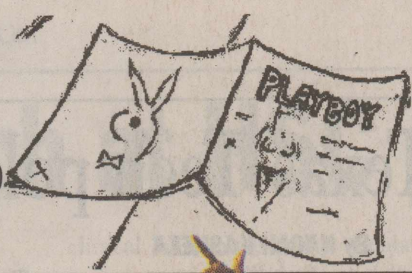


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STATE

People honor former Gov. Ann Richards

AUSTIN (AP) — Creighton Bailey stood in the rain with hundreds of others at the Texas Capitol on Sunday waiting to pay his respects to former Gov. Ann Richards, a woman he described with a hearty laugh as "a grand dame."

A little later, the 39-year-old Bailey emerged from the Capitol rotunda subdued after filing past the spot where Richards was lying in state.

"It's a bit of closure," he said. Then he added, "The casket looked a little small for such a big lady in our history."

NATION

U.S. war prisons legal vacuum for 14,000

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — In the few short years since the first shackled Afghan shuffled off to Guantanamo, the U.S. military has created a global network of overseas prisons, its islands of high security keeping 14,000 detainees beyond the reach of established law. Disclosures of torture and long-term arbitrary detentions have won rebuke from leading voices including the U.N. secretary-general and the U.S. Supreme Court. But the bitterest words come from inside the system, the size of several major U.S. penitentiaries.

WORLD

Palenstinian, Hamas talks stalled by U.S. demands

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Coalition talks between Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas and the militant group Hamas have stalled over U.S. demands that a national unity government recognize Israel, Palestinian officials said Sunday.

The suspension of negotiations underscores the difficulty Abbas is having in trying to get Hamas to soften its anti-Israel ideology, a move that would pave the way to ending international sanctions that are crippling the Palestinian economy.

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2682

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'It would be a disaster.'

Speak of potential for compromise on interrogation program brings differing views from administration, senators

By NEDRA PICKLER ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration and holdout GOP senators expressed confidence on Sunday they could reach a compromise on rules for CIA interrogations of suspected terrorists.

Neither the president's national security aides nor some of the lawmakers who are resisting White House pressure would say how they can reconcile their deep differences after a week

of public sparring.

As a result, it is unclear if Congress quickly can pass legislation authorizing aggressive methods against terrorist detainees, as President Bush wants. Congress is likely to adjourn in two weeks for the fall elections.

Bush says CIA personnel should be able to resume tough interrogation techniques to extract information from detainees. Several senators from his own party are standing in the way, seeking changes. They say the United States must adhere strictly to interna-

tional standards in the Geneva Conventions and that setting harsher ones could put U.S. troops at risk if they are captured.

"We have to hold the moral high ground," said Sen. John McCain of Arizona, one of the Republicans not satisfied with the White House proposal. "We don't think al-Qaida will ever observe those conventions, but we're going to be in other wars."

A Supreme Court ruling in June essentially said the Geneva Conventions on the rights of wartime prisoners should apply

to suspected terrorists in CIA custody. The decision froze the interrogations and eventually led the administration to turn over the last 14 prisoners in CIA custody to the military officials running a prison for detainees at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Bush's national intelligence director, John Negroponte, said the interrogation program has had "precious little activity of that kind for a number of months now" because of questions

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CROAKED

Raiders fail to keep Frogs in check, lose in FG battle



STEVE LEWIS/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH RECEIVER Robert Johnson (9) gets his helmet knocked off during Saturday's game against TCU in Fort Worth. The Red Raiders lost 12-3 in a battle of field goals.

After 2004, TCU comes ready to defend home streak

By TRAVIS CRAM MANAGING EDITOR

Texas Tech's win in 2004 against TCU might have been one of the best displays of offense by a team. They came back from a 21-0 deficit, racked up 441 yards in the air and even scored a defensive touchdown on a fumble by the Horned Frogs.

Saturday, in the first meeting between the two teams since 2004, Tech coach Mike Leach said there was no offense to show, as No. 20 TCU held down the Air Raid offense to win 12-3.

Leach said he had coached the worst offense in America, but neither offense was able to score a touchdown in the game.

"The truth of the matter is I think that both offenses were scared to play today, and then TCU came out of it," he said. "TCU's offense was tougher than we are."

Most of the toughness on the field belonged to the Horned Frog defense, forcing three fumbles against Raider sophomore quarterback Graham Harrell and recovering two of them.

The last came in the closing minutes of the fourth quarter, as Harrell was hit on a 4th and long situation, knocking the ball loose and ending the Raiders' hopes of a comeback.

The sophomore was rarely hit in his first two starts this season but suffered three sacks and a number of hurries and knockdowns after releasing the ball.

TCU defensive end Tommy Blake said he knew that putting pressure on Harrell would be the easiest way to keep the Raider offense in check, after watching them score all the touchdowns in 2004.

"We knew we had to put pressure on the QB," he said. "You stay in the pocket with Texas Tech and they're going to get a lot of yards on you and be patient with them. You have to have patience when you play against Texas Tech's offense."

Patience was the biggest problem for the Raiders, as Leach had to watch the Horned Frogs eat away at the clock during the first and second halves.

NUMBERS GAME

In Texas Tech's game against TCU Saturday, the Red Raiders failed several times to take the lead and the win. Many things led to Tech's first loss of the 2006 season, but here are a few numbers that signify why it happened.

0

Neither team scored a single touchdown in the game, the first time for Tech since a 56-3 loss to Nebraska in 2000.

14

Tech's quarterbacks completed a total of 14 passes in three quarters of play, finishing with about 200 yards passing.

3

The Red Raider offense fumbled three separate times, resulting in only one turnover. This number also represents the amount of times the QBs were sacked.

242

total offensive yards. For a team that sets records, it did not show.

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Some Muslim leaders accept Pope's response

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Some Muslim leaders accepted Pope Benedict XVI's explanation Sunday of his remarks on Islam and violence. Others said it wasn't enough, but cautioned followers against a violent backlash after attacks on churches in Palestinian areas and the slaying of a nun in Somalia.

The pontiff said he was "deeply sorry" his speech last week in Germany offended Muslims, particularly his quoting of a medieval text that characterized some of the teachings of Islam's founder as "evil and inhuman" and referred to spreading Islam "by the sword."

He said those words did not reflect his own opinions.

"I hope that this serves to appease hearts and to clarify the true meaning of my address, which in its totality was and is an invitation to frank and sincere dialogue, with great mutual respect," the pope said during his weekly Sunday appearance before pilgrims.

Seeking to placate spreading Muslim anger, Vatican officials previously said the pope held Islam in high esteem and stressed that the central thrust of his speech was to condemn the use of any religious motivation for violence, whatever the religion.

While Benedict expressed regret his speech caused hurt, he did not retract what he said or say he was sorry he uttered what proved to be explosive words.

Anger was still intense in Muslim lands.

Two churches were set on fire in the West Bank, raising to at least seven the number of church attacks in Palestinian areas over the weekend blamed on outrage sparked by the speech.

There was also concern that the furor was behind the shooting death of an Italian missionary nun at the hospital where she worked for years in the Horn of Africa nation of Somalia. The killing came just hours after a Somali cleric condemned the pope's speech.

"Let's hope that it will be an isolated fact," the Rev. Federico Lombardi, Vatican spokesman, was quoted as saying by the Italian news agency ANSA.

He said the Vatican was "following with concern the consequences of this wave of hate, hoping that it does not lead to grave consequences for the church in the world."

Police across Italy were ordered to step up security out of concern that the anger could cause Roman Catholic sites to become terrorist targets. Police outside the pope's summer palace confiscated metal-tipped umbrellas and bottles of liquids from faithful.

