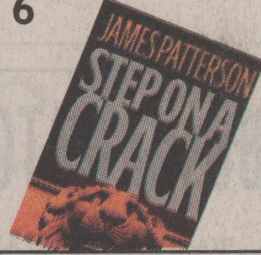


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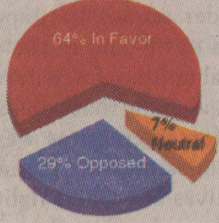
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**Woman sentenced for conspiracy**

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A woman who pleaded guilty to a conspiracy charge in the transportation of illegal immigrants was sentenced Thursday to 10 years in prison.

The penalty given to Maria Magdalena Parra-Luna, 36, was the statutory maximum, according to the office of U.S. Attorney Johnny Sutton.

Parra-Luna was a fugitive from 2002 until May 5, 2006, when she was arrested in Texas. She pleaded guilty to the conspiracy charge in July.

**NATION**

**CDC struggles to find source of outbreak**

ATLANTA (AP) — Government scientists struggled Thursday to pinpoint the source of the first U.S. salmonella outbreak linked to peanut butter, the kid favorite packed into millions of lunchboxes every day.

Nearly 300 people in 39 states have fallen ill since August, and federal health investigators said they strongly suspect Peter Pan peanut butter and certain batches of Wal-Mart's Great Value house brand — both manufactured by ConAgra Foods Inc.

**WORLD**

**Putin elevates defense minister**

MOSCOW (AP) — President Vladimir Putin promoted his hawkish defense minister to a top government post on Thursday, a move that puts Putin's two heirs apparent on equal footing before next year's election to replace the popular leader.

Both Sergei Ivanov and the more liberal Dmitry Medvedev have received lavish coverage in the Russian media, which is strongly influenced by the Kremlin, and are seen as the chief rivals for appointment by Putin as his favored successor in the March 2008 election.

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## Students gather to protest theme party

By JEREMY REYNOLDS  
STAFF WRITER

More than 100 black students at Texas Tech gathered in the free-speech zone outside the Student Union Building Thursday afternoon to protest a racially themed party that appears to be hosted by Tech students.

At the party, guests dressed as stereotypical black people, said Larry Holloway, a mechanical engineering major from Houston. Pictures from the party have shown up on the Web site www.facebook.com. The title of the Facebook album is "MLK... F#\*k'em if they can't take a joke."

Holloway said parties like this have happened before at other universities, and those students were expelled by the administration.

Monica Williamson, a sophomore history major from Dallas, said the students at the party celebrated Martin Luther King Jr. Day by dressing in "ghetto" clothing and showing gang signs while being photographed. A lot of the people at the party had "black power" written on their hands, she said.

Casey Ryan McCain, a junior engineering student from Crane, said he posted the pictures on Facebook, and none of the pictures had been Photoshopped or doctored in any way.

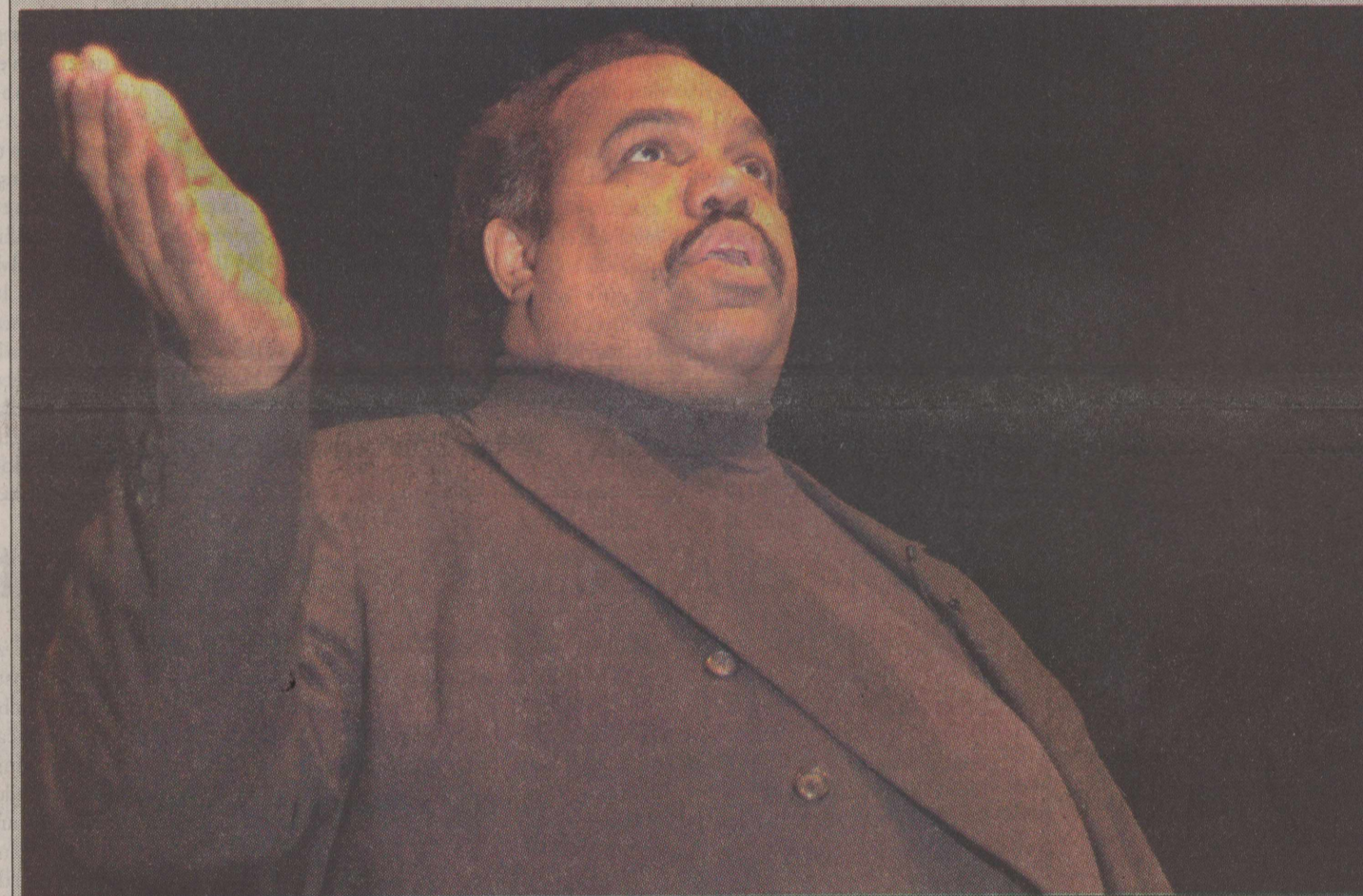
"This was blown way out of proportion," he said in a telephone interview. "This wasn't about black people or



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TEXAS TECH STUDENTS link arms in protest Thursday afternoon in front of the Student Union Building.

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## IN HIS WORDS



STEVE LEWIS/The Daily Treador

DARYL DAVIS ADDRESSES Texas Tech students, faculty and Lubbockites about his relationship with Ku Klux Klan members Thursday night at the Allen Theatre.

### Davis: Relationships with Ku Klux Klan can influence some people

By ADAM COLEMAN  
STAFF WRITER

There may be no one else that can say they have been involved with the Ku Klux Klan and they are African American or Jewish. That is what author, speaker and musician Daryl Davis can say he has been through. Thursday, many were on hand as Davis came to Texas Tech to speak about his encounters with the Ku Klux Klan, one of the oldest institutions in America, as an African

American. Davis has encountered the Ku Klux Klan like many other African Americans have, but has also been deep inside the Ku Klux Klan. Davis has met leaders of the Klan, had interviews with those leaders, attended rallies, and even made friends with some members. He has been a part of years of oppression and now travels all around the country to tell people about his experiences.

Davis said he believes his story has the potential to change the world. "My main focus is to let people

know that hope is real," Davis said. "A lot of people think things are never going to change and I think I'm living proof that things can change. If you don't have hope, you have nothing left."

Davis' story ranges from many experiences. He grew up experiencing racism as he was one of only two African American children in his elementary school. He was attacked by Klan members and has even had debris thrown at him when he was in the Cub Scouts at 10 years of age.

Davis said his first experience

with racism was an unbelievable one.

"Anytime I had a problem, I went to my mom and dad," he said. "On this day when they sat me down and told me why I was being hit, I didn't believe them."

It was Davis' experience with the American Nazi party as a young man that inspired him to write a book about his experience with racism. Davis had members of the American Nazi party give a

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## Whitmore to discuss education

By BEN MAKI  
STAFF WRITER

Education is a hot topic in Austin. Texas Tech President Jon Whitmore is scheduled to sit on a panel to discuss programs preparing students for college as a part of a statewide education summit in Austin.

"I am going to be on a panel of university presidents to discuss ways to improve the access of colleges to students who are in kindergarten through 12th grade," Whitmore said. "We are trying to make a better connection between public schools and universities."

Whitmore said there is a new program between the Tech School of Law and Estacado High School to give students a background to prepare them for both college and law school.

Tech has another program emphasizing math and science to high school students in an effort to prepare them for a degree in the math, science and engineering departments.

Whitmore said the young people of Texas will need to be well-equipped in order for the Lone Star State to thrive in the future.

"The future of Texas will depend on an even larger number of students preparing to go to college and then preparing in college to succeed in the workforce," Whitmore said.

Others topics planned for the summit include early-childhood education, teaching young children to soar, connecting to workforce needs and No Child Left Behind.

Computer moguls Steve Jobs and Michael Dell are scheduled to sit on a panel discussing the impact of technology and how it positively affects learning.

Other notable speakers scheduled for today's education summit are former U.S. Secretary of Education Rod Paige, Ross Perot and United States Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

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## Pelosi says Bush would need congressional approval to invade Iran

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WASHINGTON (AP) — House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said Thursday that President Bush lacks the authority to invade Iran without specific approval from Congress, a fresh challenge to the commander in chief on the eve of a symbolic vote critical of his troop buildup in Iraq.

Pelosi, D-Calif., noted that Bush consistently said he supports a diplomatic resolution to differences with Iran "and I take him at his word."

At the same time, she said, "I do believe that Congress should assert itself, though, and make it very clear that there is no previous authority for the president, any president, to go into Iran."

Pelosi spoke in an interview in the Capitol as lawmakers plowed through a third day of marathon debate in the House on a nonbinding measure opposing the administration's plan

to increase troop strength in Iraq — and as Democrats readied a more provocative challenge to the president.

That included drafting legislation to require the Pentagon to meet certain standards for training and equipping the troops, as well fixing the time that military units must be given at home between deployments. "That stops the surge (in troops) for all intents and purposes, because .....they cannot sustain the deployment," said Rep. John Murtha of Pennsylvania, who said he would attach the conditions to legislation providing nearly \$100 billion for the military.

Republicans quickly fired back. Rep. John Boehner of Ohio, the GOP leader, issued a statement saying the plan would "pull the rug out from under American troops in the combat zone by cutting off their reinforcements and forcing them to face the enemy without our full support."

