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Convicted killer of couple executed Thursday

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — An apologetic career burglar was executed Thursday evening for torturing and killing a retired couple during the break-in of their home eight years ago.

"For all those that want this to happen, I hope you get what you want and it makes you feel better and gives you some kind of relief," Newton Anderson said as he looked at relatives and friends of the couple. "I don't know what else to say."

Looking toward another window where his sister was sobbing, he said, "For those that I have hurt, I hope after a while it gets better."

NATION

Army struggles to shorten guard tours

WASHINGTON (AP) — Army National Guard combat units that go to Iraq or Afghanistan through much of the next two years will be on active duty for longer than 12 months despite the Pentagon's pledge to try limiting deployments to a year, Army and Guard officials say. The effort to shorten tours of duty to a year — they're now roughly 18 months — was designed to ease the strain on troops and their families, in part by jamming more war preparation into the soldiers' routine monthly training exercises at home.

WORLD

China's test at odds with goal of a peace rise

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Vice President Dick Cheney said Friday that China's recent anti-satellite weapons test and a rapid military buildup were "not consistent" with its stated aim of a peaceful rise as a global power.

In a speech during a visit to Australia, Cheney praised China for playing an "especially important" role in six-nation negotiations that recently resulted in a deal with North Korea to eventually end its nuclear weapons programs.

DEATH TOLL

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Senate Democrats move to limit military mission

By DAVID ESPO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Determined to challenge President Bush, Senate Democrats are drafting legislation to limit the mission of U.S. troops in Iraq, effectively revoking the broad authority Congress granted in 2002, officials said Thursday.

While these officials said the precise wording of the measure remains unsettled, one draft would restrict American troops in Iraq to combating al-Qaida, training Iraqi army and police forces, maintaining Iraq's territorial integrity and otherwise proceeding with the withdrawal of combat forces.

The officials, Democratic aides and others

familiar with private discussions, spoke only on condition of anonymity, saying rank-and-file senators had not yet been briefed on the effort. They added, though, the Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid is expected to present the proposal to fellow Democrats early next week for their consideration.

The plan is to attempt to add the measure to anti-terrorism legislation that scheduled to be on the Senate floor next week and the week following.

Jim Manley, a spokesman for Reid, declined to discuss the deliberations, saying only, "No final decisions have been made on how to proceed."

The decision to try to limit the military mission marks the next move in what Reid

and other Senate war critics have said will be a multistep effort to force a change in Bush's strategy and eventually force an end to U.S. participation in the nearly four-year-old war.

Earlier efforts to pass a nonbinding measure critical of Bush's decision to deploy 21,500 additional troops ended in gridlock after Senate Republicans blocked votes on two separate measures.

The emerging Senate plan differs markedly from an approach favored by critics of the war in the House, where a nonbinding measure passed last week.

Speaker Nancy Pelosi has said she expects the next challenge to Bush's war policies to come in the form of legislation requiring the

Pentagon to adhere to strict training and readiness standards in the case of troops ticketed for the war zone.

Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., the leading advocate of that approach, has said it would effectively deny Bush the ability to proceed with the troop buildup that has been partially implemented since he announced it in January.

Some Senate Democrats have been privately critical of that approach, saying it would have virtually no chance of passing and could easily backfire in the face of Republican arguments that it would deny reinforcements to troops already in the war zone.

Several Senate Democrats have called in

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Red Raider baseball team uses music to conduct the game

By WES SKIPWITH STAFF WRITER

Harry Carey's rendition of "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" may have put Cubs fans in the baseball spirit, but for the Texas Tech baseball team and its fans, Phil Collins and the Beastie Boys are what is used to get them in the baseball mood.

Every time a Red Raider comes up to bat or warms up on the pitching mound, music of their choice blares over the stadium's public announcement system. From country to hip-hop, '80s, and Latin, players chose their introduction songs for many reasons.

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City Council meeting addresses Chippendales, red light cameras

By NAOMI KASKELA
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A discussion concerning red light cameras and citizen comments about the Chippendales incident Feb. 16 took up more than an hour at the Lubbock City Council meeting on Thursday morning.

During the Lubbock residents' comment portion of the meeting, residents were able to come forward and address the council members for three minutes each. However,

city council members are prohibited from responding to anything that was not already on the agenda.

Wes Nessman, of radio station KFMX-FM, was the first resident to address the council and brought concerns about the Chippendales incident.

"I understand you cannot respond to my questions, but I want to put this on public record," he said.

One of the things he said he wanted to address was explaining what his goals were in terms of asking questions of the council members.

Some of the requests Nessman made of the city council concerned whether or not all businesses are being treated fairly and equally, explanation for the Chippendales incident and a request that anyone who "cannot separate your moral agenda from your political agenda" to step down.

"I want my Lubbock back again," he said. "I love this town."

Brian Dunn, a high school teacher, addressed the council members about the Chippendales incident.

"I understand the need to balance

expression on one hand and control on the other," he said.

Dunn said he is worried Lubbock police officers, who he said he respects and appreciates, are being forced to make certain decisions and are having to take the blame for the results.

"I think we need to have the right for people to have the right to free expression," he said. "Please take ownership of this mistake; please try to make it right and please never do it again."

However, a majority of this portion of the city council meeting was

taken up by a discussion on red light cameras, a topic that was on the meeting agenda.

Representatives from both Redflex Traffic System Inc. and American Traffic Systems, Inc. were present at the meeting and both addressed the city council with their individual thoughts and concerns about the red light cameras.

The representative from Redflex said the company believes they "adhere to the provisions set forth" and

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Tech police blotter

By PAUL ROBERTS
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Feb. 20

Texas Tech police investigated a theft in a room of the Civil Engineering Building after a secured projector was reported stolen. According to reports, the projector was mounted to the ceiling before it was stolen.

Two non-students were arrested for criminal trespass on the Tech campus. Police said one suspect was arrested for criminal trespass and drug paraphernalia. The suspect was transported to the Lubbock County Jail. The second suspect was released after being issued a criminal trespass warning from all of Tech's property.

Tech police investigated a terrorist threat in the Business Administration building. Police said a third-party caller said a bomb was placed in the building. The building was evacuated, and the Lubbock Fire Department was notified. According to reports, the Lubbock Sheriff's Office K9 Unit and the Lubbock Police Department responded to the incident.

Feb. 21

Tech police responded to a medical emergency in the Wiggins Complex. According to reports, a

female staff member was experiencing a seizure and was transported to the Covenant Hospital Emergency Room.

Tech police investigated a traffic accident without injuries at the back dock of the Student Union Building. According to reports, the wreck involved two Tech catering trucks.

