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# (INBRIEF)

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### Jury hears testimony in unborn-child murder trial

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Witnesses offered tearful testimony Tuesday as prosecutors tried to sway a jury to give the death penalty to a man convicted of murdering a teenage girl and their unborn child.

Jurors could start considering whether Adrian Estrada, 23, gets the death penalty or life in prison without parole as early as Wednesday.

"Instead of me pampering her she would pamper me a lot," Mary Vargas said of her daughter, Stephanie Sanchez. "I really miss her."

Estrada was convicted on Friday of capital murder in the deaths of Sanchez and her unborn child.

Sanchez, 17, was three months pregnant on Dec. 12, 2005, when she was found in her family's home.

### NATION

### Defendant videotaped police response

BOSTON (AP) — One of the men criminally charged after placing blinking cartoon advertisements around the city videotaped a police bomb squad removing one of the electronic devices, but did not tell the officers the object was harmless.

Surveillance cameras caught 27year-old Peter Berdovsky videotaping officers removing what they thought was a possible bomb.

His lawyer, Walter Prince, said Tuesday: "Mr. Berdovsky didn't do anything inappropriate.'

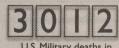
## WORLD

## Nations sign treaty to ban forced disappearances

PARIS (AP) - Nearly 60 countries signed a treaty on Tuesday that bans governments from holding people in secret detention, but the United States and some of its key European allies were not among them.

The signing capped a quartercentury of efforts by families of. people who have vanished at the hands of governments.

## **DEATH TOLL**



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# Second theater fire in 30-day period raises suspicion

By NAOMI KASKELA STAFF WRITER

A possible connection between the fires at the Boston Avenue Playhouse and Charles both of those fires," James said. E. Maedgen, Jr. Theatre has not Marshal Walter James.

Robert Loveless, a Lubbock Fire Department investigator, said Dance Web site.

he has been in contact with James some research about the Maedgen

"We have compared notes on

The fire at the Maedgen Theatre been conclusively ruled out, but took place on Jan. 16 and caused it is unlikely, said Texas Tech Fire extensive damage, according to www. Tech Department of Theater and

The anticipated completion points of origin." concerning the two fires and has done date of the repairs to the Maedgen Theatre is Sept. 1, according to the emergency call placed at 2:40 p.m. the up stage left corner of the theater Web site.

> The fire at the Boston Avenue he said. Playhouse, which is located at 4230 Boston Ave., occurred on Feb. 1 and a play when the call reporting the fire was ruled as arson, Loveless said.

"By processing the scene, we were depts.ttu.edu/theatreanddance, the able to determine it was an incendi- was not caused by arson, James said, damages, Loveless said.

Loveless said he believed the 911

Tech students were rehearsing for Dance Web site. was made, he said.

ary fire, meaning it was intentionally but it is being called undetermined set," he said. "There were multiple with the possible cause being faulty

electrical wiring.

"It appears that faulty wiring in was made by a Tech faculty member, is the likely culprit," according to the Tech Department of Theater and

In contrast, the fire at the Boston Avenue Playhouse, though having The fire at the Maedgen Theatre multiple origins, resulted in minor

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Huskers hold Jarrius Jackson to five points, wins on last second 3-pointer



STEVE LEWIS/The Daily Tore NEBRASKA TEAMMATES TACKLE Cornhusker guard Charles Richardson after he hit the game-winning 3-pointer as time expired in Nebraska's 61-59 win over Texas Tech. See Page 8 for recap.

# Watchdogs say Homeland Security thwarts investigations

By BEVERLEY LUMPKIN ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government lawyers have hampered investigations into waste and fraud at the Homeland Security Department, officials told Congress on Tuesday.

The head of the Government Accountability Office, the nonpartisan investigative arm of the Congress, and the department's own inspector general said Homeland Security officials, particularly lawyers in the general counsel's office, had delayed probes and demanded inappropriate access to interviews with Skinner. "It's not a denial of information, but it's very cumemployees. There was no suggestion of criminality.

Homeland Security Department spokesman Russ Knocke denied the allegations, terming them inaccurate and unfair. He said there are many times that investigators from both offices have interviewed employees without attorneys present and that the general counsel's office is involved only when sensitive information is discussed.

Both investigators told a House subcommittee that numerous inquiries into waste, abuse or management problems had "the tone is set from the top" and that Homeland Security

been delayed.

"They're not very responsive. They don't give information quickly," said David Walker, head of the GAO.

"Every document we seek to review has to be reviewed replied the panel's chairman, Rep. David Price, D-N.C. Cher-(first) by the general counsel's office," Walker added. He said the department's general counsel wants to "sit in on every interview," which he deemed inappropriate.

Walker said when there are more lawyers than other staff involved, "you've got problems."

"I agree wholeheartedly," said Inspector General Richard bersome to obtain information."

Skinner also said that having a supervisor or attorney present when his office interviews an employee "sets a chilling effect" and tells the employee he's presumed not to be

Until his resignation last month, the general counsel was Phil Perry, son-in-law of Vice President Dick Cheney.

Walker and Skinner told the House subcommittee that

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Secretary Michael Chertoff himself needs to address the situ-

toff is due on Thursday to make his first appearance before the

ers to send a message to all employees explaining what his office

does, and how to contact it. He said the draft letter had been

detailed page on the department's intranet Web page that

is available to all employees. Knocke said that is the usual

mechanism for communicating with nearly 200,000 employees

message was sent as a letter to all employees by Deputy Secretary

Michael Jackson. The Associated Press reported last week that

However, Knocke acknowledged that a recent "all hands"

subcommittee since Democrats took control of Congress.

"sitting in the general counsel's office" since last summer.

"You can be assured that we're hearing you loud and clear,"

Skinner also complained that he had asked department lead-

Knocke said the inspector general has an informative and

# Tech police blotter

By PAUL ROBERTS STAFF WRITER

Feb. 2

Texas Tech police investigated a traffic accident in the 3600 block of 5th Street. Police said the non-student involved in the accident was released

Tech police investigated debit card abuse in the Student Union Building. Police said a student claimed she had her unsecured debit card stolen from the building.

Tech police were called to the Z-4P parking lot to investigate four different instances of a vehicle burglary. Police said four students' vehicles were broken into, and several personal items from each vehicle were stolen.

Tech police responded to a fire alarm in the Art Building. According to reports, the alarm sounded because a flow switch malfunctioned.

tents were stolen from a ninth-floor released to responsible party. bathroom. According to reports, the purse was left unattended on a shelf. Feb. 3

Tech police investigated a theft incident in the laundry room of Stangle

Residence Hall. Police said two Nike jerseys were taken from the room.

Tech police investigated criminal mischief in a rest room of Bledsoe Residence Hall. Police said a water-supply pipe leading to a toilet in the rest room was damaged, causing the hallway to flood.

A non-student was arrested by police pending the filing of charges of driving for public intoxication on the 11th floor without a valid license. No injuries were of Coleman Residence Hall. According to reports, the non-student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

Feb. 4

Tech police were called to the third floor of the Geosciences Building to investigate a possible gas leak. According to reports, a professor suspected a mysterious odor was caused by a gas leak inside the building. Police said emergency maintenance was notified to check the area and no gas leaks were found.

Tech police arrested a non-student for driving without a valid license in the 600 block of Indiana Avenue. Police said the suspect conducted a traffic violation which lead to the traffic stop. The A resident of Chitwood Residence suspect was transported to the Lubbock Hall told police her purse and its con- County Jail and the suspect's vehicle was

Tech police investigated criminal mischief on the fifth floor of the Gates Residence Hall. According to reports, a window was broken.

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# Fire

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Neither fire resulted in injuries. The rehearsals taking place at the theater were probably not hindered by the theater, he said.

"It was my understanding that they were still going to rehearse that night,' Loveless said.

The Maedgen Theatre fire caused play locations to be moved to new sites, including to the Boston Avenue Playhouse. Faculty, staff and teaching

assistants were relocated to the Administration Building, according to the Tech Department of Theater and Dance Web site.

No one has been singled out as a suspect behind the arson at the Boston Avenue Playhouse fire, Loveless said.

"We haven't been able to rule anyone in or out," he said.

Reasons for the arson have not been determined either, he said. Further investigation will take place this week.

"There are a still witnesses we need to talk to," Loveless said.

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# Perry proposes monthly payments to help poor buy health insurance

Perry wants to cut the number of uninsured Texans in half by giving low-income workers a monthly company.

Perry's "Healthier Texans" plan, which he outlined Tuesday in his biennial State of the State speech, calls for spending about \$625 million a year on monthly premium subsidies of up to \$150 per person.

"One of the greatest obstacles to individual prosperity is the rising cost of health care," Perry said. Years of hard work and savings can be wiped out with the onset of one life-threatening illness."

Lawmakers and advocates for doctors and the poor praised the governor for bringing attention

health insurance, according to a of four. study released last week by the Texas in the country.

But many were hesitant to embrace the plan before seeing more details, especially on Perry's proposal to partially pay for it by selling the state lottery.

"I'm not real excited about selling the lottery," said state Sen. Jane Nelson, a Republican from Flower Mound who chairs the Senate's health and according to the Texas Department more than 450 hospitals. human services committee. "But, you of Insurance. know, there are certainly many ways we could look at funding ensuring that all Texans have access to quality health care."

About 2 million uninsured Texans would qualify for Perry's program, to the growing problem of the which would be limited to those mak-

more than 5.5 million people, lack limit — or about \$40,000 for a family ment for the uninsured that would

stipend to help them buy coverage Health Institute. The nonpartisan based on a sliding scale according to money would come from redirected through their employer or a private think tank said that's the highest rate income and need, Perry spokeswoman federal funds that now go to hospitals Krista Moody said. She didn't know what percentage of people would receive the full \$150 or what the average stipend would be.

A \$150 stipend would cover about one-third of the average health insurance premium for a single adult with

would cover the rest of the cost.

People who work for companies that don't offer health insurance could buy catastrophic insurance from a private company, Moody said.

Selling the lottery would let the

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Rick uninsured. One in four Texans, or ingless than twice the federal poverty state establish a \$2.7 billion endowgenerate nearly \$250 million a year The monthly stipend would be in interest, Perry said. The rest of the to help cover the cost of caring for the uninsured.

