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### Legislature considers removing TAKS test

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas moved a step closer Thursday to replacing its high-stakes test with end-of-course exams in high school.

The state Senate Education Committee unanimously approved a bill that would revamp the way student learning is measured in the upper grades; elementary and middle school students would still take the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills, which has long been criticized for putting too much emphasis on a single assessment and forcing teachers to tailor their instruction to a single exam.

## NATION

Author Vonnegut dies at age 84

NEW YORK (AP) - In books such as "Slaughterhouse-Five," "Cat's Cradle," and "Hocus Pocus," Kurt Vonnegut mixed the bitter and funny with a touch of the profound. Vonnegut, regarded by many critics as a key influence in shaping 20thcentury American literature, died Wednesday at 84. He had suffered brain injuries after a recent fall at

# **Bombing of Iraqi parliament kills 8**

#### **By QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA Associated Press**

BAGHDAD (AP) — A suicide bomber blew himself up in the Iraqi parliament cafeteria Thursday, killing at least eight people — including three lawmakers - and wounding dozens in a stunning assault in the heart of the heavily fortified, U.S.-protected Green Zone.

A news video camera captured

and an orange ball of fire causing and witnesses said. At least 10 people of a Sunni member of parliament a startled parliament member who was being interviewed to duck, and then the smoky, dust-filled aftermath of confusion and shouting. The video was shot by Alhurra, a U.S. government-funded Arab-language the U.S. Embassy, and is secured by A U.S. bomb squad took the exchannel.

The explosion came hours after a suicide truck bomb exploded on a who spoke on condition of anonymmajor bridge in Baghdad, collapsing the steel structure and sending cars the moment of the blast: a flash tumbling into the Tigris River, police believed the bomber was a bodyguard

were killed.

believed to be the deadliest attack in the Green Zone, the enclave that American and Iraqi checkpoints. Security officials at parliament, without incident.

The parliament bombing was would not name the member of parliament.

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The officials also said two satchel houses Iraq's leadership as well as bombs were found near the cafeteria. plosives away and detonated them

ity because they were not authorized demned the attack, saying: "My sion said 30 people were wounded. to release the information, said they message to the Iraqi government is 'We stand with you."

Maj. Gen. William Caldwell who was not among the dead. They told The Associated Press that eight people were killed in the attack, which witness accounts indicated was carried out by a suicide bomber.

Iraqi officials said the bomber struck the cafeteria while several lawmakers were eating lunch, and at least three of them — two Sunnis and President Bush strongly con- a Shiite - were killed. State televi-

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his Manhattan home, said his wife, photographer Jill Krementz.

#### WORLD

### 5 missing after oil rig capsizes

LONDON (AP) - A Norwegian oil rig support vessel carrying 15 people capsized off northern Scotland on Thursday and five crew members were missing, the coast guard said.

Ten crew members were rescued after the Bourbon Dolphin capsized off the Shetland Islands, said Mark Clark, a coast guard spokesman.

Two coast guard helicopters and three offshore vessels raced to the scene.

"We've issued a mayday call for any vessels in the area to come to us immediately because we need divers. If ... guys are trapped underneath the hull, we need to get to them," Clark said by telephone.



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**By PAUL ROBERTS** 

STAFF WRITER

found the body of 40-year-old Selena

Kuykendall, police said they are still

searching for a suspect, and no new leads

have developed since discovering the

body near the intersection of North Ol-

ive Avenue and East Municipal Drive.

Police Department said the investiga-

tion is still in the early stages, and

police are investigating the last few

Lt. Scott Hudgens of the Lubbock

Three days after Lubbock police

as the same thing as game situation,"

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"My agenda is to fill the City Council role and managing the affairs of the city wisely and to cooperate with other members of the council," he said. "In my experience, the city is most successful at the City Council level, as in all levels, when the City Council is a team effort."

Quade said if elected, he believes he will have time to juggle both his duties as a professor and those of a City Council member.

"It's pretty demanding to be a City Council member," he said. "Right now, as far as I can see, my research career is over and time-wise, that is a significant portion of my professional activities. The place where I have time available is staying away from heavy research."

According to Quade's Web site, his platform includes keeping the older areas of Lubbock from deteriorating, increasing the ability of neighborhoods to handle more student residents and supporting the water commission in its attempts to find a permanent solution to the water supply and distribution problems.

There are four other people running for the vacant City Council position: Todd Klein, Frank Sikes, Darren Bronaugh and Kevin Glasheen.

Klein, 39, said he is running for office to contribute to the community, and if elected, he will focus on public safety.

"There needs to be more cops on beat — more police in general to increase the ratio of police per capita," he said. "Once we get more police, they need to be strategically placed where they are needed."

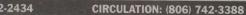
Klein said he also is concerned with ensuring the red light cameras are not misused by the city as a money-collection system.

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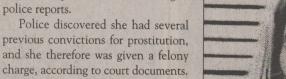


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and she therefore was given a felony charge, according to court documents. Hudgens said at this point in the

by Lubbock police, Kuykendall was

investigation, police would have a difficult time determining if her criminal history had anything to do with her death.

"There's just no way to know that or make that conclusion," Hudgens said.

Police said anyone who has any

days of Kuykendall's life and what led to her death. "No suspects have yet to be taken into custody," Hudgens said.

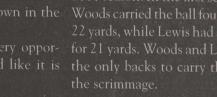
According to court documents, on Oct. 31, Kuykendall was arrested for a felony prostitution charge. Dur-

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**KUYKENDALL** 

arrested after being approached by an undercover police officer, according to

40-year-old Kuykendall had history of prostitution ing a prostitution sting performed



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# Gonorrhea resistant to drug therapy, joins list of 'superbugs'

common antibiotics, leading U.S. use of a different class of drugs to Control and Prevention. avert a public health crisis.

more than one in every four gonor- in the United States each year, can

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"We don't know at this point who

Government spokesman Ali

"There are some groups that work

The Alhurra video showed the

it was. We do know in the past that

suicide vests have been used predomi-

nantly by al-Qaida," Caldwell said.

behind the attack might work in the

in politics during the day and do

things other than politics at night,"

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building.

he told Alhurra.

among the "superbugs" resistant to in San Francisco, according to a ting the AIDS virus. survey that led to Thursday's recom-

The resistant form accounts for to infect more than 700,000 people the drug Cipro.

ATLANTA (AP) — The sexually rhea cases among heterosexual men leave both men and women infertile rhea cases is resistant to those drugs, Roche Holding AG — must be given transmitted disease gonorrhea is now in Philadelphia and nearly that many and puts people at higher risk of get-

Since the early 1990s, a class of health officials to recommend wider mendation by the Centers for Disease drugs known as fluoroquinolones has cephalosporins, a different class of provided a relatively easy cure. These antibiotics, to treat everyone. Gonorrhea, which is believed antibiotics, taken as tablets, include

But a growing number of gonor-

and officials at the CDC for the first as a shot and aren't as readily stocked time are urging doctors to stop us- as Cipro on most doctor's shelves. ing fluoroquinolones and switch to list of other superbugs for which

Those drugs — which include the gerously few," said Dr. Henry Masur, generic ceftriaxone or brand name president of the Infectious Disease Rocephin, made by Swiss drug maker

treatment options have become dan-

Society of America.

inside the meeting hall, it would have been a catastrophe.'

"Gonorrhea has now joined the

Hours after the bombing, Deputy pany, he said.

Petraeus also said the U.S. military extended condolences to those "martyred" in the bombing.

New U.S. Ambassador Ryan Crocker called the attack a "heinous act of terrorism."

"This cowardly attack is an at-Ban Ki-moon was holding a news tempt to undermine the efforts of all who are working to build a peaceful, unified, and stable Iraq. It will not succeed," he said.