Tech police responded to a medical emergency in a room of the Student Wellness Center. According to reports, a student was running a high fever and was transported to the University Medical Center.

Tech police investigated graffiti in the first-, second- and third-floor bathrooms of the Architecture Building. Police said the bathroom stalls had been written on with blue, black, red and green indelible markers.

A Tech female student was arrested for possession of alcohol by a minor in the Z4-P parking lot. According to reports, the student was issued a Lubbock County citation and released.

A Tech male student was arrested for consumption of alcohol by a minor in the first floor elevator of Stangel Residence Hall. Police said the student was issued a Lubbock County citation and released to a responsible party.

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School of Music hosts two concerts

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The Texas Tech School of Music will host two concerts Sunday afternoon, hoping to entertain the public and give them an emotional experience.

The Concert Band and University Band will begin their concert at 3 p.m. in Hemmle Recital Hall, and the University Choir concert will begin at 5 p.m. at St. Paul's Church on the Plains, at 16th Street and Avenue X.

Director Keith Dye will conduct the Concert Band.

"The audience should be prepared for varied literature," Dye, an associate professor in the School of Music, said. "There's different styles. I think they'll be moved and entertained."

Director William Ballenger will conduct the University Band on music ranging from John Philip Sousa to Nicholas Rimsky-Korsakov.

"It's all traditional music from the last part of the 20th century," Ballenger said. "They may not know the music, but it's in a musical vocabulary they would have heard."

Dye said the students in the Concert Band are mainly music majors, so the music they learn

in the band is comparable to what they will one day teach.

"It helps broaden their abilities," he said. "It's akin to why drama majors should do Shakespeare. You're expected to know the nuts and bolts."

Although Dye said rehearsals have been going well, he does not know what to expect from the performance.

"Anything with a large group, a lot of man-hours go into making it work," he said. "Everything has been progressing in a positive manner, but a live performance is special. If it's successful, there's an inherent emotion. That's what keeps people coming back."

The University Choir's concert has a mostly religious theme, which is why John Dickson, the conductor of the concert and a professor in the School of Music, decided to have the performance in a church. "It's kind of a worship service,"

said Hyung Sek Chae, a graduate student from South Korea and teaching assistant in the school. "The audience can't just listen. There will be responsive reading. They have to prepare their hearts to praise God."

Dickson was able to secure the use of St. Paul's Church on the Plains because he is the music minister there.

"He knew the church," Chae said. "It's a big sanctuary, and it's good for singing."

The choir's performance will have two sections separated by an intermission. The first section will be a mass by Joseph Haydn and the second half will be the Evensong Service.

"The service provides a variety in the music," said Andrew Lane, the assistant conductor of the University Choir and a graduate student in choral conducting from Newnan, Ga. "It'll be a really nice

concert with great music."

The mass, a traditional Catholic worship service, is matched with Evensong, which is a traditional Anglican service.

"Since we are doing two liturgical sacred services, we will probably have a large church population attending," Lane said. "But we also hope to draw in students and others from the community who appreciate a good repertoire."

The University Choir, Tech's primary auditioned and touring ensemble, has been working diligently to learn the music, Chae said.

"The music is very hard, but very emotional," he said. "It's very textured with emotion. Haydn is a wonderful text."

The mass will be performed with a 15-person chamber orchestra, which the church helped to fund.

"They're helping to pay the instrumentalists," Lane said. "A performance is very expensive to put on, especially when you have an orchestra."

This is the last concert in which the University Choir will perform alone this semester, but the majority of the choir members will be performing the repertoire again in Cambridge, England over the summer.

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City council

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The representative from ATS said the company has a superior product and offered to provide any information requested by the city council.

Phyllis Jones, councilwoman for district 4, began the discussion by moving to reject all proposals.

"I believe that would be the best course of action at that time in light of the new information," she said. "To direct staff to go back to revisit the signal timing and to complete the certification of those intersections and have them approved by TXDOT (Texas Department of Transportation)."

She set March 30 as the date for new proposals to be received.

Gary Boren, councilman for district 3, said he wanted every inter-

section in the Hub City to be looked at and timed before moving forward with anything.

In agreement with Boren was Jim Leonard, councilman for district 5.

"I've said the red light cameras are about money; the rest of the council members have said it is about safety," he said. "We need to go look at all of the red lights if it's about safety."

Currently, only 12 intersections, rather than all of the intersections in Lubbock, are slated to be looked at and timed.

Leonard said he believes it is appropriate to slow the whole process down so everything can be addressed.

Other issues Leonard said he wanted the city council to look at before continuing include the process in which some of the lights in Lubbock are certified.

Linda DeLeon, councilwoman for district 1, and Floyd Price, councilman

for district 2, disagreed with slowing the process down at all.

"We need to move forward because of the safety factor of not putting those red light cameras in," DeLeon said. "We need to put those cameras out and protect our citizens."

Price said the residents of Lubbock could not be expected to make all the decisions, and a decision about the red light cameras needed to be made by the city council.

"If we're going to be city officials, we're going to have to be city officials and stand up and make a decision," he said.

Having the right perspective was something Price stressed.

He said since only 12 intersections were going to have red light cameras installed, only those 12 intersections should be looked at and certified.

Leonard said this is not enough.

"I think it's important that we not just meet the minimum standards," he said. "If safety is the issue, we need to meet or exceed those standards."

Mayor David Miller said he is in favor of delaying and slowing down the whole process.

"Because this is such a big decision," he said, "we do in fact need to slow down. The goal I think is the same, it's just a different way to get there."

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A new warrior prince: Harry to be sent to Iraq with his regiment

LONDON (AP) — He's the red-headed son of the late Princess Diana, the rowdy royal known more for dancing until dawn than waking for battle. But Britain's party prince, Harry, is getting his wish and is being deployed to Iraq this spring with his Blues and Royals regiment.

Royal officials announced Thursday that the 22-year-old prince would fight for his country, confirming feverish tabloid speculation about the future of the best-recognized tank commander in Britain. His regiment is expected to set out in May or June for a six-month tour.

Harry, a second lieutenant, has been trained to lead a team of 12 men in four armored reconnaissance vehicles and could become the first British royal to see combat since his uncle, Prince Andrew, flew as a Royal Navy pilot in the Falklands War against Argentina in 1982.

Word of the deployment comes one day after Prime Minister Tony Blair said British troop numbers in Iraq will be cut by 1,600 in coming months. The tabloid newspaper, the Sun, opined — "1,600 out ... One in."