Benedict's expression of sorrow

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Helene becomes Category 2 hurricane

MIAMI (AP) — Hurricane Helene strengthened into a Category 2 storm Sunday but continued churning in the open Atlantic hundreds of miles from land, forecasters said.

The storm had maximum sustained winds near 105 mph, significantly stronger from a day earlier, when winds of 80 mph were recorded. At 11 a.m. EDT, Helene was centered about 935 miles east-northeast of the northern Leeward Islands and moving northwest at

10 mph. Helene's speed makes it a strong Category 2 storm and the National Hurricane Center said the season's fourth hurricane could strengthen further.

Still, the storm, like Hurricane Gordon, posed no immediate threat to land.

At 11 a.m. EDT, Gordon had top sustained winds near 80 mph, up slightly from earlier Sunday. Its ragged eye was centered about 1,495 miles west of the Azores and

moving north near 10 mph.

Gordon, classified as a Category 1 storm, was moving significantly faster than Saturday, when forecasters said it was inching along at 3 mph. The hurricane center said it expected Gordon's speed to continue to gradually increase.

The National Hurricane Center's latest forecast for the season expects between seven and nine hurricanes, a slight reduction from earlier predictions.

Scientists said this week that

weak El Nino conditions had inhibited hurricane development by bringing higher ocean temperatures that increase crosswinds over the Caribbean. The winds can rip storms apart or stop them from forming.

But National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration scientists warned that the El Nino effect on hurricanes has been small so far. And the season, which lasts until Nov. 30, is still at its traditional peak.

Texas Tech police blotter

By NAOMI KASKELA
STAFF WRITER

Sept. 11

Texas Tech property was damaged Aug. 3 at the New Deal Farm. Two metal gates and three fence posts were damaged. Two Tech officers documented information concerning the incident.

The bicycle rack of Weymouth Hall and a combination cable lock did not prove to be enough security for a student. A men's bicycle that had been secured with the lock was taken from the rack. Two Tech officers investigated the theft.

The hood of a parked vehicle received damage in the form of scratches by unknown means. The criminal mischief to the vehicle, which was investigated by two Tech officers, occurred in the Flint Avenue Parking Facility. A glass door at the Architecture building had the bottom portion kicked in. A Tech officer investigated the criminal mischief.

Sept. 9

Two Tech officers detained a student for possession of alcohol by a minor. The incident occurred in the entrance of a dorm on campus. The student was issued a Lubbock County citation and released.

Sept. 8

A faulty smoke detector on the third floor of Sneed Hall set off a fire alarm. Two Tech officers responded to the incident which led to the building being evacuated. The Lubbock Fire Department did not respond.

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Football

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After Tech stalled on its opening drive, TCU used more than six minutes of the clock in the first quarter to score the first of four field goals by placekicker Chris Manfredini.

Overall, TCU ran off more than 33 minutes in the game, leaving Tech with less than 27 minutes with the ball.

When the Raiders got possession of the ball, it became hard for the team to move downfield.

Their longest offensive plays came from short passes and yards-after-catch by the Tech receivers as seniors Joel Filani and Robert Johnson were each held to less than 70 yards receiving.

Tech offensive lineman Manny Ramirez said the secondary was mostly responsible for the defensive success, keeping the receivers from making downfield plays.

"Their secondary played their

hearts out," he said. "They covered our receivers and we couldn't get nothing done. We just had to play the next play and sometimes we didn't."

TCU's secondary included two redshirt-freshmen starting at both cornerback positions in the game and a group of rotating safeties that showed punishment to any Tech receiver who challenged them.

Weak safety Marvin White said it was a matter of sending the right message during play and letting the Raider offense know it would be tough to get downfield on the Frogs.

"We were putting the hammer on them and they didn't want to come across the middle anymore," he said.

Johnson felt the effects of the TCU hammer when he tried to make a catch in the closing minutes of a Tech comeback in the fourth quarter.

As Johnson leaned back for a catch, White delivered a punishing blow, knocking the ball, Johnson and his helmet to the ground.

Harrell became accustomed to watching the ball hit the ground during the ball game, as many of the Tech receivers and running backs failed to keep the ball after passes hit them in the hands.

Harrell came into the contest with a 73.3 completion percentage and completed nine of his first 11 passes before the Frog defense be-



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TEXAS TECH RECEIVER Edward Britton (27) catches the ball against TCU Saturday at Amon G. Carter Stadium in Fort Worth.

gan to put the hammer down.

He would complete only 14 of his next 36 passes for 118 yards and never made a successful completion vertically to a receiver.

Holding the No. 2 passing offense in the country to 204 yards total, TCU coach Gary Patterson said it was a performance that should be commended but does nothing in the long run for the Frogs' goal of repeating as Mountain West Conference champions.

"Texas Tech doesn't help us win the conference," he said. "If you were to ask me if I got to lose one between Texas Tech, BYU

and Utah, I lose to Texas Tech. Because it's not going to be a difference for a conference championship. But I didn't."

Tech's loss without a touchdown is the first since then top-ranked Nebraska beat the Raiders in 2000.

After the game, Leach said the loss and lack of performance could spur some changes to be made in the system, plays and personnel.

"I don't know. As soon as I get off the plane, I'm going to be there at the office and we're going to try to figure it out," he said. "I don't know. Hopefully, we arrive at something. I'll tell you there's going to be some changes, because I'm not going to sit here and watch this stuff."

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Gubernatorial candidates make individual donations

(AP) — A review by The Associated Press of the major gubernatorial candidates' mid-year campaign finance reports found the following notable contributions and trends. The candidates' reports covered the period January through June, except Chris Bell's, whose report covered the period Feb. 26 through June.

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Rick Perry, \$4.7 million
Carole Keeton Strayhorn, \$3.1 million

Kinky Friedman, \$1.5 million
Chris Bell, \$1.3 million

TOTAL NUMBER OF INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS FROM TEXANS
Kinky Friedman, 17,668
Rick Perry, 3,371
Chris Bell, 1,461
Carole Keeton Strayhorn, 1,279

TOTAL OUT-OF-STATE MONEY
Kinky Friedman, \$269,324
Rick Perry, \$212,093
Carole Keeton Strayhorn \$59,770
Chris Bell, \$35,585

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Carole Keeton Strayhorn: \$250,000 from John Eddie Williams, Houston attorney; \$250,000 from Walter Umphrey, Beaumont attorney; \$250,000 from David Alameel, Dallas dentist; \$150,000 from Amanda Ryan, spouse of a Ryan & Co. principal in Dallas; \$100,000 from Joe Jamail, Houston attorney; \$100,000 from Kenneth Banks of International Muffler Co. in Schulenburg.

Rick Perry: \$100,000 from Lonnie "Bo" Pilgrim, poultry magnate from Pittsburg.

Chris Bell: \$100,000 from Aubrey Smith of Smith Energy in Houston.

Kinky Friedman: \$125,000 and \$100,000 in two separate donations from John McCall, hair products businessman from Spicewood.

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Research at HSC putting Lubbock on the map

By JOSH HULL
STAFF WRITER

The athletic achievements of the Red Raiders are not the only source of national attention at Texas Tech.

Several research and exploratory programs on the Tech campus have drawn the attention of various research and scientific institutions across the nation.

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, one of the leading centers of research in the West Texas area, is running a molecular pathology program which was the first of its kind in the nation.

Lori Rice-Spearman, associate professor and program director for

clinical lab science and molecular pathology, said the wide range of diseases that can be studied through the program puts their research on the cutting edge of clinical science.

"Molecular pathology is a division of laboratory medicine in which we are looking at genetic material, DNA or RNA, to diagnose a disease," Rice-Spearman said. "Now we can diagnose all sorts of cancer, metabolic diseases and congenital problems that most people are born with."

