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STATE

Dallas woman sentenced in FEMA fraud case

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas woman who pleaded guilty to defrauding the Federal Emergency Management Agency of \$80,000 through false claims for Hurricane Katrina benefits was sentenced Monday to nearly six years in prison.

U.S. District Judge David C. Godbey sentenced Lakietha Diann Hall, 35, to 70 months in prison. She was ordered to pay \$83,254 in restitution. In a related case, she pleaded guilty to one count of failure to appear.

Hall admitted in court documents that she conspired with nine others between August and December of last year.

NATION

WWII aircraft carrier gets stuck in mud

NEW YORK (AP) — The USS Intrepid, the aircraft carrier that survived World War II bomb and kamikaze attacks, got stuck in the mud in the Hudson River on Monday as a fleet of tugboats tried to pull it from its berth for a \$60 million renovation project.

The ship — a huge floating military museum that draws hundreds of thousands of tourists a year - was supposed to be towed across the river to a dry dock in Bayonne, N.J.

WORLD

No accord between Palestinian leaders

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) -The Palestinian president and prime minister, heading rival movements, on Monday failed again to agree on a joint government that might lead to lifting Western sanctions that have bankrupted their administration — but they planned to keep trying.

President Mahmoud Abbas, a moderate, and Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh of Hamas met in Gaza for more than two hours, but officials said the talks ended with no accord on a national unity government made up of independent experts.

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Law would reinstate jobs of Saddam's party

By BASSEM MROUE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Saddam Hussein was sentenced to hang, the Shiite-dominated government offered a major concession Monday to his Sunni backers that could see thousands of members of the ousted dictator's Baath party reinstated in their jobs.

after Saddam's guilty verdict and death sentence, day and Monday across Iraq, police said. But The Associated Press has learned that Iraq's nis in hopes of enticing them away from the gradually lifting the restrictions in Baghdad allow Saddam's hanging to take place. The insurgency, which has killed tens of thousands and two restive Sunni provinces: Pedestrians execution must be carried out within 30 days of Iraqis and is responsible for the vast majority were allowed back on the capital's streets late of the appeals court's decision.

of U.S. casualties.

The U.S. military announced the deaths airport was to reopen Tuesday morning. of five more American troops, two in a helifighting west of the capital. The deaths raised defiant counter-demonstrations. to 18 the number of U.S. forces killed in the first six days of November.

Monday afternoon, and the international

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A day after copter crash north of Baghdad and three in celebrated the verdict while Sunnis held

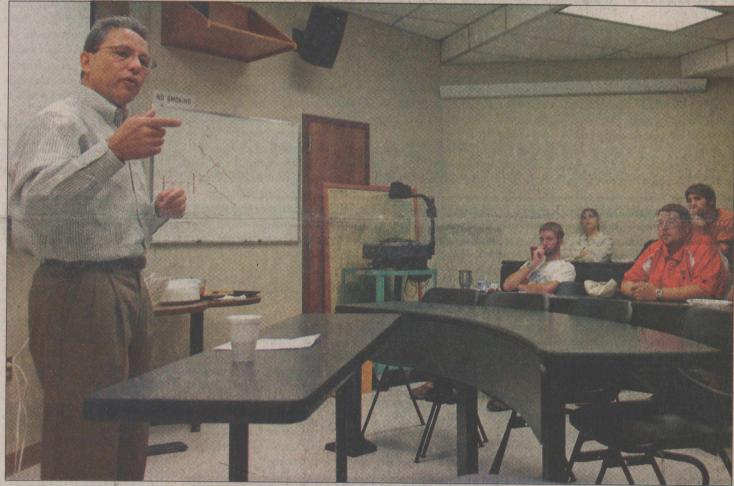
Iraq's appeals court is expected to rule on an appeal by Saddam's lawyers by the Relentless sectarian killings also persisted middle of January, the chief prosecutor said despite the extraordinary security precau- Monday, setting in motion a possible execu-With a tight curfew holding down violence tions. Fifty-nine bodies were discovered Suntion by mid-February. If the ruling is upheld,

Sunday's verdict and Monday's opening to the Sunnis were seen as a welcome break for Around the country, jubilant Shiites the United States, which had recently called for the Iraqi government to stop purging members of Saddam's Baath party from their jobs. Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, however, has balked at U.S. requests to set up an amnesty for

Al-Maliki has been engaged in a public feud with U.S. Ambassador Zalmay Khalilzad since last month, when the prime minister disputed the government reached out to disaffected Sun- with no surge in violence, authorities were three-man presidential council is pledged to the envoy's announcement that he had agreed to a timeline for progress in quelling violence

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SETTSAVA



STATE REPRESENTATIVE CARL Isett speaks to graduate students about being policy savvy Monday afternoon in the Goddard building.

Isett spends election-eve in classroom helping Tech students understand policies better

By JOSH HULL STAFF WRITER

On the eve of the Tuesday elections, Carl Isett spent Monday afternoon not on the campaign trail, but in the classroom.

Isett was invited to speak to a graduate seminar class in the Texas Tech range, wildlife and fisheries management department about the role science plays in public policy. As the incumbent Texas state representative Mayfield for re-election Tuesday.

While the meeting was not set up to endorse the candidate, Isett said he hoped students would leave the discussion with a better understanding of the legislature and how it serves the public.

"This wasn't set up as a campaign function," Isett said. "Obviously I would hope it encourages them (the students) to go vote. As I said, it is important in a self-governing society that everyone get involved."

With the upcoming legislative session growing near, Isett said he believes scientists play an important role by providing information and research about the 7,000 proposed bills that will come before the legislature this year.

"We will deal with everything from tattooing horses to education and for District 84, the Republican Isett is running against Democrat Pearlie everything in between," he said. "We will try to kill a lot of bills because more government comes at a cost to your freedoms or your pocketbooks."

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Wolfforth citizens consider sale of beer, wine

By PAUL ROBERTS STAFF WRITER

On election day some Wolfforth citizens are still pondering whether the sale of packaged beer and wine in Wolfforth would benefit the

Organizations such as Responsible Citizens for Economic Development, led by Steve Komarek, suggest the sale of beer and wine in the community not only will benefit the local economy, but will bring in outside businesses for further growth. Organizations like Citizens for a Safe Wolfforth do not want beer and wine sales because of the potential increase of criminal activity it could bring.

Komarek, a Wolfforth community member for more than 20 years, said packaged beer and wine sales at local food marts and grocery stores is one step added to last year's voting, which allowed for alcohol to be sold by the drink at restaurants and other establishments.

"We have had supermarkets like Sam's and CostCo approach us asking for laws to be able to sell beer and wine," Komarek said.

the vote to pass this year, including safety and economic reasons.

We don't think it is safe for people to drive 16 miles there, then 16 miles back for beer," Komarek said. "It would be safer for the public to be able to walk to the local Town and Country and buy a 12-pack."

Komarek said Wolfforth's economy would greatly benefit from the added sales, because it would attract outside businesses, like H-E-B Grocery Store, which Kamerak said is going to build a store in Wolfforth if the law passes.

"H-E-B won't go into a dry market," Komarek said.

He said he is aware of organizations like Citizens for a Safe Wolfforth. He said Citizens for a Safe Wolfforth initially came to Wolfforth for the purpose of protecting sales at the strip and are not worried about the safety of the Wolfforth Komarek said he is not worried that the law

will not pass. He said he believes enough of the a store are less likely going to be intoxicated as right people are behind him and his efforts. "It is going to be first class," Komarek said.

He said there are a number of reasons for "We are not going to have any beer barns or bars, just places for people to purchase beer and wine to take home. The Wolfforth City Council and mayor, who has lived in Wolfforth his entire life, have been universal in their support."

> One of the concerns of the organizations against alcohol sales is a possible increase in drunken driving accidents or minors attempting to purchase alcohol.

> Wolfforth Police Chief Rick Scott said these potential problems have been analyzed by Wolfforth police, and there would not be an increase in crimes because of the new law.

> Scott said Wolfforth has not seen an increase in crimes because of the law passed last year, which allows for sale of liquor by the drink at restaurants. He said police installed a zero-tolerance policy, which means if someone is pulled over and they have been drinking, they immediately go to jail.

He said the sales of beer and wine actually could decrease the chances of a DWI.

"People who are going to purchase beer at

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Gubernatorial candidates disagree on impact of turnout

By NAOMI KASKELA STAFF WRITER

For some of the gubernatorial candidates, election depends solely on voter turnout. But for other candidates, feelings within the campaign headquarters indicate voter turnout will not matter as much.

Laura Stromberg, spokeswoman for independent candidate Kinky Friedman, and Ryan Malone, spokesperson for Democratic candidate Chris Bell, both said increased voter turnout from the last election will have a major effect on the results at the polls.

Malone said voter turnout is very important in this election, especially for Bell.

For Friedman's election chances, Stromberg said getting individuals who usually do not vote to go to the polls is a

She said the campaign office is calling people all over the state to persuade them to vote and bring others with them to the polls. "All we care about is getting

people to vote," she said.

While the focus may be on increasing numbers at the polls for Friedman and Malone's campaigns, Republican Gov. Rick Perry feels his chances of re-election are very good with or without the increased numbers, said Robert Black, spokesman for the governor.

"The governor's feelings are very good," he said. "He feels he is going to win and win very handily.' Positive thoughts are also go-

ing through the campaign offices of Friedman and Bell.

"The overall feeling is that if we see high turnout, Kinky will be the next governor of Texas," Stromberg said.

Focus in the Friedman campaign office is not being placed on polls, she said, but instead on what individuals around the state have said. "Our supporters are very en-

thusiastic about Kinky's chances," she said. "He's the only candidate for the people."

Malone said support and enthusiasm for Bell has also been seen around the state.