Across the Capitol, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid unexpectedly announced plans to hold a test vote on Saturday on the same nonbinding measure critical of the troop increase that was making its way through the House.

Partisan bickering has prevented a Senate vote so far, with Republicans insisting on equal treatment for an alternative that rules out the "elimination or reduction of funds for troops in the field."

Pelosi and other Democrats have said approval on the nonbinding measure would mark the first step in an effort by the new Democratic-controlled Congress to force Bush to change course in a war that has killed more than 3,100 U.S. troops.

Bush administration officials and their allies are resigned to House passage of the resolution and have worked in recent days to hold down defections by GOP lawmakers.

But Bush, who has challenged lawmakers not to cut off funds for the troops, took a swipe at his critics during the day.

"This may become the first time in the history of the United States Congress that it has voted to send a new commander into battle and then voted to oppose his plan that is necessary to succeed in that battle," the president said.

The Senate unanimously confirmed Lt. Gen David Petraeus last week to take over as the top U.S. commander in Iraq.

Bush said at a news conference Wednesday there is no doubt the Iranian government is providing armor-piercing weapons to kill American troops in Iraq. But he backed away from claims the top echelon of Iran's government was responsible.

Administration critics have accused the president of looking for a pretense to attack

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# Tech police blotter

By PAUL ROBERTS  
STAFF WRITER

Feb. 13

Texas Tech police responded to a medical emergency in Holden Hall. According to reports, a female student passed out. Police said the female refused medical treatment.

Tech police investigated the theft of a staff member's purse in the Child Development Research Center. Police said the staff member reported \$30 stolen.

Tech police investigated a minor traffic accident in the 600 block of Flint Avenue. Police said a driver hit a speed limit sign.

Tech police investigated a theft

in the Tech Health Sciences Center. According to reports, \$8 was reported stolen from an unsecured cash box.

A Tech student was arrested for driving without a valid driver's license in the 700 block of Red Raider Avenue. Police said the student was pulled over for a traffic violation. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail, and his vehicle was released to a friend, according to reports.

A Tech student was detained for public intoxication in Gates Residence Hall. Police said the student was released to a responsible party pending the filing of charges.

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## Pelosi

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the Islamic republic, which is also at loggerheads with the United Nations about what Tehran says is a nuclear program aimed at developing energy for peaceful purposes.

Defending U.S. intelligence that has pinpointed Iran as a hostile arms supplier in Iraq, Bush said, "Does this mean you're trying to have a pretext for war? No. It means I'm trying to protect our troops."

Bush has asked Congress to approve \$100 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Congressional Democrats are hoping to insert provisions that would make it harder for the administration to follow through on its plan to deploy an additional 21,500 combat troops to Iraq.

Murtha, in a video aired on movecongress.org, a coalition of groups opposed to the war, said his proposals were designed with the safety and protection of the troops in mind.

The Pennsylvania Democrat also said the measure may be changed to prohibit any military action against Iran without specific congressional approval.

Asked about Murtha's remarks,

Pelosi said, "I fully support that." She added that she would propose it as stand-alone legislation if it is not included in the bill that provides more money for the Iraq war.

Bush has said he intends to go ahead with the troop buildup regardless of nonbinding expressions of disapproval in Congress.

But, Pelosi said, "I don't think that the president can completely ignore it."

She spoke down the hall from the House chamber, where Republicans and Democrats alternated turns at the microphone in a debate on the war.

"The enemy wants our men and women in uniform to think their Congress doesn't care about them," said Rep. Sam Johnson, R-Texas, who was a prisoner of war during Vietnam. "We must learn from our mistakes. We cannot leave a job undone like we left in Korea, like we left in Vietnam, like we left in Somalia," Johnson said.

Added Rep. Geoff Davis, R-Ky., a West Point graduate who was a flight commander with the Army's 82nd Airborne: "This nonbinding resolution serves no purpose other than pacifying the Democrats' political base and lowering morale in our military."

# Bush: NATO allies must provide more troops in Afghanistan

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush said Thursday that NATO allies need to supply more soldiers to Afghanistan and be willing to send them into the most violent battles with Taliban fighters, who are gearing up for a new spring offensive.

"When our commanders on the ground say to our respective countries 'We need additional help,' our NATO countries must provide it," Bush said in a speech five years after U.S.-led forces toppled Afghanistan's repressive Taliban regime.

Flush with money from heroin-producing poppy crops, Taliban fighters have proven much tougher than NATO expected when it deployed its first contingent of peacekeepers there in 2003.

Calling poppy cultivation a threat to a fragile democracy, Bush implored President Hamid Karzai to address the marked increase in harvests last year, after a decline in 2005.

"I have made my concerns to President Karzai pretty clear

— not pretty clear, very clear — and that in order for him to gain the confidence of his people, and the confidence of the world, he's got to do something about it, with our help," Bush said in an hour-long speech sponsored by the American Enterprise Institute.

Meanwhile, Defense Secretary Robert Gates, just back from a trip that included a stop in Pakistan, said the planned offensive in Afghanistan was an attempt to react ahead of an expected seasonal Taliban offensive.

"What we want to do this spring is have this spring offensive be our offensive and, and have the initiative in our hands rather than reacting to them," he said.

Asked whether he had talked with Pakistan President Gen. Pervez Musharraf about the hunt for al-Qaida fugitive Osama bin Laden, Gates said he would not "get into specifics" about their talks.

But, said Gates, "If I were Osama bin Laden, I'd keep looking over my shoulder."

The call for NATO nations to supply more soldiers and equip-

ment to fight the Taliban was a nudge to Germany and other NATO nations that have kept their troops out of the most violent parts of Afghanistan.

Politicians in Canada, Britain, the United States and other nations with troops in southern Afghanistan have been irked by the reluctance of some European allies to commit extra troops to the 35,500-strong NATO force, and in particular to allow their troops to be deployed to the Taliban's heartland in the south and east.

"Allies must lift restrictions on the forces they do provide so NATO commanders have the flexibility they need to defeat the enemy wherever the enemy may make a stand," Bush said.

On Capitol Hill, House Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman Tom Lantos, D-Calif., said NATO commanders should not have to beg for troops from countries like Germany, France, Italy and Spain.

"It is an outrage that only troops from the United States, Canada, the Netherlands, Denmark and the United Kingdom are deployed to the most hazard-

ous spots," Lantos said.

"No longer should this administration stand passively by while our so-called allies take advantage of American generosity and courage."

Bush called 2006 the most violent year in Afghanistan since the invasion.

"Across Afghanistan last year, the number of roadside bomb attacks doubled, direct fire attacks on international forces almost tripled and suicide bombings grew nearly fivefold," Bush said.

This week, NATO's top commander renewed an appeal for allies to fill gaps in the international military force in Afghanistan, warning that failure to send reinforcements was weakening the mission and jeopardizing the lives of soldiers fighting the Taliban. In Canada, a Senate committee said Tuesday that the government should consider withdrawing its 2,500 troops unless NATO allies deliver additional troops.

Critics say the Bush administration has let conditions in Afghanistan worsen while escalating the war in Iraq.

# Governor says cancer hits close to home

AUSTIN (AP) — Cancer has struck multiple times in the Perry family, and it's one reason he's so passionate about his new \$3 billion proposal to fund cancer research in Texas, Gov. Rick Perry said Thursday.

"Every generation of Perry back to the 1850s has died of prostate cancer. I'm going to get it," the Republican governor told a small group of reporters in his

Capitol office. He said his father has had prostate cancer, his mother had colon cancer and his sister had bladder cancer. His father-in-law also had cancer. He also pointed out, as he did last week in his State of the State address

to the Legislature, that tens of thousands of Texans will be diagnosed with the disease this year.

"Why wouldn't we as a state want to really make every effort that we can to go fund the research, to find the answers, to find the vaccine that will prevent a cancer, like we have with HPV?" Perry said.

He was referring to his Feb. 2 executive order requiring Texas girls entering the sixth grade as of 2008 to have the new Gardasil vaccine that protects girls against strains of the human papillomavirus, or HPV, that cause most cases of cervical cancer.

Though his order has been criticized by some legislators and others who say it interferes with

parental decisions, Perry said if he hadn't taken the action he did there wouldn't be so much discussion right now about HPV and cervical cancer.

"We have a vaccine that's going to save young women's lives," he said. "This is wise public policy."

Perry said he worries that too many people are getting caught up in the "minutia" of some of his recent proposals, including his HPV vaccine order and his suggestion to sell the Texas lottery to help fund cancer research, public education and health insurance.

"I think one of my jobs is to lay big ideas out to move this state forward, and I just don't

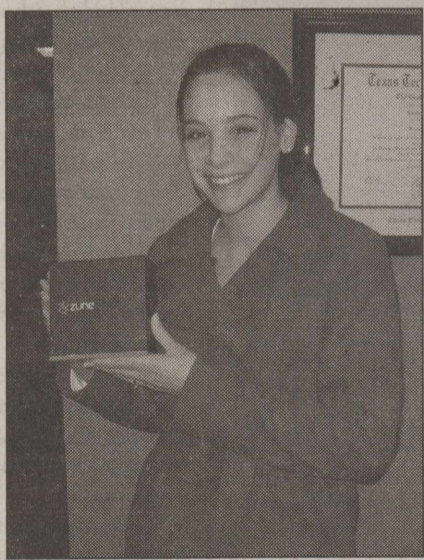
want them to be trivialized," Perry said.

He said he has made major proposals for several years in public office. He cited his sweeping transportation plan unveiled in 2002 that calls for construction of the massive Trans Texas Corridor highway system.

Because there is no budget crunch this year and a new school funding plan is in place, there is the opportunity to tackle new bold plans, he said.

"The economy of the state is doing well, and I think we've got a window of opportunity to address some really big issues," he said. "The time is right. The money is right. And I hope the will of the Legislature is right."

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# School of Art opens two new exhibits in Hub City

By GLENYS BOLLS  
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech School of Art opened two new exhibits this week in its Landmark Gallery and SRO Photography Gallery to bring in a new kind of art to the Hub City.

The show "Beyond Printmaking" opened to the public Saturday, and an exhibit showcasing Janet L. Pritchard's photography opened Monday.

"Printmaking is a way of making an image," Stacy Elko, an assistant professor in the School of Art, said. "There's usually a process, an intervention between you and the final image."

To explain this, Elko used an example of a student who carved an image into a piece of wood, then rolled paint on it and used it as a stamp by pressing the wood on paper. This process captures the image on the paper, but more importantly, it preserves the origi-

nal image on the wood.

"The thing about printmaking is you can make multiples," Elko said. "You have the ability to produce more than one image. The most common form of this is T-shirt making, but it's kind of a grotesque commercial application."

Elko said although printmaking can allow for copies of a piece, the artist has the ultimate freedom and therefore may choose not to make multiple versions.

"With printmaking, you can have multiples or you can make something one of a kind," Elko said. "With printmaking, like with any art, your work can still be unique."

Trent Ashley, a sophomore art major from Dallas, said art shows are important to artists because viewing art is necessary for anyone who hopes to create art.

"It's an inspiration to anyone who wants to do art," Ashley said. "You get to see other people's thoughts, what they feel and how they express it."

