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Grenade scare forces school evacuation

SOUTHLAKE (AP) — A suburban Fort Worth elementary school was evacuated for more than an hour Tuesday after a fourth-grader showed up with a hand grenade, authorities said.

The grenade brought to Old Union Elementary School in Southlake still had the pin in it but appeared to be hollow, said Carroll school district spokeswoman Julie Thannum. A bomb squad was called in and removed the device from a classroom.

"The boy wasn't mad at anyone," Cpl. Mike Bedrich of the Southlake Department of Public Safety told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

NATION

Cheney speaks out on Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Dick Cheney accused Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid on Tuesday of pursuing a defeatist strategy in Iraq to win votes in the next election — a charge Reid said did not warrant a response. The two sparred hours after President Bush said he will veto the latest war spending bill taking shape in Congress, which includes a timetable for withdrawing from Iraq.

WORLD

Al-Qaida-linked group claims U.S. deaths

BAGHDAD (AP) — An al-Qaida-linked group claimed responsibility Tuesday for double suicide truck bombings that killed nine U.S. paratroopers in the worst attack on American ground forces in Iraq in more than a year, saying it sent "two knights" for the attack. The Islamic State of Iraq, an umbrella group of Sunni militants that includes al-Qaida in Iraq, said it was behind Monday's double attack on a U.S. patrol base in Diyala province north-east of Baghdad — an area that has seen violence spike since American troops surged into the capital to halt violence there.

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U.S. Military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

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Ranger ordered to silence in Tillman death

By ERICA WERNER
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Army Ranger who was with Pat Tillman when the former football star was cut down by friendly fire in Afghanistan said Tuesday a commanding officer had ordered him to keep quiet about what happened.

The military at first portrayed Tillman's death as the result of heroic combat with the enemy. Army

Spc. Bryan O'Neal told a congressional hearing that when he got the chance to talk to Tillman's brother, who had been in a nearby convoy on the fateful day, "I was ordered not to tell him what happened."

"You were ordered not to tell him!" repeated Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., chairman of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

"Roger that, sir," replied O'Neal, dressed in his Army uniform.

The revelation came as committee members questioned whether, and when, top Defense officials and the White House knew that Tillman's death in eastern Afghanistan three years ago was actually a result of gunfire from fellow U.S. soldiers.

The committee also heard from Jessica Lynch, the former Army private who was badly injured when her convoy was ambushed in Iraq in 2003. She was later rescued by American troops from an Iraqi

hospital, but the tale of her ambush was changed into a story of heroism on her part.

Still hampered by her injuries, Lynch walked slowly to the witness table, took a seat alongside Tillman's family members and said the heroism belonged to others who fought in Iraq, such as her roommate Lori Piestewa, who died in the same ambush in which Lynch was captured.

"The bottom line is the American people are capable of determining

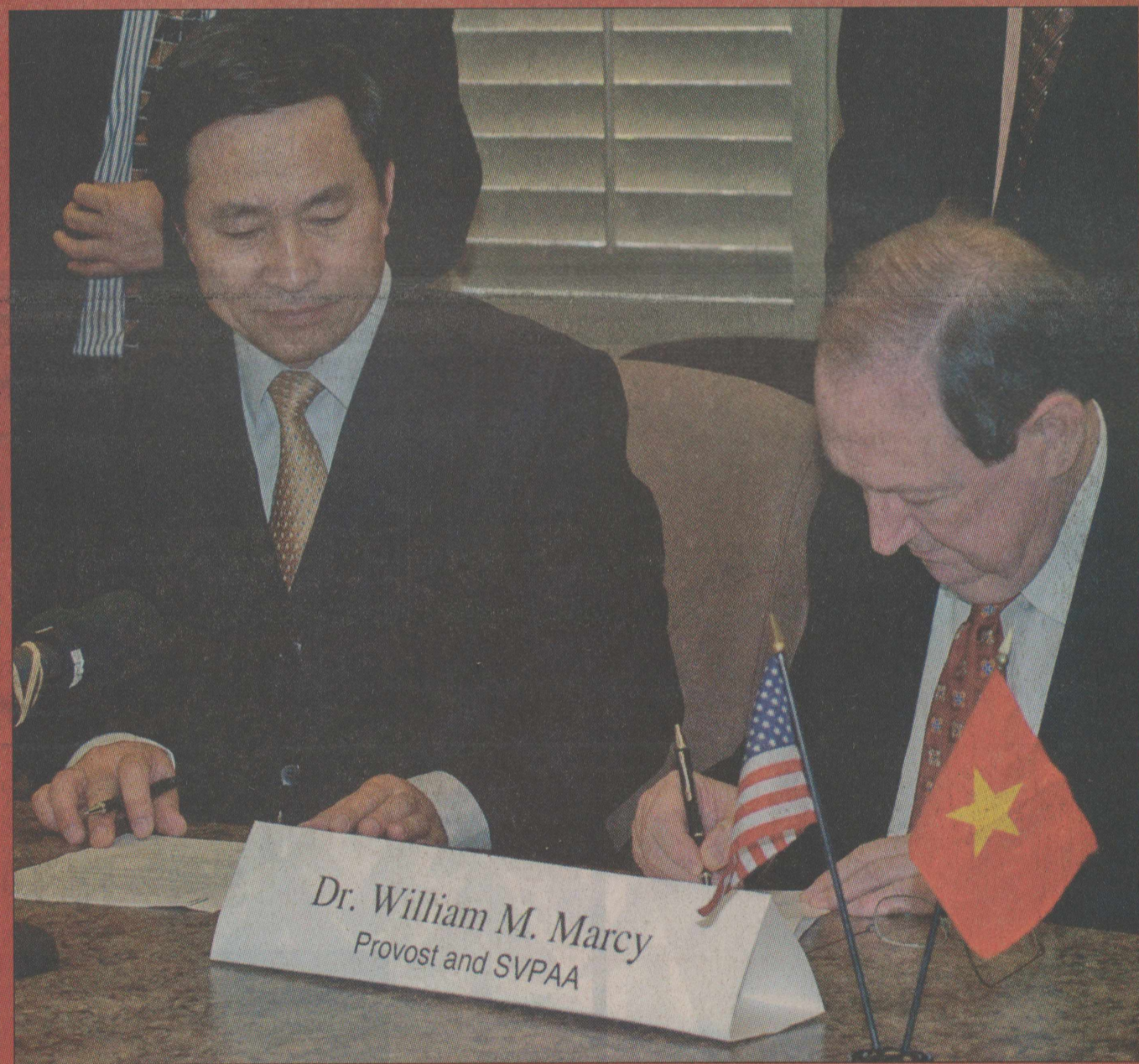
their own ideals of heroes and they don't need to be told elaborate lies," Lynch said.

Tillman's death received worldwide attention because he had walked away from a huge contract with the NFL's Arizona Cardinals to enlist in the Army after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

His family was initially misled by the Pentagon and did not learn

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HELLO, HANOI



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DR. VU THE Hiep, deputy director general of the Institute of International Relations in Vietnam, looks on as Dr. William M. Marcy signs an agreement creating a joint degree program to train future Vietnamese diplomats at Texas Tech, in the administration building Tuesday afternoon. This is the first agreement of its kind between Vietnam and any American College or University.

Agreement allows Vietnamese students to earn degrees at Tech

By BEN MAKI
STAFF WRITER

Some students will soon be traveling from Hanoi, Vietnam, to Lubbock to continue their educations.

A representative from the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, Vu The Hiep, deputy director general of the Institute for International Relations, and Texas Tech Provost William Marcy signed an agreement Tuesday that will bring Vietnamese students to Lubbock.

The agreement is designed to train Vietnam's future diplomats in international relations at both the Institute for International Relations in Hanoi and at Tech.

Ambassador Tibor Nagy, vice provost of foreign affairs, said Vietnam's Institute for International Relations programs are similar to the foreign-officer courses conducted by the U.S. government, except the Vietnamese institute offers degrees, while the U.S. program does not.

Hiep said the agreement is historic in the fact it allows Vietnamese diplomats-in-training to earn their degrees in the United States.

"We think this agreement has a very important signifi-

cance because this is the first agreement of cooperation between the Vietnamese education institution and American training institution," he said.

The agreement, Marcy said, will have a long-lasting impact on diplomatic relations for the United States.

"This is a unique opportunity for Texas Tech University and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Vietnam," Marcy said, "to establish an academic program in which students will complete one year of work in Vietnam and one year of work at Texas Tech University and receive a masters of arts in interdisciplinary studies with an emphasis on American studies. These are the kinds of programs that really reach across thousands of miles and establish relationships that last for a lifetime."

The degree will have a focus on international studies as well.

Hiep said a contributing factor to the agreement is Tech's

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Tech police increase campus safety patrols

By PAUL ROBERTS
STAFF WRITER

Immediately following the shootings at Virginia Tech April 16, Texas Tech police met with different school administrators and student organizations to ensure the Texas Tech campus was safe. During the meetings, Texas Tech police developed a solution to ease students' anxiety.

