By LAURIE KELLMAN

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Perry asking fed for drought assistance

AUSTIN (AP) — Severe drought conditions that have lasted more than a year prompted Gov. Rick Perry to ask the federal government for disaster relief assistance Thursday for 10 counties.

The drought has caused about \$4.1 billion in losses to the agricultural industry, according to estimates from the governor's office.

If the federal Farm Service Agency grants Perry's request, farmers in designated counties would be eligible for low-interest loans up to \$500,000. The counties are Angelina, Falls, Freestone, Goliad, Limestone, Midland, Refugio, Shackelford, Shelby and Trinity.

NATION

Bush, Pelosi hold White House talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush made nice with Speaker-to-be Nancy Pelosi after Democrats gave his Republicans a trouncing on Election Day, but not before handing House GOP leaders a long legislative wish-list for the lameduck session that they'll orchestrate. After a bitter campaign that sometimes got personal between the president and the woman to be House speaker, the two had a makeup luncheon at the White House. Appearing publicly in the Oval Office after an hour of private discussions, the pair emphasized finding common ground and ignoring talk of bedeviling specifics, such as their division over the Iraq war. They took no questions.

WORLD

Mubarak warns against hanging Saddam

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Egypt's president came out strongly against hanging Saddam Hussein, saying in remarks published Thursday that it could make Iraq explode into more violence. But Iraq's prime minister said the execution could take place by the end of the year. The statement from President Hosni Mubarak of Eygpt broke an uneasy silence among Arab leaders over Sunday's verdict by an Iraqi court, which convicted Saddam for the killings of some 150 Shiite Muslims after an assassination attempt against him in 1982.

DEATH TOLL



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ASSOCIATED PRESS the ouster of Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld. And he invited newly empowered yet to come. WASHINGTON (AP) — Now that voters Democratic leaders to lunch at the White The results of Tuesday's election did have rejected one-party rule in Washington, House — serving Speaker-in-waiting Nancy not come as a complete surprise to John Steinmetz, Republican county chair, can a president of one party and a Congress led Pelosi her favorite food, chocolate. by the other play nicely enough to accomplish

For her part, Pelosi stopped calling Bush incompetent and dangerous. Instead, she made a point of deeming the lunch lovely and Still, President Bush and lawmakers on both speaking of "some areas" where bipartisanship sides of the aisle will have to put aside at least was possible.

by granting a top demand of the Democrats:

Yet to be seen is whether the conciliatory gestures and promises to work together can

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Lubbock County party chairs reflect on election results, meaning Compromise inevitable with Democratic House, Senate control

> By NAOMI KASKELA STAFF WRITER

and Johnnie Jones, chair of the Lubbock County Democratic Party. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld's resignation was not expected by either, though.

Both Jones and Steinmetz, a former Texas Tech SGA president, said the election results mark changes in the future, but on what the changes would be, they disagreed.

"I think this is a great opportunity for us to regroup as a party," Steinmetz said. "The best is

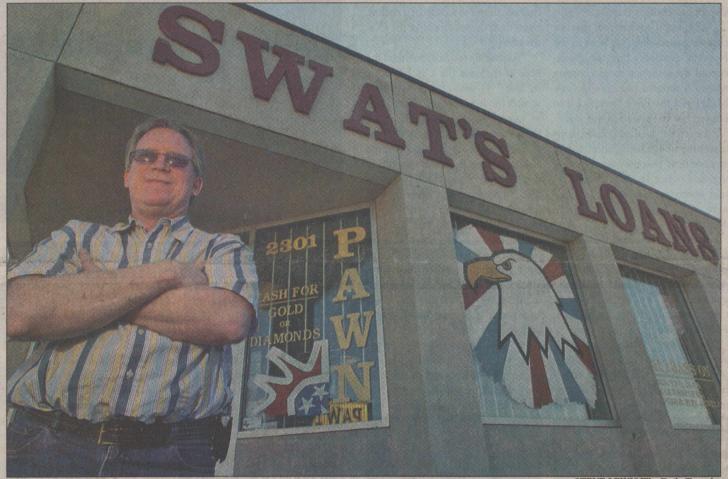
Steinmetz said he believes the results show the dissatisfaction of Republicans around the nation towards some members of the Republi-

He said he believes the disappointment partly stems from some Republican leaders not staying grounded to the party's principles.

Concerning the election results in Texas, he said he thought the party did extremely well. "I believe our elected officials (in Texas) had

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[DAY IN THE LIFE—EIGHTH PART: PAWN SHOP OWNER]



OWNER SCOTT SMITH poses in front of his pawn shop at 2301 19th Street. Swat's Loans has been in his family since 1968.

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Part of the family business: Smith shares stories of Swat's Loans

By JEREMY REYNOLDS STAFF WRITTE

Scott Smith sits with a .357 Magnum under his desk.

His pawnshop, Swat's Loans, has had a few burglary attempts in the past, but no one left with any money or merchandise.

"You don't want to get into a shoot-out," he said. "But, heck, you want to protect yourself." Smith said he tells his employees to hand over the money if someone

does come in to rob the store. "There's no amount of money in the United States or world that could replace a human life," he said.

In his office, Smith has a knife opposite his desk, two rifles sitting by the door, a Clint Eastwood picture hanging on his wall and enough papers scattered about to rebuild a forest.

"I'm a messy person," he said.

Working in a pawnshop is fun for Smith. He said he gets to meet a variety of different people with different issues.

The pawnshop, which specializes in diamonds and jewelry, sits at 2301 19th St. Scott said the store was located downtown, but because of eminent domain, he had to relocate.

Scott said the business has been in his family since 1968. His grandfather's nickname was Swat — hence the name of the shop.

"You see a lot of different people who come into the pawnshop," he

The store averages between 20 to 30 loans a day, Scott said. The loan process is simple: if someone needs money because he or she is about to bounce a check, then that person can go into the shop with collateral, such

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Health minister: 150,000 Iraqi civilian deaths

By STEVEN R. HURST ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A stunning new death count emerged Thursday, as Iraq's health minister estimated 150,000 civilians have been killed in the war — about three times previously accepted estimates.

Moderate Sunni Muslims, meanwhile, threatened to walk away from politics and pick up guns, while the Shiite-dominated government renewed pressure on the United States to unleash the Iraqi army and claimed it could crush violence in

After Democrats swept to majorities in both houses of the U.S. Congress and Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld resigned, Iraqis appeared unsettled and seemed to sense the potential for an even bloodier conflict because future American policy is uncertain. As a result, positions hardened on both sides of the country's deepening sectarian divide.

Previous estimates of Iraq deaths held that 45,000-50,000 have been killed in the nearly 44-month-old conflict, according to partial figures from Iraqi institutions and media reports. No official count has ever been available.

Health Minister Ali al-Shemari gave his new estimate of 150,000 to reporters during a visit to Vienna, Austria. He later told The Associated Press that he based the figure on an estimate of 100 bodies per day brought to morgues and hospitals - though such a calculation would come out closer to 130,000 in total.

Hassan Salem, of the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq, or SCIRI, said the 150,000 figure included civilians, police and the bodies of people who were abducted, later found dead and col-

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Election commissioners have mixed reactions to pilot program

By JEREMY REYNOLDS STAFF WRITER

Voters this election year had the choice of 35 different was enthused by the result of Super Precincts. locations to cast their ballots thanks to the Super Precincts

Pilot Program. But, Precinct 3 Commissioner Ysidro Gutierrez said the the idea of not being tied to one location." results were disappointing.

were 3,000 less people who voted in Lubbock in this election than in the last governor's race."

According to the city of Lubbock's Web site, there were 54,013 votes cast in Lubbock County on Election Day.

Gutierrez said Super Precincts was an idea borrowed from a city in Colorado that was doing the same thing.

"The one reason and one reason only why I supported the to operate. Super Precincts was for the promise of higher voter turnout," he said. "The program was offered as a pilot program and this the state to use the Super Precincts concept. He said the

Gutierrez said he believes the 35 locations should have made

it easier and more convenient for voters to cast their ballots, but that was not the case.

Precinct 1 Commissioner William "Bill" McCay said he

"It worked fantastically," he said. "The feedback from voters was that they were all enthusiastic, and they liked

McCay said in the past, voters would return home from "I am very disappointed in Super Precincts," he said. "There work tired and then would have to go searching for their precinct's voting location.

"There were a lot of voters that had not voted with the new equipment, and they all said it was a lot easier to use," he said. "We were getting new voters coming out, too."

He said the new voters who'd never voted in an election were "pleasantly" surprised by how easy the equipment was

McCay said Lubbock County was the only county in

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VOTERS WAIT IN line to vote outside of the Student Union Building ballroom Tuesday afternoon.

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Lubbock police blotter

By PAUL ROBERTS STAFF WRITER

Oct. 27

Lubbock police received a report of a burglary of a furniture store in the 9000 block of Avenue P. According to reports, the victim of a terrorist threat in the 1800 said she left her business unlocked overnight, and when she returned to work the next day, the store phone call from a suspect. In the had been raided. The victim re- threatening phone call, the suspect described the incident to police. ported an unknown suspect broke said he was going to blow up the the front steel door and stole a victim's house if the victim did not four-drawer filing cabinet from drop charges against the suspect.

Oct. 28

Lubbock police received a report of criminal mischief in the 1000 block of Indiana Avenue. Police said the suspect poured an unthe gas tank of the victim's vehicle. pickup. The victim said he did not give the suspect permission to pour the substance into the victim's

Lubbock police received a report of a wallet theft at the Wal-Mart wallet. The wallet contained the used his fist to hit the victim and

victim's Social Security card, three kicked the victim in the stomach. \$1 bills, a Capital One credit card, a First United Bank debit card and a Texas Tech identification card.