She said the program has attracted attention from the Mayo Clinic and the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center in Dallas, two premier medical research facilities. Most of the time they are looking to hire researchers to further

the study of molecular pathology. She said students have the opportunity to take theoretical science and turn it into practical medicine in the program — a major benefit of the department.

"We're taking technology that has been researched and applying it to a clinical setting," she said. "Historically laboratory medicine has become a lot of instruments, and this has taken us back to the hands-on work."

Rice-Spearman said the program has 16 students enrolled, a number the department has tried keep constant due to the nature of the research.

"We have to keep it that way because of space," she said. "We have a state of the art molecular lab,

but we don't have much room for a larger program."

She said some students just enter the program to give them an advantage over other medical school applicants.

"We have a lot of pre-meds that come through here after they finish their undergrad," she said. "Most of them understand the importance molecular pathology has in the future of medicine and know it will help them be better doctors in the future."

Julie Toland, communications supervisor for the Health Sciences Center, said while the molecular pathology program is unique, it is just one of many in the department that has attracted national attention.

"We've had researchers here

making important discoveries for years," Toland said. "One of our researchers, Dr. Straus, was the one who discovered black mold in the '80s."

She said as research continues to develop, she expects to see a lot more discoveries come out of Lubbock through the Health Sciences Center.

Rice-Spearman said that while the program is small, the attention it has received and the opportunities it has opened up for those involved is outstanding.

"It's an up-and-coming program," Rice-Spearman said. "I get calls and e-mails daily, even from Canada, looking for technicians that are trained in molecular techniques."

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CIA

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about its legality. But, he said, it is important that the program continue.

"It's provided invaluable information that has saved lives of Americans, and significant plots against our homeland have been disrupted as a result. And, surely, there is a way of finding a way forward that would permit this program to continue and, at the same time, do it in a way that is both respectful of our law and Constitution and our international obligations," Negroponte said.

But, he added, "I think we're going to have to wait and see" if a compromise can be reached with McCain and others.

McCain said he is committed to a deal. "I still believe that we'll be able to work this out to the satisfaction of everybody concerned," the senator said.

The White House says the existing ban on "cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment" satisfies U.S. treaty obligations. The senators' bill is silent on the issue.

Bush's proposal allows evidence to be held from a defendant if it is classified and allows coerced testimony if deemed reliable. The Senate bill requires a judge to dismiss charges if evidence cannot be shared. It also excludes any testimony obtained by cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment.

"If it's seen that our country is trying to redefine the Geneva Convention to meet the needs of the CIA, why can't every other country redefine the Geneva Convention to meet the needs of their secret police?" said Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., another opponent of Bush's plan.

Pope

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for the offense he caused satisfied some Islamic leaders.

The head of the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt, a banned group but still the largest Islamic movement in that country, said the outrage was justified but predicted it would subside quickly.

"Our relations with Christians should remain good, civilized and cooperative," Mohammed Mahdi Akef told The Associated Press in Cairo.

Germany's Central Council of Muslims welcomed the pope's comments Sunday as "the most important step to calm the protest" and urged the Vatican to seek discussion with Muslim representatives to avoid lasting damage.

But others were still demanding an apology for the words, including in Turkey, where questions have been raised about whether Benedict should go ahead with a visit scheduled for November as the first trip of his papacy to a Muslim nation.

"It is very saddening. The Islamic world is expecting an explanation from the pope himself," Turkish State Minister Mehmet Aydin told reporters in Istanbul. "You either have to say this 'I'm sorry' in a proper way or not say it at all. Are you sorry for saying such a thing or because of its consequences?"

Turkish Education Minister Huseyin Celik voiced similar concern. "It is different to be sorry and to apologize," he said.

Mohammad al-Nujemi, a professor at the Institute of Judicial and Islamic Studies in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, ex-

pressed dismay at what he called Benedict "evading apology."

"His statements might give terrorists and al-Qaida followers legitimacy that there is really an attempt to hurt Muslims," al-Nujemi told Al-Arabiya television.

In Damascus, Syria, lawmaker Mohammad Habash said the pope offered a "clarification and not (an) apology." But Habash also called for "calm and dialogue."

Hundreds of Iranians demonstrated against the pope in cities across Iran. In Qom, the religious capital of Iran's 70 million Shiite Muslims, hard-line cleric Ahmad Khatami said the pope and President Bush were "united in order to repeat the Crusades."

The uproar is one of the biggest crises involving the Vatican in decades, and the Holy See has moved quickly in trying to defuse anger.

On Sunday, in an unusual step, the Vatican's press office rushed out translations in English and French of the pope's remarks. Typically, the Vatican doesn't translate the pope's Sunday remarks, which are delivered in Italian.

Both sides have much to gain by good relations. The Vatican and Muslims have shared stands in opposition of abortion. The Holy See, under Benedict's predecessor, John Paul II, vigorously lobbied against the Iraq war, and Benedict made numerous appeals to Israel to use restraint in its recent military campaign against Hezbollah guerrillas in Lebanon.

Russian President Vladimir Putin earlier urged world religious leaders to show "responsibility and restraint" to avoid what he called "extremes" in relations between faiths.

Space station bids farewell to one set of guests, prepares for another

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The international space station's three residents bade farewell to one set of houseguests Sunday and prepared for the arrival of more visitors.

The send-off of space shuttle Atlantis' six astronauts Sunday was the start of a week of heavy traffic at the space station, the equivalent of rush hour in space.

A Russian Soyuz vehicle ferrying two new station crew members and the first female space tourist was set to launch overnight, followed by the departure of a Russian cargo ship from the station on Monday. The Soyuz was scheduled to arrive at the space station early Wednesday, and Atlantis was set to land at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida later that day.

"As you need more air traffic controllers when the airport gets busier, that's the situation that we're facing," U.S. astronaut Michael Lopez-Alegria said from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan, where he will blast off in the Soyuz early Monday. "I frankly think it's very excit-

ing and I think it bodes well for our future."

Early Sunday, Atlantis pilot Chris Ferguson carefully eased Atlantis through a tight corridor away from the station. About 450 feet away, he fired jets to maneuver Atlantis around the space lab so the crew could take photos of the crew's handiwork — a newly expanded station. The space station gleamed in the reflection of the sun.

In three arduous spacewalks with the blue-green Earth as a backdrop, the Atlantis crew unpacked and installed a 17 1/2-ton addition which contained a pair of solar wings that will ultimately generate a quarter of the space station's power. The wings were the first addition to the orbiting space lab since the 2003 Columbia disaster.

Mission Control had asked the crew to take photos of the solar arrays, a rotating joint that will allow the solar arrays to follow the sun and covers where two bolts that escaped during the spacewalks might be hidden.

"It was a great mission. Thanks for all the good work," space station astronaut Jeff Williams radioed Atlantis after the flyaround. "Enjoyed

the time together ... Look forward to seeing you back in Houston."

Atlantis commander Brent Jett radioed back, "We'll see you back on Earth ... It was fun working with you guys. Be safe the rest of your mission."

Atlantis' astronauts planned to keep the vehicle about 80 miles behind the space station for the next two days so that they can perform another thorough inspection of the spacecraft's thermal protection skin using a boom with sensors attached to its end. A similar inspection took place on the second day of the 11-day mission.

So far, no damage of the kind which doomed space shuttle Co and NASA managers have found nothing that would keep Atlantis from landing Wednesday.

"The shuttle mission, although not over yet, has just been extraordinarily successful," said Phil Engelauf, NASA's chief of the flight directors office.

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Public views Iraq, war on terrorism as distinct, despite GOP efforts

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush and Republicans want to convince voters the unpopular Iraq war is central in the anti-terror fight. Democrats argue they can win control of Congress if voters view Iraq — and the continued bloodshed there — on its own.