"We just finished up with our Bell on Wheels statewide bus town," he said. "For five days we saw firsthand the excitement that people have right now

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Texas Tech police blotter

STAFF WRITER

Nov. 4

A hanging football season parking tag was taken from a vehicle in the R8 parking lot. Texas Tech police investigated the burglary.

A nonstudent was arrested for driving with an invalid license following a traffic stop in the 1800 block of Flint Avenue. The man was transported to the Lubbock County Jail, and the vehicle was towed by Lubbock Wrecker Services.

A child fell and cut his chin on the east side of Jones AT&T Stadium. Tech police responded to the request for Emergency Medical Services.

A Baylor University cheerleader was injured after performing a stunt on the north side of Jones AT&T Stadium. She was transported to the University Medical Center Emergency Room by Emergency Medical Services.

Tech police arrested a nonstudent for assault and interference with an emergency telephone call. The man was also issued a criminal trespass warning from all Tech property, and he was trans-

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ported to the Lubbock County Jail.

A student was detained for consumption of alcohol by a minor in Murdough Hall. The student was issued a Lubbock County citation and released.

Tech police investigated criminal mischief in Murdough Hall. A chair was thrown from a window and broken on the ground.

sumption of alcohol by a minor in Coleman Hall. The nonstudent was issued a Lubbock County citation and

A female student complained of stomach pains in Murray Hall. She refused transportation by Emergency Medical Services and was transported by private vehicle to the University Medical Center Emergency Room.

Nov. 3

The word "white" and a swastika were scratched into the base of a handrail at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. Tech police investigated the graffiti.

A rotary drill was stolen at the construction site in the HSC. The suspect, a nonstudent, was issued a criminal trespass warning from all Tech property.

Tech police investigated the theft of a laptop computer, which occurred sometime last week in the Wiggins Jail. dining complex.

Weymouth Hall. Two of the students were issued Lubbock County citations for consumption of alcohol by a minor, and the other two students were issued into shrubbery which caught fire near

Lubbock County citations for possession Murdough Hall. Tech police inof alcohol by a minor.

toxication in the Z5-C parking lot. The extinguished the fire. student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

Nov. 2

U.S. currency was taken from a A nonstudent was detained for con-secured area at the HSC president's office conference room. Tech police investigated the theft.

> Tech police responded to a chemical reaction in the Chemistry building. The Lubbock Fire Department and Lubbock Emergency Medical Services responded to the scene. There were no injuries or property damage reported as a result of the incident, and the building was evacuated.

An unsecured bicycle and cable lock were taken at the north bike racks at between Oct. 28 and Oct. 30 from

alarm to activate in Gordon Hall. The of 37th Street and Avenue K. building was evacuated, and the fire department did not respond.

A nonstudent was arrested for public intoxication at Memorial Circle. A student was also arrested for public intoxication and criminal mischief at Memorial Circle. Both subjects were session of drug paraphernalia and transported to the Lubbock County possession of a controlled substance

Two students were detained for pos-Four students were detained in session of alcohol by a minor in Gates with the Lubbock County District Hall. Both subjects were issued Lubbock County citations.

A roman candle firework was fired sion of drug paraphernalia.

vestigated the criminal mischief, A student was arrested for public in- and the Lubbock Fire Department

Nov. 1

Tech police investigated the theft of a Lady Raiders Basketball sign at the 15th Street and Akron Avenue entry station.

A nonstudent was arrested for driving with an invalid license following a traffic stop in the 1400 block of Flint Avenue. The man was transported to the Lubbock County Jail, and the vehicle was towed by Lubbock Wrecker Services.

A Tech police officer documented damage to a vehicle which occurred in the Z1-B parking lot.

A student's vehicle was stolen the Z4-P parking lot. Tech police Burned food in an oven caused the recovered the vehicle in the vicinity

A student passed out for a short period of time on the Student Recreation Intramural Fields. He refused treatment and transportation by Emergency Medical Services.

A student was detained for posin Gates Hall. The student was released pending the filing of charges Attorney's office and was issued a Lubbock County citation for posses-

District 19 candidates positive about election

By NAOMI KASKELA STAFF WRITER

The campaigns of both District 19 Congressional candidates, Democrat incumbent Randy Neugebauer, are concern college students and their focusing on election day and getting future, Ricketts said. individuals to vote.

Chanda Allen, director of the he said. congressional committee for Neugebauer, said the final hours until the a whole lot less contentious this year election results come in will involve attending events in Abilene and Lubbock for Neugebauer and his wife.

Abilene and then will return to Lub- spectrum." bock to wait for the results at a City Bank in Lubbock, she said.

'We are very positive... and we are looking for a win," she said.

excited about keeping the Republican majority in Austin.

Ricketts said he also feels positive about election day.

We feel pretty good," he said. "We're just basing our feelings on what people have told us."

The last hours of his campaign involve calling individuals and asking est people in the district." them to go out and vote, including a >> naomi.kaskela@ttu.edu

stress on the college vote, he said. "I would love to see the student

body get out in big numbers tomorrow," he said.

A reason for this is because many Robert Ricketts and Republican of the issues focused on this election

The moderate voter is also a focus,

"My overall impression is that it's than the last election," he said. "The vast majority of people out there are in the middle. I'm expecting to see For the first part of Tuesday, a whole lot more participation from Neugebauer and his wife will be in those in the middle of the political

> Allen said Neugebauer and his campaign are also focusing on getting individuals to vote.

"We just really encourage every-Allen said campaign members are one to go out and vote," she said. "Now that there are super precincts, voting is easier than ever."

> Both Ricketts and Allen said their respective campaigns have been successful.

"We've been really pleased with the way things have gone," Ricketts said. "We have met some of the neat-

Gasoline prices fall to new low for 2006

price of gasoline has fallen to its lowest country. level in more than 10 months.

decrease of 1.8 cents from the previ-

meted by more than 80 cents a gallon at \$60.02. since the start of August. The last time prices were below \$2.20, on average, was the week ending Dec. 26, 2005.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The than \$2 a gallon in many parts of the Katrina and Rita, which knocked

Gasoline prices were most expen-The federal Energy Information sive last week on the West Coast, Administration said Monday that averaging \$2.381 per gallon, and U.S. motorists paid \$2.20 a gallon on cheapest in the Gulf Coast region, average for regular grade last week, a averaging \$2.08 per gallon, according mer — amid soaring crude-oil prices,

The price of oil is down roughly Pump prices are now 17.6 cents 25 percent since a summertime peak lower than a year ago and have plum- above \$78 a barrel, settling Monday

peaked at \$3.07 a gallon in September 2005, reflecting the extreme tightness gasoline futures began, sending oil Gasoline can be found for less in the market following hurricanes futures lower as well.

out refineries in the Gulf region as well as pipelines that deliver fuel to the East Coast and Midwest.

They remained high all year — and surpassed \$3 again this sumtight refining capacity and fears that there would be another extreme hurricane season this summer.

But as the outlook for economic growth began to look shaky, sup-Average retail gasoline prices plies grew and hurricane fears never materialized, a massive sell-off in

Cuba's foreign minister backs off prediction of speedy return by Castro

the pace of the communist leader's when he told Cubans of his surgery deserves." recovery from intestinal surgery.

Felipe Perez Roque told The Aswas "advancing," but declined to to be fully back at the helm by early to power so quickly.

HAVANA (AP) — Cuba's for- guarantee that Castro would be well December. When asked about the eign minister backed away Monday enough to attend the postponed birthday celebrations he had said: from his prediction that Fidel Castro celebration of his 80th birthday on "I have no questions in my mind will return to power by early Decem- Dec. 2. Castro turned 80 on Aug. that we will be able to celebrate ber, leaving open questions about 13 but announced delayed festivities his birthday in December as he in late July.

sociated Press that Castro's recovery. September that he expected Castro cuss whether Castro would return

But in an interview Monday, Perez Roque had told the AP in Perez Roque said he couldn't dis-

White House annoyed with Florida GOP gubernatorial candidate's ducking of Bush

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — The everything in its power to protect you Republican gubernatorial candidate in Florida who chose not to appear Monday with President Bush. But if Bush was angry, he didn't show it.

"He's experienced. He's compas- crowd. sionate," Bush said about Charlie when Bush showed up for a rally in

Bush urged voters to elect Crist as well as a slate of other GOP candidates, including Rep. Katherine Harris, who is mounting a lukewarm challenge to Democratic Sen. Bill Nelson. Before sat in the audience, not on stage with 12 years.

he lambasted Democrats and what he Gov. Jeb Bush. said was their lack of a plan to fight

White House flashed its irritation at a and at the same time lay a foundation for peace for generations to come, vote Republican."

With that, metallic red white and blue metallic confetti poured over the

Bush used the last day of his 10-Crist who was campaigning elsewhere state campaign swing to try to motivate GOP and swing voters needed to keep Republicans sitting in the governor's offices of Arkansas and Texas as well.

It was his fifth consecutive day of campaigning, hitting states where his advisers believe he can best help fend off the Democratic threat to take over the September primary, Republican Congress and end up with a majority leaders failed to support Harris, who of governorships for the first time in

Crist's absence shadowed the event The audience, which practiced in the Florida Panhandle. Crist said foot-stomping to country music tunes he considered the Pensacola area so before Bush arrived, cheered him firmly in his camp that it made more when he noted the conviction of sense to campaign elsewhere as the Saddam Hussein. They clapped when race tightened to replace outgoing

White House deputy chief of staff the war on terror. And they booed the Karl Rove, the president's top political Democrats when he said they want to strategist, mockingly questioned what kind of alternate rally Crist could put "As you're going to those polls, together that would rival the expected if you want your taxes low, vote Re- 10,000-person crowd that Bush was publican," Bush said. "And as you go expected to draw at the Pensacola to the polls, remember we're at war. Civic Center. The total attendance And if you want this country to do was several thousand less.