Britain will hand over much of its security responsibilities to Iraqi forces, concentrating its troops at Basra Palace and Basra Air Base in southern Iraq.

Iraqi insurgents might seek to target Cornet Wales — as Harry is known in the Blues and Royals. That has led to

some concern that his presence could bring an extra risk to fellow soldiers.

"In a sense, his celebrity might be a factor in making the security situation for his troop more dangerous," said Michael Clarke, a professor of war studies at London's King's College.

Britain's Ministry of Defense has previously said Harry could be kept out of situations where his presence could jeopardize his comrades.

There has been speculation that he will be shadowed by bodyguards. But a source close to the prince, speaking on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak to the media, told The Associated Press that Harry would not be given any special protection.

Col. Bob Stewart, a former British commander, said he was certain Harry would be safe.

"The Blues and Royals will take great pride in making sure no one gets near him," he said. "I can't think of better security than having a regiment of British soldiers around you."

In Britain, Harry's upcoming deployment was taken in stride. Blair described Harry's decision as in keeping with his character.

"He's a very brave young man and he's a very determined young man who wants to be part of his regiment and part of the army," Blair told the British Broadcasting Corp. "And I think that shows a very special character on his part."

Others thought fighting in Iraq was an appropriate task for the man who is third in line to the throne.

"It's a bit dangerous for him ... but it's good," said Lee Wills, 20, of London. "The royal family's got to do its bit for their country."

But in Baghdad, Iraqis, who have

endured much pain since the 2003 U.S.-led invasion, described the deployment as a public relations stunt.

"These things (are) just to beautify the picture ... The British government wants also to boost the (morale) of their troops," said Sabah Ali, a 35-year-old worker at the Iraqi Oil Ministry.

In joining the military, Harry followed royal tradition. In addition to Prince Andrew's Falklands War service, Harry's father, Prince Charles, was a pilot with the Royal Air Force and Royal Navy, and a ship commander. His grandfather, Prince Philip, had a distinguished career in the Royal Navy during World War II. Even Queen Elizabeth II served before becoming monarch — she was trained as a driver in the Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service during World War II.

"He would be appalled if his troop went to do something without his command and they would be too," Clarke said. "If he didn't go, it would be very bad for the morale of the troop. It's like a family."

The fun-loving Harry has been a frequent face on the London nightclub circuit and on the front pages of British tabloids, which have provided constant coverage of his party-going lifestyle.

The paparazzi have snapped him leaving some of London's liveliest nightspots. Harry has also acknowledged drinking underage and smoking marijuana in the past, and in January 2006, he apologized after being pictured in a newspaper at a costume party dressed as a Nazi, complete with a swastika armband.

But one thing he has always been serious about is going to Iraq. After completing the officer training course at Sandhurst's Royal Military Academy, he demanded a chance to serve.

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U.S. Commerce Secretary discussed future of business with Tech students

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The United States' government and Texas Tech have agreed to work together.

Thursday morning, Israel Hernandez, U.S. assistant secretary of commerce and director general of the U.S. Commercial Service, announced a partnership between the Jerry S. Rawls College of Business and the U.S. Commercial Service to host executive education programs for beginner exporters. He talked to several international business students in a round-table discussion on the subject Thursday afternoon.

The partnership includes an online course designed to help businesses understand international trading.

Hernandez said the program is a new idea and it is difficult to determine how it will affect the economy in the future.

"This is still a new concept," Hernandez said. "We may not know what the final product will be a year from now, but we know some benefits in the short term. This will promote trade."

He said when Americans look to expand, they look within their own states or to other states as possible avenues, while companies in Europe think differently.

"Our market is so big that if you start a business in Lubbock you could move north, east and west and not change countries," Hernandez said. "Europeans are strategically more engaged around the world. They, by nature, understand that they need to grow into other countries. So it will take some time to get local businesses

more accustomed to thinking that way."

Hernandez said more than half of American companies are small- to medium-sized companies that have untapped purchasing power.

Jason Jitumong, a graduate student studying finance from Bangkok, Thailand, said he believes the program will show people international trade is not just for big business.

"A lot of people don't realize small and medium-sized businesses, they have a lot of potential in international markets," Jitumong said. "This is a better way to let people know it's not just for big business. Even local businesses can be successful."

Hernandez mentioned one small Western Colorado company of three people, that makes most of its money selling clothes in Switzerland, Chile, and Argentina as an example of how a small business can succeed in the international market.

Hernandez said U.S. presidents have supported international trade since the 1940s, and trade has increased since George W. Bush became president.

"Every president since World War II has supported free trade," Hernandez said, "because the thinking has been that if you have trading, you have a form of an alliance and more trade means less opportunities for war. Since President Bush took office, the United States has established 13 free trade agreements and previously it was only with Israel and NAFTA."

He said 40 percent of the United States' exports go to countries that are involved in those free trade agreements.

Krzysztof Cyba, a graduate student studying international business from Warsaw, Poland, said he was particularly interested in how the U.S. Commerce Service plans to approach the future of American businesses trading internationally.

"I was into the future action and expected action they will take," Cyba said, "because U.S. companies abroad and internationally face big challenges."

Hernandez said he believes having companies working internationally, regardless of size, will be crucial for economic success in the future.

"Many companies don't think they have to go abroad, because we have the biggest market," Hernandez said, "but what happens when it's 2050 and India and China are bigger markets? Don't get me wrong; we have the best consumers in the world. We buy everything. You can't go a weekend without buying something. We just need to look outside the U.S."

He said the United States' government attempts to help foreign relations by being involved with the economies of other countries. He said he believes this helps American businesses get a foothold abroad.

"It is important we stay involved with other countries around the world," Hernandez said. "Believe it or not, but not everybody overseas hates us. There are many places that welcome American presence. We gave \$500 million to enhance the infrastructure of Jordan, and you won't see signs around Jordan that say 'Thank you America,' but that doesn't mean we aren't involved there."

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WORLD EVENTS IN BRIEF

Anna Nicole Smith will be buried alongside dead son

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — Anna Nicole Smith will be buried in the Bahamas, alongside her dead son, it was announced Thursday after a tearful judge left the decision up to the guardian for the model's baby daughter.

Richard Milstein, the court-

appointed guardian of 5-month-old Dannielynn, announced the plans not long after a judge gave him control of Smith's final resting place. He gave no timeframe.

Circuit Judge Larry Seidlin steered a surprise middle course in a dispute that became more urgent by the day when the medical examiner

warned that Smith's body was rapidly decomposing.

The ruling came a full two weeks after Smith died at a Florida hotel at age 39 of still-undetermined causes.

