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### Man shoots wife outside hospital

TYLER (AP) - A man shot his wife multiple times outside the front doors of the East Texas hospital where she worked Wednesday and hit a bystander when he opened fire, police said.

The woman is in serious condition at East Texas Medical Center, where the shooting took place, Tyler police spokesman Don Martin said. Another man was inside the lobby when a bullet came through the door and hit his ankle.

The alleged shooter was arrested shortly after fleeing the hospital, Martin said.

### NATION Diocese files bankruptcy

SAN DIEGO (AP) - The Roman Catholic Diocese of San Diego filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection hours before it was scheduled to go to trial in the first of more than 140 lawsuits accusing priests of sexual abuse. The filing automatically halted court proceedings scheduled for

# **Democratic leaders to finalize Iraq plan**

**By ANNE FLAHERTY** Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) wouldn't cut off money for U.S. conflict. troops in Iraq but would require President Bush to acknowledge problems with an overburdened

military.

support but is expected to be a tough group of liberal Democrats pushing sell to members who say they don't for an immediate end to the war. House Democratic leaders are de- think it goes far enough to assuage

> thing we've asked him to do, so why 21,500 more troops to Iraq. Earlier we would think he would do anything this month, House Democrats pushed

The plan could draw bipartisan Lynn Woolsey, D-Calif., one of a posing the buildup.

Democratic protests to the war took control of Congress and Bush

in the future is beyond me," said Rep. through a nonbinding resolution op- barrass Bush politically than force

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Since then, Democrats have been trying to decide what to do next. and report to Congress those units Some worried that a plan by Rep. veloping an anti-war proposal that voters angered by the four-year grew louder in January after they John Murtha to restrict funding for the war would go too far. Murtha, Bush "hasn't to date done any- announced he planned to send D-Pa., is extending his support to the Democrats wants to repeal the 2002 revised proposal.

The tactic is more likely to em-

his hand on the war. He would have to sign repeated waivers for units with equipment shortfalls and other problems.

In the Senate, a group of senior

**CONGRESS** continued on page 3

# 10 killed, 20 injured in Iraq market

### **By LAUREN FRAYER** Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq (ÀP) A car bomb ripped through a bustling shopping district in a religiously mixed neighborhood of western Baghdad on Wednesday, killing at least 10 people and wounding about 20 as the U.S.-Iraqi security operation entered its third week.

The midmorning blast in Baiyaa, a Sunni-Shiite neighborhood, sent flames and debris shooting two stories high, witnesses said. The force of the explosion peeled back corrugated tin roofs. Hours later, charred clothing still clung to the remnants of vendors' stalls. Imad Jassim, who owns a shop in Baiyaa's market, said he ran out into the street when he heard the explosion. "People were in a state of panic. There was a lot of blood on the ground, and we helped carry the wounded to the ambulances," Jassim said. "The terrorists behind this massacre want to paralyze life in Baghdad by attacking markets and public crowds." Hours after the Baiyaa attack, police said guards outside the Bab al-Sheik police station in central Baghdad fired on a suicide truck bomber as he approached them. The bomber changed course and crashed into a cement barrier, detonating his explosives. Two civilians were killed and two policemen and another civilian were wounded in the blast and exchange of gunfire, police said.



### Mayor's task force to address sexual issues **By NAOMI KASKELA** STAFF WRITER

Lubbock Mayor David Miller announced the formation of Lubbock Family Council as well as its mission and members during a press conference Wednesday afternoon.

"Today I am announcing the formation of a task force comprised of citizens employed or involved in diverse roles and capacities that will address three issues that are critical to the social, educational, physical and financial health of our city," he said.

The issues Lubbock Family Council will address include low birth-weight babies, sexually transmitted diseases and unplanned pregnancies.

Miller said the 33 members of the council range in occupation from high school students to individuals involved in the ministry to health professionals.

Wednesday.

In a letter posted on the diocese's Web site, Bishop Robert H. Brom said the diocese made its decision because any damage awards in the earlier trials could deplete "diocesan and insurance resources" and leave nothing for other victims.

### WORLD speaks Castro on radio show

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) - Cuban leader Fidel Castro called into Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez's radio talk show, saying he felt "more energetic" and was enjoying his convalescence in his first live comments since falling ill seven months ago.

"I'm gaining ground. I feel more energetic, stronger and have more time to study. I've become a student again," he told Chavez over the phone Tuesday in a soft but steady voice.



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The casualty count in the Baiyaa blast was provided by police and hospital officials.

While rescue workers swept still-smoldering debris in Baiyaa, U.S. and Iraqi government spokesmen held news conferences across town to praise what they called a dramatic decrease in violence.

Although car bombings and suicide attacks occur daily, Rear Adm. Mark Fox said overall violence had abated. Still, he cautioned more time was needed to secure Baghdad.

"Although we've seen some initial progress, we know our enemies will continue to attempt to disrupt our efforts, and that improving security in Iraq will take time," he told reporters.

Iraq's spokesman for the Baghdad plan, Brig. Gen. Qassim al-Mousawi, called the drop in attacks "remarkable."

But a senior U.S. commander warned against optimistic conclusions after a couple of weeks.

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# Lady Raiders play in last home game of season

### **By STEPHEN MONAHAN** SPORTS EDITOR

For Texas Tech seniors Alesha Robertson, Brooke Baughman and Patrice Edwards, tonight's game against Iowa State could be the last time they play under the lights of the United Spirit Arena.

Those seniors, along with Chesley Dabbs, who ended her career as a Lady Raider at the end of January because of personal reasons, will be recognized at the conclusion of the game for their accomplishments as Lady Raiders.

"I think it went by real quick," Robertson said. "When I was a freshman, they were telling me that, and it was kind of hard to believe at the time because it's overwhelming coming in here as a freshman."

Robertson, a Plainview product, and Baughman, a Canyon native, came to the Lady Raiders as freshmen for the 2003-04 season. Combined, the two teammates have logged 6,552 minutes played in 241 games while scoring 1,941 points.

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### SGA results: 2 run-off elections necessary **By MAGGIE KIELY**

STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech students who missed out on elections this week will have another opportunity to vote next week. The Student Government Association elections resulted in several run-offs, including the executive offices for president and external vice president.

This year, 3,789 Tech students voted in the election.

To win, executive officer candidates must receive at least 51 percent of the vote. Mason Moses earned the most votes for the presidency with 49.75 percent of the vote, followed by Matt Fowler with 38.93 percent and Philip Pride with 10.19 percent.



Fowler said he was not surprised by the results. "I was pretty sure it was going to go into a run off," Fowler said. "I know Philip worked really hard to pull some votes, and he did a really great job of getting people to vote who normally don't. So hats off to him." Fowler said he is prepared to face another long week of campaigning. "For an office like this," he said, "if you want it, you've got **ELECTIONS** continued on page 2

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"The response was almost unanimous in the people we asked to serve," he said.

Judi Blakey, who will chair the council, is with the Covenant Community Outreach program and is involved with the Community Caring for At-Risk Teens.

Gary Scoggins, the vice-chair of the council, is the pastor of Cathedral of Praise Church and is the founder of The Bridge of Lubbock.

"Members of almost every segment of our local society have been chosen to create dialogue from a diverse group of people," Miller said. "The result will be better understanding and an improved path on which young people can walk as they make choices that will shape their future."

Miller said the Lubbock Family Council was not created by the Lubbock City Council, but it is rather a task force of the mayor.

Michelle Hunter, the health-education coordinator of the Lubbock City Government and a member of the Lubbock Family Council, said prevention is something that will be stressed by the council.

"We are trying to eliminate, reduce, empower the youth today in terms of abstinence," she said. "We're trying to provide mentorship. In other words, prevention."

A message of hope is a positive aspect of what the council hopefully will be able to give targeted individuals, she said.

Miller said while abstinence until marriage is the best option in terms of preventing and lowering the numbers of the three issues being addressed, other measures will be looked at as well.

However, he said two issues will not be discussed.

"We are not going to discuss abortion, pro-life or pro-choice (stances)," he said. "And the second thing we're not going to discuss is homosexuality."

Because some individuals do not choose abstinence, forms of

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THE DAILY TOREADOR

# City hosts groundbreaking of Hope House Blotter: Wind causes

### **By GLENYS BOLLS** STAFF WRITER

The City of Lubbock Development Department hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for the new Hope House Wednesday morning at 1511 Ave. M.

The Hope House has been known as the Benson Home since late 2004. City officials announced a ground-breaking ceremony to help publicize the refurbishing work that soon will be under way.

Family Promise, which proclaims itself to be Lubbock's only organization that stresses keeping homeless families together while helping them become self-sufficient, will begin restoring the Hope House, which originally was built in 1909.

"Families don't stay in the Hope House," said Connie Hindman, a Family Promise representative. "The Hope House serves as the family center. That's where we're going to get them hooked up with the resources that can help them."