CORRECTION: In Friday's edition of The Daily Toreador, a photo of five-year-old Lambry Ramirez riding a horse at the Texas Tech equestrian center was packaged with a story about the equine-assisted psychotherapy. Ramirez is part of the hippotherapy program, which is a physical therapy program that uses horses. We regret this mistake.



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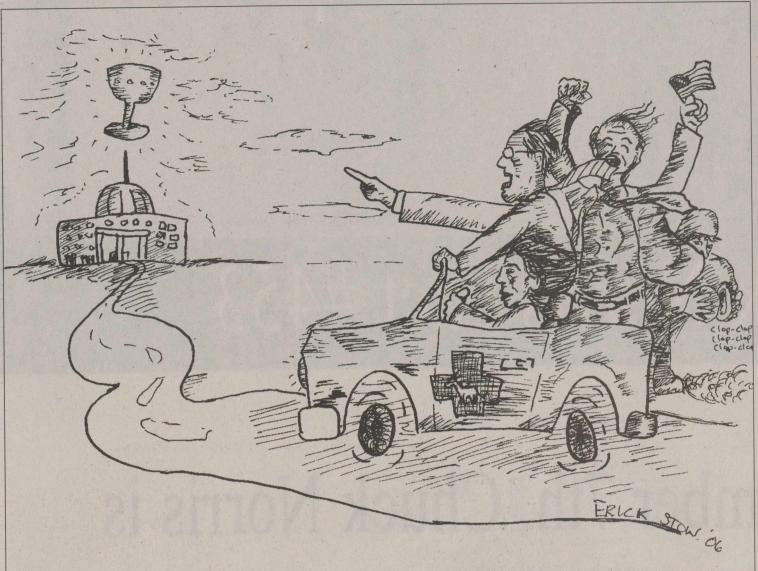
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OPINIONS



Contract with America dead at age 12

back Congress in 1994, will officially earnings, supporting small busidie tonight at the age of 12.

Six weeks before the 1996 Con-placing term limits on Congress. gressional election, Republican non-incumbent candidates. dent Jan. 20, 2001.

The Contract with America declared that "on the first day of vision they laid forth in the Conthe 104th Congress, the new Re- tract with America. The promise interesting. Several key races will to a 38 percent victory over Carole publican majority will immediately of ending "government that is too determine the Senate's makeup for Keeton Strayhorn, Chris Bell and pass the following major reforms big, too intrusive and too easy with the next two years. Races in Vircommon-sense policies as: an audit bigger government. Their desire "to tana and Tennessee have all been election, one thing is certain; Reof Congress to find "waste, fraud restore accountability to Congress" hotly contested, with all of them in publicans have lost their commitor abuse," cutting the number of and "to end its cycles of scandal a virtual dead-heat going into Elec-House committees, limiting terms and disgrace" died when Mark tion Day. New Jersey, Montana and such lofty heights in the mid-90s. of committee chairs, and requiring Foley started playing "To Catch a Missouri will most likely go to the a three-fifths majority vote to pass Predator: U.S. House Edition" and a tax increase.

promised would be brought to the election. House floor within the first 100

he Contract with America, ment to the Constitution, reforms the revolutionary concept to welfare, ending the penalty tax that helped Republicans win for marriages, raising Social Security nesses, ending frivolous lawsuits and

Despite the ability of these mealeaders drew up the contract with sures to positively impact both gov-America to present to the American ernment and American's lives, most people their plan of action if elected of them died in the Senate or were how much. By my latest prediction to the majority in the U.S. House vetoed by President Clinton. Yet, the of Representatives. The contract mid-90s will forever remain in history tion of the 110th Congress will be that affect American's lives occur was signed by all but two of the in- as some of the best for the Republican 222-213, with the Democrats takcumbent Republicans in the House Party. Everything changed, however, ing a narrow nine-vote majority in will most likely see a 24 to 26 split and all of the Republican Party's when President Bush became presi- the House. Not a strong majority, in favor of the Republicans. Here

Republicans have lost the grand damage. ..." These reforms included such the public's money" has turned into ginia, New Jersey, Missouri, Mon-In addition to the "faith and ing money from Jack Abramoff. The upset, will go to incumbent Repuband in state governor's mansions trust" promises, the contract also American People are fed up and it lican Senator George Allen. With across the country, those ideas will included 10 bills which Republicans will show in the results of today's those outcomes I predict we'll see come to the same fate.

days of its convening. They sought if the Democrats will control the a virtual 50-50 tie. However, as the major from San Antonio. E-mail him to pass a balanced budget amend- House of Representatives — it's by Constitution dictates, Vice Presi- at trey.caliva@ttu.edu.

(Sunday afternoon) the composi-

48 Democrats in the Senate coupled

dent Dick Cheney's tie-breaking vote ensures Republican control of the Senate for another two years.

Perhaps the most overlooked set of races this year are the nation's gubernatorial elections. While you might question the impact of the governor's races on the entire country, remember that while the federal government is far-reaching in scope, most important decisions at the state and local level. We but enough to cause some serious in Texas, as has been well-documented in the media and with this The Senate race is much more columnist, Rick Perry will advance Kinky Friedman.

Whatever happens in today's ment to the ideals that led them to The Contract with America is Democrats. Tennessee will go to the survived by the ideas it created, but members of the House started tak- Republicans and Virginia, in a slight without Republicans in Congress

The question of the day is not with two independents, resulting in **Caliva is a senior mathematics**

Midterm elections will bring change

Tor those of you who failed to watch the news in the past six months, let me clear something up — President George W. Bush is not on the ballot this year. Today America votes in what political scientists called "midterm elections." If you already are confused, please close Dean a lengthy thank-you letter. the newspaper and do not vote.

Now that three-quarters of we can get down to business. The tiring and annoying campaigns

other three candidates could shoot through the roof. mean big changes in Texas poli-Texas politics may be headed to the landfill. What happened to Kinky Friedman's campaign? He was too funny. He did not release his plans for Texas until he had already defined himself never take him seriously.

poised to become the first female Congress. Speaker of the House. As long as the Democrats win the House by only wishing made it so.

Senate — The outcomes of Rove tactic of 2004 has returned with gay marriage appearing on many state ballots. If the Demo- Kellerman is a junior political crats pull it off, I'll be thoroughly science and music major from impressed and excited by my Arlington. E-mail him at chris. party. I'll also be writing Howard kellerman@ttu.edu.



Governorships — Here is where the most interesting situation lies. the campus has stopped reading, As it currently stands, America has 28 Republican and 22 Democratic governors. Do not be surprised of 2006 are over, and unless to see these numbers reversed my predictions are completely tonight. The media will not pay crushed, I do not plan to type the as much attention, but the results word "election" again until early will have huge ramifications for 2008. However, today's results are the 2008 general election. As more important, and you should keep a and more states once considered close eye on the following areas: Republican strongholds turn blue, Texas governor — While the Democratic Party's chances of Perry will win, the order of the winning the White House in '08

But honestly, do the outcomes of tics. A close second (within 5 these elections even matter? After percent) for Chris Bell means all, I could strategize for hours, but a resurgence of the Democratic at the end of the day, it's the issues Party in Texas. If Carole Keeton that count. The big one, of course, Strayhorn or Kinky Friedman is Iraq. There are not a whole lot of beat Bell, though, status quo effective ways in which the Democrats could change the war policy, but Americans coming to the polls and voting for a change sends a powerful message to the president - clean up your act.

More and more generals and as a jokester, and Texans could supporters of the president are asking him to fire Secretary of House of Representatives Defense Donald Rumsfeld, and — For the first time in 12 years, hopefully Bush will finally realize Democrats are poised to take back the American people do not support the House, and Nancy Pelosi is him when they elect a Democratic

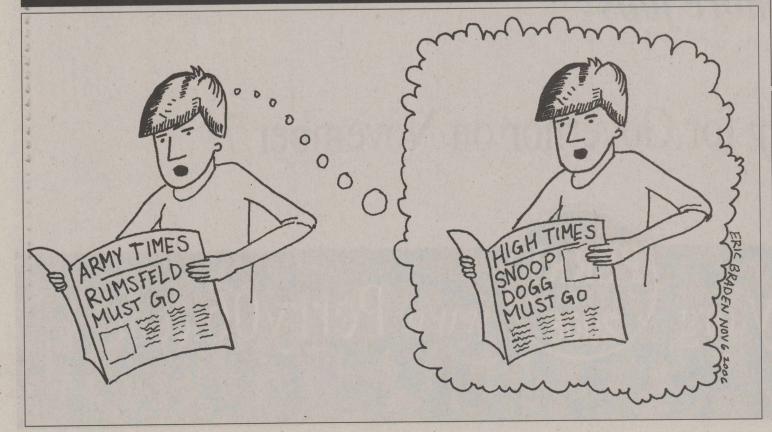
The Democrats also will pass a long-needed raise on the minia workable margin, George Bush mum wage, along with some other may as well stay in bed until economic legislation that I bet the January 2009, because the next president will sign. But the biggest couple years will be political issue the new Congress will tackle hell for him. It's highly unlikely is the one rational idea of Bush: that Democrats will win enough immigration reform. The president's seats to override a veto, though, proposal has much more support so conservatives need not worry among Democrats than Republiabout Pelosi turning America into cans, and Pelosi's House will pass a super-liberal nation. But oh, if the legislation that the squabbling GOP never could.