"We decided to add more coverage," Texas Tech Police Col. Gordon Hoffman said. "With more patrollers out there, it helps instill a sense of security, especially in wake of the Virginia Tech shooting. It makes people feel more at ease."

Over the past week, Texas Tech police have added as many as six police officers per shift to meet the demand for the additional coverage requested, Hoffman said.

The additional coverage includes asking the Lubbock Police Department to assist in maintaining security at Texas Tech.

"We asked the LPD to assist us in drive-throughs on campus," Hoffman said.

Since the shootings at Virginia Tech, Texas Tech police investigated one threat by a student, Hoffman said. However, police who talked with the student determined the student had no intention of carrying out the threat.

Though Texas Tech police received the same weapons training as Lubbock police, Hoffman said it would help to have more patrollers around to add to the sense of security on campus.

"We had a student who alluded to the situation at Virginia Tech that upset quite a few people," Hoffman said. "Our investigators talked to the student and it was quickly resolved."

He said heavy patrolled areas include the Student Union Building, the Texas Tech Library and the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

Hoffman said whether a police officer is patrolling the computer lab of the library or the weight room of the recreation center, he or she is trained to look for the same thing.

"We look for people's reactions and anything out of the ordinary," he said. "How they react around us or any erratic behavior. If anyone sees anything out of the ordinary, be sure to contact a staff member."

When patrolling the streets, officers search for the same type of behavior.

"If someone is pre-occupied with a certain area, maybe circling the area, then we definitely check into that," Hoffman said. "Or if someone is hiding themselves, maybe lying down in the seat."

Hoffman said a number of concerned parents and students attended the student-group meeting. He said they gathered helpful information from a wide audience, including residents of Texas Tech residence halls.

"We wanted to know and reevaluated all types of lines of communications between us and students," Hoffman said.

One solution offered at the meeting is a text-messaging system between the university and students that would send out mass text messages to students in case of an emergency, Hoffman said. One Texas Tech student said he noticed the addition of more police on campus.

Keith Koenig, a senior public relations

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Greek students travel to D.C. in support of housing bills

By **MAGGIE KIELY**
STAFF WRITER

Greek delegates from universities all over the country met in Washington, D.C., last week to support two Congressional bills that could make non-profit student housing more available and affordable.

Chris Huff, a senior international business affairs major from San Antonio, said he and a fellow student went to D.C. to represent Texas Tech and their respective fraternities.

Huff went as the chosen delegate for Kappa Alpha Order, and he was joined by about 150 delegates from other fraternities and sororities from around the country.

"The purpose was to get students together to try and push two different bills," Huff said. "The bills' main goals are really to make housing for students more affordable."

Huff said the first bill the fraternal organizations pushed for was the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act of 2007.

The idea behind the bill is to make donations to off-campus, non-profit organizations — like Greek organizations — tax-deductible.

"Although fraternities and sororities have people who can donate money to keep the houses up and going, it is very difficult for them to do because those contributions are not tax-deductible," Huff said. "A lot of the donors hesitate to give those donations because they are looking for tax-deductions when they are giving to any organization."

According to the Web site thomas.loc.gov, the bill would allow tax-deductions to be made to housing to "provide, improve, operate or maintain collegiate housing that may involve more than incidental social, recreational or private purposes, so long as such grants are for purposes that would be permissible for a dormitory of the college or university."

Rep. Paul Ryan, D-Wisc., said he co-sponsored the bill to make it easier for fraternity and sorority foundations to support basic infrastructure improvements in off-campus, non-profit student housing.

"The goal of this legislation," Ryan said, "is to bring (Internal Revenue Service) treatment of fraternities and sororities and their associated charitable foundations in line with tax policy that applies to tax-exempt

colleges and universities when it comes to upgrading off-campus, non-profit housing."

He said currently, if a charitable group wants to provide funds to a Greek organization to install safety equipment or improve other housing infrastructures throughout student living quarters, that group is limited to upgrading areas that are solely for educational use.

Other areas such as sleeping quarters and dining areas are often neglected, he said.

Huff said even though Greek housing is the largest non-profit housing for college students, the bill is not aimed specifically at Greek housing.

"Nowhere in the bills does it mention Greek housing; it is for any not-for-profit housing," Huff said. "It could be a church if a church wants to build a not-for-profit housing structure."

— **CHRIS HUFF**
TECH STUDENT

Besides keeping rent affordable for students, Huff said another

purpose of the bill is to provide more housing to offset a shortage across the nation. Many students have to pay high rent prices because the non-profit housing is at maximum capacity.

Huff said the other bill the delegates pushed for was the College Fire Prevention Act, which is aimed at preventing fires in college housing.

According to the Center for Campus Fire Safety Web site, campusfire.org, a non-profit organization that compiles information on campus-related fires, 99 people have been killed in student housing nationwide since January 2000.

"There is roughly one fire in a Greek house every two-and-a-half days," Huff said. "The bill would help provide these houses with a little bit of money to put in those safety features into homes."

Safety features include in-home sprinkler systems and Huff said only about 8 percent of Greek homes have this equip-

ment installed.

"The reason we paired this with Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act," Huff said, "is because whatever this bill, Fire Prevention Act, didn't cover in the money that was provided, people could give charitable donations for tax-deductions to finish the safety improvements on the houses."

If passed, the bill would require that Congress provide funding to off-campus, non-profit student housing that needed new or upgraded fire safety equipment.

"We weren't up there just for our school; we were up there representing the Greek system as a whole nationally," Huff said. "We are always looking for ways to make college more affordable."

Huff said he encourages students who want to support the bills to contact their respective representatives and senators and can do so by visiting the Web site, <http://fraternalcaucus.com>.

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Tech police blotter: Close to \$900 stolen from Student Recreation Center

By **PAUL ROBERTS**
STAFF WRITER

April 20

Texas Tech police investigated a theft at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center when a victim reported \$700 was stolen from a secured locker in the men's locker room. According to reports, the victim claimed the money was taken April 18.

Tech police arrested a student for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia after the student was observed conducting suspicious activity in the R-31 parking lot. Police said the student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail, and his vehicle was towed.

Tech police investigated theft from a secured locker in the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation

Center. According to reports, \$170 was reported stolen, and there were no signs of forced entry.

A Tech student was arrested for public intoxication in the Wiggins Dining Hall. Police said the student was released to a responsible party pending the filing of charges of public intoxication.

A Tech student was arrested for an outstanding Lubbock County Sheriff's Office warrant in the Wiggins Dining Hall. Police said the student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

April 21

Tech police investigated graffiti in the third-floor hallway of Wall Residence Hall. According to reports, Spanish words were written with an indelible marker on a closet door of the building.

Tech police arrested a non-student for public intoxication and

furnishing alcohol to a minor. Two students were arrested for possession of alcohol by a minor in a residence room of Hulen Residence Hall. According to reports, the non-student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail. The students were issued a Lubbock County citation and released.

Two Tech students were detained for public intoxication in the Z-1C parking lot. According to reports, one of the students was transported to the Lubbock County Jail and the other was released to a responsible party pending the filing of charges.

A Tech student was arrested in the Sneed Residence Hall lobby for public intoxication. According to reports, police transported the student to the Lubbock County Jail.

Tech police responded to a medical emergency in a room of Gates

Residence Hall where police said a female student was possibly suffering from an overdose. The student was transported to the Covenant Hospital Emergency Room for treatment.

April 22

Tech police detained two students for possession of a dangerous drug and possession of drug paraphernalia in a residence room of Coleman Residence Hall. According to reports, the students were released pending the filing of charges with the Lubbock County District Attorney's Office.

Tech police investigated a burglary of contents inside a residence room of Murdough Residence Hall. According to reports, a Bose iPod dock was stolen from the secured room, along with 15 insulated beverage holders.

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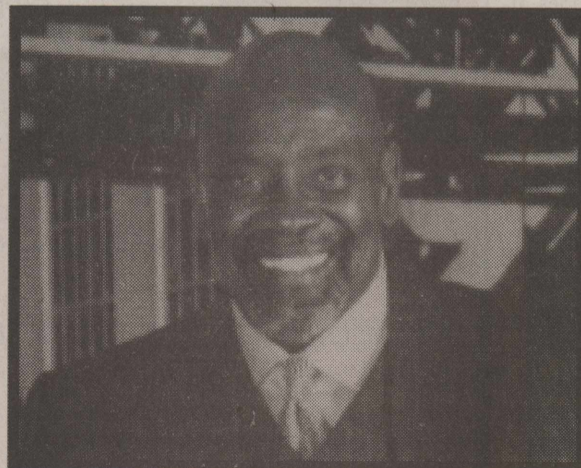
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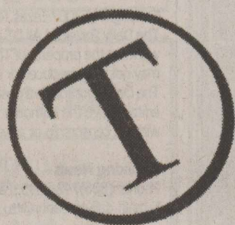
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The cartoon that ran on Friday is an example of poor judgement by *The Daily Toreador* staff. It was correct for the paper to post the artist explanation. However, this explanation was quite weak. *The DT* needs to stop crying about how it should be free from censorship. There is a difference between censorship and not making the daily cut because it is poorly made.