The latest Associated Press-Ipsos poll found Republicans haven't made their case despite a sustained effort to link the conflicts; a majority of the public views the two as distinct.

Sticking to the GOP strategy Friday, Bush characterized his decision to invade Iraq as a necessary step to protecting the United States after the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

"Never have I said that Saddam Hussein gave orders to attack 9/11," Bush said at a news conference. "What I did say was, after 9/11, when you see

a threat, you've got to take it seriously. And I saw a threat in Saddam Hussein, as did Congress, as did the United Nations."

In the days surrounding the fifth anniversary of the attacks, Bush, members of his Cabinet and rank-and-file lawmakers have assailed Democrats on national security. Republicans have painted war critics as defeatists who embolden terrorists, and likened them to Nazi appeasers.

Democrats have accused the GOP of politicizing the issue and compared the character attacks to 1950s McCarthyism.

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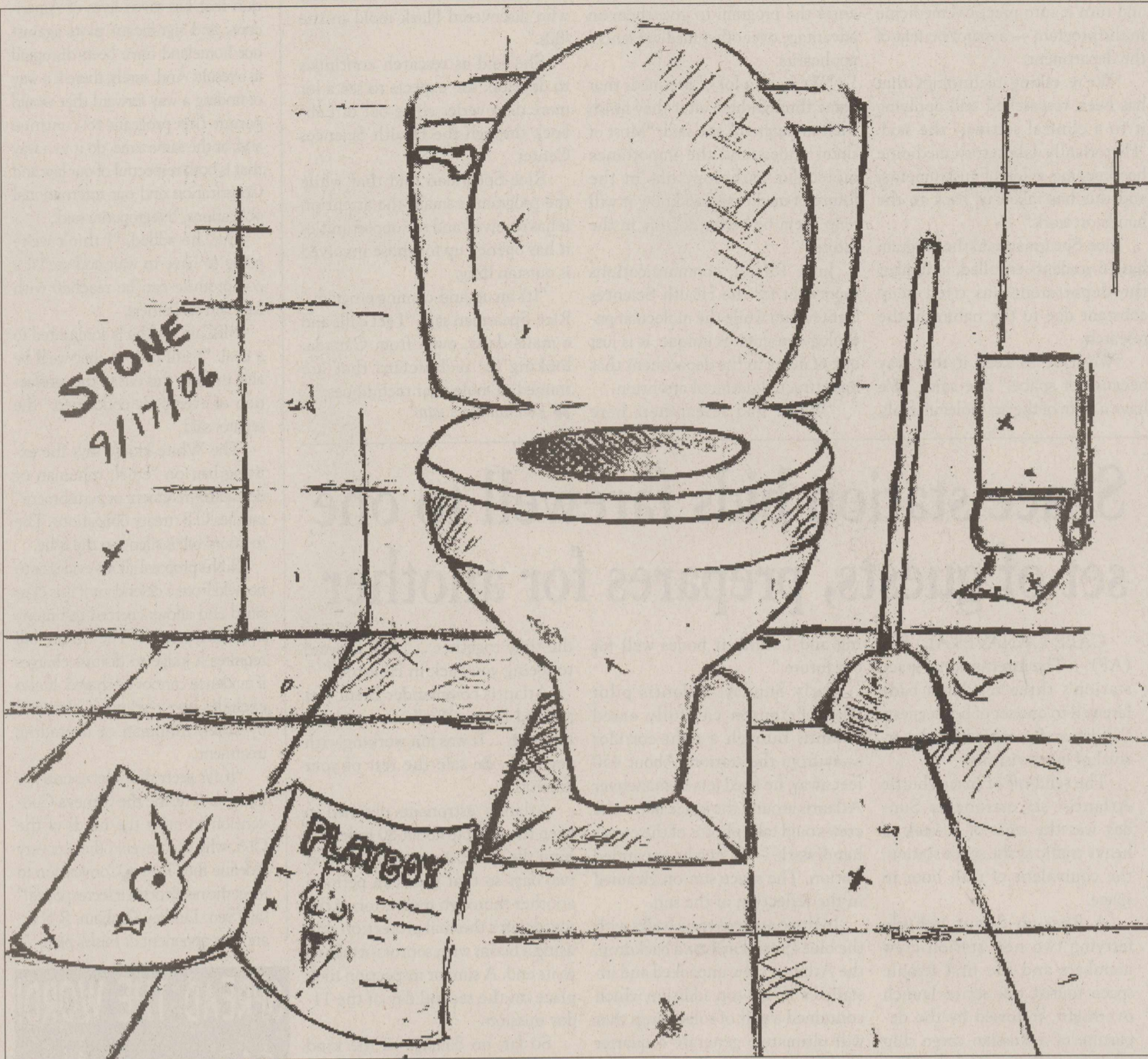
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Playboy: Classy or trashy?

After flipping up a copy of Tuesday's *Daily Toreador*, I instantly skipped to the article that had caught everybody's attention. And no, I was not reading my column. I started to read about some Texas Tech students posing for Playboy magazine, but it was like reading a children's book — the words didn't matter as much as the pictures did. That is, until I read a quote from Susana Rose, who said posing for Playboy was something she always wanted to do since she was young.

Really? This is what the fem-youth (that's right, I'm Colbert-ing my own words now) of the United States aspire to do — shed their clothing for a supposedly "classy" men's magazine? I was certain there were many things young females aimed to accomplish with their lives; I just had no idea that posing nude was one of them. Furthermore, what makes Playboy classy? Did the photographers wear tuxedos? Was wine and cheese served at the shoot? Did an impromptu discussion break out debating whether or not Socrates did, in fact, make Plato his bitch?

If Playboy is classy, it is only classy by default. It is kind of like watching an episode of "The Simple Life," and then describing Nicole Richie as a genius. Sure, Playboy may have a degree of class, but only because everything else remotely comparable to it is completely devoid of class. But this illustrates the absurd genius of Hugh Hefner — he realized what men wanted and then convinced women to go along with it by marketing the magazine as classy, sophisticated and artistic. Playboy may laud itself as an artistic magazine, but any credibility it may have had has died with the creation of "The Girls Next Door." And also when Hugh started allowing Fred Durst to attend all of his parties.

Regardless of Playboy's artistic ambitions, there are people who believe that posing for the magazine promotes an idea of female empowerment. But since when did the fundamental issues of feminism include catering to men? The underlying premise of feminism is equality. It began because women wanted to vote and share equal human rights. It most likely had nothing to do with seductive poses in a men's magazine. That is not to say that when Playboy was first created, female empowerment wasn't an issue. In the 1950s, sex and the nude female form were held to very strict standards. I am sure during that time, for a female to pose nude was a very liberating thing, but recently, nudity has since become so commonplace that the

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sense of freedom once associated with appearing in the magazine has been lost.

But, somewhere between "The

Feminine Mystique" and "Sex and the City," the mantra of female empowerment became "flaunt it if you got it." It started to present itself as showing the female body as something men couldn't have, except that Playboy defies that rule. Men essentially want to see women naked, and that is what they get. Women aren't included in Playboy because of their artistic qualities. They are included because men want to see them naked. Period. This explains why there is not a "Women of the Big Sky" issue.

The primary goal of Playboy is to sell magazines. It is not a magazine that is celebrating the nude female form in and of itself. Rather, it is a magazine that provides entertainment for men. I know this because underneath the word "Playboy" on the cover is the phrase "Entertainment for Men." I understand that you may never have seen these

words because it's hard to notice typing when there is a strategically posed, half-naked female underneath.

