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## Arrest made in credit union robbery

| PAUL ROBERTS <br> Staff Writer | police, along with the U.S. Marshals and the Texas Rangers of the Texas Department of Public Safety, captured Howell at a friend's | Howell was arrested just blocks away from the credit union. <br> According to police reports, a man | suspected of robbing. Police named Howell a primary suspect in the Sept. 26 robbery of the Plains Capital Bank located near the Texas |
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| ing |  | walked into the bank on the afternoon of | Tech campus. |
| bbock bank Sept. 23. Lubbock police said | to house since the warrant for his arrest was | t. 23, handed the teller an empty bag demanded that the teller fill it with | A little after $12: 15$ p.m. Sept. 26, a man with brown hair and jeans stepped up to a teller at the |
| ce issued a warrant for | ested Howell's | s | ains Capital Bank on University Avenue and |
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| athous a.m. Tuesday | , | s- | Baker said the U.S. Marshals office in Lub- |
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| police Sgt. Jeff Baker said Lub | WesTex Credit Union stole about \$13,000. | Union is not the only bank Howell |  |

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ROCKIN' THE AIRWAVES
Music fans as children, KTXT-FM disc jockeys fulfilling dreams By NAOMI KASKELA

| By NAOMI KASKELA <br> Staff Wamer | Soon, he branched his musical interests beyond classic rock to encompass jazz, punk, hardcore, opera and a wide range of other styles. <br> "It has to do with having an open mind," he said. "We look at music |
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| Being a disc jockey may not be what it seems. Both Nick Carissimi, | as an art. You have to recognize art as an art." |
| derek Pierce, a senior finance major fro | on |
| KTXI-FM and |  |
| influence the musical and clothing styles of students at Tech. |  |
| Carissimi and Pierce, the promotions director, became | s me to go along,' he said. "I do a lot of resea |
| t circumstances. For Carissimi, the beginnings of his | research concerns plann |
| erest in a career involving music started at a young age. <br> "My mom is a huge music fan and she used to quiz me in the car all the | which he discusses current events and other issues. |
| e," Carissimi said. "I got a really good basis in classic rock." | KTXT-FM continued on pas |

Court allows
Bush to continue domestic spying By Dan sewell

CINCINNATI (AP) - The Bush administration can con-
tinue its warrantless surveillance tinue its warrantless survelliance
program while it appeals a judge's ruling that the program is uncon-
stitutional, a federal appeals court stitutional, a federal appeals court ruled Wednesday. The president has said the
program is needed in the war on program is needed in the war on
terrorism; opponents argue it oversteps constitutional boundaries on
free speech, privacy and executive powers. The unanimous ruling from a Circuit Court of Appeals gave litthe explanation for the decision. In hood an appeal would succeed, the potential damage to both sides and the public interest. U.S. District Judge Anna Diggs
Taylor in Detroit ruled Aug. 17 Taylor in Detroit ruled Aug. 17
that the program was unconstitutional because it violates the
rights to free speech and privacy and the separation of powers in the Constitution.
The Justice Department had urged the appeals court to allow
it to keep the program in place it to keep the program in place
while it argues its appeal, claiming that the nation faced "potential
irreparable harm." The appeal is likely to take months.
nerable to a terrorist attack," the government motion said. The program monitors interna-
tional phone calls and e-mails to tional phone calls and e-mails to or
from the United States involving people the government suspects have terrorist links. A secret court has been set up to grant warrants for such surveillance, but the gov-
ernment says it can't always wait ernment says it can't always wait
for a court to take action The American Civil Liberties Union filed a lawsuit seeking to stop the program on behalf of
journalists, scholars and lawyers who say it has made it difficult BUSH continued on page 3

Student vote may influence construction of leisure pool

By ANDREW GLOVER Staff Wrier Texas Tech students will have the opportunity to vote online Friday for the construction of a Alisure pool.
All students who are enrolled in llass can vote Friday from noon to midnight, and they also can vote in the homecoming election. Joe MacLean, director of recre-
ational sports at Tech, said one of ational sports at Tech, said one of the reasons for the idea of a new
uncovering and covering the existing pool could include several features
pool at the Robert $H$. Ewalt Student like a lazy river, a hot tub, bubble the leisure pool will be completed benches, a slide, a chute, zero-depth during the 2008 fall semesteres and coveres-side café/smoothie bar current freshmen and sophomores and covered group areas
Matt Fowler intern Matt Fowler, internal vice presi-
dent, said when students yote for the leisure sudents vote online the top three features they want to be included. If this included.
" what type of budget we have and sit down with a focus group of students down with a focus group of students
and discuss the features and prioritize

Tech police blotter

By LIZ BOYD
Staff Writer
Oct. 3 The passenger-side rear window of a vehicle in the Z1-B parking lot was shattered, and a car stereo was taken. Two Tech burglary.
A nonstudent was issued a criminal trespass warning by a signs were taken on the 3000 Tech police officer. The man block of the Drive of Champiwas causing a disturbance in the ons, the 600 block of Canton Texas Tech University Health Avenue and the 3000 block of
Sciences Center. The clinic 15 th Street. The thefts were Sciences Center. The clinic 15 th Street. The thefts were
intended to cancel the man as investigated by a Texas Tech intended to cancel the man as
a patient. a patient. loading dock of the HSC was nal trespass was issued a crimiinvestigated by a Tech officer. wood Hall. There were no injuries. A Tech police officer inves A nonstudent tripped on the tigated graffiti in the men's tigated graffiti in the men
restroom of the HSC. restroom of the HSC tion regarding the emergency detention of a potentially suicidal nonstudent in the Psychology building.
A theft occurred at the east bike racks at the Texas Tech
University Library. A student's bike and cable lock were taken. Two students were detained in Coleman Hall. One received citations for consumption of al-
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of marijuana. The other studen received citations for consump
tion of alcohol by a minor, pos session of marijuana and posses sion of drug paraphernalia. A bike theft was investigated by a Tech officer outside of the Architecture building. Oct. 2 curb near the HSC. A Tech of refused treatment on-site by refused treatment on-site
Emergency Medical Services. Information regarding lost keys
Inergen Medical belonging to Sam's Place inside the Student Union Building was documented by two Tech police officers.
Two Te
modical call in the 74-R parking lot. A female student was having a panic attack and was transCenter the University Medical Center emergency room:

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JUSTIN OLEJNIK, A senior music education major from Cypress, practices "One Mint Julep" by Ray Charles on the xylophone Wednesda afternoon near the music building. The Goin' Band will perform the song and other Ray Charles songs at the homecoming game Saturday.
Baby boomers' retirement may strain U.S. economy
 nanke said Wednesday the burden terpiece of his second-term agenda. $\$ 296$ billion this year. from retiring baby boomers will But those efforts sputtered last year Shoring up the finances of Social afterward. strain the nation's budget and due to resistance from Republicans Security and Medicare will make for Fielding questions, Bernanke economy, unless Social Security and Democrats alike. difficult choices, Bernanke said. said a "substantial correction" was and Medicare are revamped. Bernanke said that as the popu- For instance, if the government taking place in the housing marke. - Reform of our unsustainable lation ages, the United States will tried to finance projected entitle- He estimated the housing slowdown entitlement programs" should be have to choose among higher taxes, ment spending entirely by revenue would trim about 1 percentage point a priority, Bernanke told the Eco- fewer dollars for other programs, lower increases, the taxes collected would off economic growth in the secon nomics Club of Washington. "The spending on entitlement programs, have to rise from about 18 percent of half of this year. imperative to undertake reform and a sharply higher budget deficit the total size of the economy to about But the fallout from the cooler
earlier rather than later is reat." -or some combination of all those. 24 percent in 2030 , he said. It was his strongest warning Government spending for Social If the government attempted a by other positive factors, includi It was his strongest warning $\begin{aligned} & \text { Government spending for Social If the government attempted a by other positive factors, including } \\ & \text { yet about the potential perils and } \\ & \text { Security and Medicare alone will fix through spending cuts, spending good job creation and income growth, }\end{aligned}$ yet about the potential perils and Security and Medicare alone will fix through spending cuts, spending
tough decisions that will con- increase from about 7 percent of the for programs other than Social Secufront the United States with the U.S. economy to almost 13 percent by rity and Medicare would need to fall $\begin{array}{ll}\text { looming retirement of } 78 \text { million } & 2030 \text {, and to more than } 15 \text { percent by sharply - the equivalent of "a budget } \\ \text { baby goomers. Bernanke did not } 2050 \text {, he said. }\end{array}$ baby boomers. Bernanke did not 2050 , he said.
rut of approximately $\$ 700$ billion in
recimmend any specific changes. recommend any specific changes, "The fiscal consequences of these
however, that Congress and the trends are large and unavoidable," Bush administration could make


Bernanke added.
The housing cooldown, after five-year boom, holds importan mplications for consumer spending and overall economic activity. "How
far will this correction go? It is very far will this correction go? It is ver
difficult to tell, is the honest answer, Bernanke said.
The Federal Reserve's next mee ing is scheduled for Oct. 24-25. Man economists believe the policymake will leave rates unchanged for th Wird meeting in a row.
With the economy
With the economy slowing, th
central bank in August decided to central bank in August decided to hal - paign to boost interest rates to fend off inflation. Policymakers suggested th cooling economy eventually would lessen inflation pressures.

## Autopsy reveals Colo.

 school gunman shot 4 timesDENVER (AP) - The man cording to autopsy results releas who took six girls hostage at a Wednesday by state officials. Colorado high school last week was shot four times as the standoff
ended - once by his own ended - once by his own gun and Duane Morrison died from the

PHONE CALL self-inflicted gunshot wound or th
officers' shots, said Lance Clem既 $\begin{aligned} & \text { officers' shots, said Lance Clem, } \\ & \text { spokesman for the Colorado Bureau }\end{aligned}$ of Investigation.
Morrison, a 53 -year-old drifter, had taken six girls hostage at Platte Canyon High School Sept. 27. He
released four of them before SWAT released four of them before SWAT
officers blasted their way into Room 206, when authorities say he shot 16 -year-old Emily
shooting himself.
Clem said autopsy results showed that Morrison killed Keyes with single gunshot to the back of the
head. She and the other five girl head. She and the other five girls
had been sexually assaulted, Sheriff Fred Wegener has said. Tests show that Morrison had no drugs or alcohol in his system, Clem said.
Clem also said school surveillance tapes showed Morrison's ye-
low Jeep in the parking lot of the low Jeep in the parking lot of the
school near Bailey, about 40 miles southwest of Denver, the day before the shooting. District superintendent Jim Walpole said officials do not know what Morrison had been doing at the school then
The shooting, one of severa at schools across the country
the last several days, was similar to a slaying Monday at an Amish schoolhouse in Pennsylvania, in which a man tied up 10 young girl killing himself.

## Graduate class welcomes Texas legislator



SEN. ROBERT DUNCAN, R-Lubbock, gives a lecture about agriculture in the Goddard Range Wildlife Fisheries management building Wednesday

Sen. Robert Duncan lectures at Texas Tech on Wednesday afternoon

By ANNA SCHUMANN Staff Writer

Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lub-
bock, of the Texas state legislature bock, of the Texas state legislature
spoke at 2 p.m. Wednesday in spoke at 2 p.m. Wednesday in
Goddard Hall to address effective scientific communication
and involvement with the state and involvement with the state
legislature. nus, received his bachelor's in agricultural economics in 1976 and graduated from Tech law school in 1981. Duncan spoke to a room of stu-
dents, faculty and saff dents, faculty and staff addressing
agricultural issues and explaining the state legislative process. "Agriculture is a big deal in
he state of Texas, and agricultural policy is a big deal in the state legislature," Duncan said: "The
biggest problem in agriculture is communicating the importance of agriculture to the rest of the ountry."
He said the purpose of his visit to Tech was to stress to students the importance of being able to present their research in
understandable format. "The point of my coming to speaking to you today is science is important. We need you to be able to effectively communicate to your audience," he said. "For it to be effective, it has to be communicated well to the right people, whether
the finance committee or the natuthe finance committee or th
ral resources committee."
al resources committee."
Duncan spoke as part of the curDuncan spoke as part of the cur-
riculum of a graduate-level seminar class taught by Faiz Rahman, an associate professor of range, wildlif and fisheries management.

Rahman said the class plans. to lcome Texas Rep. Carl Isett, R. ubbock, the news producer from- search associate for Tech's de CBD-TV, NewsChannel 11, and partment of geosciences said she representative from U.S. Sen agreed with Duncan's advice for "They are all texas, staff. nce, publice policy talking about science, public policy and outreach,"
Rahman said. "If you want Rahman said. "If you want your
science to make an impact, you science to make an impact, you One of Rahman's students, Stephanie McKenzie, a graduate student in range, wildlife and fisheries management from Fort
Worth, said she has enjoyed Worth, said she has enjoyed the
speakers in Rahman's class. speakers in Rahman's class.
"It's great to get their pers It's great to get their perspec municate," McKenzie said. "What Dr. Rahman is doing is great. It's broadening my mind about how to communicate my research."