> Although Moody said hospitals costs would go down because more fewer patients would lack insurance, that part of the plan still troubled officials with the Texas Hospital Associacoverage through their employer, tion, a powerful group that lobbies for

"While premium assistance is an Participants and their employers appropriate goal, that's not going to cause uncompensated care to drop immediately," said John Hawkins, the group's vice president for government relations. "We need to make sure we maintain that safety net at some

# Suicide attacker killed at Islamabad airport, three police wounded

RAWALPINDI, Pakistan said, without elaborating. (AP) - Police thwarted a suicide attack on the airport serving Pakistan's capital late Tuesday, officials said. A shootout about 200 yards from the international terminal killed the assailant and

wounded three police. It follows a Jan. 26 suicide bombing at Islamabad's Marriott Hotel and fueled fears that pro-Taliban militants could be targeting Pakistan's cities in airstrike on an al-Qaida hideout near the Afghan border.

Interior Minister Aftab Khan Sherpao said it was the sixth militant attack in the past 15 days - mostly suicide bombings in Pakistan's northwestern frontier near the Afghan border. "They (the attacks) are interlinked," he got out of the car, opened fire with

Witnesses said the forecourt of the airport terminal was crowded with hundreds of people when the attack happened around 9:10 p.m. Mohammed Sarib, who was at the airport to collect someone arriving on a flight, said he saw a man exchanging fire with security officials. "That man later blew himself up," he told The Associ-

The attack disrupted some doretaliation for a recent army mestic flights at the airport, located in Islamabad's twin city of Rawalpindi, but airport manager Ashfaq Hussain said the first scheduled international flight was due to take off as planned early Wednesday.

> Sherpao said the attacker arrived at the airport in a yellow cab, was challenged by airport security,

a pistol and threw a grenade. After closed all gates leading to the airdropped a second grenade that had shattered windshields. exploded, killing him.

did not detonate.

A security official, speaking on condition of anonymity because he airport security guards were woundwas not authorized to comment to ed in the attack, one seriously. journalists, said the taxi driver told investigators that he had picked up and its airport, about seven miles the attacker at a toll booth on the away, are among the tightest in outskirts of Islamabad.

The attacker, who appeared but the body was intact.

Police taped off the area and

an exchange of fire, the attacker port. Some cars in the parking lot

Moravet Ali Shah, deputy-Interior Ministry Secretary inspector general of Rawalpindi Kamal Shah said the assailant had police, would not say whether any explosives strapped to his body that officials had been expected later on Tuesday night.

He said one policeman and two

Security measures in Islamabad the country.

However, in December 2003, to be a Pashtun tribesman in his al-Qaida bombers targeted Presi-30s, had a thick, bushy beard, an dent Gen. Pervez Musharraf twice Associated Press reporter saw. He within 11 days in Rawalpindi, had a bullet wound in the chest and which houses the headquarters of deep wounds in the legs and groin, Pakistan's army. Musharraf escaped unhurt but at least 16 other people were killed.

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# Homeland

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a survey found Homeland Security employees ranking last in job satisfaction of 36 federal agencies. Jackson wrote it was a "clear and jolting mes- ment failings recently revealed about taking seriously.

That survey also came up at Tuesday's hearing, with Rep. Jose Serrano, D-N.Y., questioning the two watchould have an impact on national security.

stem from combining 22 disparate Martin and Northrop Grumman. agencies when the department was

have suffered from "very, very severe reorganized his staff, named a new competition, jealousies, cultural differences, inability to get along with one program and rewrite the contract. another, inability or refusal to share Skinner quoted Allen as saying he information.'

The panel also explored managesage" that department leadership was two enormous long-term contracts the new border security program, the the department has put in the hands of private companies.

gram was severely criticized by Skinner

new agencies born from the old Thad Allen, who Skinner said has portions at a time.

Customs and Immigration agencies taken the critique seriously and has assistant commandant to oversee the would "put the Coast Guard back in the driver's seat."

There has also been criticism of Secure Border Initiative, that Skinner has estimated could end up costing The Coast Guard's Deepwater probetween \$8 billion and \$25 billion.

Walker noted that department dogs on whether such bad morale last month. The \$24 billion, 25-year officials had learned from their Deepprogram to modernize the agency's water problems and are moving more fleet is being run by a joint venture cautiously on the program, which Skinner said some morale problems of two defense contractors, Lockheed covers both physical fencing and beefing up cameras, sensors and other Skinner said he had recently spo- technology on the border, and have created in 2003. For example, the ken with Coast Guard Commandant been allocating funds for only small

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# New site allows students to exchange class notes

By BEN MAKI STAFF WRITER

easier.

major from San Antonio, created the Web site www.ttuwiki.com to keep track of his own notes, and he has to post their own notes as well.

"I started it to help me keep track one get involved.'

The "wiki" in the site name is a reference to the fact anyone can post information on the site. The Web site in no way is affiliated with Tech.

help students catch up on informa-

said. "I see 100 people taking the with them in the future." same notes in a class you can't find in class, you could potentially go to the the Web site. site and get the notes."

more marketing major from Flower munications, said if students begin Mound, said she believes the site posting test questions and answers on mainly will help students who skip the Web site, there could be possible their classes.

"I think it would be a benefit to brecher said. "I would probably use it only if I missed something important in class.

Zars said he started the Web site services.' this semester, so there is not yet much posted on the site.

in the College of Mass Communications, said the site may have noble intentions, but Zars has a duty to ensure the Web site is maintained responsibly.

"Maybe he is trying to glorify free speech, and I can't criticize that," free speech. I want to put 'responsible' between those two words because anybody can say anything, but responsible speech is what we should really value. I don't know if he's being irresponsible. My guess is students have been exchanging notes and test them take notes and tests."

He said www.ttuwiki.com has the potential to become like the age attendance. As a compromise, well-known "wiki" Web site: www. he makes a podcast available to help wikipedia.com.

"Most responsible researchers public cesspool of society," Wernsthe false and the truth all in there."

Wernsman said students have an use it for a definition I missed."

proaches to the Web site.

"I could see this having a constructive purpose," he said. "If you're A Texas Tech senior may have a serious student and read the chapter made keeping track of class notes and do the exercises, you could go to this site and compare. If you're Leif Zars, a computer science walking along the street and you find somebody's notebook and it's full of exercises you have to do, you could steal them if you have no principles made it available for all Tech students or you can use them in a constructive way or you could ignore them."

Wernsman said professors should of my own stuff," Zars said, "but after not be concerned with adjusting their a while, I figured why not let every- curriculum to stop a few cheaters because it could short-change the honest students.

"How much energy do I want to spend to circumvent lazy, cheating students?" Wernsman said. "It seems Zars said the site is designed to a good instructor is going to prioritize 'What can I do for the students in my tion they may have missed from class who are serious about learning?" If somebody figures out a way to cheat "Knowledge is a free thing," Zars and beat the system, it will catch up

At press time, there were notes books. I thought it would be nice to from classes and homework assignhave it all in one place. If you miss a ments with the answers provided on

Ed Youngblood, an assistant pro-Kristen Steinbrecher, a sopho- fessor in the College of Mass Comlegal action taken.

"One thing to remember is a lot those who don't go to class," Stein- of tests are copyrighted," he said. "In fact, the university encourages us to put copyright notices on there. We started doing that because of test

Youngblood said he believes using the Web site is a dangerous idea Robert Wernsman, an instructor if students trust all the information

"If there are three people in a class and only one is taking notes; that puts a lot of trust in that one person," he said. "You have to know the person putting the material on the Web site knows what they are Wernsman said. "I'm a proponent of doing. You might have better luck with the large Wikipedia in general because with such a large group of people, you have a better chance of having someone catch the wrong information.'

He said he used to make his notes available on his Web site, but people information since we started making stopped coming to class. He now utilizes pop quizzes and interactive small-group discussions to encourstudents review for his tests.

"If there was something wrong, consider (wikipedia.com) to be the I'd help post the correct information," said Valerie Valdez, a freshman man said. "It has the good, the bad, psychology major from Woodrow. "I don't like skipping class; I would only

opportunity to take a number of ap- benjamin.maki@ttu.edu

# Religious community split on HPV mandate

By ANNA SCHUMANN STAFF WRITER

Gov. Rick Perry's decision to make human papilloma virus (HPV) vaccinations required for girls entering the

Criticism has come from religious groups who believe the vaccination will encourage girls to have sex and from state senators and representatives who feel-they were neglected in the legislative process.

According to press releases issued by Perry's office, Perry issued an executive order Friday directing the Texas Health and Human Services Commission to adopt rules requiring all girls between 11 and 12 years of age to receive the vaccine prior to entering sixth grade.

In the release, Perry said he believes requiring the vaccine is a responsible health and fiscal policy.

Facing criticisms that being vaccinated will simply encourage girls to have sex, Perry said in the press release

"The HPV vaccine does not promote sex; it protects women's health. In the past, young women who have abstained from sex until marriage have contracted HPV from their husbands and faced the difficult task of defeating cervical cancer. This vaccine prevents that from happening," Perry said in the statement. "Providing the HPV vaccine doesn't promote sexual promiscuity any more than providing the Hepatitis B vaccine promotes drug use. If the medical community developed a vaccine for lung cancer, would the same critics oppose it claiming it would encourage smoking?"

Texas State Senator Jane Nelson (R-Lewisville) joined members of the Texas House in opposing Perry's executive order. According to a press release issued by Nelson's office, Nelson said there is no need for an executive order in a non-emergency situation.

"Executive orders should be used in extreme circumstances, during times of emergency and when the legislature is not in session," Nelson said in the statement. "We need to be afforded the opportunity to carefully study how this would affect our budget, parental rights and most importantly, the health of our daughters.'

According to the same release, state representative Jim Keffer questions the legality of the order.

According to Perry's release, parents may choose not to vaccinate their daughters for reasons of conscience, such as religious reasons.

Jay Byer, pastor at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Lubbock, said he believes the decision to vaccinate children should be left up to parents. Byer, who has a 19-year-old daughter, said he believes parents need infor- process.

mation about any vaccine and possible side effects before allowing children to be vaccinated.