Charles Morton is a 2006 graduate of Texas Tech University who majored in electrical engineering and computer science

The Daily Toreador acts like the First Amendment, which includes the freedom of speech, is its best friend. Those at the newspaper should be thankful for the amendment, but at the same time they should not think those freedoms granted come without responsibility. Just because the newspaper's staff has the liberty to write/draw their opinions does not always make it a good thing to do. On April 20, 2007, Eric Braden and the editors of *The DT* published a controversial "cartoon" that I believe was very tasteless and disrespectful to the Virginia Tech community. I believe this makes the whole Texas Tech community look horrible. At the Texas Tech baseball game, there was a 4-by-10-foot card signed to be sent over to Virginia Tech so we can try to aid in the grief of the Virginia Tech community. This cartoon by Braden potentially takes away all the good will that we have given to the Virginia Tech community. Besides that, the cartoon has no basis in reality. President Bush has been extremely sensitive and respectful to the Virginia Tech community, and this cartoon portrays our president in the exact opposite light. There have been many criticisms of this cartoon, but we are not, at least we should not, be arguing whether *The DT* can print the cartoon. We are arguing that this cartoon cheapens all the respect and good will that the Texas Tech community has been attempting to communicate to the Virginia Tech community. We are arguing that free speech has responsibility, and because of this, *The DT* should not have published this horrendous cartoon about President Bush recklessly shooting the Virginia Tech mascot.

Tim Garbett is a senior exercise and sport sciences major from Plano

Who thought it was a good idea to run a cartoon that lampoons the tragedy at Virginia Tech? Not only was it inappropriate as Texas Tech students, faculty and administration have been working hard to show support for a wounded campus, but our university's primary news publication uses the opportunity to fire a shot across the bow of the president and mock a tragic event. While your cartoon may fall within the borders of freedom of the press, it is completely distasteful and disgusting. I would congratulate you on making Texas Tech the one place that chose to use the event as platform for political satire as your thoughtless piece completely overshadows the good that so many on our campus have tried to do for our friends at Virginia Tech. Today, I am truly saddened to be associated with a university that would do this.

Christopher Snead is the associate vice president of the alumni association and a 1995 Texas Tech University graduate

I find this cartoon disgusting and completely inappropriate. Using a tragedy to advance one's own agenda, regardless of the perceived connectedness, is cowardly and disrespectful. Doing so with a political cartoon is beyond distasteful, it is thoughtlessly vulgar.

There should be consequences for not only the creator, but for all those who should have exercised the control they are entrusted with on behalf of the newspaper and the school that publishes it.

Brett Butler is a 2004 graduate of Texas Tech University who majored in finance

This letter is not concerning the 4/20 cartoon and how irresponsible and ridiculous it was. I've already made my feelings known to Eric Braden regarding the cartoon. My issue in this letter is the fact that you continue to pat yourself on the back for "making students think critically about issues." And further you continually claim that your intention is not to "simply... garner a negative response from the student body." First, you can't say that this cartoon is a success because it makes students think about the issue. Have you read the emails and comments regarding the cartoon? Maybe one or two people discuss gun laws. The overwhelming majority of comments are about how insensitive and absurd it was for your newspaper to publish the cartoon. You've pretty much done the exact opposite of what you claim you did. Instead of having students debate gun laws, which is indeed a noble purpose, students are so irate over your lack of judgment that they have focused solely on the artist and the failure of your staff to be sensitive about a terrible tragedy. Last time I checked (*The Daily Toreador* was) not the issue. But, by printing this cartoon you have made yourselves the issue. No one needs to be talking about you, but that's exactly what you've done by printing this cartoon. Second, I've read several articles defending controversial opinions by your writers. All these articles mention something similar to your "never our intention to print something to get a negative response" comment. The funny thing is, you KNOW that it is EXACTLY your intention to do that. I've talked with several former members of your staff who have told me that your writers will intentionally write something so outrageous just to make the students angry enough to write in to that author. Your paper can then, in turn, show advertisers how many people read and respond to your articles. Don't think that the student body is naive to this tactic either. It has gone on long enough. You continually sit on your high perch and preach the First Amendment to us. Your writings are protected by the First Amendment, but you need to realize that your position as a school newspaper makes it impossible for students to voice any opinion about who writes or what they write about. If you were a private newspaper most of us would simply stop buying a paper. But instead you get to force your paper on the students by placing it in every building every day. So, continue to write articles to intentionally make us mad and continually exploit our angry responses to boost your advertising money. With the monopoly you have on the information given to the students, there's not much we can do to stop you.

Matthew Sherwood is a second-year law student from Amarillo

I would just like for you to know how disappointed I am in having this political cartoon actually published in *The Daily Toreador*, the same paper I so much enjoyed as a young man on campus. Things have certainly changed since my day wherein tragedies weren't played with like political balloons nor were public officials, especially the president of the United States, so acidulously ridiculed just because one is free to do so. All I can say to Eric is that he'll be lovingly accepted in today's media world.

Dr. Robert C. Cody is a 1970 graduate of Texas Tech University

I was appalled by the cartoon that was included in *The Daily Toreador's* April 20, 2007, edition. After a tragedy such as the one that befell Virginia Tech April 16, compassion and sensitivity are the most important principles that need to be observed by not only this nation, but by media outlets in general. The cartoon that was published showed a lack of compassion and forethought on the part of the illustrator, the cartoon section editor and the managing editor of *The DT*. While your position on gun control is protected by the First Amendment, as may be this cartoon, it doesn't excuse the lack of judgment of the staff of *The DT*. Texas Tech could have just as easily fallen victim to this vicious and unprovoked attack. How would the students, faculty, staff and the community of Lubbock feel if our situation was used in a political cartoon? There are certain obligations that come with being a journalist, and this cartoon shows a blatant disregard for those standards of journalistic integrity. Without journalistic principles, what is to separate a paper such as *The DT* from the likes of weekly tabloids sold at supermarkets. *The DT* carries the name of Texas Tech on it and represents not just the staff of *The Toreador*, but everyone associated with this great university. While I will not go so far as to ask *The DT* to write an apology, perhaps that would be the best course of action after this lapse in judgment.

Mitchell Fish is a freshman broadcast journalism major from Flower Mound

In the best of times, freedom of speech is easily supported. In the worst of times, when people disagree heartily or find offense, free speech is the first target of attack. Such is the case with *The Toreador's* editorial cartoon on April 20.

Generally, people expect editorial cartoons to be humorous with some mild political or topical point of view. Occasionally, both cartoons and written opinion pieces carry much stronger messages. I applaud the recent *Toreador* editors who opened a line of local expression through editorial cartoons for creative students on this campus.

No one has to agree with the cartoon, but everyone has a right to respond — which is the very essence of your free speech. Creating avenues for discourse on a broad range of topics is a major duty of responsible journalism.

Whether you like the cartoon's contents or despise them, this is one of the prices we should gladly pay to defend democracy. And, for those who are ready to attack the editors who published the cartoon, I simply say: What lesson in democracy do you offer people in other lands when you are ready to scrap the process because you personally disagree with its outcome?

Attack an idea if you wish, but don't destroy the system that allows you to do so.

Robert Wernsman is a journalism instructor in the College of Mass Communications

Pranks easy way to blow off college pressures

College is one of the most important times in a young adult's life. For many of us, it is the first time we have lived outside our parents' watchful eyes. The experiences that open up before us in such a free state of living can be truly amazing and gratifying. It is a time when we learn skills for our careers, develop social responsibility and create our own self-identity.

There is a great amount of pressure pushing young adults away from doing many things considered "childish" in our society. For example, we are encouraged to complete tasks in a timely manner and have them ready when they are due. Additional concepts include fiscal responsibility and work ethic.

Certainly, many of these lessons are good for those who learn them and for society as a whole. I believe such lessons should be learned and learned well. However, in this rush to become upstanding responsible adults, it is important to remember life shouldn't be only about responsibility and hard work. After all, what is the point of living if you can't have fun sometimes? Maintaining the ability to just have fun and not worry is just as important to a fulfilling life as proper responsibility. In addition, it is also important to remember we aren't out in the real world yet. We still have some leeway before having to adopt every responsible habit.

I endorse the motto of "work hard, play hard." The most important thing to do in college is to make sure you don't flunk out. Better yet, you should try to make good grades. However, if you spend all your time working and studying, you miss out on the whole college experience. This is just as bad as flunking.

One of the things my group of friends likes to do to have fun is to play light-hearted pranks on one another. Some of the pranks are pretty standard and most people will have heard of them before. For example, drawing pictures of genitalia on the faces of sleeping friends or on your next-door neighbors' wallboard is always fun and often copied.

One time, a friend of mine found a thong in the lost-and-found in his residence hall, so he decided to go and put said thong on his community adviser's door. This thong literally traveled around from door-to-door for several weeks. The same friend also likes to dip condoms in hot sauce and chocolate and throw them into the hallway. He cracks me up.

