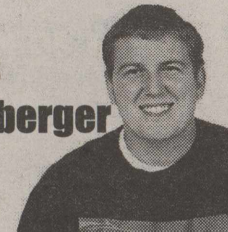
Hope can diminish negativity in world

A few weeks ago, I found myself low on gas while in one of Lubbock's impoverished neighborhoods. I pulled into a run-down station, its paint faded and disconsolate employees outside puffing cigarettes by the pumps. The other cars looked old and decrepit as did the people filling them up.

As I filled my tank, I heard a soft, melodic sound. I looked on the other side of the gas pump, and there was a middle-aged woman singing quietly as she put gas in her dilapidated car. Her voice was graceful, gently placing notes in the air, bringing a contrasting beauty to this sad little gas station. After a few moments, she drove away, taking her inspiring music with her and leaving me reflecting on the poetic scene I witnessed.

I've always believed that no matter how bad a person's situation is they can make it as long as they find something to live for. Even if a man is doing a life sentence in prison, it is vital to

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find a source of joy otherwise he won't survive.

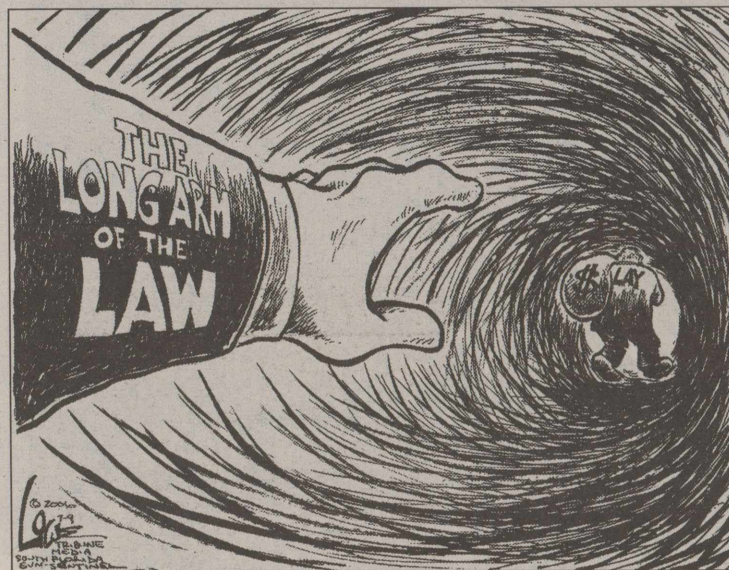
There is a lot of negativity in the world, lots to be concerned about. This should be addressed, but I believe our principle focus should be on what is good and beautiful. Optimism and hope are our God-given, natural tools to make it through difficult situations.

While at Texas Tech, I've known people who struggle with depression and take medication for it. Now, I'm not Tom Cruise, not just because I lack two famous baby mamas and am above-average height for a man, as I do believe for some people depression is a real mental disorder that must be treated.

But I wonder if some people use psychological drugs as a quick-fix, when learning to focus on the positive aspects of existence could do just as well for them. My favorite film, "American Beauty," contains the line, "I could be pretty pissed off about what happened to me, but it's hard to stay mad when there's so much beauty in the world." I wonder if some people focused on what was good in their lives, they would find antidepressants aren't necessary.

In the fourth grade, one of my teachers died. At her funeral, the pastor said something I'll never forget, "A human can live 70 days without food, eight days without water, 5 minutes without air, but not one second without hope." I'm grateful to the angelic-voiced woman at the gas station for reminding me of that.

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Smoking ban shows profit

By DANIELLE NOVY
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A recent study charting the revenue patterns of Lubbock eateries has highlighted a growth in the restaurant industry's financial success in the past two years since smoking was banned in public places.

The study's figures show an increase in gross restaurant and restaurant-bar revenues of roughly \$3.8 million since the last cigarette was extinguished — a significant point of opposition to critics of the July 2004 municipal ordinance who predicted the ban would hurt the Hub City restaurant business.