2 Marines plead not guilty to murder, kidnapping

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. murder and other charges. (AP) - Two Marines accused of Judge Col. Steven Folsom said he
kidnapping and murdering a civilian was concerned man in rural Iraq entered a civilian was concerned about potential jurors pleas in mil Iraq entered not guilty hearing information about the case, but and a judge barred
lawyers from dislawyers from dis-
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with the media. Pfc. John J. Jodka III and Cpl. Marshall L. Magincalda are among seven Marines and
one Navy corpsman charged with man charged with
kidnapping and murdering 52 . year-old Hashim Ibrahim Awad last April. Both face up tolife in priso
if convicted. Jodka, 20 , an Jodka, 20 , and
Magincalda, 23 , a $C_{\text {The process }} \begin{gathered}\text { in coming monhs } \\ \text { The ofded on on } \\ \text { cover } \\ \text { troops accuesed in } \\ \text { in }\end{gathered}$ The process
seems to be overly mechanical, is not flexible and will. delay information getting out. $)$ ) - LT, COL. JOHN BAKER U.S. Marine
Prosecutor ker said. flexible and will
delay information getting out," tion getting out," sleeved khaki uniforms decorated According to prosecutors, some with medal ribbons, and both said of the troops kidnapped Awad on
little. They are accused of kidnapping, April 26, bound his feet, dragged


Charging documents say the grou When they couldn't findown terrorist. hen sey couldn't find one, the docuand took him against his will. Jodka is accused of fring an auto matic weapon at Awad, along with four other troops alleged to hav opened free.
 Some of the troops, including Mag
incalda, are accused of stealing an AK 47 assault rifle and a shovel and placing

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## Arrest <br> Bush

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apparently tơ make it look like he was an insurgent planting a bomb The Navy corpsman is accused of fring the AK-47 in the air and Magincalda of placing the expend
shell casings by Awad's body. Joll casings by Awad's body.
Jodkastrial date wasset for March Jodkas crialdate was set for Mar
and Magincalda's for Feb. 1. The commanding general in the case last week ruled that the two and a third Marine, Lance Cpl. Jerry E. Shumate, should not face the death penalty.


CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 they believe many of their overseas contacts are likely targets. Many expensive and torced to overseas trips because their con tacts wouldn't speak openly on the phone or because they didn
want to violate their contacts want to violate
confidentiality.
Similar lawsuits challenging the program have been filed by other groups, including in New York and San Francisco. The issue could wind up before the U.S. Supreme SPREAD THE WORD
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# OpINIONS 

Focus on Foley diverting
attention off of real issues

$J$ ansmian over a year now, so it would be easy for me to publish multiple columns but I never wanted to become "that guy." I figured my redemption would
come when I became the sober guy at the party that got to drive your hot girlfriend home (this, by the way, has never happened. Seing a colliege
student who knows more than two people, I have come into contact
with students who drink, but I have never been inclined to alert them
about possible problems with their alcohol consumption.
However, a certain event last
weekend prompted me to alert fellow students about the immediate dangers of alcohol abuse. Apparently, the liquid confidence will result in the sending of sexually explicit wanted to warn you.
The Daily Toreador reported MonFlorida, Mark Foley; resigned amid accusations of sending sexually ex plicit e-mails and instant messages com reported that Foley's lavyer gave a statement on his behalf while the ing to cure his alcohol and alcohol related behavioral problems (does this seem like conspicuous political spin to anyone?).
While the notio
man allegedly notion of a 50 -year-old man-love to a boy is not a jokes of response from your polititical leaders busy decrying the act and distancing themselves from Foley while claiming
Democratic conspiracy. The Democrats are countering with campaign
slogans lumming all Republing slogans lumping all Republicans in line with Foley. It is turning into - minus the slapping. I have an increasing urge to move to California to experience normalcy.
The Foley incident illustrates the disconnection between what your government is supposed to do and
what it actually accomplishes. Your political leaders are too busy fighting for their respective jobs instead of showing concern for the well-being
of a young man who was allegedly propositioned by a seasoned representative. The issue has become nothing more than a talking point to bolster
Democrats' chances of taking control of your government, which is pathetic. of your government, which is pathetic.
I loathe myself for writing this, but I think Rush Limbaugh made a valid argument by asking if the Democrats have been waiting for the perfect realm of possibilities? Furthermore, is realm of possibilities. Frorthermore?
that not the greater wrong-doing? I think I have finally, and offi cially, thrown in the towel in regards to the government. I'm going to give this political circus as much attention as "I Love the '90s, Revisited. Again." In order to stop this runaway
sideshow, your government leader sideshow, your government leader


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## hey work.

I believe in order to get the
right politicians into office, you right politicians into office, you
should first take away the incentives for being elected. Govern
ment officials spend so much time appeasing corporate interests that
they have neglected the needs of they have neglected the needs of corporate pandering is the politicizing of events such as the Foley
incident instead of addressing issues that are important -educa
ion, safety and health care. I tion, safect and healen care. Foley
not procliming that the Foly
incident is inconsequential, but it incident is inconsequential, but it
shouldn't be a political plafform. I understand elections rely
heavily on political donations heavily on political donations
from major campaign contribuors - corporations and private
interests - but the funding of campaigns should be limited to tax money. This will level the politi
cal playing field and stop special nterests from influencing the government's agenda. In addition, campaign efforts will make people more interested in knowing
heir money is supporting Second, term limits need to be
nstalled for all elected Part of the motivation fofficials, ing a "career politician" is to help ush through legislation that (hat contribute campaign money made?). Career politicians push through enough legislation to make you believe they àre making
progress, which, in turn, elicits progress, which, in turn, elicis Unfortunately, although these recommendations seem, logical
(essentially the antithesis of "government"), the problem is that you have to persuade current politícians o willingly endorse rules that will Und theili careers, which is illogical. it happen, I'll just keep persuading people to avoid alcohol.
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## Show media some respect