Oct. 29

Lubbock police received a report block of 77th Street. Reports state the victim received a threatening According to reports, the suspect continuously repeated the threat to the victim on the telephone saying the victim would pay for the charges.

Lubbock police received a report that a vehicle was burglarized in known clear liquid substance into the 4200 block of 44th Street. According to reports, two suspects The substance caused damage to broke into the victim's silver 1999 the victim's blue 2005 Ford F-150 Mitsubishi four-door and stole the victim's wallet and contents inside. The wallet contained the victim's personal identification card and the victim's Social Security card. The suspects were not located.

store in the 4200 block of South of an assault in the 500 block envelope were checks made out Loop 289. Police said a victim was of North Martin Luther King Jr. shopping at Wal-Mart when an Boulevard. Reports state the vicunknown suspect stole the victim's tim was assaulted by a suspect who

The victim reported minor cuts and physical pain.

Lubbock police received a report of an assault in the 4200 block of 36th Street. Police said the suspect came to the victim's house demanding money. The suspect assaulted the victim when the victim refused to give the suspect money. Two witnesses were on the scene and

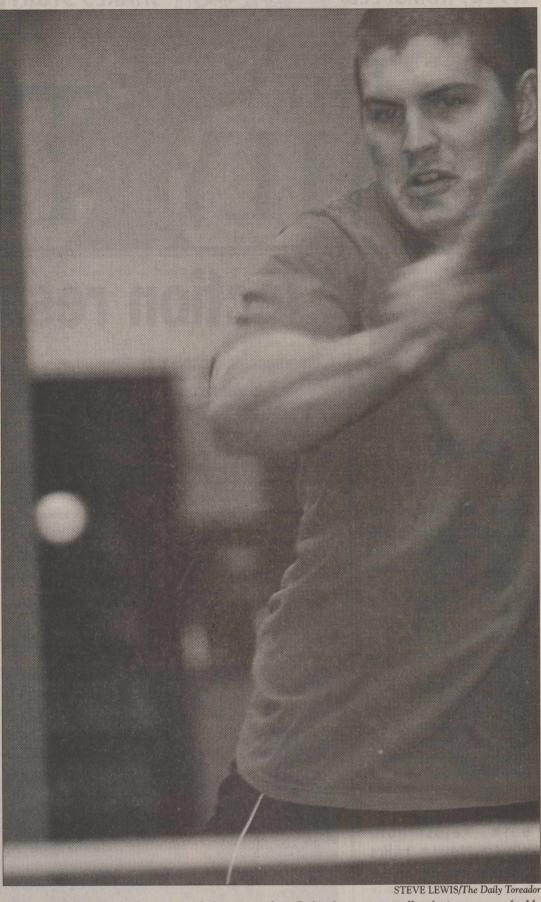
Nov. 1

Lubbock police arrested an individual for theft at the Wal-Mart in the 700 block of West Loop 289. Police said store personnel caught the suspect attempting to steal several DVDs from the entertainment section of the store. Reports state the suspect attempted to steal \$240 worth of DVDs.

Lubbock police received a report of a theft of contents in a victim's mailbox in the 2700 block of 29th Street. Reports state the victim placed a letter into her mailbox for outgoing mail. The victim said her roommate witnessed a male take the letter from the mailbox Lubbock police received a report without permission. Inside the to the victim's mother, according to reports. The suspect was not

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MATT GORHAM, A sophomore psychology major from Paducah, returns a volley during a game of table tennis Wednesday evening at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

Bomb attacks on Baghdad markets kill at least 16

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Nearly the appeals court's decision. simultaneous car bombs struck two markets in predominantly Shiite areas of Baghdad on Thursday, killing at least 16 people, as many Iraqis cheered the resignation of U.S. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld.

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki was quoted as telling the British Broadcasting Corp. that Saddam Hussein could be executed before the end of the year if an appeals panel upholds his death sentence.

Prosecutors have said Iraq's appeals court is expected to rule by the middle of January on Saddam's

If the ruling is upheld, Iraqi of- Abbas Mohammed Salman said. with the war in Iraq. that Iraq's three-man presidential announcement of Rumsfeld's resignacouncil is pledged to allow Saddam's tion as many blamed him for policy hanging to take place. The execution failures and scandals that have con-

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"The way I understand the law that we passed when we were in the National Assembly that the execution of the sentence should happen scale of the mess the U.S. has made within a month, one month," al-Maliki told the BBC. "I expect it to happen before the end of this year."

A car bomb blew up outside shops in northern Baghdad's Qahira district as noontime shoppers were gathering, said police Lt. Ali Muhsin. He said seven people were killed, 27 were wounded and seven cars were what he called their "evil project"

A suicide bomber plowed his guilty verdict and death sentence explosives-rigged vehicle into crowds ment has yet to comment on Rums-

Iraqis welcomed Wednesday's Al-Maliki has gro must be carried out within 30 days of tributed to the daily sectarian carnage

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that continues to wrack their nation, more than three years after the U.S.

"Rumsfeld's resignation shows the in Iraq," 44-year-old Oil Ministry worker Ibrahim Ali said. "The efforts by American politicians to hide their failure are no longer working."

Hard-line Sunni politician Hamid al-Mutlaq said Rumsfeld's departure was evidence of the downfall of those who engineered the invasion and

Iraq's Shiite-dominated governfor the killings of more than 140 gathered in a commercial complex for feld's resignation, which followed a Shiite Muslims after an assassination spare parts, killing at least nine people. Democratic congressional triumph attempt against him in the town of and wounding 27 in Baghdad's down- in midterm elections that was due in town Karradah district, police Col. large part to U.S. voter dissatisfaction

> ingly critical of U.S. policies, pushing ever-harder for his government to be handed more responsibility for security by U.S.-led coalition forces.

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Ministry. SCIRI is Iraq's largest Shiite political organization and holds the largest number of seats in

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lected at morgues run by the Health 655,000 Iraqis have died because of other estimates. The study, which was function with varying efficiency. dismissed by President Bush and other

Thursday.

'Since three and a half years, since the change of the Saddam regime, some people say we have 600,000 are killed. This is an exaggerated number. I think 150 is OK." he said.

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conflict have long been the subject of In October, the British medical debate. Police and hospitals often give journal The Lancet published a con-widely conflicting figures of those killed troversial study contending nearly in major bombings. In addition, death figures are reported through multiple the war — a far higher death toll than channels by government agencies that

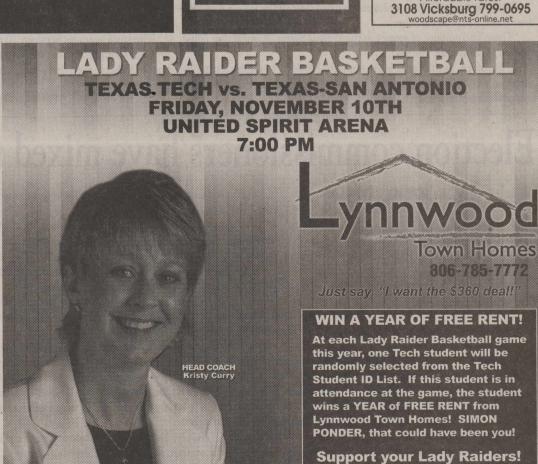
As al-Shemari issued the startling U.S. officials as not credible, was based new estimate, the head of the Baghdad on interviews of households and not a central morgue said Thursday he was receiving as many as 60 violent death Al-Shemari disputed that figure victims each day at his facility alone. Dr. Abdul-Razzaq al-Obaidi said those deaths did not include victims of violence whose bodies were taken to the city's many hospital morgues or those who were removed from attack scenes by relatives and quickly buried according to Muslim custom.

Al-Obaidi said the morgue had received 1,600 violent death victims in October, one of the bloodiest months of the conflict. U.S. forces suffered 105 deaths last month, the fourth highest monthly toll.

At least 45 Iraqis were killed or found dead in continuing sectarian violence Thursday, with 16 of the victims killed in bombings at Baghdad markets. For the fifth straight day, insurgent and militia mortar teams traded fire in the capital's northern neighborhoods.

Al-Shemari, while not explaining the death toll estimate, was more precise about the government's increasingly public and insistent demands for a speedier U.S. transfer of authority to Iraqi forces and the withdrawal of American troops to their bases and from Iraq's cities and towns.





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as a ring or a watch, though Smith says someone can use just about anything to get a loan as long as it covers the principal. Scott said the loans are for 90 days, meaning someone has that much time to return the money plus interest in order to get his or her item back.

"We're like a bank without all the suits," he said. "We give small fixes."

All the loans are state-regulated, he said. Still, he tries to work with people on various things.

"Smaller businesses are more flexible," he said. "There's got to be a little sympathy."

Someone might spend a few hours applying for a loan at a bank, Smith said, but he or she will spend five to 10 minutes applying for one in Swat's

The store, which has been around since 1968, carries various items on the store floor, ranging from iPods to guns. Smith said he did not know very much about iPods and other MP3 players, though he is learning.

The store specializes in Rolex watches, which Smith said his shop buys for a high price.

The negative connotations associated with pawnshops revolve around the store attracting shady characters from the city's population. Smith said he wanted to get rid of those clichés.

The pawnshop works in close relation with the Lubbock Police Department and gives detectives a list of all the items sold to the store on a regular basis.

"Less than half of 1 percent of stolen goods are recovered through pawnshops," he said.

In order to try to rid his store of the clichés, he said he watches people and determines if an item might be

"If the item is out of place on the person then we hopefully won't take it," he said. "Or if they mispronounce the name of the manufacturer."

Smith said people might come to his store if their credit is weak or if they do not want to deal with getting a loan

from the bank. "We receive a mixed bag of tricks in here," he said.

Smith, who started working in the store at a young age, said he still has some of the same customers from his college days.