Donna Bacchi, director of the Center for Tobacco Prevention and Control at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center, said most Lubbock citizens are enjoying being able to eat out without having to worry about second-hand smoke interrupting their meal.

"I believe the increase in revenue occurred because many people in Lubbock are non-smokers, and

non-smokers want to go to restaurants and not inhale smoke," she said.

There has been an outpour of positive feedback from the public since the ban was implemented, Bacchi said. Overall, the West Texas community is behind the separation of smoking and dining out.

"I believe it is important for people to understand that the community of Lubbock has supported this by going out to more restaurants," she said.

Furthermore, the study's finds that smoking bans in restaurants economically aid the industry has aligned with the results of prior bans implemented around the nation.

This study, which was compiled by both Bacchi and Philip Huang of the Health Promotion Unit of the Texas Department of State Health Services, comes as no surprise to the many Hub City restaurant owners and managers who are basking in the recent financial growth.

Scott Bowman, the general manager at Lubbock's Red Lobster, said he has indeed seen revenue increase over the past two years.

He said before the smoking ban was implemented, the restaurant's smoking section often had empty tables because many customers would rather wait in the lobby than be exposed to second-hand smoke.

"Now we can turn tables faster," he said. "I haven't had any issues at all with the ban."

Xiaojing Ren, a graduate student from Shanghai, China, studying mathematics, said she has no problem with the smoking ban.

"I think it's good," she said. "If somebody is smoking in a restaurant, you can't smell the food."

Casey McAllister, a senior mathematics major from Tahoka, said although she is a smoker, she actually agrees with the ban as well.

"There are kids eating in restaurants, and I just don't think you should smoke around kids," she said.

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DFW area short on beds for hurricane evacuees

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas-Fort Worth area doesn't have even half of the 40,000 shelter beds the governor requested be made available in case another hurricane forces Houston residents to evacuate to North Texas.

Dallas city and county emergency management officials are pleading with communities to increase an estimated 16,500 confirmed shelter spots. Officials say they are working on potential housing for 10,000 more evacuees.

"We are well short of the space that the state has asked us to accommodate as a region, and we are faced with either overburdening the participating cities and counties, or forcing our fellow Texans to seek help 'down the road' in other states," Robie Robinson, security and emergency management director for Dallas County and Kenny Shaw, the city's emergency management director, wrote in a June 30 letter to municipal and county leaders.

Gov. Rick Perry's office has asked several major Texas cities to prepare to host evacuees, with the Dallas-Fort Worth area serving as the hub for Harris County residents. Other regions have met the governor's preparedness goals, and his office is working with North Texas officials to overcome obstacles, said Perry spokeswoman Rachel Novier.

"We have full confidence that when the people of Houston need assistance, their neighbors in Dallas will open their homes and hearts and take care of them," Novier said.

But some local officials say it could be difficult to find more shelter space, because cities and counties lack adequate space, food, showers, cots and access to medical care or staff. The American Red Cross' Dallas Chapter, which helps cities run their shelters, says it only has the resources to aid 15,000 people.

Dallas Mayor Laura Miller drew criticism last year when she told state officials that Dallas could take no more Hurricane Katrina and Rita evacuees.

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Israel softens conditions for cease-fire

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert said Monday that the fighting in Lebanon would end when two Israeli soldiers were freed, rocket attacks stopped and the Lebanese army deployed along the border. But he appeared to scale back from previous demands for Hezbollah to be dismantled. Delivering an impassioned speech to Israel's parliament after six days of fierce fighting, Olmert said Israel would have no mercy on militants who attacked its cities with rockets.

Space shuttle Discovery lands safely

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Space shuttle Discovery and its crew of six returned to Earth through thick clouds Monday, ending an impressive mission that put NASA's space program back on a solid, safer course. Discovery landed at Kennedy Space Center at 9:14 a.m. in only the second shuttle flight since the 2003 Columbia disaster killed seven astronauts.