During time of war, elections approaching, we must seek real truth


#### Abstract

status quo has numerous times in ing freedom of speech, are so heavily history resonated throughout the history resonated throughout the polarized into exactly two points world, setting the bar for what of view, the American media have progress should look like. One of our country's beauties of thought that they can sell; news is that it cannot be judged with coverage has limits. If we looked to the same standards other contrict are judged. We are a ore countries more neutral third-country new are judged. We are a young nation agencies for information, we woul comprised of immigrants, and this be in for an unpleasant surprise. is in itself a catalyst for conflict. $\qquad$ Throughout history, our different people who continuously speak up oices calling for change have suc- not to those who repress voices. It ceeded in giving everyone the op-- is what the Founding Fathers did. portunity for a dignified life, despite It has been the key to compromise our differences. That's the America we should be proud of. in our pluralistic nation. When we Nonetheless, whereas we claim jeopardize the press and its freedoms to be the poster country for freedom, mise, but we are saying freedom we are letting our percception of it expression is only acceptable under crumble and jeopardize the con- certain circumstances. stitutional ideals. Our eagerness to We should rethink the impo - rightfully - support our soldiers tance of the press, rather than resent dom of speech. While intending to requesting journalists tornment. By ight a foreign threat on our freedom, coverage into ideas that wo iberty is threatened right here in the with, we only alienate ourselve homeland. Every time we ask jour- from the truth and from the roots nalists to be quiet, we dangerously of American thought. Despite the enlarge the rift between the aspects unlikely arrival of objectivity, we of freedom we choose to favor. One can only aim for it and encourag America associates freedom, with dialogue. We may never know tru expression and information, and objectiveness; we can only foster the intends to reach the truth. Paradoxically, as far as freedom of speech is concerned, the other America de concerned, the other America deconstructs the concept into a refus to question the status quo.

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$\int_{\text {the }}^{n} \begin{aligned} & \mathrm{n} \text { times of war and with election } \\ & \text { approaching, public }\end{aligned}$ the media's trends in reporting. look at last week's headlines attes
to the allocation of media covers There are those who say the media' continuing focus on the negativ
aspects of our country serves to one sidedly hightight our government flaws, which results in a threat to
national unity. In the most debated example, journalists emphasize the
negative aspects of the war in Iraq negative aspects of the war in Iraq,
showing lack of support for the administration's decisions. Let's face it. Criticism stems from understanding the other, we all have the tendency to make ourselves bet-
ter by undermining those unrelated ter by undermining those unrelated
to us, the way they think and the way they, look: It is easy, natural and rewarding. Journalists are no different. We are vulnerable to be influenced by the way we think.
The power of self-interest chal-
lenges the lenges the assessment- of objective
ness in reporting, meaning it is dif ness in reporting, meaning it is dif
ficult for even journal ists ourselve to define what absolute objectivity is. Equally, the American masses are unlikely to reach consensus on what objectiveness is.
If the lines between the objec
tive and the subjective aive and the subjective are so easily
blurred, why, then, should we be blurred, why, then, should we be
convinced that criticizing the gov-

## Ricardo Ramirez

## ernment is OK ? We live in a countr

 where, as far as we know, positive veve opments. The far outweigh the negament in many disciplines is set here. Historically, we have sent our armed where they have been needed. Yet we feel picked on by the news and by the rest of the world. Shouldthe media give us some slack? Absolutely not. Given the tivity of objectiveness, criticizing the negative aspects of any issue is
the only method to trigger its movement toward an ideal or goal. If we consider how America has changed in the past 50 years, it is unrealistic to think that the fuuture America will be similar to today's America.
In light of the country's as the bastion of free speech, chal lenging the government should not be equated with a threat to progressand dynamism vital to the survival of our country. Criticisms and outcries are the backbone of
change, and America itself embod-

GUEST COLUMN
Voting begins Friday I would like to encourage ev-
eryone to get out and vote e in the
upcoming homecoming elections.
We, will also be voting on two issues
that could have lages impact on
students this year and in the years
to come. You will have the oppor-
tunity to ovete for the Robert H.
Ewalt Student Recreation Center's
leisure pool expansien as well as
voice your opinion concerning the
future location of the Texas Tech
versus Texas A\&M foothall game.
The leisure pool has been a
topic of conversation for the past
year and Friday is when we can
vote to make the leisure pool a
reality. The leisure pool teferen-

## dum would be the final piece of

 be voting on a potential $\$ 10$ fee until after the construction of the pool is complete. The pool wouldputer the be designed with features that are chosen by the students. They
could include a hot tub, a lazy could include a hot tub, a lazy
river, zero depth entry, a pool-side café/smoothie bar, lap lanes and
more. When you vote in the upcoming have a vision for the futuru.. It is
thanks to students before us that we have the current rec center and
a newly renovated Student Union Building. The leisure pool concept
 is a concept that is becoming very would encourage you to vote with
the same vision in the election

## on Friday.

This Friday you have an op-
portunity to vote on three very
important student issues. I would
encourage everyone to $\log$ on to
http://www.sga.ttu.edu and vote.
-Ryan Worley/SGA President

## EDITORIAL FROM ANOTHER UNIVERSITY

Irony, hypocrisy plague GOP
(U-WIRE) PITTSBURGH - Republicans were caught off guard last week
when a story broke accusisin Rep. Mark Foley, R-Fla, of engaging in indecent when a story broke accusing Rep. Mark Foley, R-Fla, of engaging in indecent behavior with congressional pages. But to be fair, here is in oreason for the shock as plenyy of people knew what was going on for monhss, if not years before.
But before we get into the nitty-gritty of recent events, le's start from the beginning.
In 1994, Foley was first elected to the House, where he served das the chairman of the House Caucus on Missing and Exploited Children. Ironic? By 2001, a Republican staff member was reportedly warning pages about Foley, according to ABC News. Apparently someone knew what was going on - five years ago. who previously served as a page in Congress. And that's not all. Foley had been denouncingrumor formonths regarding his sexual practices, calling the rumors "revolting." Three months later, hedropped out of the Florida Senate race, citing his father's poor heath, in spite of being considered a front--unner. That.brings us to summer 2005, when Foley exchanged e-mails with 16 year-Id Louisiana boy. Republican leaders considered them to be "overfriendly" and the boy's parents were concerned. The parents contacted Rep. Rodney
Alexander, R-La., with copies of thee-mails. Alexander contacted variousstaffs in Washington, including the chairman of the House Page board, Rep. John Shimkus, R-III, and the staff of SpeakerJ. Dennis Hastert, R-III. The Republican Party is scrambling to pick up the pieces and salvage its image as the authority on moral behavior before the upcoming midterm election Republicans and Democrats alike are calling for resignations.
While this inn't necessarily a partisan issue - anyone who engages children in such a way or tries to cover it up should be held accountable for his action - its just so ironic.
is harboring a pervert.

While the Republican Party is so eager to project its morality on to American
-rom gay marriage bans to ceasing stem cell research - some of its high-placel members aren't even capable of following existing laws.