Attacks in the Green Zone are he urged Iraqis to come together in rare. The worst previous known assault occurred Oct. 14, 2004, when a blast at a market and a popular cafe killed six people — the first bombing

On Nov. 25, 2004, a mortar attack inside the zone killed four employees "The plan is 100 percent a failure. of a British security firm and wounded gents hit the U.S. Embassy compound - a civilian and a sailor - on the

In addition to killing 10 people, Hadi al-Amiri, head of the parlia- Thursday's bombing of the al-Sarafiya bridge wounded 26, hospital officials used dogs to check people entering tee, said the blast shook the building said, and police were trying to rescue just after legislators ended their main as many as 20 people whose cars plummeted off the span.

Waves lapped against twisted "A few brothers (fellow lawmak- girders as patrol boats searched for near the parliament building was not the time of the explosion," al-Amiri overhead. Scuba divers donned

Prime Minister Barham Saleh and other Iraqi officials met with the commander of all U.S. forces in Iraq, Gen. David Petraeus, and decided to in the capital, and security measures put the Interior Ministry in charge of table. The camera then focused on a the government of Iraq can take key inside the Green Zone have been security at parliament, al-Dabbagh said. The building was previously guarded by a private security com-

### Quade CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Other issues in Klein's platform include not raising city taxes until necessary and not spending money on frivolous items.

Sikes, 62, said his military experience, three years of active duty and three years in the reserves for the Navy, gives him the knowledge and ability to work with people without being combative.

"I have received a lot from the community since I've been in Lubbock, and I thought it was time to give back to the community," Sikes said. "I believe I've got some experience and qualities that will allow me to be effective on the council.'

Sikes said the police department is between 25 and 35 officers short of where it needs to be for him to be confident in the public safety of Lubbock.

"I don't want people to go on vacation and have to be worried about if their house has been burglarized," Sikes said. "You don't want to go to bed wondering if someone is going to rob you."

Bronaugh, 29, said if elected, he plans to ensure the residents of District 3 will be represented properly.

"I don't think the voices of the citizens in the district are being heard on the council," he said. "A perfect example would be the red light cameras. I've been knocking on doors and getting to meet the people of my district the last week. Maybe a couple people out of several hundred are in favor of the red light cameras, yet they fly through the city council vote without opposition."

Bronaugh said he only considers one of the other candidates to be a serious contender. He did not give the name of the "other major candidate," but he did say he filed a report indicating he has spent \$6,000 to date on the election.

Glasheen was unavailable for comment.

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ddin al-Saghir, who is also a Muslim enter or leave. imam, ducking for cover. It then showed the immediate aftermath: People screamed for help in a smoky hallway, with one man was slumped over, covered in dust, motionless. A woman kneeled over what appeared to be a wounded or dead man near a al-Dabbagh suggested that those bloody, severed leg.

TV cameras and videotapes belonging to a crew sending footage to Western networks were confiscated problem in Baghdad," added Secand apparently handed over to U.S. retary of State Condoleezza Rice, authorities.

After the blast, security guards cluding lawmakers — was allowed to

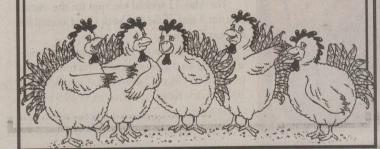
blast, with startled lawmaker Jalalu-DAILY TOREADOR Do you get up with

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A spokesman for the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad said no Americans clearest evidence yet that militants were hurt.

The bombing came amid the two-month-old security crackdown in Baghdad, which has sought to restore stability in the capital so that political steps by June 30 or face a withdrawal of American support.

"We know that there is a security speaking at the State Department. "This is still early in the process and sealed the building and no one — in- I don't think anyone expected that there wouldn't be counterefforts by terrorists to undermine the security presence."

The dead lawmakers were identified by colleagues as Mohammed Awad of the Sunni National Dialogue Front, Taha al-Liheibi of the Sunni Accordance Front and Niamah al-Mayahi of the Shiite United Iraqi of the Sunni National Dialogue Front was wounded, according to her ers of the Iraqi Accordance Front, in the sprawling region. party leader.

the parliament's media department, the suspected bomber's body amid the ghastly scene.

"I saw two legs in the middle of the cafeteria and none of those killed or wounded lost their legs — which means they must be the legs of the suicide attacker," he said.

the building in a rare precaution attack might take place.

A security scanner for pedestrians only by hand and had to pass through they been able to place this bomb erbanks.

metal detectors, Abu Bakr said. The brazen bombing was the can penetrate even the most secure

locations. Masses of U.S. and Iraqi soldiers are on the streets in the ninth week of a security crackdown significantly hardened.

1 that two suicide vests were found conference. No one was hurt.

Ban said Thursday's attack "attempted to undermine one of the country's sovereign institutions," and

said the attack "underlines the failure

and other lawmakers said they saw It's a complete flop. The explosion at least 12. On Jan. 29, 2005, insurknee surgery.

mittees.

The U.S. military reported April

in the Green Zone, also home to the U.S. Embassy and the Iraqi government. A rocket attack last month killed two Americans, a soldier and a contractor. A few days earlier, a rocket hit within 100 yards of a building where U.N. Secretary-General

unity to work for peace, said U.N. Alliance bloc. A female lawmaker deputy spokeswoman Marie Okabe. Khalaf al-Ilyan, one of three lead-

Mohammed Abu Bakr, who heads of the government's security plan."

means that instability and lack of security has reached the Green with a rocket, killing two Americans Zone, which the government boasts is heavily fortified," said al-Ilyan, eve of landmark elections. Four other who is in Jordan recovering from Americans were wounded.

Earlier in the day, security officials ment's security and defense commit-- apparently concerned that an meeting and broke into smaller com-

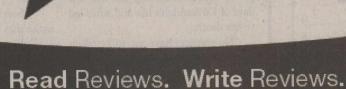
at the entrance to the Green Zone ers) happened to be in the cafeteria at survivors and U.S. helicopters flew working, and people were searched told Al-Arabiya television. "But had flippers and waded in from the riv-



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# **Honors College hosts rape-prevention lecture**

in college.

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

The Texas Tech Honors College hosted a lecture about rape and crime prevention on college campuses Thursday evening to make students aware of the preventive measures they can take to deal with sexual assault.

Tech Police Department Cpl. Jack Floyd, the department's crime prevention officer since 1996, and Beth Maeker, the youth educator and volunteer 2005, the rapes reportedly were com- Now Web site, http://www.safecampus-Center, presented the lecture.

"Sexual assault can be a hard topic to talk about," Maeker said. "Sexual assault is an act of control and violence, on the Tech campus in 2006. and it has nothing to do with sex. Sex being."

According to crime report statistics



**COLEMAN MOREFIELD/The Daily Toreado** 

More than 80 percent of rapes are

TEXAS TECH POLICE Cpl. Jack Floyd and Lubbock Rape Crisis Center. volunteer Beth Maeker give tips to Tech students on rape prevention at the Business Administration building Thursday evening.

the reported rape in 2004 occurred at acquaintance rape is not as damaging one of Tech's other campuses. Floyd said to the victim as stranger rape. the department had six reported rapes "Just because you know them doesn't make it less (serious)," Maeker said.

"These have all been acquaintance rape here on campus."

There is a prevailing misconcep- former rape crisis counselor. Among a friend. from 2003 to 2005 provided by the tion that acquaintance rape is not as college students, 90 percent of rapes Tech Police Department, Tech had one serious and not as criminal as stranger are date-related or acquaintance-related

One point the presenters made was that women are not the only victims of rape. Floyd said a male was the victim

of one of the six rapes reported at Tech in 2006. According to statistics from the Texas Association Against Sexual Assault, one in 20 men in Texas will be raped in his lifetime.