Americans try to cope with oppressive heat

NEW YORK (AP) — Temperatures in the 90s gripped parts of the country on Monday, prompting heat advisories, altered routines and calls for electricity conservation. On the streets of New York, where the National Weather Service issued a heat advisory for the day, a spot in the shade competed with a parking slot as the most valuable commodity. Men and women made their way under narrow awnings, lounged under trees and took breaks under the large umbrellas of hot dog stands.

Death toll in Indonesia tsunami at 86

CIAMIS, Indonesia (AP) — An earthquake sent a tsunami crashing into beach resorts on Java island Monday, killing at least 86 people, leaving scores missing and sending thousands fleeing in an area spared by the devastating Asian tsunami of 2004, officials, witnesses and media reports said. Regional bulletins that the 7.7-magnitude undersea earthquake was strong enough to create a killer wave did not reach the victims, because Indonesia's main island has no tsunami warning system.

Lubbock PD searching for suspect in shooting of restaurant manager

By DAVID ABERCIA
STAFF WRITER

A local restaurant manager was shot during an attempted robbery at Pinocchio's Pizza Sunday night.

According to the Lubbock Police Department, the manager of Pinocchio's Pizza at 5015 University Ave. was shot in the leg while closing the restaurant at 10:30 p.m. The suspect, who was wearing a ski mask, entered the restaurant while the manager was cleaning.

Police said the suspect, a white male, shot the manager and fled the scene in a white Chevrolet Lumina after he was told by the manager the safe could not be opened. Police said a white female passenger was in the

vehicle when the suspect left the establishment.

"The injuries were non-life threatening," Cpl. James Rohlik of the Lubbock Police Department said.

The manager was taken to University Medical Center for treatment and the suspect is still at large.

A witness, who was at the restaurant when the robbery occurred, said she's been asked not to talk about the incident.

Pinocchio's and the Lubbock police did not want to release the manager's name.

Police are asking anyone with any information related to this event to call Crime Line at (806) 741-1000.

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2 dead, 4 injured in early morning club shooting

DALLAS (AP) — An argument between rival gangs left two dead and four injured after a shooting outside a downtown Dallas nightclub early Sunday, police said.

Police said bullets ripped through a crowd outside El Angel nightclub, even as the department has increased its early morning, weekend presence in downtown Dallas.

Two shootings occurred after the argument, police said. The first shooting occurred behind the club and the second in front of the club.

Police had already added officers to the area after a June shooting that left 11 people injured outside a downtown tavern.

The additional police force included gang units, members of the tactical division, and officers from operation disruption, a unit dedicated to high-crime areas, *The Dallas Morning News* reported in its online edition Sunday.

More than 1,200 acres burned near Abilene

ABILENE (AP) — A wildfire fueled by dry, windy conditions was 90 percent contained Monday after consuming more than 1,200 acres over several days, officials said.

The Texas Forest Service said Monday

that the fire continued to burn but no injuries had been reported.

The blaze broke out Thursday about 15 miles southwest of Abilene. Officials were investigating the fire's case.

IN FRIDAY'S PAPER:

JONES AT&T STADIUM IS GETTING A MAKEOVER. PICK UP FRIDAY'S EDITION OF THE BLACK & RED TO FIND OUT MORE DETAILS AND WHAT EXACTLY IS GOING ON AT THE 'RAIDER CRATER.'