School of Art director Joe Arredondo said the school hosted the show because faculty members Elko and Sang-Mi Yoo specifically requested a show on printmaking.

"We're the organizers," Arredondo said of himself and his assistants. "When the faculty wants to organize a certain kind of show, we make that happen."

Elko said Tech students and faculty members are usually the primary audience of shows in the Tech galleries, but the general public comes through the galleries as well.

"Because we're part of the university, we tend to get people from the university," she said. "But because we're on the First Friday Art Trail, we also get a lot of people from the community. I hope everybody will come."

The First Friday Art Trail is a citywide art show held the first Friday of every month. Galleries that participate in the Art Trail include the Art Depot, the Buddy Holly Center, the Plains Gallery and the Lubbock Garden and Arts Center.

"We piggyback on the First Friday Art Trail," Arredondo said. "It's a citywide art thing, so the community generally comes out."

Elko said community members may be surprised by what they see in this show. She said people may not know what to expect, even if they are familiar with the process of printmaking.

"In this show, there's almost no traditional printmaking," Elko said. "The artists all had to submit an artist statement telling why their piece constitutes printmaking. That's why we called the show Beyond Printmaking. It's pushing the boundaries."

Ashley said although he has not been to either of the shows yet, he plans to go soon because he believes he benefits from seeing the works of fellow artists.

"You get to see other styles and compare it with yours," Ashley said. "You learn more about your own art that way."

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## Tech scientist studies global warming

By CALEB HOOPER  
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A Texas Tech researcher has contributed to recent studies that suggest global warming is mainly a result of human activity.

Katharine Hayhoe, an associate professor in the Department of Geosciences, is a member of the United Nations' Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. Hayhoe's research, along with the research of colleague Andrew Dressler, an atmospheric scientist at Texas A&M, contributed to an analysis that has scientists from 130 countries arriving at a nearly unanimous decision.

"They're over 90 percent sure that most of the warming we've seen over the past 15 years is from human involvement," Hayhoe said. "We've seen things happening that are not part of a natural cycle."

Hayhoe said the level of certainty among scientists has been steadily rising since the 1970s because of confirmation of predictions through the scientific process. She said tests and measurements have been made concerning the rising level of the oceans, air temperatures over land, and changes in rainfall patterns.

"The further we go the more evidence we see that our predictions are right," Hayhoe said. "Nearly all that we thought would happen because of humans' emission of heat-trapping gases has

happened."

Hayhoe said she thinks the scientific debate over the cause of global warming is over, and it has moved beyond science. The questions now lay in how global warming will affect the population in the future and how individual humans can help, she said.

Hayhoe said she has positive aspirations regarding the future, but more action is needed now rather than later.

"Yes, climate change is happening, and the amount of change we see over the next century is our decision," Hayhoe said. "Doing some really simple things to help can actually save you money."

She said plugging TVs, cable boxes, game consoles, computers and other entertainment electronics into power bars can make it easier to turn them all off when not in use.

The transition from all-gas vehicles to hybrid cars is another way to save energy and money, Hayhoe said.

"Now you can get pickups and SUVs and every type of car as a hybrid," Hayhoe said. "They use 30 to 60 percent less gas than the same non-hybrid cars."

Hayhoe said she recommends movement within the government at the city, state or national level to educate people about global warming and the ways everyone can help by utilizing alternate sources of energy. She

said while Europeans have already begun to make transitions, there is a lack of legislation in the United States to proceed.

"If we wait more than 10 or 20 years before taking action on climate change, extreme measures could be required to prevent what scientists call 'dangerous human driven change,'" Hayhoe said.

Andrew Swift, director of Wind and Science Engineering Research Center at Tech, said the greenhouse-gas issue has been recognized in the wind-power community for years. The technology is under research at Tech, but there are roadblocks preventing its production, he said.

"One issue with restraining development of wind energy is the transmission lines in order to move that power to the connection centers," Swift said. "We do have a group studying transmission."

Swift said connecting all the power groups throughout the vast panhandle is difficult to do. The codes for engineering and designs for the wind turbines are all done in European codes that do not replicate the wind elements and conditions of the Lubbock area.

He said the wind-energy farm east of Lubbock sends energy to Austin rather than Lubbock.

"I believe one of the major drivers for this technology is that this is greenhouse-gas-free, renewable energy," he said.

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## Cold weather and icy roads not enough to cancel class

By BEN MAKI  
STAFF WRITER

A few inches of snow is not enough to cancel classes at Texas Tech.

Tech Police Chief Ron Seacrist, President Jon Whitmore and Provost William Marcy collaborate in deciding whether or not to close or delay the opening of the university.

Seacrist said he talks with representatives from the National Weather Service, the Department of Public Safety and the Texas Department of Transportation to find out information concerning the road conditions and what the weather conditions are like in the middle of the night and the next morning. He relies on the DPS more than the other two entities.

"The only way we would close the school for an entire day is if the Department of Public Safety recommended nobody drive on the roads, except in the case of emergencies," Seacrist said.

After Seacrist gives his recommendation, the president

and the provost get together to make a final decision.

Senior Vice Provost James

of snow in Lubbock.

"Compared to the snow in Western New York, an inch of snow is nothing," Brink said.

Janet May, assistant vice

president of human resources, said Tech took an emergency leave from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 30, from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. Dec. 1 and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Jan. 19 because of inclement weather.

Dewey Shroyer, managing director of grounds maintenance, said his 99 employees work through much of the night and then start sanding the roads and putting ice-melting pellets in front of doors, on stairs and in other high-traffic areas that could be covered with ice.

Sally Post, director of news bureau and broadcasting, said if the university makes a decision to close the campus or delay its opening, the university will send out an emergency message via e-mail on TechAnnounce and post an announcement on the emergency communications center on the university's Web site. A link to the emergency communications center also will be on the front page of Tech's Web site.

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## GOT BLOOD?



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AUSTIN BOULTER (RIGHT), a freshman undecided major from Dumas, pumps his fist while Jordan Aday (center), a sophomore undecided major from Las Cruces, NM, puts pressure on his arm after Assistant Donor Care Supervisor Jeremy Furgerson (left) removes a needle Thursday afternoon. Boulter and Aday were there donating blood to United Blood Services.

## Dubai Ports says sale of U.S. port operations may fall apart

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dubai Ports World warned Thursday that its deal to sell off major port operations in six U.S. cities may fall apart if the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey does not drop demands for a multimillion-dollar payment.

The Port Authority, in turn, accused the two companies involved in the deal, DP World and AIG Global Investment Group, of walking away from negotiations.

DP World is trying to finish the sale of U.S. port operations it acquired last year. That acquisition caused an outcry among U.S. politicians who said control of port operations by the United Arab Emirates-based company could endanger national security.

The last-minute hitch in the deal to put the ports into U.S. hands prompted Sens. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., and Robert Menendez, D-N.J., to threaten political payback against the Port Authority.

"I've carried a lot of water for the Port Authority," said Menendez. "I have no intention of carrying any water for the Port Authority if they cannot consummate this deal for the national security of the people of our region and our nation."

"Asking for this large a fee is

greedy," Schumer said of the authority's payment demands.

DP World struck a deal in December to sell the U.S. operations to AIG for an undisclosed sum. The final sale has been delayed by the Port Authority's request for tens of millions of dollars from the prospective new owners.

"If the Port Authority continues with its unreasonable request, the sale will fail," wrote DP World chief executive Mohammed Sharaf and AIG managing director Christopher Lee to the agency. Their letter, dated Thursday, was obtained by The Associated Press.

Port Authority officials said they want compensation for roughly \$30 million in past improvements to the Port Newark Container Terminal — and a commitment from AIG for future infrastructure work. The companies, in their letter, contend the total cost of the agency's demands is \$84 million.

Menendez and Schumer, two of DP World's loudest critics last year, found themselves defending the company's new deal and blasting their own states' port agency.

"You can imagine our chagrin, you can imagine how upset we were to learn that, of all people, the Port Authority is throwing a

monkey wrench in this deal," said Schumer, adding: "I wouldn't call it a shakedown in the traditional sense, but I would say that the Port Authority is trying to exact a huge price at the last minute in a very unseemly way."

In response, the Port Authority wrote the two executives that it suspects DP World will make a quick profit of at least \$450 million on its short-term ownership of the U.S. ports. Agency officials would not say whether the companies' claim about a demand for \$84 million was accurate.

"The companies have walked away from the bargaining table," said Port Authority spokesman Stephen Sigmund. "We still believe that we need to have some compensation for all the public investment we've made."

The agency said Menendez and Schumer should pressure the companies to return to talks.

DP World is the world's largest marine terminal operator with 51 terminals in 24 countries. It announced in December that it had struck a deal to sell AIG the U.S. operations, which include six major U.S. seaports in New York/New Jersey, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Miami, New Orleans and Tampa, Fla.

## Davis

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speech at his school and personally look him in the eye and say, "we're going to ship you back to Africa."

Davis' first encounter with the Ku Klux Klan came while playing the piano for a band in the 1980s. He had a fan come to him and complement his skill, and Davis would soon find out that fan was an active member of the Ku Klux Klan. Davis' book, "Klan Destine Relationships," could not be published anywhere at first. The book consisted of interviews with active members of the Ku Klux Klan including a former Imperial Wizard, Roger Kelly. The book was

considered too controversial at the time, but Davis got his story on CNN and publishers soon came to publish the book.

Davis' presentation at Tech gained much interest from Tech students.

Carolyn Hunter, a junior music major from Hawaii, said this is something everyone should hear.

"I just would like to ask him how he maintained his peace," Hunter said. "I think it's wonderful. I think it's exactly what Lubbock needs."

Davis still continues to go around the country to speak and mainly educate many young people through his experiences.

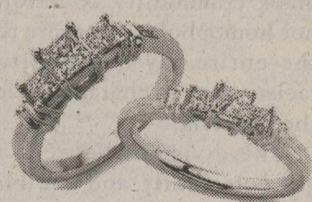
Davis said he would put everything in one concept so people can

understand.

"Ignorance breeds fear," the Grammy Award-winning pianist said. "Fear breeds hatred and hatred breeds destruction."

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## 2 Koreas to resume talks this month

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The two Koreas will hold talks late this month aimed at improving relations, a South Korean official said Thursday, the first sign of easing tensions between the countries after the North signed a nuclear disarmament agreement.

North Korea's top envoy to six-nation talks nuclear talks also said Pyongyang is ready to implement the accord reached earlier this week, Japan's Kyodo News agency reported.

"The talks went well," the agency quoted North Korean Vice Foreign Minister Kim Kye Gwan as saying after returning from Beijing. "We are ready to implement the results of the meeting."

The Cabinet-level talks between the two Koreas will be held in the North Korean capital, Pyongyang, from Feb. 27 to March 2, according to a statement adopted at a lower-level meeting Thursday in the North Korean border city of Kaesong.

South and North Korea have held 19 high-level meetings since 2000, but they have been suspended amid chilled relations following North Korea's missile launches in July and its nuclear test in October.

The meetings have served as a forum for discussing Seoul's aid to the impoverished North, and could lead to a resumption of the regular delivery of rice and fertilizer to the communist nation.