"All we talk about is abstinence-only in regards to protection and have no desixth grade as of September 2008 has bate on the options," he said. "Now, all of drawn attention and criticism across a sudden, there's a mandate on a vaccine? It seems like an overreaction to me."

Byer said he is also concerned about funding for those who can not afford the vaccination

Sherry Grusendorf, a secretary at St. Perry did not go through the legislative the issue than the Perry has let on.

should have gone through the legislative cination. branch. I agree with Joe Heflin (R-Crosbyton.) He's an elected official, and I didn't know elected officials don't count. All it took was an executive order and the legislative branches are out."

Grusendorf, who is Heflin's cousin, said she believes because Perry's former Chief of Staff Mike Toomey now works Elizabeth University Parish in Lubbock, as a lobbyist for Merck, the vaccination's said her problem with the mandate is manufacturer, there is more involved in

Gregory Shehan, who also works "If it will prevent cancer, I don't see at St. Elizabeth University Parish, said the problem with it," she said. "I don't his biggest problem with the mandate like the way it was mandated; I think it is the lack of knowledge about the vac-

"It hasn't been tested very much," he said. "Merck hasn't had the greatest track record."

Representatives from Merck could not be reached for comment.

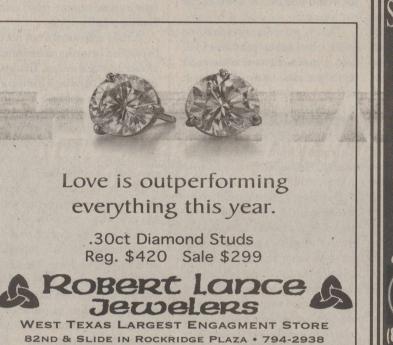
Grusendorf said overall she believes Perry's decision was good.

"I think his heart was in the right spot, but he may have jumped the gun,"

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PHYSICS INSTRUCTOR GEGE Nevis (middle) helps Josh Willson, a sophomore Chemical engineering major from Lubbock, and Chelsia Housewright, a senior mechanical engineering major from Richardson, understand how to test electrical resistance in the physics lab Tuesday afternoon.



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# Gay marriage: reason will prevail

O, maybe it's because I was born with a naturally understanding nature, or perhaps it has something to do with the fact my mom had gay men as close friends when I was growing up. Personally, I believe it's because I've always preferred making up my think by others.

worthy of respect.

ago. It's so easy to look back now together. and see how wrong we were about human rights then.

as ignorant today. But, just as we living together and not need to learned our lesson then, I feel be married (as if that would be confident we will lean it again. The personally acceptable for anyone arguments against gay marriage vomiting-up that opinion) — but are quickly crumbling around the what the issue actually comes back heads of those who spout them.

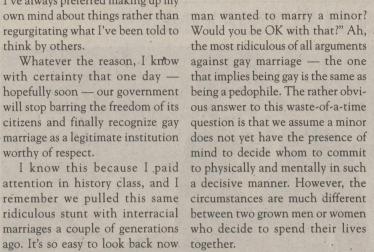
There is a song coming from

In the lyrics of this song — and our society. from the mouths of many critics drastic comparison, it is at least a in this possibility. valid point. Why would someone least legal) perks?

doesn't affect you in any way; it has Well yes. Yes it would. nothing at all to do with your life. If two people are happy together, let them be.

that philosophy, what if a grown ttu.edu.





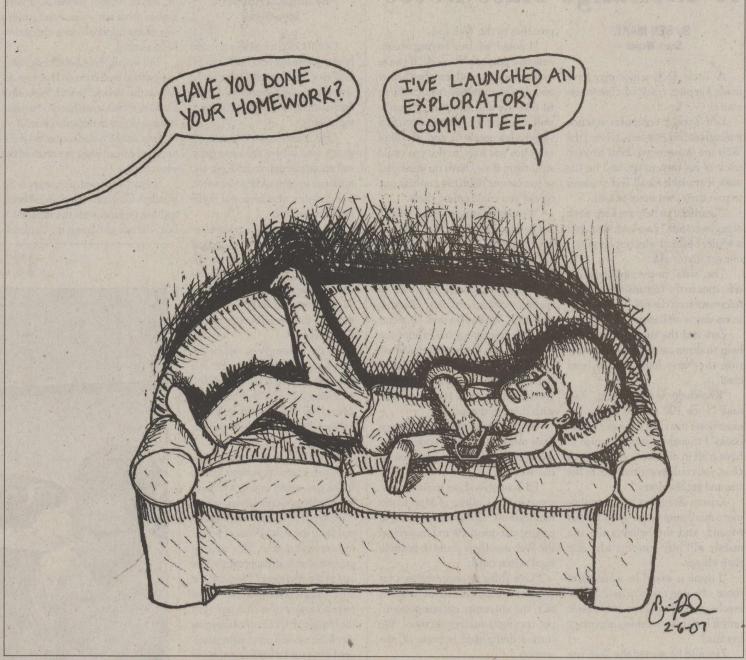
There are other similarly weak arguments against gay marriage It's sad we are still being just — like they should just be happy to is choice.

As often happens with unthe Westboro Baptist Church that founded arguments, the people on has gotten a bit of media attention the side of the irrational pave the recently. It's entitled "God Hates way to their own end. One of the Fags." There's been enough said most outlandish articles I read on about the hypocrisy of religion in this subject indicated all would the pages of The Daily Toreador end well with the issue of gay lately, and I don't think I need to marriage because — given a few elaborate on the stupidity of this more generations — homosexualclaim. You may judge for yourself. ity would just evolve itself out of

This is actually a fascinating of gay marriage - you can hear point I had never considered bethe puritan argument that being fore. I mean, homosexuals can't homosexual is a volitional choice reproduce and, as we all know, it that people could simply refuse to isn't just survival of the fittest. It make. One of my mom's gay friends is the survival and procreation of used to say that choosing to be the fittest that ensures who makes gay would be like choosing to be it to the next round of evolution. black during the time of slavery. Although I must say, I don't see While I think this is a somewhat much likelihood (or any necessity)

But wait. Well, it's just that, for choose a life of ridicule, judgment homosexuality to be able evolve and scorn when the alternative was itself away, wouldn't it have to be easier and had more social (or at genetic? And if it's genetic - well, gee - doesn't that mean that it I have an uncle on the side of actually isn't a choice? Wouldn't the irrational on this topic; the that mean homosexuals are natuother day he said, "Taryn, if you rally attracted to members of their start allowing gay marriage then own sex just as I am naturally atare you going to allow people to be tracted to members of the opposite married to more than one person?" sex? And wouldn't that mean it (Interesting concern coming from a isn't some curable confusion but is Mormon.) Look, why do any of you rather ingrained in the very buildcare who someone is married to? It ing blocks of who that person is?

**■** Chesshire is a junior creative My uncle carried it one step writing major from Gatesville. further when he said, "Well, with E-mail her at taryn.c.chesshire@



# Iranian ideology is irreversible and spreading

Tam punished when I lie. A lesson should be learned from my punish-Iment. It's to make me learn about consequences; negative results come from my negative actions.

A child understands if he's not to be punished, he needs to dissemble and produce a mirage of remorse. This dupes everybody and his behavior goes unpuncitizens suffer. ished. His shape shifting is rewarded; survival has come to the fittest

How do you prevent something that morphs its appearance? With Middle East. And for what? a deep sigh, you hope; you hope to and try and try.

We have been trying. For 28 presidencies, we tried. We wined and dined, we played good cop/bad cop and we sought an intervention with their neighbors. Each time, each promise, each opportunity was met with another disappointment.

America's Cold War policies led to the Iranian Revolution. Iran's president, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, is a child of its revolution — a populist anti-American words preached by Ayatollah Khomeini.

I am terrified of Ahmadinejad. massacred." This new kid has not played nice. He's



He finances instability - Hamas in Gaza, Shia militias in Iraq and Hezbollah in Lebanon. They all engender hell to the

stay ahead of them. But hope is a ber, his main mission is "to pave the could be so, so much worse. fleeting disposition; what's needed is path for the glorious reappearance of determination and sureness. You try Imam Mahdi, may Allah hasten his reappearance."

Shiites believe the 12th imam disapyears, stretching over five American peared as a child in the year 941. When ideology. he returns, he will "reign on earth for judgment and the end of the world."

Iranians prepare for the return of the Mahdi by turning the country into a great Islamic society. There's a "messiah hot Middle East. line," and news agencies devote coverage to the latest developments.

Ahmadinejad also does not believe the Holocaust occurred. He held an radical who lives and breathes the international conference on it that had representatives from 30 countries: "They have invented a myth that lews were

He calls for Israel's eradication: "As a compassionless and cold-hearted the Imam said, Israel must be wiped off

God willing, with the force of God refusal to talk to Iran. Ahmadinejad's behind it, we shall soon experience a party recently lost in local elections; world without the United States and the Iranian populace appears not to be The world is faced with a madman at

the helm of a country who could cause instability from Lubbock to Timbuktu. We cannot put him in a corner; he requires our nation's complete attention. This would require lots of resources — some- if he told me the sky was blue. thing our nation does not have. The same

As Ahmadinejad stated in Novem- Iraq's instability seem like child's play. It in Iran. We saw it in Iraq and in North

prices would skyrocket, a panic would worst-case scenarios were realized. I ideology would become the Middle East's repeat itself.

seven years, before bringing about a final of today and tomorrow. Setting change in Iran is the key to everything. It's the it, it will be too late. key to peace in Gaza, Lebanon and Iraq. It's the key to lasting peace in the

Administration's last six years is its ttu.edu.

entirely behind him. Elmor Fudd now has a chance to capture Bugs Bunny.

But why should I be optimistic? We've been screwing up in Iran for more than 30 years. And I don't know about you, but I would not trust this president

This is not meant for me to share with The scary thing is if you believe it you my worst-case scenario, but to share can't get any worse, Iran would make with you what I think will be the scenario Korea. The talks, the empty threats of A real axis of evil would exist. Energy our negotiations did not succeed. Our ensue. No one would be spared. Iran's cannot help but think that history will

No longer will the mighty Atlantic Yesterday's troubles are the troubles and Pacific Oceans be able to protect us. We need change, and by the time we get

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# World events in brief

## House leaders move to open debate on measure opposing Bush's military buildup in Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Democratic-controlled House is planning to vote next week on opposing President Bush's Iraq troop buildup in a wartime clash between Congress and commander

The precise nature of the nonbinding measure remains to be determined, officials said Tuesday, although Brendan Daly, a spokesman for Speaker Nancy Pelosi, said Leaked video details exchange it would focus on "our opposition to the surge" in troops.

implementing Bush's order to raise troop levels by 21,500, part of a plan to help quell sectarian violence in Baghdad.