## GM-Renault/Nissan

 alliance talks called offDETROIT (AP) - General Mo- giving up th
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about forming a three-continent at $\$ 33.32$ on the New York Stock automotive alliance after GM sought Exchange. compensation for its participation. GM is the world's largest automak-
"The parties mutually recognized er but has been losing market share that significant aggregate synergies at home to Asian rivals, who enjioy
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aggregate synergies or the distribution $\begin{gathered}\text { pension and health costs. } \\ \text { It lost more than } \$ 10.6 \text { billion } \\ \text { of those benefiss." } \\ \text { GM's board decided unanimously }\end{gathered} \begin{gathered}\text { last year but has said a restructuring }\end{gathered}$
Tuesday that the proposed alliance was
program that includes massive job cuts not in the best interest of the compa-
ny's shareholders, GM Chairman and ny's shareholders, GM Chairman and a news conference Wednoesday.
General Motors Corp. had pro bosed that Renault SA and Nissan posed that Renault SA and Nissan - tion from the automaker's turnaround
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in an alliance, provide compensaan alliance, provide compensa- "We felt that the complexities of tion as part of a potential linkup, tion as part of a potential linkup,
the companies said. But Renault and The announcememt came ahead of
thissan believe compensation would be an Oct. 15 deadline that the two sides "contrary to the spirit of any success- had set for evaluating the proposal and ful alliance," they said in a prepared statement ahead of Wagoner's news conference.
The reason for demanding comThe reason for demanding com- face in Paris. Afterward, GM officials
vonsed skepticism about the proposed
 wanted payment because it believed it would have beneefited from the e alliance
far less than Renault and Nissan would far less than Renaul
have, Akre said. In addition, an alliance could have
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Aide says he told Hastert's office about Foley's conduct more than 3 years ago
WASHINGTON (AP) - A mediately respond to either the highest level of the House of senior congressional aide said development.
Wednesday he told House Speak- Foley, 52, a Florida Repub- intervene" at the time. er Dennis Hastert's office about lican, resigned last Friday after Fordham declined to iden worrisome conduct by his former he was confronted with sexually the officials in Hastert's office he boss, Rep. Mark Foley, toward explicit electronic messages he spoke with.

teenage pages more than three had sent teenage male pages. Two members of the GOP years ago, long before officials He has since entered an alcohol leadership say they told Hastert | $\begin{array}{l}\text { have acknowledged becoming } \\ \text { aware of the issue. }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { rehabilitation facility at an un- this past spring they had heard } \\ \text { disclosed location and, through }\end{array}$ |
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| $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Foley had sent overly friendly e- }\end{array}$ |  | aware of the issue.

Kirk Fordham made his comments to The Associated Press in an interview as a Kentucky
Republican canceled a campaign Republican canceled a campaign
fundraising event with Hastert. fundraising event with Hastert. Rep. Ron Lewis said he wants to
know the facts behind a scandal know the facts behind a scandal
that has roiled Republicans since last week. words at face value," Lewis said in an interview. "I have no reason to doubt him. But until this is cleared up, I want to know
the facts.
"If anyone in our leadership has done anything wrong, then demn it."
Taken together, the comments by Fordham and the actions by Lewis added to the political ert and fellow Republicans five weeks before midterm elections in which their control of the House will be tested.
Hastert's office did not im-
disclosed location and, through
his lawyer, has denied having had any sexual contact with minors. His abrupt departure left behind a virtual sex scandal and a string of unanswered questions -about what senior lawmakers K what they did about it. Fordham said he was serving as Foley's chief of staff when he was told about the lawmaker's inappropriate behavior toward pages more than three years ago. mardings and phone calls" re He said he had "more than one had with senior staffers in the

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## Kirk Kerkorian, who owns a 9.9 per- cent stake in GM. After Wagoner's

 cent stake in GM. After Wagonen's meeting with Ghosn, Kerkorianturned up the heat by announcing he might increase his stake in the company. He also called for an evaluation of the alliance proposals
by independent advisers. by independent advisers. Kerkorian's Tracinda Corp. pointed about the end of the alliance talks.
"We belie
ors' particieve that General Motors' participation in a global alwould have enabled and to realize substantial synergies and cost savings," Tracinda spokeswoman Carrie Bloom said in a statement. "We regret that the board did not obtain its own independent evaluation of Wagoner said he had not yet talked to Tracinda about the decision but stressed that the deci-
sion to terminate the talks was a sion to terminate the taks was a
unanimous decision by GM's board, which met all day Tuesday to discuss the possible alliance. The private equity firm is represented on the board by Jerome York. Wagoner declined to term the decision a vote of confidence by

the board in his leadership or in the company's ongoing turnaround | plan. |
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Prospect of sanctions against Iran looms nearer
HASHTGERD Iran (AP) President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad Parliament on Wednesday that the warned Wednesday that sanctions will Iranians had made "no commitment not stop Iran from enriching uranium to suspend." The dialogue with the endless hours"" of talks had made little was up to Tehran "to decide whether progress and suggested the dispute its time has come to end", he said. Solana said his talks had found
The talks at the U.N. soon. been seen as a last- "common ground" on some issues "but The talks had been seen as a last- common ground on some issues "but onfrontation between Iran and the point, which is the question of suspenU.N. Security Council after Tehran sion of activities before the start of the ignored an Aug. 31 deadline to sus- negotiations." He suggested that if the pend enrichment - a key step toward talks ended, the standoff should be making nuclear weapons - or face moved to the Security Council. punishment.
The latest comments - and the Ahmadinejad warned that sanctions ew of senior UN. diplomats who would not dissuade his country from told The Associated Press on Tuesday pursuing nuclear technology, includthat nearly two years of intermittent ing the enrichment of uranium. negotiations had failed - suggested "You are mistaken if you assume an emerging consensus that the time that the Iranian nation will stop for has finally come to consider Security even a moment from the path toward using nuclear energy, due to your
Iran maintains its nuclear program nagging," he told the West, speaking for peaceful purposes and does not to a crowd of supporters outside Iran's violate international law. Its refusal capital.
to give up enrichment compounds "For 27 years they haven't allowed the failure of more than three years. us to use technologies that they posof U.N. inspections to banish suspi- sess," Ahmadinejad added. "This cions that Tehran might have a secret nation is powerful and won't give in eapons progran. The conlicpick of one ioa of coercion, the hard-line Ahmadinejad, whose the Iranian president said his nation tough stance on the nuclear issue is favored continued negotiations. wildly popular in Iran - even among "We are for talks. We can talk with moderates. each other and remove ambiguities. Javier Solana, the European of- We have logic. We want talks to
ficial who has been negotiating with