I know you're tired of politics the Senate races are the toughest right now, but it's almost finished. to predict. Anything could hap- Don't forget, predictions and analypen in Missouri, Montana, New ses really don't matter unless you Jersey and Virginia (possibly even make a decision and take action. Tennessee and Arizona), and Even dear Perry can lose as long as Democrats will have to pick up you help beat him, so as long as you six seats to take over the Senate. made it to the end of my column, That's going to be hard. The Karl please close this newspaper and

versus GAL

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Dueling demonstrations continue after Saddam receives verdict

the capital ahead of Saddam Hussein's conviction and death sentence eased on Monday, with residents once more allowed to walk the streets and sidewalks of their city. Around the country, onstrations.

immediately after the Sunday verdict on Saddam's trial for crimes against humanity did not materialize. An Interior Ministry spokesman credited the round-the-clock curfew in Baghdad, which has a mixed Shiite-Sunni popuborder with Jordan and Syria, a standard precaution taken during domestic emergencies.

Authorities were gradually lifting the restrictions, with pedestrians allowed back on the streets of Baghdad late Monday afternoon. Vehicle traffic to police Lt. Mohammed Khayoun execution. and an aide to Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki.

south of Baghdad, around 500 people marched carrying placards and shouting slogans denouncing the former of thousands of Shiites following a 1991

"Yes, yes for the verdict, which we the ousted Iraqi leader was fair. have long been waiting for!" chanted the crowd, largely made up of students and government workers.

At least three people were wounded volatile nation. after gunfire broke out at a Shiite rally in the southwestern Baghdad neighborarea, police Lt. Maithem Abdel-Razaq

ity Shiites suffered brutal persecution under Saddam, abandoned plans for a celebration rally in the northern city

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round-the-clock curfew imposed in Ghayath al-Sorchi, an official with the near his home village north of Baghdad Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, which is led by Iraqi President Jalal Talabani.

Al-Sorchi said PUK activists instead distributed gifts to families who lost relatives in crackdowns under jubilant Shiites celebrated the verdict, Saddam. Saddam is scheduled to apas Sunnis held defiant counter-dempear in court again on Tuesday, when The surge in violence expected co-defendants in a separate trial over a lutionary Court, which issued the death crackdown against Iraqi Kurds in the

Underscoring the widening divide between Shiite and Sunni, about 250 pro-Saddam demonstrators took to the streets in the Sunni city of Baqouba, 35 lation, and two restive Sunni provinces. miles northeast of Baghdad. They were Checkpoints were closed along Iraq's dispersed by Iraqi soldiers for breaking the curfew. Another 400 pro-Saddam protesters marched through Samarra, 60 miles north of Baghdad.

The curfew was temporarily lifted in Tikrit to give allow residents to shop and run errands. Angry crowds had gathered in the city on Sunday, holding in Baghdad would be permitted begin- aloft Saddam portraits, firing guns and ning at 6:00 a.m. Tuesday, according chanting slogans vowing to avenge his

Saddam was sentenced by the Iraqi High Tribunal for ordering the execu-In mainly Shiite Hillah, 60 miles tion of nearly 150 Shiites from the city of Dujail following a 1982 attempt on

Iraq's president, whose office must dictator, who is accused of killing tens ratify the death penalty sentence against Saddam if it is upheld on appeal, said from Paris Sunday that the trial of

> Jalal Talabani would not comment on the guilty verdict or death sentence for fear it could inflame tensions in his

If the appeals court upholds the sentences, they must be ratified by Tahood of Amil, a mixed Shiite-Sunni labani, a Sunni Kurd, and his two vice presidents, one a Sunni Arab.

Talabani has opposed the death pen-Ethnic Kurds, who like Iraq's majoralty in the past, but found a way around it by deputizing a vice president to sign an execution order on his behalf.

Saddam was found hiding with an

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A of Mosul over security concerns, said unfired pistol in a hole in the ground in December 2003, eight months after he fled the capital ahead of advancing American troops.

Barzan Ibrahim, Saddam's half brother and intelligence chief during the Dujail killings, was sentenced to join him on the gallows, as was Awad proceedings resume against him and six Hamed al-Bandar, head of Iraq's Revosentences against the Dujail residents.

Former Vice President Taha Yassin Ramadan was convicted of premeditated murder and sentenced to life in prison, while three other defendants were given up to 15 years in prison for torture and premeditated murder. A local Baath Party official was acquitted for lack of evidence.

A nine-judge appeals panel has unlimited time to review the case. If the verdicts and sentences are upheld, the executions must be carried out within 30 days.

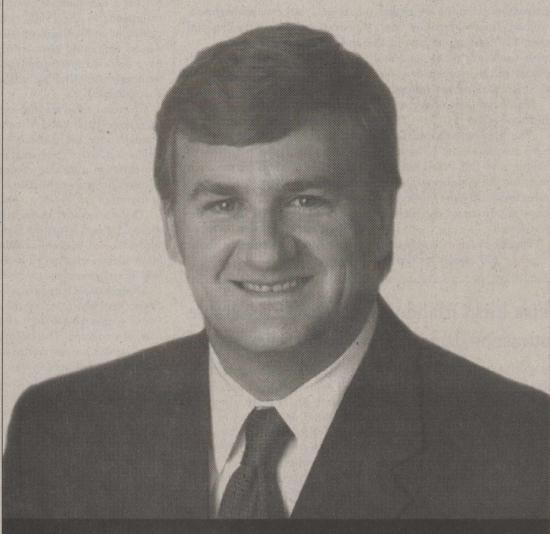
A court official told The Associated Press that the appeals process was likely to take three to four weeks once the formal paperwork was submitted. If the verdicts are upheld, those sentenced to death would be hanged despite Saddam's second, ongoing trial on charges of murdering thousands of Iraq's Kurdish minority.

President Bush called the verdict "a milestone in the Iraqi people's efforts to replace the rule of a tyrant with the rule of law."

Symbolic of the split between the United States and many of its traditional allies over the Iraq war, many European nations voiced opposition to the death sentences in the case, including Britain — America's closest ally.

Prime Minister Tony Blair said Monday he opposed the death penalty "whether it's Saddam or anyone else." But he said the trial "gives us a chance to see again what the past in Iraq was, the brutality, the tyranny, the hundreds of thousands of people he killed, the

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and encouraging Sunnis to join the political process.

On Monday, there were indications Khalilzad was preparing to leave his post.

National Intelligence Director John Negroponte, during a visit to Baghdad on Friday, told al-Maliki that Khalilzad would leave about the first of the year and be replaced by Ryan Crocker, a senior career diplomat who is now ambassador to Pakistan, according to two top aides to the Iraqi leader. They spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the information.

In Washington, a senior Bush administration official said Khalilzad could leave as soon as the end of this year. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because neither the White House nor Khalilzad had announced any personnel changes.

The United States dissolved and banned the Baath party in May 2003, a month after toppling Saddam. The U.S. later softened its stance, inviting former high-level officers from the disbanded military to join the security forces.

The former top U.S. administrator in Iraq, L. Paul Bremer, also allowed thousands of teachers who were Baathists to return to work. He conceived of the so-called de-Baathification effort but later found it had gutted key ministries and the military with no replacement personnel among the Iraqi work force and educated elite.

About 1.5 million of Iraq's 27 million people belonged to the Baath party — formally known as the Baath Arab Socialist Party — when Saddam was ousted. Most said they joined for professional, not ideological, reasons.

Career advancement, university enrollment and specialized medical care depended on party membership. However, those who advanced in the party were expected to spy on fellow Iraqis and to join militias that were accused of helping suppress Shiite and Kurdish revolts after the 1991 Gulf War.

Monday's political concession to the Sunnis was detailed by a government organization that had been charged with removing Saddam loyalists from state institutions. Under a draft law, which the Shiitedominated parliament must approve, the organization now plans to amend its rules to enable thousands of former Baath party members to win back their jobs.

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those who are leaving the bars," Scott said.

from Lubbock because Wolfforth problem. is a smaller community, and the centrate heavily on any alcoholrelated problems that may occur.

more time than the LPD (Lubbock on the west side of town. Police Department)."

attempt to drive to Wolfforth and purchase alcohol.

"Wolfforth is not the place to paul.j.roberts@ttu.edu

do that," Scott said.

Another potential problem Scott said would be drunken drivers from Lubbock driving to Wolfforth for alcohol instead of driving to the strip.

He said the streets would be He said Wolfforth is different heavily watched for that particular Tech student Krista Kiepzke, a ju-

police force would be able to con- nior sociology major from Albuquerque, N. M., said it would be much easier for her to drive to Wolfforth "More information is known to purchase alcohol, rather than the and passed along in a smaller com- dreaded drive to the strip, because munity," Scott said. "We have a lot she lives in Lynwood Town Homes

Kiepzke, who just turned 21 two Scott said one potential con- weeks ago, said she would never cern for the Wolfforth police force attempt to drive to Wolfforth after is if underage Texas Tech students drinking, but does think it would benefit people on the west side of Lubbock.

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Wildfire burns 300 acres of brush

wind-driven wildfire burned 300 evacuations there. acres of brush Monday, torching homes and choking the sky with embers across the area. gray smoke.

The fire was 30 percent con- winds," Martinez said. tained at midmorning, said San Bernardino County fire spokes- east of a large neighborhood, woman Tracey Martinez. More overran the industrial pallet yard than 150 firefighters moved in and was near a golf course. with trucks on the ground and the blaze making water drops.

The cause was under inves- pretty quick, though," he said. tigation.

ment of Forestry and Fire Protec- Las Vegas. tion. A portion of the highway

close to 100 homes, prompting the region each fall.