Smith's estranged mother wanted her buried in her native Texas, while Smith's boyfriend wanted her laid to rest in the Bahamas.

U.S. military discovers car bomb factory

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The U.S. military warned Thursday that insurgents are adopting new tactics in a campaign to spread panic after troops uncovered a car bomb factory with propane tanks and chlorine cylinders — possible ingredients for more chemical attacks following three explosions involving chlorine.

Those blasts and a recent spate of attacks against helicopters have raised fears that insurgents are trying to develop new ways to confront U.S. and Iraqi forces. Any increase in chemical bombings could complicate the Baghdad security crackdown, now in its second week.

Lt. Gen. Ray Odierno, the No. 2

American commander in Iraq, said he did not think the attacks signaled a more capable insurgency. Instead, he said they were merely an attempt to provoke fear.

"What they're trying to do is ... adapt in such ways where they can continue to create instability," Odierno said.

U.S. relaxing new passport rules for children

WASHINGTON (AP) — Children will be exempt from new rules that will require travelers to show passports when entering the U.S. at land or sea borders, the Bush administration announced on Thursday.

The new passport requirements will take effect as soon as January

2008. In a change from earlier plans, children aged 15 or younger with parental consent will be allowed to cross the borders at land and sea entry points with certified copies of their birth certificates rather than passports.

Children aged 16 through 18 traveling with school, religious, cultural or

athletic groups and under adult supervision will also be allowed to travel with only their birth certificates.

Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff was expected to discuss the relaxation in rules at a speech in Detroit on Thursday afternoon. The department described the details in a written statement.

Indonesia using giant balls to halt volcano mud eruption

SURABAYA, Indonesia (AP) — Indonesian authorities will drop hundreds of giant concrete balls into a fissure Friday to try to stem a gushing mud eruption that has inundated villages and factories, an official said.

The hot, noxious mud —

enough to fill 50 Olympic-sized swimming pools — has flowed from the hole each day for the last nine months, forcing at least 11,000 people from their homes. Four villages and 25 factories have been buried under a 30-foot layer of mud.

The chained cement balls, weighing up to 550 pounds each, will be dropped from a scaffolding into the so-called mud volcano on the island of Java starting Friday, said Rudi Novrianto, a spokesman for a national task force handling the disaster.

Dennis Johnson, star NBA guard, dies at 52

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Dennis Johnson, the star NBA guard who was part of three championship teams and combined with Larry Bird in one of the great postseason plays, died Thursday after collapsing at the end of practice while coaching a developmental team. He was 52.

Johnson, coach of the Austin Toros, was unconscious and in cardiac arrest when paramedics arrived at Austin Convention Center, said Warren Hasinger, spokesman for Austin-Travis County Emergency Medical Services.

Paramedics tried to resuscitate him for 23 minutes before he was taken

to a hospital and pronounced dead, Hasinger added.

Mayra Freeman, a spokeswoman for the medical examiner's office, said there will be autopsy.

The Toros postponed home games Friday and Saturday night, the NBA Development League said.

Iran enriching uranium in defiance of Security Council

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Iran has ignored a U.N. Security Council ultimatum to freeze uranium enrichment — a possible pathway to nuclear arms — and has instead expanded its program by setting up hundreds of centrifuges, the U.N. nuclear watchdog agency said Thursday. The finding paves the way for new U.N. sanctions.

Hours later, the United States said key countries would meet next week to try to develop a new U.N. resolution on the standoff.

The International Atomic Energy Agency said in a report to the Security Council and its 35-nation board that Tehran also has continued to build a heavy water reactor and related facilities — which, along with enrichment — could help it develop nuclear arms.

In addition, the report said Iran ignored a Security Council call to cooperate with the IAEA in its efforts to shed light on suspicious nuclear activities.

The conclusions, while widely expected, were important because they could serve as the trigger for the council to start deliberating on new sanctions meant to punish Tehran for its nuclear intransigence.

In Washington, Undersecretary of State Nicholas Burns said he will travel to London on Monday to meet with the United States' negotiating partners to try to draft a new resolution on Iran.

"It is effectively thumbing its nose at the international community," he said in Iran.

Burns said he hopes the United States and other permanent members of the U.N. Security Council, plus Germany, can quickly draft a resolu-

tion to "see Iran repudiated again." He said it was too soon to say what provisions the resolution might contain.

In Tehran, the deputy head of Iran's Atomic Energy Organization, Mohammed Saedi, ruled out suspending enrichment, saying such demands were against Iran's "rights, the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty and international regulations."

Ali Ashgar Soltanieh, Tehran's chief delegate to the IAEA, told The Associated Press that sanctions against the Islamic republic only create "more solidarity of the Iranian nation to protect their inalienable rights."

The council issued three demands to Iran on Dec. 23 — freeze uranium enrichment, stop building heavy water facilities and fully cooperate with the IAEA. It introduced limited sanctions and gave Iran 60 days to comply — a deadline that expired Wednesday.

The IAEA report prepared by director Mohamed ElBaradei showed Tehran has instead expanded its enrichment efforts — setting up nearly 1,000 uranium-spinning centrifuges in and above an underground bunker, enriching minute amounts of uranium and bringing nearly 9 tons of the gaseous feedstock into its underground nuclear facility at Natanz in preparation for enrichment.

Iranian officials also informed the agency that they would expand their centrifuge installations to close to 3,000 by May, the report said.

Iran's stated goal is running 54,000 centrifuges at Natanz to churn out enriched uranium — enough for dozens of nuclear weapons a year.

Iran maintains it only wants to develop enrichment to generate power and says its heavy water facilities at the central city of Arak — which will

produce plutonium, another potential pathway to nuclear arms — are meant solely to generate isotopes for medical research and other peaceful purposes.

Even before the IAEA report was issued, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said the U.S. and its allies would use the Security Council and other "available channels" to bring Tehran back to negotiations over its nuclear program.

British Foreign Minister Margaret Beckett said her country would consult with other Security Council members on the next steps, adding: "We remain determined to prevent Iran acquiring the means to develop nuclear weapons."

The sanctions approved in December banned all countries from supplying Iran with materials and technology that could contribute to its nuclear and missile programs and froze the Iranian assets of 10 key companies and 12 individuals related to those programs.

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recent days for revoking the original authorization that Bush sought and won from Congress in the months before the U.S.-led invasion that toppled Saddam Hussein.

That measure authorized the president to use the armed forces "as he determines to be necessary and appropriate ... to defend the national security of the United States against the continuing threat posed by Iraq" and to enforce relevant United Nations Security Council resolutions.