Across the Capitol on the Senate side, Defense Secretary Robert Gates said Tuesday that U.S. forces might be able to start leaving Iraq before the end of the year — if daunting conditions including subdued violence and political reconciliation are met.

In Iraq, however, Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki said the Baghdad security operation that the buildup was designed to help was starting slowly and insurgents were responding by killing as many people as possible.

### Iraqi prime minister urges commanders to get Baghdad security operation started

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki complained Tuesday the long-awaited Baghdad security operation was off to a slow start and warned that insurgents are taking advantage of the delay to kill as many people as possible.

But he also reassured Iraqis that security forces will live up to their responsibilities.

The statement came as new checkpoints were erected and increased vehicle inspections and foot patrols were reported in some neighborhoods — providing the main evidence so far that U.S. and Iraqi forces were gearing up for a major neighborhood-to-neighborhood

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sweep to quell sectarian violence in ron was disciplined in the U.S. the city of 6 million.

Underscoring the dangers as the U.S. augments its force by 21,500 as part of the plan, the U.S. military announced the deaths of two more troops, including a soldier who was killed Tuesday by small arms fire at a security post southwest of Baghdad, and a Marine who died Monday in Anbar province, west of the capital.

At least 51 Iraqis also were killed or found dead around the country, including eight slain by two car and recording begins with two bombs in Baghdad.

# between 2 American pilots The Pentagon is in the midst of after 2003 friendly fire kill

LONDON (AP) - A leaked cockpit video published Tuesday captures a dramatic exchange between two American pilots whose voices choke up when they learn they have killed a British soldier in a 2003 friendly fire incident in Iraq. "I'm going to be sick," one pilot says, later adding "we're in jail, dude."

Despite British requests, the said he learned about a CIA Pentagon had refused to release the officer from Vice President Dick video to the family of Lance Cpl. Matty Hull, who died when at least one U.S. jet fired on his convoy in the southern city of Basra. But after excerpts of the video were published in The Sun newspaper, and the footage was widely broadcast, U.S. authorities agreed to release it for the British inquest.

Neither pilot from the Boise, Idaho-based 190th Fighter Squad-

military's own investigation, which concluded the pilots "followed the procedures and processes for engaging targets," Pentagon spokesman Bryan Whitman said

The leaking of the tape strained relations between the Department of Defense and their British counterparts, who were previously given a DVD of the classified video.

The dramatic cockpit video pilots identifying a target and checking with ground control that there are no coalition troops in the area — to which ground control says, "That is an affirm. You are well clear of friendlies," according to the transcript released by The Sun.

## Libby describes forgetting, relearning CIA operative's identity in grand jury tapes

WASHINGTON (AP) - On grand jury audiotapes played at his trial on Tuesday, former White House aide I. Lewis Libby Cheney, forgot it, then learned it again from NBC News reporter Tim Russert a month later.

The complicated history of Libby's recollections is at the heart of his perjury and obstruction trial in exposing of the identity of Valerie Plame, a CIA employee. She is married to war critic and former Ambassador

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# Astronaut accused of attempting to kidnap romantic rival, charged with attempted murder

tions was charged with attempted fellow astronaut. first-degree murder Tuesday and

serious bodily injury or death," said Orlando Police Sgt. Barb Jones, knife, rubber tubing and large garbage bags that police found in Lisa Marie Nowak's possession.

captain and married mother of battery, destruction of evidence Shipman.

she could be freed on \$15,500 bail provided she stayed away from the home address, the arrest affidavit other woman and wore a monitor- said. ing device. But the judge increased attempted murder charges.

Nowak was released from jail late Tuesday afternoon with a jacket covering her head. She was whereabouts.

If convicted of attempted murlife in prison, authorities said.

last July aboard space shuttle Chris Ferguson attended the earlier hearing.

"Our primary concern is her changed."

Ferguson said he was "per- cording to the arrest affidavit. plexed" by Nowak's alleged ac-

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — A spray when she confronted a wom- launch and re-entry. NASA astronaut accused of try- an she believed was a competitor

Oefelein, 41, piloted the space released from jail after posting shuttle Discovery in December. He and Nowak trained together but "The intent was there to do never flew a mission together. Nowak told police that her re-

lationship with Oefelein was "more referring to a new steel mallet, than a working relationship but tried to open the car door and less than a romantic relationship," according to an arrest affidavit. Inside Nowak's vehicle, which

Nowak, a 43-year-old Navy was parked at a nearby motel, authorities found a pepper spray three, had already been charged package, an unused BB-gun carwith attempted kidnapping, at- tridge, latex gloves and e-mails tempted vehicle burglary with between Oefelein and Colleen

They also found a letter "that A judge earlier Tuesday said indicated how much Mrs. Nowak loved Mr. Oefelein" and Shipman's

Police said Nowak told them that amount after prosecutors filed that she only wanted to scare Shipman into talking to her about her harm her.

"If you were just going to talk escorted by chief astronaut Steve to someone, I don't know that you Lindsey and a bail bondsman on would need a wig, a trench coat, her way to get fitted for an ankle an air cartridge BB gun and pepper bracelet that would track her spray," Jones said. "It's just really a very sad case."

Defense attorney Donald Lykder, she faces between 30 years and kebak said Tuesday that he believes Lindsey, who flew with Nowak filed because police were unhappy rules against fraternizing among to the international space station Nowak would be released on bail.

"I guess they didn't like the rul-Discovery, and fellow astronaut ing in court this morning, did they? You think they would have done it if she was still in jail?" he said.

According to authorities, Nowak health and well-being and that believed Shipman was romantically she get through this," Lindsey involved with Oefelein, and when told reporters later. "Her status she found out Shipman was flying to (with the astronaut corps) has not Orlando from Houston, she decided to confront her early Monday, ac-

Dressed in a wig and a trench ing to kidnap a romantic rival for the affections of Navy Cmdr. coat, she waited for Shipman's for a space shuttle pilot's affec- William Oefelein, an unmarried plane to land and then boarded the same airport shuttle bus Shipman took to get to her car, police said. Shipman told police she noticed someone following her, hurried inside the car and locked the doors, according to the arrest affidavit.

Nowak rapped on the window, asked for a ride. Shipman refused but rolled down the car window a few inches when Nowak started crying, the statement said. Nowak then sprayed a chemical into Shipman's car, the affidavit said. Shipman drove to the parking lot booth and police were called.

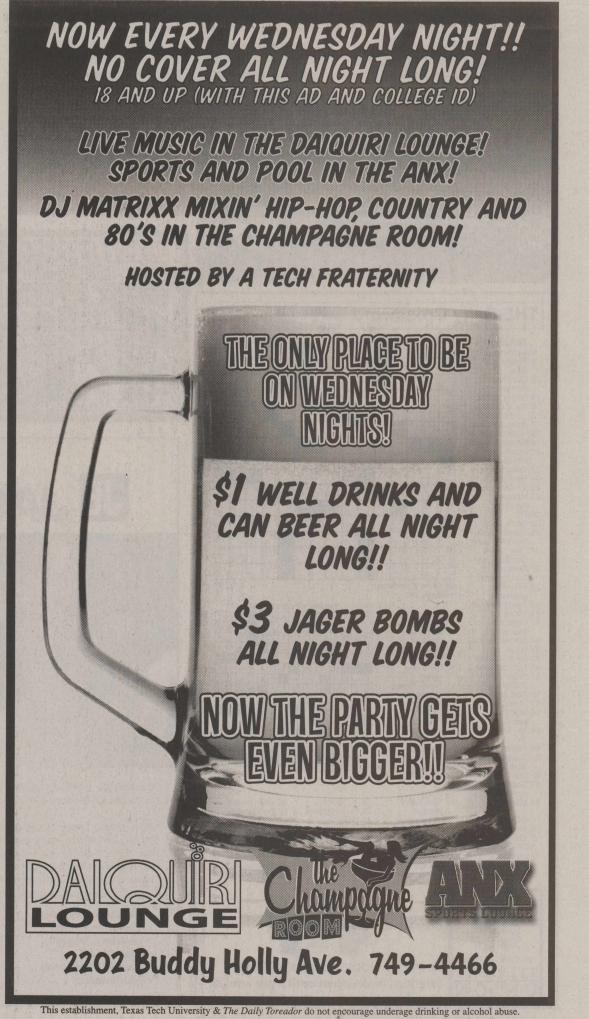
An officer reported following Nowak and watching her throw away a bag containing the wig and BB gun. Police also found a steel mallet, a 4-inch folding knife, rubber tubing, \$600 and garbage bags inside a bag Nowak was carrying when she was arrested, authorities said.

Oefelein and Shipman, who relationship and didn't want to worked at Patrick Air Force Base near the Kennedy Space Center, did not immediately return calls seeking comment.

NASA spokesman James Hartsfield in Houston said that, as of Monday, Nowak's status with the astronaut corps remained unchanged. "What will happen beyond that, I will not speculate," the attempted murder charge was he said. He said there were no astronauts.

According to NASA's official biography, Nowak is a Naval Academy graduate who has a master's degree in aeronautical engineering. She has a teenage son and younger twin girls.

Oefelein has two children and began his aviation career as a teenager flying floatplanes in Alaska, according to a NASA biography. He studied electrical engineering Nowak raced from Houston to at Oregon State University and Orlando wearing diapers in the car later earned a master's degree in Police said Nowak drove 900 so she wouldn't have to stop to go aviation systems at the University miles, donned a disguise and was to the bathroom, authorities said. of Tennessee Space Institute. He armed with a BB gun and pepper Astronauts wear diapers during has been an astronaut since 1998.



# Moreland to love: Texas musician to rock Hub City Thursday

By JEREMY REYNOLDS STAFF WRITER

Doug Moreland's Cadillac is painted like the Texas flag and has an interior built like that of a 'all the time," he said. "It's one of my

Recently, Moreland toured Austin in his car along with reporters how to explain his style of music. He from The Travel Channel as a part said his sound could be described as Travel Guide."