RIALTO, Calif. (AP) — A officials to call for voluntary

Firefighters moved quickly to stacks of pallets in an industrial douse spot fires as erratic 30 mph yard, threatening as many as 100 winds with 40 mph gusts blew

"Our biggest concern are the

The fire, burning just north-

The Sierra Lakes Golf Club planes and helicopters flew over remained open, said manager Bob Farnham. "We might evacuate

Rialto is about 60 miles east The fire started around 7:30 of Los Angeles. The fire was a.m. near Interstate 15 north of burning near the junction of Rialto, said Bill Peters, spokes- interstates 215 and 15, the main man for the California Depart- road from Southern California to

The blaze at the foot of the Cajon Pass was driven by Santa Flames burned dangerously Anas, the fierce winds that plague

Fire hits Orlando's Gatorland; venerable attraction damaged, four animals likely dead

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — A huge concrete alligator mouth.

The blaze, reported at 5:55 entrance and ticket booth.

the gift shop, said Tim Williams, and burned. the park's director of media pro-

wrestling gators, a "jumparoo" as possible. show where the big reptiles leap for food, and up-close encounters months before everything was where guests can hold snakes, back to normal. The park was scorpions, spiders and birds. working on plans to get guests Gatorland has a few thousand back in. The shows could still be animals, Williams estimated.

"This park is like an old alligafire early Monday destroyed a sec- tor. Gators fight, they get scarred tion of the venerable Gatorland up, they get beat up, they tear tourist attraction, likely killing each other up, but they're resilfour animals. Among the charred ient," Williams said. "This park's areas was its main entrance, a been here for 57 years. We're not going anywhere."

The giant concrete gator head a.m., badly damaged the gift shop, that serves as the main entrance was charred, its formerly white Gatorland's alligators were teeth blackened with soot, its believed to have hidden safely mouth full of debris. The mural in a lake, but the fire may have facade around it, which had just claimed two crocodiles and two been given a fresh coat of paint in 8-foot pythons kept in a pen near a \$1.5 million overhaul, was torn

Fire crews were still extinguishing the smoldering three-The park opened in 1949 and alarm blaze late Monday morning, attracts about 400,000 tourists but park officials said they hoped each year. It features people to be back in operation as quickly

> Williams said it would be staged, he said.

Turnout

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about our potential to win."

Both Malone and Stromberg respective campaigns have done is a popular candidate, he said. so much with so little.

at the University of Texas at outpouring everywhere we go." Austin.

nothing and here we are, the best because of its progress. Democratic hope since Anne staffers, to the best hope the all over Texas."

To get to this spot, Malone said a lot of hard work was needed as well as getting Bell's name out to the public.

The upward trend in the polls said it is impressive that their the past six weeks shows that Bell

"It just shows that once they Malone said Bell's campaign find out who he is, voters want to started in an attic in a building find out more," he said. "We get an

Stromberg said Friedman's cam-"We've come from literally paign has been impressive as well

"This campaign has done a lot Richards," he said. "It literally with very little," she said. "We've went from a handful of very young seen an outpouring of support from

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Sandinista leader Ortega appears headed back to Nicaragua's presidency

battled a U.S.-backed Contra energy-starved nation. insurgency in the 1980s, was with promises that he was a The Associated Press Monday. changed man.

to release final results from Sunday's vote, but preliminary results and two of the country's top electoral watchdog groups of the vote.

That was more than enough to avoid a runoff against Harvard-educated banker Eduardo Montealegre, who trailed by at least seven percentage points.

Ortega's rivals refused to recognize his victory, saying they would wait until all the votes said the 32-year-old Lopez. had been counted. The United pull aid from an Ortega governto declare the Sandinista leader came to power. a winner.

last vote has been counted," Montealegre said.

If his victory is confirmed, a growing number of leftist Latin American rulers, led by

(AP) — Daniel Ortega, the tried to help his Nicaraguan ally his once fiery rhetoric during the revolutionary Marxist who by shipping cheap oil to the poor, campaign, promising to support

"This is good for the people of closing in on Nicaragua's presi- Nicaragua and for the integration dency, appearing Monday to of Latin America," Cuban Foreign have defeated four opponents Minister Felipe Perez Roque told

Ortega's supporters celebrated Electoral officials had yet in the streets late Sunday, swaying to his campaign song set to Peace a Chance.'

all gave Ortega about 40 percent about \$235 a month selling CDs left 30,000 dead and the economy from a kiosk, said Monday he in shambles. voted for Ortega in hopes that he would help Nicaragua's poor.

"I've got a wife and kid and I'm lucky because I have a job, but most people will tell you the same thing: The current administration just governs for the guys in ties,"

Some Nicaraguans worried that States, which has threatened to an Ortega win would drive away the country's business leaders and

Cola marketer shopping with a closest rival. friend at an upscale Managua the Cold War icon would join mall. "This sets the country back 20 years.'

the Central American Free Trade good relations with Washington.

The balding, 60-year-old leftist often appears more preacher than supporters to pray.

the tune of John Lennon's "Give foundly since he befriended Soviet they could vote. Observers from Herberto Jose Lopez, who earns fought Contra rebels in a war that States said 2 percent of potential

> An Ortega victory would cap a 16-year quest to return to his old job. Ortega lost the presidency in 1990, ending Sandinista rule and the Contra war. He has run for president in every election since.

> Ortega's vote percentage was similar to what he received in his last two failed presidential bids, but the right was divided this time between Montealegre and

With 40 percent of the vote Ortega, who served as presi- other candidates trailed: Rizo, down Jan. 10.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua Venezuela's Hugo Chavez, who has dent from 1985-90, toned down Sandinista dissident Edmundo Jarquin and former Contra rebel Eden Pastora. Statistical surveys of votes conducted by two respected Agreement and even maintain Nicaraguan electoral watchdog groups also both gave Ortega a similar margin.

Electoral observers have said revolutionary, calling for peace the vote was mostly peaceful and and reconciliation and urging his orderly, despite long lines and angry confrontations by people who He says he has changed pro- said polling stations closed before leaders, expropriated land and the Organization of American voters weren't able to cast a ballot, and they estimated turnout around 70 percent.

> The race generated intense international interest, including a visit by Oliver North, the former White House aide at the heart of the Iran-Contra controversy, which created a huge scandal when it emerged that Washington secretly sold arms to Iran and used the money to arm the Contras.

These days, U.S. money is ment, also said it was too soon elite, as they did the first time he ruling party candidate Jose Rizo. flowing to Nicaragua in the form The constitution allowed him to of investments by foreign compa-"We're just trying to figure out win on the first round with only nies drawn by the country's cheap "This isn't over until the which country to go to," said 27- 35 percent of the vote and a lead labor, low crime rates and recent year-old Karen Sandoval, a Coca- of five percentage points over his decision to join the Central American Free Trade Agreement.

Nicaraguan presidents cancounted, Ortega had 40 percent to not serve consecutive terms, and Montealegre's 33 percent. Three President Enrique Bolanos steps

Marine pleads guilty to assault, conspiracy in case of Iraqi civilian who was killed

assault and conspiracy to obstruct justice in the case of year-old Hashim Ibrahim Awad. an Iraqi civilian who other squad.

Lance Cpl. Tyler A. Jack- derstood his rights. son, 23, entered those pleas court hearing. Jackson pleaded and another charge of con- the incident.

CAMP PENDLETON, Ca- testimony in the case, in which pleaded guilty to kidnapping and Hutchins' attorney, Rich Branlif. (AP) — A Marine pleaded seven Camp Pendleton-based guilty Monday to aggravated Marines and a Navy corpsman were charged with murdering 52-

servicemen said was kidnapped military prison since May, spoke from Bacos and Jodka. The vicand killed by members of the only to confirm his identity and tim was a former policeman and ment. A Web site set up by attorneys' names and say he un- father of 11.

ney Thomas Watt at a military to were not immediately clear:

The first to make a deal was Jackson was the third ser- Petty Officer 3rd Class Melson out their squad leader, Sgt. Law- ists they put their lives on the viceman to plead guilty to re- J. Bacos, a Navy corpsman on rence G. Hutchins, as hatching line to protect the world from?"

Members of the squad abduct-

ed Awad after their plot to kidnap and kill a known insurgent Jackson, who has been in failed, according to testimony combat tour.

The sentencing guidelines for dragged to a hole several hundred and others through his attor- the counts Jackson pleaded guilty yards from his house, Bacos and Jodka said. A shovel and AK- do a job and then imprison them Last month, Pfc. John Jodka 47 were placed near the body for doing it is absurd," the Web not guilty to murder, kidnap- III pleaded guilty to assault and to make it appear Awad was an site states. ping, larceny, housebreaking conspiracy to obstruct justice in insurgent planting a roadside bomb, both defendants said.

duced charges in return for his patrol with the Marines. He a plan to kidnap an insurgent. the site states.

non, has said he did not believe Hutchins did anything wrong.

Jackson joined the Marines in March 2005 and was on his first

His father declined to com-Jackson's family to raise money Awad was shot after being for his defense said Jackson was

"To send these men to war to

"Why are they being subjected to less rights and freedom of Both Jodka and Bacos singled movement than the very terror-

Isett

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When asked to give useful advice to those aspiring to work in the fields of science or research, Isett said talking to legislative officials outside of the legislative sessions as well paramount.

"It's real important that you know who your elected officials are, who their staffs are," he said. "It's also important that they know you."

professor in the range, wildlife that tension.

and fisheries management, said he part of a continuing educational curriculum designed to familiarize his students with the government and the media.

"In reaching out to people, scientists should be more available to people," Rahman said. "I thought this was good pracas having familiarity with those tical advice that our students textbooks.'

between science and government has always been riddled with communication problems, and he believes his seminar course can A. Faiz Rahman, an associate help shed light on the causes of

organized the session with Isett as mation that they can understand," the scientific community. he said. "There needs to be an open line of communication."

student from Jerseyville, Ill., said ate about the contributions sci- just getting into this." ence makes to day-to-day living.

representing the community is got that can't be learned out of room for improvement, but they prepared to explain an issue from (legislative officials) have a lot all sides, especially to an audience Rahman said the relationship on their plate," Swearingin said. "It's a lot on our part too, mostly about needing to speak up more. It's a very daunting task."

presentation that made him legislature.