Will Harman



Another one of my friends, who is in English 1302 this semester, wrote a short essay about ethanol as a good substitute for gasoline to run automobiles. At the end, someone added a passage about a "Keystone burning SUV." According to the essay, "the dirty 30 can now get you both physically and mentally to your destination." There were several more parts included that simply are not appropriate for the school paper. What is worse is my friend, unknowing of the edits, actually sent in the altered essay to be graded. The teacher was less than happy, but after my friend explained what happened, he ended up with a good grade. Anyone interested in reading the full paragraph, feel free to e-mail me. You'll love it.

Though most pranks really have no purpose other than a good laugh, I have a friend who actually puts them to a constructive purpose. He will sometimes go into chat rooms and pretend to be a 14-year-old girl to see if he can find pedophiles. After convincing the sleazes "she" wants to have a good time, he tells them he is an FBI agent. He explains attempting to have sexual intercourse with a minor is a felony, and agents are on their way to arrest the predators. Needless to say, Mr. Predator doesn't stay on too long. We get a good laugh, and hopefully, we are scaring twisted individuals into not engaging in their perverse activities.

The moral of the story is it is important to have a good time as well as getting a degree. Maintaining a youthful outlook on having fun can make life much more rewarding as an adult. Though harmless pranks certainly are an entertaining way to get a good laugh, there are many ways people can have a good time. Be creative. Whether you play a prank, go to a party, play a sport or anything else just make sure you have time devoted to leisure. And of course make sure it doesn't hurt you, your grade or anyone else.

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The society we came from

The American Dream is the personal paradise we all aspire to achieve. It promises prosperity and self-fulfillment as rewards for hard work and self-reliance. It offers faith as the possibility of a better life.

Generations of Americans legally were denied this pursuit of happiness prior to racial integration of American schools. As such, I believe you cannot appreciate what has occurred in this generation without understanding the society we came from.

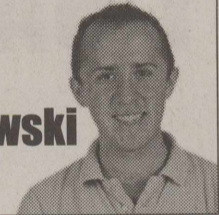
Texas Tech School of Law Professor Cal Lewis grew up in a very segregated society in Southern Virginia. His mom was a domestic, his father, a farmer.

He lived in a world of segregated enclaves. The only time there was an interplay of the races was in the work environment. For his dad, this meant getting together with the white farmers when they went to check on the crop yield.

The year 1954 brought *Brown v. Board of Education*, declaring public schools change "with all deliberate speed." In Lewis' world, you went to the black school; you would pass by white schools on the way.

You could not go to the white school unless you were white — that was "the law." In Lewis' words, "before *Brown v. Board of Education* ... I would have been thrown in jail for attempting to attend a white

Matt Wisnewski



school."

Attitudes that blacks were inferior lingered for generations.

"If they say we were thought of as equals," Lewis said, "you were not from my part of the world."

The black community had its own businesses. There was always a black doctor and black dentist.

"If I had to go to a hospital, it was integrated," Lewis said, "but still there was a black and white ward."

When forced to integrate, Prince Edward County shut down its entire school system. From 1959 to 1964, no child in Prince Edward County could go to a public school.

Under court order to integrate, Lewis' county created "freedom of choice" — students could go to any school they wanted. How much better can you get than that?

Now, how many white kids do you think went to the black schools? Zip. Same black schools, same students, same inferiority of teachers and infrastructure. It took a judge in Richmond, Va., to order the desegregation of schools.

"Integration was forced on us in

1970," Lewis said. "The verdict came down we'll be going to a different school. And for the first time ever in my life, the bus stopped at my house with white people on it."

To say it was a smooth transition would be a gross understatement. Lewis said the teachers were fabulous, but "the principal was nervous; he would talk to the class officers. He would say there would not have been issues in segregation if not for those groups of segregationists. They were dead-set on making it not work."

Eventually these issues started building up and came to a head in October 1970. A terrible melee broke out in a hall at the school. The parents came with their pick-up trucks and rifles.

Lewis said they had the potential for a disaster, "but once that happens, it scares people, and they don't want it to happen again."

Slowly but surely, the students came back. By the middle of the school year, people were beginning to talk to one another. People with similar personalities began to laugh.

Lewis began to see the society change.

"We began looking differently at that point," he said. "It was Bill or Sue or Sally, not 'that black kid.' If you take nothing away from this, it's a society that was very different. It was definitely divided and unequal. It was like living in a separate country in the U.S."

The one thing that stood the ravages of those times was the Constitution.

"That's the one document no one could deny," Lewis said. "It was the Constitution. In the end, the Constitution won."

Everybody makes a change when he or she decides to do right. You come to appreciate what you can do and what your abilities are. You're not always successful, but you try to be honest. We all have our frailties. "These weren't bad people," Lewis said, "but they were victims of their culture and society."

A class in political philosophy introduced me to a uniquely applicable term. "Praxis" was a word used by the ancient Greeks to describe the responsibility of each citizen to serve justice and contribute to society.

Lewis now sits on the School of Law's admissions board. "We use a holistic approach. We try to get people from every socioeconomic strata and region. We're a state institution and we serve the people from of the state who pay us. That's our criteria, a system that's fair, merit based and takes into account all things states and governments want."

Although it is fraught with many ills, be thankful for the society we live in; it could be a lot worse.

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WORLD EVENTS IN BRIEF

Riot breaks out at medium-security prison in Indiana; 2 staff members injured

NEW CASTLE, Ind. (AP) — Inmates staged a two-hour riot at a medium-security men's prison Tuesday, injuring two staff members and setting fires in a courtyard.

Indiana Department of Correction spokeswoman Java Ahmed said more than one cell house was involved in the disturbance at the New Castle Correctional Facility, about 43 miles

east of Indianapolis. Corrections officials sent emergency squads and county and state police to the prison. New Castle Mayor Tom Nipp said the entire city police force

was also activated. Helicopter pictures showed officers in riot gear standing outside the prison fence and at least two fires burning in the courtyard.

Authorities later secured the prison perimeter and confirmed that no inmates escaped, although some were still out of their cells, Indiana State Police Sgt. Rod Russell said.

U.S. and other world powers consider letting Iran keep partial atomic program

ANKARA, Turkey (AP) — The United States and other world powers may be ready to allow Iran to keep some of its uranium enrichment program intact instead of demanding its complete dismantling, foreign government

officials said Tuesday. Officials said some willingness to compromise might advance talks Wednesday in the Turkish capital between top Iranian envoy Ali Larijani and Javier Solana, the European

Union's foreign policy chief. Recognizing that Iran would never accept a complete freeze, the powers are considering "a new definition of enrichment," one diplomat said. Under the proposal, Iran would keep

some of its program intact without actually producing enriched uranium. State Department spokesman Sean McCormack denied that the United States was "considering any proposals that would allow the Iranians to retain

any enrichment-related activities." But another U.S. official who spoke on condition of anonymity suggested there was potentially more flexibility in Washington's position than previously.

Virginia governor may close loophole that allowed gunman to buy his weapons

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Virginia's governor said Tuesday he may be able to single-handedly close the loophole that allowed a mentally ill Seung-Hui Cho to buy the guns he used to kill 32 people at Virginia Tech.

Federal law bars the sale of guns to people who have been judged mentally defective. But it is up to states to report their legal proceedings to the federal government for inclusion in the database used to do background checks on

prospective gun buyers. In Cho's case, a special justice ordered outpatient psychiatric counseling for him in 2005 after determining he was a danger to himself. But because Cho was never committed to a mental

hospital, that order was never entered in the database. Democratic Gov. Timothy M. Kaine said in a radio interview that he may be able to tighten that reporting requirement by issuing an executive

order. "This is the magnet we're all really focusing on. This grabbed our attention," Kaine said later in the day in an interview with The Associated Press.

Classic-car broker who bilked Nicolas Cage and other clients gets 5-year prison sentence

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A classic-car broker who swindled actor Nicolas Cage and other clients before he was caught in Spain was sentenced Tuesday to five years in prison and \$1.8 million in restitution.

Peter Brotman, 47, of Oaks, sold collectables such as a 1964 Rolls-Royce, a 1988 Aston Martin and a 1954 Jaguar on consignment, then kept the money or used it to pay off earlier debts. Cage, identified in the 14-count

indictment as "N.C.," lost \$300,000 in April 2004 when Brotman didn't send him the full proceeds from the sale of three Ferraris and a Cobra. "The guy was extremely knowledgeable in the classic-car industry,"

Assistant U.S. Attorney Floyd J. Miller said after the sentencing hearing. "It's a very insular community of mostly wealthy people. They have these auctions at Pebble Beach, Monte Carlo, other places where the

rich and famous meet." Brotman also defrauded Willow Grove Bank out of \$950,000 they lent him to run his suburban Philadelphia business, Pennsylvania Motor Sports, prosecutors said.