The family center will offer training in a variety of subjects including parenting, cooking, computer tutoring and family financial planning.

"This gives an opportunity for homeless families to get on their feet, have a place to stay for a while, learn some valuable skills and find a permanent place to live," said Bill Howerton, director of Community Development.

four and six months to complete.

Family Promise will care for the

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Elections

to work hard for it."

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# VANESSA VELA/The Daily Toreador

DARRELL VINES, PRESIDENT of the Family Promise Board of Trustees and former Tech Professor emeritus of Electrical Engineering, explains the history of the future location of the Family Promise organization's Hope House during the groundbreaking ceremony Wednesday morning.

should take somewhere between The host congregations will offer stay with the families overnight. places for the families to spend the night, while support congregations help up to 14 individuals at a

Howerton said the restoration its network of churches in Lubbock. with meals, money and people to the new facility will increase the Family Promise currently can can help.

families in the meantime through will assist the host congregations time, but Hindman said she hopes number of people the organization

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and is looking forward to celebrating. "I didn't want to be too over-confidant or too overzealous," Matthews

Scott Gorenc, currently a gradu-

dent, said he believes the run off is exciting, and he encourages students to get back out to vote.

did it once,"

# damage on Tech campus

### **By PAUL ROBERTS** STAFF WRITER

### Feb. 24

Texas Tech police filed a report of a broken light fixture in the C-11 parking lot. According to reports, a light fixture atop a light pole fell reported.

Tech police responded to a medical emergency at the United Spirit Arena. Police said a non-student fell on a stairway, injuring his head and suffering cuts on his hands. scene.

Two Tech students were arrested two students were issued Lubbock County citations and released.

Tech police investigated theft in from the window ledge.

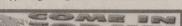
by a minor. The passenger of the towed. vehicle received a Lubbock County of alcohol was and released, according to reports.

Feb. 25 Tech police arrested a non-stu-

He said he advises candidates still in the race to keep their heads up and to continue doing what they have been doing.

Elected senators-at-large include: Taylor Hutcherson, Kyle Crowl, Anna Sterling, Zoe Georgopoulos, Allison Purtell, Austin Pennington, Dailey "The Deal" Fuller, Brad Bellah and Cliff Fieldon

The run-off elections will take place Tuesday and Wednesday at sga.ttu.edu. ▶ mag8240@hotmail.com



dent for possession of drug paraphernalia following a traffic stop in the 1800 block of Flint Avenue. Police said the non-student was issued a Lubbock County citation and released.

Three non-student juveniles were issued criminal trespass warnings outside of West Hall for all Tech because of high winds. No property property. Police said they observed was damaged and no injuries were the three juveniles jumping steps with their skateboards.

Feb. 26 Tech police responded to a medical emergency in a residence room in Clement Residence Hall. According to reports, a male student was suffer-Emergency medical personnel ing from stomach cramps and was treated the non-student on the transported to the University Medical Center Emergency Room.

Tech police responded to a medical in their residence room in Coleman emergency at the Student Wellness Residence Hall for possession of Center. According to reports, a male drug paraphernalia. Police said the student was suffering from abdominal pain and was transported to the UMC Emergency Room.

A Tech student was arrested for the lobby of Coleman Residence driving while intoxicated following Hall after four bricks were removed a traffic stop in the R-1 parking lot. Tech police said they pulled over the Two Tech students were de- student after the student conducted a tained for possession of alcohol traffic violation in the 1500 block of by a minor in the Z5-C parking Detroit Avenue. A student passenger lot. Police said the driver received in the vehicle also was arrested for two Lubbock County citations for public intoxication. Both students driving under the influence by a were transported to the Lubbock minor and possession of alcohol County Jail and the vehicle was

Tech police investigated damaged citation for minor in consumption property in the 3500 block of 18th Street. According to reports, a rearpassenger window of a vehicle was broken, possibly by wind. ▶ paul.j.roberts@ttu.edu

> Family caught for public theft

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (AP) -The patriarch of a family of elected officials that siphoned about \$3 million from a public housing agency was sentenced Wednesday to 10 years in prison.

Raymond Asselin Sr., 69, who lorded over the Springfield Housing Authority for three decades, pleaded guilty in August to conspiracy and tax evasion. His wife, Janet Asselin,

as soon as the run-off results were their efforts." announced. He said he will be calling friends to encourage them to get erson and Tim Samsone, will also be people back out to vote.

Pride, the third presidential can-Moses said he feels good about didate, said he plans on demanding cent of the vote, and Samsone received ate senator, was elected graduate vice the run off and is excited about the a recount.

"Not with the intention of coming

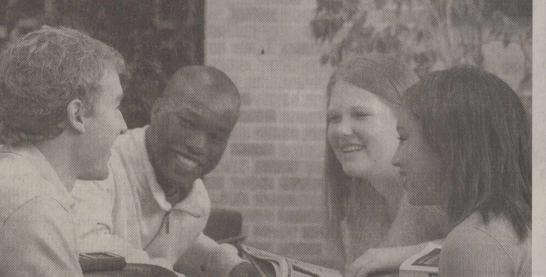
External candidates, Taylor Hutchincluded in the run-off elections next said. "I'm really overwhelmed." week. Hutcherson received 48.03 per-40.14 percent.

After receiving 61.49 percent of "I am very humbled I got as much out a victor," Pride said. "I want those the vote, Suzette Matthews, a junior percentage as I did," Moses said. "I'm who voted for change to be appreci- English and psychology major from looking forward to one more week ated for taking that action, and if that Perryton, will be filling the office for count is different for one person, I internal vice president in April. She - Moses said his campaigning started want them to be acknowledged for said she is excited about her victory

president.

Ryan Worley, current SGA presi-

"I think the biggest thing is getting people back out to the polls," Worley said, "because they already



# Diversity Dialog for Students

Thursday, March 1, 2007 5:30 pm Senate Room Student Union Building

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70, who also admitted her role in the fraud, was sentenced alongside her husband to nine months of home confinement and a year of probation.

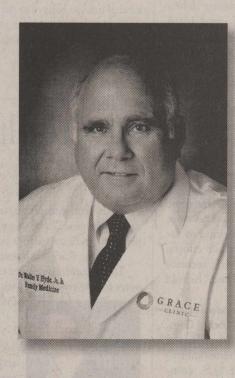
The couple also were ordered to pay \$162,000 in fines and restitution.

Four of their sons, including exstate Rep. Christopher Asselin, also have pleaded guilty. Three of the brothers were given prison sentences of up to 1 1/2 years.

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# DT, LV editors named for 2007-08 school year

### **By BEN MAKI** STAFF WRITER

A selection has been made regarding the future leadership for two of Texas Tech's most recognized publications.

The Student Media Committee decided Michelle Casady and Christopher Miller will be the editors in chief of The Daily Toreador and La Ventana for the 2007-08 school year, respectively.

Casady, a sophomore journalism major from Alvin, wrote as a freshman apprentice and eventually as a full-time staff writer for The Daily Toreador during the 2005-06 school year. She served as news editor of the newspaper rently the managing editor this and efficient newspaper. semester.

was a major selling point for her appointment, even though she was unopposed.

outstanding presence and she ex- been three people serve as editor hibits great leadership qualities," in chief of the newspaper for more Chambers said. "That is a great than one year in the 20 years she thing for the future of the paper." has worked for the university,

as editor will be to bring more position for the 2005-06 school respectability to the student-run year and the fall of 2006. newspaper.

be something not only the people Miller and Stephanie Hernanthat work here but the students dez. of Texas Tech can be proud of," Casady said. "I want this to be tee member and political science something people look forward to professor, said the two applicants reading."

she may have the opportunity to be the editor in chief for two years.

in the fall of 2006, and she is cur- would produce a more coherent said. "The only difference top-

Todd Chambers, chair of the paper will be stronger because we They were both very strong can-Student Media Committee and a will have a more seasoned staff and didates." College of Mass Communication seasoned editors," Casady said. "It professor, said Casady's character takes a good leader, and the stron- from San Antonio, started as a ger the leadership, the better the paper will be.'

# "Michelle is someone who has dent Media, said there only have working as the publication's man-Casady said one of her goals including Joey Kirk, who held the

La Ventana had two applicants "I want The Daily Toreador to for the editor-in-chief position:

Dennis Patterson, a commitalmost were qualified equally Because Casady is a sophomore, for the position, but experience proved to be the difference.

"Both candidates were excel-She said the possible scenario lent and passionate," Patterson to-bottom was that one had "By the time I am a senior, the more experience over the other.

Miller, a junior business major reporter for La Ventana his freshman year, worked as copy editor Susan Peterson, director of Stu- his sophomore year and now is

aging editor.

He said he wants the yearbook to contain less copy and more photos in the next issue.