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Control

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endure long enough for Congress and the president to produce laws addressing big problems and restore trust in overtures of good will. the government.

motivation to follow their lead as the Congress would work with them in two years before the 2008 elections any sincere or meaningful way," said tick away. Providing the opportunity: George C. Edwards III, a political scia slate of stalled legislation on immigration, Iraq and terrorism that sity. "True or not, this perception could voters named as important in exit polls this week.

the lead of President Eisenhower and six years of being shut out of final the new Democratic majority of 1954, which established the Interstate highway system less than two years later.

who signed into law major environmental initiatives — the Clean Air Act and the Environmental Protection Agency - negotiated with Democratic majorities on Capitol

Ronald Reagan and the Democratic House and Senate passed legislation sustaining Social Security for another three decades. A key deficit reduction program and the Americans With Disabilities Act became law when Democrats ran the Congress and Bush's father was president.

ton and a new Republican majority polls this week.

overhauled the nation's welfare laws, an achievement each side hailed as one of its best.

Many experts say that Democrats and Republicans are too polarized for that to happen now, despite the initial

'White House officials do not Role models exist. So does the expect that a Democratic-controlled ence professor at Texas A&M Univerbecome a self-fulfilling prophecy."

Democrats admit to struggling Bush and Congress might follow with the temptation to get even for negotiations with the White House and majority Republicans on major issues like homeland security, tax They can look to President Nixon, cuts and the Medicare prescription drug program.

> But both Bush and the Democrats have reasons to mend fences. In the twilight of a wartime presidency, Bush could polish his legacy by reviving his uniter-not-a-divider campaign promise of 2000.

Lawmakers in both parties, some of them beginning what amounts to a two-year job interview for the presidency, also have an incentive to move away from confrontation politics. If they need a reminder, they might look at the 61 percent disapproval And in the 1990s, President Clin- rating Congress received in the exit

Pilot

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county filled out all the appropriate of the pilot program.

that we will submit to the secretary of state," he said.

The report, which is due at the end of November, details the good and the bad of using Super Precincts, McCay

Precincts, McCay said he met with leaders of the Republican and Democratic Party in Lubbock, as well as members of special needs organizations, to determine the best locations for the 35 voting stations.

"The members of the Democratic and Republican Party cared more about the voter than they did the locations," he said.

The process was a compromise, McCay said.

"We were not 100 percent happy with all the locations, but it was a compromise," he said. Seventeen of the 35 voting locations

were strategically placed on bus routes so voters had an easier time reaching the various places. "Citibus offered free rides to anyone

who wanted to vote," he said. "That worked out very well."

Michael Magnum, chief financial

the future. **Parties**

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remained grounded to our party's principles and have tried to understand the needs of our voters,"

Jones said she is also pleased with the results of the election, but more on the national level rather than the local level.

"It was wonderful to see Democrats take back power of both the surprise."

When it comes to Texas, she said

She said things are shifting in in the position. Texas, and that if the Democratic

"Texas is probably the most difficult state in the country to change," she said, "but I think the change is

No matter what party is in control of Austin in the future, Jones said she hopes everyone will work together.

"Our state House always works best when they're working together,"

Rumsfeld's resignation came as a surprise to both Jones and Steinmetz.

"As a person, I was extremely House and Senate," she said. "I surprised at this announcement." politics."

Despite his surprise, he said he replacing Rumsfeld, will be competent

Party gained four seats at this elec- was disgraceful, especially since she were supporting. tion, more seats will be gained in believes President George W. Bush

knew about the resignation before the election but did not announce it until

Since the Democratic Party took control of both the House and Senate, Jones said she hopes Bush will enact some changes.

"I hope that he will show us that he will be a force for the American people and not just right wing political rhetoric," she said.

Steinmetz disagreed, and said he does not believe Bush will be changing direction at all.

"I am confident in his leadership was really expecting to see the Steinmetz said, "but as a party of- and his system," he said. "I believe this House, but the Senate was a nice ficial, I unfortunately understand the country will progress as it has for the

Steinmetz and Jones both exmore change is needed, but that it believes Robert Gates, who will be pressed gratitude to the voters in the

Jones said she was glad people went Jones said Rumsfeld's resignation to vote, despite the candidates they

officer and assistant general manager for Citibus, said there were 80 people who showed their voter registration card on Tuesday and received a free ride.

"If you showed your voter card then paperwork and submitted it to be a part we would give you a free ride," he said. "They may have rode four or five times, "We're now working on a report and only one of those times was to the voting location."

> He said whether 60 people or all 80 people rode the bus to voting locations, he could not tell.

McCay said he did see a few minor problems with Super Precincts, one of with the long lines," he said. In order to prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which being the long lines at United prepare for the Super which lines are super for the Supe

Supermarkets.

"There were other locations with ample equipment but no voters," he said. "We were at the grocery stores telling people in line that if they were in a hurry they could go down the street and vote at a location with shorter lines."

Elementary Schools have always been a big spot to set up voting stations, and McCay said that was a problem because sometimes people had to park a block from the school.

"People were not generally upset

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Kay Baily Hutchinson (R) Barbara Ann Radnofsky (D)	38,945	73.70%
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Randy Neugebauer (R)	35,584	67.18%
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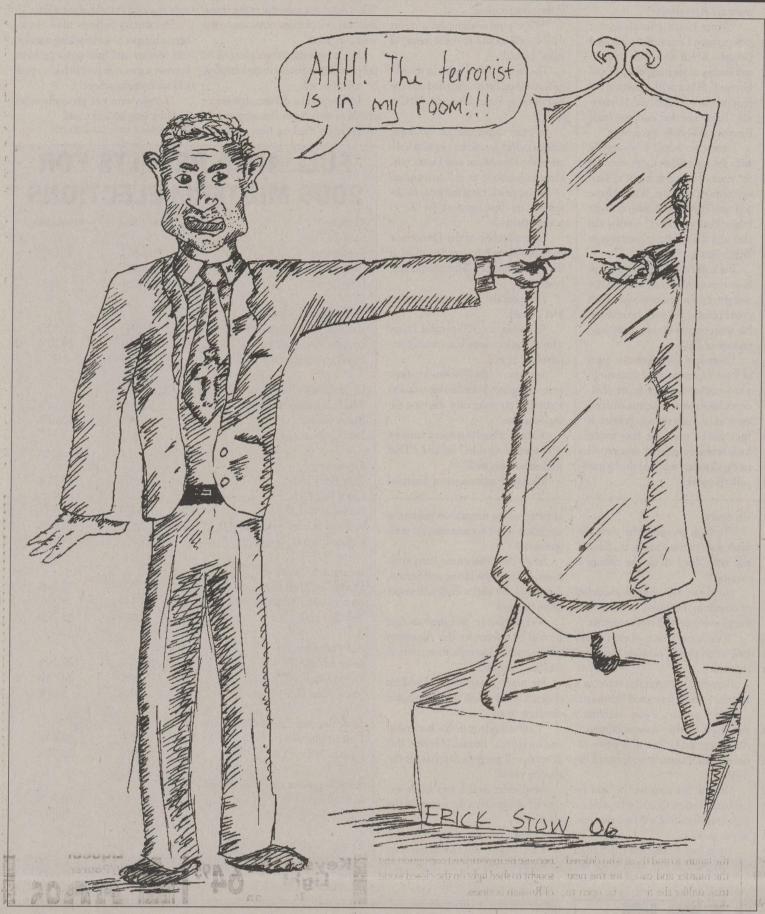
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Hypocrisy taints U

errorism is arguably one of the most influential buzzwords of our time. There are terrorists everywhere waiting for an opportunity to destroy everything that we, as Americans, hold dear. At least that is what we are told. However, I would like to assert that terrorism is not confined solely to a ragtag bunch of Islamic extremists sitting in a cave. Many countries around the world have been accused of state-sponsored terrorism, including our own supposedly moral government.

Most disturbing is that in several cases, claims that the United States was the culprit behind terrorism can in fact be substantiated. In the 1950s, Iran was led by a man the cold war, the United States simnamed Mohammed Mossadegh and during his time in power he imposed socialistic policies. He even nationalized the Iranian oil the Iranian government.

much, so Great Britain convinced and he violated the basic human the United States to help initiate rights of his citizens for almost 20 a coup to overthrow the Iranian years. The United States helped government. As part of this uprising, key buildings were bombed and propaganda was spread to increase what could easily be seen as helping the terrorist resistance. In exchange a terrorist group stage a coup. for the help, Britain gave up the oil allowed U.S. firms in.

Another example is the overthrow of the Chilean government in the 1970s. Salvador Allende was

The fact is that when someone commits violence that isn't in our interest, they are considered terrorists.

ply could not abide socialist leaders in power in the Western hemisphere. Allende's presidency was marked with turmoil, in part due industry when British Petroleum to U.S. economic policy in Chile, refused an audit to determine if it and he was eventually thrown from was providing fair compensation to power by a U.S.-backed rebellion.

The new leader, Augusto Pino-Well, BP didn't like that too chet, was a tyrant and a dictator, destroy a democracy and allowed a dictatorship to take its place in

Louis Posada Carriles is great ties to the CIA and our governactly the same thing it condemned Eastern culture. Afghanistan for doing.

in terrorist activities.

commits violence that isn't in our of this idea. interest, they are considered terterrorists? Our forefathers openly just sit complacently? fought against their government and committed acts of sabotage to Harman is a sophomore biochem-Tea Party.