Rape is the most common violent crime on American college campuses today, according to the U.S. Depart- Public Health released its College Al- of being sexually assaulted. coordinator for the Lubbock Rape Crisis mitted in campus residence halls, and esnow.org. This may lead to the belief ment of Justice's Office of Community cohol Study findings that rape is more Oriented Policing Services. Women ages 16 to 24 years old are four times more likely to experience rape than was cited as a central factor in most chances." than 5 percent of college women who on the results of three separate surveys dent Conduct, students are subject to is the vehicle (the assailants) use to rapes," he said. "In my 10 years at Tech, date or acquaintance rapes according are victims of rape or attempted rape in 1997, 1999 and 2001. assert this control over another human we have not yet had a case of stranger to the EnglishMajor.com Rape Facts. report it to police, although about two-Web site, which was created by a thirds of victims tell someone, usually statistics found 56.23 percent of rape or unwanted sexual behavior, includ-

> Because friends are the most likely people to be around during a sexual as-

going out to drink. Maeker said one of for 6.38 percent of victims the drug or the most powerful suggestions she ever alcohol usage was unknown. heard was to open the door.

closed, open it," she said. "The worst anything," Maeker said. "This is a bad thing that can happen is that two people are having consensual sex and you'll be embarrassed. But what if it's not consensual and the woman just / maintaining a buddy system, keeping can't call for help?"

common on college campuses with higher rates of binge drinking; alcohol women in any other age bracket. Fewer college rapes. The findings were based

victims had no drugs or alcohol in their ing but not limited to any attempted systems, 30.09 had used alcohol, 3.34 percent had used drugs and alcohol, reported rape each year. In 2003 and rape, according to the Safe Campuses and between one-fifth and one-eighth sault, the presenters cautioned audience 3.65 percent had used just drugs, .3

of college women will be raped while members to use a buddy system when percent had used prescription drugs and

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"This happens when the person "If you're at a party and a door is wakes up and says 'I don't remember sign because this implies that there may have been predatory drugs used."

Maeker said utilizing practices like an eye on drinks and being aware of In 2004, the Harvard School of surroundings can reduce a person's risk

"We've gone from calling it 'prevention' because you can't ever prevent it," she said, "but you can reduce your

According to the Tech Code of Studisciplinary sanctions if they are found The Lubbock Rape Crisis 'Center's to have committed sexual misconduct or actual physical conduct of a sexual nature, regardless of gender. ▶ glenys.bolls@ttu.edu

# Tech students, faculty celebrate Child Abuse Prevention Month

#### By MAGGIE KIELY STAFF WRITER

April is National Child Abuse Prearound the Texas Tech campus.

The Delta Kappa Delta National South Asian Sorority has participated children come directly to us from in Child Week and hosted a carnival at the Children's Home of Lubbock said. Thursday night.

lanthropist and secretary of DKD, said she and other members spent Tuesday and Wednesday handing out prevention.

The blue ribbons state, "It shouldn't has great, great people." hurt to be a child" and are sponsored by Covenant Medical Center and the Family Guidance and Outreach Center.

week was the carnival that took place beginning of April to raise child-abuse at the Children's Home.

living on the Children's Home campus. Tech campus, Lubbock public schools showed up to participate in games and churches.

and contests, such as musical chairs, jump-roping, a water-balloon toss, face blue ribbons," Lowe said. "We try to painting and an Easter egg hunt.

Danny Pectol, recreational coorvention Month, and one organization dinator of the Children's Home of on campus has become involved in Lubbock, said most of the children the Family Guidance and Outreach households.

> "Greater than 95 percent of our the Blue Ribbon Rally. (Child Protective Services)," Pectol

The children living at the home Pooja Patnak, the service phi- are rarely alone because so many son said the money will go to are Tech organizations come to help out, Never Shake a Baby informational Pectol said.

"It has gotten to the point, sad to fairs. blue ribbons that promote child-abuse say, that I have had to start turning (volunteers) away," Pectol said. "Tech

Aaron Lowe, the office coordinator of the Family Guidance and Outreach Center of Lubbock, said representatives from the center begin Patnak said the main event of the handing out the blue ribbons at the awareness. He said locations the rib-About 25 of the 80 or so children bons were handed out include the

"We try to blanket the city with know that someone cares." more people can be in touch."

Lynnette Wilson, the director of the ninth year the center has hosted said.

to raise money for child-abuse-prevention programs.

Some preventative programs Wilclasses, parenting classes and health able to do the programs that we do."

"One of the preventative programs we do is a mentoring program at one of the LISD schools," Wilson said. "Pregnant teens can come to school and there is a day care. Mainly we are there to support them and let them

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and a children's area with prize games. "That evening is the actual Harley party where we have a dinner and live hopes of raising child-abuse awareness living at the home come from abusive Center of Lubbock, said 2007 will be bands and a silent auction," Wilson

> People attending the rally will be She said the purpose of the rally is able to buy a \$30 raffle ticket, Lowe said, for a chance to win a 2007 Harley Street Glide motorcycle.

"The money raised will go to the programs that we do throughout the year," Wilson said. "Without it we wouldn't be

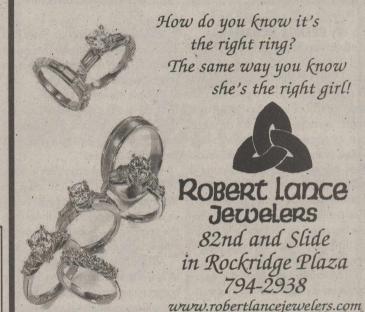
Wilson said last year the Blue Ribbon Rally helped the center raise about \$52,000, and this year's goal is to raise about \$60,000.

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Wilson said the rally will include a 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. April 28 in the visit the Web site http://www. get a lot of people to wear them so that classic car and bike show, food vendors Depot Entertainment District, blueribbonrally.com. which will be closed to traffic for mag8240@hotmail.com

The rally will take place from the event. For more information



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# OPINIONS

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# America voted Democratic because they wanted change

#### **By BRENNA MCNAMARA** DAILY KENT STATER (KENT STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) KENT, Ohio—I have to stop supporting terrorism. been hesitant to write a political column for fear of my words being torn about Nancy Pelosi's visit to Syria that subjected her to becoming a heart, will always result in individufinding the faults in every single false accusations. statement.

The combination of instantaneous media outlets and critics waiting to pounce on politicians' every move is deadly. Especially when it's would be against our anti-terrorism Nancy Pelosi, the female Democratic crusade. The answer to this problem ing that Israel is willing to talk if they of changes and relations to see what speaker of the house, who made a is not to isolate Syria from all active (Syria) would openly take steps to works. The people asked for change. controversial move.

versial move" should not have even been considered controversial.

Simple enough? Hardly.

"peace." God forbid!

victim of all three of these things, anywhere from communicating an wrong decision? I realize politics, at its media-fueled inaccurate translation of Israel's message to being a felon for disobeying unjustly stretched her power at all, in a Democratic Congress. After six als throwing words back and forth, the president - both of these being which is the issue at hand.

While Syria's ease to allow terrorist aids of arms and people to cross the border is currently just an accusation, it is understandable that these actions Minister Ehud Olmert's spokesperson one. One must actively work toward diplomatic relations. Instead, it is The terrible thing is this "contro- necessary to engage the country and

conveyed Israel's message that peace relations with Syria since Sept. 11 talks will occur once Syria takes steps have not worked. Opening up the the president and White House. possibility of peace talks should not She met with the president before be reason for conservatives to be up The media has showcased a in arms. Our stubborn administration apart, seeming inaccurate or taken tidal wave, make that a tsunami, of was forced to give up its pride for a during her trip to Syria. This throws out of context. But after reading criticism for her mentioning the word brief moment to reason with Syria. out the outrageous idea that Pelosi The results of this move are not even acted without any regard for the ad-Critics have deemed her actions visible yet, so who is to say it was the ministration.

Nancy Pelosi did not misinterpret Israel's message. The U.S. and Israeli stop supporting terrorism."

Pelosi did not contradict the at that. participate in active negotiation in United States' foreign policy. She order to give them incentives to com- simply did not beat around the bush overdue change is finally occurring.

Pelosi made a trip to Syria and ply with our wishes. The diplomatic to achieve the possibility of peace.