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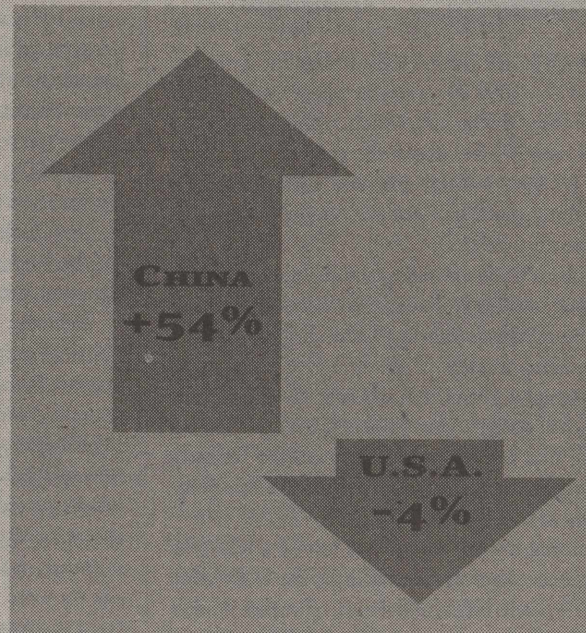
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Memorial a tribute to flight, engineering

By RICK WEISS
THE WASHINGTON POST

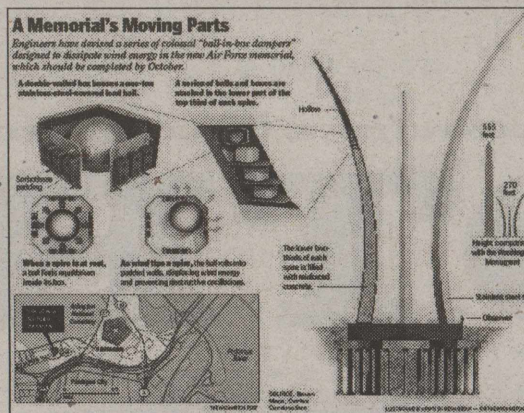
WASHINGTON — When architect James Ingo Freed set out to conceive a memorial for the Air Force, he faced a problem of weight and wisp: How to design a monumental structure that evokes that most structureless of mediums, the air itself?

Inspiration came while Freed was watching television. He happened upon footage of a team of Air Force jets performing the dramatic bomb-burst formation, in which several planes shoot skyward in unison and then peel off from each other, creating high-rising vapor trails that curl over at their tops.

Three years and more than \$30 million later, stainless-steel versions of those tapering trails are rising on a promontory just west of the Pentagon in Arlington, Va. When the project is completed in September, three towering tendrils — the tallest reaching almost 300 feet in the air — will arc with spectacular grace into the wild blue yonder.

That these 17,000-ton fingers of glistening metal seem impervious to gravity is a tribute to Freed, who also designed Washington's Holocaust Museum. (He died in December.) But it is equally a tribute to a battalion of engineers who worked with the architect and his colleagues at Pei Cobb Freed & Partners to overcome not only gravity but also the treacherous forces of wind and vibration.

Early in the design process, it turns out, wind-tunnel tests revealed that those forces could send the silver spires into a series of oscillations that could lead to catastrophic failure. The solution involved an exotic trick of physics.



Hidden high inside those elegant metallic spires are 13 steel boxes — a stack of six in the tallest spire, four in the next and three in the last, which, although it is the shortest, still rises 201 feet above the ground. The boxes are about 2 1/2 feet on each side, and each contains a single, free-rolling, metal ball that is 20 inches in diameter and weighs nearly a ton.

Those balls in boxes provide a unique energy-dampening system that, although invisible to visitors, promises to keep the monument's swaying within tolerable limits well into the 22nd century.

Even seasoned construction workers say they are in awe of the novel design. "Ain't nobody ever worked on anything like this before," one sweaty worker recently exclaimed to a visitor with an apparent mix of exasperation and pride at the bustling site.

The memorial honors those who served in the Air Force and its predecessor services dating to the U.S. Army Air Corps of the early 1900s, and it aims to inspire visitors by creating the illusion of escape from Earth's bonds.

Parties scramble for youth vote

By ZACHARY A. GOLDFARB
SPECIAL TO THE WASHINGTON POST

In 2004, young people voted in the highest percentage they had since 1992, and in the third-highest percentage in the nine presidential elections since a constitutional amendment in 1971 lowered the voting age to 18.