Another related point I would like to make is the stereotyped Islamic radicals in the Middle East have their own perspective. It would be a good idea for Americans to try and see it from their side in

wanted in both Cuba and Venezuela to rally people to a cause. The for his involvement in these acts. anti-Western militant groups in the He resides in the United States and Middle East see the United States has little chance of being extradited and its Western allies as imperialto the countries where he commit- ists trying to rape the resources of ted his terrorist acts. The United the people while imposing their States is harboring terrorists, ex- own ideas of morality on Middle

The fact is that a rather strong My point is there is a lot more to argument could be made saying the the terrorist issue than is generally United States does act as an impereported in the media. I don't really rial power and U.S. foreign policy believe it's fair for the U.S. to con- in the area has resulted in hurting demn terrorists from a moral stand the interests of the local people. point when it has been, and in all Propping up the oppressive Saudi likelihood still is, highly involved royal family and the subsequent police state that followed Mos-The fact is that when someone sadegh in Iran are prime examples

The U.S. doesn't have any sovrorists. However, when their acts ereignty over those states, and we are in our interest, they are either have no right to get involved in the not mentioned in the news or are Middle East. What would you do if portrayed as freedom fighters. If you the United States was occupied or look at the American Revolution, subverted by foreign power? Would who were American rebels but you rise up against that power or

British interests like in the Boston istry major from Tolland, Con., Email him at will.harman@ttu.edu.

Congressional conversion leads to growth, change

((Tt's only change, only everything I know. Even the things that seem still are still changing," proclaims Ben Folds in his most recent album. As I listen to these all too true words from the song "Still," I can't help but marvel at how quickly things have changed for many people in the last few

Not only has the American political landscape shifted hues from a bright red to a vibrant blue, but also the seasons are changing. Basketball season has arrived and, yes, it's true, Britney Spears and Kevin Federline are no more.

That last one was not a mo-

People always say that we are inherently afraid of change, but I think recent events have shown that to not be the case, unless you're voting for the governor of Texas. No, I think people welcome change once they realize it is either inevitable or beneficial.

American politics in particular seem poised for a remarkable shift. These midterm elections were just the beginning, and from the many victory speeches given by Democrats, I feel they are ready to be responsible with the want to do, as long as it's not what power bestowed upon them.

All around the country there was a theme of bipartisan optimism. Instead of rampant gloating and threats of endless and fruitless inquiries into past actions of this administration, there was only mild gloating and a get- to get the wagon moving. down-to-business tone, especially Speaker of the House.

the House in American History divided our country. (can you say Nancy Pelosi High line for the presidency.

Yes, 10 years ago it seemed have a shot at being commanderin-chief. But today we have TVdramas about that very thing and feminine Clinton to run for the as the bane of all existence. top seat in 2008. Things that seem still are still changing.

ally running news clipping, has also just taken on a huge change. Former Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld is out of the picture, American people will be heard. and voters have made it very clear no longer sits well with them.

of them. They can take something that probably can't be going much worse and, for once, actually fix a major problem in the world. Name the last time that happened.

It's true that the Democrats know whom to blame. have yet to truly define their

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WHERE'D WE

GO WRONG,



Yes, 10 years ago it seemed like eons before a woman might have a shot at being commanderin-chief. But today we have TV-drama about that very thing and expectations for another more feminine Clinton to run for the top seat in 2008. Things that seem still are still changing.

we've been doing. It's quite possibly a good thing there isn't a "Democratic" exit strategy. Maybe that leaves room for a bipartisan "American" exit strategy, something we can all try to agree on. Sometimes all you need is a crack of the whip

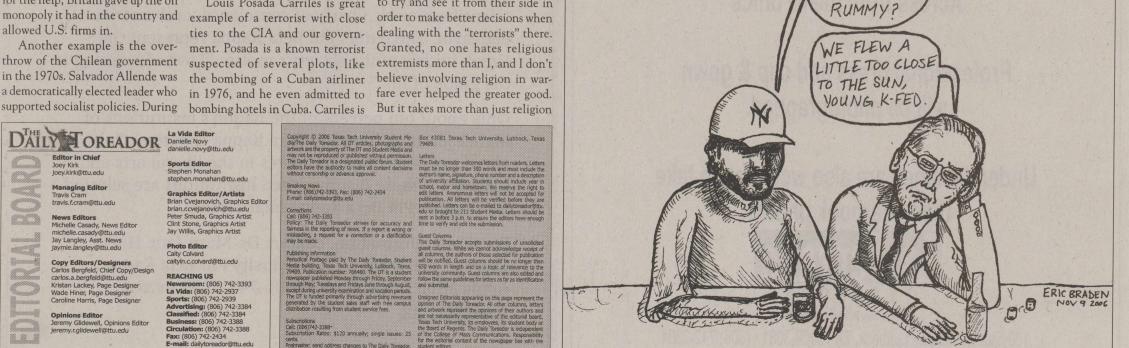
With this change in power there from Nancy Pelosi, soon to be are a lot of things that have the opportunity to be fixed, and I'm not saying I Nancy Pelosi, as a person, hope the Democrats get everything to represents a long overdue change go their way from now on. My hope is for our country's approach to that our country can start having more politics. Not only is she going legitimate and productive discussions to be the first female Speaker of about the major issues that have

School?), but also she's third in such as stem-cell research, same-sex marriage and the state of national security. We should be trying to find like eons before a woman might solutions to problems quickly, with more compromise and less bickering. And, it would be really nice if sometime soon the rest of the world expectations for another more would stop thinking of Americans

Instead of our elected officials continually voting strictly along The war in Iraq, a conflict that part lines, a Republican president seems to have taken the form of and a Democratic legislature will one very depressing and perpetu- require everyone to make compromises in order for things to get done. When that happens there is a hope that the true voice of the

Yes, change is not just good; that the "stay the course" strategy it's inevitable and gives optimism permission to exist. Maybe some The new House and Senate day historians will look back on have a great opportunity in front the events of this week and label it a monumental mistake, but whether we choose it or not, change occurs. I would much rather have the changes of our world be by choice than by accident. At least we'll

strategy for salvaging the Iraq Martinez is a senior music major war. But at this point, it's clear from San Antonio. E-mail him at Americans don't care what they adrian.j.martinez@ttu.edu.



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SGA clerk wants to educate, help others

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia's not remain unsolved for so long."

the acquittal of three men in the dants, Kazbek Dukuzov, 32, and Musa

nikov and ordered a new trial, a court behalf of a Chechen separatist leader

was gunned down on a Moscow numerous apparent violations that oc-

street in July 2004. Two men went curred during the course of the trial, so

on trial on charges of carrying out we are certainly very pleased with this

the killing on behalf of a Chechen result," Michael Klebnikov said Thurs-

separatist who was the subject of a day. "The Supreme Court evidently

critical book written by Klebnikov, found our appeals to be based on solid

family expressed disappointment at nikov may have made powerful enemies

the failure to find those who ordered because he investigated corruption and

the murder and called for the next sought to shed light on the closed world

trial, unlike the first, to be open to of Russian business.

By BEN MAKI STAFF WRITER

foot of the bed.

She said she would imagine that school house.

From the lower bunk, she said sorority, Sigma Phi Lambda. she would teach her little sister,

"Teaching is just something that share what they are going through.

Natalie Williams, a junior early girls so much." childhood education major from pulled the sheets down from the Student Government Association. of Phi Lamb, as the SGA journal top bunk of her bunk bed to where "I want to teach second or third the only light shining on the lower grade, because elementary kids bunk would be coming from the listen more and you can mold and nurture them more at that age."

Suzanne Williams, a freshman the lower bunk was a school house, advertising major from Arlington, and the light shining in was com- said her sister's love of educating ing from a solitary window of the people shows in the way she loves munity." people, especially in their Christian

Suzanne Williams, math and spell- times, and nobody knows about members of Phi Lamb get to know Missouri City. "She's the one who ing from the worksheets Natalie their stories," Suzanne Williams Williams would bring home from said. "Natalie has just made herself available for people to be able to

I have always wanted to do," said Just listening to them helps those the pledge girls. So we started a Williams is always looking for new the jobs of the SGA senators easier,

clerk and as the leader of a Bible study at her church.

and so I found ways to do that," Natalie Williams said. "First loving God, and then loving people, of the sorority, Jones said she never loving this campus and the com- expected to be noticed.

the pledges.

Natalie Williams said, "the actives always there for us." don't know everyone, especially

highest court Thursday overturned

killing of U.S. journalist Paul Kleb-

prosecutors and the victim's lawyers,

said a new trial should be held with

a new judge, said court spokesman

Forbes magazine's Russian edition,

but they and another man on trial

on related charges were acquitted

with the decision of the Supreme

Court," Klebnikov's brother, Mi-

chael, told The Associated Press from

New York. "That shows that the

Russian legal system can correct its

However, the U.S. journalist's

"Despite this positive news, we as

a family are deeply disappointed that

Paul's killers and those who ordered

this vicious crime are still at large two

years after the fact," the family said in

a statement. "A crime like this should

"We are satisfied, we are pleased

Klebnikov, 41, who was editor of

spokesman said.

Pavel Odintsov.

by a jury.

own mistakes."

better."

"I just focus on loving people fellow Phi Lamb member Lynsey Jones that Jones was making a difference with other active members

"For her to tell me that I en-One of the ways Natalie Wil- courage people means the world liams said she has tried to make to me," said Jones, a sophomore "A lot of girls go through hard a difference is by helping active communications design major from student body. encourages me. She is very inspiget things done," Natalie Williams

Jones said she believes Natalie

Prosecutors claimed the defen-

Vakhayev, 42, had killed Klebnikov on

Khozh-Akhmed Nukhayev, who was

After a jury acquitted the defen-

"We were deeply shocked by the

dants in May, both prosecutors and

lawyers for the Klebnikov family ap-

ground and we are pleased with that."

The trial was also marked by criti-

Critics of Russia's justice system,

cism that prosecutors failed to pursue

which is widely seen as lacking inde-

pendence from the Kremlin, have said

prosecutors failed to properly pursue

other lines of investigation in the

Observers have suggested that Kleb-

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other lines of investigation.