Pelosi did not blatantly disregard the trip. She met with state officials. She was in the clear for her itinerary

America wanted a change in This is even assuming Pelosi the Middle East when they voted years of the same guidance, a small change will obviously seem like a big one. Don't let the conservative governments haven't spoken against media's rhetoric sway you to believe her actions. In fact, Israeli Prime this move toward peace was a bad was quoted saying, "Pelosi is convey- peace through the testing of a variety Here it is - in a very small dose,

Don't be bitter that this long

# Stupid is as stupid tests

#### **By CHELSEA JO SIMPSON** ARIZONA DAILY WILDCAT (U. ARIZONA)

(U-WIRE) TUCSON, Ariz. --- When this column goes into print, I will be 7 months, 14 days and 30 minutes away from being able to order a beer. I don't have to do anything except wait it out. But what if I could pass a competency test and then walk over to Dirtbag's and have a beer tomorrow?

In his book "The Case Against Adolescence: Rediscovering the Adult in Every Teen," Harvard professor Robert Epstein argues that a kid of any age who can pass "an appropriate test of maturity" or "pass one or more relevant competency tests" should be allowed to have adult privileges.

The test would replace the arbitrary age assigned for the rights that

In many ways there is something

to be said about choosing an alter-

depending on age to grant kids with

new privileges. Epstein is on to some-

thing, but I think we should expand

this idea to where it is needed most

— incompetence. There are plenty

of grown individuals with all of these

privileges who probably couldn't

spell their own names on the top of

a competency test.

porn and get a tattoo.

And let's face it: Some bozos never could pass a "maturity" test, no matter how many times they tried or how many birthdays passed. So should we really allow them behind the wheel or, worse, to populate the world?

I propose an "immaturity test" to be administered to adults who abuse their "adult privileges.", This, in theory, could fix traffic issues, drinking issues and ultimately, rid society of stupid people.

Now, please don't get upset with me; I realize some people can't help it if they're idiots. But they can stay home.

Let's break this down:

Traffic. If you have ever driven through the university and around Tucson around 5 p.m., well, then you've probably wanted to get out of your car and hurl yourself into oncoming traffic.

I am a firm believer that there are plenty of individuals who suffer the same frustrations. And I realize that there is kids get with each birthday. Essen- already a driving test. But I passed that tially, if a kid could pass the test or test four years ago, and if I remember cortests, they could vote, sign contracts, rectly, it wasn't a test of competency but drive, drink, smoke, have sex; watch rather of memorization. And to top it off, according to my license I don't even have to renew it until 2051. Whoever thought that was a good idea didn't pass nate form of judgment instead of a competency test. Drinking. There are people who simply should not be allowed to consume any amount of alcohol. This goes beyond people drinking too much, stumbling, saying things they probably shouldn't or thinking that a two-story beer bong is a good idea. No, I am talking about something much more serious: Reproduction.

# Criminal role models need to be suspended for once

#### **By MATTHEW PLOTNIK** DAILY TROJAN (USC)

(U-WIRE) LOS ANGELES Put this into perspective: My high school math teacher made as much money in a year as some professional athletes make in a week. Although I love sports, it doesn't change my disgust for the lopsided salaries of pro athletes.

Football players Adam "Pacman" Jones and Chris Henry were looming in the media for weeks be tolerated.

respectively. It's about time.

cidents in which the authorities deserve it. were involved, and Henry has his tenure.

suspended Tuesday morning for a and has lasting effects, not only full NFL season and eight games, for these two players, but also football player decides to model for player conduct in the future. himself after a troubled profes-I don't feel pity for people who Athletes need to be accountable sional player who is nonetheless take their careers for granted. for their actions. The NFL finally rewarded with a lucrative con-According to ESPN, Jones has has a leader who is not afraid to tract. It has always been a problem been involved in at least 10 in- punish the "stars" when they on all levels when athletes seem to

With the suspensions, NFL nonathletes. been arrested four times during commissioner Roger Goodell sent This pending decision has been off-the-field digressions would not sions with success on the field, but

It's a tragedy if a high school be given free passes not afforded to

Jones and Henry hoped to overa message to every athlete that shadow their off-field transgrestheir suspensions were a big step in preventing similar incidents in the future.

> We can't blame the athletes for everything, however. Athletes are people, too. They make mistakes because they are human, but they must remember that they are role models — deserved or not — and that all of their actions will be scrutinized

Before feeling bad for Jones, Henry or other players severely punished for misconduct, remember the kind of money these athletes earn. Many make millions upon millions of dollars each year. We as fans pay money to see these players, in part subsidizing their salaries, and we don't want to have our children watching a field filled with such poor role models. Jones was given millions in guaranteed money, and he is throwing that all away because he can't keep himself out of trouble.

Unfortunately, the guilty parties in these incidents don't care about the images their teammates. or themselves send, but a hit to their pockets will hopefully send a message: Clean up your act, or get new jobs.

I do not mean to target all professional athletes, because many are actually stand-up citizens who use their stature to help people. These athletes don't deserve to have their fame and the NFL's reputation tarnished by a few rotten eggs.

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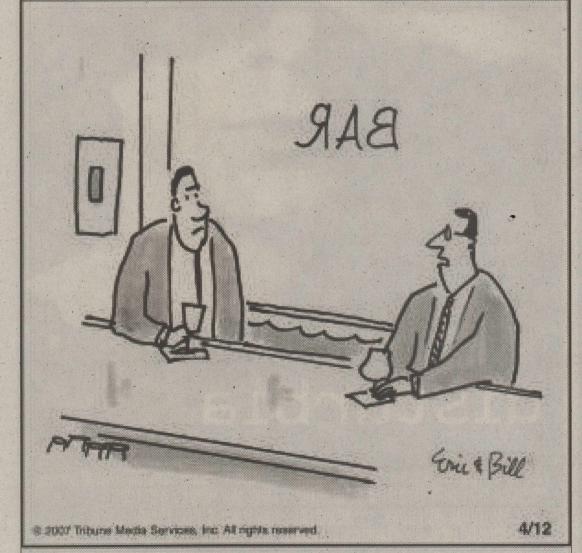
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**NEWS** 

# Council members consider rear unit apartment ordinance

#### **By NAOMI KASKELA** STAFF WRITER

An ordinance concerning rearduring the Lubbock City Council meeting Thursday morning.

According to the ordinance, if passed, landlords will be required to borhood associations, particularly occupy one of the buildings, while the other building can be rented out

The first reading of the ordinance was supported by the City Council, said Floyd Price, councilman for Disto take place in two weeks.

Price said he believes most of the landlords of the rear-unit apart- apartments.

ments do not live in Lubbock, and the apartments are not always up to code.

"If that ordinance is passed, erated several citizen comments up to code and (the landlords) are (in apartments)." going to have to live here," he said. "I think that's a good thing."

Several individuals from neighindividuals residing in the Tech Terrace neighborhood, voiced their came to the meeting not necessarsupport of the ordinance during ily in opposition to the ordinance, about restricting someone's propthe citizen comment portion of the meeting.

James Mahan, a Lubbock resitrict 2. The second reading is slated dent, said he is in support of the is to table the issue in its current System aligning with Angelo State ordinance because it will eliminate problems associated with rear-unit

positive thing for our neighbor- occur. hood," he said. "I believe this is the

While many of the residents fair and works properly. were in support of the ordinance, several realtors and property owners voiced concerns about it.

Realtor Paul Garrett said he opinion of the ordinance. but in opposition to the way it was erty rights," Leonard said. written.

form," he said. Garrett, along with several

other realtors, asked for more da, the City Council considered ment will need to increase, which paomi.kaskela@ttu.edu

because he believes the old one is

John Leonard, councilman for District 5, asked Headrick several questions concerning Headrick's

"I'm also a little uncomfortable

Also discussed at the meeting "All we're asking at this time was the Texas Tech University University.

align Angelo State University with and Tech align. Lloyd Headrick, a Lubbock real the Texas Tech University System first time we've ever come before estate broker, said he does not and further support State Senator dedicating of Canyon Lakes Drive unit apartments in Lubbock gen- they're going to bring that property 'the council requesting an increase believe a new ordinance is needed Robert Duncan, State Representa- and Park Road 18 to Cesar E. tive Drew Darby and the Coalition Chavez Drive brought one citizen for ASU in their efforts to forge a with concerns, but a decision tremendous educational partner- was not made concerning the ship for both institutions and the agenda. communities of San Angelo and Lubbock."