Amazon.com first-quarter profit more than doubles, sends shares higher in trading

SEATTLE (AP) — Web retailer Amazon.com Inc. said Tuesday its first-quarter profit more than doubled, sending shares sharply higher in after-hours trading. The company

also raised its revenue outlook for the year. Quarterly earnings rose to \$111 million, or 26 cents per share, from \$51 million, or 12 cents per share,

during the same period last year. Analysts polled by Thomson Financial had forecast a profit of 15 cents per share. A \$12 million reduction in Am-

azon's tax bite helped nudge results higher, as did a weak dollar against foreign currencies, which added about \$5 million to the bottom line, the company's chief financial officer told

reporters in a conference call. Revenue rose 32 percent to \$3.02 billion, surpassing Wall Street's expectation of \$2.92 billion in sales.

Former congressional aide is 11th convicted in Abramoff influence peddling probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — A former congressional aide pleaded guilty Tuesday to accepting tens of thousands of dollars in gifts from lobbyist Jack Abramoff in an influence-peddling scandal that has touched the White House, Interior

Department and congressional Republicans. Mark Zachares was the 11th person to be convicted in the Justice Department probe. Zachares admitted engaging in official acts on Abramoff's be-

half while working for Rep. Don Young, R-Alaska, who chaired the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. Abramoff assisted Zachares in obtaining his committee post. Zachares left Young's staff in 2005. Young's of-

fice declined to comment Tuesday. "Guilty, your honor," Zachares told U.S. District Judge Ellen Segal Huvelle who asked what plea he would enter to a single count of conspiracy. He faces a maximum of five years in prison, but under federal

sentencing guidelines will probably face two years or less. After the court appearance, defense attorney Edward MacMahon declined to say whether Young was aware of what Zachares was doing on behalf of Abramoff.

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the truth for more than a month. Tillman was awarded a Silver Star based on fabricated accounts — who fabricated them still isn't clear after several investigations.

"We don't know what the secretary of defense knew, we don't know what the White House knew," Waxman said. "What we do know is these were not a series of accidents, these stories. They were calculatedly put out for a public relations purpose. ... Even now there seems to be a cover-up."

Kevin Tillman was in a convoy behind his older brother, a former NFL star, on April 22, 2004, when Pat Tillman was mistakenly shot by other Army Rangers who had just emerged from a canyon where they'd been fired upon. Kevin Tillman didn't see what happened. O'Neal said he was ordered not to tell him by then-Lt. Col. Jeff Bailey, the battalion commander who oversaw Tillman's platoon.

"He basically just said, sir, that uh, 'Do not let Kevin know, he's probably in a bad place knowing that his brother's dead,'" O'Neal testified. "He made it known that I would get in trouble, sir, if I spoke with Kevin."

O'Neal said he was "quite appalled" by the order. Bailey's superior officer, then-Col. James C. Nixon, has testified to the Defense Department's inspector general that he ordered that information on the facts of Tillman's death be shared with as few people as possible so that the Tillman family would not learn those facts through news media leaks. That, in turn, shaped Bailey's guidance to his troops.

The Army said initially that Tillman was killed by enemy gunfire while trying to help another group of ambushed soldiers. The family was not told what really happened until May 29, 2004, a delay the Army blamed on procedural mistakes.

Kevin Tillman and Tillman's mother, Mary Tillman, also testified Tuesday but were not in the room when O'Neal spoke.

After the hearing, Mary Tillman approached O'Neal, introduced herself, embraced him and sobbed.

Kevin Tillman, in his testimony, accused the military of "intentional

falsehoods" and "deliberate and careful misrepresentations" in the portrayal of his brother's death.

"Revealing that Pat's death was a fratricide would have been yet another political disaster in a month of political disasters ... so the truth needed to be suppressed," the brother said.

"Our family will never be satisfied. We'll never have Pat back," Mary Tillman testified. "Something really awful happened. It's your job to find out what happened to him. That's really important."

Last month the military concluded in a pair of reports that nine high-ranking Army officers, including four generals, made critical errors in reporting Tillman's death but that there was no criminal wrongdoing in his shooting — a conclusion the family has disputed. The Army is reviewing the actions of the officers.

In questioning what the White House knew about Tillman, Rep. Elijah Cummings, D-Md., cited a memo written by a top general seven days after Tillman's death warning it was "highly possible" the Army Ranger was killed by friendly fire and making clear his warning should be conveyed to the president. President Bush made no reference to the way Tillman died in a speech

delivered two days after the memo was written.

A White House spokesman has said there's no indication Bush received the warning in the memo written April 29, 2004, by then-Maj. Gen. Stanley McChrystal to Gen. John Abizaid, head of Central Command.

Questioned by Waxman, Defense Department Acting Inspector General Thomas F. Gimble said he did not believe the memo ever went to the White House.

Gimble said that Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld sent him a letter around the time Rumsfeld left office last December saying he hadn't known Tillman's death was from friendly fire until around May 20, 2004. Abizaid told Gimble he was traveling in the war theater and didn't see the memo saying Tillman's death was possibly friendly fire until after Tillman's memorial service.

Mary Tillman dismissed the suggestion Abizaid hadn't seen the memo as "ridiculous," and said she believed Rumsfeld must have known. "The fact that he would have died by friendly fire and no one told Rumsfeld is ludicrous," she said.

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major from Houston, said a police officer standing behind him at the recreation center startled him at first glance.

"I was watching some friends play basketball, and I turned around to see this police officer standing right behind me," Koenig said.

The sight of the police officer surprised Koenig so much he had to turn around again for a second glance to be sure his eyes were not fooling him.

"The officer laughed a little and said, 'I'm probably scaring a lot of people right now, but I'm just watching,'" Koenig said. "He then told me the Tech police are trying to be more visual to students and he introduced himself."

Hoffman said Koenig's reaction is exactly what Texas Tech police aimed for.

"We have heard a lot of compliments," Hoffman said. "Our officers said students approach them and tell them they are adding to the sense of security on campus. That's good. I think that's what we're trying to do."

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Hanoi

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Vietnam Archive. "Texas Tech University has an outstanding Vietnam center," Hiep said, "to which it has a huge center about our country, about Vietnam, and about relationships between Vietnam and America."

Steve Maxner, deputy director of The Vietnam Archive at Tech, said members of the archive have been visiting Vietnam for years and developing a relationship with the Vietnamese government.

Hiep said he expects the program to expand in the future.

"Texas Tech University can offer our students a chance to learn at a M.A. program study and the next step: Ph.D. study," Hiep said.

The agreement will eventually include a doctoral program, but it will take at least another year to get that part of the program organized, Marcy said.

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Tech professor studies ways to eliminate E. Coli

By GLENYS BOLLS
STAFF WRITER

A Texas Tech faculty member is researching methods to reduce the occurrence of *Escherichia coli* and salmonella in meat.

Mindy Brashears, an associate professor in Animal and Food Sciences and the director of the International Center for Food Industry Excellence, has been working on various measures to eliminate harmful bacteria like *E. coli* and salmonella in cattle and poultry before the cattle are slaughtered to ensure the safety of the foods people eat, according to a press release from the Office of Communications and Marketing.

The ground-beef industry has experienced a reduction in the number of recent recalls, Brashears said, but the occurrence of recalls on other products has increased. Because of this, she said she believes the overall number of recalls in the food industry has remained the same.

Brashears also is looking for ways to eliminate the bacteria in meat, rather than in the live animal, according to the press release. She recently developed a mixture of lactic-acid bacteria

shown to reduce food-borne pathogens in processed beef and poultry by as much as 99.99 percent.

"It's basically the type of bacteria you'd find in yogurt," Brashears said. "We spent years isolating it."

Brashears said she began with 600 different types of bacteria that she eventually narrowed to the four that did the best job of eliminating the *E. coli* bacteria. The four were fed to cattle and then narrowed to the two bacteria that had the greatest positive effect on the cattle. Those two were combined and then added to the cattle feed.

"It increased the feed to gain ratio, which means the cows gained more weight on the same amount of feed," Brashears said. "It improves the cattle's health performance, too, as an added benefit."

Contaminated beef — which was produced between April and May 2006 — had been located in California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Arizona.

An official at United Supermarkets in Lubbock said the grocery store chain had not been affected by the recall.

"No, apparently we were not," said Eddie Owens, the director of corporate communications for United Supermar-

kets. "Anytime there is a food recall that affects us, the department directors are very quick to let me know."

Although Owens said he did not know exactly where United's beef comes from, he said it was unlikely the contaminated beef would be in Lubbock.