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 save money, he said. T've never had a bad ex-
perience with a band trashing my house or any of those crazy rumors," he said. "It's cool to interact with people who are from a completely different part of the country who you would never
meet otherwise." Being a station manager means
arissimi works to make sur everything goes smoothly at the station.
He said he actually does more usiness work than deejaying. When things do not work out he has to start firing people.
"I've developed a flavor for firing," he said. "The only people I fire really deserve it." While this, along with other misconceptions, may scare some
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Iraqi police brigade pulled out of service BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - Iraqi authorities for the first time pulled
a brigade of about 700 policea brigade of about 700 police-
men out of service Wednesday for men out of terce Wednesday for
investigation of suspected ties to death squads, aiming to signal the government's seriousness in cleansing Baghdad of sectarian violence. The government move came amid steadily mounting violence,
particularly in the capital. A U.S. partictara spokesman said the past
military sper week had seen the highest number of car bombs and roadside bombs in Baghdad this year.
Four U.S. soldiers patrolling in Baghdad were killed by gunmen
on Wednesday, the U.S. military on Wednesday, the U.S. military
said, also announcing the deaths of two other soldiers a day earlier in Baghdad and the northern city of Kirkuk. The deaths brought to 21 the number of Americans killed in combat since Saturday. The suspension of the police
brigade was the first time the Iragi brigade was the first time the rraqi matic action to discipline security forces over possible links to militiamen. Baghdad's Sunnis widely fear the Shiite-led police, saying they are infiltrated by militias and accusing them of cooperating with
death squads who snatch Sunnis death squads
and kill them.
and kill them.
region of northeast Baghdad where gunmen on Sunday kidnapped 24 workers from a frozen food factory. . Hours later, the bodies of seven of the workers were found dumped in
a district miles away. Sunni politicians have said all those who were kidnapped were Sunnis; the region has a, mixed population with a
slight Shiite majority. Brig. Abdul-Karim Khalaf, the chief ministry spokesman, said
the brigade was being investigated the brigade was being investigated
because it "didn't respond quickly" because it "didn't respond quickly"
to the kidnapping. Sunnis blamed Shiite militias for the abduction and accused police of allowing the gunmen to escape and move freely with their captives? The top U.S. military spokes-
man in Iraq, Maj. Gen. William B. man in Iraq, Maj. Gen. William B.
Caldwell, said the police brigade in Caldwell, said the police brigade
the area had been ordered to stand down and was undergoing retraining. He said some were being investigated and that any found to have militia ties would be removed. "The government of Iraq was
very clear as we go very clear as we go through this.
process that, if that (unit) comes out at 30 percent of what it went in with, that's OK with the government of Iraq," he told a Baghdad news conference. "There is clear evidence that there was some complicity in allowing death squad elements to move
freely when, in fact, they were supfreely when, in fact, they were sup
posed to have been impeding their posed to have been impeding then
movement," Caldwell said.

Rice: U.S. looking for ways to improve Palestinians' lives
(AP) - Secretary of State Con- Underscoring the gulf remain-
doleezza Rice said Wednesday ing with the militant group Hamas, doleerza Rice said Wednesday ing with the militant group Hamas,
the United States wants to help which tontrols the United States wants to help which controls the Palestinian Au-
improve the daily lives of Pales- thority Palestinian Prime Minite mprove the daily lives of Pales- thority, Palestinian Prime Minister
tinians as violence, deprivation Ismail Haniyeh accused the U.S. of and political chaos reach threat- trring to "rearrange" the Middle East ening levels in the Palestinian territories.
After meeting with Palestin- region and to rearrange the Pales ian President Mahmoud Abbas, tinian scene in a way that serves
the top U.S. diplomat said she is the American the top U.S. diplomat said she is the American and Israeli agenda,
looking for ways to revitalize and Haniyeh, a Hamas member, said expand agreements made last year to állow freer movement of people and goods across the Palestinians' borders with Israel and Egypt. $\begin{array}{ll} & \text { on Israel to loosen what Palestin- } \\ \text { "Those wath }\end{array}$ Those are the kinds of on- separate territories in the West Beir easier for the Pangs that make it and Gaza Strip. The territories are easier for the Palestinian people," not economically viable without
Rice said after her session with extensive trade across their border Abse said after her session with extensive trade across their borders
Absying to resolve a with Israel and Egypt and without nine-month political stalemate the daily passage of Palestinians to with Hamas radicals who control part, of the Palestinian govern-
ment. part of
ment.
Rice Rice said she We are very concerned, of crease resources for humanitarian ditions in the Palestinian territories, relief, but made no specific pledge said following a meeting with Abbas of U.S. aid. The United States has at his West Bank headquarters. been trying to prompt Arab coun- "We understand that some of the tries to increase their financial economic hardships are of course support for the Palestinians. caused by the lack of mobility, the
Rice is in the Middle East this Rice is in the Middle East this lack of movement and access, and
week to drum week to drum up Arab support will of course see what I can do to
for the moderate Abbas and to make sure that some for the moderate Abbas and to make sure that some of those cross-
test ways that the United States ings are indeed open longer and and other powers might help from more frequently so that economic afar. The United States hopes activity can return,".Rice said. that Abbas will benefit from any Rice was having dinner Wednesease in the rising tension and day with, Israeli Prime, Ministe hardship in the territories, but Ehud Olmert and planned furthe the United States is also worried meetings with Israeli officials on
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of civil war during a press confer
ence with Rice, as he declared
compromise talks with Hamas dead ompromise talks with Hamas dead for now.
"There is no dialogue now" and it is time to consider the next step,
Abbas said. Earlier Wednesday, Abbas said
a new Cabinet must be formed to end a recent surge in violence that
claimed 10 lives in three days. He claimed 10 lives in three days. He
did not elaborate, but Abbas holds did not elaborate, but Abbas holds
wide-ranging constitutional powers
that include the authority to disband that include the authority to dis
the current government. the current government.
The Hamas victory in Palestinian elections in January set up a divided and ineffectual government and shelved active efforts for peace
with Israel. with Israel.
The United States and Israel
consider Hamas a terrorist group and consider Hamas a terrorist group and
refuse any dealings with it. refuse any dealings with it.
In the past, U.S. officials have In the past, U.S. officials have
made little secret of frustration that
Abbas has not Abbas has not shown greater leadership, while Fatah leaders complain that the United States has done next to nothing to support Abbas. Abbas is the only leader with
whom the United States can deal, whom the United States can deal,
however, and Rice gave him a wholehearted endorsement Wednes-
day. President Bush called day. President Bush called him a "man of courage" last month. After the Hamas-led Cabinet
took office in late March, the United took office in late March, the United
States and European Union, the two States and European Union, the two
biggest donors to the Palestinian Authority, cut off hundreds of millions of dollars in aid.
The perpetually cash-strapped
Palestinian government has been
unable to fully pay the salaries of tion as president. But he has been,
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tion, "The Romance of the walls ont he set are discovered
Erin," opens with two medi- to actually be screens, and it is cal professionals caring for Erin, quickly established that there are Mendricks a mentally troubled girl in à hos. But it isn't long before the audience members begin to wonder minds played with.
The play, written and directed by Tech sudents, premiere.
day in Tech's Lab Thearre.