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# OPINIONS

## Not ready to make nice

In November, both President George W. Bush and Democratic leadership promised bipartisanship to the American people. Just like the Dixie Chicks, though, Democrats have no desire to "apologize" to the administration for their refusal to support the war in Iraq.

The House debate on the non-binding resolution to condemn the troop surge has just begun, and the president's inflammatory "if you ain't with us, you're against us" rhetoric has only intensified.

Not supporting the war in Iraq does not "embolden the enemy," nor does it make Democrats — or other opposition — any less patriotic. In fact, if you'll remember back to your eighth-grade history classes, dissent is what this nation just happens to be found upon. It makes more sense that the dissenters are the most patriotic, rather than those who blindly follow.

Abbie Hoffman said, "Democracy is measured by the freedom it gives its dissenters, not the freedom it gives its assimilated conformists." While he may have been a crazy peyote-smoking radical, he's right. Democracy isn't something that happens when everyone agrees — that's called totalitarianism. Differing opinions are key to sustaining our freedoms.

Rush Limbaugh, Sean Hannity, Bill O'Reilly and President Bush aren't patriots — Judith Miller and the Dixie Chicks are. By using and encouraging free speech, they are the real upholders of our Constitution.

The president and his conservative cronies love suppressing freedom of speech. They like it so much they tap telephones, install listening devices in mosques and, on a lesser scale, call everyone who opposes administration policies "traitors."

Until we have a president who can recognize the importance of free speech, it will never have enough value.

It's a shame this "war on terrorism" never will be over, considering it will continue to be the justification for oppression of ideas and opinions. President Bush opened up a can of worms when he declared war on "terrorism" in 2001. When he was inaugurated, he took a neat little oath that bound him to defend the Constitution.

The president hasn't kept his oath. Signing into law legislation like The Military Commissions Act and quietly claiming power to disobey any laws he chooses is in complete contradiction of the Constitution. The year 2008 could be perhaps the most important year in our nation's history.



Amy McCarthy

The United States needs change. This country needs a president who will defend the Constitution rather than using it to his (or her) own personal gain. In 2008, we need to vote for an administration that will support freedom of speech and expression rather than devalue it.

So, congratulations to the Dixie Chicks for winning their five Grammy awards. Commend Judith Miller for refusing to give up her sources. They are the ones who have fulfilled the oath the president should have.

Dissenters are always the most interesting people in a democracy. People may hate Jane Fonda, but people certainly knew her opinions on Vietnam. Currently, Alec Baldwin and Susan Sarandon may have lost a little popularity, but they're being heard.

When an opinion is heard, it makes people think. It's the exact reason why I wanted to write. People may not agree with my opinions, but hopefully they'll think about them. Celebrities and public dissenters can use their spotlight to open discussion on the counterarguments.

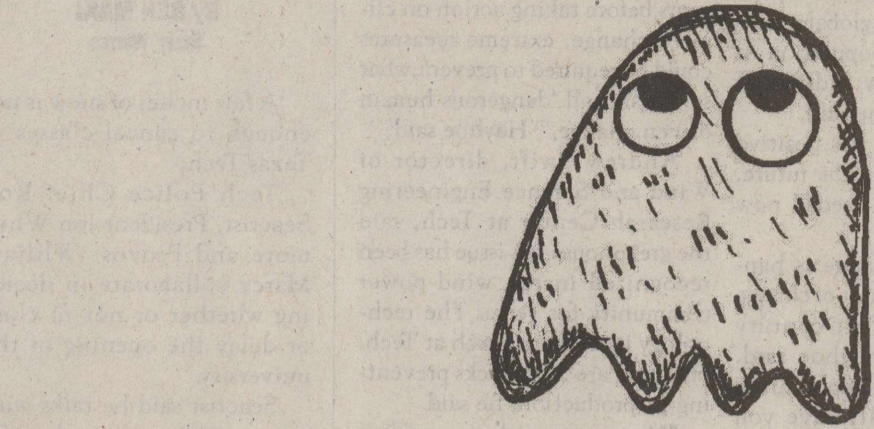
That discussion is democracy. People will never agree on everything, but discussion opens up the door for understanding differing viewpoints and diversity. This understanding is key to what America was founded on.

When Supreme Court justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg authored her dissenting opinion in "Bush v. Gore," she scandalized the judicial system. Prior to this decision, justices always had signed their dissenting opinions "I respectfully dissent." Because Ginsberg signed simply "I dissent," she was seen as being disrespectful. Dissent is not disrespect.

We shouldn't "respectfully" dissent to a stolen election or an illegal war. It should be as disrespectful as possible, because disrespect breeds change, and this country needs change.

So, because the Dixie Chicks, Ginsberg, and Miller have shown us exactly what it takes to be a patriot, we should give them our respect. Whether or not we agree with their ideas, we have to recognize them for having the courage for showing theirs.

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"I EAT PACMAN BECAUSE I'M SAD, AND I RUN FROM PACMAN BECAUSE I'M ON PSYCHOACTIVE DRUGS."

## Remember to take proper precautions

**STAFF EDITORIAL**  
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(U-WIRE) MARQUETTE, Mich. — Wrap it before you tap it. No glove, no love. Don't be a fool; cover your tool.

These phrases are tossed around as crude jokes, but there is more wisdom than vulgarity in these words.

During Valentine's Day, many couples celebrated the holiday with romantic rendezvous. But sometimes these expressions of love or lust can overtake good judgment, pushing safe-sex practices to the wayside.

Nearly one-half of all new

sexually transmitted infections are consistently contracted by 15 to 24-year-olds, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

With all of the knowledge available on safe-sex practices, it doesn't make sense that our presumably well-informed peers continue to have unprotected sex.

Nobody wants blisters or warts on his or her genitalia, so why do people continue to have unprotected sex? Perhaps the mentality of "it can't happen to me" is still prevalent, but the truth is, no one is invulnerable from contracting an infection if the proper precautions are ignored.

Condoms are known to significantly reduce STI transmission when used properly, yet many people still aren't using them. Excuses range from inconvenience and lack of sensation to cost and embarrassment about purchasing them.

But with the wide variety and availability of condoms — free rubbers are available at Planned Parenthood, the HPO office and from resident advisors — these excuses are starting to go stale. And the old adage remains true: If you are too embarrassed to purchase a condom, you probably shouldn't have sex.

Although birth control pills, shots and patches help prevent pregnancy, they do not protect

against STIs. Condoms help prevent both. Used together, multiple forms of contraceptives can decrease the likelihood of infection and pregnancy.

In the past, women have had to take the initiative in using contraceptives, but the responsibility should not rest on them alone. If a woman gets pregnant, the burden lies mainly with her. Women and men need to have a stronger voice to say "no" to sex if contraceptives are not available.

Young adults need to act responsibly and discuss safe-sex practices together. If it takes two to tango, then both partners need to love safely.

## Minorities need to work together in equality fight

**By LEE R. HEERTEN**  
**DAILY NEBRASKAN (U. NEBRASKA)**

(U-WIRE) LINCOLN, Neb. — Forget "the Man" keeping you down - the job has been outsourced.

Now it's the responsibility of blacks, Hispanics, gays, women, insert-minority-of-choice-here to keep each other down. As it turns out, this method of oppression is just as effective and frees up more time for golfing and bombing deserts.

Divide and conquer - it's not just for outmoded foreign affairs. The concept is alive and well on the domestic front, protecting our phallocks from the dangers of a well-focused fight for equality.

Minority groups are effectively being pitted against each other. We've been told that the political and socio-economic situations of racial, gender and sexual minorities are entirely different and incompatible. Moreover, we've been informed that stepping on each other will, miraculously, move us up the ladder.

It's a lie. Sociologists have even invented a nifty word for the tactic: horizontal hostility — the equally oppressed turning on each other in hopes of bettering their own position.

Take the suffrage movements in the United States. Both blacks and women were fighting for the same right to vote and, for a time, were working in tandem.

"This coalition against a caste system based on race and sex turned the country on its head," said Gloria Steinem in a New York Times editorial, "until it was divided by giving the vote to its smallest part, negro men."

Once this happened, instead of continuing to create a powerful coalition, white women and black men turned on each other. White women vilified black men, trying to pass the attacks off as intelligent rhetoric defending their need of suffrage.

It wasn't intelligent rhetoric. It set the struggle for equality back by decades.

The same types of horizontal hostilities are being

perpetuated today.

Conflict between racial minorities, attacks among women based on their feminine identity, divisions within the gay community and endless combinations of these exist.

These conflicts benefit no one. Attacks, subtle and blatant, produce counterattacks and only serve to reduce the credibility of all groups involved.

Conflict between gay and black communities is an obvious example. The Rev. Al Sharpton claims that homophobia within the black community is the reason that the Republican Party is seeing a rise in black voters.

Republicans, Sharpton says, "couldn't come to black churches to talk about the war, about health care, about education, about poverty. So they did what they always do and reached for bigotry against gay and lesbian people."

On the other side, Johari Jabir, a gay, black scholar at the University of California - Santa Barbara, states that "the very face of the queer movement reflects upper/middle-class gay white men."

"Little if any attention is given to the ways in which white queer-owned establishments, queer media, and various queer facets practice racism while claiming to be oppressed 'like' the people they discriminate against."

Though both of these examples are extreme - the entire black community is certainly not homophobic, no more than the entire gay community is racist - they're characteristic of the problem.

The divisions between the gay community and the black community are not only senseless, but also harmful for those with dual identities. People who should be benefiting from the support of two communities are, in reality, left without one.

The racial minorities has been characterized as a source of social degradation — crime, drugs, illegal immigration — and the gay community has characterized as moral degradation. Neither characterization is true, but to some extent both sides have embraced this view of the other.

In doing this, both groups have lost potential supporters

and credibility. An unaffiliated, progressive person does not want to lend support to groups that are perceived to be either racist or homophobic.

Minority groups need to give up the illusion that, if they distance themselves from other ostracized groups or even participate in the ostracizing, they are going to be let into the club.

We are all fighting for access to the same institutions, the same rights and responsibilities. We shouldn't be fighting against each other, none of us have the elusive key; we should be fighting along side one another.

Minority groups that are supportive of one another are more likely to benefit from advances

that individual groups make. They can share resources - supporters, donors, well-known spokespersons.

The sooner groups can admit their shared status, the better off we all will be. Yes, I have white privilege and you may have male privilege and someone else may have hetero-privilege, but none of these guarantee fair access or equal rights.

As long as we continue to resent or vilify each other for what little perceived privilege we do have, we are doing the hard work of oppression ourselves.

Instead, let's work for the same type of coalition that once "turned the country on its head."

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# WORLD EVENTS IN BRIEF

## Plane hijacking ends in Spain's Canary Islands

MADRID, Spain (AP) — An armed man who hijacked a Mauritanian plane to Spain's Canary Islands Thursday was overpowered by passengers and crew before he was arrested by police who boarded the plane shortly after landing, government and airline officials said.

The man was overwhelmed by passengers and arrested when police stormed the Air Mauritania 737 shortly after the aircraft landed at Gando military base on Gran Canaria island, Spanish Interior Ministry official Carolina Darias said.