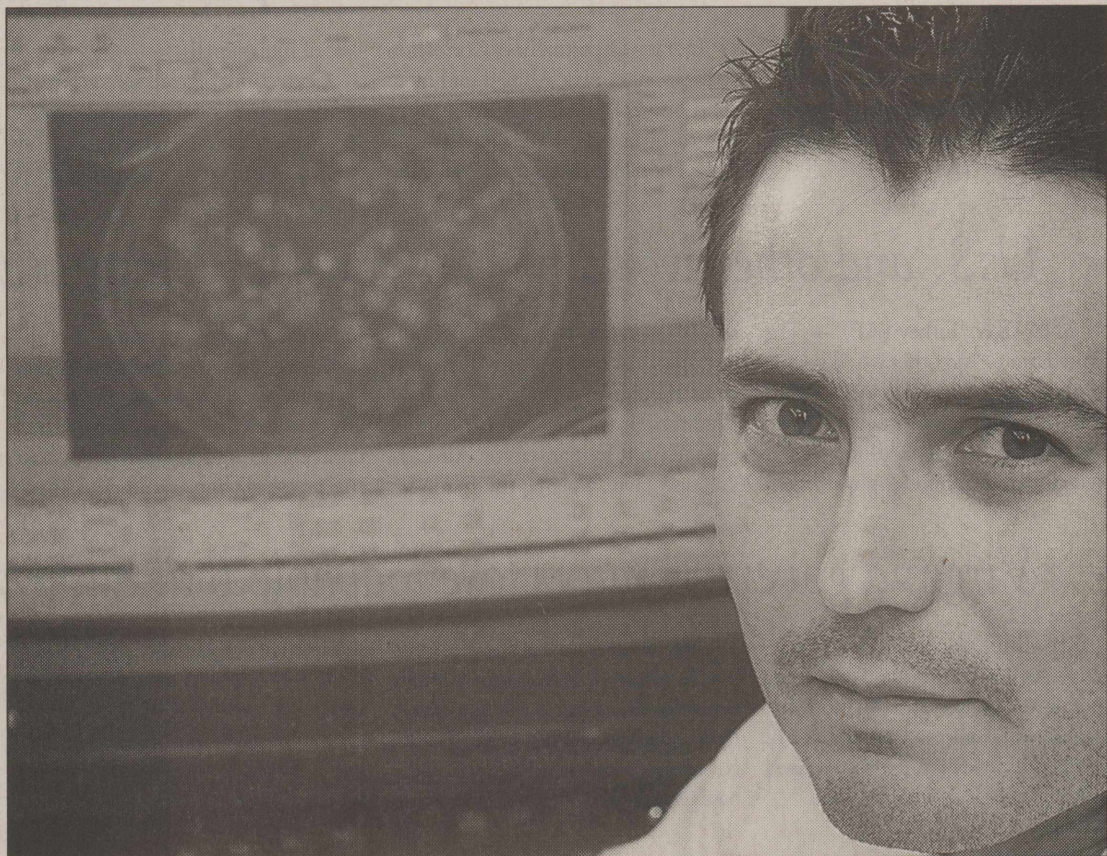
"Probably not," Owens said. "They usually can track every bit of the affected food by barcodes."

Saturday's beef recall in California is the latest in a string of food product recalls in recent months. Fresh spinach and ground beef were recalled separately from August through October, Peter Pan peanut butter was recalled in February and various pet food brands were recalled in March.

Owens said he believes the kind of research Brashears is doing will positively affect the food industry.

"I think that would be a great boom, not only for us but for the entire food industry," Owens said. "Because of the fact that there are fewer farms producing food for the entire nation, the opportunity is greater for *E. coli* or for any kind of health risk to be broad-based. When one thing is affected, other things are affected."

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ALEJANDRO ECHEVERRY, A student in animal and food sciences from Medellin, Colombia, poses next to a picture of the *E. Coli* O157:H7 bacteria Tuesday in the Experimental Sciences building. Echeverry said there are thousands of different strains of *E. Coli*, but "this one is especially bad."

College of Education: Students recognized for excellence

By NAOMI KASKELA
STAFF WRITER

Caribbean music, food and conversation were all part of the student relations event hosted by the College of Education Tuesday afternoon.

Judy Simpson, assistant dean for resource development and public relations, said the event was conducted to bring faculty members and students from the College of Education together.

The first part of the event featured a cook-out, while the second part featured an awards ceremony.

The yearly event began three years ago and is popular among some of the students in attendance.

Jacqueline Romano, a doctoral student in curriculum and instruction from Riverside, Calif., said she enjoyed the warmth she felt in the people in attendance at the cook-out.

"It connects us in a very special way," she said. "You know everybody, you say 'hi' to everybody; you give hugs to everybody."

Romano said she enjoyed being able to interact with fellow students as well as professors and other individuals from the College of Education.

Simpson said recognizing students was another reason for the event.

"(We give out) just all sorts of awards because if students

weren't here, we wouldn't be here," she said.

Awards given out at the ceremony included research awards for students who had written papers throughout the year, awards to recognize outstanding student-staff members and awards for students who made presentations at conferences.

Romano is receiving several awards for her presentations made at conferences throughout the year, she said.

This year, she presented at four conferences, while last year she presented at six.

Kevin Gosselin, a graduate student in educational psychology from Tempe, Ariz., said he is receiving an award as well,

but at press time, he had not been informed of what the award is for.

He said this is first year he has attend either the cook-out or award ceremony, but he is planning on attending the events in the future.

The collaborative nature of the College of Education is one reason he decided to attend this year, he said, because it allowed him to show his support to fellow students and other individuals present.

Both Gosselin and Romano said they feel it is important for the College of Education to recognize its students.

Romano said a connection needs to be made between the faculty members and students to enhance progress within the college.

"I think being in the College of Education has really changed my life in a very positive way," she said.

Gosselin said he enjoyed many aspects of the cook-out portion of the event — especially the music.

He said the reactions he has heard from other individuals present were all positive.

"Looking down the line, I see a lot of smiling faces and happy people," he said.

Simpson said the event is open to all students in the College of Education.

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European astronomers find potentially habitable planet outside solar system

WASHINGTON (AP) — For the first time astronomers have discovered a planet outside our solar system that is potentially habitable, with Earth-like temperatures, a find researchers described Tuesday as a big step in the search for "life in the universe."

The planet is just the right size, might have water in liquid form, and in galactic terms is relatively nearby at 120 trillion miles away. But the star it closely orbits, known as a "red dwarf," is much smaller, dimmer and cooler than our sun.

There's still a lot that is unknown about the new planet, which could be deemed inhospitable to life once more is known about it. And it's worth noting that scientists' requirements for habitability count Mars in that category: a size relatively similar to Earth's with temperatures that would permit liquid water. However, this is the first outside our solar system that meets those standards.

"It's a significant step on the way to finding possible life in the universe," said University of Geneva astronomer Michel Mayor, one of 11 European scientists on the team that found the planet. "It's a nice discovery. We still have a lot of questions."

The results of the discovery have not been published but have been submitted to the journal *Astronomy and Astrophysics*.

Alan Boss, who works at the Carnegie Institution of Washington where a U.S. team of astronomers competed in the hunt for an Earth-like planet, called it "a major milestone in this business."

The planet was discovered by the European Southern Observatory's telescope in La Silla, Chile, which has a special instrument that splits light to find wobbles in different wave lengths. Those wobbles can reveal the existence of other worlds.

What they revealed is a planet circling the red dwarf star, Gliese 581. Red dwarfs are low-energy, tiny stars that give off dim red light and last longer than stars like our sun. Until a few years ago, astronomers didn't consider these stars as possible hosts of planets that might sustain life.

The discovery of the new planet, named 581 c, is sure to fuel studies of planets circling similar dim stars. About 80 percent of the stars near Earth are red dwarfs.

The new planet is about five times heavier than Earth. Its discoverers aren't certain if it is rocky like Earth or if it's a frozen ice ball with liquid water on the surface. If it is rocky like Earth, which is what the prevailing theory proposes, it has a diameter about 1 1/2 times bigger than our planet. If it is an iceball, as Mayor suggests, it would be even bigger.

Based on theory, 581 c should have an atmosphere, but what's in that atmosphere is still a mystery and if it's too thick that could make the planet's surface temperature too hot, Mayor said.

However, the research team believes the average temperature to be somewhere between 32 and 104 degrees and that set off celebrations among astronomers.

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ALISON DUNCAN, A senior photo-communications major from Roscoe, digitally edits photographs Tuesday afternoon in the basement of the Mass Communications building for a final in her senior portfolio class.

Roger Ebert to attend film fest after cancer surgery

CHICAGO (AP) - Roger Ebert plans to attend his annual festival for overlooked movies this week, returning to public view for the first time since having cancer surgery.

The 64-year-old film critic had surgery June 16 to remove a cancerous growth on his salivary gland. He also had emergency surgery July 1 after a blood vessel burst near the site of the operation.

In a column in Tuesday's Chicago Sun-Times, Ebert wrote that what happened was

cancer of the salivary gland had spread to his right lower jaw. A segment of the mandible was removed, and two operations to replace that segment were both unsuccessful, "leading to unanticipated bleeding."

A tracheostomy, which opens an airway through an incision in the windpipe, was done, meaning Ebert cannot speak.

"The doctors now plan an approach that does not involve the risk of unplanned bleeding. If all goes well, my speech will be restored," he wrote.

Ebert will watch the ninth annual Overlooked Film Festival, which begins Wednesday night at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, from the audience. "I will be wearing a gauze bandage around my neck, and my mouth will be seen to droop."

"I was told photos of me in this condition would attract the gossip papers," he wrote. "So what?"

Ebert wrote that friends were worried about unflattering photos of him being taken

and unkind comments being written. He wrote that he doesn't care. "We spend too much time hiding illness."

