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**Rice student pronounced dead**

HOUSTON (AP) — A Rice University student was pronounced dead Saturday after being found unconscious in his dorm room, a school spokesman said.

Parker Robert Redman, a 20-year-old junior from Austin, was found unresponsive at 7:20 a.m. and taken to Memorial Hermann Hospital, where he was pronounced dead at 8:35 a.m., according to Rice spokesman B.J. Almond and a supervisor at the Harris County Medical Examiner's Office who gave her name but said it couldn't be used because she was not a spokeswoman.

**NATION**

**Pet owners eligible for little reward**

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Pet owners are not likely to get much compensation if they individually sue pet food-maker Menu Foods over the death of a dog or cat, although they might fare better if they joined forces in a class action suit, legal experts say.

Most state laws consider animals — even beloved pets — to be only personal property. That means that even for the loss of a faithful family companion, a successful civil lawsuit would not likely produce much reward, said Carl Tobias, a law professor at the University of Richmond.

**WORLD**

**Darfur conflict spreads into Chad**

GOZ BEIDA, Chad (AP) — The sultan of Silla looked worried: Arab-African violence spilling over from Darfur is threatening his region of eastern Chad in what is quickly growing into a regional conflict.

"The picture is so bleak," Sultan Said Brahim told John Holmes, the U.N. undersecretary-general for humanitarian affairs and emergency relief, during Holmes' visit here this past week. "I can't even tell you how bad things are getting."

**DEATH TOLL**

**3246**

U.S. Military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

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## Iranian students target British Embassy

By **NASSER KARIMI**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — About 200 students threw rocks and firecrackers at the British Embassy on Sunday, calling for the expulsion of the country's ambassador because of the standoff over Iran's capture of 15 British sailors and marines.

Several dozen policemen prevented the protesters from entering the embassy compound, although

a few briefly scaled a fence outside the compound's walls before being pushed back, according to an Associated Press reporter at the scene.

The protesters chanted "Death to Britain" and "Death to America" as they hurled stones into the courtyard of the embassy. They also demanded that the Iranian government expel the British ambassador and close down the embassy, calling it a "den of spies."

Britain's Foreign Office said there

had been no damage to the compound.

A British Foreign Office spokeswoman in London, speaking on condition of anonymity in line with government rules, said diplomats were working normally inside the embassy.

"There is a police presence outside and there is no risk to those inside," said the spokeswoman.

Britain and Iran are at a standoff over the 15 seized sailors and mar-

ines. Britain said they were in Iraqi waters when detained, but Iran has contended the Britons entered its waters illegally.

British government and defense officials refused to discuss a report that claimed a Royal Navy captain or commodore would be sent to Tehran as a special envoy to negotiate the return of the personnel.

The official would deliver an assurance that British naval crews would never deliberately enter Ira-

nian waters without permission, the Sunday Telegraph newspaper reported.

Transport Minister Douglas Alexander said Britain was engaged in "exploring the potential for dialogue with the Iranians."

"The responsible way forward is to continue the often unglamorous, but important and quiet diplomatic work to get our personnel home," Al-

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## TAKING THE BULL BY THE HORNS



STEVE LEWIS/The Daily Treador

WALL (RIGHT) AND fellow bullfighter Andy Burrelle, work to save a downed rider. There are typically two bullfighters at every ABC Rodeo, and they always work together. "We're partners," Burrelle said. "I protect him, he protects me and we both protect the bull rider."

## 65th Annual Lubbock ABC Rodeo ropes in fun, excitement

By **KATIE HARRIS**  
STAFF WRITER

Children and adults of all ages flocked to the Lubbock City Bank Coliseum to see horses, bulls and ponies at the 65th Annual Lubbock ABC Rodeo over the weekend.

The Lubbock Downtown Chapter of the American Business Clubs has worked to "create independent lifestyles for people with disabilities" in the Lubbock community for more than 65 years, according to the Web site aberodeo.com. Events like the weekend's rodeo provide fundraising opportunities for the organization.

Booths were set up around the Lubbock City Bank Coliseum for event-goers to purchase one-of-a-kind country merchandise and food, while additional booths from the rodeo's sponsors were present all three nights — Thursday, Friday and Saturday — to help collect funds for the Boys and Girls Club.

Jim Bob Feller, a 40-year-veteran rodeo clown from Granbury, said his job has taken him all over the world, and he is happy to do it.

"If I can put a smile on someone's face and make them forget their problems, I have done my job," Feller said.

Calf roping, calf scrambling, barrel racing, bull riding and clowns bull fighting got the crowd involved in the weekend's festivities.

Clay Ferguson, an exercise and sports sciences major from Lawn, said the 65th Annual Lubbock ABC Rodeo marked his third year to attend the event.

"Calf roping is my favorite part because it is what I do," Ferguson said. "I know what kind of work goes into it, and I even know about five or six guys roping this weekend."

Sam Woody, a senior political science major from Kingwood, said the weekend provided him with his first opportunity to see the Mutton Bustin' event, which is an event in which

children hold on to the back of a sheep while it runs around the arena.

"I was really surprised that kids can hold on that long to a sheep," Woody said. "It was really funny."

Still, amid the rodeo's high-energy activities, some individuals bore in mind the event was ultimately another opportunity to raise funds for Lubbock charities and support groups.

Ray Short, a member of the Lubbock Downtown Chapter, said he has been participating as a member of the organization for 16 years.

"We ultimately raise money for the Lubbock Boys and Girls Club," Short said. "To date, we have raised in excess of \$1 million."

He said he believes the Boys and Girls Club is much more than just a babysitting job.

"We are here for the kids," Short said.

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**SWORN IN**



WALTER ROSADO/The Daily Treador

EBTESAM "SAM" ATTAYA Islam is sworn in as the new student regent by Pat Campbell at the Board of Regents meeting Friday morning. See Page 2 for full story.

## City chief of staff placed on paid leave

By **NAOMI KASKELA**  
STAFF WRITER

The City of Lubbock sent out a statement Friday announcing Dixon Platt, chief of staff for the Hub City, was being placed on paid administrative leave.

According to the statement, Platt was put on administrative leave "pending a review by the City's Human Resources Department."

The statement did not clarify the reason for the review.

Linda DeLeon, councilwoman for District 1, said she believes the incident occurred because of allegations revealed in a legal deposition, but she did not specify as to what the allegations pertained.

"Really, I don't know what the investigation is (about)," she said.

The deposition DeLeon cited was part of the lawsuit involving Terry Ellerbrook, solid waste manager, and the City of Lubbock. In the lawsuit, Ellerbrook claimed unfair hiring and firing practices were being utilized by individuals in the city government.

The lawsuit was settled in a March 22 City Council meeting. Jeff McKitto, public information and marketing manager for the City of Lubbock, said all of the information he knew was contained in the statement sent out by the city.

According to the statement, City Manager Lee Ann Dumbauld said, "Dixon will have every opportunity to respond to any findings presented in this review."

DeLeon said she believes the matter will be resolved within the city government.

"It will be all internal," she said. "It won't be out in the public."

Platt was contacted but declined to comment.

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# Board officially swears in student regent

By BEN MAKI  
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The Texas Tech Board of Regents swore in the second student regent in Tech's history and first regent from the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Friday at the board's meeting.

Ebtesam Attaya Islam has been made the official student regent at Tech. Islam has a doctoral degree in cell and molecular biology and a bachelor's degree in biology, both from Tech. She is currently working toward earning her M.D. at the Tech HSC.

Islam said her knowledge of life on both the Tech campus and the HSC campus will be beneficial when performing her duties as student regent.

"When I talk to people from the general campus, I know where they are coming from," Islam said, "and when I ask people about their issues at the Health Sciences Center, I can tell them I understand where they are coming from. That will only help me to be able to tell the board what the students need at both campuses."

Rick Francis, chairman of the Board of Regents, said Islam will help the board understand the students' needs from a different point of view.

"We were extremely impressed with her qualifications and the quality of student she is," Francis said. "She brings refreshing insight into

the students of Texas Tech. I look forward to having her as a member of the board."

Islam was appointed the new student regent by Texas Gov. Rick

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— RICK FRANCIS  
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS

Perry in February. She is the first representative from the HSC to be appointed to the position of student regent. In 2005, Perry passed legis-

lation stating the student-regent appointee must alternate between being a member of the Tech student body and being a member of the HSC student body.

In October, Tech's first student regent, Chad Greenfield, resigned after it was discovered he plagiarized in an article in *The Daily Toreador*.

The board also authorized the athletics department to continue negotiations with AT&T to rework the current contract, which gives the telecommunications giant naming rights to Jones Stadium.

Francis said AT&T has an option to extend the deal, but Tech and AT&T are looking to make an agreement which would continue to benefit both entities in the long run.

"This is nothing more than an extension of the current relationship," he said. "AT&T has the option to add five years to the deal and the board has approved the athletic department to continue negotiations to make this work. This deal involves a large sum of money coming (Tech's) way."

A representative of Tech Athletics Director Gerald Myers said Myers could not comment because negotiations are ongoing.

The board continued with the agenda and authorized Tech to finalize negotiations with the City of Lubbock to widen a portion of Erskine Street, using university property.

Francis said the road expansion is something that needs to be done because it is something the entire city needs.

"This is all a part of an effort to clean up the City of Lubbock," Francis said. "This is a part of an ongoing effort to improve the city's infrastructure as they continue to expand. All we are talking about is an extra 15 feet. This will help students get around Lubbock a little easier too."

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# Tech nursing students participate in community outreach programs

By GLENYS BOLLS  
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Students at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center are participating in outreach programs to help the community while learning about Lubbock residents and their needs.

Students from the TTUHSC School of Nursing participate in numerous community outreach programs, said Linda Brice, an associate professor in the school. Programs include a community baby shower in conjunction with the March of Dimes Stork's Nest Drive to raise awareness about teenage pregnancy and results. Nursing school students and faculty members also are working with the YWCA on a program about breast cancer and cervical cancer. Students are participating in the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life as well as offering assistance in health fairs and nursing homes throughout the year.

"We do all this because it gives our students a chance to get out in the community and get involved," Brice said.

Working in the community not only is beneficial for Lubbock residents but the students as well, said Toni Galvan, an associate professor in the School of Nursing.

"Giving back to the community is essential," she said. "One of our goals is to positively affect the health of the community."

Nursing students assist with the Texas Health Department's annual immunization fair for school-age children; they also work with the Parenting Cottage to raise money for research on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome.