"I just took them around the city showing them all my favorite bars," Moreland said.

When the South Plains College The Travel Channel, he's a touring

music, and the next stop on his summer. touring schedule will bring him to The Blue Light in Lubbock.

"I used to come up to Lubbock favorite places."

conglomerate.

"This is a pretty new band I put together recently," he said.

Two members of Moreland's band came from South Plains Colgraduate is not touring Austin with lege like him; one band mate is still

"We're playing in a couple of said. "We're heading to Japan in Day." October."

Moreland doesn't quite know in Panama because of the warm temperatures and friendly people.

There're a lot of ex-patriots down

Moreland said traveling to various venues has not taken any kind of edge off.

"I'm on my way to a fair in San Moreland's touring takes him Antonio right now," he said during shows a sell it there," he said. Moreland recently released a across the Lone Star State, down a telephone interview. "I'm going

dog.'

music festivals over there," he named January 11 "Doug Moreland on stage.

Moreland said he enjoys playing day off, but it's still a nice gesture from the city," he said.

and decided to go surfing all day. carve animals out of blocks of wood singer. with a chain saw. Carving is a hobby money by selling those wooden act. animals.

In addition to spending time you try to step up there with a full

has to find the opportunity to train it's hard to convince people." In January, the mayor of Austin his dog how to do tricks with him

"I don't think anybody gets the he said died a few years ago, used to clubs, people would ask him to play Moreland has a lot on his plate. Leno, and since then Moreland has "I've got some friends that moved In his spare time, which he said he been trying to get away from the play some of his older songs. of a series called "Not Your Average a mix of Jimmy Buffet and some big down there," he said. "They retired doesn't have much of, he likes to image of being the comedy country

"There's still going to be comedy "I bring the merchandise to in the show," he said. I've done a lot of comedy stuff because it's easy. If

self-titled album of western-swing to Panama and even to Europe this to have a funnel cake and a corn carving animals out of wood, he band doing what I really like to do,

Convincing people has become easier for Moreland. He said when Moreland's previous dog, which he started out playing at bars and play the fiddle with Moreland. The songs by other artists. He said people two were on the Late Show with Jay nowadays have stopped screaming "Freebird" and started requesting he

"The big eyes must be working," he said. "The music business is about Moreland's new CD has a more the hardest business there is, but I he picked up a few years ago when serious tone to it, and he has taken wouldn't trade it for anything. You he learned he could make a lot of his fiddle-playing pet out of his get beat up everyday, but I'll do it with a smile on my face."

Doors to Moreland's Lubbock performance open at 9 p.m. Thursday at The Blue Light.

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**By CHALEY ZACHMEIER** THE DAILY AZTEC (SAN DIEGO STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) SAN DIEGO — I was a late bloomer in the "Lost" phenomenon. A friend gave me his copy of the first season and, after coaxing, I decided to give it a try. After four days, hundreds of wasted hours and a trip to Blockbuster, ments of both the movie "Cast Away" I was all caught up with the intricate and the reality show "Survivor." What storyline and ready to watch the second episode of the third season.

I'm not alone as the pilot alone had 18.65 million viewers biting their nails dozens of plots and even more flashin anticipation. "Lost" only continued to gain popularity, recently winning six Emmy awards and a Golden Globe.

Currently, the show has millions of irritated fans because season three on an island somewhere en route from stopped after a few unsatisfying episodes and was promised to begin again in are scattered on two parts of the seem-

sites will be abuzz with the new developments from the show.

A synopsis of what has happened in the show thus far could only be accomplished in a novel. ABC executives wanted a show that would bring elehas unfolded is indeed more successful and addictive than either.

With roughly 16 main characters, backs, it would be impossible to sum up the show. But in a nutshell, the main idea of "Lost" can be explained.

Oceanic Airlines flight 815 crashes Australia to Los Angeles. The survivors

February. Wednesday, the wait will be ingly deserted island and must deal show. over and hundreds of theorizing Web with all sorts of problems from that point on.

> life on the island and flashbacks into out their lives on the island. Many the lives of the characters before they boarded the plane. An intriguing part of the show is how so many of the people on board the plane and the people already on the island know each other from before the plane crash. However, that there's no theory. Rather, the only the audience is aware of most of the writers are just making the story up connections among the characters.

> Because of the intricacies of the show, many Web sites have been de- subjected to a painful television voted to analyzing what goes on in the death where everything is speedily show. One of the larger Web sites for summed up. Certainly the writers are the "Lost" obsessed is www.lostpedia. creative enough to devise a thoughtcom. It's an offshoot of Wikipedia and provoking end to the series, but it has a treasure trove of information on surely will come down to viewership the characters and theories about the and money.

Some of those theories include that the survivors are dead or in The show is a blend of the daily purgatory rather than actually living "Lost" Web sites claim that creator J.J. Abrams denied these theories and that they were proven wrong in the writing of the show.

The only theory still standing is as they go along.

Hopefully, the show won't be

# Tech's ombudsman offers students an attentive ear

By ALLISON LOWE STAFF WRITER

Students who need a little tender loving care can visit kind of a scary word, so I needed Kathryn Quilliam, Texas Tech's ombudsman for students.

The ombudsman is a confidential, neutral, informal person on the Tech campus who helps students solve any kind of probstudent, said Quilliam.

Quilliam, who is the Red Raiders' first ombudsman and was appointed in 2000, is availon their own. These problems anonymously. can range from conflicts with a with a roommate or a significant liam]," Gomez said.

about their options and Tech happens. policies as well as clarifying their rights if need be. She also speaks with students about communication and discusses how to handle certain situations, as well as possible actions and outcomes.

budsman for students sends the like to rant sometimes. message that the university cares designating a resource designed specifically to help students solve problems.

useful.

"I have the best job," Quilliam said. "I leave work everyday knowing I made a difference."

Quilliam said she understands

some Tech students may be apprehensive and nervous about coming to talk to her.

"The word 'ombudsman' is to promote this office as a safe, friendly place for students to come," Quilliam said.

Irene Gomez, an administrative-business assistant for the Office of the Ombudsman, said lem having to do with being a Quilliam has the ability to put students at ease when they come to talk with her.

She said everything in the office is confidential, and if some able in her office in the Student students are a little apprehensive Union Building to help students about talking to Quilliam face-tosolve problems they cannot solve face, they can call and talk to her

"I have yet to see a student not professor, a class or a campus or- be able to speak with her and not ganization to a personal problem feel comfortable with her [Quil-

Quilliam is attentive, patient Students can sit down with and really listens to students, the ombudsman and thoroughly Gomez said. It is important for talk about their situations and students to feel comfortable reasons for seeking advice, Quil- when they come, and Quilliam liam said. She talks with students has no problem making sure that

Debra Sanderson, a junior public relations major from Hutchnson, Kan., said she learned about the ombudsman in a class her freshman year. She said she thinks the ombudsman is a good Quilliam said having an om- resource to have because students

"It's nice to know you have about its students because it is someone to listen to you when you need to get something off your chest," Sanderson said.

Students can contact Quil-Quilliam said it is important liam at (806) 742-4791, visit for her to be aware of the news her in Room 203 of the SUB or and issues on campus so she can visit her Web site at www.ttu. serve as this resource and be edu/ombudsman to schedule an appointment.

> "I want it to be so easy for students to be able to see me," Quilliam said.

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# Keith Urban sues painter over Web address, claiming trademark violation

the painter from New Jersey, claim- purposes. ing the painter's Web site violates federal trademark laws.

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Urban of Wayne, N.J., is using his hobbies." It then directs viewers to tion act.

ment: "You have reached the site of the New Jersey man is misleading The lawsuit, filed Friday in Keith Urban. To those who don't people into believing the Web site monetary damages, but it seeks

U.S. District Court, says Keith D. know, oil painting is one of my belongs to him and is selling mer-transfer of the address to the 39-

Keith Urban, the country singer, has keithurban com domain in a decep- a gallery of paintings and offers a filed a lawsuit against Keith Urban, tive manner and for commercial limited edition of prints for sale.

The Web site includes the state- is keithurban.net \_ argues that comment. chandise as if it were produced or endorsed by him.

He accuses the painter of federal trademark infringement, dilution of a federally registered trademark, federal unfair competition and violation of the anti-cybersquatting consumer protection act and the Tennessee consumer protec- treatment for alcohol abuse.

The New Jersey Urban didn't respond to an e-mail sent Tuesday Urban \_ whose Web address through his Web site seeking

The lawsuit doesn't specify year-old country singer and an injunction barring the painter from operating a Web site that suggests any relationship with him.

Urban, whose full name is Keith Lionel Urban, married Nicole Kidman last year. He recently completed three months of



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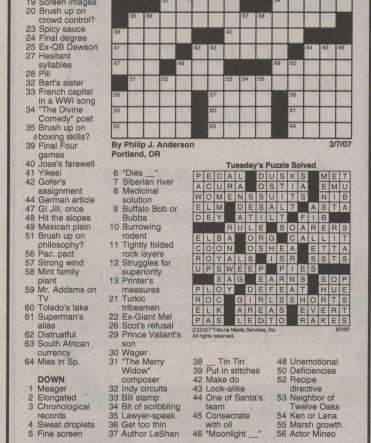
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# Technology review: Windows Vista falls short of Scare tactics never move emphatic leap Microsoft was hoping to achieve

icrosoft's choice of name for its first operating system in .5 years is certainly one that was inspired by the company's desire to create a new look and feel for the Windows environment. After about a month of use, though, I can tell you: Windows Vista lacks the emphatic

finally has brought the consumer a product that can go head-to-head with Apple's OS X. Indeed, for those users who have had experience with both operating systems, Vista will seem like a warmed-over version of Apple's operating system.

to mention in any review of Windows Vista is the steep hardware required to get the full Vista experience. According to Microsoft's Web site, this includes "at least one GHz processor, or her mouse. one GB of RAM, a DirectX 9-capabile graphics card with 128 MB of video RAM and 40 GB hard drive under-the-hood retooling. with 15 GB of free space." For those not acquainted with computers, this likely to directly encounter but will means if a user bought a computer in improve the overall ability of the the past six months or so, he or she operating system include: improved should be OK. Any longer than that security and updates to the Window and the user probably should run the kernel (think of it as the heart of the Windows Vista Upgrade Advisor operating system). before deciding whether or not to upgrade (available at http://www. secure Windows ever released. Gone microsoft.com/windowsvista/getready/upgradeadvisor).