Ebert has been a film critic at the Chicago Sun-Times since 1967.

He has co-hosted the "Ebert & Roeper" television show with fellow Sun-Times columnist Richard Roeper since 2000. Film critics and filmmakers have been submitting for Ebert during his recovery.

NBC sets low mark in primetime ratings

NEW YORK (AP) — The news keeps getting worse for NBC, which set a low-water mark for prime-time viewership for the second straight week.

One week after NBC averaged 6.8 million viewers — its smallest in-season audience since at least 1987, and probably well before — the network sank to 6.2 million last week, according to Nielsen Media Research.

"They are just in a complete mess," said Marc Berman, a television analyst for Media Week Online.

NBC notes that TV viewership in general is lower, with all of the broadcast networks down 10 percent from last year over the past three weeks, and that the network has been airing several reruns to hoard original series episodes for the May ratings sweeps.

But the network had only three shows among Nielsen's 30 most popular last week — two of them editions of the game show "Deal or No Deal." None of the week's top 16 shows were on NBC.

Aging franchises "Law & Order" and "The Apprentice" aren't helping, Berman said. NBC's Thursday comedy lineup, while critically acclaimed, hasn't broken through to a mass audience with shows such as "The Office" and "30 Rock."

An original episode of "Scrubs" last week drew only 5.6 million viewers, Nielsen said.

"They coasted on Thursdays for over a full decade and they can't do it anymore," Berman said. "What are they going to do now? They're in a lot of trouble."

One bright spot on Monday was the return of "Heroes" from a hiatus with 12 million viewers and first place in its time slot among youthful viewers. Still, the series had been averaging 14.8 million viewers before

going on a break.

Despite the tough prime-time circumstances, NBC's "Nightly News" held off ABC's surging "World News" to win the evening news competition. NBC's victory came primarily because it won on the evening of the Virginia Tech shootings and on the night when it first aired pictures sent by the campus massacre's shooter. For the week, NBC averaged 8.6 million viewers (6.0 rating, 13 share), ABC had 8.5 million (5.9, 13) and the "CBS Evening News" 6.6 million (4.7, 10).

Fox won the prime-time ratings race, averaging 10.3 million viewers (6.3 rating, 11 share). CBS had 9.6 million (6.2, 10), NBC 6.2 million (4.2, 7), the CW 3 million (2.0, 3), My Network TV 810,000 (0.6, 1) and the ion network had 590,000 (0.4, 1).

Among the Spanish-language networks, Univision averaged 3.8 million viewers (2.1 rating, 3 share), Telemundo had 920,000 viewers (0.5, 1), TeleFutura 530,000 (0.3, 1) and Azteca 150,000 (0.1, 0).

A ratings point represents 1,114,000 households, or 1 percent of the nation's estimated 111.4 million TV homes. The share is the percentage of in-use televisions tuned to a given show.

For the week of April 16-22, the top 10 shows, their networks and viewerships: "American Idol" (Wednesday), Fox, 28.93 million; "American Idol" (Tuesday), Fox, 26.55 million; "House," Fox, 22.41 million; "Grey's Anatomy," ABC, 21.13 million; "Dancing With the Stars" (Monday), ABC, 18.87 million; "Dancing With the Stars Results" (Tuesday), 16.54 million; "Desperate Housewives," ABC, 15.91 million; "CSI: Miami," CBS, 15.36 million; "Survivor: Fiji," CBS, 13.33 million; "Two and a Half Men," CBS, 13.03 million.

Spice Girl names daughter after ex-boyfriend Murphy

NEW YORK (AP) — Melanie Brown has given her baby daughter the surname of ex-boyfriend Eddie Murphy, the former Spice Girl said in a statement Tuesday.

Brown, 31, gave birth to Angel Iris Murphy Brown on April 3 in Santa Monica, Calif. She listed Murphy's name on

the birth certificate.

She said the name was inspired by a number of things.

"Angel, as she was my little angel through my pregnancy. Iris, as it's my grandma's name, Murphy because he's the dad, and Brown, because I'm the Mum!" the statement said.

Murphy, 46, has said he's not

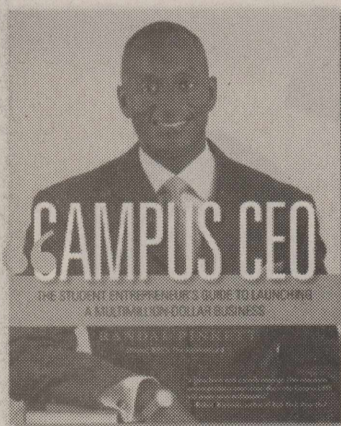
sure he's the father.

Brown, known as Scary Spice when she was in the megahit group of the '90s, has an 8-year-old daughter, Phoenix Chi.

Murphy, whose screen credits include "Dreamgirls," has five children from his marriage to Nicole Mitchell Murphy.

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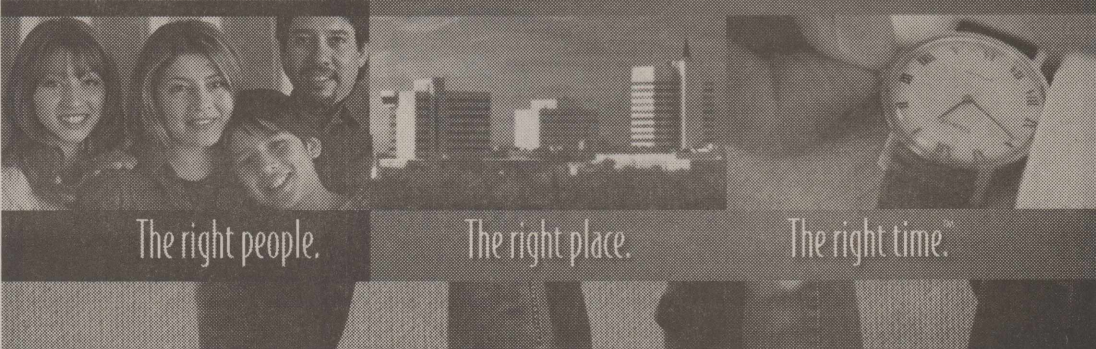


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Tech baseball eager for win to sweep TCU

By WES SKIPWITH
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech baseball team looks to sweep No. 27 TCU in a make-up game today in Fort Worth.

The two teams met earlier this season at the Whataburger College Classic March 11 in Corpus Christi. Led by the arm of Colt Hynes, the Red Raiders defeated the then-No. 23 Horned Frogs 4-1. Hynes pitched a complete game, allowing one earned run on six hits with 11 strikeouts.

The second match-up has been difficult to complete for the two teams. Originally scheduled for March 12 in Lubbock, the game was postponed because of wet-field conditions. Both teams rescheduled the game for Tuesday in Fort Worth, but the game was pushed back to today because of inclement weather forecasted in the area.

Since last facing TCU, Tech (25-17) has .500 winning percentage, having won 10 out of 20 games. TCU (30-10) has won 19 of 23 since facing Tech, including wins over Baylor and Oklahoma.

The Horned Frogs are 17-1 at home this year, while Tech is 3-7 on the road.

TCU's pitching staff has a team ERA of 4.21. Sam Demel has been the go-to guy of the bullpen. In 20 relief appearances, the right-hander is 4-1 with a 2.90 ERA and six saves.

Offensively, the Horned Frogs boast a .318 team batting average. Keith Conlon leads the team hitting .391 with a .641 slugging percentage, while Austin Adams has been providing the power with a team-high seven home runs and 42 RBIs.

Tech coach Larry Hays, whose pitching staff has a combined ERA of 4.99, said he will use pitching by committee against TCU, meaning he will use more pitchers than normal to keep the rest of the staff fresh for this weekend's series against Missouri.

"We are going to have to divide it up," Hays said. "(We will) not use anyone to the point to where we can't use them on the weekend."

Today's game will be Tech's fifth in the last six days. Tech coach Larry Hays said he is not

worried about his team becoming physically tired, and he believes the added playing time will help.

"Maybe playing a lot of games close together will get us relaxed and get some guys producing that haven't," Hays said, "and maybe we can start getting some rhythm offensively."