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Habeas corpus, I'll miss you

Habeas corpus, also known as the "Great Writ," is one of the most important protections of liberty in the entirety of American law.

This writ, which requires officials to bring charges to court in a timely manner and allows prisoners to challenge the propriety of their incarceration in the courts, evidently does not apply to those detained in the prison camp at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

An appeals court, in a 2-1 decision, determined the Constitution does not apply to the detainees in Guantanamo, and they should not have the ability to dispute their imprisonment in American courts.

That doesn't even make any sense. After all, it is Americans who have detained these men, and it is Americans who are making sure they stay there. Why can't they contest their status in American courts?

Evidently, the war on terrorism means we should just throw out all shreds of logic we possess and simply listen to the George W. Bush administration. After all, President Bush is the closest thing to Big Brother I've ever seen.

This court's decision is a monumental victory for the White House. President Bush has fought the application of habeas corpus to 'enemy combatants' ever since the detainees began challenging their illegal incarceration.

Many of the people imprisoned at Guantanamo Bay have no chance of ever getting a fair trial. Many of these prisoners have been detained for almost five years without knowing why they are imprisoned. Combine these with allegations of abuse, religious intolerance and even torture, GTMO is hell on earth, not a prison.

How do these detainees ever expect to get out? We all know the war on terrorism isn't ending anytime soon, so none of the justifications for these egregious violations of the Constitution is leaving either. I don't remember the Constitution stating "all white American men," but simply "all men are created equal."

While the Constitution may be a little sexist, its intentions are good. There is no justification for this court's decision. This ruling sets the stage for what will be a historic Supreme Court decision: can Congress and the president deny anyone habeas corpus?

Let's hope the court says no. Even though this is an extremely conservative court, perhaps it will see just how contradictory denial of habeas corpus is to fundamental Constitutional rights.



Amy McCarthy
What few people know, though, is anyone can be declared an "unlawful enemy combatant" — immigrants and even certain U.S. citizens. The thought that this administration has granted itself the power to detain anyone it so chooses and refuse to charge him or her is ridiculous. There is absolutely no justification for the power this administration has claimed.

Sadly, the previous Congress did very little to rein in the power Bush claimed. Hopefully Democratic control will prevent this administration from violating the Constitution again.

Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi famously told President Bush he would receive no more "blank checks" on Iraq. Hopefully, this same mind set will carry over to the war on terrorism. Pelosi, along with other Democratic leadership, must use her majority to the advantage of not only the American people, but humanity as a whole.

President Bush often talks about "emboldening the enemy" and how dissent causes the "terrorists" to think the United States is weak and divided. Bull. What does give the enemy incentive to attack is the fact we continually champion democracy and liberty but refuse it to anyone who isn't American.

That completely defeats the purpose. We can't continue to draw lines that determine who "deserves" democracy. Human rights are not American-exclusive, and it is time for the Bush administration to realize that.

The right to know why you're being detained and the ability to contest it in the courts is not something President Bush or the courts should be deciding. Habeas corpus is an inalienable right, and no idiot president should be able to take that away.

It is ridiculous nothing is being done to help the detainees at Guantanamo. The likelihood that all the men detained at this camp are "terrorists" is comparable to the probability of a meteor striking the United Spirit Arena.

Habeas corpus, we'll miss you. It is time for the courts, Congress and President Bush to bring the "Great Writ" back to greatness. Until habeas corpus is back in its full effect, who knows which rights will be next to go?

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The science of shaping opinion

"The conscious and intelligent manipulation of the organized habits and opinions of the masses is an important element in democratic society. Those who manipulate this unseen mechanism of society constitute an invisible government which is the true ruling power of our country ... We are governed, our minds are molded, our tastes formed, our ideas suggested, largely by men we have never heard of."

This passage is an excerpt from a book called "Propaganda" by Edward Bernays, who was the blood nephew of Sigmund Freud and is known as the "father of public relations." Born in 1891, he followed in his uncle's footsteps by developing his own theories of sociology and psychology built upon Freud's theories.

He devoted his life to helping governments — and especially corporations — turn public opinion in their favor. Interestingly, he was instrumental in creating the first comprehensive propaganda campaign that our government used to sway public opinion in favor of war during World War I.

In addition, according to Bernays autobiography, the Nazi's used another one of his books, without his direct assistance, called "Crystallizing Public Opinion" as a guide for gaining public approval for their campaign against the Jews.

On a more positive note, all of you marketing and public relations majors can thank him for the very existence of your fields.

Whether you think of the funny commercials you saw during the Super Bowl or you consider massive presidential campaigns, it is

Will Harman



clear since shaping public opinion became a science, it has had a huge impact on our culture.

In the future, as our technologies increase and ways to reach the general population become more complex, public relations will continue to take on ever more importance in society.

With this in mind, it is important for people to be aware of how they can be manipulated psychologically.

The other day I was watching FOX News when I saw an interesting advertisement. In the ad, there was really inspiring, patriotic music, and the first sentence panned on the screen featured the words "America has problems." This statement washes away, and another sentence states "America is not the problem."

This statement is highly opinionated and is blatantly trying to make the public hold a certain viewpoint. Don't get me wrong, America is a good place to live, and in its history, it has done things to improve human rights and generally make the world a better place.

However, America has also made some very unethical mistakes. Remember slavery? And don't forget the Trail of Tears.

A common assumption is often made that no individual is perfect and everyone makes mistakes. This

assumption can — and should — be applied to countries. To assert America has not made mistakes and caused problems would be what Freud called denial.

At another time I was again watching FOX News when the anchorwoman made a very interesting comment. She was conducting an interview about terrorism when she asked the interviewee this question: "Speaking of terrorism, what about terrorism on the home front?" She then immediately proceeded to start talking about Ted Kennedy, the senior senator from Massachusetts.

Incidentally, he is the second longest serving senator currently in office. It seems unlikely this statement was just a Freudian slip by "fair and balanced" FOX.

The people in control of corporate FOX apparently want the populace to have a bad view of Kennedy, who generally champions "liberal" ideas such as raising the minimum wage, which would help lower and middle class people.

I don't believe members of government honestly can be labeled as terrorists just because you disagree with their opinions.

Look at George W. Bush; he probably has done more to hurt America than all the terrorists in the world combined, but that doesn't mean he's a terrorist. I'm sure he has America's best interest at heart. Well, at least American oil companies' and defense contractors' best interest.

Propaganda is all around us, and usually it is a little subtler than the aforementioned examples.

Though I picked on FOX News in this column, every news source

is run by people who may want to spread their beliefs and reflect their interests. Albeit, the level of bias differs depending on the source.