The main change that's likely to 6. The improvements made to the photos in Windows XP.



leap forward Microsoft wanted to affect new users is the brand-new, hardware-driven user interface. That's not to say Windows Vista known as Aero. (Note: This new isn't an achievement. The company interface is only available if you ton and in folders menu is Microsoft's listed above.) Included in the visual improvements are transparent windows — windows that fade in and out of the background when minimized — live taskbar thumbnails and a new effect Microsoft is calling Perhaps the most important item "Flip 3D". Flip 3D allows the user to press the Windows key plus the Alt key to place all open windows into a 3D Rolodex the user can then "flip" through using the scroll wheel on his

> Besides the visual fluff, Microsoft has given Windows a much needed

Many of the changes users are not

This is hands down the most are many of the holes that plagued Windows XP and Internet Explorer

Windows kernel promise to eliminate Windows XP users hitting their heads on their keyboards.

brought to the newest incarnation of Windows, none is more welcomed than the ability to instantly search one's computer for documents, files and programs.

Immediately above the Start butmeet the hardware requirements new search feature. "Search" allows users to search their entire computer media files. When compared to ofinstantly. In fact, once a user begins to enter text, Vista starts displaying real-time results. While this certainly isn't a new addition to the computer world (Apple and Google.com both achieved this nearly two years ago), it is nice to have a desktop-search feature integrated into the Windows experience.

> Of primary interest to Tech stuall of these categories, Vista excels far past what was possible with outof-the-box Windows XP.

The newest feature in this grouping is the Windows Photo Gallery, which bears uncanny similarities to iPhoto in Mac OS X. Photo Gallery can manage, view and edit all of definite reason to switch. your photos. Coupled with Search, Photo Gallery eliminates many of the hassles users faced in managing

For music and videos, Vista users the "Blue Screen of Death" that left will get the latest version of Windows Media Player that was released in 2006 for Windows XP. On Vista, WMP 11 Of the other enhancements eliminates many of the slowdown and performance issues that plague the XP version. Music and videos now appear in the library as album art, which can make finding songs much easier than the text-based Media Players of Windows past. Users also can use the same instant-search feature within Media Player to quickly find their ferings from other companies though (notably, Apple's iTunes), Windows Media Player closes the gap, but still

comes up short. Overall, Vista is a great operating system that borrows heavily from its main competitor, Mac OS X. First adopters and those who have computers that can handle the advanced Windows Aero user interface should dents, of course, will be how Vista certainly upgrade as soon as poshandles music, video and photos. In sible. Vista offers a much better user experience than the one present in Windows XP.

> Still, casual computer users, those who have an older computer or those who are comfortable with Windows XP really have no reason to swap.

Such users should simply wait unreally is the Windows Media Player til they upgrade their computers again for photos. From Photo Gallery, you or until Microsoft can offer them a

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Some guests may be more interested

Speaking of awards, don't forget to

keep with the night's theme.

# into nailbiting suspense

By NICOLE DIMARIO THE PITT NEWS (U. PITTSBURGH)

(U-WIRE) PITTSBURGH — It's almost become a movie cliche that if a family moves onto a farm in the middle of nowhere, something bad is inevitably going to happen. Such is the case with "The Messengers," a horror film

Directed by Danny Pang and around the Solomon family who moves from Chicago to North Dakota, hoping to leave behind a rough past. But just as soon as they arrive on the farm, we realize that as the Solomons would like.

The Solomon children, Jess paritions throughout the house. With her troubled past and a history of reckless behavior, no one believes Jess when she tries to explain the scary events that have been happening. Her family's disbelief and lack of trust in Jess jeopardize all of their lives.

"The Messengers" is definitely a scary movie, but it relies more on jump-out-and-scare-you tactics than an actual story. While it's constantly filled with scenes of a spirit scaring or attacking Jess, it's not until close to the end that the audience figures out who these the Solomon family.

The Pang brothers put too much emphasis on the here-andbackstory that could push "The Messengers" to reach its true potential. It's way too late into the movie when the audience real suspense.

a different family whose connection to the rest of the story is not always clear. Filmed in black-and-white, this scene has the intrigue we could only hope the rest of the movie would have.

While pacing problems aren't much of an issue with a runtime of less than 90 minutes, it's essential that each scene furthers the story that attempts to make us jump as much as possible. Instead, the out of our seats at every chance audience is bombarded with missed opportunities to build the suspense.

The Pang brothers manage to his twin brother Oxide Pang deliver one scene that's legitimately Chun, "The Messengers" revolves frightening and not "oh-look-I-see-aghost-scary" — in a local feed store, Jess makes a discovery that serves as a clue to what's been happening in her house. The quick moment drives the characters' actions for the rest of the the move might not be as pleasant. movie, demonstrating how powerful sharp writing can be.

Flaws prevail throughout the (Kristen Stewart) and her baby story, but the superb acting almost brother Ben, soon start to see ap- compensates. Despite a lackluster performance by Penelope Ann Miller as the mother struggling to re-establish a relationship with her daughter, the other actors carry "The Messengers.'

> Most impressive is Stewart, whose talent shines through as she demonstrates her emotions and vulnerability. It's practically impossible not to feel compassion and pain for her character as we see her being haunted by the spirits and disbelieved by all.

Dylan McDermott constantly fights to keep his family close as Jess' outbursts about the spirits continue spirits are and their connection to burt her family's bond. Corbett appears to be a saving grace for the Solomons, working on the farm in exchange for room and board and now instead of creating a gripping also providing Jess with someone to confide in. Concern for the characters keeps us involved in "The Messengers," though not a chilling tale.

"The Messengers" is worth seeing experiences anything more than for a few scares in the theater, but cheap tactics and starts to feel don't expect to see it listed as one of the greatest horror movies of all Surprisingly, the most intertime. While it had the potential to esting scene is probably the first be a lot scarier, its flaws make it an one — we witness the murder of all too-common horror film.

# How to throw your own Oscar party for cheap

By ANNMARIE TIMMINS INDIANA DAILY STUDENT (INDIANA U.)

(U-WIRE) BLOOMINGTON, the better." Ind. — Even the most dedicated movie jammed with invites to hip Hollywood can properly greet your own "celebrity" parties. So the trick to hosting your own buzz-worthy Academy Awards party is glam as the real thing. A little planning

For foods for the big event, which over an elegant salad. takes place Feb. 25, think finger-friendly. Wolfgang Puck has catered Oscar parties dent. His crowd will enjoy a chocolate for more than a decade and keeps a coufountain. But you could impress just as ple of easy-to-eat items on the menu year nicely with purchased truffles or miniafter year, including mini-cheeseburgers, cheesecakes, or from-scratch cream smoked salmon and caviar pizza.

To simplify that approach for home, pizza shop; most are happy to sell it, and and call it an "It's a Wrap" party. the quality is excellent.

party she is producing this year for the Boston-based Ellie Fund, which benefits "The Queen"). breast cancer research.

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(Dine in only) (SERVED ALL DAY) vou're really not in Hollywood," she said. "The more fun you can make it,

It's also important to choose dishes buffs probably won't find their mailboxes that can be made in advance so you guests as they arrive.

As the executive director of the to make your home and guests feel as Mill Valley Film Festival outside San Francisco, Mark Fishkin is hosting one of and a few simple recipes and party tips the Academy's sanctioned regional Osfrom Oscar party veterans are all that's car parties. He suggests serving salmon (either smoked or cooked and cooled)

> For dessert, Fishkin likes going decacheese brownies or chocolate mousse.

If you prefer a simpler menu, you can consider making mini-grilled cheese have fun with the movie theme. Put your on the ballots prior to arriving. The host sandwiches with pineapple or ham. favorite cold cuts or fillings — chicken then can collect them at the door and And small pizzas are easy with purchased salad with cranberries, thyme and pista- hand them out to be graded by other dough. Consider buying it from a local chios is nice — inside sandwich wraps

Valerie McSorley, president of Avant challenging your guests to bring dishes will have games up by show night, but Garde Events in Boston, plans an eclecinspired by Oscar nominees (cookies in tic mix of menu items for the Oscar the shape of "Cars," perhaps, or tea-style Movie Trivia Web site. — as in high tea — sandwiches fit for

"My goal is to make you forget that choice. Giada De Laurentiis, host of the Food Network's "Everyday Italian," sug- in the awards than others. Accommogests setting up a "Bellini Bar." While a date them by having an "award room," traditional Bellini is made from peaches where talking is allowed only during the and sparkling wine, De Laurentiis sug- commercial breaks. gests a choice of fruit syrups.

> And if old Hollywood is more your have something for the winners of your scene, visit Bombshells.com for mixed ballot and trivia contests. A copy of a drink recipes inspired by actresses. The nominated movie, song or score will "Jayne Mansfield" — a luscious blend of coconut cream and pineapple juice — is excellent with or without vodka.

With the food and drink settled, it's time to consider the atmosphere.

Oscar night is about predicting the winners. Cheryl Cecchetto, the producer of the official ball for Oscar guests, suggests using a blank ballot as your invitation. These are widely available online, including at the official

Tell guests to mark their predictions

guests as the evening progresses. And keep the competition going For a potluck gathering, consider with movie trivia. The Oscar Web site you can find other contests at the Cool

If yours is more of an upscale affair, encourage guests to dress up or come as Don't forget the drinks. Champagne a celebrity. Put out a red carpet or well-

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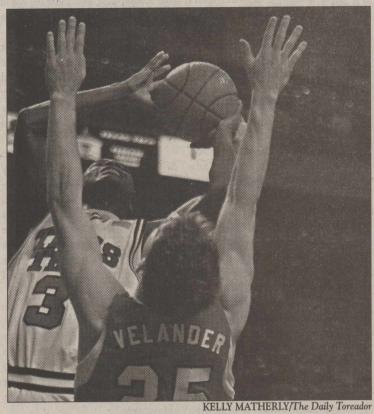
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# Red Raiders drop fourth-straight game



TECH GUARD MARTIN Zeno attempts a shot in Tuesday night's game.