Klebnikov case.

victim and remains at large.

pealed the verdict.

get to know each other a little stead of being like 'look at this new product,' she's like 'look at this new When Natalie Williams told service project we can go do."

> Natalie Williams said she serves members more involved," Natalie people by typing up the agenda for SGA Vice President Matt Fowler so he can focus on more important tasks. She said she also works with the various senators to ensure they know what they need to serve the

can take care of everyone else."

Not only does she work to make

Top Russian court overturned acquittal of 3 accused in killing of U.S. journalist

'speed dating' activity where all and different ways the sorority can this past summer Natalie Williams Natalie Williams said she tries the actives talked to each of the serve people. "She's kind of like an made guide books for each of the As a little girl, Natalie Williams Arlington and journal clerk for the to make a difference as president pledges for two minutes to try to infomercial," Jones said, "but in- committee chair members of Phi Lamb.

> "In the past, committees haven't been important in Phi Lamb, and As a journal clerk for the SGA, I wanted to be able to get the Williams said. "We give them more roles, and we will have them put what they do this year in the , books to help out future committee leaders."

> Suzanne Williams said her sister has never wanted to be put in the "I will stay up as late as I need to spotlight for what she has done.

"She is not one to boast," Su-"Since Phi Lamb is so big," rational and motivational and is said. "I try to help them out so they zanne Williams said. "Just doing a job well is her satisfaction.' ▶ benjamin.maki@ttu.edu

BP settles last case related to fatalities in Texas City blast

death-related lawsuit from the 2005 Texas City refinery blast that killed 15, vast criticism on the oil company for will get \$12.5 million. lax safety measures at the facility.

in what would have been the first civil community and make a difference for case from the explosion to go to trial, a long-term things," Eva Rowe said. "I woman whose parents had been killed didn't want my parents to be forgotten. in the blast, and who had expressed I know that they won't." eagerness to go to court, settled.

an undisclosed amount, but the settlement also called for London-based BP to continue to release documents settled by an arbiter. related to the case and to donate miltreated after the March 2005 explo-

steadfastly contended the case was progressive deterioration of safety at more about focusing attention on the the refinery. blast so such an accident would not happen again. Her parents, 48-year-old sponsible. The issue is what level of James Rowe and his wife, Linda Rowe, knowledge did they have in advance. 47, of Hornbeck, La., were two of the Those issues are still out there," Coon 15 killed.

Brent Coon, Eva Rowe's attorney, and educate the petrochemical indus-

because although she lost both her BP spokesman Ronnie Chappell. mother and her father, she has tried very hard to reach a better good for was pleased with the settlement. herself, one that helps her get closure and a better good for the community," Coon said.

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GALVESTON (AP) — BP PLC the school system in Hornbeck, where settled on Thursday the last remaining Linda Rowe was a teacher's aide. The adult burn unit at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, wounded more than 170 and brought which treated 23 victims of the blast,

"I'm very satisfied with the outcome Just as jury selection was beginning to be able to help so many people in the

Coon said his law firm will con-Eva Rowe, 22, walked away with tinue to release documents related to the case as long as both sides agree. Any disagreements would have to be

The U.S. Chemical Safety and lions to schools and medical facilities, Hazard Investigation Board, one of including one where victims were several agencies looking into the blast, has said internal BP documents show that budget cuts of 25 percent Leading up to the trial, Rowe from 1998 through 2000 caused a

"BP has admitted they were re-

Documents will be made available said the settlement will still let the to the public and media through two public know what caused the explosion Web sites Coon's law firm has set up.

"We are happy to have been able try about preventing such accidents. to resolve this and spare Ms. Rowe the "She's making peace with BP task of bringing this case to trial," said

BP attorney Jim Galbraith said he

"We deeply want to express our sorrow for the loss that Eva Rowe has sustained," Galbraith said. "We are The donations, which could total working hard to make sure nothing \$38 million, include \$1 million for like this ever happens again."

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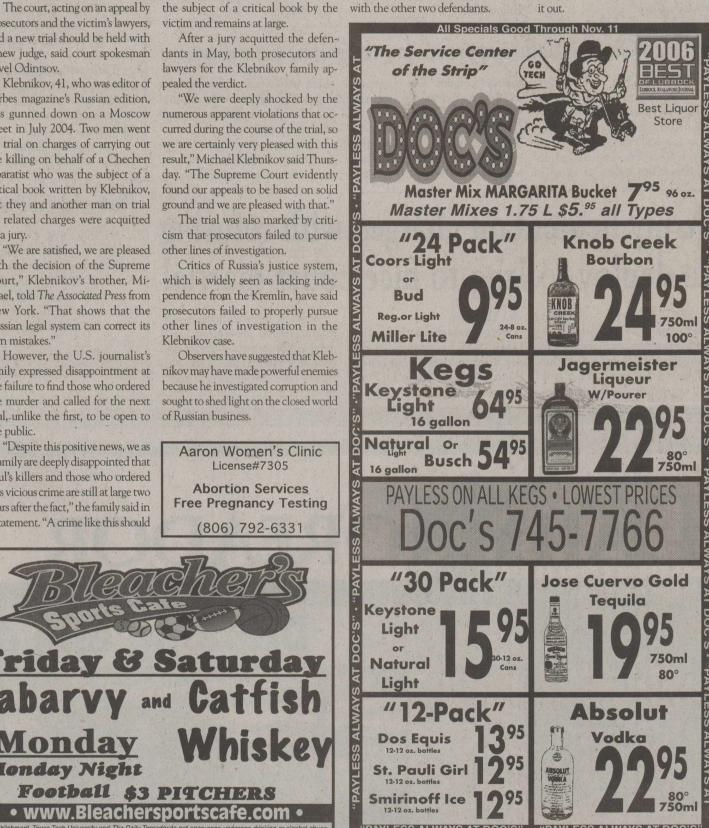
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In May, the jury also acquitted Fail The U.S. government and Kleb-

Sadretdinov, who was tried alongside nikov's family, whose roots are in Russia, Dukuzov and Vakhayev in connec- have urged prosecutors to thoroughly tion with a separate crime, the alleged investigate all angles and stressed the attempted murder of a businessman. need to bring those behind the killing Prosecutors said Sadretdinov was linked to justice — not just those who carried with the other two defendants. it out.



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Space shuttle moved to pad as NASA aims for earlier launch

— Space shuttle Discovery was other," said Discovery astronaut Joan we have to be up there, I am sure we moved to the launch pad Thursday to await a launch that could be as early as Dec. 7 — an effort to avoid

puters aren't designed to make the on Earth before New Year's Eve. change from the 365th day of the old a shuttle in space Dec. 31 or Jan. 1.

"We've just never had the computers up and going when we've

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) transitioned from one year to an- ... if we have an 'Oh my god,' and Higginbotham. "We're not really sure would figure out a way to operate the how they're going to operate."

potential New Year's Eve computer nities would be available as late as parent company of the builders and Dec. 17 or 18. With a 12-day mission, designers of NASA's shuttles. "It The worry is that shuttle com- that would mean the shuttle is back

However, NASA was quick to say year to the first day of the new year that even if the shuttle crew finds itwhile in flight. NASA has never had self still in space on Jan. 1, procedures could be devised to make a transition if necessary.

"Under some weird circumstance disaster.

vehicle safely," said Steve Oswald, a Starting Dec. 7, launch opportu- vice president for Boeing Co., the just wouldn't be flying in the normal certified mode that we are used to

> If Discovery gets off the ground next month, it will be the third shuttle flight of the year, and only the fourth since the 2003 Columbia

Virginia's Sen. George Allen concedes defeat in pivotal race

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) day after a bruising battle against Democrat Jim Webb, sealing the victory," he said. Democrats' control of Congress

ernment have spoken and I respect about 7,200 votes out of 2.37 million their decision.'

"The Bible teaches us there is a - Republican Sen. George Allen time and place for everything, and roared when he took his Marine graciously conceded defeat Thurs- today I called and congratulated Jim Webb and his team for their

and the political downfall of a man and Navy secretary under Presionce considered a White House dent Reagan, claimed victory early Wednesday after election returns Allen said the "owners of gov- showed him with a narrow lead of

On Thursday, Webb's supporters son's battered combat boots from a bag and held them high above his head at a rally. Webb, whose son is Webb, a former Republican fighting in Iraq, had worn the boots throughout what he called "an unnecessarily brutal campaign."

> Allen chose not to demand a recount when initial canvassing of the results failed to significantly alter

Mexico City legislature approves law recognizing gay civil unions

voted for the first time in the into law. country's history to legally recognize gay civil unions, a measure prove gay marriage, allows samewith benefits similar to those of with civil authorities, granting registered under the legislation.

ico City's assembly on Thursday expected to sign the measure rights, as well as other social

The bill, which does not apfinalizing the details.

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Mex- married couples. The mayor was them inheritance and pension benefits. Lawmakers were still

Heterosexual couples who are that will provide same-sex couples sex couples to register their union not legally married can also be

Army lieutentant charged with refusing

Mass. lawmakers again put off decision on putting gay marriage amendment on ballot

BOSTON (AP) - Massachua proposed constitutional amend-

takes office, the measure will not appear on the November 2008 ballot. day this Legislature is in session.

Lawmakers voted 196-0 to reject a proposed amendment that would marriages already conducted, but another measure that would bar such was enacted.

setts lawmakers on Thursday again measure, the subject of a petition vilifying gays. avoided taking a formal stand on drive, accused supporters of same-sex marriage of using the more punitive you don't have to like us," Barrios said. ment that would ban gay marriage, question to detract attention from recessing a constitutional conventheir own. They said voters deserved If lawmakers do not vote on the highest court — should remain legal, at least have the right to enjoy the same measure before the next Legislature especially since 170,000 of them signed rights the rest of you enjoy." petitions calling for the measure.