"We supply the extra arms and legs needed to carry out projects," Brice said. "Often, there will be enough money for a program that someone wants to do, but they don't have the people to run it. That's one way we help out."

Students help with the Lubbock Independent School District's Early Childhood Intervention program to identify and assist 3-year-olds and 4-year-olds who may be at risk for below-average performance



COLEMAN MOREFIELD/The Daily Toreador

JESSICA GAUSTAD, A junior nursing major from Friendswood, talks to third graders from Harwell Elementary School about proper oral care in the Harwell Elementary Gym Friday morning.

in school because of physical or mental complications, Brice said.

"We do a lot of teaching in schools," she said. "It's health education, and the students are kind of a mentor for some kids. Students teach health-related topics at the juvenile center, like nutrition, drug and alcohol abuse, child abuse, domestic violence and automobile and gun violence."

Friday, Nursing students and faculty members went to Harwell Elementary School in East Lubbock to conduct a community health and safety fair. Most activities focused on the kindergarten through fifth-grade students, but parents were encouraged to get involved as well.

"The School of Nursing adopted Harwell years ago," Brice said. "We go over things like taking care of their teeth, first aid, animal safety, stranger danger and poisons."

During the health and safety fair at Harwell Elementary, the School of Nursing set up a table to do free blood cholesterol and blood glucose tests on parents, teachers and other members of the community who wanted or needed the tests.

One person who had the tests was Olivia Saenz, a second-grade bilingual teacher at Harwell.

"This is a really great thing," Saenz said. "There are a lot of families coming out from the neighborhood. We're getting good information, and it's all beneficial. I really appreciate the nursing students sharing their time and knowledge with us."

According to the School of Nursing Web site, nursing students help the community through the Larry Combest Community Health and Wellness Center, a non-profit primary clinic operated by the HSC School of Nursing in one of Lubbock's medically under-served areas. The center is located at 301 40th St. in East Lubbock.

"We do have students come in and out, working with our nurse practitioners," said Linda McMurry, director of operations at the Combest Center. "Also, our physicians may bring medical students with them."

Because the center is located in a low-income neighborhood, many of the people in the area rely on the center as a primary health-care safety net.

"Anybody can come to our clinic and use our services," McMurry said. "We have some Medicare and Medicaid patients. We provide care to the medically under-served in their own community at a low cost."

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# McCain proclaims U.S.-Iraqi security crackdown is working

BAGHDAD (AP) — After a

heavily guarded trip to a Baghdad market, Sen. John McCain insisted Sunday that a U.S.-Iraqi security crackdown in the capital was working and said Americans lacked a "full picture" of the progress. The U.S. military later reported six soldiers were killed in roadside bombings southwest of Baghdad.

Four soldiers were killed responding to the blast that killed the first two, the military said.

McCain, a Republican presidential hopeful who was a prisoner of war in Vietnam, acknowledged a difficult task lies ahead in Iraq, but criticized

the media for not giving Americans enough information about the recent drop in execution-style sectarian killings, the establishment of security posts throughout the city and Sunni tribal efforts against al-Qaida in the western Anbar province.

"These and other indicators are reason for cautious, very cautious optimism about the effects of the new strategy," said McCain, who was leading a Republican congressional delegation to Iraq that included Sen. Lindsey Graham.

Members of the delegation spoke at a Green Zone news conference

after they rode from Baghdad's airport in armored vehicles and under heavy guard to visit the city's largest market. They said the trips were proof that security was improving in the capital. Prominent visitors normally make the trip from the airport to the city center by helicopter.

The congressmen, who wore body armor during their hourlong shopping excursion, said they were impressed with the resilience and warmth of the Iraqi people, some of whom would not take money for their souvenirs. They were accompanied by the top U.S. commander in Iraq, Gen. David Petraeus.

While the capital has seen a recent dip in violence as extra U.S. and Iraqi troops have flooded the streets, an Iraqi military spokesman said that militants fleeing the crackdown have made areas outside the capital "breeding grounds for violence," spreading deadly bombings and sectarian attacks to areas once relatively untouched.

The military said that the four soldiers died Sunday and the first had died Saturday, indicating that the attacks took places in the last minutes of Saturday and shortly after midnight on Sunday.

The names of the soldiers were not given and the military did not give an exact location of the attacks, saying only that they occurred southwest of the capital.

A Marine serving in Anbar province also died Sunday in a "non-combat related incident," the military said in a second statement.

According to the AP count 3,253 U.S. service members have died in Iraq since the war began in March 2003.

Brig. Gen. Qassim al-Moussawi, the spokesman, promised that recent attacks would not derail the neighborhood sweeps that began in Baghdad on Feb. 14. "The terrorist elements are backed into a corner and we are going to continue to carry out these operations," he said.

More than 600 Iraqis have been killed in sectarian violence since March 25, most in a series of high-profile suicide bombings. Among them were at least 152 people killed in a suicide truck bombing in Tal Afar — the deadliest single strike since the war began four years ago. Shiites, including police, went on a revenge shooting rampage afterward, killing at least 45 Sunni men.

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# Officials from HSC campuses discuss cancer research

By ADAM YOUNG  
STAFF WRITER

More than 100 cancer researchers from the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center campuses and the Tech Institute of Environmental and Human Health converged at the HSC Friday and Saturday to discuss the future of cancer research.

Researchers from Tech's medical campuses in Amarillo, El Paso and Lubbock attended the cancer symposium, where they lectured on their individual cancer research and prepared a display of 47 research posters.

Simon Williams, researcher at the HSC and director of research at the Southwest Cancer Treatment and Research Center, said the symposium was a cross-campus initiative to improve cancer research by increasing interaction among researchers to promote collaborative efforts.

"It's becoming more important for people to work together to find ways to put together multiple novel ideas to get projects funded," Williams said. "We can facilitate those sorts of interactions and increase funding for cancer research here at Texas Tech."

Barbara Pence, associate vice president for research at the HSC, said the weekend's cancer symposium was more successful than the initial one, which was held in Dallas in 2006, because of increased focus and expansion in cancer research at Tech.

"I have seen so many people doing cancer research in the Health Sciences Center, and it is truly amazing," Pence said. "In previous years, we've had maybe 15 people that we could bring together. It's a significant increase in the awareness of cancer, doing research, getting funding and making it a priority."



COWORKERS AT RECEPTOR Logic in Amarillo, (left to right) Tiffany Nguyen, Francisca Neethling and Tito Woodburn, look at a poster about gene silencing.

Pence said the HSC is interested in becoming a National Cancer Institute-designated research center, which would involve having a special director in cancer research, additional programs, a higher base level of funding for cancer research and getting a Cancer Institute support grant.

The National Institutes of Health gave approximately \$4.9 billion in research grants to universities, hospitals, state- and local-government agencies, non-profit organizations and commercial organizations in 2005, according to the Web site <http://ocm.od.nih.gov>.

There are 61 National Cancer Institute-designated research centers in the nation. Of those, the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston and the San Antonio Cancer Institute are both in the University of Texas system, according to the institute's Web site,

<http://cancercenters.cancer.gov>.

Everardo Cobos, director of the Southwest Cancer Research and Treatment Center, said the university is expanding its research capabilities to better serve the local population.

"We have an ultimate vision to develop a world-renowned center for cancer care through treatment and research, and we're really focusing in on the local population," Cobos said. "We're trying to develop a center that will provide the best possible care for the people in West Texas."

Cobos said the recent news of White House Press Secretary Tony Snow and Elizabeth Edward's recurring cancer are good examples of how recurring cancer is not uncommon and why research needs to continue.

"For a lot of patients, it can be a chronic disease where the doctor might be able to control it and you

can have a reasonable quality of life and live for years," Cobos said. "We always try to prevent cancer if possible. If we can't prevent it, then detect it early. If you detect it early, that's the best chance of having it cured."

Cobos said breast cancer and colon cancer both have a 10 to 15 percent rate of recurring if they are caught during their first stage. He said the recurrence rate of any cancer can be higher depending on the type of cancer and how far advanced it is when first detected.

Williams said researchers are trying to develop specific treatments that target a specific cancer rather than all cancers.

"Those treatments are less debilitating on the patient," Williams said. "The chances that those would be better-tolerated by older patients is pretty good."

Judy Summers, a cancer patient at UMC from Snyder, was diag-

nosed with Stage 4 breast cancer, the most advanced stage, in 1998 when she was 56. Within a day of being diagnosed, she was taken to UMC to receive chemotherapy and radiation to shrink the tumor in her left breast.

The next year, after surgery to remove the tumor, doctors detected cancer had spread to her neck. Since then, she has been on the same chemotherapy drug, and the cancer has not advanced.

"They said she'd never take another step, and I said she would," said Rodney Summers, Judy Summers' husband. "She never did stop walking."

Judy Summers said she never had a mammogram before being diagnosed, despite the fact her mother died of cancer in 1979. She only noticed the tumor when it became visible outside her body.

"The doctors didn't talk to you as much like they do now," Judy Summers said. "People just didn't

talk about it where I was. It's not like it is today because there are so many people with it that they discuss it a lot."

Judy Summers said she did not have insurance when she was diagnosed with breast cancer, but she was able to cover the costs through donations from her church and assistance from the hospital. She currently is using Medicare and assistance programs through the UMC.

Cobos said the UMC works with insurance companies that have compassionate reimbursement programs to assist patients without health insurance who do not have the financial means to pay for treatment.

He said this is common occurrence.

"Those patients will get the exact same treatment that Elizabeth Edwards is going to get," Cobos said.

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## Wildfire in California forces mandatory evacuations

HESPERIA, Calif. (AP) — A small brushfire erupted into a blaze that burned 1,400 acres, prompting the evacuation of 200 homes for several hours, fire officials said.

Authorities in this high desert city east of Los Angeles ordered mandatory evacuations Saturday while the fire grew in the early evening.

By 10 p.m., evacuation orders for all but about 30 houses were lifted and families were allowed to return.

The fire burned a shed and the roof of a house as about 400 firefighters and a pair of water-dropping helicopters worked to keep other homes and out buildings from being consumed, said San Bernardino County Fire spokeswoman Angie Samayoa.

The blaze burned out of control for much of the day, but firefighters began gaining the upper hand after nightfall. The fire was 5 percent contained, and full containment was predicted by Sunday night, Samayoa said.

"I think the combination of the firefighters and the favorable weather conditions helped us," Samayoa said. "The winds laid down, and temperature laid down."