disposition. Wynne adequately cap-

Kevin Costner goes to court over casino SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) - The actor-director is asking the Dakota Supreme Court in a legal shootout over a Deadwood casino
tured her panicky, desperate state of
mind. Erin is such an intense characteri, and always seems to be yelling or earnestly pleading for something.
It was ensy to
tideni ify with "the It was easy to identify with "the
Lover" when he said "syor bemon ing every little thing." The compactness of the Lab Theare creates an intimate atmo-
sphere, which suited the play well. The music is simple and often in soff, lullaby form. The lighting
helps the avdience distingingh be helps the audience distinguish be tween reality and fantass, lowering
when a shift is ocurring into the When a shift is occurring into the
fantasy world, and then becoming fantasy world, and then becoming
bright and clean in the hospital scenes, creating the stale, drafty atmosphere. Since the stage is small, the multi-leveled set, with the use of plafforms and stairs, keeps the play moving while making the best
use of space use of space
Mlast of the second half of the play st spent unraveling the story
line, makigng sense of what has so confused and confounded the audi-
ence in the first half. l enioved the ence in hee first half. I enjoved the was spent resolving the "robtlems" as was spent creating them in the beginning. Solutions were not easy, packaged answers that oversimpli-
fied the complexity of the fied the complexity of the plot to
resolve it more simply. Instead, themes of family and home are reveale using these complex char-
acters No no is made the hero or acters. No one is made the hero or
the victim, they simply are. the victim, they simply are. tim," Erin says. "TPll never play that part."
The Romance of Erin" is playing at 8 p.m. today through Saturday and at 2 .p.m. Sunday in the
Tech Lab Theatre located on 18 th Tech Lab Theatre located on 18 th
Street between Flint Avenue and Streer between
Boston Avenue.

- Hendricks is a senior bilingual education major for Idalou. E -mail her at Jessica.I.reaves@ttu.edu.


## judge. The actor wants to sever his

 relationship with his two partners and become the sole owner of the Mianight Star, an eating and gam-bling establishment where costumes Costner wore in various movies line the walls.
Costne filmed much of "Dances
With Wolves," which won the With Wolves," which won the
Academy Award for best picture in 1990, on South Dakota's plains and
in the Black Hills, whete Deadwood is located. casino. He hired Francis and Carla
cat Caneva to manage the operation and gave them ownership of 6.5 percent.
He fired them in July 2004 , asking them to part ways as partners, too.
When they declined, he chose to

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Hilton says Moakler punched her LOS ANGELES (AP) - Can
ravis Barker feally have this

82, filed for divorce in August from Travis Barker feally have this.
effect on women? His estranged wife, Shanna Moakler, was inolved in a nightclub fracas with morning.

Barker, the drummer for Blink.
 hows would come on for six or even episodes and sustain the
country's attention for a few weeks councry's attention for a few weeks
before wrapping everything up. You know what happened to the mini-series? "24." The serialized drama that shows one hour out of a single day has grabbed the Acus of studio executives, and no Shows like "Kidnapped" Vanished" would work much better as a mini-series of about eight episodes. Do audiences really want to stick around for 22 episodes to find out what happened to some politician's housewife who appar-
ently has been around the whole block a few times?
lock a few times?
Bring back the
hes? stop stringing audiences along oach week with some new twist
or turn because in the end, the how is the only thing that ends up tangled.

The mini-series might be dead, aug good television is far from needing a lifeline. NBC, which faced 2005, has cor of embarrassment in new season rush for best lineup. "The West Wing" was not only one of the strongest shows on television during its seven-year stint
but also one of the funniest. Writer Aaron Sorkin brought that same style of wit and intelligence when he sat down to pen the scripts for his new show, "Studio 60 on the Sunset Strip." The show is easily
the funniest thing on basic cable. the funniest thing on basic cable.
Yes, it's even funnier than "The' Yes, it's even funnier than "The'
Office" and "My Name is Earl." The ratings for the show have not been the best of the new season, but with almost 14 million viewers every week, the show has become a true performer for the
peacock network. "Heacock network.
$\qquad$ neek, brought the strongest open-
ing numbers of the new season. The mystery surrounding the group of strangers, each of whom
is individually discover is individually discovering his or her superhero powers, is this year
"Lost." It's a compelling hour elevision because despite the su
ernatural subject mat
s grounded in reality.
The CBS network looked stron veteran actors and actresses attached to multiple projects, but, sadly, each of those projects ended up bein James Woods is the only thin
Jerely mediocre. keeping "Shark" from drowning It's obvious how hard he is trying
to make the show work. The legal drama, which was given the honor of cived middle-of-the-road audien numbers. Audiences ad audience that even a wise-cracking attorne can't make the show anything othe han what it is - just another legal Stama. " "Smith" is the biggest disap pointment of the season. The show sarted off with a strong pilot episod but has boiled its plot down to a re nore out of producer John Wells, ho produced "The West Wing." Meanwhile, "Standoff" on Fox shaping up to be another "Moon ostage negotiators is about a two who just happen or ingele one another. The show started slowl ut has shaped up to be an entertain ng hour of television; still, rating have been less than stellar.
Tuesday night Tresday night, NBC unveiled Texas-based footbll how is almost a scene-for-scen Ccreation of the movie, but since follows suit, The show's ratingsarent available yet.
"The Nine" e of deadlin had yet to debut he last new shows to hit the air Anyone watching "Standoff" Smith," "The Game," "Kidnapped or "Vanished" should find something else to watch before the shows are
canceled and it is too late to get involved in another sho
Reynolds is The DT movie critic. E-mail him at jeremy.n.reynoldse ttu.edu. was recently voted off "Dancing With the Stars." In September
Barker was apparently videotaped kissing Hilton, who needs no in
tered Moak ast night. The follo in Hollywood ent is based on reports by police, publicists for both women, but un ortunately no pugilistic experts: Hilton says Moakler waked up to
er, "used the most vile of language" and then punched her in her jaw. Moakler contends she exchanged
mere profanities with Hilton, at mere profanities with Hilton, at which point Hilton's ex-boyfriend
Stavros Niarchos emerged from the tavros Niarchos emerged from the
entourage, bent Moakler's wrists, oured a drink on her and shoved er down some stairs.
Hilton, 25 , and Moakler, 31, both filed police reports alleging battery. Officer Karen Smith said police took pictures of Moakler and Hilton at
the station, and that police planned he station, and that police planned
oo speak with witnesses at the club as part of their investigation. Moakler and the tattooed punk ocker Barker were an unlikely pair when they married in 2004,
locumenting their lavish wedding documenting their lavish wedding
and life on the MTV reality show and life on the MTV reality show children. Moakler also has a 7 -year-
old daughter with boxer Oscar De La Hoya.
TMZ.com posted what it said was video of Barker and Hilton making
ut in a New York nightclub last out in a New York nightclub last
nonth. But Hilton's publicist, El-