A vote appeared unlikely because of Attila the Hun. But the gracious that the state's constitution guarantees they recessed until Jan. 2, the last people, the socially conscious people, gays and lesbians the right to marry always want everyone to be heard. began in May 2004, and since then, What about these 170,000 people?" more than 8,000 couples have tied invalidate thousands of same-sex said Democratic Rep. Marie Parente. the knot.

Democratic Sen. Jarrett Barrios, same-sex marriage on the ballot would a man and a woman.

Supporters of the less restrictive open the doors to a negative campaign

"You don't have to live next to us, "We are only asking you today to end the debate so that we can sleep easily tion instead of taking up the thorny a chance to decide whether same-sex knowing that while you may not live marriage — imposed on the state by its next to us or even like us that we will

> The Massachusetts Supreme Ju-"I'm probably 3,000 feet to the right dicial Court ruled in November 2003 the liberal people, you're the ones who in Massachusetts. Those weddings

Both proposals before Thursday's decided to recess without voting on an openly gay member of the Legis-constitutional convention, a joint lature, pointed to his wedding ring meeting of the House and Senate, marriages only after the amendment as he warned colleagues that putting would define marriage as the union of

Trade deficit improves despite record deficit with China

U.S. trade deficit improved in more than five years. September after hitting an alltime high, helped by lower oil

percent to \$64.3 billion in Sep-

ment reported Thursday. The drop of \$4.7 billion was bet-

WASHINGTON (AP) — The the biggest one-month decrease in

prices. The imbalance with China, oil bill, which dropped to \$26.3 bilhowever, soared to a record as lion. The volume of imports fell and The overall deficit declined 6.8 ting \$77 per barrel in the summer.

Analysts said the improvements tember from a record \$69 billion should continue if oil prices do not of \$23 billion in September. It is runin August, the Commerce Depart- spike again. But they cautioned deficit still on track to set a record for \$202 billion; that figure was all-time ter than expected and represented the fifth straight year.

"There is little in this report to tell me that once we get past the petroleum The improvement came from a effect, there are any basic changes in 10.5 percent fall in America's foreign the trade situation," said Joel Naroff, chief economist at Naroff Economic Advisers. "With the Congress changretailers stocked their shelves for crude oil prices had a big decline. They ing hands, the political pressure on the now are about \$60 per barrel after hit-administration to do something about China is likely to build."

The deficit with China set a record ning at an annual rate of \$228 billion against expecting any quick fix in a this year, on pace to surpass last year's high for any U.S. trading partner.

Pioneering CBS and '60 Minutes' newsman Ed Bradley dies of leukemia

Bradley, the award-winning television journalist who broke racial barriers at CBS News and created a distinctive, powerful body of work during his 26 years on "60 Minutes," died Thursday. He

Mount Sinai hospital, CBS News announced.

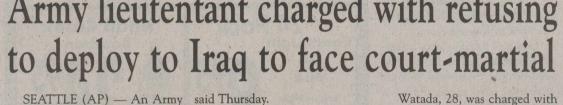
lacrosse players accused of rape, Michael Jackson and the only TV interview with Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh.

view, he was insistent on getting an reporter, beloved and respected Bradley died of leukemia at interview," said former CBS News by all his colleagues here at CBS anchor Walter Cronkite, "and at News," Katie Couric said in a special the same time when the interview report.

He landed many memorable was over, when the subject had interviews, including the Duke taken a pretty heavy lashing by him — they left as friends. He was that kind of guy."

With his signature earring and beard, Bradley was "considered Bradley "was tough in an inter- intelligent, smooth, cool, a great

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EASY AS PIE Arare Rose' in Lubbock shares her story

Meals on Wheels host annual chow down

By JESSICA HENDRICKS STAFF WRITER

Contestants ready? Pies ready? On your mark, get set, eat!

Meals on Wheels kicked off a fundraiser with a pie eating contest at noon Thursday.

The fundraiser, Feed a Friend: It's as Easy as Pie, happens every November in collaboration with United Supermarkets.

Lisa Gilliland, assistant director of Meals on Wheels, said various local celebrities such as Sheriff David Gutierrez, the KZII-FM radio station morning team, Carlos Gonzales of KLBK-TV and Ron Roberts of KAMC-TV participated in the pie eating ket at 2703 82nd Street.

The event was aired live on

because it's easier to eat and lunchtime meals. messier."

ticipant must have the entire Gilliland said it could always piece of pie in his or her mouth, use more. chewed and swallowed, she

This year's winner was defending champion Greg McAli-TV, who has won the contest by manning the stations set up two previous years as well.

Gilliland said this is a fun way to get the word out about the fundraiser, which begins Fourth Street and Slide Road, the event at United helps the Friday and will continue until according to civics co-chair organization increase awareness Nov. 18. Anyone who donates Cassie Meyer. \$5 to Meals on Wheels will receive a coupon for an apple helping out," she said. "With public," she said. "Everybody or pumpkin pie from United's the holidays coming up, it's good can feel like they're contributing in-store bakery.

Dec. 31, so it's nice if you want to use it for Thanksgiving or Christmas," she said.

The cashiers at United will accept donations on behalf of Meals on Wheels as customers pay for their groceries, and volunteers stationed at the store will collect money and distribute coupons as well.

"It really makes it easy for the shoppers to just write their check for a little over when they are paying for their groceries," she said.

This is the 15th year the event has been conducted, and this year's goal is \$40,000. Gilliland said this is a big goal for them, but they raised just more than \$39,000 last year, and the Thanksgiving rush at the stores will help.

"We're not government or United Way funded. We rely on money from right here in the community," she said. "It's

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KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador FEED A FRIEND: It's as Easy as Pie, a Meals on Wheels fundraiser, kicked off Thursday afternoon with a pie eating contest.

contest at the United Supermar- events like this that help fund with this fundraiser because of our program."

Meals on Wheels feeds about KLBK-TV's noon news, she 500 people that are homebound, elderly or disabled, Gilliland "It's fun to watch. They eat said. They prepare the food in about one-third of a pie," Gil- the Meals on Wheels kitchliland said. "We use cream pie en, and volunteers deliver the

To win the contest, the pararound 1,000 volunteers, but event will be successful.

to deliver a route, and our sched-

ule is very flexible," she said. ster, general manager of KLBK- volunteering with the fundraiser showcasing their bakery."

> at local United stores. participating at the United on feeding the homebound. Having

"We're really excited about 'The coupon is good through when people need it the most."

Meyer said they chose to help

the impact Meals on Wheels has had on the community.

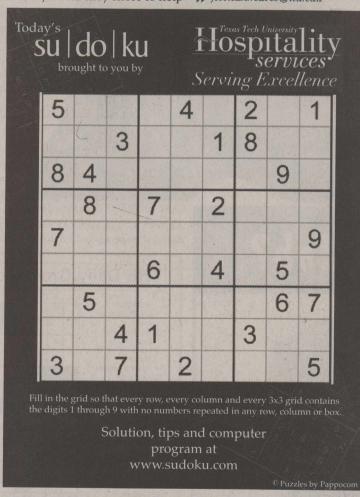
"Meals on Wheels represents a big part of Lubbock," she said. "We strive to better the Lubbock community."

Lorrie Bellair, executive director of Meals on Wheels, The program currently has described why she thinks this

"It's the fact that this has broad-base appeal to the com-"It only takes about an hour munity. It's a win-win situation for everybody," she said. "United lets us use their stores, and by Some Texas Tech students are giving away those pies, we're

Bellair said it makes sense that the fundraiser revolves Tech's Miller Girls will be around food since their goal is in the community.

"It helps us be visible in the to raise money for a good cause to Meals on Wheels to help feed the hungry this time of year." > jessica.l.reaves@ttu.edu





STAFF WRITER

Walking in the front door of Vintage Rose is like stepping back into any time period in history. Cyndy Ward sits in the boutique every afternoon with her cat, Zephyr, waiting to dress someone up for a theme party, special event or even help them find the perfect piece of antique jewelry.

Ward started the roots of her store, Vintage Rose, 16 years ago with dreams and aspirations to have a store that would serve anybody's costume, jewelry and antique needs. Sixteen years later, she is still there.

"I love writing, painting, drawing and dressing people up," she that no one else would have."

family in Naples, Italy, during the the Star, Cross, Angel Exhibit. 1960s where she developed her love for jewelry and collecting antiques. Cameos, which are women's profiles carved out of a shell or precious stone, are items she has collected since she was 15 years old.

Ward said when she moved and play dress-up. back to the United States, she attended the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia and graduated with an undergraduate degree in painting. When she moved to Lubbock, she was invited to attend graduate school at Texas Tech and



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OWNER OF THE Vintage Rose Cyndy Ward poses with her cat, Zephyr, in front of her store.

Education.

said. "My store has original things in the First Friday Art Trail display Dec. 1 at the Louise Hopkins Under-Ward said she lived with her wood Center for the Arts as part of

> Kirsten, who rents costumes from her for certain movie shoots, such as ones she rented for the film "Slacker." She also has one granddaughter, Anais, who she said loves to visit her store

Ward still travels frequently to the British Isles, Annapolis, Maryland, to find new and exciting things for of a Collins purse.

unique things," she said. "Growing graduated with her Master of Arts up, I loved going to flea markets in

Naples, Dublin, London and Paris, Ward's paintings will be featured and I still go to them (flea markets)

Pat Conover, a friend of Ward and customer of Vintage Rose, said sometimes people can not apply the She said she has one daughter, story and history behind a lot of their pieces like Ward can.

"Cyndy is so knowledgeable about jewelry and vintage clothing," Conover said.