Price said the resolution was supported unanimously by the City Council.

"It's going to be good for Texas history and should not change. Tech," he said. "Tech is going to be a flagship university."

According to the meeting agen- a flagship university, the enroll- meeting.

"Owner occupancy ... was a discussion of the ordinance to "a resolution supporting efforts to will happen if San Angelo State

An issue concerning the re-

A citizen came before the City Council and said he did not support the name change because he believes Canyon Lakes Drive and Park Road 18 are part of Lubbock's

Price said the issue did not come up and said he is unsure Price said for Tech to become if it will be addressed at a later

# Tech professors, students gather to discuss immigration issues

#### **By RICHARD CAMPANARO** STAFF WRITER

Immigration took center stage as Texas Tech faculty, students and Cecilia Balli gathered for a viewing of the movie "Crossing Arizona" and an accompanying discussion Thursday evening at the Escondido Theatre in the Student Union Building.

Ballí, a journalist with Texas Monthly magazine, said people should not attempt to reduce the issue of immigration to one core question or solution. She said she believes college students tend to focus on human rights as well as economic and political issues.

"I think the next generation, the young generation, needs to think about the question of citizenship," Ballí said, "and what American citizenship is going to mean in the future and how we are going to decide who gets to become an American citizen."

Ballí said the issue of changing demographics in the United States during the next few years increasing rate.

"Throughout the world, people border. are moving across countries in unprecedented numbers," Ballí



A MEMBER OF the audience raises his hand to ask a question to panelists (L to R) Cynthia Sorrensen, assitant professor of economics and Geography, Martha Smithey and Luis Ramirez, associate professors of Sociology, Cecilia Balli, Texas Monthly writer, and Priscilla Solis Ybarra, assistant professor of Latino Literature; about issues on immigration and border crossing Thursday evening at the SUB's Escondido Theater.

members and students should address core issues such as drug border, which he considers just policy, illegal immigration and the surface of the problem. the global economy.

said. "Youth everywhere needs to pology and social work, said the across South America." begin to ask the bigger questions, main problem surrounding the such as how the U.S. will man- importation of illegal drugs into age a new world where people the United States is the demand re not so easily divided by race for drugs, rather than the supply. demand for illegal substances

politicians act influences what goes on outside U.S. borders, Pride said. Students should think citizens who want to come to this country as individuals, he said.

Whether it is U.S. economic to prevent exploitive practices, properly, she said. issues, international policy or the such as sweat-shop labor and global climate in general, how transporting stolen goods across as defined in closing by Priscilla international borders.

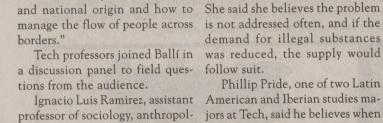
about immigrants and foreign ing jobs is a "slippery situation." community. The professors said "Think about humans not just not want to take the necessary 08 school year. numbers," Pride said. "The large steps to ensure that it is regulated 🕨 richard.j.campanaro@ttu.edu

The purpose of the discussion, Solis Ybarra, assistant professor Ballí said she believes trying to of Latino literature at Tech, is to instill rules while still guarantee- open avenues of inquiry for the Powerful countries want open- they hope to continue similar ended economic policy but do discussions throughout the 2007-



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-CONSTRUCTION JUNCTION-

# Marsha Sharp freeway construction could complicate campus traffic until 2008

#### By ADAM YOUNG STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech students who walk to school from residences north of Marsha Sharp Freeway may find their usual paths across the construction rerouted over the summer, fall and into 2008.

William Barnett, a construction engineer with the Lubbock-area office of the Texas Department of Transportation, said Phase 2 of the project is currently under way and includes erecting a freeway from Salem Avenue to Avenue L and erecting interchanges at 19th Street, Ouaker Avenue, Fourth Street and Avenue Q. Phase 2 is scheduled to be completed in December 2008 at a cost of \$140 million.

Traffic will probably be down on the freeway between University (Avenue) and 19th Street by the end of next year," Barnett said.

enue over the freeway and will be next two to three weeks. open to traffic by spring 2008.

maintain access across the freeway problem is between Fourth Street said.

The Parkway Bridge, connecting west Indiana Avenue to the

Traffic will probably be down on the freeway between University (Avenue) and 19th Street by the end of next year.

#### - WILLIAM BARNETT CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER

University Avenue Bridge, he said, for railings and island work, Bar- freeway to the northwest corner which will connect University Av- nett said. It should open in the of Jones AT&T Stadium. The

"We're trying to maintain ac-"University (Avenue) will cess as best we can, but the big

throughout the project," Barnett and Brownfield Highway," Barnett said. "This is big excavation, and I'm afraid that at some point it's going to become an impossibility."

Michelle Valdez, community director at the Sierra Crossing apartment complex, said residents are upset because the freeway construction makes it inconvenient for them to walk to the Tech campus.

"It really has affected business," Valdez said. "It's really slow because people have found that it's harder to find us, and they didn't want to be in the middle of the construction."

Four pedestrian bridges over the freeway are planned for construction around the Tech campus. One will be west of Indiana near the Ronald McDonald House and will connect the main campus with the Health Sciences Center at Ninth Street. Another will con-Construction has started on the Tech Freeway is complete except nect Boston Avenue north of the other two will connect the north side of the freeway to the south side at University Avenue and at Avenue U.

point, but if they're going to put Fourth and Brownfield.



**KELLY MATHERLY/The Daily Toreador** 

A RECENTLY FORMED pond due to precipitation rests in the Marsha "It is inconvenient at this Sharp freeway. Students are able to see the pond from the walk way on

in a pedestrian bridge, it would be right in front of where we are," Valdez said.

Barnett said the walkways should be completed sometime in late 2008. He said work is under way on the Boston Avenue walkway, but work must stop in mid-August because of football season.

Along with restrictions because of football games, above-average rainfall in March delayed construction by as much as 2 1/2 weeks, Barnett said.

Penny Mason, public information officer for the Texas Department of Transportation, said weather delays usually do not change the scheduled completion goals of Texas Department of Transportation projects.

"They have a certain amount of days to get things done and there are bad weather days built in to that," Mason said. "Rain is not as bad as snow because it tends to run off more quickly."

She said standing pools of water in the excavation site are not slowing down construction.

"If it's problematic and they need to work there, they'll pump it out," Mason said. "But most of the time it just dries up naturally.' ▶ adam.young@ttu.edu





**ONE MAN'S TRASH..** 

VANESSA VELA/The Daily Toreador PITOR CHIZINSKI, A senior art sculplture major from Falls Village Conn., works to evolve a ceramic clay trashcan mold into a base foundation for stacked can molds, Wednesday morning.

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# 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' delivers spring's best source of entertainment

Students who find themselves saying, "There's nothing to do in Lubbock" may find they have to bite their tongues this weekend. Ballet Lubbock's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" is dancing into the Firehouse Theatre of the Underwood Center for the Arts tonight through Sunday.

The ballet is performed by local youth of the Ballet Lubbock School and Company, while the original choreography was created by Artistic Director Yvonne Racz.

William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" has a twisted comedic plot about lovers the stage with their presence and that much better for their next who are in love with the wrong dance like they were made for performance. partners. Racz's adaptation is a humorous but heartfelt ballet that is easy to get wrapped up in.

set, imaginative costumes and skilled dancers, Racz's rendition on that stage for a lifetime. is something to be behold. The intimacy of the Firehouse Theatre makes audience members feel as Hasie. if they are actually in the dream alongside the dancers.



during the show include Michael Burfield, who plays Oberon, king of the fairies, Baushan Williams, who plays Demetrius, and Brogan Doss, who plays Helena. These three dancers were breathtaking happy with the performance, in their skill and precision in the art of ballet.

each other.

by Cheyenne Richardson, is an-Complete with a breathtaking other definite scene stealer. Richardson dances as if she has danced

is played by Racz' son, Lukacs

Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" simply because she did it in college and enjoyed it. Racz said she felt like she finally had a group of dancers who came together for the perfect fit.