Air Mauritania director Mohamed

Ould Aoufa said the crew was involved in overpowering the hijacker.

Twenty-one of the 71 passengers — mostly Spaniards and Mauritians — 21 were treated for slight injuries, a Las Palmas police spokesman said. The most seriously affected was a pregnant woman who was treated for severe shock.

Police said the man had been carrying two loaded handguns. Police did not say when during the incident he had been overpowered.

Mohamed Ould Mohamed Cheikh, Mauritania's top police official, said the hijacker was a Moroccan

from Western Sahara who wanted to immigrate to France.

The man had tried many times to obtain a visa at the French embassy in the Mauritanian capital, Nouakchott, where he had lived for a few months, Mohamed said. The hijacker's identity wasn't given.

The Boeing 737, with eight crew, was hijacked after leaving Nouakchott at 4:30 p.m.

Aoufa said the hijacker demanded to go to France but after the crew refused because of a lack of fuel the plane turned toward the Spanish islands.

## Party

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racism."

He said the party, despite what protesters said, did not happen on Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

"The party wasn't about black people," he said. "The theme was 'Get Rich or Die Tryin.'"

"I'm sorry if people got mad," he said. "They thought it was a racist thing, but it had nothing to do with race."

McCain spoke on a cell phone because he said he was out of town on a hunting trip with his father.

"I would have been there if I could," he said. "I would have gone out there and told them that the party had nothing to do with race."

Williamson said it hurts that something like this could happen at Tech, which is why she felt compelled to protest.

"It's saddening, it hurts and it's disrespectful," Williamson said of the party. "We're here to show this won't be tolerated."

Alexandria Williams, a senior communications studies major from Dallas, shed a few tears during the protest.

"This is a rally to show that we're tired of the ignorance and racism at Tech," she said. "I want the administration to do something about this."

As the protest progressed, more students joined the group protesting. Williams said even if there were just five students who showed for the protest, she would still feel the day was a success.

"This isn't a joke," she said. "This is serious."

Williams took the spotlight when she stood and said she believes the administration at Tech does not care about the black community.

"We do have a voice," she said. "This is the start of a new day. People who have died for us would be proud that we're



KELLY MATHERLY/The Daily Toreador  
ALEXANDRIA WILLIAMS, A senior communication studies and general studies major from Dallas, heads a protest against racial stereotypes Thursday afternoon in the free speech area.

## Steamed drivers stuck for a full day on interstate

HAMBURG, Pa. (AP) — National Guardsmen in Humvees ferried food, fuel and baby supplies Thursday to hundreds of motorists stranded on a 50-mile stretch of highway for nearly a day by a monster storm blamed for 15 deaths.

The traffic jam on the icy, hilly section of Interstate

78 in eastern Pennsylvania started to ease by the afternoon, but drivers were still seething.

"How could you operate a state like this? It's totally disgusting," said Eugene Coleman, of Hartford, Conn.

The sprawling storm system hit Wednesday and blew out to sea Thursday, leaving huge

snow piles, frigid temperatures and tens of thousands without power across the Midwest and Northeast.

Numerous areas saw more than a foot of snow, with 42 inches falling in the southern Adirondacks in New York. Gusty wind had morning wind chills below zero, and in some areas, the snow was followed

## More than \$10B in public money spent in Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. government has squandered as much as \$10 billion in public money on Iraq reconstruction aid because of overcharges and unsubstantiated expenses. More is yet to come, federal investigators said Thursday.

The three top auditors overseeing work in Iraq told a House committee their review of \$57 billion in Iraq contracts found that Defense and State depart-

ment officials condoned or allowed repeated work delays, bloated expenses and payments for shoddy work or work never done.

More than one in six dollars charged by U.S. contractors were questionable or unsupported, nearly triple the amount of waste the Government Accountability Office estimated last fall.

"There is no accountability,"

said David M. Walker, who heads the auditing arm of Congress. "Organizations charged with overseeing contracts are not held accountable. Contractors are not held accountable."

"People should be rewarded when they do a good job. But when things don't go right, there have to be consequences," he said

## Ohio parents in 'caged kids' case sentenced to 2 years

NORWALK, Ohio (AP) — A couple who forced some of their 11 adopted, special-needs children to sleep in cages, were sentenced to two years in prison each for child endangering Thursday, after emotional statements in which the parents claimed they were only trying to keep the kids safe.

Sharen Gravelle told the court the children were never confined as punishment but

rather to protect them, including a child who wanted to jump out a second-floor window.

"Would you prefer that we let them jump? Either way, we'd be here. The difference is they're still alive," she said in a 26-minute statement.

Gravelle blamed social services officials for not helping her and her husband, Michael, control the destructive behavior

of some of the youngsters.

The children, who suffered from problems such as fetal alcohol syndrome and a disorder that involves eating nonfood items, ranged in age from 1 to 14 when authorities removed them in September 2005 from the Gravelles' home in Wakeman, about 60 miles west of Cleveland. They were placed in foster care in fall 2005 and the couple lost custody last March.

## Orbiting spacecraft sends back new evidence on Mars

WASHINGTON (AP) — An orbiting spacecraft has sent back new evidence for the presence of water on Mars. Scientists long have debated whether water flowed on the red planet, with evidence increasing in recent years. The presence of water would raise the possibility of at least primitive life forms existing there.

Images from a camera aboard NASA's Mars Reconnaissance Orbiter show alternating layers of dark- and light-toned rock in a giant rift valley.

Within those deposits are a series

of linear fractures, called joints, that are surrounded by "halos" of light-toned bedrock, according to researchers from the University of Arizona.

Their findings, published in Friday's edition of the journal Science, were being presented at the annual meeting of the American Association

for the Advancement of Science in San Francisco.

Lead author Chris H. Okubo said the "halos" indicate areas where fluids, probably water, passed through the bedrock. Minerals in the fluid strengthen and bleach the rock, he said, making it more resistant to erosion than other areas.

making a stand."

She said she believes it is up to the minorities at Tech to change things.

"Our own university doesn't help or support us," she said. "Every day we sit and take things from everybody else."

When Holloway found the photographs and sent them along to Williams, he did not expect such a large response, he said.

"Ignorance is still alive," he said. "They still go out and post this on Facebook as if they're above the law."

Holloway, who is a part of the National Society of Black Engineers, said every year the university sends someone to the group to ask questions about how diversity can be improved on the Tech campus.

"Every year they ask the same damn questions, and every year we give them the same damn answers," he said. "But I still haven't seen

any improvements."

C. Robert Black, a Board of Regents member of Tech, said one of the key goals of the board is to improve diversity.

"We do this by emphasizing on diversity to the administration," he said. "Diversity is one of the key strategies of the board of regents."

Black said he has seen a rise in the percentage of minorities on campus throughout the years.

He said he believes whenever black students are faced with a situation, they have to compromise, but he does not want these students to do that anymore.

Williamson, who was one of the first people to arrive for the protest, said the students were there to show that racial discrimination would not be tolerated.

"It shows that you can down the black community, but we're going to come together," she said.

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STAT. CHAN. AFFIL. CITY	KTXT 5 PBS Lubbock	KCBD 11 NBC Lubbock	KLBK 13 CBS Lubbock	KMYL 14 MYN CW Lubbock	KLCW 22 CW Lubbock	KAMC 28 ABC Lubbock	KJTV 34 FOX Lubbock
7 AM	Jakers (HD)	Today (HD)	(4:00) Saturday Early Show	Loomis	Good America (HD)	Wink Club	
8 AM	FETCH!	Saddle Club	Madeline	Scobby-Do	Emperors	Nina Turtles	
9 AM	Zoom	Sabar	Triz	Housecalls	Johnny Test	Replacements	Viva Pinata
10 AM	Heartland	Dragon	Horseland	Lubbock Home	Legion Super.	So Raven	Ninja Turtles
11 AM	Texas Parks	9-2-1	Ashley Show	Poland Ford	Spider Riders	Hannah	Yu-Gi-Oh!
12 PM	Chronicles	VeggieTales	Oakwell Bank	Sutton	Monster	Sully Life Zack	Chickadee (HD)
1 PM	RS' Europe	JaneDrgn	Snowboarding (T)	Used Cars	Beakman's	"Rangers	Sutton
2 PM	Victory Garden	Jacob 2-2	★ "Taffy" (98, Drama)	★ "Dumb and Dumber" (94, Comedy)	★ "St. Comedy"	Jeff Daniels	Beakman's
3 PM	P. Allen	Paid Program	College Baseball UCLA at Arizona (Live) (HD)	★ "Dumb and Dumber" (94, Comedy)	★ "St. Comedy"	Jeff Daniels	Beakman's
4 PM	Workshop	HomeTime	Skiing Alpha World Championships (T)	★ "Dumb and Dumber" (94, Comedy)	★ "St. Comedy"	Jeff Daniels	Beakman's
5 PM	Antiques Roadshow	Roadshow	Senior Golf Outback Championship (Live) (HD)	★ "Dumb and Dumber" (94, Comedy)	★ "St. Comedy"	Jeff Daniels	Beakman's
6 PM	Jeopardy!	Jeopardy!	Paid Program	College Baseball Iowa State at Kansas State (Live)	★ "Dumb and Dumber" (94, Comedy)	Jeff Daniels	Beakman's
7 PM	Lawrence Welk	Deal or No Deal	60 Minutes	Alias "After Six"	Reba (HD)	Reba (HD)	Reba (HD)
8 PM	Nature "Raptor's Foot"	Amazing Race "The Season"	Amazing Race "The Season"	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)
9 PM	Masterpiece Theatre	The Appointment	Cold Case (HD)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)
10 PM	Monty Python	Without a Trace "The Season"	Without a Trace "The Season"	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)
11 PM	Globe Trekker	Without a Trace "The Season"	Without a Trace "The Season"	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)	★ "Holy Man" (96, Comedy)
12 AM	American Experience	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program

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7 AM	Noddy	Today (HD)	Cake	Amazin	Bible Society	Polard Ford	Paid Program
8 AM	George	Reporter	Sunday Morning	Total Health	In Touch	Lord's Way	Paid Program
9 AM	Signin Time!	Meet the Press	Nation	Hour of Power	Extra	Critic's Choice	This Week
10 AM	Session	World of Adventure Sports	College Baseball TBA (Live)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)
11 AM	Small Bus	World of Adventure Sports	College Baseball TBA (Live)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)
12 PM	Religion Ethics	Outback Championship (Live) (HD)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)
1 PM	The Supreme Court	NHL Hockey Teams TBA (Live)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)	★ "Personal Effects" (06, Suspense)
2 PM	Branson Jubilee	News	CBS News	Smallville "Orphan"	Game (HD)	ABC News	ABC News
3 PM	Lawrence Welk	Deal or No Deal	60 Minutes	Alias "After Six"	Reba (HD)	Reba (HD)	Reba (HD)
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8 PM	American Experience	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program
9 PM	News	(1:35) Nightline	Frasier	(1:35) Nightline	Frasier	(1:35) Nightline	Frasier
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12 AM	News	(1:35) Late Night	(1:35) Craig Ferguson	Boaker	Cops	Cops	Cops

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## Local Lions Club hosts pancake festival

By **HALEY DAVIS**  
STAFF WRITER

Students who are happy for flap jacks this weekend can attend the 55th annual Lubbock Lions Club Pancake Festival.