"We will change it to a more magazine-style with more features on people," Miller said, "and I hope to do some interesting things with photos to help capture more of the essence of Tech life."

Chambers said Miller's commitment to the yearbook is a sign of his maturity and leadership skills.

"I really respect his integrity for seeing the La Ventana through a transition period," he said, "and coming back to apply for head editor again."

Hernandez, a freshman jour- ing closely with Hernandez next nalism major from Lubbock, has year and hopes to be a mentor served as a freshman apprentice on the yearbook staff. She said she applied to get the experience of her in the future," Miller said, "and is no set deadline for turning in the process for the next time she I look forward to seeing her appliapplies for the position.

"I'm graduating in three years instead of four, and I was looking to get a head start" Hernandez and is excited to have the oppor-

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for her.

CHRISTOPHER MILLER

said. "Next year is not my time yet, tunity to understand the nuances but the year after that, that will be of the head editor position.

"I plan on applying to be his right-hand woman, and I will help him in any way I can," she said. "I Miller said he anticipates work- will really learn everything I can from him next year."

Casady said she will begin taking applications for the editorial board after spring break, but there applications.

The deadline to apply for an Hernandez said she will apply editorial position for the yearbook for the managing editor position is April 9.

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protection, including their benefits and risks, will be discussed as well, Miller said.

sequences and outcomes of some of their bad choices," Hunter said.

not know how effective the program will be since it just was just launched, Hunter said it deserves an A for effort.

"I really hope we will be able said.

If every member of the council is able to reach one individual, then the individual who has yet to plan the dates of the was reached can go to another, creating the trickle-down effect, she said.

Blakey said she does not know what the future goal of the council will be because it will evolve in the next 10 months.

Miller set out a vision for the council at the press conference.

was the highest it has been in Lubbock since 2001. "I just want the trend to go

in the right direction," Miller said. "I want the numbers to float south, not north.'

Miller said the work of the "I think the youth of today, Lubbock Family Council is they need to know of the con- expected to conclude in mid-December.

"I think in Lubbock, these are three issues that the statistics Although she said she does show us as a community we are not where we should be or where we want to be," Blakey said. "I think that being able to have a council who will look at the three issues with the support to reach one, teach one," she and leadership of the mayor is an opportunity for us to improve our community."

> Miller said while the council meetings, he is expecting the first meeting toward the end of March. ▶ naomi.kaskela@ttu.edu

measure authorizing the war and write a new resolution restricting

mer. But Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., said Iraq would have to wait until the Senate finishes work to improve homeland security.

"That would mean we would a matter of days, not weeks," he said.

from Republicans on Wednes- coming home. day.

combat.

### Congress **CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

a closed-door conference meeting. As Democrats met behind closed

Rice said the Bush administration would talk to leaders from Iran and Syria on stabilizing Iraq. Rice announced U.S. support for

the Iraq meeting, to be held in Baghdad next month, at a Senate hearing hold off the Iraq legislation for in which Democrats pressed her and Defense Secretary Robert Gates to explain what progress is being made The House Democratic pro- . in the Baghdad security crackdown posal brought a sharp response and how soon U.S. troops will be

The decision to engage Iran and Rep. Adam Putnam, R-Fla., Syria on the war in Iraq is a major called the plan a "fig leaf" to departure for U.S. policy. The bipardistract the public from what he tisan Iraq Study Group in December said was Democrats' ultimate goal recommended U.S. dialogue with of cutting off funds for troops in Iran and Syria, but until now the administration has resisted that course.

# U.S. planned coup in 1950's Japan

TOKYO (AP) — Declassified overthrow the Japanese government and assassinate the prime minister in 1952.

The scheme — which was abandoned — was concocted criminals who had worked for World War II, according to CIA records reviewed by The Associa right-wing government that would rearm Japan.

National Archives in January, detail a plot to oust the pro-U.S. prime minister, Shigeru Yoshida, and install a more hawkish government led by Ichiro Hatoyama.

The CIA, in papers released documents reveal that Japanese under an act of the U.S. Congress ultranationalists with ties to U.S. to declassify documents related to military intelligence plotted to Japanese war-crimes, said the plotters were led by Takushiro Hattori, a former private secretary to Hideki Tojo, the wartime prime minister hanged as a war criminal in 1948.

Two CIA documents said the by militarists and suspected war plot reportedly had the support of 500,000 people in Japan, and that U.S. occupation authorities after the group planned to use a contact who controlled a faction inside the National Safety Agency — a precurated Press. The plotters wanted sor to the Defense Ministry - to help launch the coup.

The files reviewed by the AP The CIA files, declassified in strongly suggest the Americans 2005 and publicized by the U.S. were unaware of the plot until after it had been dropped. The plot was developed after the U.S. postwar occupation of Japan ended in April 1952, and the CIA files say American financial support for Hattori's group had dried up by then.

Putnam, R-Fla., after emerging from the mission and ordering troop doors to discuss their options Tueswithdrawals to begin by this sum- day, Secretary of State Condoleezza

"The big vision, eliminate (low birth weight babies, sexually transmitted diseases and unplanned pregnancies)," he said. "Not possible, is it? So, first we want to reduce each of these."

He said the numbers of sexually transmitted diseases and teen pregnancies are high in the Hub City.

According to the Provisional Summary of Communicable Diseases compiled by the Lubbock Health Department, in 2006, the number of reported cases of sexually transmitted diseases



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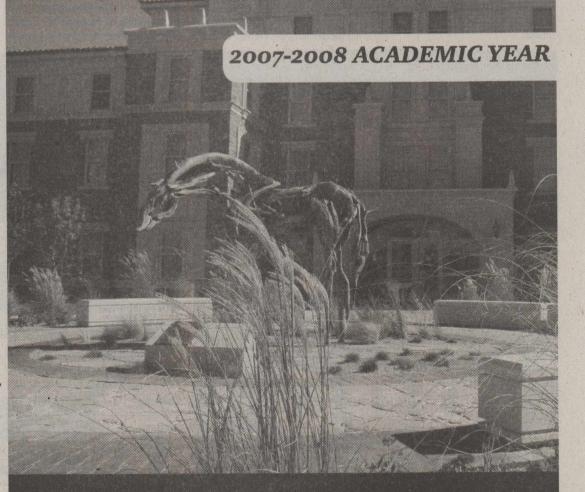
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# Checkmate: Protests resemble chess

### **By CHAS CAREY** COLUMBIA DAILY SPECTATOR (COLUMBIA U.)

(U-WIRE) NEW YORK — The two brothers who watched my chess game looked like they were born about. five years apart, the same gap in age between me and my opponent, my year, and my brother capitalized on my only one of the four - perseverance every mistake.

as he snatched my powerful pieces away from me, blunder by blunder. Once he felt satisfied that I'd been neutralized, he pressed his own advantage. The elder here at Columbia University, and we observing kid - who was maybe 11 or pride ourselves on our "history of civil 12 years old — nudged his little brother, disobedience," muttering about the spirit computer that beat world champion chess games. expecting to see me burn out. I swung a of 1968 like it was some sort of touchstone Garry Kasparov in 1997. couple of pieces across the board as my for change. But the last time I checked,

complex pastime that has been metaphorically applied to the real world since its inception. Benjamin Franklin, an avid player in Shenk's account, described the "morals" necessary in chess as foresight, circumspection, caution, and perseverbrother. I hadn't played chess in about a younger brother, I managed to utilize Manhattanville now? - and yet it managed to be enough. I found myself dodging and feinting But Franklin's "morals of chess," like so much else about the game, can extend far beyond the board.