Samayoa said evacuations were in a "fairly well-populated area" and in many cases flames were within feet of some houses.

On Friday, flames allegedly ignited

by two teens sent smoke seeping into the Warner Bros. studios and towering high in the sky behind the famous Hollywood sign before losing intensity.

The 150-acre blaze started near a corporate housing complex east of Universal City, south of the Warner Bros. studios complex in Burbank. Los Angeles Mayor

Antonio Villaraigosa said two teens from Illinois were in custody and told authorities they caused the fire.

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- One student said her books cost over \$300 dollars.
- The BBQ was the first ever held by the new fraternity.
- "Thanks for calling", the chancellor said. "Its so good to hear from you."
- One of my professors looked like a kid.
- It was rare that a Tech student ever got stopped for drunk driving.
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## Boy arrested after fatal playground fight

NEW YORK (AP) — A 13-year-old boy was charged with manslaughter for allegedly attacking another boy on a school playground who later died of his injuries, police said.

The suspect was arrested Friday in connection with the March 23 incident. His name was not released because he was being charged as a juvenile.

Quarionex Montas, 13, was playing basketball in the New York City borough of Queens when the suspect hit him on the head several times during a fight, police said.

At home, Montas was sick to his stomach in the early evening and later complained of a headache, said his uncle, Manuel Cepeda. The boy went to sleep, but a relative realized late that night that he was bleeding from his nose and mouth. The boy was taken to a hospital, where he died the next morning.

A medical examiner later determined that he died from a blow to the head.

## Change through Jesus

Last week, I started to speculate on whether or not religion served a purpose. Surely we don't need a god to tell us to be good and love others. Aren't we mature enough on our own?

This leads to the question: Why follow any faith at all?

Why should we follow Jesus? To change our lives — if we feel dissatisfaction in a life controlled by sin and want more. Not that God is merely a candy machine that gives blessings for the right number of quarters, but he has a plan for fulfillment according to how he designed us. A follower of Jesus doesn't follow because he or she hopes only for heavenly rewards but to be returned to God in his or her life today.

Because God loves us, He wants us to change. None of our actions make us worthy of God. Just the fact He loves us gives us value. But we chose to sin and separate ourselves from God. Because God loves us so much, He gives us the way back to Him. "The Lord is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance." (2 Peter 3:9)

The greatest purpose we have is to know God and His love. This will change us to be able to love others in the way God does.

But political correctness says, "Don't change." You are great just like you are. Just do whatever makes you happy.

However, these statements are counter-productive to growth. Why do we go to college? To learn and be trained. Why do we go to work out? Because we want to improve our health. Both of these involve lifestyle changes and commitment. It is difficult but worth the work.

Tolerance is good if it does not discourage change. People should be able to have a conversation without

**Ginger Kapalka**



insulting each other or taking excessive offense. I love to hear what others believe and discuss it with them. But because I believe there is one ultimate truth, some immediately label me as hateful and closed-minded.

However, Christianity is only compatible with other beliefs if it is fundamentally distorted. I believe it is superficial to transform Jesus into whatever works best with popular culture, especially by saying God accepts all beliefs and actions. Why believe in Jesus if it doesn't make a difference in your heart and your life?

All-accepting tolerance is not love. To love and accept everything is to hide others from the truth and impede their growth and understanding. Jesus died so we would have the opportunity to change. He is the ultimate expression of love.

Why should we follow Jesus? I don't believe we on our own are capable of loving like Jesus does. His revolutionary statement is: "Love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you." (Matthew 5:44)

Loving enemies doesn't make sense to us because we are inherently selfish in our nature. We love those who are kind to us, or those upon whom we take pity.

But we don't love those whom we think are undeserving. How does one love a murderer? By remembering I am a worse sinner than he or she is. It is unfair for me to hate him or her. I had loving parents, was raised in a privileged lifestyle and was given every opportunity in my life to be

a good person. If my life had been different, maybe I would be like him or her.

To take this even further, have I not been like a murderer? Have I not hated others? Have I not hurt others? Based on my attitudes and actions, I don't deserve God's love, and I can't earn it.

Why do we need God? We think we have a right to be angry, a right to get revenge or a right to carry a grudge. But we need to transcend our selfish viewpoint and give up our selfish rights.

God shows us how to love. Love is sacrifice, demonstrated in Jesus' death. Loving like Jesus is not always easy and won't always lead to happiness.

Christian love is practiced incorrectly when it is an excuse to act superior or hateful. Focusing on sin too much can make us self-centered. If we instead focus on God, sin loses its power. God is so good and loving nothing else compares to Him.

But many people don't want to look at God. They want to create their own self-satisfying beliefs. Even at the beginning, Jesus didn't fulfill expectations. "Jews demand miraculous signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we preach Jesus crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Greeks." (1 Corinthians 1:22-23)

Because Jesus didn't satisfy preconceived ideals, he was rejected. Now we don't always reject: We just distort until we've turned Jesus into a pleasant Band-Aid to make us feel better about ourselves.

If you believe truth is worth seeking, don't limit the answers to what you hope them to be.

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Dear former U.S. Attorneys,  
April Fools! Okay. So... Come back to work now.

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## Iran sending mixed signals

Iran took 15 British sailors hostage on March 23, claiming they were in Iranian waters. Britain maintains its sailors were in Iraqi waters in dinghies returning to the HMS Cornwall after patrolling oil platforms for smugglers near the Shatt-al-Arab, a waterway border between Iraq and Iran that has been in dispute for many years.

According to Reuters News Agency, Iran's ambassador to Moscow, Gholamreza Ansari, said, "If there is no guilt, they will be freed but the legal process is going on and has to be completed and if they are found guilty they will face the punishment." Iranian officials have been quite coy with what "the punishment" will be. However, according to CNN, "The Iranian foreign minister Manouchehr Mottaki said on Thursday that Britain must first admit that its sailors did indeed enter Iranian waters — not Iraqis." This statement was aired after Ansari's quote was released by Russian media outlets. Ansari immediately claimed the Russian satellite channel "Vesti 24" misinterpreted his statement.

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad was quoted by the official Iranian news agency as saying, "The British occupier forces did trespass our waters. Our border guards detained them with skill and bravery. But arrogant powers, because of their arrogant and selfish spirit, are claiming otherwise." This message arrived as an Iranian opposition group publicly claimed the capture of the British sailors was premeditated, in retaliation because of the United Nations' sanctions brought against Iran some time ago.

While the last claim is unfounded as far as the media is concerned, it isn't all that farfetched. The Iranian government has had a chip on its shoulder for quite some time now, and it only seems to get angrier and more vindictive as world distrust grows steadily against them. Unfortunately for the Iranian people and the rest of the world, the distrust is well-founded.

In October of 2005, Ahmadinejad revealed his vision of hate and murder at an anti-Zionist conference called "The World without Zionism" in Tehran, Iran. According to Al-Jazeera, Ahmadinejad was quoted as saying, "As the Imam said, 'Israel must be wiped off the map,'" referring to Iran's revolutionary leader Ayat Allah Khomeini.

With hateful claims such as that being made, Iran cannot be trusted with nuclear capabilities. It cannot be trusted with the claims of releasing the soldiers of our allies under the condition Britain rebukes the truth to appease them, while saying

**Cole Shooter**



if Iran finds the hostage sailors guilty, they will be punished. It's unfortunate this catch-22 involves the lives of 15 soldiers being held captive by a country run by religious zealots.

It seems the Iranian government is testing global powers to discover what it can get away with, much like a spoiled child. Iran either took the sailors hostage as revenge against the United Nations' sanctions or because it's angry Britain entered into the Iraq war with the United States.

Iran has no credibility because its leaders govern with a message of hate against others. Former Iranian Foreign Minister Ebrahim Yazdi, in an October 2005 interview with Al-Jazeera, spoke

of what Ahmadinejad's message of hate does to the country. "Such comments provoke the international community against us. It's not to Iran's interests at all. It's harmful to Iran to make such a statement." Iran wants a media circus to surround the country so it can publicly act out its angst, especially since its leaders already have stripped the country of any remaining credibility.

Right now, the best we can hope for is that Iran gets its fill of publicity from the hostage situation and the sailors go home alive. If there is any lesson to be learned from this incident, it is to never trust a country whose leaders preach messages of murder and hate. It's much easier to be distrustful of a country while it poses only a minor threat instead of being too willing to give it what it wants, even under veiled intentions.

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## What message will you send?

By ERIN AGGLER  
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(U-WIRE) FORT COLLINS, Colo. — I have a friend who occasionally mocks me because I bother to vote. He's an economics graduate student, and, looking at elections from a strictly mathematical perspective, he has a point.

When political scientists or economists try to explain why and how people vote, they often look at the balance between costs and potential benefits to each voter. After all, it "costs" time and effort and perhaps gas money to travel to the polls and cast a ballot. For students, that's time we could spend playing "World of Warcraft," working, sleeping or even doing homework.

And if you really face facts, the chances of your vote swinging an election — even an election as inconsequential as ASCSU Senator from the College of Liberal Arts — are next to nil. Multiply that by the change that can result from swinging only one member in a legislative body, weigh it all against the costs, and you have yourself a return on your voting investment any financial advisor worth their salt would tell you to steer clear of.

It's so simple, you could describe it with an equation, and, in 1962, two political scientists, William Riker (no, I'm not making that name up) and Peter Ordeshook, did. The equation — B>P>C — says that if the benefit of your desired outcome times the probability of your vote affecting the result is greater than the cost of voting,

then a rational person will vote.

By a strictly rational analysis, therefore, voting doesn't make sense — the costs are too high and the benefits too low. So why will several thousand students turn out next week to cast a ballot for ASCSU elections? Why don't we all throw up our hands and declare, alongside TV's Hank Hill: "With voter turnout at an all-time low, not voting makes me even more American."

If voting — or not voting — really does send a message, why aren't we all shouting that message louder? The Collegian's letters to the editor section should be filled with messages, endorsements, and discussion of our ASCSU candidates. Why aren't they? To my fellow students: What message are you trying to send?



"Here's another great idea ... and it's also from me."

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# Olmert invites Arab leaders to peace conference

JERUSALEM (AP) — In a dramatic response to an Arab peace initiative, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert on Sunday invited Arab leaders to a regional peace conference to discuss their ideas for resolving the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Olmert's surprise call came amid a flurry of new international peace efforts. U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice has repeatedly traveled to Israel to try to spur negotiations, and visiting German Chancellor Angela Merkel, who is currently president of the EU, was here Sunday to buttress those efforts.