In 2005, overall voter turnout declined in the gubernatorial races in New Jersey and Virginia, except for the student-dense precincts with big voter turnout projects.

Because of numbers like this, political parties and campaigns this year are lavishing attention on a new generation of young voters. They are investing in staff, studying ways to use new technology and promoting legislation geared toward young people's interests. And while young people currently favor Democrats, analysts say they are not yet anchored long-term to any political party.

It is a shift from years past, when young people tended to be the first group cut from target lists of potential voters. In some ways, that made sense: Despite organizations pouring millions of dollars each cycle into registering these voters — often using techniques such as melding politics and rock concerts — the number of young people voting went steadily down.

But in the 2004 presidential election, when the overall electorate showed a four-percentage-point increase in turnout from 2000, the turnout rate among people ages 18 to 24 increased by 11 points — to 47 percent from 36 percent.

The spike was attributed, in part, to intense voter turnout efforts and a highly polarized election. But people who study this generation — known as Generation Y, millennials and even DotNets — say it is also disposed to be more politically active and passionate.

Mourners remember victims of TWA Flight 800 after 10 years

SHIRLEY, N.Y. (AP) — It's been 10 years since TWA Flight 800 fell from the sky, but it doesn't take an anniversary for Julie Stuart to remember the day she lost her husband-to-be.

All it takes is one look at the glistening diamond ring she wears — a gift Andy Krukar intended to put on Stuart's finger at the Eiffel Tower during a romantic weekend.

"Time heals you enough so you can move on," said Stuart, 40, of Bridgewater, Conn.

While she is now married with two children, part of her lingers in the past: "I feel Andy is always watching over me," she said.

Relatives of the victims of the crash began arriving Monday morning for a memorial service on the white, sandy beach near where 230 people lost their lives.

"The families are embracing one another, taking solace and strength from each other as they have done over the

last 10 years," said John Seaman, head of the TWA Flight 800 family association and the uncle of victim Michele Seaman, 19, of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Hundreds of relatives, friends and rescue workers were expected later Monday to commemorate the anniversary. Stuart also planned to pay tribute to her former fiancé.

Only minutes after taking off from John F. Kennedy International Airport, Paris-bound Flight 800 exploded in a fireball, raining down carnage on the Atlantic Ocean off Long Island.

Initially, investigators were not sure if the calamity that killed all 230 people aboard on July 17, 1996, was caused by a bomb, a missile or mechanical failure.

Following an exhaustive investigation that lasted four years, officials determined that TWA 800 was destroyed by a center fuel-tank explosion — likely caused by a spark from a short-circuit in the Boeing 747's wiring that ignited the tank's volatile vapors.

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Back in the golden age of Hollywood, audiences flocked to the theaters at any sniff of their favorite star. Cary Grant. Audrey Hepburn. Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy.

Nowadays, people would rather see their favorite celebrity at the local newsstand than the theater. Is the day of the golden-boy, Hollywood actor dead, and if so, why do people go see the films?

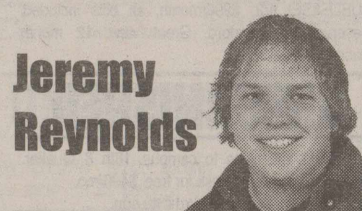
In the last decade I think audiences have started becoming smarter movie critics — all high school students and college freshman excluded from that statement.

Audiences know who makes the film, and they're no longer handing over \$7 just to see their favorite rapper jump from the radio to the screen.

Next week, what might amount to the best movie of the summer is hitting theaters: "Miami Vice."

Unless you've been living under a rock, you've seen the commercials, trailers and posters for the Universal Studios' picture.

The movie stars Jamie Foxx and Colin Farrell, but honestly no one cares about either of them. This film is 100 percent all about the director Michael Mann. The dusty and gritty atmosphere he's created in all of his



Jeremy Reynolds

films have made him a household name among directors to the point where only his name is mentioned in the trailers instead of the actors.