Rep. Isett mentioned was when to people. bring in your ideas. Nobody else talked about that."

scientists and researchers face is the inability to effectively com-

"The government wants infor- municate their ideas outside of

"Most of the people that you're going to meet aren't going to be Ryan Swearingin, a graduate as social as they could be," McKenzie said. "We're going to deal a he believed the meeting with Isett lot more with the public then we was very helpful for those passion- thought we might as an undergrad

McKenzie stressed the re-"I think there's definitely more sponsibility scientists have to be that may not readily understand the material.

"Just know your stuff," she said. "Get different view points and Swearingin said there was make it to where when you talk you practical information in Isett's know what you're talking about."

Isett concluded his lecture think about how the scientific by encouraging students not to community should approach the be deterred when legislation did not go their way because he said "I thought it was very interest- it is all part of a bigger process ing," he said. "One of the things that works for the good of the

"In Austin, the vernacular is 'we're going to make sausage,"" Stephanie McKenzie, a gradu- Isett said. "It's not going to be ate student from Fort Worth, said pretty, but hopefully at the end she believes the main obstacle the of the day we've got something you like."

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Borat will not be 'execute,' for his movie-film is huge success

nce upon in time in a secluded village in the country of Kazakhstan, there lived an anxious and compassionate journalist named Borat Sagdiyev whose position on the silver screen was simply unlike any film that has ever reached world audiences.

you. I like sex. Is nice!"

with this submissive gentleman as the ness of individuals triggered by Borat's satirical ingredients for the perfect mockumentary, "Borat: Cultural Learnings to unravel.

the world. The film opens with a will-



Eager and surprisingly diverse mov-bluntly racial and mordant traditions of iegoers all over the world (excluding his village, including the "Running Of the nation of Kazakhstan, which The Jew," a Kazak take on the Running bluntly refuses to showcase the film) of the Bulls that replaces the bull with a hear his gallant opening statement, gigantic head of an Orthodox Jew. The "Jagshemash! My name Borat. I like scene is a preview for some of the more comedic and ironic devices later used We immediately fall warmly in love by Borat to play on the narrow-mindedharmlessness.

Borat's journey, which is one of of America for Make Benefit Glorious endless escapades and humble friend-Nation of Kazakhstan," neatly begin liness, begins as he exits the plane at LaGuardia Airport in New York City Borat is a man of enthusiasm, eagerand awkwardly stumbles down escalaness and curiosity, who wants nothing tors, wanders into oncoming traffic more than to "make sexy time" with and intently boards the subway in a gracious attempt to introduce himself ing tour of his village and his higher to a group of reserved and irate New ambition for exploring the heart of Yorkers. Borat has managed to set up America by taking his well-endowed a series of interviews with a collection television personality overseas for an in- of characters, such as feminists, experts Ali G, a slightly mentally challenged depth documentary aimed at bringing in etiquette, seminar comedy instrucsuperior fortune back to his homeland. tors, Midwest rodeo conservatives and We're introduced to some of the more more spontaneous individuals, such as

an outrageous gathering of fanatical to a U.S. version on HBO in 2003, "Da frat boys on the road and an assembly Ali G Show," which showcased interof Pentecostal Christians. The fate of views with political and literary figures finding him in true harmony with his the inner bias and bigotry of some of

television show "Baywatch," leaving respondent named Bruno. him deeply in love with the blonde partner Azamat Bagatov (Ken Davito sunny Los Angeles in a quest to ask Pamela's hand in marriage. Azamnt tion of Borat. agrees, but their partnership seems to

broad moustache and cut-rate beige suit is the brilliant British comedian Sacha Baron Cohen, who has brought the world some of the most inventive and provocative forms of comedy through is not success, I will be execute." a diverse set of personas.

His creations include the character "would-be gangsta" who hosted his own British television show in 2000.

His popularity in the U.K. soon led at t.karkoutly@ttu.edu

Borat seems as unpredictable as his besuch as Bill O'Reilly, Ralph Nader and havior, with some situations revealing Gore Vidal. The program featured Ali him in great danger and other situations G posing naive questions to surface his more vulnerable interviewees. The Borat's voyage is greatly altered one format introduced two other fervent evening when he spots a striking beach characters, both Kazakhstan-native babe running with the waves on the Borat and a flamboyant fashion cor-

Cohen brought Ali G to the big vixen Pamela Anderson. He begs his screen in 2004 with "Ali G in Da House," and he has dually redefined the tian) to change their place of residence meaning and classification of comedy with his latest feature-length adapta-

The film is nothing short of scandalgrow quite conflicting as their quest ous and eccentric, which will guarantee a pioneering and untimely dose of The man behind the facade of this laughter that will have you shaking out of your seat with hilarity like never before. Borat is playing at the Cinemark Tinseltown Theater, and Borat reminds all of you to "Please see my movie. If it

5 out of 6 stars — VERY NICE

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Tuesday's music review

By IAN KLUMPP

considers glamorous, such as fashion, in the top 50. cocaine and himself. His lyrics seem to be a satirical representation of popular Hollywood society and the hower" is an album that is simply hard

shallowness of the city's drug-peddling, club-hopping population, which is represented through lines such as, "I like a

representing of Kansas City has hurt his credibility with critics on either coast. Still, Tech N9ne delivers great mid-Mickey Avalon — "Mickey America rap, and if his newest album Avalon" — Today Mickey Avalon follows the structure of his past work releases his cocky, Hollywood-in- then fans can expect a viscous array of fluenced hip-hop album, which is quick rhymes with a few possible gems, centered around items in his life he which could make room for the album

The Slip—"Eisenhower"—"Eisen-

to turn off. This "indie" group releases their best work to date, and with songs such as "Even Rats," the band provides catchy



girl who eats and brings it up, a sassy little frassy with bulimia." Avalon's album is a guilty pleasure

and a taste of something completely be amazing; unfortunately, the band of Fruit and Nuts. With this album the United States. he establishes himself as one of the forerunners in a genre that could be best categorized as "glam-rap."

quick beats and clever hooks, yet complement his singing. his questioning of religion and his ian.klumpp@ttu.edu

singing along to. The band is on tour with My Morning Jacket and Lovely Feathers, which should

original for people outside the Land tends to stick to the northern parts of

Keith Urban — "Love, Pain and the Whole Crazy Thing" — This is the follow-up to Urban's multiplatinum third Tech N9ne — "Everready" album, a position that puts him under — Tech N9ne is a rapper who has pressure and forces him to bring out his managed to fly under the mainstream best work. Expect an album similar to radar. He has creative lyrics with his last with plenty of guitar-playing to

'Sharp Objects' offers razor-sharp entertainment

ntertainment Weekly writer-gives readers something not only sharp, but relentlessly creepy in her debut novel, "Sharp Objects."

girls are found dead in the backwoods that border the sleepy city.

"The Hot Zone" in high school. while at school, she and her circle "Sharp Objects" is a fascinating

look at the lives of small-town people and how each person deals with the death of young girls while also trying to find the killer before he or she murders again.

The book revolves around Camille, a reporter from Chicago, who is told by her editor to travel to the town of Wind

Gap, the hometown that she hoped to

home again" does not exactly characterize the tone of the book. Rather, a more accurate description would be "you should never go home again."

Once back in Wind Gap, one of Camille's first stops is her childhood home where her mother, stepfather and stepsister still live. Immediately, readers are introduced to the mother character as someone who is slightly cold-hearted and distant.

The father is apathetic and the stepsister is the type of daughter no one wants to have. She is a teenager but already using her body as currency



to get what she wants. Popping pills I haven't read a novel quite so and drowning them back with vodka disturbing and raw since finishing is among her nightly habits, and

of friends entertain themselves at the expense of others.

> Camille always has felt like the outsider in Wind Gap. Her mother loved Camille's sister, who died at a young age, much more than she ever loved or will love Camille. The mother's eerie personality toward her daughters is disturbing on many levels.

The book unfolds with Camille forget, in order to cover the evolving doing the basic-reporter interviews story of the murders of two children. with the local police chief, residents The cliché "someone can never go of the quaint town and family members of the victims.

What separates "Sharp Objects"

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from a lot of other books is the cast at the end of the book as there is a She has a drinking problem and is a reader thought to be true. borderline sexaholic. While alone at

mystery. Everyone in the town is a susevery dead end the city can offer.

that really makes it great. The dialogue is sharper and the characters finally begin to show their true colors. show, while the stepsister is developed from a background noise to someone who has many more secrets than she previously let on to.

The last 50 pages read as quickly as the first three. The haunting images of the murderer and his or her personalof readers. There isn't so much a twist

of characters. Camille is a tragic hero. revelation concerning something the

I believe Flynn has a talent for night, she cuts herself to feel pleasure, pacing. The book might begin slowly, and the scene in which she swallows but after finishing it, the reader una mixture of drugs at a party is one derstands Flynn was simply setting the of the most well-crafted ones of the story up for something truly horrific.

Three-fourths of the book unfolds most books never touch on. Camille as the basic whodunit-style murder is the most well-developed character with the pill-popping, drinking and pect, and the police chief has run into sex life, but other characters help her fully come alive. There is a scene It is the last fourth of the novel that never completely hits incest, but it does have an odd sisterly love to it that makes the reader wonder.

A few of the novel's flaws are the The mother's inner demons begin to wrap up in the last five pages and the unanswered questions Flynn leaves

5 out of 6 — GREAT

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HOUSE STANDOFF

Kearney has much to gain

(U-WIRE) NORFOLK, Va. interested in making music his caand rhythm go, there is room for music was his calling. improvement.

tracks on the album are severely lacking in what makes a catchy.