We've had an awful lot of protests

The Immortal Game, is a deceptively taged position. Does starting a department of African Studies and then not promoting it ring a bell? How about the space crunch and the ever-empty sixth floor of Lerner? If you want to be really insidious — I don't personally buy this, but some do — how about not building ance. In that particular game with my the gym in 1968, only to expand into

If an opponent like Columbia plays that long of a chess game, how many moves ahead do you think the U.S. government plays? How can a protest against something even bigger, like the war in Iraq or companies that operate in Darfur, possibly succeed? It's like playing chess against Deep Blue, the famous IBM

Campaigning for something abstract like "multiculturalism" is fine, but have the foresight to realize that if you don't define what that is, the people you're begging from will not do it for you. Change in this world has to come from the right mix of strategy and passion, a full commitment to the goal with knowledge of your alternative routes, your potential pitfalls, and your contingency plans. Before you make a bold move, like, say, jumping onto a stage with a banner or hosting a "hunt the immigrant" game down at New York University, consider what your opponent's next move might be. Blind idealism is very inspiring to your base, but it will not win you any

That's not to say that all calls for Like players of any game — except change should be amoral scheming. brother single-mindedly bore down on our student demands have failed much maybe Ivy League football — we should Remember Garry Kasparov's loss to Deep Blue? He fought a new, more clever ma-"romantic" moves that the computer analogous to winning a game of chess, but it sure helps to study hard, know your gambits and goals, and persevere, even when it seems like mistakes were made. All the good and "romantic" intentions of our protests won't change the world -but if a human can still fight on against

# Expensive is for those who can afford it **By VERONICA ROLLIN**

### THE DAILY AZTEC (SAN DIEGO STATE U.)

in American culture than our stupid. die-hard, can-do attitude. We ending slavery or winning wars. Sometimes, this attitude leads to great accomplishments. Other times, it only leads to stubbornly stupid ideas.

neighborhood — that is, a neighborhood where the rich and poor live side by side in perfect harmony. The most recent battle for this kind of. Anaheim.

low-income housing. Housing advocates say the project estly paid employees.

what?'

in one of America's biggest of the real estate beast. playgrounds, Disney officials miniums fill the hole.

there.

ently, just doesn't want poor is simply communistic. people living near its pricey

a corporate attorney live across the street from her housekeeper, it's not going to happen. Why? (U-WIRE) SAN DIEGO To paraphrase former President There's nothing stronger Bill Clinton, it's economics,

Rich people can afford to believe we can do anything live in expensive houses and we set our minds to, whether with the exception of rare cases, it's overthrowing the British, most do. Expensive houses are built in the same neighborhood because the value of each house is buoyed by the values of the houses around them. Poor people can't afford a home in these neighborhoods, so they The latest is the dream of have to live where the houses an economically integrated are cheaper — around other poor people.

The low property values in low-income neighborhoods keep them affordable. However, move a cheap house into a neighborutopia has its ground zero in hood of mansions and either the cheap house is now too ex-Walt Disney Co. is suing pensive for a low-income family the city of Anaheim over a or the adjacent homes' values proposed residential project plummet. Either way, the rich that would build 1,500 con- families sell their junk property dominiums and apartments and move somewhere with more near Disneyland, including equity or the poor family has to look for a cheaper house again.

The land around Disneyland would be a convenient living has considerable commercial option for Disneyland's mod- value simply because it's the land around Disneyland. If the The Disney Co. says: "So area has to be zoned for residential property, Disney naturally The 26-acre site for the wants it zoned for something proposed project sits right worthy of a place around one in the heart of Disneyland's of its premiere parks, and it tourist mecca, where the should. Pricey land means pricey theme park's guests often housing. Anyone who wants an eat, sleep and shop. It's a expensive house has to pony up tourism zone and there's no the cash. Anyone who can't pay, place for a bunch of houses well, too bad. That's the nature

The property around Disneysaid. Instead, the entertain- land should be sold for whatever ment company would like to the market value is to whoever see upscale hotels and condo- can pay for it — without subsidies and without taxpayers foot-In other words, it's not ing the bill. That's how it should the houses that are the prob- be for all land in a capitalist lem — it's the people living economy. To redistribute real estate from rich potential buyers The Disney Co., appar- to the poor who can't pay for it

my defenses, preparing to box me in. more often than they've succeeded. The realize that if a strategy isn't working, it'd Then I went for it.

again before my brother took me seri- chess," which is described by Shenk as circumspection, caution, and perseverously. He moved his king theoretically the school of desperate one-in-a-million ance. Calling for some sort of socialist just didn't know how to handle. Changabout the board, sighed, and stuffed the gambits and swashbuckling flourishes walkabout and espousing tired "evil ing the world for the better isn't totally pieces back into the box. "You beat him of important pieces. It looks great on empire" rhetoric doesn't display, uh, any with nothing!" said the older observer, paper, but at the endgame, your careful of those characteristics. thunderstruck. "Game's never over adversary will simply swat you like a fly 'till it's over," I said. His little brother and go about his merry way. smiled.

tory tapped into a key facet of chess... and protest's gambit is successful, the op- one of its biggest collaborators walks something more. Chess, as documented ponent makes middling sacrifices, then out, as various groups did this winter, the successor to Deep Blue, I think we can in David Shenk's excellent new history simply turns right back to a disadvan- isn't exactly establishing your goals. change our little corner for the better.

politics of Columbia's protests are often be wise to alter it. Again, we're back to chine to a draw in 2003 by playing a sly "Checkmate," I said. I had to say it identical to the concepts of "romantic Franklin's "morals of chess": foresight, mix of deliberate chess mixed with some

As it turned out, my amateurish vic- games. Even on the occasions when a an anti-war coalition so fractured that

How do we play a good game of chess in protesting to bring about change? Protests may be viewed as chess With careful but certain goals. Creating ers need not apply. side.

tra-liberals would love to see of all.

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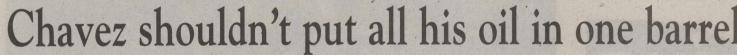
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It sounds heartless to say that park. Those who can afford to the poor are doomed to live in live "upscale" in an expensive poor neighborhoods, which tend area like Orange County are to be aesthetically unpleasant, more than welcome. All oth- far from decent retail shopping and unsafe. But capitalism It may sound like I'm con- doesn't work without an incendemning Disney for being tive to make more money, and so finicky, but I'm taking its an unattractive, inconvenient, dangerous place to live is likely

No matter how many ul- one of the biggest incentives



### **By VICTORIA BEKIEMPIS** THE ORACLE (U. SOUTH FLORIDA)

(U-WIRE) TAMPA, Fla. - This Hugo Chávez ordered the country's last privately held oil fields in the Orinoco River region nationalized. Compensa- down. tion for the government's increased stake cost \$17 billion.

According to the Associated Press, this is the largest amount the Venezuelan government will have had to pay out for the takeover of an industry.

represents Venezuela's rather predictable progression toward despotism - the Venezuelan congress granted Chávez 18 months, and he hasn't hesitated to not decrease wield his power. He's already planned to cations and electric industries, as well.

bring "death to the empire," - a.k.a. America — by flirting with Fidel Castro be rather weak.

fact that nearly half of the Venezuelan construct 200,000 houses in Nicaragua. government's revenue is dependent upon the production of oil renders the country quite vulnerable.

Although conventional wisdom particularly bad timing. may quickly associate possession of a pricey commodity with prosperity, deeper his best not to let the opposition rain

a prickly position.

in the region's projects is estimated to Although Chávez enjoyed the benefits of skyrocketing prices since he took office in 1999, oil prices leveled out last year.

Venezuela's spendthrift government. Without sustained increases in profit Far from surprising, this latest move from oil refining and without foreign investment — socialists can be a bit of a bugaboo for

profit-minded businessmen - GDP the power to rule by decree for the next growth is likely to remain stagnant, if

And, as the fatal mix of falling oil nationalize the country's telecommuni- prices and increased spending show, the proverbial money doled out by Chávez Though Chávez may think he can certainly doesn't grow on trees; the deficit is expected to hit 3 percent this year.

Adding insult to injury, Chávez's and flexing the muscle of his oil reserves, drive to perpetuate Bolivarian revohe poses little strategic danger to the lution in Latin America is arguably United States. The crude facts of his carried out at his own countrymen's country's oil-based finances - if you'll expense. Venezuelan oil is sold cheaply excuse the pun - suggest Venezuela to or donated in order to curry favor with its neighbors. Chávez, in fact, pledged As discussed in The Economist, the \$1 billion to Ecuador and promised to With the coffers that fueled Venezuela's growth already being consumed, such "philanthropy" is being carried out with

Of course, Chávez has been doing

analysis reveals that dependency upon on his parade. The government has natural resources puts the dependent in failed to renew the licenses of several at least those looking to turn the other private broadcasters, specifically those cheek in return for cheap petrol, exist This is because oil, like other com- critical of the Chávez regime. Just last in wealthy Western circles that fully past Monday, Venezuelan President modities, is traded on markets. If the week, a newspaper was fined heavily for enjoy the basic rights now being denied price of oil spirals downward — as has accusations of "insulting the honor" of been the trend these days - profit goes Chávez's daughter - in fact, a satirist wrote an editorial to her, which requested Herald Tribune, the socialist mayor Such is the case with Venezuela. she ask her father not to treat dissenters of London, Ken Livingstone, agreed so severely.

> been gobbling up airwaves by setting up This is particularly bad news for its own media outlets to broadcast tripe in its favor.

Of course, apologists for Chávez, or to Venezuelans.

As reported by the International to accept Venezuelan oil in return for Meanwhile, the government has giving Chávez technical instruction for the construction of mass transport so Livingstone could halve subway costs for welfare recipients.



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# **English professor loves 'horror-ble' writing**

### **By BEN MAKI** STAFF WRITER

When Stephen Graham Jones was a young boy, his aunt and uncle lived in of the Year," said Jones' story makes for a trailer next to the house in which he compelling reading. resided.

over with pillows and blankets to spend the night. They had just come home from a showing of the movie "Halloween."