The point is, if you want to take off your clothes and pose nude for millions of men, go ahead. Believe me, I'm not going to stop you. But, including yourself in the glossy pages of the magazine should be seen for what it is and not for some misconstrued, idealistic concept people want it to be. Are there beautiful women in the magazine? Yes. Should the female form be celebrated artistically? Sure. Is Playboy the avenue to accomplish this feat? No. The models are still getting paid, the only difference is that the money isn't supplied in \$1 bills.

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Made in China?

Don't forget human rights violations as China becomes a world power

Ricardo Ramirez



It is becoming increasingly difficult to categorize China. A country with a booming economy, China's gross domestic product has steadily risen in significant amounts over the last few years. Those in power welcome the newly dynamic economy with open arms — it is what they had been aiming for since Deng's rise to power. Paradoxically, as their economy strengthens, their government's grip on its people's freedom tightens. Thus, they made the American news (briefly) last week. The Chinese government plans on further restricting the access of its citizens to the Internet.

This is only a tiny example of the outrageous human rights violations carried out in China. Meanwhile, America and Europe are doing everything they can to establish economic links with the Chinese government. We as Americans are supporting abuses on their freedom every time our politicians meet with the Chinese government. They brush over human rights issues and proceed to business talks. Our current administration has made it their point to inject "freedom" into the world's vein. So why do we ignore massacres and the abuse on the freedom of speech?

The fact is that Communism in China deviates from our traditional concept of it because of its recent openness to foreign trade. Their former leader Deng Xiaoping began China's move to open its economic doors to the world. This means that they were willing to trade with the rest of the world. Business people everywhere would become highly enthusiastic about the possibilities — a new market of more than a billion customers. Foreign companies expanding to China would reach new levels of stability that, in result, would allow them to lower prices around the world.

As the Chinese government hand-picks what entities go into China, politicians around the world feel the pressure from the business sector to set up economic ties. The financial support of large companies largely increases their chances to stay in office. On the other hand, the effect the rising of the Chinese economy will have on the United States is unknown. Politicians are often heard saying they welcome the competition. Yet just as American companies are eager to sell in China, increasingly more of them will also want to establish themselves there, creating a gap in our economic independence. The negative effects — the American people will be economically weaker, and China's journalists are still unjustly imprisoned. The positive effects — the Chinese

government controls critics, thus continuing its attack on human rights without any restraint. They become richer, and so do our CEOs.

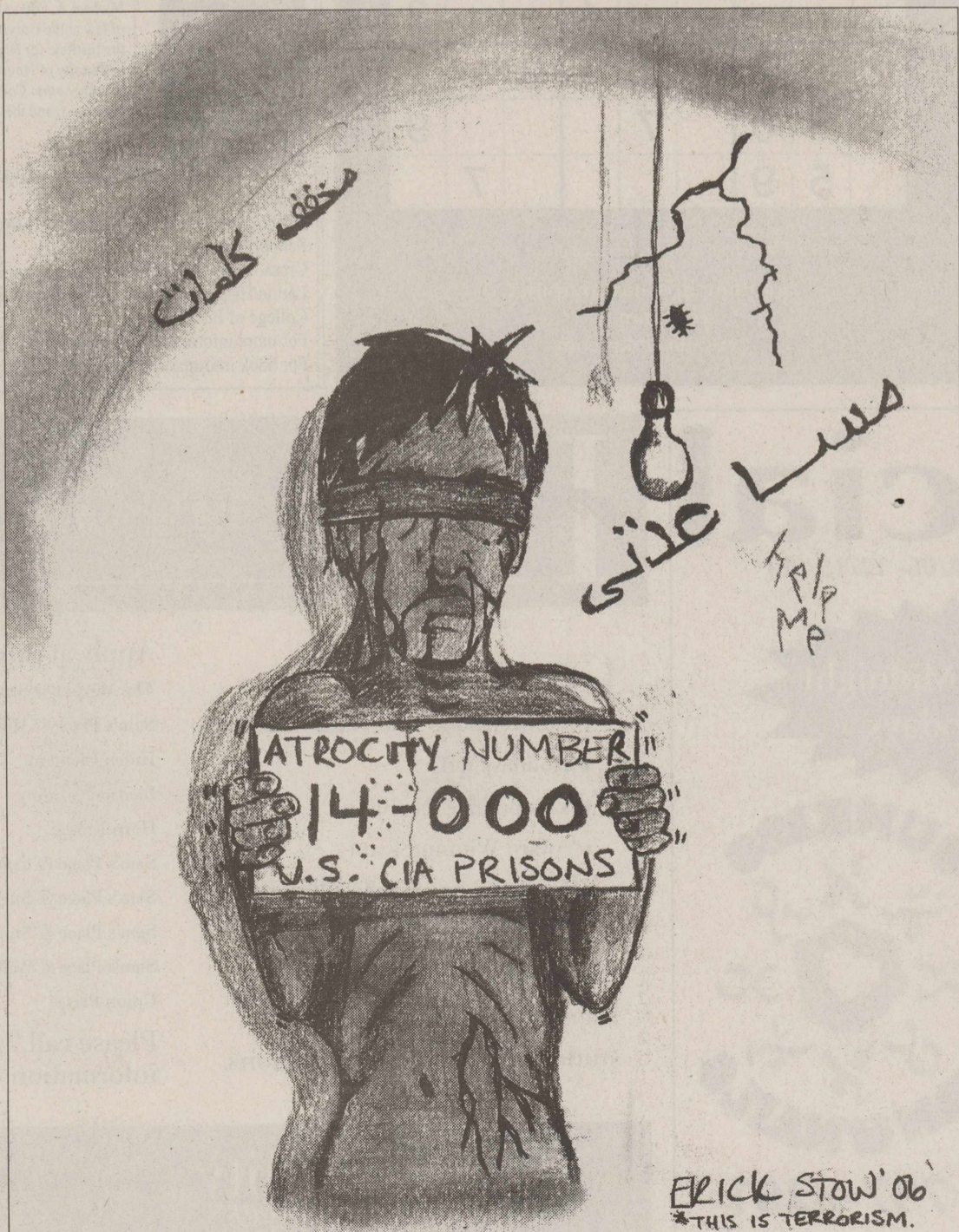
Here is the other weapon China has adopted to make itself important in the eyes of the world — they have offered to talk with North Korea, their more extreme Communist neighbor. In light of North Korea's threats on the U.S., our politicians are forced to look for every possible measure to deal with their nuclear threat, however meaningless it may be.

As a result, China has appeased the most powerful critics in the world — politicians and the businesses that support them. During Hu Jintao's visit to the White House in April, President Bush was aimlessly mentioning his requests to the Chinese president in the human rights panorama. Sadly, the only real outcries against Hu Jintao's abuses came from a heckler in the crowd. Hu's firm reply rapidly silenced any possibility of progress in the state of human rights.

They have gotten away with everything. In any case, they have been positively reinforced for their actions. They can continue to deny due process for their accused "criminals." They can continue killing 10,000 lives every year through capital punishment for dubious causes. They can continue to harass and persecute members of non-registered religions — including Catholics and Protestants — torturing them, killing them, arresting activists and not providing proper elections for their citizens.

In my opinion, Dr. Wang's (the heckler's) outcry was exactly what President Hu's visit to the White House needed. In case we forgot, America, we don't like Communism. It's something we learned in school, right after the Pledge of Allegiance. We may not even know why we don't like it. Here is one good reason — it kills freedom of speech, therefore degrading the value of life. After fighting Communism so arduously, we are now welcoming it into our world in its worst example. As our politicians are easily swayed by big business interests, thousands of protesters' lives are sacrificed in vain. Personally, I prefer freedom of speech and the dignified life that comes with it to a bigger paycheck.