Mann has always had great opening weekends with critical success to go with it, and audiences have started taking notice. People aren't going to go see "Miami Vice" for Farrell or Foxx, they'll head to the theaters for Mann, and going to see a movie for a director instead of an actor has started to become a trend.

Look at Ben Stiller. His movies are incredibly unsuccessful. "Envy." "Starsky and Hutch." "Zoolander." "Duplex." But, pair him with visionary director Wes Anderson, and all of a sudden you have a hit.

Last December, Universal Studios promoted Steven Spielberg's name along with "Munich" more so than they did the stars. Spielberg's such a Godzilla among movie executives and crowds that most people only have to see his name and they'll flock to the theaters.

I know there are few directors I have a major and unhealthy crush on. Take David Fincher for example. The man is notorious for being the biggest anal-retentive prick in Hollywood, but his films — "Se7en", "Fight Club" and "Panic Room" — speak for themselves so much so that I would go his next movie even if it was called "David Reads the Phonebook for Two-and-a-Half Hours."

In the world of Hollywood, the directors make the film, and not the actors. The actors are the puppets that directors make move. No one cares about who is or is not in "Clerks II." The movie will be a financial hit for the simple reason that Kevin Smith wrote and directed it.

Who cares about Jack Nicholson, Leonardo DiCaprio, Matt Damon and Mark Wahlberg in the mob film "The Departed" later this year? The only name that really matters is the one above the title: Martin Scorsese.

In the next few years, look for studios to pimp out their directors more so than the actors. Soon those lonely, middle-aged men behind the camera with their matching Spider-Man t-shirt and underwear will start making more money than the cover boys and girls they direct.

■ Reynolds is *The DT's* movie critic. E-mail him at Jeremy.N.Reynolds@ttu.edu.

Woods set for small screen role

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — James Woods is among the movie actors who will be starring on the small screen this fall.

Woods, 59, a two-time Oscar nominee for "Salvador" and "Ghosts of Mississippi," will play Sebastian Stark, a supremely confident defense attorney who brings his cutthroat tactics to the prosecutor's office, in CBS' "Shark."

"I had always said I didn't want to do a series — not that I was a snob about television," Woods told the Television Critics Association on Saturday. "I didn't want to play the same character again and again and again because it was hard to imagine how he would evolve."

"I chose this job because it's the best thing I've read in 10 years," he said. "This is where the action is. This is better than the movies. I love this

show. We're going to deal with some very sophisticated issues."

Woods has won two Emmy Awards, for his roles in the TV movies "My Name Is Bill W." and "Promise."

Other film actors in new CBS series include Skeet Ulrich, who will star in "Jericho," and Ray Liotta, Virginia Madsen and Shohreh Aghdashloo, who will star in "Smith."

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I skipped seeing this film in theaters and that had nothing to do with me being busy. This film is just another movie about the lower class rising up to get the American dream. Too bad no one cares anymore.



She's the Man

This film, another that I skipped in the theaters, is a parody of the William Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night." The movie stars Amanda Bynes as a girl who poses as her brother at a prep school. Think of this as an updated version of "Just One of the Guys" without all the nudity.



Carnivale — Season 2

The final season of the HBO series about a traveling carnival in the depression-era arrives on DVD Tuesday. Like a lot HBO shows, the series is a bit slow and plays out like a season of "Lost."

It's an interesting show to watch, and the end leaves a lot of questions unanswered. One of the best things about the show is the visionary directing. The depression never looked so glorious as seen through the eyes of circus freaks.



Aniston says yes to 'Friends' reunion

LONDON (AP) — Jennifer Aniston says she would like to reprise her role as Rachel Green in a reunion show of TV's most famous group of "Friends."

"The only thing I can think of doing is maybe for fun doing a Thanksgiving episode," Aniston said in a TV interview that was set to air Monday on Channel Four. "Our Thanksgiving episodes were really fun."