Since then, he has been fascinated by horror.

Jones, an English professor, recently published his short story "Raphael" in issue No. 55 of the magazine Cemetery Dance. It will also be published in the books "Horror: The Best of the Year" and "The Year's Best in Fantasy and Horror." The

story has been nominated for the Bram Stoker Award for Superior Achievement Letters' 2005 Jesse Jones Award for Best finding the right voice and distance of the is he cannot go for long periods of time in Short Fiction. Sean Wallace, editor of "Horror: Best stories.

"For me, the sign of really good horror One night, his aunt and uncle came is if I have shivers down my spine and if it sticks in my head long after reading," Wallace said," "and Stephen Graham Jones' 'Raphael' did both quite well, so much so that I had to have it for 'Horror: The Best of the Year.' It's not a tale that the reader can easily walk away from."

Jones has a scheduled reading at 7:30 p.m. tonight in Room 001 of the English building. He said he plans to read excerpts from "Raphael," his recently released book "Demon Theory" and other works.

He received the Texas Institute of Jones said. "I just have a problem with reason for having written so many stories a different approach. Work of Fiction for a collection of short story. Without the voice, there really is without writing.

said Jones' writing style is not what he prefers, but Jones' work is still a must read.

"He writes grizzly serial killer novels," Dragga said, "and keep in mind that I don't read those type of books, but his books are absolutely fascinating. You can't put them down.'

comes from a variety of places. If his short they write it," he said. "Despite all that stories do not work out, he just stops working with them, but if he has trouble writing a book, he will edit it to make it work.

"As far as a premise, I have a lot of notebooks chock full of this, this and this," finishing a novel. He said he believes the such a narrow light they lead him to take

no story. Sometimes I just have voice and throw away 10,000 words."

his students, but the students appreciate to go write." Jones' teaching style.

"In the course of a semester, he has his Jones said the inspiration for his stories students write a 40,000 word novel, and work, they love him and he gets absolutely great teacher evaluations."

Jones said he has written two screen-

"I went on a trip to Georgia and I Sam Dragga, English department chair, it turns into something. I don't revise my purposely didn't bring my computer," he short stories too much, but I'll sit down and said. "It was a three-day trip and I thought work with my novels. It's kind of hard to I could go the entire time without writing. By the second day, I found myself Dragga said Jones requires a lot from asking for a key to the library so I could

> Dragga, said he is impressed by Jones' ability to publish on a consistent basis.

"He started as an assistant professor in 2001, and he just published his fifth book and his fourth novel," he said. "He seems to publish a book once a year."

plays, at least 84 short stories and he is or werewolves, can be used so much in I just have to know it's not true."

"One story I wrote is about werewolves, but I tried to go away from the whole silver bullets thing and transforming in the full moon because it's just so medieval," he said. "I went more along the lines of the person changes to wolf over 30 days and it addresses the idea of 'Why do werewolves need genitalia if they make new werewolves by scratching people?""

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He said his love of horror is evident in every facet of his life.

"I just love sucking in all the horror films I can," Jones said. "Of all the genres of horror, my favorite would have to be the slasher movie, but I can't watch The Dis-Jones said some genres, like vampires covery Channel about hauntings. I guess ▶ benjamin.maki@ttu.edu

# Students, employers enjoy Mass Comm job fair

### **By GLENYS BOLLS** STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech College of Mass Communications hosted its annual career fair Wednesday to help students find employment and internships.

Out of about 50 companies invited, meets their needs. 22 organizations, including broadcasttelevision stations, non-profit organiza- speak one-on-one with immediate gradutions, public relations agencies and Gene ates as well as underclassmen," said Grant Messer Ford, attended the career fair at the Frazier Alumni Pavilion

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Wernsman, Career Center director and study abroad coordinator. "Either they've match what that particular employer hired our graduates before, or somebody who owns the business is from Tech, product."

Loretta Fulton, city editor for The Abilene Reporter-News, said she is always happy with the quality of Tech graduates

ask the right questions, and they're just and foster that relationship." impressive students."

Employers said they benefit from career fairs because they get the opportunity to visit with students and find one who she said.

Ramar Communications. "It's mutually "Most of the employers that are here beneficial because both parties can speak have a Tech connection," said Marijane at length with one another and find out if they're on the correct career path to this year. needs.'

Aleesa Ross, assistant director of the and so they know we turn out a quality career fair, said employers are not the only ones who benefit from career fairs.

"For students, this is a great way for them to get their name out there, and get their resume out there and network and meet some people," Ross said, "and "We've hired a lot of Tech graduates then it gives them the opportunity to get ness to learn, to come on board in the

Fulton said. "They're well-prepared. They with them and make that connection pleased with the turnout in general."

impression on the employers present at the Mass Communications Career Fair,

"They were really impressed with how "I think employers get a chance to students were dressed, with the quality of resumes and the number of students that were here," Ross said. "I've even had some Vaughan, an account executive with people say they thought this was better candidates, he has to weigh the difference than last year.'

> Fulton said she attended last year's fair and it affected her decision to participate

"I was so impressed with it that when I got back, I said I want to be sure to sign up for it again next year," Fulton said. "This one is equally as good; it's just what I expected."

Vaughan said he was satisfied with the students he saw at this year's career fair. "We've been very pleased with the enthusiasm," Vaughan said, "the willing-

at our paper, and we're always pleased," someone's business card and follow up way of internships, and we've been very

Although the College of Mass Com-Students were able to make an munications is only two years old, its graduates already have given it a reputation in the world of media, Fulton said. "Your school is newer than most, your program is," she said. "I think you've got

> a good reputation, and it'll only grow as your school grows." Vaughan said when he looks for job between education and experience. He said he usually gives more weight to a candidate's experience, although a col-

> "I would have to go with the experigood habits as well as bad," he said. "The education should come, but the on-thejob training, you're going to have to get that at some point just because you can't be a very good reporter if you haven't done any reporting.'

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### Market bomb CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

"We could maintain security here, we could have things look good for one or two weeks," Lt. Gen. Ray Odierno told CNN. "But when we've done that, we've always had problems not maintaining it."

Odierno, the No. 2 U.S. comhow long the Baghdad security operation would last but said "a minimum of six to nine months."

He also said Sunni militants were responsible for about 70 percent of the attacks.

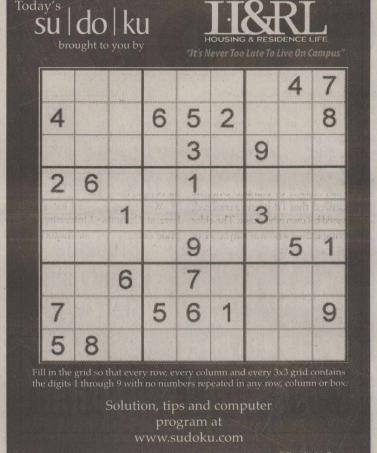
found Baghdad on Wednesday, figures.

police said. That daily toll has dropped by nearly half this month, according to figures compiled by The Associated Press.

A Health Ministry official said preliminary figures indicate a drop in the number of Iraqi civilians killed in February compared with the previous month.

The official, who monitors such figures, said 1,646 civilians were killed across Iraq between Feb. 1 mander here, refused to speculate and Tuesday. The ministry's figure for January was 1,990 civilian deaths, according to the official.

He spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not permitted to release the figures. Casualty counts by other groups, including the United Nations, have often been of sectarian death squads, were far higher than the Iraqi government



# Peace Corps recruiter gives students international exposure

### By BEN MAKI STAFF WRITER

A Peace Corps representative has come to Texas Tech to offer students Nagy served as U.S. Ambassador to serve. information about becoming involved Guinea from 1996 to 1999 and as an with the global community.

can pa

Corresponding with Interna- to 2001.

soil science.

According to Tech's Web site, ambassador to Ethiopia from 1999

regional office in Dallas, and Vivien work in areas like education, youth ognizing the achievements of the Allen, a Horn professor of plant and outreach, community development, organization, since its inception in the environment and information 1961. technology in the communities they

avoy

For more information, visit the Web site www.peacecorps.gov.

lege degree is also necessary. ence thing because hopefully that means there's some job skills there, maybe some

Ten bodies, the likely victims

tional Education Day and Peace Corps Week, Samantha Garvin, a Peace her experiences as the chair of the Corps recruiter, has coordinated an in- International Grasslands Conference ternational panel comprised of mem- and teaching in both Sri Lanka and bers who will be speaking today from China. 3 p.m to 5 p.m. at the Student Union Building in the Llano Estacado Room recruiting at Tech for the Peace Corps on the first floor of the building.

Garvin said the panel members attempt to recruit, but to inform. will speak about their experiences internationally and how those experiences have affected their careers.