"It was hard; this was the first full-length ballet that I've choreographed," she said. "I felt like we were ready for it — it was the right cast and the right guys."

Racz said although she is she writes notes down during the show and gives them to the Williams and Doss take over cast members just to make them

"They always surpass what I The mischievous Puck, played expect – they are always better," she said.

The show runs about an hour and a half with a brief intermission. The only downside to the The adorable Indian Prince entire night was during intermission. Being from Houston and regularly attending The After the performance, Racz Nutcracker Ballet, I'm used to was all smiles while talking about an all-out kind of intermission Performers to keep an eye on the show. She said she chose with life-sized nutcrackers and



ANNELISE HILL, FRONT, from Levelland High School, dances the part of Titania in Ballet Lubbock's rendition of "A Midsummer Night's journalism major from Sugar Dream" during a press performance at the Underwood Center for the Arts Wednesday evening.

refreshments: I wasn't expecting a life-sized nutcracker to take a picture with, but a drink would have been nice.

Aside from intermission, I definitely give every aspect of the show two thumbs up. For those Texas Tech students who want to explore Lubbock's artsy side and watch a great show, this ballet is the place to be.

Racz, a Lubbock native, said she knows what it's like to not have anything to do in Lubbock. She said this show is something students will enjoy.

Show times for "A Midsummer Night's Dream" are 8 p.m. Friday through Sunday with a 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday and Sunday. The show is hosted at 511 Avenue K at the Firehouse Theatre in the Underwood Center for the Arts. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$17 for students and are available by calling (806) 770-2000.

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## Tech student to journey across 23 countries in name of charity

#### **By ALLISON LOWE** STAFF WRITER

The summer is sure to be full of adventure and surprise for one Texas Tech law student who will be in the name of charity.

will be representing Team Skip-Lizard, the first squad from Texas to participate in the Mongol Rally, a car race spanning 10,000 miles, 30 seconds," Taylor said. "We were and automotive parts sponsors to Adventurists, a group striving to seven mountain ranges, three des- very fortunate to get a spot in the someone who will provide decal make the world less boring while erts and 23 countries.

According to a press release for the rally, Taylor and his team for taking part in the rally was to have Texan sponsors, as we are partner, Ryan Dunnavant, will travel from London to France on a ferry before driving through Belgium, the Netherlands, Germany, vidual teams raise for the rally will the Czech Republic and 16 other go to charity except funds allotted student from Arlington and Tay- ttu.edu. countries to reach their destination for gas and food to be consumed on lor's girlfriend, said she is excited of Mongolia.

guarantee the small vehicles will withstand the journey.

The teams are comprised of. traveling from London to Mongolia a variety of people, Taylor said. There is a mix of both men and Andy Taylor, a first-year law women, and each team has two student from Fort Worth, said he members; there are nine American teams participating in the event this year.

rally.'

gain a global perspective, and he feels others will benefit in enormous ways. All the money the indithe trip. Additionally, each team for Taylor because the only time he out to make any money on this,

survival skills because there is no what is needed to cover their bare supporting a good cause. essentials, they will donate the re-Hospital in Dallas.

Taylor said if every Tech student donated a dollar, it would add up over the world." to three or four times the amount they need to get from London to Mongolia.

"The 200 spots went in under of sponsors from airline sponsors Taylor said his main motivation Taylor said. "We would love to charity in the process. the first Texan team and one of to donate and find more informathe very few American teams to ever try this."

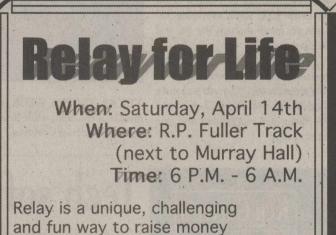
roughly equivalent to a four-cyl- charity, and if he and his teammate will not only be supporting the inder engine. This teaches teams are able to raise more money than adventure of two men, they will be

> "I am just excited that (Taylor) maining money to Cook Children's and Ryan are doing it," Nisttahuz said. "They both are survivors, and Ryan has traveled extensively all

> The Mongol Rally begins on July 21, and according to the rally's Web site at http://mongolrally. "We are looking for all types instituteofadventureresearch.com/, the rally is a part of the League of logos for our sponsors on our car," raising large amounts of money for

Tech students who would like . tion can visit Team SkipLizard's Web site at www.skiplizard.com or Tasha Nisttahuz, a first-year law e-mail Taylor at andrew.c.taylor@

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for cancer research, prevention and early detection activities and patient services at the American Cancer Society of Lubbock. Relay For Life is a celebration of remembrance, hope and thanks.

ticipating teams have to drive in a

The trick of the rally, which will donate its car to a Mongolian has ever been out of the country Taylor said. "All of our funds, other is in its sixth year, is all 200 par- charity at the trip's conclusion.

Taylor said the entry fee for the

was a trip he took to Mexico.

She said students should make will be going to charity." maximum one-liter car, which is rally was a donation to a Mongolian donations to the team because they

than the things we have to have, ▶ allison.lowe@ttu.edu

# Oprah adds 'The Road' to collection of selected books

Oprah Winfrey has recently picked post-apocalyptic world is more subdued "The Road" by Cormac McCarthy to and delicate, walking the line between join her precious collection of selected harrowing tragedy and poetic subtlety. books. Still, don't let its association with the Oprah Book Cult stop you from reading it.

True, the novel contains the hackneved themes of hopelessness and triumph, along with a touching fatherson relationship -- traits that can only be described as "Oprah-esque." In spite of this, "The Road" lacks the excessive sentimentality that most of us find particularly nauseating in Winfrey's picks. McCarthy delivers a simple and profound tale that is well worth reading.

Predictions about the end of the world are consistently associated with loud explosions, dramatic feats and the heroic survival of the fittest. Without its elegiac quality, "The Road" would simply be the written version of "28



(U-WIRE) NEW YORK - Al- Days Later" or. "Night of the Living though every book runs the risk of being Dead." McCarthy, however, leaves a father and his son in the devastating writes, as the novel follows the protagojudged by its cover, some books are sub- behind the horror-film grotesqueness in aftermath of nuclear fallout. Set in nists until they reach an undetermined ject to being judged by their enthusiasts. his novel. McCarthy's approach to the America, the landscape is eerie and shore. The wasteland is scattered with

unfamiliar.

"The shape of the city stood in the grayness like a charcoal drawing bling houses full of rotting corpses.

"The Road" is about the journey of stretched across the waste," McCarthy dark visions of desperation, including gangs of starving cannibals and crum-





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### Spring game **CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

While Lewis will be looking to contribute on offense in 2007, Woods will be looking to improve on his performance from the 2006 season in which he rushed for 926 yards and 10 touchdowns.

Lewis said he approaches the Red-Black Spring Game more as a game situation than just another practice.

"Every time we have one of our scrimmages, I think of it like a game," Lewis said. "You (have to) go out there and produce. It's not practice (anymore); everything is just a gametype situation, so you just (have to) go all out."

#### Quarterbacks

Graham Harrell is projected to be the starting quarterback for the beginning of the 2007 season, but redshirt freshman Taylor Potts has split time with Harrell in the first spring scrimage.

on increasing his arm strength. At 12 Second Team after recording 50 times after practice, the quarterbacks put a trash can in the corner of the end zone and attempt to throw a football into it to work on accuracy.

"As you get older your arm strength kind of tops out at some point, but I think we've gotten better there and accuracy for sure," Harrell said. "You know we've thrown a lot of balls, so right now is probably not the best time to judge that."

Harrell started all 13 games last season completing 67 percent of his passes for 4,555 yards, averaging 350 yards per game through the air, and 38 touchdowns.

In the first scrimmage of spring practice, Harrell completed 19-of-23 pass attempts for 282 yards and three touchdowns. Potts went 12-of-16 and 98 yards, one touchdown and one interception.