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TEXAS TECH DEFENDERS Brock Stratton (45) and Joe Garcia (49) try to take down TCU quarterback Jeff Ballard (16) during Saturday's game against the Horned Frogs at Amon G. Carter Stadium in Fort Worth. The Red Raiders suffered their first season loss, 12-3.

CAN'T TAKE 'EM DOWN

Leach says Red Raider offense, including himself, lacks toughness

By **STEPHEN MONAHAN**
Sports Editor

The Red Raiders are not built Leach tough.

After his team's 12-3 loss to TCU Saturday, Texas Tech coach Mike Leach said repeatedly his team has yet to reach toughness status.

"Not tough enough," Leach said. "We're not a tough enough team. We talk about picking up blitzes. We pick up blitzes and high-five and slap each other on the back, we're not tough enough to do it. We're not tough enough to do it. There's nothing special about their blitz. It's like everybody else's. We're just not very tough."

Tech quarterback Graham Harrell threw for 204 yards against the Horned Frogs' secondary, a season and career low as a starter. His offense mustered just 242 total offensive yards.

For a team that is perennially one of the top offenses in the nation, Leach took responsibility for his team's lack of offensive production after Saturday's loss.

"He's (Harrell) not very tough," Leach said. "Him (Harrell) and virtually everyone that plays offense for Texas Tech University, starting with the coaching staff, myself at the top, especially me, all of them included, right down to whoever's the worst player on offense at Texas Tech, is not very tough," he said.

TCU held the Red Raiders without a touchdown for the first time since Nebraska beat Tech 56-3 in 2000.

Leach said TCU deserves credit. "You know what, that was the sorriest offensive effort I have ever seen," he said. "The day I coach the worst offense in America, which would make me the worst offensive coach in America, and that's what I coach. TCU deserves credit, they

played hard and all those good things."

Senior guard Manuel Ramirez, who is one of five captains on the 2006 squad, said he lacked the ability to motivate his team, resting some of the defeat on his shoulders for his team's inability to perform.

"I feel we came out here fighting," the Outland Trophy candidate said. "We could agree to it a little bit that TCU might have wanted it a little more than we did. I feel we could have done a lot better. We went out there and a couple of us kind of hesitated. Me, as one of the leaders, I feel I kind of let them down in the first half by not being able to be there for the offensive line and get them pumped up because of my own situation."

Tech now will be licking their chops entering this week's game as they return home to face Southeastern Louisiana, the Red Raiders final tune-up before hitting the road to

College Station to face Texas A&M Sept. 30 in their first Big 12 game of the year.

Defensive end Jake Ratliff said the loss to TCU was a wake-up call for the remainder of the season.

"I hope it's our last one," Ratliff said. "I'm sure it will be, but like I said, you've got to hand it to TCU, they played a great game."

As for the nine games left on their schedule, Ramirez said the loss was a big wake-up call and he promises his team's lack of toughness will not be of concern anymore.

"From now on, it won't be a factor," he said. "Leach won't call us out anymore. We won't be soft. I promise y'all that."

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Red Raiders fall short to Colorado in home opener

By **LINSDAY RANSON**
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After being on the road for the first 10 matches, the Texas Tech volleyball team was ready to take on Colorado but fell short to the Buffs in the home opener at the United Spirit Arena Saturday.

The Raiders went 0-3 with scores of 30-27, 30-28, 30-22. Colorado's Amber Sutherland was too much for Tech with her 12 kills for the Buffs.

The Buffs out-hit Tech .306 to .168, while the Red Raiders had 40 kills with 22 errors on 107 total attacks.

Senior outside hitter Phillister Sang led the team with 9 kills and added 10 defensive digs.

Junior setter Emily Ziegler and sophomore setter Holly Hicks contributed with 14 attacks.

The Red and Black were led by junior middle blocker Amy Charlebois and sophomore outside hitter Laura Gottschalk adding four blocks each.

Colorado has accumulated an average of .247 on hitting while Sutherland leads the team with 116 kills. The Buffs are 6-3, 2-0 in Big 12 play.

Tech will continue its run through Big 12 play this week when it hits the road to battle it out with two Big 12 teams, the Baylor Bears and No. 1 Nebraska Cornhuskers.

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Soccer beats Northwestern State, loses to UTEP in double-overtime

By PAUL ROBERTS
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech women's soccer team ended the weekend 1-1 with a win Sunday against the Northwestern State University and a double-overtime loss against the University of Texas-El Paso Friday night.

The Red Raiders lost to UTEP in the final minutes of the second overtime when UTEP forward Brandi Ashton scored a goal in the 107th minute of the game.

The Red Raiders started the game with an attacking mentality but could not find the net the entire first half. The Red Raiders had several opportunities to score but could not capitalize. In the fourth minute of the first half, sophomore forward Chesa Purser dribbled inside the box for an attempt but missed wide. Tech found themselves in front of the goal again in the ninth minute, but freshman forward Brittney Harrison missed her attempt. The Red Raiders had possession of the ball for

most of the first half but could not find the goal and went in to the locker room tied 0-0 at halftime.

The game was delayed shortly in the beginning of the first half because of lightning, but was called back on after the weather passed. For the majority of the second half, the game stayed even. Both Tech and UTEP recorded eight shots in the second half, but none found the net.

With time closing down in the second half, both teams were fighting hard for a winning goal to end the game. With 18 seconds in the half, the Red Raiders were given their chance. Junior forward Kim Cypert kicked in a goal and the entire Red Raider team began to celebrate. However, the game referee called Cypert offside, which took the goal away and sent the game into overtime.

During the second overtime, UTEP forward Brandi Ashton scored the winning goal when she beat her defender and found the right side of the net with her kick. UTEP went on to win the match 1-0.

In overtime UTEP tallied four shots on goal, compared to Tech's three attempts.

Freshman goalie Tina Rincon recorded nine saves in the double-overtime game, compared to three saves UTEP goalkeeper Brittany Popoff recorded.

Rincon said she was shocked to see the offside flag when her team scored in the final 18 seconds of the game.

"We all just questioned what happened," she said. "There was 18 seconds left, we all though we had the win."

Coach Murray said UTEP proved themselves to be an excellent team.

"They were a second-round tournament NCAA tournament team," he said. "A lot of people forget they beat Texas last year. They are a very good team."

He said he was tremendously proud of his team's performance in a hard-fought, close game.

"I feel like we are playing some great soccer," he said. "Whenever you have two good teams going against each other, it could go either way. I think in those situations we will win more than we will lose."

He said his entire team was shocked when the referees called offside on Cypert's potential winning goal.

"It was very close," he said. "Unfortunately, the refs only have one second to judge those calls."

Freshmen forward Brittney Harrison said the offside call was a shock to everyone in the game.

"I was on the sidelines, so I couldn't see the play. Everyone was saying it shouldn't have been called." She said.

Sunday the Red Raiders faced off against Northwestern State University looking to bounce back from the tough loss on Friday.

The Red Raiders did just that by shutting out the Demons 3-0.

Tech attacked early with two goals before halfway through the first half and went into halftime with a 2-0 lead. The Red Raiders added to their lead when freshman midfielder Maegan Wilbur scored from a corner kick. Wilbur was at the top of the box when the ball was entered. She played the ball off a rebound and kicked the ball off the top post to bounce in for a score. The Red Raiders finished the game 3-0 and advance to 4-4 overall this season.

Coach Murray said he was thrilled to see his team bounce back after Friday night's loss for a win Sunday.

"Entering the game, we were concerned about the emotional letdown of Friday's game," Murray said. "But the team did a good job in the opening minutes of the game, and that set the tone for the rest of the afternoon."

Tech freshman Brittney Harrison said it was crucial for his team to show up Sunday and perform well.