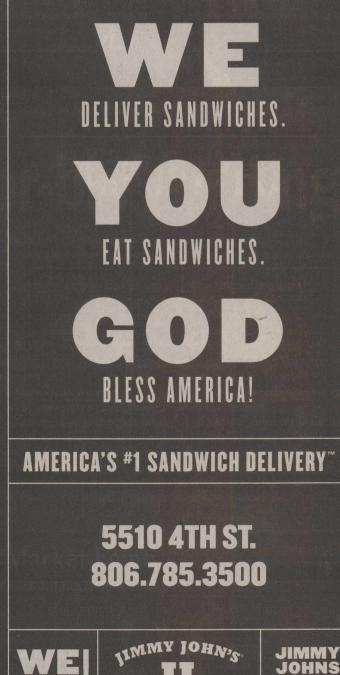
Allen said she will talk about

Garvin, who has been in town since Tuesday, said the panel is not an

According to the Peace Corps Web site, members of the organization Condominium Apartments "Luxurious and affordable student living in the back yard of Tech"

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# Inking the deal: a glimpse at Hub City tattoo fetish

### **By JEREMY REYNOLDS** STAFF WRITER

There are no blades involved or ropes hanging from the ceiling to stimulate suffocation, but local tattoo artists said being inked is an rebellion.

said when someone gets a tattoo, the pain causes the body to release endorphins, giving the person a natural high.

legal narcotic," he said. "It's what gets through his workday. women through child birth and gets people through broken legs."

ting a tattoo an addiction for some is the hardest part of my job." people.

ing your body release natural pain themselves."

Vasquez was not too busy Tuesday a new software program to function on his out-of-date computer. His walls are decorated with posters of graphic designs hanging alongside still-in-the-box action figures of di-Mewes.

from college and the military.

"I didn't know what I was doing," he said. "I just did homemade tattoos, and I messed them up."

Vasquez has been a professional event propelled by pain rather than tattoo artist for seven years, and he my job kind of as the sideshow to laughs off the idea of doing anything Danny Vasquez, a tattoo artist else. With 28 tattoos and four piercat the Piercecution tattoo parlor, ings in his body, he said he enjoys working in a tattoo parlor because he can be himself.

mistake on a design, but that does getting a tattoo that makes the recipi-"The closest I can describe it, is a not mean he allows himself to coast ent want another one.

thing," he said. "I'm my own worst get," she said. "Now I want another The pain is also what makes get- critic. The stress of me judging myself one."

"By getting a tattoo, you're mak- students coming through his shop, increase in the number of older men and they all have three basic design and women who have come into her killers," he said. "It's why people cut concepts they want inked into their business to get a tattoo. skin

afternoon. He sat behind the com- tian," he said, "something Greek or and grandpas," she said. "They now puter in his small office, trying to get something in a foreign language, and then typically it's crosses and little girly things. Girls come in here in toos like they go to the bathroom."

rector Kevin Smith and actor Jason the recipient, but an event, Vasquez more than other jobs might allow. said. If a potential customer comes to

in books, and he began giving himself or she wants, Vasquez will redraw and homemade tattoos when he returned customize the individual's vision.

"That way everyone knows they're getting something original," he said. "When people come in here, they're not looking for a tattoo, they're looking for an experience, and it's give them that experience. We're not the main attraction in life, we're the sideshow."

Ali Williams, a sophomore psychical therapy major from Tom Bean, He said he never has made a said there is an adrenaline rush when

"When I got my first tattoo, I "In my eyes, I mess up every- said that was the only one I would

Lacey Leser, a tattoo artist at He said he sees many Texas Tech Inkfluence, said she has seen an

"I blame (The Learning Channel) "They want something Chris- that we've been getting grandmas understand that it's an art form and not a label.'

groups and get tattoos. They get tat- artist for six years. She said her job gives her the freedom to do what she Each tattoo is not just a label on likes, dress how she wants and travel

Vasquez said he grew up drawing his store with an idea about what he professionals is the ability to draw, to have some artistic ability."



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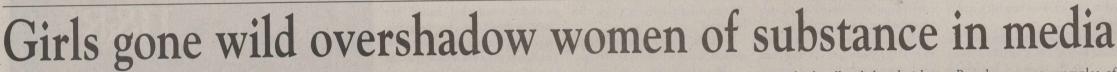
PIERCECUTION TATTOO ARTIST Chris Valencia etches over the faded remnants of a tattoo on Nick Leser said she has been a tattoo Billings, 20, Wednesday evening.

### but it is not a necessity.

she said. "If you want to make it said she has three tattoos and wants think that getting a tattoo can be an She said a major skill of tattoo anywhere and be successful, you have another, but she is not sure where the addiction. I can see that."

Shannon Munstead, a junior "It just depends on the person," management major from Dallas, anyone could see it," she said. "I she wants to get it.

"I wouldn't get a tattoo where ▶ jeremy.n.reynolds@ttu.edu



LOS ANGELES (AP) — There's "My sister! My daughter!" a climactic scene in "Chinatown" in which Jack Nicholson tries to slap to how I feel about media images about her relationship to a young have ascended to new levels of woman and gets a paradoxical reply: power and prominence, a bevy of female House Speaker, and Katie complished and show up for work pared with this conundrum.

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Nicholson's confusion pales next as jarring counterpoint.

the truth out of Faye Dunaway of women. At a time when females Gilpin Faust, Harvard's first female Anna Nicole. president; Rep. Nancy Pelosi, first

The trailblazers include Drew Lindsay, Britney, Nicole, Paris, Women are unraveling!

on a regular basis. The latter have and drop in occasionally for rehab or photo ops, such as mug shots. Or, in the final sad chapter for Smith, they keep a date with premature death.

Nowak to the list for a real head- something is the new adolescence. sex videos or DUI arrest; Nicole spinner: A woman of achievement And their warm blanket of fame Richie's DUI arrest. who cast herself in a darkly comic, permits any madcap actions as long allegedly criminal soap opera. One group is channeling their consumption. energy and ambition into shaping the world. The other is focused on likely to run amok than men, as the whether panties are necessary ap- track records of Mel Gibson, Mi- weekend long," one of the show's parel for a night on the town or if chael Richards, Isaiah Washington hosts trumpeted, so we knew we Depends is a road-trip must. It's a mind-boggling split be- business executives demonstrate.

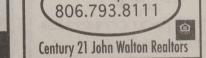
hapless, even tragic figures serves Couric, first solo female news tween the levelheaded and girls anchor. Facing off against them: gone wild: Women are powerful! female waywardness are perfectly

The former are disciplined, ac- incestuous father) is simple com-

a wobbly grip on reality or talent ness. Most of the high-living "girls" in question are adults but have found a loophole in the baby-boom- amusement and then our punisher credo that 60 is the new 50, 50 is ment, with endless hours of TV the new 40 — and rationalization quasi-news reports about Spears or without end, amen. So for Lindsay Lohan in and out of rehab; Spears Add be-diapered astronaut Lisa Lohan and Britney Spears, 20- shaving her head; Paris Hilton's as they're made available for public nels and entertainment magazine Women, of course, are no more and a series of fallen politicians and were getting everything needed to

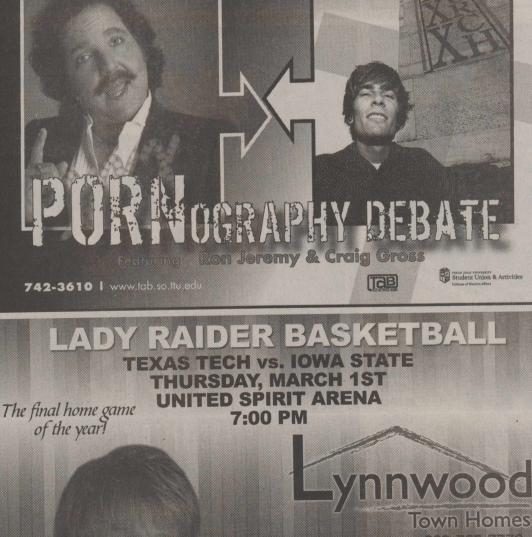
But the current examples of designed for a media feast. Anti-The answer in "Chinatown" (an Semitism, racism, homophobia and Capitol or corporate misdeeds generally lack the sizzle for real stay-Age partly explains the wacki- ing power; pretty girls in trouble are something altogether juicier.