Speaking at a joint news conference with Merkel, Olmert said, "I would take advantage of this important opportunity of being here in Jerusalem with the president of the European Union to invite to a meeting all Arab heads of state, including, of course, the king of Saudi Arabia, whom I regard as an important leader, in order to engage in dialogue." He said each side would bring its own demands, and neither would try to dictate terms.

Almost every Israeli prime minister has called for peace talks with moderate Arab leaders over the years, but the only multinational forum was the 1991 Madrid conference, which was followed by secret Israeli-Palestinian contacts and a series of interim peace accords. Olmert's invitation Sunday was the first

time Israel has called on Saudi Arabia — which maintains a state of war with Israel, but has also pushed recently for a peace deal — to take the lead.

At a summit in Saudi Arabia last week, the Arab League renewed a 2002 Saudi peace plan that would recognize Israel in exchange for withdrawal from all captured territories and a just solution for the Palestinian refugees. Olmert welcomed the decision but said Israel did not accept all parts of the plan.

"I think this new way of thinking, the willingness to recognize Israel as an established fact and to debate the conditions of the future solution, is a step that I can't help but appreciate," he said.

While he proposed a regional meeting, he also said he would attend a meeting under Saudi auspices.

He said that if King Abdullah of Saudi Arabia were to invite him, moderate Arab leaders and Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas to a meeting "to present Saudi Arabia's ideas before us, we will come to hear them and be glad to offer our ideas."

There was no immediate response from Saudi Arabia.

Saeb Erekat, the chief Palestinian negotiator, said Olmert should agree to the Arab peace initiative.

"I think if he accepts the Arab peace initiative, it would open

the way to many conferences, not one," he said.

In a series of interviews over the weekend, Olmert said he would welcome talks with Saudi

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— EHUD OLMERT  
ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER

Arabia and moderate Arab leaders, but he stopped short of calling for a regional peace conference.

Merkel cautiously embraced the idea.

"It is important to talk, but it is also important to turn the spo-

ken word into deeds," she said.

Olmert also denied reports of a planned coordinated offensive in which the U.S. would attack Iran and Israel would hit Syria and Lebanon at the same time.

Olmert dismissed the idea, calling it "a plan we don't know of. It is baseless, and an unfounded rumor with no foundation. I hope no one will operate on the basis of unfounded rumor to create a move that for no reason would drag us into a violent confrontation."

Merkel met with both Olmert and Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas on Sunday, shunning members of the new Palestinian unity government bringing together Abbas' Fatah with the militant Islamic Hamas.

She said the world could show greater flexibility if Gaza militants release an Israeli soldier who has been held for nine months.

After meeting Olmert, Merkel said the "Quartet" of Mideast negotiators — the U.S., EU, U.N. and Russia — would monitor progress in talks between Olmert and Abbas. The two pledged to Rice last week that they would meet regularly. She said the Quartet would "check that the things that were agreed upon will also be carried out."

After meeting Merkel on Sunday, Abbas demanded that Israel "accept the initiative and allow

an opportunity for direct, serious negotiations aimed at ending the Arab-Israeli conflict."

Abbas' aides contend that the unity government cannot be ignored because it represents the vast majority of the Palestinian people. They also note that the government calls for establishing a state in territories Israel occupied in the 1967 Mideast War, implying recognition of Israel, and that it seeks to consolidate a truce. Yet Abbas has been un-

able to stop the rocket fire from Gaza or to win the release of the soldier.

Israel and Germany have close relations. Germany has long considered guaranteeing Israel's security to be a pillar of its foreign policy following the Holocaust.

Sunday's stops included breakfast with Israeli Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni and a tour of the Yad Vashem Holocaust memorial.

## Meat Animal Evaluation Team wins first place at nationals; wins 8 out of top-10 individual rankings

By GLENYS BOLLS  
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech's Meat Animal Evaluation Team won first place at the National Meat Animal Evaluation Contest for the first time in the team's history.

The team boasted eight out of the top 10 individual rankings and claimed first place in the Market

Animal and Breeding Animal Divisions, according to a press release. The team finished in third place in the Communications and Meat Divisions, giving it a combined score of 8,450 points — the highest total of any team at the contest.

Matthew Stolz, a junior animal science major from Brenham, said winning the national competition was an amazing experience.

"It was very exciting," he said. "It was a great experience, and I'm glad to be a part of something like that."

The contest was comprised of three parts — livestock judging, meat judging and one part that required students to make predictions about live animals.

"You look at the live animals and predict how much fat is on them and how big the rib area is and things like

that," Stolz said. "Then they harvest the animals right there and see how close your predictions were."

Stolz said he is proud to be part of Tech's first team to win nationals.

"It's very fulfilling," he said, "to do something like that and leave a mark on Texas Tech."

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## Target

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exander told the British Broadcasting Corp.'s Sunday AM program.

British Foreign Secretary Margaret Beckett appeared to soften rhetoric against Iran Saturday — though she stopped far short of the apology sought by many in Iran.

"I think everyone regrets that this position has arisen," Beckett said in Bremen, Germany, before returning to England. "What we want is a way out of it."

President Bush on Saturday called for the release of the sailors and marines and labeling their capture "inexcusable behavior."

"Iran must give back the hostages," Bush said. "They're innocent, they did nothing wrong, and they were summarily plucked out of waters."

Eight British sailors and seven marines were detained by Iranian naval units March 23 while patrolling for smugglers near the mouth of the Shatt al-Arab, a waterway that has long been a disputed dividing line between Iraq and Iran.

Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad called world powers "arrogant" for refusing to apologize.

"Instead of apologizing over trespassing by British forces, the world arrogant powers issue statements and deliver speeches," Iran's official IRNA news agency quoted Ahmadinejad as saying during a speech in the southeastern city of Andimeshk.

A poll published in the Sunday Telegraph newspaper found that 66 percent of respondents trusted Blair and Beckett to resolve the crisis, while 28 percent did not.

Only 7 percent thought the government should be preparing to use military force.

Pollster ICM interviewed 762 adults by telephone March 30 and 31. The margin of error is 4 percentage points.

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# LA VIDA

## No glory in 'Blades,' but film still delivers laughs

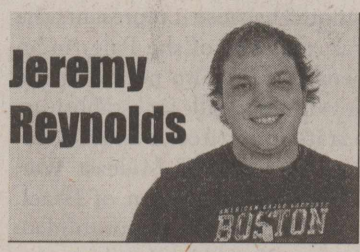
The main comedic appeal of "Blades of Glory" lays in the notion it's funny to watch men figure skating.

If someone can get passed the obvious, hammer-over-the-head jokes, "Blades of Glory" is a tolerable movie to watch. First-time director Will Speck even went with a rather bold decision by not putting the first kick-to-the-groin joke in the film until 45 minutes in. I practically could hear every comedic director in the world whispering, "rookie."

If you like Will Ferrell and Jon Heder, the two main stars of the film, then you're going to like this movie.

"Blades" isn't the best film either of the actors has made, but the two have on-screen chemistry that can't be ignored.

Typically, I've never liked Ferrell's movies that much. His last two films have been nothing but disappointments; however, Heder has his comedic timing back, and it looks as if he is more at ease on screen.



Jeremy Reynolds

In "Blades," Ferrell and Heder star as rival ice skaters in the men's singles division of competitive figure skating. The film starts with the two competing against one another in Stockholm, Sweden. After they tie for first place, Ferrell refuses to share the top spot, and the two fight it out on the ice.

When William Daniels (better known to college students as Mr. Feeny of the '90's sitcom "Boy Meets World") bans Ferrell and Heder from competing in men's skating, the two find a loophole and re-enter the Olympics in the pairs-skating division.

Considering the two are rivals, the comedy focuses on how much they hate one another and their

struggles to skate as a team.

"Blades" isn't an exceptionally bad film. Think of it as that sweater your grandmother got you for Christmas. You wouldn't want to see it every day, but you still get a shameless laugh out of it.

Heder plays the part of the pampered prince plucked from an orphanage at a young age to compete in the Olympics. He embraces the role with the same dim-witted facial expressions he has utilized with every other character he has ever portrayed.

Ferrell's character is Heder's polar opposite. Ferrell is loud and finds more pleasure in taunting the women in the crowds than impressing the judges, though he's somehow able to do both.

Here's where the movie really lost me. It is about three-quarters of the way into the heart of the film when Ferrell's and Heder's enemies decide to turn the movie into an episode of "Rocky and Bullwinkle," with Will Arnett and

Amy Poehler playing the roles of Boris and Natasha.

The rival pair is so consumed with winning, they hatch a stream of evil plots to make the movie feel like a cartoon. Such plotting scenes are completely idiotic and so poorly thought-out that you don't just want to leave the theater — you want to create a world record for how fast you can high-tail it out of there.

The final scene is completely laughable — and not in the good way. I won't spoil anything, but rest assured, you'll roll your eyes and wonder just what the heck the director was thinking when he filmed that sequence.

Ferrell and Heder play to their strengths in the film, which makes them even more of a cliché, but they've perfected what they do so well, you have to laugh at some sequences.

I especially loved the part in the film in which Ferrell is coaching Heder on what to say to a woman.



WILL FERRELL, LEFT, and Jon Heder star in the film "Blades of Glory."

There are little moments in the movie like these that stand out, but overall, the film is just an average piece of entertainment.

"Blades" isn't Ferrell and Heder at their best, but it's still worth a

quick watch.  
3 out of 6 FAIR

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## Jazz I Ensemble entertains the crowd at Jazz Band Festival

Over the weekend, the Texas Tech School of Music hosted the 40th Annual Jazz Band Festival, a gathering of roughly 20 jazz bands from junior highs, high schools and junior colleges.

"It's a competition, but it's really just a festival and a chance to play before three judges," said Rebecca Webb, the School of Music's Special Activities director.

As part of the festival, special concerts were featured both Friday and Saturday night; Friday night, students had the opportunity to hear Tech's own Jazz I, an ensemble directed by Brad Leali.

Any pressure felt by members of the Jazz I Ensemble Friday night would be understandable as the ensemble



Anne M. Shepherd

preceded a big act — the 17-time Grammy-award-winning Count Basie Orchestra.

The Jazz I concert featured the compositions of a few Tech students and members of the band; particularly notable were Tech doctoral student Jason Burg's contributions, which included his composition "Da Banks" and the arrangement "Cora," during both of which he offered audience members outstanding trumpet solos.