"Friday's game was such a hard-fought game," she said. "I thought we stepped up our game today. It was great preparation for next weekend's Big 12 play."

Coach Murray said the Red Raiders defense helped secure the win Sunday and played exceptionally well all weekend, especially goalkeeper Tina Rincon.

"Tina (Rincon) leads the team very well," Murray said. "She brings a sense of calmness to the field."

Tech opens up conference play Friday against the University of Texas. The Red Raiders match up Sunday against Texas A&M University.

Coach Murray said the first two conference games will be a big test for the Red Raiders. He said both teams will prove to be tough teams to face.

"It doesn't get any bigger than this," he said. "We need to be sharper technically and relearn our roles and responsibilities between the two different systems."

Goalkeeper Rincon said the young Tech team needs to step up big for the upcoming conference play.

"What is most important is to bring a new level of intensity," she said. "We are getting into the hardest games of the year. We need to focus on the little things."

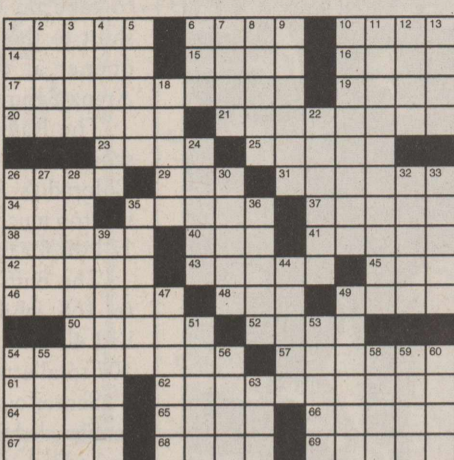
Tech forward Harrison said she is confident about facing her Big 12 opponents.

"If we get wider on offense and pass more, we'll be fine," she said.

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Documentary

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at straws," said Cole Shooter, a junior political science major from Lubbock and president of College Republicans at Tech. "I believe the whole thing was a political move."

Shooter said he believes Earl was simply trying to gain publicity by agreeing to be followed. It is also Cole's opinion that only a single aspect of the story could be shown in such a documentary because while Earl was followed, DeLay was not. "I don't think you can call it a documentary because you only have one side," he said.

Despite these thoughts, he said he would consider watching the film. "I would actually watch it and tear it apart as I watched it," Shooter said. "Just to have a better idea of what I'm arguing against."

Grace Rogers, a member of the South Plains chapter of Texas Democratic Women and an organizer of the viewing, said she would have liked people from all points on the political spectrum to have come to see the documentary. "I have a real open mind about that," Rogers said. "I believe information is critical even if it doesn't support my candidate."

The information, Rogers said, should be used to make informed decisions when election time comes around. "First of all, I think it's important that regardless of party, you want the election process to be fair," she said. "Although money is a factor and has always been a factor, we don't want it to be the only

factor."

Partisan politics and the money involved leads to unease in some people, including Tyler Akers, a freshman civil engineering major from Plano. "I don't like partisan politics in general," he said. "I think it's bad for our country."

Akers, who described himself as a Centrist, said documentaries like "The Big Buy" only serve the interests of those whose opinions are already in the extremes. "All it serves to do is polarize opinions that are out there," he said. "The right and the left are both guilty."

To Rogers, partisan politics is a way of life. "I'm not going to deny it," she said. "We're partisan people. I want to see some Democrats back in power."

Rogers did share Akers' uneasiness about the role of money in politics. "I really am truly concerned that if we don't reform the Congress, we will have a Congress bought by the highest bidder," she said.

To prevent this from happening, the leaders need to represent people of all means and opinions, she said. "We need honest people," Rogers said. "We need representatives of both rich and poor. The rich have a right to representation and so do the middle class and poor."

Scherbeck, who is an activist in environmental issues, also said he sees problems with the manner in which money is used in politics. "We will never have enough money to compete in a system that works like this," he said.

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Live music creates Hub City soundtrack

By SARAI BRINKER
COLUMNIST

"Let it be known that music is a great way to cure the soul."

Those were the words of the great Joe Ely at the Stubb's Statue Party during the weekend's Lubbock Music Festival.

The festival started off Friday night with a blast from the past: Chubby Checker, the man who created the twist.

Checker owned the center stage, dancing, gyrating his hips and spinning under the lightning of a far off thunderstorm as well as the red and yellow flashing stage lights. At one point, Checker pulled a dozen middle-aged women from the audience to dance "The Fly" on stage.

Talented bass player Jake Evans and saxophone player Roy King offered impressive solos on everything from Caribbean-inspired songs to the theme from "Dragnet."

Predictably, Checker closed his set with "The Twist," and though the performance was nostalgic and the audience rather small, no one in attendance could deny that the show was a lot of fun.

Saturday, the second day of the festival, began with the Stubb's Statue Party, a tribute to the musicians who both "started it all" and served as and the heart and soul of

the music fest.

The red-and-white circus-striped tent set up to house the Statue Party was far too small to fit the entire crowd underneath, and it felt like the event garnered more of an audience than the Checker concert, which was supposed to be one of the top headliners.

Still, the Stubb's Statue party wasn't intended to be about fancy scenery or flashing lights; rather, the event's purpose revolved around celebrating both what made traditional West Texas music great and the musicians like Jesse "Guitar" Taylor who became staples of the region's sound. Even so, more than 2,000 people showed up at the dusty statue, and none left disappointed.

C.B. Stubblefield would have been proud to see what went down Saturday: thousands of Texans gathered for good barbecue and even better finger-pickin' guitar music.

The Thrift Store Cowboys, a West Texas legend in the making, kicked off the party. The band played several songs off their fantastic new album, "Lay Low While Crawling and Creeping."

Shortly after, Ely took the stage to do what he does best: tell stories evocatively through music. His sound was characterized by lengthy guitar solos and drawn-out harmonic riffs bolstered by Ely's

soulful, twangy voice.

He sang "Sow the Seed," a story about the cotton farming life in the area, what it was and what it is now, as well as hits like "Did You Ever See Dallas from a DC-9," which he performed with the Thrift Store Cowboys.

Ely says he believes that landscape shapes music and that it certainly has shaped his own. He gave a nod to the Thrift Store Cowboys, saying he "love(s) those guys," and pointing out that they are the latest in a tradition of singer-songwriting that goes back to the cattle-drive days and beyond.

Between songs, he told stories about what it was like performing on the simple slab of concrete when Stubb's BBQ was still there. He explained that even when Stubb couldn't pay his electric bill, he would cook a huge dinner for all of the musicians, some of whom weren't even playing at the barbecue joint. He also entertained the crowd with stories about hitchhiking and memories of Jesse Taylor.

With so many musicians mingling with the audience, including Dangerous Dan, Andy Wilkinson and of course the Thrift Store Cowboys, fans got a sense of what it must have felt like during those famous Sunday night jams when Ely and Stevie Ray Vaughn played on a

regular basis.

Dangerous Dan, a phenomenal blues singer and guitarist, took over after Ely was finished playing. His low, gravelly voice howled over his red electric guitar, and his solos contained a good balance of sparse improvisation and some outright crazy fast riffs. The other members of the Soul Patch Band, Robert Smith (drums) and Glen Burke (bass) definitely added to the "bluesy" jam session.

The rest of the day was spent skipping from bar to bar in the depot district, as well as listening in at places like the Cactus Theater and Buddy Holly Courtyard to hear more great singer-songwriters like Andy Wilkinson, Kenny Maines, Brian McRae and Leslie Sawyer, whose smooth voice lent a much needed female air to the festival.

The festival headliner was once again Pat Green, who certainly boasts his own West Texas roots. Green is popular and his concerts well-attended, but he is just a small part of our musical heritage. The real substance of the West Texas sound is found in the lyrics and melodies of all local artists who make Lubbock a more musical city.