A good way to get around propaganda is to double-check the quality of stories by having several different sources with differing viewpoints so you can make your own informed opinion.

If our population can be too easily swayed by propaganda, it will lead America into making poor decisions — such as declaring wars to gain natural resources. Our freedoms will be stripped away in legislation like the Patriot Act and the Military Commissions Act.

We will destroy our planet by not taking necessary steps to preserve the environment and thus ourselves, and average Americans will be victimized by special interests.

I must implore my fellow students to be fully cognizant of attempts to circumvent your intelligence.

Typically, the ones who are trying to sway your opinion don't have your best interests at heart. Remember propaganda and public manipulation are sciences and they are treated as such — exacted with scientific precision.

Everyone is susceptible to this kind of manipulation and for a democracy to be truly successful, its citizens must be able to overcome the forces that would try to subvert it.

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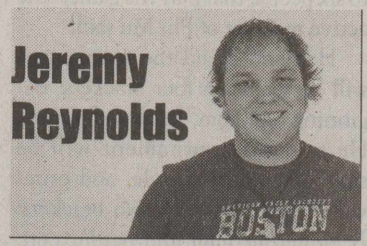
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Oscar night preview: the gold and the beautiful

Best Picture
'The Departed' was easily the best film of the year, but that doesn't mean it's going to take home the statue for Best Picture.



Jeremy Reynolds

the top-three directors working in Hollywood today, and the fact he actually has the mojo to take on two films in the same year about the same subject...

Will Win — Martin Scorsese
Upset — Clint Eastwood

Best Actor
Friends and family members of Forest Whitaker must love the actor because each and every one of them has been mentioned at some point this award season with all the acceptance speeches Whitaker has done.



Forest Whitaker

Should Win — Forest Whitaker
Will Win — Forest Whitaker

Upset — Peter O'Tool

Best Actress
Helen Mirren had this category won from the moment she signed the dotted line to play the Queen of England.

Should Win — Helen Mirren
Will Win — Helen Mirren
Upset — Judi Dench

Best Supporting Actor
Many people view this category as a runaway win for Eddie Murphy. I loved his performance as a James-Brown type entertainer on a drug-laced rant throughout most of 'Dreamgirls.'

would the voters want to give a statue to a man who won't appreciate it? I love Mark Wahlberg in this category for his role as a foul-mouthed Boston police lieutenant who's managing all the snitches for the state police.

Should Win — Mark Wahlberg
Will Win — Eddie Murphy
Upset — Alan Arkin

Best Supporting Actress
A big question on many minds this year will be whether or not the academy is looking to make a statement in its voting.

Should Win — Jennifer Hudson
Will Win — Jennifer Hudson
Upset — No chance of one

Best Original Screenplay
Should Win — 'Letters from Iwo Jima'
Will Win — 'Little Miss Sunshine'
Upset — 'Pan's Labyrinth'

Best Adapted Screenplay
Should Win — 'The Departed'
Will Win — 'The Departed'
Upset — 'Borat'

Best Animated Film
Should Win — 'Happy Feet'
Will Win — 'Cars'
Upset — 'Monster House'

Best Documentary
Should Win — 'Deliver us from Evil'
Will Win — 'An Inconvenient Truth'
Upset — 'Jesus Camp'

Best Visual Effects
Should Win — 'Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest'
Will Win — 'Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest'
Upset — 'Superman Returns'

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To-Morrow: Country singer to return to his old stomping grounds Saturday at Wild West

By KATIE HARRIS
STAFF WRITER

Texas country star Cory Morrow will return to Lubbock, his old stomping ground, on Saturday, February 24 at Wild West.

Morrow, who attended Texas Tech for two and a half years, said he met lifelong friends here in Lubbock.

"This is the place I decided to make music my living," he said.

The Texas music star said he plays in the Hub City about two to four times a year, or when he gets the chance.

Zack Taylor, a senior finance and accounting major from Hondo, said he has seen Morrow play several different times all over Texas.

"His concerts are always a lot of fun," Taylor said. "Everyone is having a good time and singing along to the songs."

Morrow said there is not a single song he is tired of singing, and sums up his reasoning with good advice he once received.

"Don't write a song if you're not prepared to sing it every night for the rest of your life," he said.

Chelsea Schulle, a senior apparel design and manufacturing major from New Braunfels, said she has met Cory Morrow and he is a lot of fun.

"My dad and I listened to his

last CD all the time when it came out," Schulle said. "We would play it every morning because we thought it was so good."

Morrow said he has always had a lot of fun with the crowd in Lubbock.

"Lubbock's got a pretty sweet part of my heart," he said. "It's nice stomping grounds."

Morrow has a new album debuting the last Tuesday in April, and it is titled "Ten Years."

"I picked a song off every album and we completely remade them," Morrow said. "Some songs don't even sound like their original selves."

He said he chose to remake the songs with any one of his previous CDs, but he wanted to go into the studio to make something new and different.

"I always like when people sing the new stuff," he said. "That is always fun for me."

Morrow said for everyone to come out and bring someone to his concert on Saturday night.

"We are geared up and ready for the new year," he said. "I'll even buy them a drink."



COURTESY PHOTO

CORY MORROW WILL be performing 10 p.m. Saturday night at Wild West.

The Cory Morrow concert is 10:00 p.m., Saturday, February 24, at Wild West. Tickets can be purchased online at www.wildwest-

lubbock.com, or will be available at the door. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults and \$15 for minors.

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Britney enters rehab; K-Fed cancels family court appearance in LA

LOS ANGELES (AP) — An appearance in family court sought by Kevin Federline amid a child custody dispute with Britney Spears was canceled Thursday after the pop star entered a rehabilitation program.

Spears has gone into the Promises Malibu drug and alcohol rehabilitation center, her manager, Larry Rudolph, confirmed in an e-mail to The Associated Press. He gave no details.

The TV entertainment magazines "Extra" and "The Insider" and the Web site TMZ said Spears' mother, Lynne Spears, drove her daughter to the center, which she had reportedly been in and out of earlier in the week.

The center specializes in treating drug and alcohol abuse.

Last week, Spears sought treatment at a center in the Caribbean but also checked out after a day, according to various reports.

Spears and Federline reportedly agreed Wednesday night that he would keep their two young sons while Spears was in rehabilitation, a program that takes between 30 and 45 days.

Superior Court spokesman Allan Parachini said Federline's attorney had contacted the court Wednesday and asked to make an appearance in which one side in a dispute can come into court without prior notice.