NEWS EDITOR

In 2006, a player could call

Unfortunately for the Texas rule was changed before the 2006-07 season.

"Luckily they changed that they stuck in there." rule that you can't call a time out stead of throwing it down court," said Nebraska Cornhuskers' guard Charles Richardson.

With less than five seconds to play and Tech (15-9, 4-5 Big 12) lie Burgess chased a ball toward the sideline and instead of letting the ball go out of bounds, Burgess threw the ball right to Nebraska's from the floor. But Tech's Jarrius got in the last six minutes but in been great if he would have just Richardson. Richardson dribbled once and hit a last second 3-point just seven field goal attempts. His shots. We made some shots in the air," Knight said of Burgess' efshot to give Nebraska the 61-59

"We practice our last second score in double figures.

shots every day right before the used to that situation."

a time out while falling out of the first time in Lubbock since a lot of things to get Jackson

Tech men's basketball team the guys," Nebraska coach Doc Sadler good as I've ever seen a kid stick possessions until Nebraska got very few teams come to win and

and he threw it right to me in- at the half behind 10 first half Raiders did not score until Alan points from Jon Plefka.

> going to get down," Sadler said. "But we didn't panic. We made some shots and got a little lucky

18 points on 7-of-13 shooting same shots in the first half that he five points marked the first time second half and it's the difference fort. "Then the game's over." in 50 games that Jackson did not between winning and losing."

Nebraska (14-8, 3-5) won for coach Bob Knight said. "We tried at 58-57 with 1:28 to play. open and that (Nebraska's Jayinhibits us offensively."

Tech took a 13-point lead ing its first seven shots and the to Perry. "Playing on the road you're the game. With the game tied at ly for the last possession," Knight the first half.

"Defensively it wasn't the Martin Zeno led Tech with said. "Marcus (Perry) got the make the save.

Tech held a 51-40 lead with ▶ jaymie.langley@ttu.edu

"I think the real key in the 6:47 left to play. Behind 11 points game," Richardson said. "So I was game was that they did a re- from Perry, Nebraska attained its ally good job on Jackson," Tech first lead since early in the game

Zeno converted two freethrows to give Tech its last lead "I couldn't be prouder of these R Strowbridge), that's about as at 59-58 and the teams traded said. "They came to a place that with playing defense. That really the ball with 18 seconds to play. Sadler and Richardson both said Tech started the game miss- the last play was designed to go

"We made a very good play in Voskuil hit a 3-pointer 7:31 into the way we were set up defensive-14, Tech used a 15-2 run to close said. "But they made an even better play with the last shot."

The ball never found Perry up by a point, Raider guard Char- and therefore we won the ball issue, we just didn't make open as it was knocked toward the shots in the first half," Sadler sideline before Burgess tried to

"As I look back, it would have Jackson was held to five points on the first half he didn't make those gotten it and thrown it up in the

# Lady Raiders looking to tame Bears

By STEPHEN MONAHAN SPORTS EDITOR

The Big 12 Conference schedule in regulation. or "the 16-piece pie," as Texas Tech women's basketball coach Kristy Curry refers to it, has given the Lady Raiders their fill with seven games

games, the final score has been all coming down to the wire. You decided within three points or less, look at year's past, it seems like from including Saturday's 70-67 loss to top to bottom this league has more championship season. Colorado. In that loss to the Buf- depth this year. Night in and night faloes and the loss to No. 17 Texas out, anyone can beat anyone." A&M Jan. 10, the Lady Raider squad

But to Curry, those results are not from nervousness or rushing shots too quickly, it is just basketball.

"I don't think you see anyone In five of Tech's nine conference anybody out," Curry said. "It's just

Tech (14-9, 5-4 Big 12) gets its went scoreless down the stretch, second helping of No. 15 Baylor, allowing both teams to rally for the who visits the United Spirit Arena victory. But in games such as Okla- tonight. Baylor (19-4, 6-3) is coming Curry said of Mosby. "I love how

homa State Jan. 20 and Texas Jan. off a loss to Nebraska Saturday in she plays. I love how competitive 27, the Lady Raiders won each with which its leading scorer and Florida she is. I think she's just a tremenless than seven seconds remaining transfer Bernice Mosby, had just dous competitor. She's a perfect pro season average.

In 15 of Baylor's 23 games, Mosby has led the Bears in scoring, averaging 18.3 points per game to go along Dabbs, who ended her playing caacross this league that's blowing with her 9.1 rebounds per game. reer a week ago because of personal Accompanying her is fellow senior reasons, the Lady Raiders failed to Angela Tisdale, the lone player register a bucket in the last two remaining from Baylor's 2004-2005

> Curry said Mosby has been a nice fit for a Baylor team that lost former Big 12 Player of the Year Sophia Young.

"I absolutely love her game,"

three points — 15 points shy of her player. She's going to have a great career after Baylor."

> Against Colorado Saturday, Tech's second game without Chesley minutes of the game. With the lineup change, which has seen a start from Tawanna Flowers and Tiny Henderson since Dabbs' departure, Curry said her team is trying to recuperate with the absence of one of its senior leaders.

"Obviously we're a different team" at this point because of the changes here lately in our lineup," she said. "We're searching to find ourselves a little bit with that."

Not only did the Lady Raiders miss some much needed shot at the end of regulation, but Curry said certain members of the team were not giving it their all.

"I just didn't think there were enough times during the game where we played as hard as I expect," Curry said. "To me, I just want to see more language and I did not like our energy level."

in Curry's view, Tech senior forward Alesha Robertson, who combined team has come out with a focused mentality.

"I think we came out and we game in conference play. "I thought presence on the court. we were focused. You really just can't tell until everything starts up. It's very noticeable when we are and when we aren't focused."

Senior post player Patrice Ed- her (Mosby) down." wards, who is averaging 10.1 points

will about us. I did not like our body TEXAS TECH'S PATRICE Edwards goes up for a shot against Texas'

Ashley Lindsey in a recent game at the United Spirit Arena. Despite some of the lackluster Raiders in conference play, said the but it was not Mosby who scored

because of too many mishaps.

for '41 points and 18 rebounds in at all," Edwards said. "We had too to help earn Baylor's first conference her last two games, said she feels her many mistakes. It really cost us. win of the season. In that game, They were a team we should have Tech turned the ball over 23 times beat by 15 points."

looked focused," said Robertson, in the lineup anymore is not much problem, it was being outrebounded who is averaging 14.8 points per different this season with Mosby's. on the offensive end, resulting in a

> "We thought we got rid of So- points. phia, but they recruited some-

per game off the bench for the Lady Baylor, the Lady Raiders fell 61-54, \*\* stephen.monahan@ttu.edu

effort from the team in recent games end result of the Colorado game was the most points for the Lady Bears. Tisdale dropped 21 points, including 'We did not play our best game 4-of-9 shooting from beyond the arc to Baylor's 13. But against Colorado, Facing Baylor without Young Curry said turnovers were not the 22-5 advantage in second-chance

> "Giving up 20-something offenbody just like her," Robertson said. sive rebounds you're lucky you even 'We've just got to make sure we shut have a chance to win," Curry said.

Tip-off for tonight's game is In their first match-up against scheduled for 7 p.m. at the USA.





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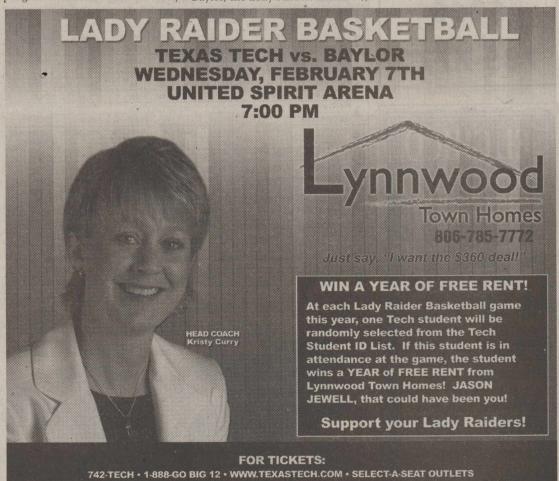
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# Men's golf to open season in Hawaii

By JESSICA HENDERSHOT STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech men's golf team will compete in its first loa, Hawaii.

per day and boasts as many as 17 of the nation's top performing schools such as Stanford,

In the Isleworth Collegiate been playing.

Invitational, Tech's final tourna-Oscar Floren. Freshman Will Grif- win the tournament for sure." tournament of the spring season fin led the Red Raiders, finishing beginning Wednesday in Waiko- with a tie for 35th-place. Griffin season breaking records. During help strengthen the roster. The ment, the Big 12 Championship, The UH-Hilo Invitational Month for October 2006 and was October 2006, Tech's 18-hole Scherer, from Midland, who will tournament consists of one round named to the PING All-America 'school record was broken twice. join the team next fall. First Team as a junior — the first Griffin contributed to that record Tech player to do so.

Oklahoma State and Southern is in his sixth season, said he feels single round by two shots. good about the way his team has

"We try not to have too many from sophomores Garrett Merrell, play in bad conditions," Sands ment of the fall season, the men's expectations before a tourna- from Dallas, and Jake Younon- said. team took a 17th-place finish, but ment," Sands said. "But if they just Wise, from Kingscliff, Australia. it did so without top-performer take it one shot at a time, we could Matt Smith is a mid-season addi-

In addition to Floren and Griffin, Tech is looking for solid play but good because we know we can

tion to the roster from Canberra, two in Arizona, one in California, Tech spent most of the fall Australia, and he is expected to one in Austin and its final tournawas named Big 12 Golfer of the the Jerry Pate Invitational in Red Raiders also recruited Brain in Hutchinson, Kan.

by shooting a 9-under 62, which bock has not kept Tech indoors, next tournament of the season, Tech coach Greg Sands, who broke the school record for a and has proven to be more of an The Ashworth Collegiate Invitaaid and less of an adversary.

"The weather has been tough March 5 and March 6.