The festival will be held from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

Amy Paiva, co-chair of the festival, said she expects anywhere from 15,000 to 18,000 people to attend the event. That number does not include the volunteers who work the event; Paiva said there probably will be around 1,000 volunteers throughout the whole festival.

The tradition started half a century ago as a breakfast, but it eventually evolved into the 13-hour event that is the festival today, said Lynnette Abbott, executive secretary of The Lubbock Lions Club.

Students shouldn't worry about being bored at the festival, because Abbott said there will never be a dull moment.

"There will be face-painting, popcorn, cotton candy, clowns, entertainment," Abbott said. "Something will be going on all-day long."

A festival of this magnitude does not just come together overnight. Paiva said the civic center started preparing eight or nine months ago.

The festival will feature not only pancakes, but sausage and various refreshments like milk and coffee.

Abbott said many of the volunteers will include The Lubbock Lions Club's family members, Texas Tech fraternities and sororities, Boy Scouts and church groups.

Abbott said she will be volunteering herself, she said by making sure the token booths are manned all-day long.

Every year the festival has a certain theme, and Abbott said this year is no

exception. "There is a '50s theme," she said. "Some of the music will be conducive with the theme, and some people are going to come dressed-up."

One of the volunteers at the pancake festival will be Katharine Farmer, president of the co-ed service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega. She mentioned some of the activities she and her organization have taken care of in past festivals.

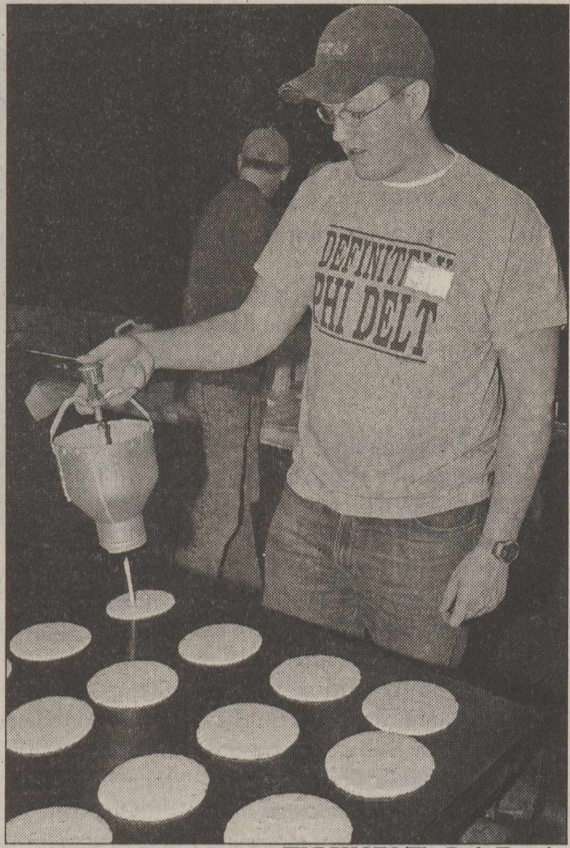
"We'll be arriving at 7 a.m. bright and early. In the past, we've been in charge of squirting mix on the grill with other organizations," she said. "We're kind of there to help assemble the food and pick up trash."

Farmer said one of her favorite parts of the festival is the people she gets to work next to.

"It is so much fun, usually TV crews are working beside some of the members," she said.

Farmer also mentioned some of the rewards she gets from being a part of the festival.

"Seeing the amount of people—it seems to be a big deal in Lubbock. Also, participating behind the scenes," she said. "It's always nice to eat pancakes



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador  
A TEXAS TECH student squirts pancake mix onto a pan at a previous Lubbock Lions Club Pancake Festival.

too," Farmer said with a laugh.

The Lubbock Lions Club provides every item that is made and served at the festival, except for the pancake mix. Abbott said the Pioneer Pancake Mix is the only item that is donated to the festival.

Tickets are being sold at local Bolton's locations and The Lions Club office; tickets also can be purchased at the door for \$5.

Paiva said 100 percent of the money made at the festival will go to Lions Club Charities.

"All of this goes back to people who need it," she said.

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## Tech society preparing Red Raiders for medical school

By **ALLISON LOWE**  
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The Dr. Bernard Harris Jr. Pre-Med Society is working on the Texas Tech campus to prepare students interested in health care for medical school.

The organization, which was created in 1998, is comprised of approximately 100 Tech students who are striving toward a career in medicine.

Marcus Hershey, vice president of the organization, said the society is named after Bernard Harris Jr., a graduate of the University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine. Not only is Harris a Tech alumnus, he also made history as he was the first African American to walk in space.

According to the society's Web site at <http://student.ttuhs.edu/bhps/>, the mission of the organization is to help make its members the most qualified, dedicated and well-rounded applicants for professional health careers, as well as to promote minority representation in health care. The society also strives to provide its members with community service opportunities in medicine as well as in other areas.

Hershey said the society hosts meetings once a month. Guest speakers who are involved with health care — mainly doctors

— are brought to the meetings to provide information for students. An Army recruiter once came to a meeting and spoke to students about possibly being doctors in the Army, Hershey said.

The society offers a variety of programs and opportunities for its members to be involved with on campus as well as off campus.

Members are given the chance to volunteer once a month at various places in Lubbock such as nursing homes, Habitat for Humanity and the South Plains Food Bank. Students in the society will be visiting the Garrison Geriatric Center Saturday to interact with residents and gain health care exposure. Volunteering helps students grow personally, and it also helps students see if they want to work in health care for their entire lives, Hershey said.

"We are really open to all students — anybody interested in health care at all," he said. "Everything is for the students' benefit."

Upperclassmen in the society participate in mock interviews with the Tech School of Medicine, which will prepare and show them what to expect when they begin applying to medical schools. Additionally, juniors and seniors who are close to applying to medical school can get real-life practice shadowing doctors through the Family Medicine Mentor Program.

Jacob Centeno, a member of the

organization, said he heard about the society through a friend.

"(The society) gives a lot of information about what you need to be ready for in medical school," said Centeno, a freshman biochemistry major from El Paso.

Centeno said he enjoys the volunteer opportunities that are provided, and he has learned a lot through the hands-on practice and advice given from others.

"It is great just to be a part of an organization where you are with other people who are on the same path as you," Centeno said. "It's like we are all in it together."

Hershey said the society works directly with its adviser, Trevor Yates, and the School of Medicine. Yates serves as the assistant director for the medical school; because of this, he is able to provide information to members on what it takes to get into medicine, finances needed for medical school and what the life of a doctor is like.

"Before I knew the society, I knew nothing about how to get into medical school," Hershey said.

Tech students who are interested in learning more about the society can attend its next meeting at 8 p.m. March 22 in Holden Hall.

"Involvement in a pre-med society of this caliber is essential for any student the least bit interested in going into medicine," Hershey said.

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### OPINION

## Austin's Oh No! Oh My! to have first Hub City appearance Sunday

By **DAVID WARD**  
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As the weekend approaches and Texas Tech students wander about looking for an event to tide themselves over while putting off deadlines, they should bear in mind that The Art Depot Annex is offering the Austin band Oh No! Oh My! for Sunday night entertainment.

Locals Rubber Band and My Milliner will be opening for the band. This is going to be a night of firsts: my first time to see any of these bands, The Art Depot Annex's first show and Oh No! Oh My!'s first time in Lubbock. One thing I have noticed over the years is whenever a band makes its first appearance in a city, the initial show can

make or break the band's intentions of coming back through. Thus, my job is to get you to want to attend this show.

This may seem like a lofty task on my part, but I see it as a privilege, and it's also quite easy. Because Oh No! Oh My! has been receiving heavy play on KTXT-FM and has obtained a bit of a following from listeners around the city, the band must be doing something right.

The next aspect I must address, which normally seems to get avid listeners excited about the prospect of a new band coming through, is Oh No! Oh My!'s whereabouts in the world. Austin seems to constantly pump out band after band that produces quality music to which you will jump out

of your seat and shake your booty around like butter. Not 'your humps,' your booty. 'Humps' is just ridiculous terminology. Lets hope it doesn't make its way into a song ... oh wait.

Now the final note which I should highlight for you, the curious reader, is the band's music. For those who are fans of "indie" staples such as Clap Your Hands Say Yeah, the Mountain Goats and the Shins, this will be a perfect fit for you multiple coat wearing, worn-down Converse toting folks out there. Perhaps the track that has got me hooked and excited for this Sunday would be "I Have No Sister." If you haven't heard it, check out the Website [www.ohnohmy.com](http://www.ohnohmy.com) or check with KTXT-FM, the station that set up the show.

So while some of you still have your trepidations about Sunday, just don't think about it. It's at the Art Depot Annex at 1703 Texas Ave. The doors open at 8 p.m. and the cover is \$7. I know, it's scary, but I don't think about it and jump right in. I will share the same advice my dad gave me, "Just do it son, you'll always remember your first." The slight difference being this article doesn't have a prophylactic attached.

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**THE Daily Crossword** Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

By John Halverson Viroqua, WI 2/16/07

**ACROSS**

- Poison
- Tom Sawyer affirmative
- Slangy denial
- Egyptian god
- Rounds or clips
- Sailor's hello
- Bizarre
- Truth twister
- Lasso
- Successful prayer-line caller?
- Actor Mineo
- Boxing stats
- Muscle spasms
- Tony winner Caldwell
- Complexion woe
- 66 or A1A, e.g.
- Amiable satire
- Norwegian saint
- Drops from the sky
- Double-checking the shingles?
- Fuzz
- Defunct
- Milk dispenser?
- Pompous fool
- Opportune
- Mork and ALF
- NASA delay
- Tango team
- Volcanic fallout
- Rather cite?
- Dice toss
- Simple to solve
- Weak porridge
- Qualified
- Town near Caen
- Playwright Edward
- 88 days on Mercury
- One of these days
- Chicago tower

**DOWN**

- Prevents from proceeding
- "Star Trek" role
- Days Inn, e.g.
- Gillette shaver
- Mark as completed
- Some locks
- Arabian prince
- Plastic money chip
- Additional-facts button
- Drug agts.
- Anticipatory cry
- Gandolfo resident
- Observer
- Tiller's tool
- Hole in one
- Faunae arrays
- Red tide, e.g.
- Kitchen foray
- Pitchfork point
- Art print, briefly
- Pet protection grp.
- Experts, briefly
- Uh-oh!
- Start of a counting rhyme
- Old mail rts.
- Pardon my straying from the topic
- Running on empty
- Future fish
- Ram's dam
- Buc or Packer
- Check for fit
- Island west of Curacao
- Agatha's contemporary
- Apertures
- Talk to God
- Spa garment
- Singer
- Fitzgerald
- Munch
- Museum city
- Agatha's contemporary

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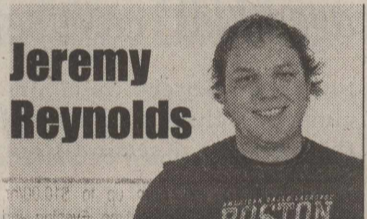
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## 'Crack' proves Patterson still has snap and pop

**Jeremy Reynolds**



James Patterson, who's known for his easy-read books, has turned-out his first novel of the new year with "Step on a Crack"; he has another four publications planned in the coming months.