"Friends," which centered on the lives of six young friends living in Manhattan, ended its 10-year run in 2004. The NBC comedy also starred

Courteney Cox, Lisa Kudrow, Matt LeBlanc, Matthew Perry and David Schwimmer.

Aniston, 37, was in London to promote her new film, "The Break-Up," co-starring Vince Vaughn. She gave little away when asked to comment on speculation that she and Vaughn are dating.

"Where did you hear that?" she said to Judy Finnigan, co-host of the "Richard and Judy" talk show.

"Listen, he's a great man, he's a great friend, he's a great actor and so much fun," Aniston said.

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Tech tracksters receive awards

By **STEPHEN MONAHAN**
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Texas Tech senior hurdler Shanon Harris and former Red Raider pole vaulters Dana Rosenblatt and Sage Thames were named to the U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association All-Academic Team last week.

Harris, a three-time All-American and eight-time Big 12 All-Conference honoree, and Thames, a five-time All-Big 12 honoree and two-time All-American selection, were among the 23 men selected by the USTFCCA's All-Academic Team. Both were

named All-American selections after the 2006 NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships in June.

Rosenblatt, a four-year competitor in the pole vault who received all-conference honors four times, was among the 76 women selected by the association for the academic award.

Nomination requirements for the award include a cumulative grade point average of 3.25 or better and the athletes had to have met the NCAA Division I regional or national qualifying criteria in their respective event. stephen.monahan@ttu.edu

Davis shot twice but stable

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Cowboys safety Keith Davis was shot twice while driving on a Dallas highway early Sunday and was hospitalized in stable condition after undergoing surgery to remove bullet fragments.

His agent, Curtis Stephens, said the injuries were minor and that Davis expected to be released late Sunday or Monday.

"He's going to fully recover and he's in good spirits," Stephens said. "Everything is being done on a precautionary basis. Two physicians both gave him a thumbs up. ... If camp opened tomorrow, he'd like to think he'd be there tomorrow."

Players are expected to report for camp a week from Thursday in Oxnard, Calif.

The 27-year-old Davis is among the Cowboys' top special teams players and the incumbent starting safety opposite Roy Williams. Earlier this summer, Dallas gave him a roughly \$3 million, two-year contract that includes about \$2 million in bonus and salary this season; the deal came after New Orleans signed Davis to an offer sheet.

Cowboys spokesman Rich Dalrymple said the team did not have any comment on the incident.

This is the second time in three years that Davis has been shot. He was an innocent bystander last time, and this time Stephens said the player was driving home from a family vacation.

"The thing that's really pertinent here is that Keith was not involved in any type of criminal activity or anything like that," Stephens said. "This is not the residual effect of that."

In June 2003, Davis was shot in the hip and elbow while picking up a friend at a topless club. Coach Bill Parcells released Davis about a month later, on the first day of the coach's first training camp with the Cowboys. Davis did not play football that season, but rejoined the club in 2004 and became a full-time starter last season.

In Sunday's shooting, Dallas police Sr. Cpl. Jamie Matthews said a dark blue two-door car pulled up next to Davis' vehicle around 5 a.m. and opened fire.

"He was able to pull over, and his front passenger then moved into the driver's seat and then drove him to a nearby hospital," Matthews said.

Matthews said police were investigating motives and suspects.

"We're looking to see if it was a possible carjacking," she said.

Raider golfers sink awards, tourney

Three Red Raider women's golfers, junior Megan Dowdy, sophomore Ulrika Van Niekerk and graduated senior Ashley Slavich were each selected for the Division I All-American Scholar Team.

Overall, 371 student-athletes from Division I, II and III institutions were named to the 2006 squad. Student-athletes must have a

minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.5 and have completed at least 50 percent of the schedule contests during the season.

Incoming Texas Tech freshman Will Griffin recently took home the Valero Texas Open Junior Shootout title with rounds of 73-69-69 for a three-round total of 211.

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Stars ink Lindros

DALLAS (AP) — After years of high hopes and high drama, Eric Lindros signed a one-year bargain deal with the Dallas Stars on Monday.