Tech is participating in several tournaments on the road, with

After the UH-Hilo Invitational, the Red Raiders will return The winter weather in Lub- to Lubbock and prepare for their tional in Westlake Village, Calif.,

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# Cowboys interview Rivera for coaching position

wondered if icy weather really was weeks ago. delaying his flight to a job interview in Dallas.

"There was a vicious rumor goto let the plane go," Rivera said,

boys headquarters around 4 p.m. team ready for the game. Tuesday. He spoke with reporters

IRVING (AP) — Waiting two Jerry Jones to discuss the head for me," Rivera said. hours on a Chicago runway, Bears coaching vacancy created when defensive coordinator Ron Rivera Bill Parcells retired more than two Jones interviewed. Indianapolis last time."

a candidate until speaking with day. Jones for a few minutes Monday ing around Chicago didn't want night. However, he'd been expect- the Colts on Sunday, Rivera spent me to leave so they weren't going ing the call since Jones decided to Monday stewing over it. He was son, with a loss to Seattle in the opening is how legitimate a candi-Rivera finally arrived at Cow- limits because he was getting his with Jones.

quarterbacks coach Jim Caldwell Rivera didn't officially become will become No. 10 on Wednes-

Having lost to Caldwell and he said. hold the job open through Super glad to have had a day in between first round of the playoffs. The date he is for the top job. There's Bowl week, when Rivera was off- the game and the get-together Cowboys, who haven't won a speculation that San Francisco

"Just the fact that Mr. Jones through some things in my mind primarily because of breakdowns Jones wants Rivera as defensive before meeting with team owner waited until now, that bodes well and have a feel for them," he said. on defense.

"I had a little chance to take a

What did he see?

mented to really help this defense,"

Dallas went 9-7 this past sea-"It gave me a chance to go lapsed in December and January Turner has it locked up, and that

Rivera, 45, played nine seasons Rivera was the ninth person quick look at the Cowboys one in the NFL and has been a coach for 10, the last three as defensive coordinator of the Bears. Although "Some things that can be imple- he's never been a head coach, he's interviewed several times this postseason and last offseason.

> A big question surrounding this playoff game since 1996, col- 49ers offensive coordinator Norv

# Rangers add Chen to minor league roster

ARLINGTON (AP) — Lefthander Bruce Chen signed a minor league contract Tuesday with the Texas Rangers, and will go to spring training with the chance to compete for a spot in the starting rotation.

Chen was 0-7 with a 6.93 ERA in 40 games (12 starts) for Baltimore last year, but was 13-10 with a 3.83 ERA in 2005. In nine major league seasons with Atlanta, Philadelphia, the New York Mets, Montreal, Cincinnati, Houston, Boston and Baltimore, his record is 35-37 with a 4.60 ERA in 237 games (112 starts).

Kevin Millwood, Vicente Padilla, Brandon McCarthy and Robinson Tejeda — all signed past the 2007 season — are the likely top four starters for rookie manager Ron Washington. Millwood was a 16-game winner last year, and Padilla won 15 games.

The Rangers previously signed veteran right-hander Jamey Wright to a minor league deal, also to compete for a starting spot. Kameron Loe, John Koronka and Edinson Volquez were part-time starters last season for Texas and will also be in the mix this

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LIVE ROCK \$4.95 lb. Quantity discount. Bonnett Hub City Aviation offers personalized flight training also available. Visit www.hubcitvaviation.com or call 806-687-1070.

## MIP?

Need an alcohol awareness class for minors? Classes on Tech campus. DB Education 637-6181.

OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN A safe place to bring concerns and find solutions. Ombudsman for Students - Kathryn Quilliam. 742-4791; Ombudsman for Staff - Nathanael Haddox, 742-4722. 237 Student Union. M-F 8-5. Walkin visitors welcome.

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## **Student Rec Center Hours**

Monday-Friday 6:00 am - 12:00 am Saturday 8:00 am - 10:00 pm 12:00 pm - 12:00 am Sunday

## **Aquatic Center Hours**

Monday-Friday 6:00 am - 8:45 am; Noon-9 pm Saturday - Sunday 12:00 - 7 pm

# Exercise your mouse at www.recsports.ttu.edu

### Heartbeats

A quick pulse around the Rec Sports World...

Wellness Blood Screenings, February 8th

Give the gift of self knowledge to yourself by learning your cholesterol level, as well as numerous other important blood chemistry profiles at the Wellness Blood Screenings to be held in the Fitness/ Wellness Blood Screenings on February 8 from 6:30-8:30 am. Sign up today in the Fitness/ Wellness Center. See Website for more details.

### Become a certified **American Red Cross** Lifeguard!

This course includes Lifeguarding, Standard First Aid, and CPR for the Professional Rescuer. See the web site for class times. Sign up in the Aquatic Center! Call 742.3896 for more details.

The Big Kahuna has returned....Mark your calendars! The Big Kahuna is coming! Mark your calendars for the 6th Annual Spring Softball Tournament - The Big Kahuna on Feb. 24th! Stay tuned for more details!

Work out AND Win Prizes! X marks the spot for fitness fun...Play Raider Xcape and win cool prizes just for attending fitness classes! Pick up your card around the Rec and start playing by attending fitness classes. See Fit/Well for more details.

Still Spots Available for **Inner Tube Water Polo** We will have a few spots for the wettest, most exciting sport that Intramurals has to offer this semester - Inner Tube Water Polo! Get your friends together and jump into the Rec Center pool THIS Sunday, Feb. 11th! Interested? Call 742.2945 ASAP

# **Sports Ticker**

Recent Sport Club Results W. Lacrosse: Finished 3rd at the Longhorn Classic (Austin) on 1/27/07

W. Volleyball: The A Team won their pool, but lost in the First Round of the Knockout Round at the SIVA Pre-Season Tournament (Waco) on 1/27/07 ;The B Team fell short of winning their pool, but advanced deep into the Silver Bracket, however failed to place.

**Questions? Comments?** Call 742.3351 or email us at recsports@ttu.edu. We look forward to hearing from you!



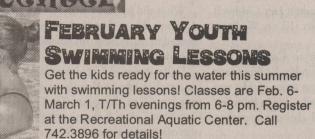
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TECH AMAZING RACE FRIDAY, FEB. 9TH Join the frenzy of urban adventure racing. You and partner will combine brains and brawn

etails at www.necsponts.tftu.edu others. The winners of this race must out think others as you race across our

while competing against

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SATURDAY MORNING SPECIAL! This Saturday is Underwater Hockey and Water Polo! Did you play water polo when you were in high school? Want to learn how? Get in a great workout this Saturday at 10am! Try it and we bet you'll like it!

SWIMMING 101. ADVANCED SWIMMING 202. NO STUYDING NECESSARY! Sign up for one of the many exciting swimming classes the Aquatic Center has to offer! We have classes for all skill levels! Call 742-3896 or check out the web site for more details.



# SLAKA MAKUA Valentine's Plans Morri

The Fit/Well has several great ideas for Valentine's Day! Partner Yoga & Couples Massage Workshop! Register for the Partner/Yoga & Couples Massage Workshop that will be held on Tuesday, February 13th from 6-8:30 pm at the Rec Center! You'll laugh. You'll build trust and bond. You'll stretch your muscles to the max and have lots of FUN! Find a new way to connect with your friend or partner. Xperience one for \$6/per couples or BOTH for \$10/per couple. Space is limited, so sign up today! Registration runs

Looking for that great gift for someone special? Buy a Massage gift certificate for an hour massage. Cost is \$35 for an hour massage and \$20 for a 30 minute massage. We even have a special Valentine's Day envelope to put it in!

NEU! We are now offering Healing Touch Massage! This is an energy (biofield)

therapy that encompasses a group of non-invasive techniques that utilize the hands to clear, energize, and balance the human and environmental energy fields. With some similarities to Reiki, Healing Touch offers more techniques for physical, emotional and spiritual balancing.

New! Mountain Biking Class!

Registration for the Mountain Bike Class begins this week in FitWell and the Outdoor Pursuits Center. This class will prepare beginneradvanced riders for the Mountain Bike race in late March. Cost is \$25 for 6 weeks and meets on M/W from 8:15-9:15pm.



THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO MADE LAST Tuesday's Fitness XTRavaganza a success by donating stuffed animals to a GREAT CHARITY, HUFF'S HUAGGABLES! FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO DONATE PLEASE VISIT WWW. ANTONIOHUFFMAN.COM.

TECCURIDE FILM FESTIVAL FRIDAY, FEB. 9TH HUMAN SCIENCES ROOM 169 MountainFilm on Tour is dedicated to educating,

entertaining, and inspiring local cultures worth exploring, environments worth preserving, and conversations worth sustaining. This evening will be a customed-tailored to our audience and includes a variety of award-winning films. This will be an event that inspires discussion and provokes thought.

climbing competition FRIDAY, FEB. 9TH

Join the OPC as we take the day to climb in one of the most popular weekend activities of the semester. This climbing competition has nearly 100 participants every year from all over the Southwest. All participants get a t-shirt and entry into one of the largest drawings around, with tons of prizes provided by our sponsors. Everyone is sure to have a great

# INTRAMURAL

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Softball Registration

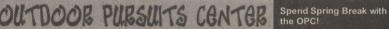
Don't be left out of the 300-team Intramural league. Sign ups are Tuesday, Feb. 20—Thursday, February 22. Remember the sooner you sign up the better the time slots will be available, Division's include Men's, Women's and Co-Rec (competitive or recreational). Registrations forms available at www.recsports.ttu.edu.



With M hoop action heating up, follow all of the action on-line at www.recsports.ttu.edu

### **Softball Officials Meeting**

Are you looking for a fun way to earn some extra cash? Become an intramural softball official! Students interested in officiating are encouraged to attend the first training clinic on Thursday, Feb. 15, at 5 pm in room 201 of the Student Rec. Center. This important 34-minute meeting is necessary if you would like be become a softball official at Texas Tech. Softball officials make \$8 per game and are thoroughly trained in the rules, mechanics, and gamesmanship. Some knowledge of baseball or softball is helpful. Still interested? Then locate your drivers license and social security card! Both are necessary in order to get on payroll! Questions? Call 742.2945.



# Big Bend Spring Break Backpacking Mar. 13-17!

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# Lady Raider Night AT HORN/KNAPP

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