One of my favorite pieces of the concert was "Blue Funk," composed by students John Hazelwood and Marcus Lang. The performance contained a spectacular bass-guitar solo by Joy Harris — she blew me away with how quickly her hands moved along the bass to play the notes. Apparently this was one of the favorites of the ensemble as well, for as the piece went on, I noticed the musicians on stage were tapping their feet and nodding their heads to the beat.

The Jazz I concert produced some excellent entertainment through the two Tech student vocalists; Melissa Worthy sang "A Touch of Your Love," which also had an enjoyable trombone solo by lead trombone Paul Birk.

The second student vocalist was

Samantha Burgess, who sang "I Can Cook for Two." Burgess' powerful voice was accompanied by background singers Melissa Worthy, Jackie Turner and Denise Swanburg, who pleasantly snapped and swayed to the music.

"I thought it was grand," Leali said of the concert. "My band came through for me — they always do. They worked very hard."

Audiences received an enjoyable opening for the concert through the Quamon Fowler Quartet. Fowler led his quartet in three of his own songs and gave the audience a unique experience by playing what he called his "new toy" — an instrument called an EWI.

Claps resounded from the audience members after each solo and song of the quartet's performance, particularly the last song, "Prevail," which contained some impressive drumming from student Cedric Edmon, a

freshman music education major from Forth Worth.

"I think it went well," said Edmon of the quartet's performance. "I had a great time performing with the other musicians."

Fowler also was pleased with his quartet's part in the concert:

"It was a nice, easy type of vibe," Fowler said. "I thought it would be a nice transition to the big band."

I was impressed highly with the Jazz I concert as a whole. I could



TRENT BARNES/*The Daily Toreador*  
ANDREW YBANEZ, A sophomore Piano music major from San Marcos, practices his part for a pre-performance sound check Friday night in the Allen Theatre.

sense that not only the audience members, but also the performers, were enjoying themselves greatly. I felt myself smiling during almost the entire performance as I watched the musicians play each song with such enthusiasm. Tech students should not pass up any future opportunities to hear this talented ensemble; the band members had a difficult task laid out for them in playing the night before the Count Basie Orchestra performance, and they accepted the challenge by performing beautiful music and showcasing complicated compositions. The result: At the end of the night, the audiences responded with a standing ovation and extensive applause.

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# Tech women's tennis picks up first conference wins

By ADAM COLEMAN  
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech women's tennis team is winless no more.

With match wins against Missouri and Kansas at the McLeod Tennis Complex over the weekend, the women's team earned its first Big 12 Conference wins of the season.

Tech coach Cari Groce said obtaining the first conference wins of the season takes the pressure off the team.

"It is a big relief," Groce said. "We feel good about the team we have, and we know they can play at a very high level. It's always trying to get those first wins — the first win of the year, the first non-conference match and definitely trying to get the first conference match. We feel good; I think we're right where we want to be at this point of the season."

The women got the upper hand against Missouri Saturday, defeating the Tigers, 6-1. The doubles point was swept by Tech, including a win from the duo of Samantha van der Drift and Janet Durham — their 11th win of the season and third win in conference play.

Tech remained consistent throughout the match, winning five of its six singles matches. In the five singles

wins, every Tech player defeated her opponent in two sets. Van der Drift fought her way to her 11th singles win of the season. Tech's Lakann Wagley contributed to the team's victory, grabbing her win against Missouri's Chrissy Svetlic, 6-2, 6-1. Tech's two freshmen stepped up as Tech's Keryn Potgieter toppled Katelyn Dunham, 6-0, 6-2 and Maria Jose Andres took down UM's Kaitlyn McKenzie, 6-3, 6-4.

The women continued to build on the win against Missouri, beating the Kansas Jayhawks Sunday, 5-2.

Wagley said the Missouri match helped the team go into the Kansas match with a new attitude.

"I think I really feel good," Wagley said. "I think yesterday set us up with confidence going into (Sunday's) match."

The women duplicated what they did against Missouri, sweeping the doubles point from the Jayhawks. Van der Drift and Durham not only grabbed another win, they defeated Kansas' No. 1 duo Elizaveta Avdeeva and Edina Horvath, who were undefeated in Big 12 play. Wagley and Brenna Jackson defeated KU's Kunigunda Dom and Yuliana Svistun, while Tech's Andres and Potgieter took a win from Lauren Hommell and Stephanie Smith.

In singles play against the Jayhawks, four of the six matches took



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TEXAS TECH'S JANET Durham returns a serve while doubles partner Samantha van der Drift gets in position for the return in their match against Kansas Sunday at McLeod Tennis Complex.

three sets to complete, with several lead changes in each match. In van der Drift's match with Avdeeva, van der Drift was up 5-0 in the last set, and Avdeeva fought her way back to cut the lead to one. Still, Van der Drift clinched the match.

Van der Drift said she knew her team had what it took to get these conference wins under its belt.

"I think we all knew we could do it," van der Drift said. "I think we all came together this weekend — and I look forward to the future."

Van der Drift said she feels her team has an advantage when it plays a fierce match.

"I think that is one of our strengths," she said. "We all want to win really bad on all six courts."

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# Rangers-Angels opener features Sosa, Matthews

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Sammy Sosa back in a Rangers uniform. Gary Matthews Jr. suiting up for the Angels.

Definitely signs that it's a new season.

AL West foes Texas and Los Angeles meet Monday with Sosa trying to prove he can still hit 'em out of the park, and Matthews going against his former teammates.

The season opener also will mark the major league managerial debut of the Rangers' Ron Washington, who spent the past 11 seasons as an Oakland assistant.

Sosa, the former Chicago Cubs slugger whose home run race with Mark McGwire captivated the nation, is back after taking a year off.

"I'm ready," said the 38-year-old Sosa, the only major leaguer with three 60-homer seasons and No. 5 on the career list with 588 home runs. "I had a good spring training, the whole thing. Coming back now to the season, I know I'm ready to go for it."

"It's opening day, everybody is excited, just want to have an opportunity to go out there and play. It's one thing I've been working for, and we'll be there Monday."

Sosa began his major league career with the Rangers in 1989 and went on to have an MVP season with the Cubs in 1998, when he hit .308 with a career-high 66 homers and 158 RBIs. That was the year McGwire became the first major leaguer to hit 70 home runs.

Sosa took a year off to "re-charge" his battery after hitting .221 with 14 homers and 45 RBIs in 102 games for Baltimore in 2005.

He was among several players, including McGwire, who testified two years ago before a congressional committee looking into steroid use in professional baseball. Asked this spring about rumors regarding steroid use before they were banned by baseball 4 1/2 years ago, Sosa said: "I don't want to talk about that. Let's talk about baseball."

After making the club with an impressive spring, Sosa will bat fifth in the Rangers' lineup.

The 32-year-old Matthews, a career .263 hitter, is coming off his best year — a .313 average, with 19 homers and 79 RBIs. The Angels signed him to a five-year, \$50 million contract.

This spring, his name reportedly was linked to an investigation of unlawful trafficking in human growth hormone dating to 2004, but he issued a statement saying he had never taken HGH. Baseball is still looking into the matter.

Matthews will be going against some pals when he takes the field against the Rangers.

"I'm still really close to Michael Young, and Jerry Hairston is one of my best friends, so I never stop talking to those guys," Matthews said. "The only difference is that I'm in a different uniform and playing on a different side of the field."

The Angels, West champions in 2004 and 2005, had an 89-73 record last year and finished second behind the Athletics. Texas was third at 80-82.

Little has changed since last season for Los Angeles, which should have one of the best rotations in the league if Bartolo Colon can come back from a shoulder injury and Jered Weaver isn't hampered by tendinitis in his forearm. John Lackey will take the mound for the Angels in the opener, going against Kevin Millwood.

Closer Francisco Rodriguez and setup man Scot Shields anchor an outstanding bullpen.

# Tech softball drops sixth straight game, loses to Cornhuskers

By JEREMY REYNOLDS  
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Weather problems caused the Texas Tech softball team to juggle its schedule and play a doubleheader against Big 12 rival Nebraska Sunday morning. After the pair of games, the team remains winless in conference play, losing to the Cornhuskers 6-0, 4-0, respectively.

The loss extended Tech's losing streak to six games — the team's longest streak of the season.

Nebraska not only kept Tech winless, but also scoreless. The Red Raiders (17-19, 0-5) lost the first game 6-0 before falling in the second game 4-0 on a no-hitter by Nebraska pitcher Ashley DeBuhr (12-5).

In Sunday's second game, the Cornhuskers (26-11, 2-2) scored in the first inning when Whitney Barrett drove a single down the left-field line. She later scored on a wild pitch by Tech's Sarah Losleben.

Nebraska added to its lead in the fourth when Jamie Borg and Devin Porter scored two unearned runs

against Losleben, adding to its score to 3-0.

In the fifth inning, two hit batters and passed balls brought Crystal Carwile into scoring position. Designated player Brittany Pascal laid down a sacrifice bunt, scoring Carwile to make the score 4-0 — the eventual final score.

Pitcher DeBuhr struck out 13 Tech batters to earn the win. Losleben allowed four unearned runs on four hits while striking out nine.

In the first game Sunday, the Cornhuskers took an early lead against the Red Raiders and never relinquished their lead for a 6-0 victory.

In the game, Nebraska took the



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TEXAS TECH SOFTBALL is winless in Big 12 Conference play.

lead in the second inning when Devin Porter drove a triple to right center and scored on a double by Carmen Kier, which also scored Darcy Rutherford, who reached base after being hit by a wild pitch.

Tech freshman pitcher Ashly Jabobs (13-11) took the loss in the game after giving up six runs on 11 hits while Nebraska's pitcher Molly Hill improved to 12-6 with the win in game No. 1.

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# Astros prepare for Pirates on Opening Day

HOUSTON (AP) — Roy Oswalt doesn't show much emotion. The stoic Southerner almost never jumps up and down or yells.

But ask the Houston Astros ace about the team's revamped offense which features both Lance Berkman and Carlos Lee and a huge tooth-baring smile spreads across his face.

"We have a better team than we did last year," he said. "Why? Simple, he says. 'More offense.'"

As Oswalt, who went 15-8 with a 2.98 ERA in 2006, prepares for his fifth-straight opening-day start on Monday against Pittsburgh, he can't help but be excited about the possibilities for the team with the addition of Lee.