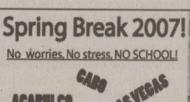
Ward said a lot of people come in her store for purses and jewelry. Her favorite purses are ones made in Collins in the 1950s to 1960s. She said Austin, Philadelphia and Hollywood Julia Roberts was the first purchaser

"I also have a pair of red cowgirl "I like to go far away to find boots from the 1950s that are very

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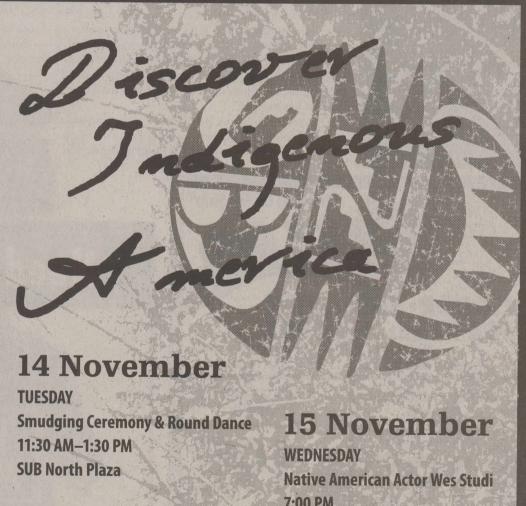
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<< Tech, Oklahoma remember last seem's finish, drama

By TRAVIS CRAM MANAGING EDITOR

haos, controversy, memories. That is the best way most coaches and players could describe last year's dramatic finish between Texas Tech and Oklahoma - a game that still sits in their minds as they prepare to meet each other for the first time since that cold,

Tech (6-4, 3-3 Big 12) will try to do something it has never done before under coach Mike Leach — beat No. 17 Oklahoma (8-2, 5-1) two years in a row and win for the first time in Norman since 1996.

With all the controversy surrounding elements outside of Leach's control in the Raiders' 35-31 loss to No. 4 Texas this year and the Sooners' loss to Oregon, the seventh-year Tech coach said he still has the same opinion he did last year when it comes to Taurean Henderson's game-winning score.

"There's nothing controversial about last year's game," Leach said. "There's some disappointment, but there's nothing controversial about it."

His opinion on the Oregon-OU game was slightly differ-

"Oh yeah, no question about it," he said of the controversial calls toward the end of Oregon's comeback. "Quite frankly, you have to admire the way the Oregon people handled that and the way the Pac-10 handled that situation. Well, I won't be able to say the same, but optimistic that I'll feel the same.'

Tech co-offensive coordinator Sonny Dykes remembers how the game went on that final drive that lifted the Raiders to their first Cotton Bowl bid in 10 years.

What might have been an even better play than the Henderson score was then-sophomore Danny Amendola's catch in the middle of OU defenders who brought him down right on the line of the first-down chains, which happened to be just outside the coach and player's box. Fans could see an eager Dykes on the ground crawling as far over as possible to get even with the chains and determine if it was over the mark before the referees made the call, which, of course, needed a review.

"That was just one of those games where it seems like there were so many critical plays. And in order to beat a od football team, sometimes you got to get some breaks, and we had some good things happen and some bad things happen," Dykes said. "If we don't catch that ball, we don't win the game. It was just one of those games that you'll never forget. It was just wild."

OU coach Bob Stoops has been known for his rough defense over the years, especially at being able to stop Tech and the spread passing game, holding the Raiders to less

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than 300 yards passing in every trip to Gaylord Family-Oklahoma Memorial Stadium since 2000. One thing Tech did last year was establish a running game that helped open up the rest of the offense for Cody Hodges and the Tech receivers. Henderson rushed for 109 yards on 16 carries in the game — 63 yards more than the 46.2 yards per game average under Leach that Tech carried into last season's contest.

The worst rushing performance by the team was in 2000, when Ricky Williams and company were held to minus-7 yards total in the 30-13 loss.

After last year's running game, Stoops said it was a key in how Tech was able to control the pace of play.

"They hurt us with the running game, especially early. That was a big factor — I thought the biggest factor — in the first half," Stoops said. "But we knew coming in that Taurean Henderson was an excellent player. He made some awfully good plays and we missed some tackles."

Tech and OU enter Saturday's game with almost identical defensive statistics, both ranked in the NCAA Division I-A top 70 against the rush and the top 20 against the pass.

With a heavy rushing game by both teams in OU's 17-16 win over No. 24 Texas A&M, Leach said it was hard to gauge the Sooners' pass defense with so little passing going on.

"I'm not going to lie to you. I said, 'Jeez I wish somebody would throw the ball so I could see how this looks.' So I could at least draw some comparisons," Leach said.

squads do not give up many yards in the air when the ball is thrown, giving up less than 164 yards per game through the air.

Dykes said having a defense that plays close to what the team is about to face helps when preparing for a team like

OU.

"Our de-

fense has

really improved, especially this year," he said. "I think any time you have a competitive atmosphere with an offense and a defense, it helps improve both units."

Sophomore quarterback Graham Harrell brings his current hot streak into Norman, throwing for more than 1,000 vards in his last two games - the fourth best two-game total in school history behind Hodges and two streaks by B.J. Symons. Harrell has often commented during

the season on how much he likes to feed off the emotions of the away crowds and how much of a better player it makes him, but an OU crowd can be different — Kliff Kingsbury learned this in 2002.

Dykes said any time a team plays in stadiums of schools like the Big 12, they just have to learn to stay composed and keep trust with one another.

"It's a lot about playing with confidence and not being afraid to make too many mistakes," he said. "Gaining confidence in receivers and the O-line and getting comfortable, and like anything else, the more you see something, the more comfortable you get."

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Vintage Rose

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collectible and everyone in the world wants to find them, and I have two of them here," she said. "I traveled to Paris Antique Mall to get these when they were made right here in Texas."

time periods in history from the 1930s jewelry to the 1980s prom dresses.

now," she said. "Some people come and rent costumes, but there is some gowns, because they wouldn't last."

Ward's store has a lot of pirate costo Vintage Rose." tumes and Tech football coach Mike Leach helped boost business when he made his famous pirate remark.

"I love dressing people up in pirate costumes that have short dresses, high boots and decorated hats," she said. "And I love to find the perfect jewelry to go with it."

She said she often adds her own mary.k.harris@ttu.edu

personal touch to make the jewelry and costumes unique, which is what sets her and her store apart from the competition.

There are complete costumes to rent or buy, and Ward will help find the perfect accessories for any occasion.

She said the most expensive things she has in the store are Eisenberg and Vintage Rose encompasses different Kramer pins and a dress clips from the 1920s to the 1950s.

They are unusual to find and "The 70s and 80s are big right stamped by the designer, which shows their authenticity," she said.

Ward summed up her store in one vintage clothing that I wouldn't rent, sentence: "If you want something from like beaded Victorian dresses and 1920s Dillards, go to Dillards, if you want something different and unique, come

For those who need a costume or want to find unique antiques, Vintage Rose is in Cactus Alley located off of Brownfield Highway between Quaker Avenue and Slide Road at 2610 Salem Ave. Store hours are from 12 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., or call 806-793-ROSE for an earlier appointment.

Bob Saget still popular with new tour, film

By DAVE BOLGER DAILY KENT STATER (KENT STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) KENT, Ohio - You think you know, but you take a closer have no idea.

Bob Saget is best-known for wholesomeness his role as Danny Tanner on the of his TV charlong-running, even legendary, acters is perfectsitcom "Full House," in which ly juxtaposed to his wholesome, father-figure his shocking character concentrated on stage presence. keeping a clean house and making sure his three young daugh- ally hard not to ters were happy, healthy and upset people," staying out of trouble. Saget's Saget said about clean-cut, family-friendly pres- his stand-up ence both on "Full House" and material. "If I "America's Funniest Home Vid- see a 10-yeareos" has made him a standard old little boy in pop culture icon.

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If you think you know Saget, family."

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"I work re-

Now, Saget is back on the can't stand there and talk for two "Entourage." Saget will also be where I say that I'm getting ready stand-up comedy circuit with hours about my penis -- that sort appearing in an upcoming epi- to wash out the penguin's butt so

I work really hard not to upset people.

> - BOB SAGET Comedian

over, Saget took on a few appearance in "Half Baked."

"1 vs. 100," "How I met

"I'm just really lucky," Saget like entertaining everyone in the said about his commercial success. "People are all really kind no After the matter where I go. There always sitcoms were seems to be such a great sort of energy."

Audiences may be used to seecameos; most ing Saget in front of the camera, memorable but he is also an accomplished was his brief behind-the-scenes hand.

His latest venture, the mockumentary "Farce of the Penguins," Since then, was written and directed by Saget, Saget has been who assembled an star-studded busy with his voice-over cast including Samuel involvement in L. Jackson, Dane Cook, Lewis the game show Black and Whoopi Goldberg, just to name a few.

"The DVD has a lot of great the front row with his mom, I your Mother," and the HBO hit extras," Saget said. "There's one a successful nationwide tour of thing would hurt the child; my sode of "Law and Order: Special that he's ready for his close-up."

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Two thumbs up to Aggieland

Tam the kind who usually keeps things to himself and bottles up his ▲thoughts — except when it comes to writing columns, but this story I feel I should share.

A few weeks ago I received the not-so-great news that my younger brother will be receiving treatment for a stage-two type of Hodgkin's lymphoma trip is all expenses paid, including food, - the rarest form of Hodgkin's, but the easiest to treat. At only 14 years old, I can't imagine how he is able to of the fraternities on campus. handle this seemingly life-transforming roadblock, but thus far, he has been very strong-willed. Every three weeks or so most memorable experiences since he must receive chemotherapy, until the enrolling here, and I hope my brother, beginning of January and until the cancer is in remission. After speaking with my brother. I was amazed by his good spirits and how he has remained himself—the best of which I could hope for other besides him being cancer-free and moving traveling to College Station will get to on with his life.