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LA VIDA

Lubbock Music Festival celebrates generations of music

By **JESSICA HENDRICKS**
STAFF WRITER

Buddy Holly Avenue was blocked off over the weekend and the normal flow of traffic was replaced with the bustle of men in straw cowboy hats and women in short denim skirts paired with boots. People of all ages mingled, chatted and bought drinks until suddenly their faces turned and they pressed in toward the stage. Pat Green emerged, greeting the crowd with his guns up.

The Tech alumnus was the headliner of the Lubbock Music Festival, which rocked the streets of the Depot Entertainment District all weekend long.

Chubby Checker kicked off the event with a concert on Friday night.

Mark Flenniken, production manager of the festival, said Checker was awarded the Innovator Award earlier in the day, an honor

which has gone to only three other artists, the first being Buddy Holly. "Chubby got into the spirit of the music by 'twisting' with the Spanish mariachi band," he said.

The string of events marked the second annual Lubbock Music Festival, and nine venues in the depot district participated. A primary difference from last year's festival was the \$5 charge for the concerts.

"That money will go into other arts in the community that really don't have the ability to raise money for what they do," Flenniken said.

Saturday's events began at the Stubb's Statue Party, where Joe Ely and the Thrift Store Cowboys played free of charge. The show was dedicated in memory of musician Jesse Taylor. Ely said he played songs that reminded him of the Lubbock area, as well as playing with Taylor and other Texas artists at Stubb's BBQ restaurant.

"I come to Lubbock about twice a year to check in and see old

friends," Ely said. "It's the place I started playing, and it feels good to connect with the things that you grew up with."

Ely said he enjoys writing music that tells a story, from his album "Letter to Laredo," inspired by the Spanish poet Federico Garcia Lorca, to the "Streets of Sin" album that includes songs about Texas farmers.

"I love to just sit and hear a story in a song that is like a complete book, like some of Woody Guthrie's songs were a total novel in four minutes," he said. "It's hard to write a novel, but it's also maybe even harder to condense that novel into only the most precious lines. I've always admired guys who could do that."

Ely said the Thrift Store Cowboys were helping carry on the tradition of storytelling through song-writing while contributing to the identity of Lubbock music. He said the Internet has helped musicians put out music from everywhere, instead of just from industry staples like New York, Los Angeles and Nashville, Tenn.

"Music is becoming cultural again, instead of just dog shit," he said. "Diversity will reign again."

Daniel Fluit, lead vocalist for Thrift Store Cowboys, said he enjoyed playing with Ely and performing at the festival.

"I think things like this are really good for Lubbock, and it gives people a chance to find out there's great music culture around this town," he said.

The music continued from 2 p.m. until 2 a.m. throughout the Depot



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THE THRIFTSTORE COWBOYS play at the Stubb's Statue Party Saturday morning as part of the Lubbock Music Festival.

Entertainment District. Ely said he was going to join Terry Allen at the Cactus Theater to "play a song or two." Other artists such as Kenny Maines and Andy Wilkinson, the Great Divide and Macon Greyson played throughout the day.

David Guidice, piano player for the Lubbock Texas Rhythm Machine, said he opened for Checker along with the West Texas Legends of the Cactus Theater. He also played with Todd and Toby

Caldwell at the Cotton Club on Saturday.

"It's awesome to be here and play with all these great musicians," he said.

At 8 p.m. the music inside the clubs stopped when Green played at the main stage. He began his set with the title track off his new album, "Cannonball," and shared stories with the crowd about his life as a former Lubbock citizen.

"It's Pat's second year to play

the festival, so it's really an encore performance for him," Flenniken said.

Lubbock residents enjoyed hearing Green play, since he started his career here, he said.

"The Lubbock Music Festival is all about having a festival that embraced our West Texas heritage of music, combining it with legendary performers and contemporary artists," Flenniken said.

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7 AM	Curious Clifford	Today Home	Early Show	Believer	(5:00) Daily Buzz	Good Morning America (HD)	Jack Hanna
8 AM	Dragon Tales	Alto: a Today's Kitchen segment	700 Club	Life Today	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Megan Mullally Show
9 AM	Sesame Street	Flavis and Kelly	Prior Is Right	Divorce Court	Divorce Court	The View (HD)	Tyra Banks
10 AM	Callou Bernay	Jeopardy!	Young and the Restless (HD)	Judge Alex	Judge Alex	Paid Program	Dr. Keith Ablow
11 AM	Teletubbies	Jeopardy!	Young and the Restless (HD)	Judge Alex	Judge Alex	Paid Program	Dr. Keith Ablow
12 PM	Quilling	News	KLBK 13 News	Jerry Springer	Greg Behrard	All My Children	Access Extra
1 PM	Sony Spotz	Days of Our Lives	As the World Turns	Maury	Judge Lopez	One Life to Live	People's Court
2 PM	Puppy	The Lions	Inside Edition	Judge Joe	Jerry Springer	Reba	Montal Williams
3 PM	Reading	Oprah Winfrey	Judge Joe	Jerry Springer	Reba	Montal Williams	Ellen DeGeneres
4 PM	Clifford	Dr. Phil	Judge Judy	Maury	Bernie Mac	Geraldo	Fox 34 News First@ Four
5 PM	Maya & Miguel	News	KLBK 13 News	Access	Still Standing	ABC News	Simpsons
6 PM	NewsHour with Jim Lehrer	Wheel Fortune	Millionaire	Extra	King Q	Entertainment	Raymond
7 PM	Antiques Roadshow	Dad or No Deal	The Cross (HD)	How I Met (HD)	Two & 1/2 Men New Adv. (HD)	Fashion House (HD)	To Be Announced
8 PM	Great Performances (HD)	Studio 60 Sunset Strip (HD)	CSI: Miami	Jim	Will & Grace	Supernanny	Fox 34 News@Nine
9 PM	Bus Report	News	KLBK 13 News	70s	Sex and City	News	Seinfeld
10 PM	Charlie Rose	(35) Jay Leno (HD)	(35) Late Show (HD)	King of Hill	Malcolm	The Nanny	(35) Nightline
11 PM	News	(35) Late Night (HD)	(35) Craig Ferguson	Becker	Cops	Kimmel Live	Scrubs
12 AM	Destinos	(35) Last Call	Paid Program	Paid Program	Cheaters	Paid Program	Paid Program

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Documentary follows Tom DeLay scandal

By **NAOMI KASKELA**
STAFF WRITER

After roughly three years of toil, Texas directors Mark Birbaum and Jim Schembeck were finally able to unveil their finished product, "The Big Buy: Tom DeLay's Stolen Congress," to the Hub City community.

The viewing in Lubbock Sept. 10 at Mahon Library was sponsored by the South Plains Chapter of Texas Democratic Women.

Schembeck, a Slaton resident and the film's director, introduced the documentary and answered audience questions at the showing.

"One of the reasons I was interested in this is because when I was growing up there was a big scandal called the Sharpstown Scandal," Schembeck said.

According to the Handbook of Texas Online, The Sharpstown Scandal, which involved stock fraud, happened in 1971

and led to political turmoil in Texas. "I didn't want this (DeLay scandal) to go by without there being a record of this," Schembeck said.

To prevent that from happening, Schembeck and Birbaum's film crew followed Austin District Attorney Ronnie Earl while the investigation was unfolding. Earl's criminal investigation into illegal corporate contributions resulted in 41 indictments. Two of these were against the former majority leader of the U.S. House of Representatives, Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas.

"Some of these [people] are still on the job as if nothing ever happened," Schembeck said. "They're still out there working their deals."

However, not everyone agrees DeLay should have been charged in the first place.

"I think Ronnie Earl was grasping

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