For once, one of Patterson's books didn't feel like a drive-through story void of a plot or characters to keep it moving.

Teaming with author Michael Ledwidge for the first time, Patterson has crafted a tale with all his usual twists and turns, but this time he added in dialogue that didn't feel like something a 5-year-old would spout.

The plot of the novel is what keeps it moving. I was able to sit down and finish the book in a couple of hours because the plot was so interesting it deserved to be read in a single sitting.

The book focuses on a hostage negotiator in New York City who is called to the scene of a crime that is unlike anything he's ever seen before.

Midway through the funeral service of the wife of the former president of the United States, men in cloaks and ski masks raid the church with guns, taking a who's-who list of actors, musicians, politicians and other celebrities.

What I liked about the book was the characterization given to each of the characters. Ev-

eryone had their little sayings and quirks. I especially liked how the main character is a father of 10, and he has a wife who is on her deathbed because of cancer.

Patterson aims to continue the story of this character, Michael Bennett, for a few more books, making Bennett Patterson's third series character.

Patterson does well with writing Bennett. I could sense the emotion in Patterson's writing when I read about Bennett's wife on her deathbed. I also could tell Patterson put in some extra time in crafting Bennett's character; Bennett is far from a two-dimensional backdrop readers breeze past such as characters from a lot of Patterson's romance novels.

In "Crack," Bennett has to balance his time between the church, where the hostage situation has taken place, and his house, where he has 10 children needing food and attention.

Patterson is best-known for his Alex Cross novels such as "Kiss the Girls" and "Along Came a Spider," and "Crack" runs along the same line as all his other ac-

tion thrillers.

Like a lot of other hostage books and movies, the main villain in "Crack" is a calm and calculating individual who has a bigger plan than simply taking some hostages.

I especially liked the ending because it's not the typical ending someone expects to read in a hostage-situation novel. I won't ruin anything, but the end is definitely worth the read.

With his signature short chapters, Patterson keeps the pace moving a rapid speed. The entire book felt like the script of an action movie.

Patterson, who is getting older, must find it hard to pound out five novels a year, so it is understandable he would recruit Ledwidge for help. I think the two make a great pair. Their dynamic works better than Patterson's pairing with some of the other people he's worked with in the past.

I think this shows in the villain, who is only known as "Jack" because he's just "jacked" an entire funeral. Jack is calm on the phone with his requests, but when a celebrity inside the church tries to trade her life for a pair of diamond ear rings, he sprays pepper spray in her eyes and face and then drags her through the church so everyone can see what happens when someone steps out of line.

Great read.

5 out of 6 — Great

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# Men's and women's tennis teams looking to bounce back

By ADAM COLEMAN  
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech men's and women's tennis teams will be in action this weekend before they face stiffer competition later this season.

The men will face their fifth-straight ranked team in Rice 10:00 a.m. Saturday at the Falls Country Club. The women, after having a week off, will have two opponents to face, including their first Big 12 opponent of the season as Colorado visits the Hub City. The women's team will take on another Colorado team when it faces Colorado State after its match against the Buffaloes Saturday.

The men's team is coming off one of its toughest road trips of the year after facing three ranked teams, including No. 17 Washington in Seattle. The men, who are 4-2 on the season, defeated two of the three top-ranked teams they had to face last weekend, No. 42 Louisville and No. 34 Middle Tennessee State, but fell to No. 17 Washington.

Tech coach Tim Siegel said he was pleased with the performance of his team despite the loss to

Washington.

"This past weekend was a great weekend for us," Siegel said. "We beat two ranked teams that were ahead of us and lost a very tough match to Washington who was ranked 17th, but I thought that our team had improved a lot from one weekend to the last weekend."

Rice is ranked 30th in the nation with a 6-1 record and is first in Conference USA while the Tech men are heading into the match ranked 43rd. A marquee match-up will be between two of the top-ranked players in the country as Rice's No. 50 Ben Harknett will face No. 12 Bojan Szumanski in the No. 1 spot.

The Tech's women's team and Colorado will be some of the many teams opening Big 12 play this weekend. With a win, the Tech women, who are 3-2 in 2007, could get a jump-start on the conference competition. The women's latest match came against New Mexico, and their three-match winning streak was put to a halt. The women will be getting the addition of Brenna Jackson, who was with the team in the fall.

Tech coach Cari Groce said with Jackson coming back, the

team is in good shape going into this weekend's matches.

"I think we look really good," Groce said. "Brenna Jackson has rejoined the team, she was with us in the fall, she brought a lot of great motivation, she has a great fighting attitude, and I think just having her back on the squad gave us a real positive shot," Groce said. "It gives us some really good confidence on the doubles court with her and Karen (Potgieter) in there now."

Groce said Jackson's return would change the lineup for this weekend's match.

"We just needed a little more depth and strength in there at No. 3, so we were going to go with Karen and Brenna to start off with at No. 3," she said.

Colorado has a 3-2 record and a No. 53 ranking going into this weekend's match, but the Buffs lead the season series against Tech 9-3. Colorado will be Tech's fourth ranked opponent this season. Colorado State is coming off a loss to No. 65 Nebraska and will be looking to knock off the Tech women, who are ranked No. 51 in the country.

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# Hardaway won't represent NBA at All-Star game after anti-gay remarks

(AP) — The NBA banished Tim Hardaway from All-Star weekend in Las Vegas because of his anti-gay remarks.

Hardaway, who played in five All-Star games during the 1990s, was already in Las Vegas and scheduled to make a series of public appearances this week on behalf of the league. But after saying, "I hate gay people" during a radio interview, commissioner David Stern stepped in.

"We removed him from representing us because we didn't think his comments were consistent with having anything to do with us," Stern told reporters Thursday at the opening of a fan festival at a Las Vegas casino, part of the NBA's All-Star weekend.

Stern said he had not spoken with Hardaway, who left Las Vegas on Thursday, but he planned to do so.

"This issue overall has fascinated America," Stern said. "This is a country that needs to talk about this issue, and not surprisingly, they use sports as a catalyst to begin the dialogue."

Hardaway apologized for his comments, which came a week after John Amaechi became the first former NBA player to say he was gay.

"As an African-American, I know all too well the negative thoughts and feelings hatred and bigotry cause," Hardaway said Thursday in a statement issued by his agent. "I regret and apologize for the statements that I made that have certainly caused the same kinds of feelings and reactions."

"I especially apologize to my fans, friends and family in Miami and Chicago. I am committed to examining my feelings and will recognize, appreciate and respect the differences among people in our society," he said. "I regret any embarrassment I have caused the league on the eve of one of their greatest annual events."

Hardaway represented the NBA in Las Vegas this week at a Habitat for Humanity event and a fitness promotion. The former U.S. Olympian was originally scheduled to be an assistant coach at a wheelchair game Thursday night and later appear at the fan-oriented Jam Session.

"I don't need Tim's comments to realize there's a problem," Amaechi told The Associated Press in a phone interview earlier in the day. "People said that I should just shut up and go away — now they have to rethink that."

On a Miami radio show Wednesday, Hardaway was asked how he would interact with a gay team-

mate.

"First of all, I wouldn't want him on my team," the former Miami Heat star said. "And second of all, if he was on my team, I would, you know, really distance myself from him because, uh, I don't think that is right. I don't think he should be in the locker room while we are in the locker room."

When show host Dan Le Batard told Hardaway those comments were "flatly homophobic" and "bigotry," the player continued.

"You know, I hate gay people, so I let it be known. I don't like gay people and I don't like to be around gay people," he said. "I'm homophobic. I don't like it. It shouldn't be in the world or in the United States."

Hardaway also said if he did find out that a teammate was gay, he would ask for the player to be removed from the team.

"Something has to give," Hardaway said. "If you have 12 other ballplayers in your locker room that's upset and can't concentrate and always worried about him in the locker room or on the court or whatever, it's going to be hard for your teammates to win and accept him as a teammate."

Later that night, Hardaway apologized during a telephone interview with WSVN-TV in Miami.

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## Red Raiders try to avoid let down against last place CU

By JAY LANGLEY  
NEWS EDITOR

Heading into Saturday's game against last-place Colorado, the Texas Tech men's basketball team has struggled with teams at the bottom of the Big 12 Conference.

The Raiders (16-10, 5-6 Big 12) are 0-3 against teams with a conference record below .500, while they have a record of 5-2 against teams with a winning record in conference play. The Raiders swept the season series with first place Texas A&M Saturday, winning on a last-second shot by guard Jarrius Jackson.

"The mind frame of the team is pretty good right now knowing that were right back in it," Tech's Martin Zeno said. "That win helped us out a lot to help us make it to the tournament."

The win Saturday snapped a five-game losing streak, Tech's longest since the 2000-2001 season. Zeno said he is not sure why the team has been inconsistent during the season.

"It goes way back to when we played Marquette and Air Force at the beginning of the season," Zeno said. "What if we would have played like we're capable of? Where would we be right now? But we can't think about the past right now, and we just gotta concentrate on the next five games."

Jackson leads Tech with 20.5 points per game, good for third in the Big 12 Conference. Zeno is second on the team with 16.8 points per game and leads the team in both rebounding (5.5 rpg.) and

assists (3.4 app.). During ESPN's coverage of the Tech-A&M game Saturday night, Fran Fraschilla called Zeno the most underrated player in the Big 12 Conference.

"I just go out there and try to play hard every night, and I'll let them talk about stuff like that," Zeno said of Fraschilla's compliment.

In his career, Zeno is averaging 18 points per game against Colorado, his highest career average against a Big 12 foe.

Colorado (6-15, 2-9 Big 12) comes to Lubbock having lost back-to-back games to Kansas and Kansas State after the team's best win of the season, a 12-point win over then-No. 14 Oklahoma State.