He said Federline lawyer Mark Vincent Kaplan called the court's bailiff Thursday morning "and indicated nothing is going to hap-

pen today."

It wasn't known what issue the 28-year-old Federline planned to raise.

"There was no official court date scheduled today and there is no future court date scheduled," Kaplan said in a statement issued by his publicist, Michael Sands.

"Kevin continues to be a very focused father with his children with hands-on management," the statement continued.

Federline sought spousal support and sole custody of Jayden James, 5 months, and Sean Preston, 17 months, after Spears moved to end their two-year marriage in November, but a temporary order issued Feb. 1 granted joint custody through this month.

Gina Orr, a publicist at Jive Records, Spears' label, did not respond to e-mail and phone messages.

Last Friday, Spears arrived at a San Fernando Valley hair salon, grabbed an electric razor and shaved her head bald.

Afterward, she visited a tattoo parlor, where she had a pair of red-and-pink lips inked onto her wrist. Then she went out clubbing with friends before apparently checking into Promises.

Whether her recent behavior will damage her recording career is hard to say, said Vibe magazine music editor Jon Caramanica.

Spears, whose 1999 debut album, "... Baby One More Time," sold more than 13 million copies, hasn't released a new album since 2003. Before her troubles began she had promised one this year, and Caramanica suggested that might be a good outlet to address what she's going through.

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REID BULLOCK (RIGHT), A junior finance major from Friendswood, wrestles Patrick Hefferly (left), a junior political science major from The Woodlands, as part of field training prep for the Air Force R.O.T.C. Thursday evening near Memorial Circle.

'Music & Lyrics' a catchy, charming romantic comedy

By JEFF SCHWARTZ
ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGEIAN (COLORADO STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) FORT COLLINS, Colo. — After a month of reviewing serious-minded Oscar-nominated films, I decided it was time for a change of pace, and the delightful new romantic comedy "Music and Lyrics" was exactly what I was looking for: Funny, frothy and imbued with an appealing chemistry between its two lead actors.

As with so many romantic comedies, "Music and Lyrics" starts out with two characters who seem terribly unsuited to one another.

There's Alex Fletcher (Hugh Grant), "the other guy" from an 80s pop group called Pop, who now spends his time performing solo at hotels and theme parks, wooing crowds of forty-something women with his gyrating hips.

Far from denying his has-been status, Alex plays it up, doing anything he can to earn a buck. So, when his manager (Brad Garret) tells him that pop sensation Cora Corman (Haley Bennett) admires his past work and would like him to write her a new song, Alex gladly accepts.

The catch, though, is that Alex, despite being a talented musician, isn't much of a lyricist.

Enter Sophie Fisher (Drew Barrymore), a woman whose day job is watering the plants at Alex's apartment and helping her sister (Kristen Johnson) run a weight-loss center.

One day while Alex is working with a particularly morbid lyricist, Sophie absentmindedly blurts out a possible next line to their song and Alex loves it.

After some back-and-forth between the two, Alex eventually convinces Sophie to be his lyricist and the two set about trying to craft a perfect pop song in less than a week.

Some of the best and most charming scenes in the movie come when Alex and Sophie sit together at a piano, composing their song note-by-note and line-by-line. These are the scenes when Alex and Sophie realize their true feelings, and they're handled well by Grant and Barrymore, two romantic comedy veterans who know how to modulate their performances between humorous and endearing.

The funniest and wittiest scene in the film, however, comes after Alex and Sophie have given their song to Cora, and the pop princess transforms their winning piano ballad entitled "Way Back into Love" into a feverish dance-number with sitars that sounds like an "orgasm set to the soundtrack of 'Gandhi,'" to use Sophie's inimitable words.

Here we come to the perfunctory bit of conflict that threatens to drive the happy couple apart; Alex thinks Cora's version of their song is fine, while Sophie accuses it of pandering.

Will the two reconcile in time for

a happy ending? Of course; this is a romantic comedy, so all's well that ends well.

But "Music and Lyrics" works because of the charming and altogether surprising chemistry between Grant and Barrymore, which allows the movie to overcome its formulaic plot.

In the end, we're left with a movie as catchy and confectionary as a pop song.

Guitar Hero tournament to raise funds for scholarship

By HALEY DAVIS
STAFF WRITER

Students who love rocking out with the Guitar Hero video game can compete in today's Guitar Hero tournament hosted by Texas Tech's Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

Phi Mu, a music fraternity at Tech, is hosting the rhythm video game tournament to raise money for the Adam J. Coffman Memorial Jazz Scholarship. Coffman was a brother of the Zeta Sigma Chapter of the fraternity.

Gabriel Hernandez, the fraternity's education officer, said Coffman was an avid fan of jazz music.

According to the application for the scholarship, Coffman was a much-loved and highly talented man of music who made an impact at Tech with both his saxophone playing and personality.

The tournament will be held at 6:30 p.m. today in the Hemmler Recital Hall, which is located inside the Music Building. Although there will be controllers for contestants to utilize in the Recital Hall, all students who participate are encouraged to bring their own controllers.

Glenn Stevens, a senior music education major from Fred, said the initial idea came about because of the popularity of the video game.

"Every member knows at least five to six people that play the game," the active member of Phi Mu said.

Hernandez said the tournament will be set up in four brackets: Beginner, medium, hard and expert. He said the tournament will be single-elimination style, and prizes will be given out in two brackets: Beginner/medium and hard/expert. Hernandez said there will be gift certificates from Game Stop and EB Games ranging from \$15 to \$25 depending on the bracket.

Students who want to participate in the tournament will be charged a fee of \$5 that will go to the Coffman

Memorial Scholarship.

Cameron Speed-Henley, a sophomore music education major from Lubbock, said the memorial fund is just starting.

"Next semester will be the first semester to give it out," he said of the scholarship.

Martinez said anyone and everyone is invited to the tournament, and he encourages all Guitar Hero enthusiasts to come and participate.

For more information about the Adam J. Coffman Memorial Jazz Scholarship, visit the Web site zeta-sigma.sinfonia.us/index.html.