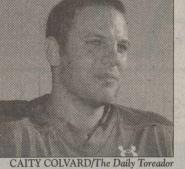
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QUARTERBACK GRAHAM HARRELL

In the second scrimmage, Potts completed 15-of-18 passes for 208 vards and two touchdowns, while Harrell went 16-of-25 for 120 yards and no touchdowns.

Redshirt freshman Steven Sheffield could see some playing time Saturday and senior Ryan Rowland is no longer. on the team after leaveing the team to recorded three tackles, second only to concentrate on his academics.

#### Cornerbacks

may have the right side locked down system. Harrell said he has been working after being named to the All-Big



CAITY COLVARD/The Daily Toread TEXAS TECH'S WIDE receiver L.A. Reed, center, cuts across the middle of the field, while linebacker Kellen Tillman, left, attempts to cover receiver Michael Crabtree.

tackles and two interceptions in the 2006 season.

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Brian Mitchell, Tech's cornerbacks coach, said Parker is unavailable for the spring game and junior Marcus Bunton, who played in all 13 games last season while recording 11 tackles, should get plenty of playing time Saturday.

The left cornerback position is up for grabs after the departure of Antonio Huffman who finished his college career at The Insight Bowl in December. Sophomore Jamar Wall and transfer De'Shon Sanders are among the leading candidates to replace Huffman.

Wall played in 11 games last season with 12 tackles, and Sanders recorded 28 tackles and two interceptions in seven games for City College of San Francisco.

In Saturday's scrimmage, Wall sophomore linebacker Ryan Hale.

Mitchell said it is a tight race for the left cornerback position and Wall has the edge over Sanders at the mo-At cornerback, senior Chris Parker ment because of his experience in the

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VANCOUVER, British Columto overcome a long overtime loss.

Anaheim in 2003 was one of five what most players favor. games in NHL history that went longer than Wednesday night's 5-4 defeat to the Vancouver Canucks, of overtime.

Dallas played 80:48 before losthat conference semifinal series to great things about the playoffs." Anaheim in six games, and hope to use lessons from it to bounce back against Vancouver.

"If you win, you feel like you're you feel like you're never going to win another game," said Mike Modano, whose Stars have now lost five straight overtime playoff games. "But you have to forget about that."

With Game 2 starting at 6 p.m. in Vancouver on Friday night — less to stay hydrated, they're happy to forget about it.

"Physically you're going to feel it a bit and you just try to do what you can to get regrouped," Modano said. "It's not much prep time, but that's the time of the year; the team with depth, four lines and can play everybody has a good chance."

While the NHL has gone to shootbetter than most how hard it can be season, it has stuck with the classic full overtimes to decide playoff games. The Stars' five-overtime loss to That can lead to marathons, but it's

"I think that's great. I think that's what makes the playoffs unique," said Ottawa forward Dany Heatley. "There which actually ended early Thurs- are long games and there are going to day morning local time after 78:06 be more of them, I'm sure, throughout schedule was all the work he put in," the playoffs. You've got to know that at Vigneault said. "That said, in our case the end of the day when you've gone he hasn't been with us since the end ing its series opener to the Ducks through five or six overtimes you're of January and we still found a way to in 2003, then lost Game 2 just dead tired and all it takes is one shot 1:44 into overtime. The Stars lost or one mistake, and that's one of the

San Jose captain Patrick Marleau said he watched some of the Canucks-Stars game and was glad it wasn't his Sharks, especially not in the first game on top of the world. If you lose of the playoffs. But he wouldn't have it end any other way in the postseason. "It's definitely the way it needs to

be settled this time of year," Marleau said. "You play too hard all game to have it settled with a shootout, so it's a team game and that's the way it should be played."

The Canucks likely would prefer than 42 hours after Game 1 finally . much shorter nights, especially beended — there isn't much time to cause in addition to overall fatigue dwell on the past. With players on they are fighting injuries. Already both teams in need of intravenous missing defenseman Brent Sopel, who fluids between overtime periods threw out his back picking up a cracker and after Wednesday's marathon on the eve of the first game, Vancouver lost penalty-killing forwards Matt Cooke and Alexandre Burrows during the game, and found out afterward that

center Ryan Kesler broke his finger.

in "the sixth or seventh overtime," Vigneault.

"He's getting operated on and bia (AP) — The Dallas Stars know outs to break ties during the regular putting pins in there right now as we speak, so he'll be out anywhere from four to five weeks," said Vigneault.

> It's a tough blow for Kesler, a surprise starter in Game 1 just 10 weeks after undergoing hip surgery that was supposed to require a 12-to-16 week recovery.

> "The reason he was ahead of win. We just go back to what we were doing before.'

Cooke, who left the game late in the second period, and Burrows, who skated wobbly off the ice in the first overtime after getting slammed facefirst into the glass, are both listed as day to day. Burrows insisted he didn't suffer the first concussion of his career and hopes to play in Game 2.

"I didn't have headaches or symptoms. I'm recovered and good to go," he said.

Despite playing more than five hours Wednesday, most of the Stars regulars were on the ice for an afternoon practice, including defenseman Sergei Zubov, who played a game-high 55:08 and has now been involved in three of the six longest NHL games.

"The attitude in the dressing room is excellent today," said Stars coach Dave Tippett. "We've been so resilient all year, put ourselves behind the 8-ball so many times and dug ourselves out, and that was the attitude this morn-Kesler finished the game despite ing. Guys were asking, 'What do I do fracturing the finger blocking a shot today to get prepared for tomorrow. You saw it by the number of guys who according to Canucks coach Alain wanted to go on the ice today and get their legs.'

# Tech softball still searching for first Big 12 win of season

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

The Texas Tech softball team, still in search of that elusive first win have new batting helmets. in conference play, has decided to. change things up a bit.



Senior infielder Ashlev Parker said her teammates will wear their old jerseys for the upcoming weekend series against Iowa State, and the team will

The Red Raiders will travel to Ames, Iowa, this weekend for a pair of games against their Big 12 Conference foe.

Earlier in the week, the National Power rankings were released and, despite a less than stellar record in conference play, Tech (17-20, 0-6 Big 12) found itself ranked No. 45. The rankings are calculated according to a team's win-loss record and overall strength of schedule. Tech's schedule was ranked as the eighth toughest in the nation. Junior outfielder Devin Zaragoza said the team's tough conference and schedule is an issue that has not gone unnoticed.

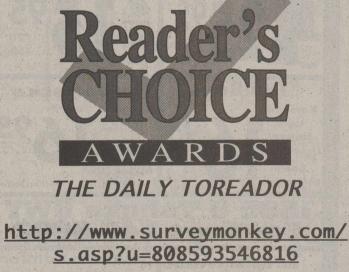


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said. "I mean, there are a lot of good teams, which is good for us because we get to experience that type of play."

Last week, Tech lost to No. 11 Baylor 14-9 in a game remembered primarily for the hitting.

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Parker said her team's problem in it's capable of. its games is plating runners.

"It's been pretty tough," Zaragoza we just haven't been able to score out. One game we have good hitting, runs," she said. "We need to start the next game we have good pitching scoring more runs."

> 12 Conference the hardest to play in. "We've played good games in we'll start playing as a team and winconference, but we have not played up to our level yet," she said. "We're

learning a lot." Parker said she does not know why her team has yet to play at the level

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"That's a good question," she said.

"We've been hitting pitchers, but "That's what we're trying to figure and then we'll have good defense. Parker said many consider the Big We just need to bring all of them

> ning games." Tech has had a rough few weeks; the team has had to cancel games going to build off of that," Parker said because of inclement weather conditions.

"It messes with you a little bit," Parker said of the weather. "We're supposed to go to Iowa and play Iowa State, and there's supposed to be a blizzard. "We had a perfect preseason, and then we have this," she said. "We're

Division I athletes, and that's what we have to deal with."

Tech is not the only Big 12 team struggling for that first conference win as Iowa State (20-30, 0-6) has yet to notch its first conference win.

Alex Johnson leads Iowa State together. Once we get that together, with a .334 batting average, and Alyssa Ransom (8-11, 2.61 ERA) is the ace in the circle for the Cyclones.