The Astros ranked last in the NL in batting average at .255 last season. Houston scored two or fewer runs in five of Oswalt's eight losses. Berkman hit 45 homers with 136 RBIs last season and Lee had 37 home runs and 116 RBIs in 2006 with Milwaukee and Texas.

"Having those two big guys in the middle of the lineup, you can't pitch around Lance to get to someone else. You've got Carlos waiting for you," he said. "It adds a lot. You're not really out of the ballgame if you give up two or three runs early. You have a chance late to come back. Lee might have a big home run after two guys get on in front of him."

Astros general manager Tim Purpura said seeing the offense progress was the most enjoyable

part of spring training.

"I think it's going to be a good offensive alignment," he said. "You've got Berkman and Lee in the middle of the order and they're going to carry the heavy weight. And the other guys can do what they do best — be better situational hitters, use the whole field. I'm intrigued to see how the offense works together and how it develops together."

The Astros hope the changes will help them bounce back from missing the playoffs a year after making their first World Series in 2005. The Pirates, who were 67-95 in each of the past two years, will try to break a streak of 14 consecutive losing seasons.

Oswalt will face young left-hander Zach Duke on Monday. Duke looks to rebound from last year's sophomore slump when he went 10-15 and led the National League in hits allowed with 255.

Duke, who grew up about three hours from Minute Maid Park in Clifton, Texas, is looking forward to starting in front of a large group of family and friends.

"It's always special to pitch in Houston, but it's a great honor to know I'm going to pitch in the opener there," he said. "I don't get too excited about things, but it's hard not to be excited about this."

Duke, who is 0-3 overall against Houston, thought Ian Snell should be the opening-day starter, but manager Jim Tracy decided giving Duke the nod would split up his three left-handed starters better.

While the Astros escaped spring training without injuries to any starters, the Pirates weren't so lucky.

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Tuesday, April 10th  
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Ambassador Tibor Nagy will use his many years of experience as Ambassador to several African nations to lead a powerful hunger simulation.

Wednesday, April 11th  
**ONE Day of Prayer**

Thursday, April 12th  
**ONE Community**  
Businesses of West Texas are asked to take action by encouraging employee participation in fundraising efforts.

Sunday, April 15th  
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**City of ONE—Monday the 9th**  
We will hold a press conference at Breedlove with members of the Lubbock City Council to talk about the week of events that is scheduled to focus on world hunger. For more information, contact Hope Floeck at hopefleck@breedlove.org.

**Feast of Famine—Tuesday the 10th at 6:30 p.m.**  
International Cultural Center, Texas Tech University, 601 N. Indiana. This is a free dinner event that is open to the public. You must RSVP by 12:00 p.m., Friday, April 6th. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Jenelle Nash at jenellenash@breedlove.org.

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Please join the West Texas faith-based community in lifting up the world's hungry and impoverished people. Our prayers are powerful and necessary in the fight against hunger.

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# Mets over Indians in 2007 World Series

Teams are listed in predicted order of finish; statistics are from the 2006 season.

## American League East

### New York Yankees:

Top players: SS Derek Jeter (.343 avg, 97 RBI, 34 SB), 3B Alex Rodriguez (.290 avg, 35 HR, 121 RBI)  
Biggest question: Can an aging starting rotation lead the Yankees to an eighth-straight division title?

### Boston Red Sox:

Top players: DH David Ortiz (.287 avg, 54 HR, 137 RBI), LF Manny Ramirez (.321 avg, 35 HR, 102 RBI)  
Biggest question: Is rookie pitcher Daisuke Matsuzaka as good as advertised?

### Toronto Blue Jays:

Top players: CF Vernon Wells (.303 avg, 32 HR, 106 RBI), P Roy Halladay (16-5, 3.19 ERA)  
Biggest question: Can A.J. Burnett finally reach his potential and emerge as a legitimate No. 2 starter?

### Baltimore Orioles:

Top players: SS Miguel Tejada (.330 avg, 24 HR, 100 RBI), CF Corey Patterson (.276 avg, 16 HR, 45 SB)  
Biggest question: With that payroll and that stadium, why is this team stuck in mediocrity?

### Tampa Bay Devil Rays:

Top players: LF Carl Crawford (.305 avg, 18 HR, 58 SB), P Scott Kazmir (10-8, 3.24 ERA)  
Biggest question: Will Kazmir be a Devil Ray after the trading deadline?

## American League Central:

### Detroit Tigers:

Top players: RF Magglio Ordonez (.298 avg, 24 HR, 104 RBI), P Justin Verlander (17-9, 3.63 ERA)  
Biggest question: Will the addition of Gary Sheffield provide the much-needed bat in the middle of the Tigers lineup?

### Cleveland Indians:

Top players: CF Grady Sizemore (.290 avg, 28 HR, 22 SB), DH Travis Hafner (.308 avg, 42 HR, 117 RBI)  
Biggest question: Can a young Indians team finally get over the hump and make it to the postseason?

### Chicago White Sox:

Top players: DH Jim Thome (.288 avg, 42 HR, 109 RBI), RF Jermaine Dye (.315 avg, 44 HR, 120 RBI)  
Biggest question: Can an aging pitching staff stay healthy and return to the form of the 2005 team?

### Minnesota Twins:

Top players: 1B Justin Morneau (.321 avg, 34 HR, 130 RBI), P Johan Santana (19-6, 2.77 ERA, 245 K)  
Biggest question: Can the Twins find a No. 2 starter to back up perennial Cy Young candidate Santana?

### Kansas City Royals:

Top players: RF Mark Teahan (.290 avg, 18 HR, 69 RBI), 3B Alex Gordon (.325 avg, 29 HR, 101 RBI in minor leagues)  
Biggest question: Is there any reason to watch this team besides rookie phenom Gordon?

## American League West:

### Los Angeles Angels:

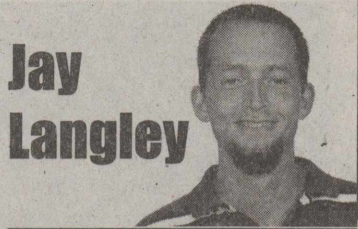
Top players: RF Vladimir Guerrero (.329 avg, 33 HR, 116 RBI), P Francisco Rodriguez (47 saves, 1.73 ERA)  
Biggest question: Can the Angels find someone to protect Guerrero in the lineup?

### Oakland Athletics:

Top players: DH Mike Piazza (.283 avg, 22 HR, 68 RBI), 3B Eric Chavez (.241 avg, 22 HR, 72 RBI)  
Biggest question: Will Piazza's transition from catcher to designated hitter keep him healthy and help the Athletics improve offensively?

### Texas Rangers:

Top players: SS Michael Young (.314 avg, 14 HR, 103 RBI), Mark Teixeira (.282 avg, 33 HR, 110 RBI)  
Biggest question: How many games can the Rangers get out of veterans Sammy Sosa and Eric Gange?



Jay Langley

### Seattle Mariners:

Top players: CF Ichiro Suzuki (.322 avg, 49 RBI, 45 SB), LF Raul Ibanez (.289 avg, 33 HR, 123 RBI)  
Biggest question: Is there a better young pitcher in the game than the Mariners' Felix Hernandez?

## American League Playoff picture:

Division Series: Indians over Yankees  
Tigers over Angels  
League Championship: Indians over Tigers

## American League awards:

Most Valuable Player: SS Alex Rodriguez (Yankees)  
Cy Young Award: Johan Santana (Twins)  
Rookie of the Year: 3B Alex Gordon (Royals)

## National League East:

### New York Mets:

Top players: SS Jose Reyes (.300 avg, 81 RBI, 64 SB), CF Carlos Beltran (.275 avg, 38 HR, 116 RBI)  
Biggest question: Can an aging starting rotation hold up over a 162-game season?

### Philadelphia Phillies:

Top players: 2B Chase Utley (.309 avg, 32 HR, 102 RBI), Ryan Howard (.313 avg, 58 HR, 149 RBI)  
Biggest question: Will the addition of pitchers Freddy Garcia and Adam Eaton strengthen the Phillies' starting pitching?

### Atlanta Braves:

Top players: CF Andruw Jones (.262 avg, 41 HR, 129 RBI), P John Smoltz (16-9, 3.49 ERA, 211 K)  
Biggest question: How will free agent signees Mike Gonzalez and Rafael Soriano help improve the Braves bullpen?

### Florida Marlins:

Top players: 3B Miguel Cabrera (.339 avg, 26 HR, 114 RBI), P Dontrelle Willis (12-12, 3.87 ERA)  
Biggest question: Will the Mar-

lins score enough runs to help Willis become a 20-game winner?

## Washington Nationals:

Top players: 3B Ryan Zimmerman (.287 avg, 20 HR, 110 RBI), RF Austin Kearns (.264 avg, 24 HR, 86 RBI)  
Biggest question: With the Nationals pitching staff, is there any way this team will not lose 100 games?

## National League Central:

### St. Louis Cardinals:

Top players: 1B Albert Pujols (.331 avg, 49 HR, 137 RBI), P Chris Carpenter (15-8, 3.09 ERA)  
Biggest question: Can the Cardinals overhauled rotation lead St. Louis back to the postseason?

### Chicago Cubs:

Top players: CF Alfonso Soriano (.277 avg, 46 HR, 41 SB), 3B Aramis Ramirez (.291 avg, 38 HR, 119 RBI)  
Biggest question: Is it time to give up on the careers of Cubs pitchers Kerry Wood and Mark Prior?

### Houston Astros:

Top players: LF Carlos Lee (.300 avg, 37 HR, 116 RBI), P Roy Oswalt (15-8, 2.98 ERA)  
Biggest question: Will Hall of Fame pitcher Roger Clemens be in an Astros uniform during the 2007 season?

### Milwaukee Brewers:

Top players: CF Bill Hall (.270 avg, 35 HR, 85 RBI), 1B Prince Fielder (.271 avg, 28 HR, 81 RBI)  
Biggest question: Will pitcher Chris Capuano still be a Brewer after the trading deadline?

### Cincinnati Reds:

Top players: LF Adam Dunn (.234 avg, 40 HR, 92 RBI), P Aaron Harang (16-11, 3.76 ERA, 216 K)  
Biggest question: How many more quality seasons can the Reds get out of outfielder Ken Griffey, Jr.?