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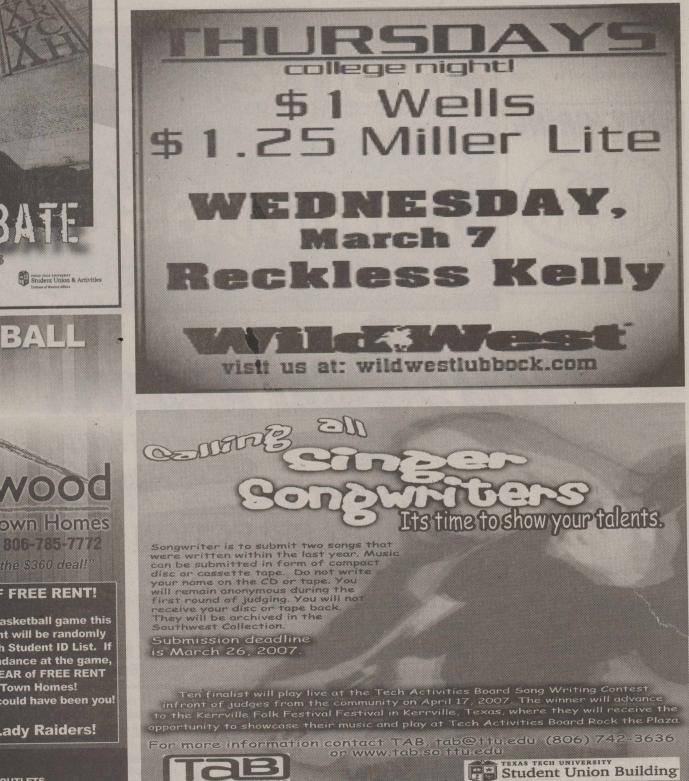
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# WEEKLY REVIEW

# New Chinese buffet has impressive facilities, high Sunday price

For the first time in a Daily Toreador restaurant review, the eatery I visited was crowded with people, Lin's, a Chinese buffet that recently opened on Slide Road, was apparently the place to be Sunday afternoon. I eased into the mass of people crowding the entryway to stand in line and buy my meal. The cannot say any of it had a taste siglarge, fortress-style building is impressive, and its interior is even more so. A sparkling chandelier hung above chicken, the angel hair noodles were our heads as we stood in line for a tasty, but the fried rice was rather dry. table, and when I approached the Thus far, I have not been able to find register, I felt as if I were in a hotel because of the surrounding plants and a noiseless fountain built into the wall behind the register. Waiters wore tuxedo shirts and black pants, adding to the classy atmosphere.

I discovered at the counter, unfortunately, the regular \$6.49 lunch price probably will enjoy. is only valid on weekdays. Sunday's lunch was an astounding \$9, drink meal, Lin's also offers octopus and not included. I decided to stay for the meal to discover whether or not Lin's could prove to me it was worth the price.

I waited in line for 30 minutes before I finally reached the hostess square and some fruit, which were in the dining room and was led to a each good. Ice cream also was oftable. The hostess gave me silverware fered. and a drink, and she invited me to enter the buffet line.

As customers elbowed and jostled through the line, I took my plate and browsed the options. I was happy to see many varieties of chicken among the selection. Of these, I sampled sesame, Lin's chicken, sweet and sour,



nificantly better than any other Hub City Chinese restaurant. Besides the good fried rice in a buffet, simply because it sits out too long before servers put a fresh batch in. I don't think I got the fresh batch at Lin's.

One unique aspect of Lin's is it offers a sushi bar and a Mongolian grill - two characteristics most customers

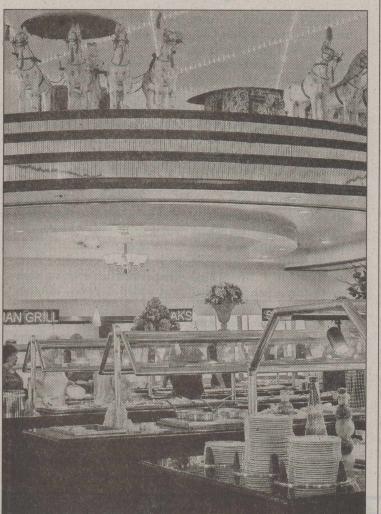
For those looking for a daring several other seafood choices.

Lin's has a decent fruit bar with bananas in strawberry sauce, peaches, grapes and other choices.

For dessert, I had a small cake

Students looking for a Lubbock Chinese restaurant that has not been few other Chinese restaurants in town have) should be pleased with Lin's, as it is a new and clean building.

bad. Most of the food was fresh and expensive price. and teriyaki. The sesame chicken tasteful, and the fact the restaurant **Bhepherd is a freshman cre**and sweet and sour options were offers sushi and Mongolian grill is ative writing major from Killeen. good, but I was not as impressed with a plus. Unfortunately, Lin's did not E-mail her at anne.m.shepherd@ Lin's chicken and the teriyaki dish. I pass my test - I did not feel the ttu.edu



VANESSA VELA/The Daily Toreador caught with health code violations (a LIN'S CHINESE BUFFET on Slide Road offers good service and an elegant atmosphere.

food I ate added up to its \$9 price tag. I suggest students who want to As far as buffets go, Lin's was not try Lin's go on a weekday for the less

GRADES

Food: B Atmosphere: B+ Service: A Cleanliness: A Cost: High **Overall Grade: B** 

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But I found a way



ground music, there's been a death of albums and compilations. in the family.

tion.

ting down due to financial probcome easily to a magazine that distributed almost 50,000 copies nationwide and made them available for free.

zine is one of the few exceptions -- it was truly one of the most singular voices of our time, not all forms of media.

'60s in more ways than one, Arthur magazine's oversized pages staff brought to the magazine. ran everything from indie music-Thurston Moore and aging bluesman T-Model Ford, and articles on terculture unlike any other.

Arthur magazine was also re-ArthurBall and ArthurNights) labor of love" in every way.

- For people involved in under- through which it released a variety

One look at that list and you I'm talking about Arthur maga- can probably see why I'm so sad to zine, the Los Angeles-based bi- see Arthur go. But anyone who's a monthly that called it quits last fan of Devendra Banhart, Joanna week after five years in publica- Newsom, Vashti Bunyan, Vetiver or Six Organs of Admittance also According to an article in the knows the instrumental role Arthur Los Angeles Times, Arthur is shut- played in the psych-folk revival of the last several years. The Banhartlems, which, one would presume, curated "Golden Apples of the Sun" compilation, sponsored and released by Arthur, is thought by many to have defined the genre.

But, in my opinion, the thing I would hesitate to mourn for that really makes Arthur magazine most magazines, but Arthur maga- something to be missed comes from personal experience. I spent almost an hour on the phone with Arthur's editor-in-chief, Jay Babcock, last only among magazines but among "quarter talking about his magazine and the feeling I left the conversation Hearkening back to the late with was, more than any other, the love and devotion Babcock and his

Whether he was speaking tancoverage, lengthy political essays, gentially for five minutes on how cultural think pieces, columns by fantastic and underappreciated singer such notables as Sonic Youth's Josephine Foster was, expressing genuine gratitude for his writers (most of whom worked without pay), art, photography, drugs and coun- admitting to the incredible amount of work that the Arthur festivals required of him, or extolling the virtues sponsible for three incredible mu- of all-ages shows, I could tell that the sic festivals in L.A. (ArthurFest, magazine was, as he described it, "a

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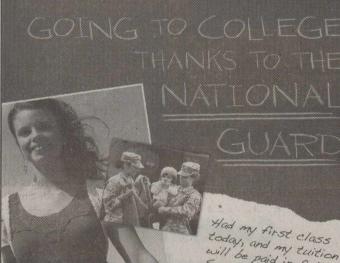
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# Loe in crowded mix for spot in Texas rotation at No. 5

eron Loe did too much trying to get into the Texas Rangers rotation last and John Rheinecker combined to spring. He was much smarter with his make 44 starts for Texas last year, offseason routine this time.

that I worked a little too hard and training. Volquez, a highly touted not smart enough," Loe said. "Doing prospect, was inserted into the rotatoo-heavy upper body workouts, my tion late in the season. shoulders got tight and my (pectoral muscles) got tight."

his first opening-day roster last season, sure everybody gets a fair chance, he the tightness eventually affected his has already scheduled four 'B' games delivery. That led to a sore elbow and to go along with the regular Cactus the disabled list, and he didn't pitch League games. again for Texas after mid-June.

now in a crowded competition to be No. 5 in the rotation. The 6-foot-7 him. Chen is expected to pitch Sunright-hander is among a half-dozen day while Wright's first appearance candidates to fill the last spot behind Kevin Millwood, Vincente Padilla, Brandon McCarthy and Robinson back spasms. Tejeda.

invitees with plenty of experience. Wright, a former first-round pick, has started 237 games over 11 major league seasons with five teams, and Chen has 237 appearances (112 starts)

SURPRISE, Ariz. (AP) - Kam- over nine seasons with eight teams.

Edinson Volquez, John Koronka when the Rangers acquired Koronka "I wanted that starting role so bad and Rheinecker at the end of spring

Manager Ron Washington said performance this spring will determine While Loe made the rotation and who gets the No. 5 spot. To make

In the spring opener Friday against Loe is healthy this spring and Kansas City, Loe is scheduled to start with Koronka and Volquez to follow apparently won't come before Tuesday. Rheinecker has been bothered by

"The bottom line is that everyone Jamey Wright and left-hander will get quality innings," Washington Bruce Chen are in camp as non-roster said. "Loe starting (first) just works out that way."