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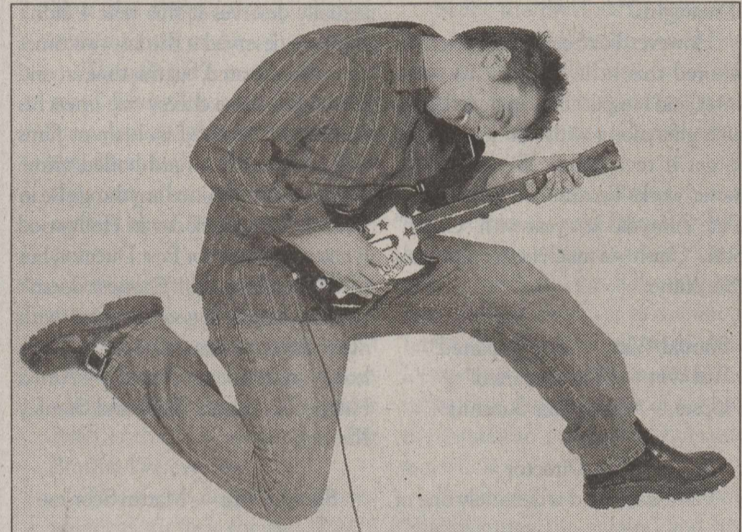


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Tech organization heads to the Big Easy for spring break to volunteer

By ALLISON LOWE
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Texas Tech students with caring hearts and a passion to work for others may want to lend helping hands to those in need this spring break. Students can do this by joining Tech Cru members in their pursuit to provide relief for Hurricane Katrina victims in New Orleans.

For students who are unfamiliar with Tech Cru, the organization is Tech's chapter of Campus Crusade for Christ International.

According to the organization's Web site, <http://www.ccci.org/>, Campus Crusade for Christ is a worldwide, interdenominational Christian ministry committed to

showing people how they can know and experience God's plan for their lives.

Jennifer DeGroot, a full time staff member for Tech Cru, said members of the group will head to the French Quarter in New Orleans during spring break, which is March 11 to March 16.

The cost of the trip is \$215, a figure that covers travel, lunch, dinner and hotel lodging.

"\$215 is nothing compared to the impact you are going to make on the lives of people there," said DeGroot, the trip coordinator.

While in New Orleans, student volunteers will be working hard while rebuilding and gutting houses, DeGroot said. Other relief activities

include painting, putting up drywall and cleaning up trash and debris in parks and schools.

DeGroot said 71 percent of the houses in New Orleans were destroyed by Hurricane Katrina, and only 5 percent of them have been rebuilt. She said there is still a great deal of work to be done, and there is a push this spring to go and help because there has been a lack of help in the recent months because of funding issues.

"They really have no help there, and we have something we can give them and offer them," DeGroot said. "There are always people out there with bigger needs. Christ came and he loved people, and I want to do the same."

Students who are passionate about

teaching will have the opportunity to tutor kids in New Orleans schools in addition to the hands-on labor the entire group will be doing.

Students who are interested in participating in the New Orleans relief trip can visit the Web site www.katrinaspingspringbreak.com; Sunday is the deadline to sign up.

"We want all people to come no matter where they are spiritually," DeGroot said. "We are just an avenue to get there and help."

If students are not interested in going on the trip, they can still take advantage of opportunities Tech Cru provides to students.

DeGroot said the group is comprised of approximately 200 Tech students who are growing together in their relationships with Christ.

Kali Moore, a junior early childhood education major from Georgetown, said she has met all of her best friends and roommates through Tech Cru.

"It has gotten me in an organization and a family who really care about me," Moore said.

Moore said the group holds weekly meetings and offers a variety of bible studies both in residence halls and off-campus. Members have the opportunity to go on six-to-eight week summer projects to places like Moscow, she said.

DeGroot said Tech Cru provides an environment where students can feel comfortable. She said it is a safe place for students to ask questions, hear the gospel and figure out what it means for them personally.

"It's not shoving a Bible in your face or condemning people," DeGroot said. "It's about loving people and building relationships."

Students who want to become involved with Tech Cru should visit the organization's Web site at www.techcru.com.

"Tech Cru can have an eternal impact on your life if you let it," DeGroot said.

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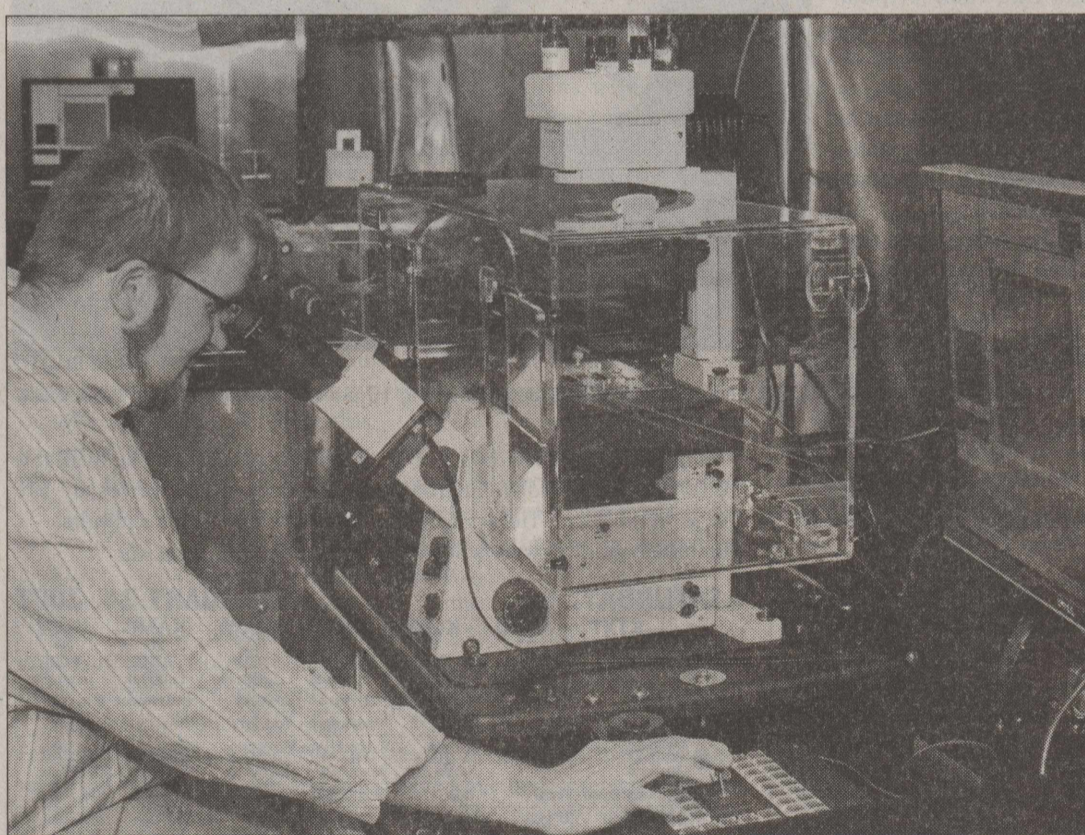
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