### Pittsburgh Pirates:

Top players: 3B Freddy Sanchez (.344 avg, 85 RBI), 1B Adam LaRoche (.285 avg, 32 HR, 85 RBI)  
Biggest question: Is Sanchez capable of duplicating his 2006 season, or was his .344 average a novelty?

## National League West:

### Los Angeles Dodgers:

Top players: 1B Nomar Garciaparra (.303 avg, 20 HR, 93 RBI), P Derek Lowe (16-8, 3.63 ERA)  
Biggest question: Does the addition of Jason Schmidt give the Dodgers the deepest pitching rotation in the National League?

### San Diego Padres:

Top players: 1B Adrian Gonzalez (.304 avg, 24 HR, 82 RBI), P Trevor Hoffman (46 saves, 2.14 ERA)  
Biggest question: How will the veteran leadership of pitcher Greg Maddux help young starters like Jake Peavy and Chris Young?

### Arizona Diamondbacks:

Top players: P Brandon Webb (16-8, 3.10 ERA), 3B Chad Tracy (.281 avg, 20 HR, 80 RBI)  
Biggest question: Can Randy Johnson stay healthy enough to contribute to the D'Backs rotation?

### San Francisco Giants:

Top players: LF Barry Bonds (.270 avg, 26 HR, 77 RBI), P Barry Zito (16-10, 3.83 ERA)  
Biggest question: Is anyone going to care when Bonds becomes the all-time home-run leader?

### Colorado Rockies:

Top players: 3B Garrett Atkins (.329, 29 HR, 120 RBI), Matt Holliday (.326 avg, 34 HR, 114 RBI)  
Biggest question: Despite the fact most people do not know who Holliday is, will he be a legitimate star in the making?

## National League Playoff picture:

Divisional Series: Mets over Padres  
Dodgers over Cardinals  
League Championship: Mets over Dodgers

## National League awards:

Most Valuable Player: Alfonso Soriano (Cubs)  
Cy Young Award: Carlos Zambrano (Cubs)  
Rookie of the Year: Chris T. Young (Diamondbacks)

## World Series:

Mets over Indians

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### Byron "Bam" Morris, football (1991-1993)

Byron "Bam" Morris, a former Texas Tech running back from Cooper, was one of two Tech football players to win the Doak Walker Award in the 1990s.

In the 1991 season, Morris ran for 514 yards on 98 carries and ran for 1,279 on 242 carries in 1992. Morris' best season at Tech came in his senior campaign when he had 1,752 yards rushing on 298 carries.

In 1993, Morris was ranked second in the nation in rushing yards per game after being ranked ninth in rushing yards per game in 1992.

Morris is third on the all-time single-season-attempts list with 298, fourth in career attempts at Tech with 638

and third in career touchdowns in Tech history with 37. Morris also had three games with more than 200 yards rushing in 1993.

After winning the Doak Walker Award in 1993, Morris was drafted the following year by the Pittsburgh Steelers with the 91st pick in the third round. He went on to play for three more NFL teams: the Baltimore Ravens, the Kansas City Chiefs and the Chicago Bears.

In his NFL career, Morris ran for 3,809 yards in 974 attempts and 35 touchdowns in 75 games. Morris' best season in the NFL was his first season with the Pittsburgh Steelers in which he recorded 836 yards rushing on 198 attempts and seven touchdowns.

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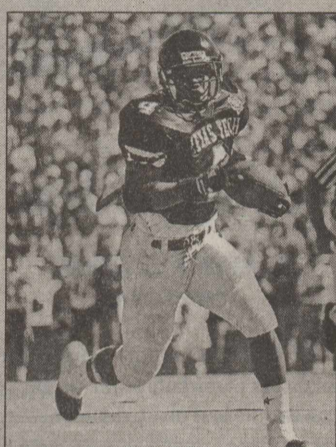
### Byron Hanspard, football (1994-1996)

Former Texas Tech running back Byron Hanspard is one of two Tech football players to win the Doak Walker Award in the 1990s, taking home the award his senior season in 1996 after accumulating 2,084 rushing yards.

In 1994, Hanspard rushed for 761 yards on 173 carries. In the following season, he rushed for 1,374 yards on 248 carries. Hanspard is currently first in single-season rushing attempts and second in career attempts in Tech history.

He also is tied for seventh in both single-season touchdowns and career touchdowns at Tech. Hanspard put up many 200-yard rushing performances in his collegiate career. In his second season for the Red Raiders, Hanspard's best performance was against Air Force when he rushed for 260 yards.

His senior season proved to be the best of his collegiate career. His best all-around performance came against Baylor when he accrued 347 all-purpose yards. His 2,276 all-purpose yards in 1996 are



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BYRON HANSPARD

first on the single-season all-purpose yards list. Out of only 26 total 200-yard performances, Hanspard is currently in third place on the all-time list.

Hanspard's best rushing performance came his senior season when he rushed for 272 yards against Oklahoma State. Chosen in the second round by the Atlanta Falcons in the 1997 NFL Draft, Hanspard played just two seasons, rushing for 1,436 yards on 378 carries and two touchdowns.

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# Eighth wonder: Tech implodes twice in eighth inning during series with Kansas State

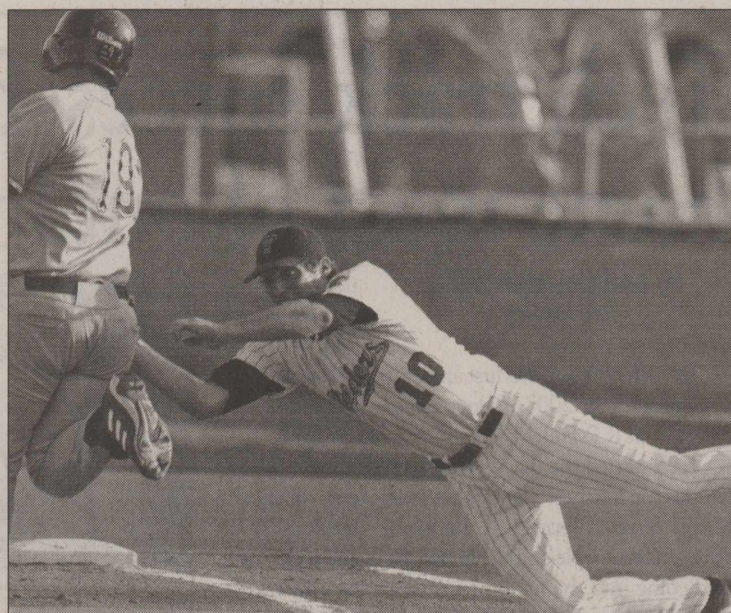
By WES SKIPWITH  
STAFF WRITER

The eighth inning proved to be a nightmare for the Texas Tech baseball team in the series against Kansas State over the weekend.

In back-to-back games, the Red Raiders saw two of their leads vanish during that inning.

Kansas State's comebacks Saturday and Sunday clinched the weekend series 2-1. Before Saturday, Tech (20-12, 4-5) was a perfect 14-0 when leading after six innings.

Sunday, Tech was up 3-2 heading into the eighth, but Tech starting pitcher Josh Scofield gave up a double to the



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TEXAS TECH LOST the weekend series with Kansas State 2-1.

lead-off batter before being replaced by reliever Aaron Odom. Scofield finished the game with seven innings pitched, allowing three runs on five hits.

Kansas State then went on a tear, scoring five runs on four hits to take a 7-3 lead. Tech was unable to put up any runs in the ninth, losing the game and the series to Kansas State.

Odom was awarded the loss after allowing four earned runs on two hits in 1/3 innings pitched and is now 3-4 on the year. Taylor Ashby hit three doubles to go 3-for-4 with one RBI.

In the first game of the series Saturday, Tech jumped all over Kansas State (20-8, 3-3), winning 16-5. Matt Smith led the

way for the Red Raiders, going 2-for-3, including two home runs and four RBIs.

A.J. Ramos started on the mound for Tech. He threw 4 2/3 innings, giving up five earned runs in the win and is now 6-1 for the year. The game was called after seven innings because of the Big 12 run-rule policy on double headers.

Later that day, Tech finished a game that started Friday night but was postponed to Saturday because of inclement weather. The game picked up where it left off, with the game scoreless in the top of the second inning.

It remained scoreless until the bottom of the fourth, when Tech starting pitcher Colt

Hynes gave up a two-out double to Kansas State's Eddie Vasquez, which drove in the runner from second.

A two-run home run from Smith and an RBI single from Roger Kieschnick put Tech ahead 3-1 heading into the bottom of the eighth inning.

With two outs, Kansas State rallied to score three runs on five straight hits to take a 4-3 lead. That would be the final score as Kansas State got the win and tied the series up at 1-1.

Hynes was given the loss for Tech after logging 6 2/3 innings of work, allowing four earned runs on seven hits and is now 2-3 on the year.

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# SPORTS

## Punts away: Tech football team closer to filling punter position

By ADAM COLEMAN  
STAFF WRITER

For the Texas Tech football team, the search for a punter may be coming to an end.

After the departure of senior punter Alex Reyes and eligibility and injury issues with some of the team's incoming recruits, the Tech football team hosted tryouts last week to fill the special teams position.

Tech special teams coach Ruffin McNeil said five students were chosen to accompany the team through spring practices.

"It was good," McNeil said. "We had 37 (individuals) sign up; only about 20 or so showed up, and out of that 20, we pulled about five candidates to give a shot."

Since Tech came into the spring without any punters, it has kept five of the students who tried out, added a new punter on the roster and had freshman tight end Adam James tryout for the position as well.