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No ifs, ands or Buck
Showalter ousted as Rangers manager ARINGTON, Texs (AP) - Buck in the AL West, but still in third place Showalter was fired as manager of the behind the division-winning Angels
Texas Rangers on Wednesday, ending and Oakland. Texas Rangers on Wednesday, ending
four seasons in which he was never able to get a team with several young the momentum of that unexpected All-Stars above third place in the AL playoff chase. They backtracked last
West. West. losing record in seven years since last
making the playoffs in 1999 Showalter making the playoffs in 1999. Showalter
was $319-329$ with the Rangers, his was $319-329$ with the Rangers, his
third managerial job, and still had three seasons left on his contract. Showater was the AL manager of
the year only two years ago, when AL MVP Alex Rodriguez was traded in
the spring and the Rangers went on to contend for a playoff spot until the final few games of the season.
"Buck has been a tremendous asset to this organization,", general manager Jon and off the field with the best interests of the Rangers in mind. However, we thought it best at this time for a fresh
perspective." return calls and messages. return calls and messages.
The Rangers were $89-73$ in 2004 ,
the fourtr-bebest record in team history
and an 18 -win improvement over 2003 .

Shaq bitter about sticky balls NEW YORK (AP) - Some balls that you buy at the toy store,
of the NBA's biggest stars say the $\begin{array}{ll}\text { or } \\ \text { new game ball is too sticky when } & \text { The NBA's old leather balls }\end{array}$ dry, too slippery when wet, and are being replaced this season by
too - well, not the old one. The league is convinced it's league's first change in 35 years.
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O'Neal blasted the ball Monday, better, no matter what the likes one
of Shaquille O'Neal, Dwyane criticizing not only the product Wade or Steve Nash have to say about it.
"Sure, y
"Sure, you hear some comments that aren't as positive as
the overwhelming majority of people that we tested the ball people that we tested the ball
with," Stu Jackson, executive vice president of basketball op-
erations, said Tuesday. "That's going to happen. Everyone that
handles the ball loves the grip handles the ball loves the grip
and the feel of the ball." and the feel of the ball."
Not Shaq, who said the ball
"feels like ne of


Cross Country
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con page 10 third in the Red Raider Jackrabbit
Open Sept. 15 in Tech's only home meet of the season. Tech finished meet of the season. Tech Sophomore Sally Kipyego was
given the award, also her first, after she placed first individually in the last two meets.
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In the Murray-Keatinge In-
vitational Kipyego vitational, Kipyego ran a time of 16:11.82 in the 5 K race, breaking
the course record by 22 seconds and good enough for a first-place finish.
Her finish helped the women's ross country team place first - the second win for the team
this year. Kipyego finished first in the
Red Raider Jackrabbit Open to secure first place for the women's team.

TCU, Utah trying to regroup after losses SLCT LAKE CITY (AP
TCU went from having he ation's longest winning streal dropping out of the Top 23 The detending Mountai re t tring to keep hhe damage fom geting even worse wher
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Depression among student athletes on a steady rise


Asst News Eorroo
 In the midst of Depression Aware
ness Week and with last week's initia report that Terrell Owens was suffering from depression, Texas Tech associate professor of sports ssychology Marc Lo-
chbaum saiddepression among sudent chbaum said depression among studen athletes is on a steady increase.
While 10 percent to 15 percent of he United States population suffers the United States population suffers
from depression, Lochbaum said th percentage is lower among athletes. "The best way to solve depression is with physical activity," Lochbaum said. "It's better than medication or
therapy. If you exercise, your chances of relapsing into deppession are a lot of relapsing into depression are a lot
less. So in theory, if you are physically active, you should have a lower rate of depression."

include loss of pleasure, loss of energy, and take a certain amount of classes," to speak out about the problem and
feelings of increased grief and guilt, and Ziegler said. "You want to make sure seek help. you get your school work done because
you want to you want to remain eligibleso you don't let your team down." Ziegler said she hopes any athlete suffering from depression would feel comfortable enough to confide in
teammate. Wmate. "We have a very close team because we spend three to four hours together every day," she said. "I would hope that if anyone was depressed they would feel comfortable enough to come forward and we could help them solve the problem as a team."
Lochbaum said there is a culture in competitive athletics that discourages competitive athletics that discourages
athletes with depression from acknowledging the problem. "People are embarrassed," Lochbaum said. "People are not likely going to tell because that is just another
reason for them not to play. If you reason for them not to play. If you
knew someone had a cropping anxiery knew someone had a cropping anxiety
disorder, you probably wouldn't want them to be your kicker." Tech track and field coach Wes
Kittley said he would Kittley said of the 90 athletes on the track and field team, there are always a few every year who are in counseling for depression. Kittley said the anxiety athletes have derives from pressure the thletes put on themselves. "We want them to win but not at all the problems come from roots from back home. I think if they are suffering from depression, it is something that was there before they got to school. But it just comes to a head once they get to
college and start compering" college and start competing.
Lochbaum said while co usually supportive of athletes with problems, there needs to be an opportunity for depressed athletes to talk to someone not involved with the team. "Seeking help is the best thing someone can do if they are depressed, Lochbaum said. "An open line of
communication is what is needed. Its good to have a support team. If you can go get help in confidence that is the best help.
Tech cross country runners awarded for performances

By paul roberts
Staff Writer
Invitational.
The award is she first for Chelimo,
who placed first individually in the who placed first individually in the
Murray-Keatinge Invitational SaturTwo Texas Tech cross country Murray-Keatinge Invitational Saturrunners were awarded with the Big day in Orono, Maine. His first-p
12 Cross Country Runner of the finish helped the Red Raiders secure Week award for their performances an overall third place finish. at the Murray-Keatinge Invitational Chelimo finished the 4.97 -mile Saturday.
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enio Kevin Chelin end Senior Kevin Chelimo and sopho-
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won the award the week of Sept. 6 won the award the week of Sept. 6
for her performance in the Mike Boit CROSS COUNTRY continued on page 9

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