If things couldn't have more of a some point during their visit. positive outlook, while at his treatment center recently, he and my father, who live near the Houston area, were invited to attend Texas A&M's game against Nebraska at Kyle Field Saturday. The



transportation, tickets to the game and various souvenirs and is sponsored by one

Being at Kyle Field for Texas Tech's game earlier this season was one of my while he is not the biggest football fan, will have a great experience as well. Also, he and others as part of a group of adolescents being treated by the Cancer Center at Texas Children's Hospital meet the players and cheerleaders at

When I heard this news, I was, honestly, blown away by the contribution and unselfish nature these people in Aggieland will show my family and many others going through the tribula-

tions of cancer treatment and recovery. this weekend. Tech and A&M may be rivals on the field, court or the diamond when it comes to sports, but the true kansas sportsmanship is happening this weekend off the field. For that, I am thankful. I thought I would never say this, but — Gig 'em.

Texas Tech at No. 17 Oklahoma

With seconds remaining, senior tailback Taurean Henderson poked through the Sooners defensive front, scoring the winning touchdown at the end of regulation in last year's 23-21 victory over coach Bob Stoops' squad. To date, this remains a "questionable" call by the officials, and Tech knows what that feels most bitter taste in their mouths, the the Hogs. Sooners will be hungry to redeem last year's loss. Even without star running back Adrian Peterson and quarterback Rhett Bomar, the Sooners have just two losses. Tech has been too inconsistent this season to string together back-toback wins in the Big 12 this season.

Winner: Oklahoma

No. 13 Tennessee at No. 11 Ar-

Arkansas will have a new quarterback at the head of the Razorback offense this week against Tennessee. That man is Casey Dick, who is replacing freshman Mitch Mustain who has struggled in recent weeks. Going into last week's game against LSU, the Volunteers were 11-1-1 against the Tigers at Neyland Stadium in Notre Dame the week after), but Booty Knoxville, Tenn., but with less than 10 seconds remaining, LSU quarterback Ja-Marcus Russell and the Tigers engineered a fourth-quarter comeback to shake up the SEC once again this season. With the quarterback issues in Arkansas and like after its 35-31 loss against Texas two a ticket for redemption, the Volunteers, scoreboard said it all. With probably a (if Erik Ainge does not play) will topple

Winner: Tennessee

No. 21 Oregon at No. 7 USC

Two weeks ago, Pete Carroll and his Trojans had their 27-game PAC-10 winning streak) snapped at the hands of of a BCS race to the top. Florida, the No. monahan@ttu.edu.

against Stanford with a 42-0 victory behind quarterback John David Booty's three touchdown tosses. Oregon has shown its susceptibility at times through the season with narrow wins against Oklahoma, Fresno State, UCLA and two losses against California and unranked Washington State. Oregon is the first of USC's three-game stretch against ranked opponents (California next week and will have Dwayne Jarrett and Steve Smith as his calls to the endzone, making Oregon a bunch of lame Ducks. Winner: USC

South Carolina at No. 6 Florida So former Florida coach Steve Spurweeks ago, but in both instances, the behind quarterback Jonathan Crompton rier makes his return to "The Swamp" Saturday when his Gamecocks travel to Gainesville, Fla., to take on the Gators. With the parity the SEC poses in college football, I think this game has all the makings of one of those unexpected upsets. Last season South Carolina upended the Gators and now Florida looks winning streak (37-game regular season to avenge the loss as they are in the midst

Oregon State. USC rebounded nicely 4 team in the BCS rankings, has been led by senior quarterback Chris Leak (1,903 passing yards and 17 touchdowns) and will need the senior to continue the Gators' winning success.

Winner: Florida

Miami (Fla.) at No. 23 Maryland

If things just could not get worse for the Hurricanes, they incurred another roadblock when defensive end Bryan Pata was fatally shot just days after their games against Virginia Tech. The incident has been ruled a homicide and those competing in Saturday's game against the Terrapins will have motivation fueling their competitive nature and thus, Miami could help save a season almost ruled lost with its defeat at the hands of the Hokies last weekend. If Miami wins, maybe some questions about coach Larry Coker's job will be answered — but if they lose, there will be no questions, only consequences.

Winner: Miami

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The countdown begins: Men's basketball takes on SHSU in season opener

By JAY LANGLEY STAFF WRITER

With the start of the season approaching and its head coach 11 victories from history, the Texas Tech men's basketball team has many questions heading into its first game Saturday against Sam Houston State.

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the Raiders is whether or not Preseason All-Big 12 guard Jarrius Jack-

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was dismissed from the team Oct. 31 for academic reasons but returned to practice Sunday. In a teleconference Thursday, Knight said the coaching staff had not yet made a decision about Jackson's eligibility.

'We dismissed him from the team for a week to see if he could get every-Damir Suljagic said. "We're not responsibilities, which he did," Knight team. said. "Now he's practicing with the team We need to work on our turnover to for a week to see if he can do what has to be done academically while he's playing basketball. At the end of this week we One of the biggest questions for will evaluate all that has taken place and go from there."

Jackson, who led Tech in scoring in

son will take the court Saturday. Jackson 26 of 32 games in 2005-2006, said he expects to play in the season opener. there with my team."

> only the second sub .500 season for Knight in 40 years of coaching.

Senior forward Darryl Dora said he business." "We're getting there," forward thing in order in terms of his academic sees something different in this year's

> "Practice has been a lot more intense," Dora said. "I've been here for four years, so I can tell when the intensity level is higher than it used to be. It's a lot more competition on the team, so everybody's just working a lot harder for playing time."

season's Southland Conference run-

a group of really good players," Knight

Houston State opened the 2005-2006 season with a win at Missouri.

"That's all our kids need to know," Knight said. "That Sam Houston State Big 12 team, and I'm sure they will be looking to do the same thing this year."

Jackson is two points away from entering the top 10 in career points at Tech "It's up in the air right now," Jackson and his coach is 11 victories from the said. "But I think I'm going to be out record for all-time coaching victories.

"I don't really even think about it," The 2005-2006 Tech squad suffered Jackson said. "We don't talk about it in the locker room. We just try to take it one day at a time and just take care of

> Guard Martin Zeno said last season's disappointing 15-17 record is used as motivation for the team heading into the 2006-2007 season. "Last year was a big disappointment,"

Zeno said. "Especially playing for coach Knight, we don't want to be a team remembered for losing." Knight said after a month of practice

Saturday's opponent Sam Houston and nine new players, it is too early to State returns four starters from last tell how good or bad his team will be in February and March.

"As long as I've coached, I've "They are a really good team with always said that you've got to play 10 games to see what you've got and said. "So it's a great way for us to open who should be playing and who should be playing the most," Knight said. The Bearkats are led by point guard "We've got several new players and Jejaun Plair (12.5 points per game) and several coming back. We're trying to forward Ryan Blair (11.5 points per blend them together to find the best game, 7.9 rebounds per game). Sam combinations. For you to get an idea of what kind of lineup can play against the most different situations takes at least 10 games."

Tip-off against Sam Houston State started last season with a win against a is scheduled for 1 p.m. Saturday at the United Spirit Arena.

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Lady Raiders not looking to play part of coyote against Roadrunners

By STEPHEN MONAHAN SPORTS EDITOR

Tonight, Texas Tech is scheduled to host Texas-San Antonio for three open-

since the 1981-1982 season under Donna court.

follow the former coach of the Lady Raiders will be the official debut of coach Kristy Curry, who was hired after Sharp officially retired in March.

Act three includes the introduction of three true freshmen — guard Jordan Murphree of Brock, guard Raquel Christian of Midland and forward Natalie Thomas settled down." of Kerrville.

a 5-7 road record and returns its leading some concern as Dabbs sat out most of the scorer in forward Vivian Ewalefo, who second half in the game against Athletes averaged 12.2 points and 7.6 rebounds in Action after suffering a mild hamstring per game, and guard Terrie Davis (7.8 injury and junior Darrice Griffin sat out the ppg, 3.5 rpg).

With two key players to the Roadrunners' offense last season, Curry and intensity early.

"Having coached in that league, I completely understand that these are the games where they get so excited and fired up to play because they want to prove a point," Curry said. "We definitely have to be ready to go at the top of our game."

the chemistry of the entire team.

"Everybody has to work together as a unit in college," the senior guard said. "Not injury. one person can do it, but you have to work together a lot more and talk a lot more."

In two exhibition games this year, the Lady Raiders outscored their opponents 161-104, but struggled early in the first half

in their game against the Houston Jaguars before pulling away in the second half. In its game against Athletes in Action, Tech controlled the court for nearly 32 minutes in its 88-44 victory Sunday.

Dabbs said those two games are the First, it's the 2006-2007 season opener reason teams play warm-up games — to - Tech's first without Marsha Sharp work out the kinks on both sides of the

"You go out there and play everyone Speaking of Sharp, the second act to and kind of get a feel for the game, get a feel for being back on the court," Dabbs said. "We knew we were going to come out slow (in the first game). We knew we were going to be anxious. We knew we were going to have long shots, that's all going to come with your first game. The second game wasn't surprising that we were more

The Lady Raiders had wins in each of Last season, UTSA finished 18-12 with their exhibition games, but not without entire game with a knee injury. According to the team trainers, Griffin will be out two to three weeks after having successful knee company may need to downplay their surgery to repair a bucket-handle tear in the medial meniscus of her right knee.

> Despite the injuries days before their season-opener, Curry said her team has to move on and remain poised for the

"It's just like hopping in a car, you could have an accident, you know, you've got to Guard Brooke Baughman said being get in the car," Curry said. "If we live every vocal with her teammates contributes to day like we're worried and tentative, then we're going to play that way. '

Curry said Dabbs is ready despite the

"She's fine," the coach said. "She tells me she's fine, but it was a scary moment." Tip-off is slated for 7 p.m. today at the United Spirit Arena.

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