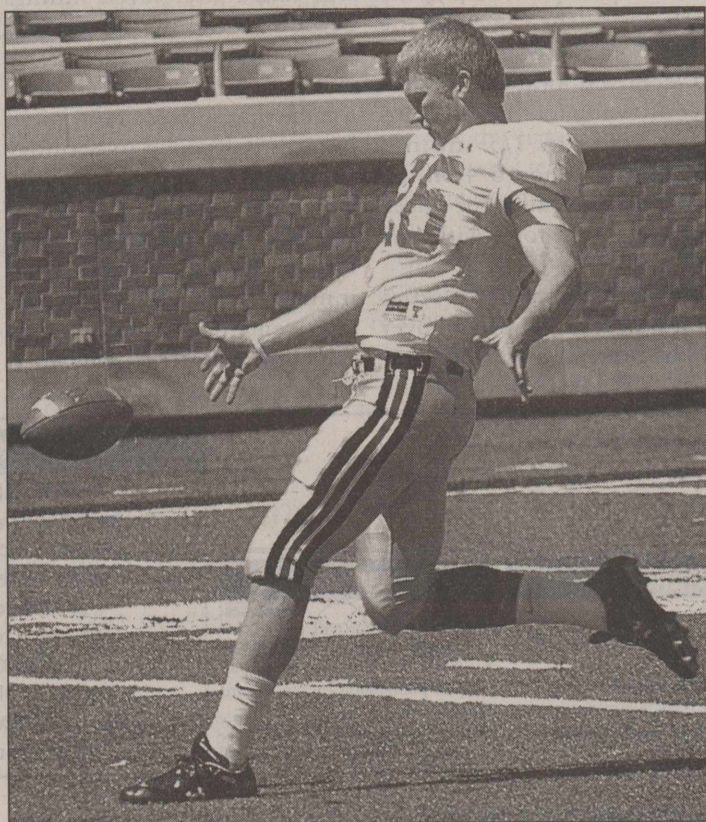
Considering he played the position in high school, James said he heard one of his coaches talking about the position's vacancy and opted to compete for the job.

"Reyes last year punted for us; he left, and we got in the situation where we didn't have a punter," James said. "(I) heard coach talking about it, and I was like 'I punted in high school,' and I got out there and tried it out."

Travis Tolley, a freshman political science major from Lubbock, said although the weather proved to be an obstacle in tryouts, he enjoyed trying out for the team.

"It was fun; it was kind of interesting to get out here," Tolley said. "It was kind of cold and rainy all through it, so it was a good experience."

The five players chosen to stay with the team will be a part of spring practice until coaches decide who will be the punter for the fall season.



TRENT BARNES/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH TIGHT end Adam James punts a ball during practice on Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium. James is currently being considered to fill the vacant spot at punter for the Red Raiders.

McNeil said he is not sure when the selection process will end, but he definitely can see talent in some of the students.

"I'm not sure — we'll probably give it a couple of days, maybe by next Friday," McNeil said. "We'll give them a couple of shots — there's some guys with some good legs in there."

One of the players who made the cut, Eddy Villaseca, a sophomore architecture major from Dallas, said he welcomed the feeling of being a part of the Red Raiders' squad.

"It's pretty fun being out here — feeling a part of a team," Villaseca said, "and try to make the team and give it a bunch of effort."

Villaseca said the coaches have not told the potential punters the next step,

but they continue to watch their techniques.

"They really haven't told us that much," he said. "They just watch us kick, watch our form, and how we did."

Tech coach Mike Leach said he felt the tryouts went well, especially how James attempted to fill the position.

"I thought it went pretty good," Leach said. "We got a couple guys. Adam James shows up and says, 'You looking for a punter?' and I say, 'yeah, can you punt?' and he says, 'yeah' and I say, 'so punt' and he says, 'I'm not even warmed up' and I say, 'so what, punt' and he punts it 45 yards. (He's) pretty good for a guy that hadn't been doing much of it."

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## Tech track successful in lone home meet of outdoor season

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Texas Tech hosted its first and only track meet of the 2007 outdoor season Saturday at R.P. Fuller Stadium.

Tech started the meet strong with various top finishes. Sophomore John Means finished second in the men's 3000-meter steeple chase. He had the lead going into the final turn but fell short as Wayland Baptist's Tim McCune took the lead down the stretch for the win.

Tech won both the men's and women's sprint relays. Led by senior Marlon Odom, the men's team secured a first-place finish with a time of 40.95 seconds, while the women were led by freshman Sandra Iwunze, finishing their race in first place with a time of 46.26 seconds.

Tech's performance Saturday had coach Wes Kitley satisfied with the results. He said he is proud of what he has seen, and he hopes this will build confidence leading into next week's Texas Relays in Austin.

"I am very pleased of what I have seen," Kitley said. "We have had several first and second place finishes as well as regional-qualifying marks. We have worked pretty hard this week. We kind of worked through this week, which is really encouraging because I thought we would be a bit tired, but

they get to run at home for a change, and I know they are excited."

Tech continued its success with the men's and women's 1500-meter run. Tech's best finishes came with Cory Higgins finishing first for the men with a time of 4:09, and for the women, Jessica Stovall finished fourth with a time of 4:53.

Odom, a senior sprinter and hurdler, said he was pleased with his performance Saturday, but he has his eyes set on upcoming relays.

"I think I did really well, I did better in the 4x1," he said. "As far as the high hurdles, I can't really be mad; I was hoping for a better time, but I ran as hard as I could."

Another highlight at the track meet was the individual performance by Iwunze, who finished with the second-best time in the 400-meter



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TEXAS TECH TRACK member Paden Behrens launches a javelin in the men's javelin throw during the Texas Tech Open Saturday at R.P. Fuller Stadium.

run in Tech history, despite having a minor knee injury.

Iwunze said she was content with her performance, but hopes her ailing knee will be better for next week.

"I think I did OK despite my knee," Iwunze said. "I basically just came out and ran. I feel good, as long as I qualify for regionals — that's all that matters."

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## It's No. 1 vs. No. 1 for the championship

ATLANTA (AP) — Now we'll see who's really No. 1.

Florida, the top overall seed in the NCAA tournament, and Ohio State, which finished the regular season as the top-ranked team, rolled into Monday night's championship game.

After a tournament filled with nail-biters, Saturday night's games were downright pedestrian. Ohio State (35-3) beat Georgetown 67-60 despite more foul trouble from Greg Oden. Florida (34-5) romped to a 76-66 victory over UCLA in a rematch of last year's title game that wasn't any closer than the original.

It will be a title game rematch of sorts. The Buckeyes and Gators met for a title in January — only it was on grass, not hardwood. The gridiron Gators won that one in an upset, beating Ohio State 41-14

and making Florida the first school to hold titles in football and men's basketball at the same time.

Now Florida is looking to add to its title collection. But the Buckeyes might want a little revenge for their football brethren. Yes, that was Ohio State football coach Jim Tressel sitting in the front row Saturday night with his Florida counterpart Urban Meyer across the way.

Florida is trying to become the first team since Duke in 1992 to repeat, and the first ever to do it with the same starting lineup.

"They're a very, very good team," Florida coach Billy Donovan said of Ohio State. "We got a chance to play them in December. It was a game where I think our team and their team have gotten better and improved as season has gone on."

The teams met in Gainesville

in December, and it was barely a contest. Florida routed the Buckeyes 86-60, embarrassing them in every facet of the game. It was only Oden's fifth game back after offseason wrist surgery, and the Gators ran him off the floor. He couldn't keep up with Joakim Noah or a gimpy Al Horford and finished with almost as many fouls (four) as he did points (seven) and rebounds (six).

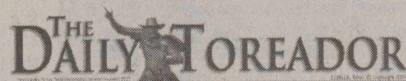
Monday night's game is sure to be different.

The Buckeyes haven't lost since Jan. 9 at Wisconsin, a streak of 22 straight. But they've looked vulnerable in the NCAA tournament, and Florida will be their biggest test.

The Gators, meanwhile, seem to be playing their best. Again. They've won nine in a row and have allowed only two teams to score more than 70 during that stretch.

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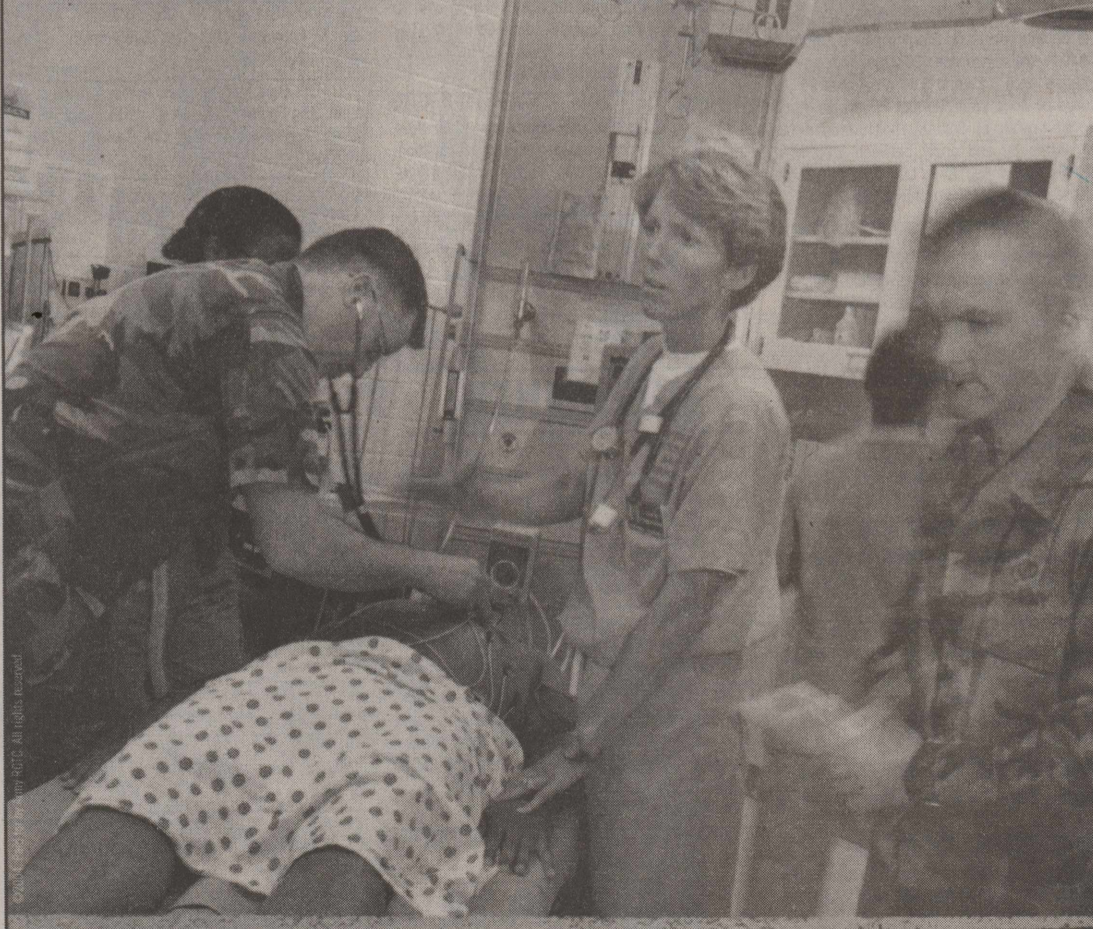
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