"We looked good today, and we're after practice Wednesday. "We're watching our film and trying to see what we can adjust and make our adjustments."

Tech will play the Cyclones at 2 p.m. Saturday in Ames, Iowa, and then again noon Sunday. ▶ jeremy.n.reynolds@ttu.edu



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### **CBS** fires Don Imus from radio show NEW YORK (AP) - CBS ketball team "nappy-headed hos" team spokeswoman Stacey Brann in America, and he was a member MSNBC dropped the simulcast of

fired Don Imus from his radio show on the air last week, but outrage fall for one of the nation's most bolted from his programs. prominent broadcasters.

for calling the Rutgers women's bas- larly young women of color trying

Thursday, the finale to a stunning continued to grow and advertisers

"There has been much discus-Imus initially was given a two- sion of the effect language like this week suspension, to start Monday, has on our young people, particu-

to make their way in this society," CBS President and Chief Executive Officer Leslie Moonves said in announcing the decision. "That consideration has weighed most heavily on our minds as we made our decision."

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said the team did not have an im- of the National Broadcaster Hall mediate comment on Imus' firing but would be issuing a statement later Thursday evening.

Time Magazine once named the cantankerous broadcaster as one Rutgers women's basketball of the 25 Most Influential People

of Fame.

But Imus found himself at the center of a storm after his comments. Protests ensued, and one by one, sponsors pulled their ads from Imus' show. On Wednesday,

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Imus' show.

The Rev. Al Sharpton and Jesse Jackson met with Moonves to advocate Imus' removal, promising a rally outside CBS headquarters Saturday and an effort to persuade more advertisers to abandon Imus.

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# SPORTS

# Pride of Texas: Big 12 foes square off in Austin Men's, women's tennis

#### **By WES SKIPWITH** STAFF WRITER

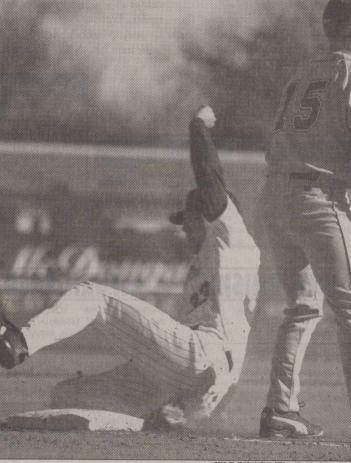
The Texas Tech baseball team faces off against No. 6 Texas today in the beginning of a three-game series in Austin.

This weekend's series against the Longhorns (28-10, 9-3) will be the toughest Big 12 challenge yet this season for Tech (22-13, 5-6). Texas is currently at the top of the Big 12 and has not lost a conference series all year.

Tech coach Larry Hays said Tech does not need to focus on who it's playing this weekend; the players need to treat every opponent the same.

"You don't worry about the name on the uniform," he said. "You just play the game. If you do that then you are going to remain consistent."

The power-packed Longhorn offense is second in the conference with a .328 team batting average. Six of the Longhorns' seven starters average more than .300, including Bradley Shuttle who leads the ball club with a .406 average and is second in the Big 12 in hits with 58. Texas right fielder Kyle Russell has emerged as the dominant power hitter in the conference. His percentage and 48 RBIs.



Balancing out Texas's explosive has combined for a 3.60 ERA,

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20 home runs and 119 total bases offense are its sound defense and good for second in the conference. lead the Big 12. The sophomore pitching. The Longhorns are first Texas' James Russell will start on Hays said. "If Gonzales and Large leads the team with a .915 slugging in the Big 12 in fielding percent- the mound today. In 12 appearage with .978. The pitching staff ances, including 10 starts, the that gives us a couple more pitchers south paw has posted a 7-2 record to use." with 55 strikeouts and 19 walks. Scheduled starter for Saturday is Adrian Alaniz, who is 8-2 with a 2.41 ERA, while the scheduled starter for Sunday is Joseph Krebs, who is 4-0 with a 3.08 ERA.

Russell and company face a batting average and a .698 slugging else." percentage. The right fielder leads 🕨 wesley.a.skipwith@ttu.edu

the conference with 19 doubles and five triples.

Matched up on the mound against UT will be Tech righthander A.J. Ramos. Tech's pitching staff is ranked second to last in the Big 12 with a team ERA of 5.08. Ramos owns a 7-1 record with a 3.72 ERA and leads the Big 12 in strikeouts with 63.

Ramos said he is not going to take a different approach with Texas' hitters than he has for any other game this season.

"If you try to change too much then you end up doing too much," Ramos said. "I just need to keep the ball low and keep it from where they like it."

Rounding out the starting rotation for the Red Raiders are lefthander Josh Scofield, who is 0-1 with a 6.23 ERA, and right-hander Travis Young, who is 3-1 with a 3.07 ERA.

Tech has some health questions coming out of the bullpen. Cory Large, who threw 2 2/3 innings Tuesday, and Paul Gonzales, who threw one inning Tuesday, both have been nursing shoulder inju-

"Since Week 1, our problem has been having enough pitchers that are capable of handling situations," are feeling good this weekend, then

Tech catcher Matt Smith said the team sees the upcoming series against Texas as just another set of road games. It does not matter who the team plays, the players are going to focus on playing ball.

"Texas is a tough team but we Red Raider offense currently tied belong in this conference just as for fourth in the Big 12 in team well as they do," he said. "So we batting average with .296. Tech's need to play our game and not preseason All-American Roger Ki- be intimidated by them. We can eschnick leads the team with a .342 play ball just as good as anyone



# to face high-ranked opponents this weekend

#### **By ADAM COLEMAN** STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech men's and women's tennis teams will finish before the women reach any tour- best record. nament, they have to go through Conference foes - No. 20 Texas A&M 11:30 a.m. Saturday in College Station and No. 15 Baylor 1 4 Baylor at 2 p.m. Sunday at the matches of the season. McLeod Tennis Complex.

prepared for two of the top teams of a good crowd." in the Big 12.

smacked around pretty good."

Last time out, the Tech women prior to its match with Tech. The of them in upcoming weeks. women will face a Texas A&M. best record in the Big 12 at 8-1. said. The Aggies will be led by No. 17 🏓 adam.coleman@ttu.edu

singles player in Anna Lubinsky, who boasts a combined record of 43-12 over the course of the fall and spring seasons. Tech's Janet Durham will be looking to improve her singles wins this weekend one step closer to to 13, keeping pace with teammate the Big 12 Tournament. Still, Samantha van der Drift for the team's

The Tech men (13-6, 1-2) are two of their highest-ranked Big 12 coming off shutouts last weekend against Lamar and New Mexico State.

Tech coach Tim Siegel said the p.m. Sunday in Waco. The men highly ranked Bears comprise a team have a similar task in facing their the Red Raiders are familiar with highest ranked opponent yet: No. and will provide one of the toughest

"We know the team well," Siegel Tech women's coach Cari said of Baylor. "The guys look forward Groce said her team has to be to the opportunity. We'll play in front

Baylor has been ranked as low "There's no doubt that these as No. 8 and as high as No. 2 in the are our two toughest matches of country. The Bears are headlined by the year," Groce said. "I think we two top-20 singles players in No. 16 can go out there and really get after Michal Kokta and No. 13 Lars Poerit and play with a lot of heart and schke. The Bears have only two losses see what we can do. If we're not this season, which came at the hands prepared and don't go out ready of Florida and Ohio State. Tech's to go, then we're going to get Bojan Szmanski is among the best players in the country at No. 39.

Facing No. 32 Oklahoma follow-(9-8, 2-5 Big 12) fell to Kansas ing the Baylor match, Siegel said his State — a team with only one win players are ready for what lays ahead

"These two weeks ahead of us squad with a 5-1 conference re- are very important, but our boys are cord and a Baylor team with the certainly not intimidated," Siegel

### Texans sign free agent receiver Davis

HOUSTON (AP) — The He spent his first three seasons Houston Texans signed free agent receiver Andre Davis on Thursday.

with the Browns and had his best season in 2003 when he had 576 yards receiving with five touch-