Kearney was born and raised records in 2006. in Eugene, Ore., and began his songs. Originally, Kearney wasn't artist.

- "Nothing Left to Lose" reveals reer, but after record deals started lyrical talent, but as far as beat arriving, Kearney realized that

In 2004, Kearney released his Mat Kearney's album is titled first album entitled "Bullet," which after his first hit. "Nothing Left was under InPop Records. Accordto Lose" has smart lyrics but it ling to VHI, this album has an also has great rhythm and beat "interesting blend of hip-hop and which easily attract listeners to folk. "However, in 2004, virtually the song. However, the other no one had heard of Kearney.

Kearney didn't give up though. "Nothing Left to Lose" was recorded and then issued by Columbia

Kearney's latest album is obvimusical career at California ously an improvement from his State University, where he stud- previous one, as he managed to ied literature. After his junior air a hit on radios and television year ended, Kearney went to programs all over the country. Nashville to pursue music. He However, although Kearney has met up with producer Robert improved from 2004, he is still Marvin to put together a few not widely recognized as a talented

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SPORTS



SENIOR JARRIUS JACKSON drives the ball during a game last season. The guard returned to practice after being dismissed by coach Bob Knight last week.

Who's back?

Jackson returns to practice

Jackson practiced Sunday after being in both 3-point field goal percentdismissed from the Tech basketball team age and minutes played. Jackson last week by coach Bob Knight.

son said. "I'm real excited to be back."

Avalanche-Journal last week Knight permanently. told the newspaper that Jackson was dismissed from the team for "failure to fulfill academic requirements that we the team, but his status for playing in have for our men's basketball team."

It appears, at least for the time being, Jackson could be reinstated permanently week when he was off like he was

in scoring in 2005-2006 and was voted to do his work and play basketball. If to the 2006-2007 preseason All-Big 12 he can, he will be reinstated perma-First Team.

Jackson said a decision by the team will be made by the end of the week whether he will be in uniform for take the court with or without Jack-Tech's first game Saturday against Sam son Saturday against Sam Houston Houston State.

Jackson led Tech in scoring last year

Texas Tech senior guard Jarrius in 26 of 32 games and led the Big 12 said he could not comment on the "Yeah, I'm back on the team," Jack- details of his initial dismissal or the exact requirements he must fulfill In an interview with the Lubbock in order to return to the Tech squad

> Tech athletic director Gerald Myers said Jackson is practicing with games is unsure.

"He made up a lot of work last asked to do," Myers said. "Now we The 6-foot-6 Jackson led the Big 12 are just going to see if he can continue nently. If he can't he'll lose his chance to play basketball."

> The Tech basketball team will State at the United Spirit Arena.

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Senior wideout sparks Raider offense

By JAY LANGLEY ASSITANT NEWS EDITOR

on the sideline in street clothes, the Texas Tech football team needed side of the ball.

well. The offensive line played well. Everyone stepped up and played well I'm proud of him for that." without Jarrett Hicks in the game."

With 11:43 left in the third 76-yard touchdown pass to push the offensive unit. Tech lead to 35-14 and virtually put the game out of reach for Baylor.

ball, I try to make plays for him."

10 different receivers Saturday, an answer for everything." the Filani-Harrell connection accounted for almost 45 percent of made the Raiders bowl eligible for Tech's total passing yards.

a good game with Joel. He caught eligible every season since the inthe ball well, but he plays good ception of the conference. every week. He's a good player," Harrell said.

Saturday's game marked the bowl," Filani said. third time in Filani's career that >> jaymie.langley@ttu.edu

the receiver had three touchdown catches. Filani accomplished the feat against Iowa State earlier this With wide receiver Jarrett Hicks season and in 2005 against Kansas

"I thought he had some big someone to step up on the offensive plays," Tech coach Mike Leach said. "He played well on several In a 55-21 victory against Baylor plays. Once he got stoked up, I Saturday, senior wide receiver Joel think that was the key. Once he Filani went for 212 yards on eight got rolling, he really took off. With catches, including three touch- the interception, I know he didn't come back on the ball, and the guy "Everyone played well," Filani covering him probably felt pretty said. "It wasn't just me that played good about that. But then Filani came back with a vengeance, and

Baylor coach Guy Morris, whose team gave up a total of 682 yards of quarter Filani and Tech quarterback offense, said his team had no answer Graham Harrell hooked up on a for Filani, Harrell or any of the Tech

"We just couldn't get much done," Morris said. "We couldn't "I wouldn't say he looked for get any pressure on Harrell, and me," Filani said. "We have lots of with this offense and this set of great players who can make plays. receivers, if you don't disrupt him Whenever he (Harrell) gets me the and get him out of his rhythm, it's like shooting fish in a barrel. We While Harrell threw passes to just couldn't get to him. They had

The 34-point victory for Tech the 11th straight year. Tech is the "You always feel like you'll have only team in the Big 12 to be bowl

"For me this is my last go around, so I'm glad we have a chance at a



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RED RAIDER WIDEOUT Joel Filani catches a pass from quarterback Graham Harrell before scoring a touchdown during the second quarter of Saturday's game against Baylor at Jones AT&T Stadium.

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Home improvement: Lady Raiders looking toward fixing holes

By STEPHEN MONAHAN SPORTS EDITOR

Texas Tech coach Kristy Curry will better on both sides of the court. not hide behind a fence to give advice on what her team needs to improve heading into the 2006-2007 season.

Curry has said she is pleased with the confidence and the positive nature her

the Lady Raiders need to continue to get victory Sunday.

provement this time of year's always big," over Athletes in Action Sunday. "This is especially big for us because we're learning each other and the system's new and new faces at every spot for all of us. Defensively (during the AIA game), the intensity was happen because of our defense."

The Lady Raiders made some progress from the first game to the second game, Curry said, especially defensively as Tech had 12 steals against AIA which helped raise the intensity level both offensively and defensively.

"I thought our hands were up, they were more active," Curry said of her team's defensive play against AIA. "We always want to make them (opponents) pass and shoot over our fingertips, so I thought our ball pressure was much better. We looked like we'd improved from the last exhibition, and that's what you want to see."

While in both games, statistically, a dominant leader on the team is not evident as six players have scored in double figures, including 14 points from

players bring to the team, but with a new freshman Raquel Christian, who went said she could prefer at times throughout system, new coaches and new leadership, 4-for-5 from beyond the arc in Tech's the season.

make, Curry said.

"The room for improvement is huge right now, and the pace has changed," Curry said. "From the structured practice that so many don't come from in high very, very good. Our offense has got to school to two different set plays and eight me the ball and gratefully, I was able to different inbounds and the changing defenses. It's a lot on their plate right now so those that can make that adjustment quicker will obviously play more."

> Regardless of the play of the underclassmen and those who come off the bench, the seniors are seemingly putting the season on their shoulders, Robertson said.

take that role to be leaders," the senior forward from Plainview said. "It's going to take all four of us to pull together and get it done because our team's bigger probably than it's ever been. We just gotta step up and be leaders. If one of us say something, then we all have to support that person."

Myrick and 6-foot-6 center Edwards on Arena.

However, in the game against Hous-The transition from a high school to ton, Myrick did not get many shots, "We talk a lot about the room for im-collegiate level of play is something the resulting in her teammates handing her three freshman — Murphree, Christian the rock more against AIA, and Myrick Curry said after her team's 88-44 victory and Natalie Thomas — will need to capitalized on her opportunities in the paint with 16 points.

"Well the coaches were saying that the last time out, I only got three shots the last game, and I need to be getting more," Myrick said. "My teammates gave

With the start of the regular season on the horizon, Curry said her team has no choice but to be ready for the upcoming season and hopes her team will only get better as the season progresses.

"I think it's been kind of a little bit of what we've expected," she said about her "The seniors do have to step up and team's practices leading up to the exhibition games. "There have been some pleasant surprises and then there's certain days where you have disappointments. Your goal every day is you have to get better. You either get better or worse, there's no staying the same. We're going to push these kids to get better everyday."

The Lady Raiders tip off the 2006-At points in the first exhibition 2007 season against Texas-San Antonio game, Curry had 6-foot-3 post player Erin at 7 p.m. Friday at the United Spirit



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Parcells discouraged by Cowboys' up-and-down season

Terrell Owens' end zone antics aren't Mike Vanderjagt's 35-yard field goal mitting fewer mental errors than the the hottest topic of discussion.

But midway through an underachieving 4-4 season, the Cowboys know there are bigger issues than Owens' lullaby celebration Sunday that simultaneously penalized Dallas and mocked criticism that he sleeps skins safety Sean through meetings.

Head coach Bill Parcells, who was 5-3 at the midway point during his first three years in Dallas, said Monday he is "discouraged" that the Cowboys are of a season-high 11 not entering the season's second half team penalties by in better position.

"We've got to get going and put some things in sequence or we're going to wind up being average to below average," he said.

A day after the Cowboys lost to the run, setting up Nick Washington Redskins 22-19 in a wild Novak's 47-yard final few seconds, Parcells labored over winning kick with the mistakes that left Dallas unable to no time left on the gain an edge and drop among the four clock. other .500 teams in the NFC.

There was offensive lineman Marmost penalty yards in the NFL, a rarity Owens' penalty-causing celebrations a chance.

IRVING (AP) — Things must cus Columbo's decision to apparently for Parcells-coached teams tradition- fire up his teammates doesn't seem be shaky with the Dallas Cowboys if audition a new blocking technique on ally built around discipline and com-

> attempt with 6 seconds left, allowing Troy Vincent to bolt through the line and block the kick. Then, after Red-

Taylor scooped up the ball, Cowboys guard Kyle Kosier committed the last putting a hand on Taylor's facemask during the return. That added 15 yards to the end of the

Head Coach

"It's just exasperating," said

Parcells.

catching a 4-yard

that the conversa-

footage of Owens

short."