His arrival in Dallas is nothing like his anxiously awaited NHL debut in Philadelphia, his move to the New York Rangers or when he joined his hometown Toronto Maple Leafs last year.

This time, the 33-year-old Lindros is trying to bounce back from another injury-marred season by filling a need on a team that's trying to bounce back after a strong regular season led to a first-round playoff exit.

"I believe I can offer a team like the Stars a lot," Lindros said in a statement released by the team.

The 6-foot-4, 240-pound Lindros can provide the size and scoring Dallas needs — that is, when he's on the ice.

He played only 33 games last year because of a wrist problem. He's also had eight concussions, missing the entire 2000-01 season because of a hard hit by New Jersey's Scott Stevens during a playoff game the

season before.

But Lindros has been an All-Star in six of his 12 seasons, winning the MVP award in 1995 then scoring a career-best 115 points the following season. Even in limited play last season, he had 11 goals and 11 assists.

In 711 NHL games, Lindros tallied 367 goals and 472 assists.

"We're very excited to add a player like Eric Lindros to our roster," Stars general manager Doug Armstrong said. "He has consistently been a player who produces offense when in the lineup. We believe that Eric will be an excellent addition to our team."

Hailed as the next Wayne Gretzky when he entered the league, Lindros left the Flyers on poor terms, bickering with management primarily over the medical treatment he received. He played three years for the Rangers, then one for the Maple Leafs.

Lindros is expected to center Dallas' second line. He'll replace Jason Arnott, who signed with Nashville. Mike Modano anchors the Stars' top line.

Barbaro's condition remains stable

KENNETT SQUARE, Pa. (AP) — Barbaro remained in stable condition Monday, was eating well after another comfortable night in his stall and was expected to have the fiberglass cast on his ailing left foot changed.

Dr. Dean Richardson said the left cast on the Kentucky Derby winner "will be changed so that the hoof can be treated and watched for signs of infection." Barbaro has laminitis, a painful and often-fatal condition, in his left rear hoof.

Richardson said Barbaro's vital signs, appetite and heart rate remained normal Monday, though there was no indication the colt's condition has improved since the vet's grim prognosis last week.

"We will continue to manage his pain successfully, and he is alert," Richardson said.

The colt, who had 80 percent of his left rear hoof wall removed last week, still faces the same tough odds to survive

a severe case of laminitis and a reconstructed right hind leg.

"It is important for people to understand this is not a 'routine' laminitis," Richardson said in a statement. "The care involved in treating a hoof with this degree of compromise is complex."

Barbaro was active in his sling in the intensive care unit, eating in his "usual voracious style," and the colt's attending veterinarian said Monday she was "encouraged" by his appearance.

"He has learned how to adapt his posture to the sling so he can benefit from the most comfort," Dr. Kathleen Anderson, Barbaro's attending vet when the horse was racing and stabled in trainer Michael Matz's barn at the Fair Hill Training Center in Elkton, Md., told *The Associated Press* after a visit.

"He's learning how to almost dog sit, which is good because it takes the weight off the front legs which is, of course, our next great concern."

Anderson left a mid-afternoon

visit feeling good about the way the colt was looking. But while medical reports were encouraging for the fourth straight day, she said Barbaro's prognosis was still serious.

"The reality is, you have to say poor at this point in time," she said. "It doesn't mean it's hopeless and I think that's the big difference."

Barbaro has casts on both rear limbs. The cast on the colt's right hind leg — shattered at the start of the Preakness Stakes on May 20 — has been changed at least four times in the last two weeks at the George D. Widener Hospital for Large Animals.

On Wednesday, veterinarians performed a procedure to remove most of the hoof wall in Barbaro's left rear leg to combat the laminitis, a painful, often-fatal foot disease usually caused by uneven weight distribution in the limbs. The disease could appear in another limb at any time, and if it does, it would likely result in the horse being euthanized.

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