> Loe spent this winter working out in Texas under the direction of a team strength coach, instead of alone at home in Los Angeles again.

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# District sets helmet rule after ballplayer's death

levville school district batting cages. cage will be required to wear a helmet under new rules adopted in response to a baseball player's death.

The Dallas-area school disregulations Tuesday, three days after 17-year-old Chris Gavora back of the head last week.

The Grapevine High School junior was pitching to a teammate in a batting cage when a teammate in a cage behind Gavora "hit a line drive that went through an opening in said. the net, across an open area, and through the other batting cage's opening," according to wearing a helmet.

"Anybody that's going to to have on a batting helmet," Overman said Tuesday.

GRAPEVINE (AP) - Any- and pitchers in the district's one who uses a Grapevine-Col- baseball or softball batting

The new safety measures also call for district employees to inspect the batting cages regularly for problems with the netting. Any holes in the netting would trict announced new safety force the closure of the cages until they are fixed.

"We are checking all of those died from a head injury suffered nets and cables to make sure the when a baseball hit him in the nets are taut," Overman said. "If they are not, we are then tightening them using the cables."

A layer of secondary netting that had been missing from Grapevine High's batting cages was added Tuesday, officials

"I think a review of safety policies and procedures is always a good idea," Chris' father, Bill the school. Gavora was not Gavora, said in an e-mail, declining further comment.

Chris Gavora's death has also use those batting cages is going raised the helmet issue among officials with the University district spokeswoman Megan Interscholastic League, the governing body of Texas public The rule applies to batters high school sports.

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# Farewell

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The duo said as freshmen, they knew the transition from idad-Tobago, West Indies, is the high school basketball to the Lady Raiders' first international collegiate level was an over- player, and she said making it this whelming experience at first, far into the season after several but now as seniors playing in knee injuries is an accomplishtheir final regular season game, ment in itself. the two know emotions will be running high.

I'm trying to get over that.

vance to the next phase of their to swallow." lives after their tenure ends with the Lady Raiders.

"It's the end of something for us, but we're going to have to move on to something else," said Baughman, who's averaging when you're at college.'

Tech (15-14, 6-9 Big 12) six of its last seven games, including a three-game losing streak. With a win over Iowa State (21-7, 9-6), the Lady Raiders are time Robertson will step on the guaranteed at least a .500 record with the Big 12 Tournament and postseason tournament implica- her career on a high note is a tions in the weeks ahead.

With Tech coach Kristy Curletdown is having those seniors I'll be looking around (the arena) under her wing for only one season.

one year with them," Curry said, "because they are everything that is good about the game and about being a student-athlete."

Edwards, who hails from Trin-

"I can't believe it's really here," said Edwards, who is av-"I'm going to miss this place," eraging 12.3 points per game in Robertson said of the home-crowd conference play. "I'm glad I made atmosphere. "I guess everybody's it to this part of the season - I got to move on at sometime, and didn't even know if I would. It's just a weird feeling that is actu-Baughman said she and the ally going to be the last time I other seniors will need to ad- play in here - that's kind of hard

While tonight's game will be the final regular season home game for Curry and her squad, Tech has the possibility of playing in the WNIT beginning March 12 if it fails to reach the 6.4 points per game this season. NCAA Tournament. The WNIT "You grow a lot in these four years hosts its regionals on school campuses, and if selected to the tournament, Lubbock has a poscomes into the game having lost sibility of being selected as a host site. In 2002, the USA hosted the NIT.

> Whether tonight is the final floor as a Lady Raider at the USA, the senior said ending priority.

"I better play like it's my last ry's inaugural season coming time to play in the arena because to a close, she said her biggest it is," she said. "I don't know if - I guess at the fans, yeah, I'll have to enjoy that for the last

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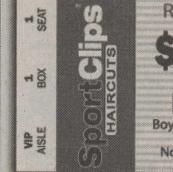
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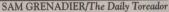
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# SPORTS

# Senior moment: Tech forgets about loss in Waco

### **By JAY LANGLEY** NEWS EDITOR

the form of Jarrius Jackson and an unlikely hero in the form of Jon Plefka roe, La., led Tech with 26 points, there was a laundry list of reasons he the fact that we led the Texas Tech men's basketball team to an 85-74 victory against last game at the USA. Jackson has led difficult task. Baylor Wednesday at the United the Raiders in scoring 24 of 30 games Spirit Arena.

percent from the floor after making its career points. first nine field goal attempts to start the by three at the break.

"Baylor had made a good comeback throughout the first half, and we ended up with a three-point lead at halftime," Tech coach Bob Knight said. "Then we points in the win. The career high in a game that was essential for us to Waco Jan. 13. win, was as good as we've had any time during the season."

On senior night, a likely hero in to take a 13-point lead with 4:57 left. this was a good night to do it."

Jackson, a senior guard from Monhitting 8-14 shots from the floor in his knew winning in Lubbock would be a are probably gothis season and is second on Tech's the all-time Big 12 record, Tech being division of the Tech (19-11, 8-7 Big 12) shot 56 all-time career scoring list with 2,148 on the bubble for the NCAA tourna- league. I think

game. Baylor (13-15, 3-12) managed it's been a humbling experience for revenge," Drew said, "those were some schedule. We to keep the score close, only trailing me," Jackson said. "He teaches us of the things we knew they would be something new every day, so we just excited to play for." have to come to practice ready to learn."

got started out well, which is essential marked the second time in two games we won and I just tried to look at it as because we don't always do that in the against Baylor the senior forward set another game," Dora said, "but it has second half, when we had to have it of 19 came in a 73-70 Baylor win in anymore."

of his success against Baylor. "I really

14:47 to play, the Raiders scored twice team, but I haven't played too well ranked as A&M as many points as Baylor over the next these last three or four games, and I and Kansas are," 10 minutes, outscoring the Bears 22-11 have to contribute to the team, and Knight said. "So

Baylor coach Scott Drew said

"It's senior night, Jarrius going for finish in the first ment, us beating them the last two we've played "With coach these last four years, times and them maybe having a little an awfully good

In his last home game, senior for- non-conference ward Darryl Dora had seven points in season when a Plefka scored a career-high 22 just 13 minutes of action.

"Right now I am just happy that schools don't

Knight said he thinks the Raiders "I really don't know," Plefka said are a tournament-caliber team.

With Tech leading 53-51 with can't explain how I play against this try that has beaten teams as highly at the USA.

with three wins like that and

> ing to be able to went to other people in the lot of these

> > do that."

**KELLY MATHERLY/The Daily Toreado** 

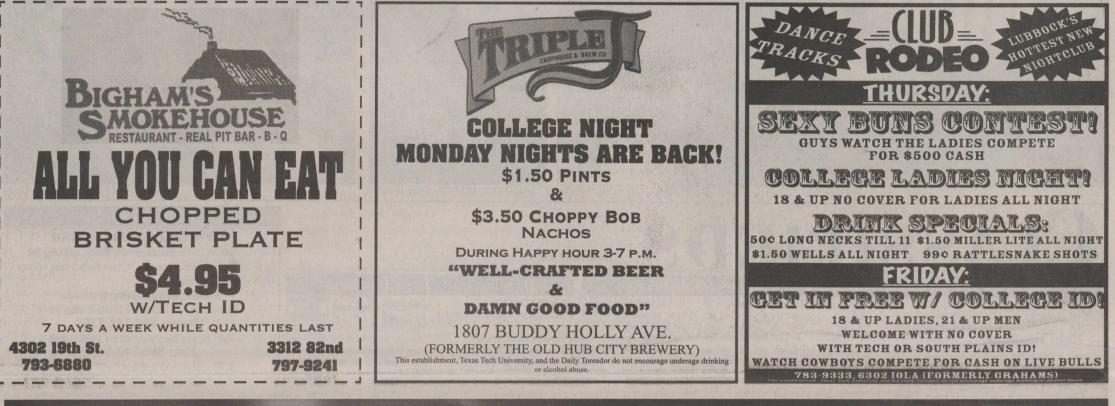
After the A TEXAS TECH fan thanks the Raider seniors during Wednesday night's game at the United second half. I think that our play in the a new career high. His previous high hit me that I'm not going to play here game, Knight Spirit Arena. Three seniors combined for 55 of Tech's 84 points in the victory. and the five se-

> niors, including LucQuente White and Tanner Ogden, who did not play in the "We're the only team in the coun- victory, spoke to the crowd gathered

fans at the arena.

Jackson had a message for the 8,972 seniors," he said. "No matter what happens after this season, I'll always "Thanks for supporting me the be a Red Raider."

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