We've got to get going and put some things in sequence or we're going to wind up being average to below

> - BILL PARCELLS Dallas Cowboys

average.

"I wouldn't see how someone could say that helped the team. I don't think it does," Parcells said.

The Cowboys, who will finish a three-game road swing when they play As for Owens at Arizona on Sunday, are tied with pretending to Philadelphia for second place in the take that nap after NFC East behind New York (6-2).

The schedule for Dallas doesn't get touchdown in the any easier in the second half: among third quarter, Parthe remaining games are unbeaten cells said he talked Indianapolis, on the road against the to his flamboyant Giants, home against New Orleans wide receiver but (6-2) and at Atlanta (5-3).

Parcells said he believes the Cowtion was a "day boys need 10 wins to make the playlate and a dollar offs, and said Dallas' current position could make things "appreciably more" Television difficult for the fight ahead.

"You see a lot of things here in this yelling behind NFC that surprise you every week," him shortly after Parcells said. "... I think, if you can just that concerned an put some wins together for a month or unrelated matter, so, you know, get to the last month The Cowboys have racked up the Parcells said. But any suggestion that in position, then I think you've got

Rangers hire Washington as manager

stressing communication and have lead the Rangers." letting them be themselves.

teristics.

"I am very thrilled. I don't it right now," Washington said by cell phone while on a plane day I will find the words."

Washington, a coach for the playoffs in 1999.

"Ron is a teacher and winintegrity to our organization," ton said.

ARLINGTON (AP) — Ron general manager Jon Daniels said. Washington has always been "He is a straightforward, energetic a popular coach with players, baseball man who we're excited to

A news conference was sched-Now he will get his chance as uled later Monday for Daniels and a manager with the Texas Rang- owner Tom Hicks to introduce ers, who wanted and needed their new manager. Washington's somebody with those charac- two-year contract includes two additional option years.

The 54-year-old Washington is think I can find words to express the Rangers' 17th full-time manager and first black manager.

When Showalter was fired after Monday, about to fly from his an 80-82 season with three years native New Orleans to Texas left on his contract, Daniels said for his introduction. "Maybe one the Rangers needed a "different perspective."

Showalter was known for his Oakland Athletics the past 11 hands-on approach that led to seasons, was chosen over four some discontentment in the clubother candidates to replace Buck house between some players and Showalter and inherit a team the manager. He was 319-329 that has had only one winning in four seasons, and the Rangers season since last making the never finished higher than third in the AL West under him.

"The coaching staff and I have ner who brings a great deal of a hell of a task ahead," Washing-

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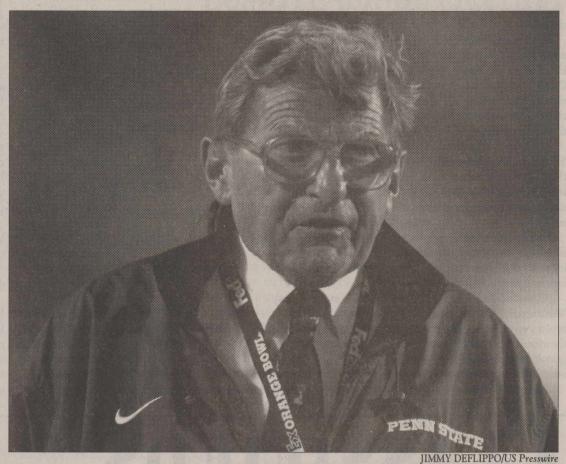
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PENN STATE COACH Joe Paterno suffered torn knee ligaments and a fractured shin bone during Saturday's game against Wisconsin. After surgery, Paterno said he wants to return to the sidelines.

Paterno plans to coach after surgery

weekend, but don't look for him to would likely wrap up if they can win with a bandage. pace the sidelines in his blue Penn their last two games of the season. State jacket and rolled-up khakis.

a day earlier on his fractured shin from his hospital bed Monday. bone and two torn knee ligaments.

in the hospital through Tuesday, if Paterno would be available. assistant athletic director Jeff Nelson said.

against Temple, though it's unclear if available for team activities on and Paterno's left leg after falling while that means from the Beaver Stadium off the field, though the exact details trying to tackle Quarless. sidelines or a coach's box.

"He woke up today and asked for still in charge."

Team doctor Wayne Sebastianelthe injured leg, which was also fit- crutches? ted with a temporary brace. Paterno the leg in about six weeks.

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) Just in time for a New Year's Day on the statue in his honor outside

The feisty 79-year-old coach was from catching up on work. Paterno's through the end of 2008. Only Amos listed in good condition Monday son and quarterbacks coach, Jay, Alonzo Stagg coached as long with at Mount Nittany Medical Center said his father was already reviewfollowing an 80-minute operation ing scouting reports and game plans The school canceled Paterno's

The injuries stemmed from a sideline regular Tuesday news conference at to the 364 of Florida State's Bobby collision during last week's loss to Beaver Stadium. Another news conference was scheduled for Wednes-He was expected to be remain day with Sebastianelli. It was unclear

Saturday, however, appears a done deal. The school said there was Paterno plans to coach Saturday a "mobility plan" to make Paterno Levy colliding helmet-first with haven't been determined.

the second phase of the game plan tioned a golf cart as a possibil- coach Al Golden, one of four Penn and scouting reports on Temple," ity to get around on the sidelines. State alums on the Owl football school spokesman Guido D'Elia said. D'Elia talked about a "super-cart" staff. Golden played tight end at "He's been on the phone all day. He's or "souped-up scooter" as a possible Penn State from 1987-91 and was long-term transportation device.

li anticipates a full recovery after ly tried to shoo away help initially several screws were inserted into after he was injured, try walking on other day, 'This guy is 80 years old.'

Penn State, where even the left leg on our team."

— Joe Paterno wants to coach this bowl game, which the Nittany Lions Beaver Stadium has been wrapped

Paterno is in his 41st year as Penn The injuries didn't keep Paterno State head coach and under contract one school, leading the University of Chicago from 1892 to 1932.

Paterno's 360 career wins are second among major college coaches

The Penn State coach went down last weekend after Nittany Lion tight end Andrew Quarless and Wisconsin linebacker DeAndre Levy ran into him. Replays showed

The injury overshadows the Hap-One football staffer had men- py Valley homecoming of Temple linebackers coach and recruiting co-Or might Paterno, who stubborn- ordinator under Paterno in 2000.

"I told some of my players the He didn't want to leave the field," Such are the questions buzzing Golden said Monday. "That's tough, might be able to put weight back on around the football team now at now. We need some of those players

Florida Gators runaway preseason No. 1

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honored to be the

preseason No. 1,

but at the same

time, we fully

realize we have a

lot of work

ahead of us.

- BILLY DONOVAN

Florida Gators

men's basketball coach

Indianapolis with Florida's first national championship Wisconsin and Arizona. will start this season with the No. 1 ranking.

Associated Press' preseason college basketball poll — no surprise, since they have everyone back for a run at being the first repeat national champion since Duke in 1992.

Florida received 63 first-place votes and 1,788 points from the 72member national media panel to easily outdistance North Carolina, which got the other nine No. 1 votes and 1,704 points.

"We appreciate and respect that people think this highly of our basketball team," Gators coach Billy Donovan said Monday. "That being said, this ranking has everything to do with what we were able to accomplish last year and nothing to do with this year. We're very honored to be the preseason No. 1, but at the same time, we fully realize we have a lot of work ahead of us."

Some of that work comes early in the season with a game against third-ranked Kansas in second-longest streak of all time. Las Vegas on Nov. 25.

onship was Connecticut in 2004, and before that it was

Pittsburgh was fourth, matching its highest preseason final poll of 2002-03. ranking ever in 1987-88.

LSU, a Final Four team last season, and UCLA, which lost to Florida in the championship game were fifth and sixth. George Mason, the first mid-major to reach the Final Four and the team the Gators beat in the national semifinals, received just one point, a single 25thplace vote.

Ohio State had what was con-

(AP) — The same starting five that left the court in Still, the Buckeyes were seventh, followed by Georgetown,

The last team to return all the starters from a na-The Gators were the runaway choice Monday in The tional champion was Arizona in the 1997-98 season. The Wildcats, who also won the title in

Indianapolis and were the preseason No. 1 the next year, lost to Utah in the 1998 tournament, one win shy of the Final Four.

Florida became the fourth team to win the national championship after not having been ranked in the preseason poll. The others were Texas Western in 1966, Villanova in 1985 and Syracuse in 2003.

Alabama was 11th in the preseason poll and was followed by Duke, Texas A&M, Memphis, Boston College, Marquette, Washington, Connecticut, Creighton and Syracuse.

The last five ranked teams were Texas, Kentucky, Georgia Tech, Nevada and Tennessee.

Duke was No. 1 the final rankings after the last regular season ended. This marks the Blue Devils' 186th consecutive poll appearance, the

UCLA was ranked in 221 consecutive polls from 1966 The last preseason No. 1 to win the national champi- to 1980. Duke's current streak started with the preseason poll of 1996-97. Connecticut has the second-longest current streak at 59 weeks, a run that started with the

> Kentucky has the longest current streak of consecutive appearances in the preseason rankings having been in every one since 1991-92.

Florida was 11th in last season's final poll and all but seven members of the preseason Top 25 were in the last rankings of last season.

Texas A&M, which has

four starters back from a 22-9 team that made the Aggies' first NCAA tournament appear-

sidered the nation's best recruiting class, though 7-foot-1 center Greg Oden won't be available until ance since 1987, is ranked for the first time since January while he recovers from offseason wrist surgery. Dec. 30, 1980.