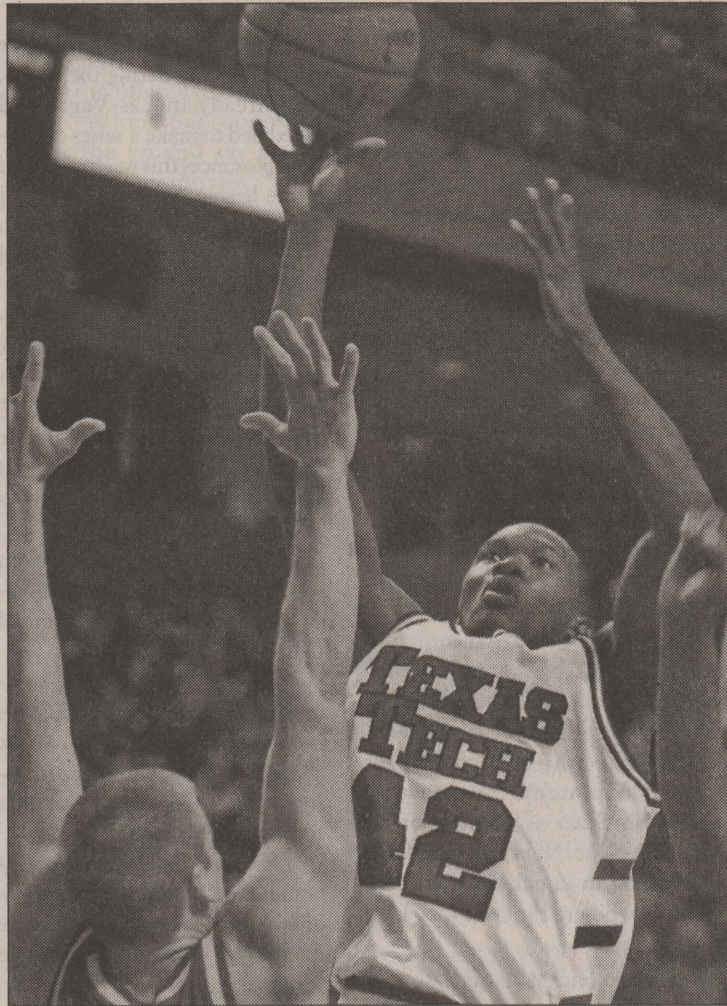
The Buffaloes rank toward the bottom of the Big 12 in most offensive categories, including 10th in scoring offense and last in team field goal percentage and scoring margin.

Zeno said following the win at A&M, the team will not overlook the last place Buffaloes.

"We know they're going to come in here and fight," Zeno said. "They have a really good player in (Richard) Roby and a good coaching staff. We just gotta really be ready to battle."

Roby, a 6-foot-6 junior guard from San Bernardino, Calif., leads Colorado with 16.5 points per game. Last season Roby led Colorado to a 66-64 victory over Tech in Boulder with 17 points and 15 rebounds.

Zeno said the team's desire to play in March is one reason the team won't overlook Colorado.



KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador  
TEXAS TECH POINT guard Charlie Burgess attempts a float over an opponent at a previous game at the United Spirit Arena.

"That's our goal — to make the tournament," Zeno said. "Right now we're getting close to the end of the season so we can't afford to have any slip-ups. Every game the rest of the season is very important."

Wednesday the Big 12 Conference announced a public reprimand of Tech coach Bob Knight for comments Knight made regarding the officiating following Tech's loss to Oklahoma State Feb. 10. Randy Farley, the spokesman for Tech basketball, said Knight would not comment on the reprimand.

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## Tech baseball travels to home away from home

By WES SKIPWITH  
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech baseball team will travel south to Midland Friday to play its first game away from home this season. Tech will be facing teams from St. John's and Dallas Baptist in the third-annual Midland College Classic.

The Classic was scheduled to begin Thursday, but because of inclement weather, the game was canceled. Tech will play Dallas Baptist Friday and St. John's Saturday and Sunday. Eastern Michigan was also scheduled to play in the Classic but dropped out for unknown reasons.

Thursday's postponement marks the third time this season a Tech game has been moved because of bad weather. Many of Tech's players are eager for the weather to warm up so they can get more practice outside. Senior pitcher Colt Hynes said he is ready for the cold weather to leave Lubbock.

"I'm sick of the snow," Hynes said. "It's baseball season, I'm ready for the sun to come out."

Citibank Ballpark, where the Midland Classic is held, is a stadium that has been good to the Red Raiders in the past. Tech has gone 6-0 in the Classic since beginning play in 2005.

"The Midland (Classic) has been a home away from home for us," Tech coach Larry Hays said. "Getting to go down there, playing on grass and playing in another ballpark is not a disadvantage for us like you have going on the road and playing somewhere else."

Tech will be facing a strong field this year in Dallas Baptist and St. John's. Each team is picked

record and finished fourth in the Big East Conference. This season, St. John's has been picked to finish first in the Big East by the conference's coaches poll, and three of its players have been selected to 2007 preseason all-conference teams. Pitcher Scott Barnes heads a pitching staff that last year posted the nation's fifth lowest team ERA with 3.21. Barnes has a career 7-0 record with a 2.41 ERA and is scheduled to start against the Red Raiders Saturday. Outfielder Chris Joachim and designated hitter Anthony Smith led the Red Storm offense. Joachim finished last season with a team-leading .398 batting average and 20 stolen bases, while Smith ended 2006 with a .355 batting average and 41 RBIs.

Scheduled to pitch Friday for the Red Raiders is sophomore right-hander A.J. Ramos. So far this season, Ramos has pitched 6 1/3 innings with an ERA of 2.84 with a 1-1 record and one save. Hynes, a senior left-hander who is 1-0 with two saves in 12 innings pitched, gets to start against St. John's Saturday. Rounding out the Classic Sunday will be senior left-handed pitcher Aaron Odom. In seven innings of work this season, Odom has posted a 1.29 ERA with one win and one save.

Tech is entering the Classic riding a three-game winning streak. Also on the line is Tech senior outfielder Geoff Byrns's seven-game hitting streak.

"Our main thing is keeping our energy level high coming out from the very first pitch and going to the very last pitch," Byrns said. "That's something we've been able to do lately and we will continue to work on for the rest of the season."

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## Lady Raiders face OU in double OT rematch

By STEPHEN MONAHAN  
SPORTS EDITOR

The Texas Tech women's basketball team ended its three-game losing streak with a 70-69 victory over No. 19 Nebraska Wednesday night.

The win over Nebraska was the first for Tech during its four-game stretch featuring teams who are either currently ranked in *The Associated Press* Top 25 or who have been previously this season.

Next up for Tech coach Kristy Curry and her squad is a rematch with No. 14 Oklahoma 1 p.m. Saturday at the United Spirit Arena. After inclement weather pushed

the teams' first meeting back to Jan. 22, the two teams battled into extra frames, but the Sooners, powered by sophomore-sensation Courtney Paris, came away with an 86-81 victory in double overtime.

Against Nebraska, Tech (15-11, 6-6 Big 12) was helped by sophomore Lubbock-product Tiny Henderson, who scored a career-high 17 points, and senior center Patrice Edwards, who finished with 16 points, including two free throws with 24 seconds left in regulation for Tech's final points of the game.

In the final 10 seconds of the game, Edwards came up with a potential game-deciding block, and

Tech outlasted three shots with fewer than eight seconds left to fend off a 21-4 Cornhusker team. Five of Tech's players finished with double-digit scoring in Wednesday's win.

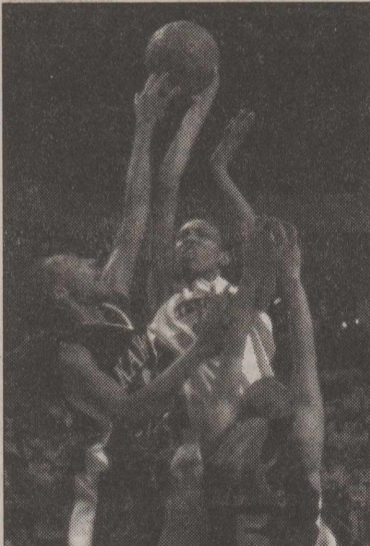
Against Oklahoma in the first meeting, Paris and fellow teammate Kendra Moore finished with at least 20 points. Paris also finished with 17 rebounds for her 45th consecutive double-double.

Coming into Saturday's game, Tech is led by senior forward Alesha Robertson, who is averaging 14 points per game in Big 12 Conference play and is closely followed by Edwards who pours in an average of 12.6 points per game. Robertson is also among the top 60 players in the nation in rebounds per game with 8.7.

Oklahoma (19-4, 9-3) is led by Paris in both points and rebounds. The sophomore is averaging 23.3

points and 15.8 rebounds per game this season.

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TECH'S PATRICE EDWARDS shoots over two Kansas State defenders.

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After posting a 33-23 record last season, Dallas Baptist came into the 2007 season as the top-ranked independent team in Division One college baseball, according to Baseball America. So far, the Patriots have a 3-1 record this season with their only loss being to the 24th-ranked TCU in extra innings. Leading the Dallas Baptist offense is outfielder Austin Krum, who batted .368 with 30 RBIs and 19 stolen bases last season.

In 2006, the Red Storm posted a 40-19



TRENT BARNES/The Daily Toreador  
RED RAIDERS LEFT hander Colt Hynes throws a pitch during the Red Raider Classic Sunday at Dan Law Field.

## Tech softball to play in Worth Wildcat Invitational

By JEREMY REYNOLDS  
STAFF WRITER

After posting a 3-2 record in the Kajikawa Classic tournament in Phoenix and Tempe, Ariz., last weekend, the Texas Tech softball team is heading back to the desert for another round of games.

With coach Teresa Wilson 19 wins shy of 800, her team will enter the Worth Wildcat Invitational with what she described as one of the deepest squads she's ever coached.

"We had a lot of people come off the bench and play well," she said. Wilson said she felt good about how much her team, especially the offense, has progressed.

"I think (the hitters) were pro-

ductive with players in scoring position," she said. "Our hitters just need to understand that they are a dominant force to reckon with."

Throughout the week, Wilson has been working with her team on what she described as "minor adjustments."

"We've watched a lot of video from the tournament," she said. "We've been working on our pitching, and that's been very productive."

The Worth Wildcat Invitational, which will be played at the home of the defending national-champion Arizona Wildcats, will give the team a chance to play in temperatures higher than 40 degrees Fahrenheit.

Brooke Neuman, a sophomore infielder for the squad, said her team

has been practicing in the athletic training center more this year than last because of the weather. "It's hasn't affected us," she said.

Montana Patin, a sophomore outfielder, said practices in "the bubble" have been great because they give her team a chance to work on hitting in the batting cages.

"We get practice on the turf when they pull it out," she said. "We're confident to know that we've prepared enough going into the games. The fields that we play on in tournaments are so different than ours anyway, so you have to adjust to that."

In the tournament in Arizona, Tech will play Virginia (5-2), No. 4 Arizona (4-2), Temple (0-0) and Tennessee State (1-4).

Patin said her coach told the team Virginia would be a tough squad to play against. Tech is already familiar with Arizona after dropping two games to the team last season.

"One of the games was pretty

close," Patin said. "It's going to be a good game and a good experience."

Patin said one thing that will help her team in the upcoming tournament is the amount of depth it has.

"We have a team of 20 girls, and that's very rare in softball world," she said.

Neuman also recognizes the depth of her squad.

"With our team, you can put anyone out there and they'll get the job done," she said. "That's a huge strength that we have. You want to take your A-game out there. We have to step it up and take it to them."

Hitting has been a solid factor for the team so far in the young season.

In its last tournament, the team outscored opponents 25-13, including an 11-1 win against Nevada.

Jennifer Corkin has two home runs on four hits, and senior Ashley Parker leads the team in hits with seven.

Pitching is something the team has worked on throughout the week.

"They did very well when they got ahead of the hitter in the count," Wilson said of the pitchers. "I think Ashly Jacobs did a nice job in the circle."

Jacobs, a freshman, is 2-1 in the season with nine strikeouts.

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1:00 p.m.

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Every Thurs.  
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Sat.

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