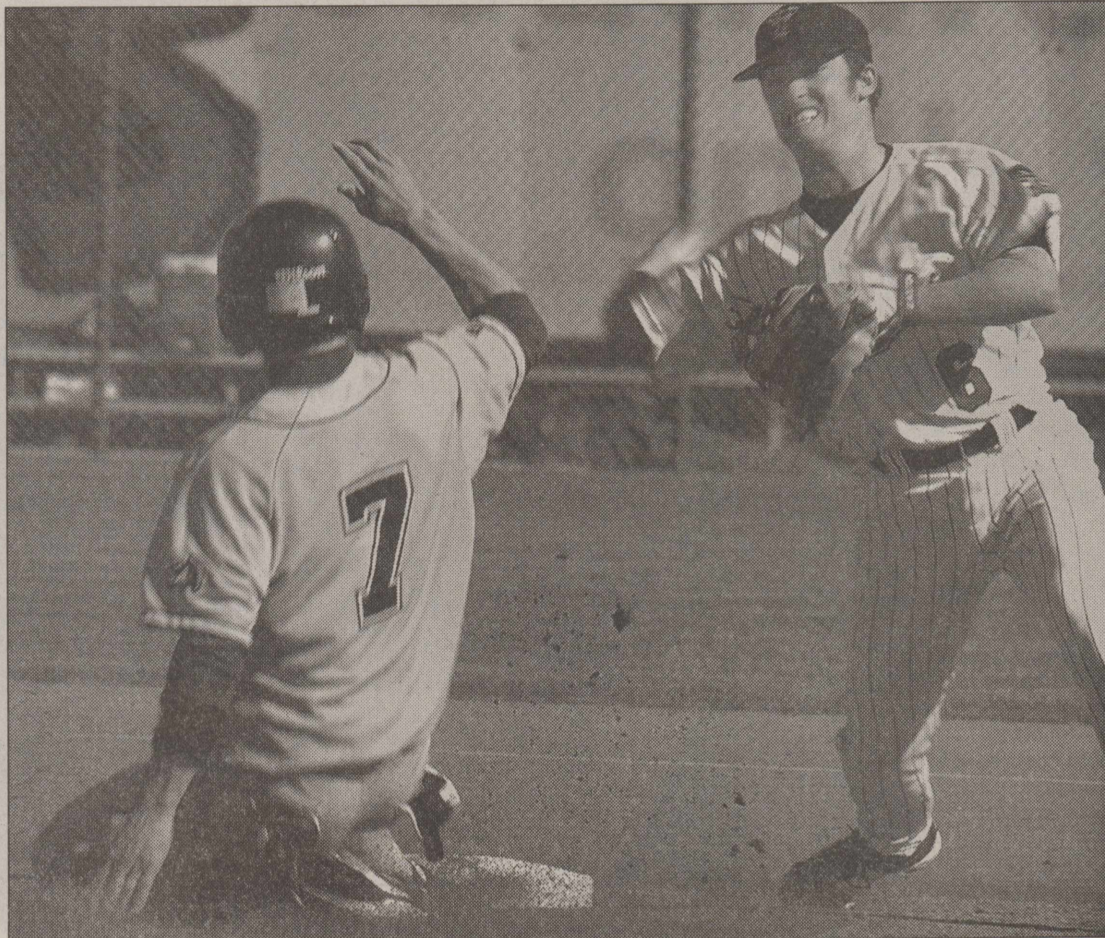
Tech's Doug Thennis has batted .450 over the past four games with five RBIs, three runs, a triple and a home run. He is second on the team with a .325 batting average. Leading Tech is Roger Kieschnick with a .335 batting average, 11 home runs and 123 total bases.

Kieschnick said it is important for Tech to win against TCU so the team can get on a roll going into Missouri for a crucial Big 12 series.

"It's definitely a big game for us," Kieschnick said. "We beat them in Corpus, and we definitely want to go to their place and get a win. We want to have a good game to get ready for this weekend."

Tech and TCU will take the field at 6:30 p.m. today at Lupton Stadium in Fort Worth.

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TEXAS TECH'S JOEY Kenworthy throws to first base during a game at Dan Law field.

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and author David Halberstam, 73, killed in Calif. car crash

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — David Halberstam, the journalist whose acclaimed books included a towering study of the Vietnam War and a poignant portrait of aging baseball stars, died while heading to an interview for a new work.

The 73-year-old writer was killed in a car crash Monday while working on a book about the legendary 1958 NFL championship game between the Baltimore Colts and the New York Giants. He was on the way to interview Hall of Fame quarterback Y.A. Tittle while researching "the greatest game ever played."

Halberstam was riding in a car that was broadsided by another vehicle in

Menlo Park, about 25 miles south of San Francisco, authorities said. He was pronounced dead at the scene, and the cause appeared to be internal injuries, according to San Mateo County Coroner Robert Foucault.

"The world has lost one of our greatest journalists," said Arthur Sulzberger Jr., publisher of The New York Times, where Halberstam won a Pulitzer Prize in 1964 for his Vietnam coverage.

Halberstam's 1972 best-seller, "The Best and the Brightest" a critical account of U.S. involvement in Southeast Asia and especially Defense Secretary Robert McNamara, established him as one of the most commit-

ted journalists of his generation.

"He was the institutional memory of the Vietnam War. I think he understood it better than any other journalist," said former CNN correspondent Peter Arnett, who won a Pulitzer for Vietnam coverage in 1966 while with The Associated Press.

By contrast, Halberstam's 2003 book "The Teammates: A Portrait of a Friendship" told the story of Boston Red Sox great Ted Williams and his decades-long relationship with teammates Bobby Doerr, Johnny Pesky and Dom DiMaggio.

Pesky, 87, remembered Halberstam as "spellbinding. He was just an outstanding man."

Halberstam's other books included "The Powers That Be," a 1979 undressing of the titans of the news media; "The Fifties," his 1993 chronicle of that decade's upheavals; "Summer of '49," his account of that year's Yankees-Red Sox rivalry; "The Reckoning," about the U.S. auto industry; and "The Children," a 1999 narrative about the civil rights movement.

His 2002 best-seller, "War in a Time of Peace" — an examination of how the lessons of Vietnam have influenced American foreign policy in the post-Cold War era — was a runner-up for the Pulitzer Prize in nonfiction.

His book "The Coldest Winter," an account of a key early battle of the Korean War, is scheduled to be published in the fall.

At the time of the accident, Halberstam was being driven to an interview with Tittle, who played with the San Francisco 49ers against the Colts two weeks before Baltimore defeated the Giants, 23-17, to win the 1958 championship.

The drivers of the two cars were injured, but not seriously. Halberstam was being driven by a graduate journalism student from the University of California at Berkeley, where he had visited over the weekend. The crash remained under investigation, and the Menlo Park police officer on duty early Tuesday said no further information was available.

Kevin Jones, 26, who was driving Halberstam, was devastated by the accident.

"It's like the ultimate failure, I had one easy thing to do — drive this man to his interview and I couldn't even do that," he told the

San Jose Mercury News. "I'm still crying. I feel like my life's crumbling around me."

As word of Halberstam's death spread, tributes and remembrances poured in for the veteran reporter whose deep baritone matched the heft of his nonfiction narratives.

"The thing about David Halberstam was that he stayed the course and he kept the faith in the belief in the people's right to know," said George Esper, who spent 10 years in Vietnam with The Associated Press.

Neil Sheehan, former Saigon bureau chief for United Press International, said he had lost his best friend, a man of enormous physical and mental energy who had "profound moral and physical courage."

"We were in Vietnam at a time when we were being denounced by those on high," said Sheehan, who went on to write "A Bright Shining Lie," a Pulitzer-winning account of the Vietnam War. "There was tremendous pressure. David never buckled under it at all."

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Tech club tennis team receives invite to USTA Nationals

By ADAM COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

Less than a year old, the Texas Tech Intramural Tennis Club has been invited to the 2007 USTA National Campus Championship beginning Thursday in Cary, N.C.

Team captain Bobby Sivixay, a senior pharmacy major from Amarillo, said the club has grown in numbers over a small amount of time.

"(It was) officially established this semester," Sivixay said. "It started off with about 16 of us, and with the 16, we competed in tourna-

ments together this semester. (We) recruited a bunch of Tech students through Tech Announce. We went from 16 to about 45 members in the club."

Tech's tennis club was chosen from a variety of university teams, including Miami (Fla.), Virginia Tech Ohio, Harvard, Texas A&M, Texas and Colorado.

Glenn Arington, one of the hosts of the USTA, said the selection process allows most teams the opportunity to be a part of a growing tournament.

"We have a 64-team pool; 50 percent get in through bids; the

other 50 percent are first come first serve," Arington said. "We think that's unique, and it gives everybody a chance to participate."

The USTA National Campus Championship is in its seventh year. The tournament features 64 teams from various parts of the country and is the culmination of the 2007 USTA Tennis on Campus season. The USTA Tennis on Campus season includes co-ed teams playing intramural tennis using the World Team Tennis format. Although there are 64 teams participating in the tournament, there are currently

400 colleges and 25,000 students active in the USTA Tennis on Campus program.

Chief Executive of Community Tennis Kurt Kamperman said the USTA program has helped students stay involved on their respective college campuses.

"The Tennis on Campus program has done a great job allowing these kids and their friends to stay involved with tennis," Kamperman said.

The USTA National Championship started with only 10 teams but continues to grow as it gains support from many different organi-

zations. Some of those partnerships include the Intercollegiate Tennis Association and World Team Tennis. All of the 64 intramural programs invited to the tournament have been established over the last eight years.

One of the active supporters of the USTA National Campus Championships is professional tennis legend Billy Jean King, who is the co-founder of World Team Tennis. King has been active in allowing students to be a part of the tournament.

King said she looks forward to rallying support for the students in

the tournament and because the tournament is co-ed makes it more interesting.

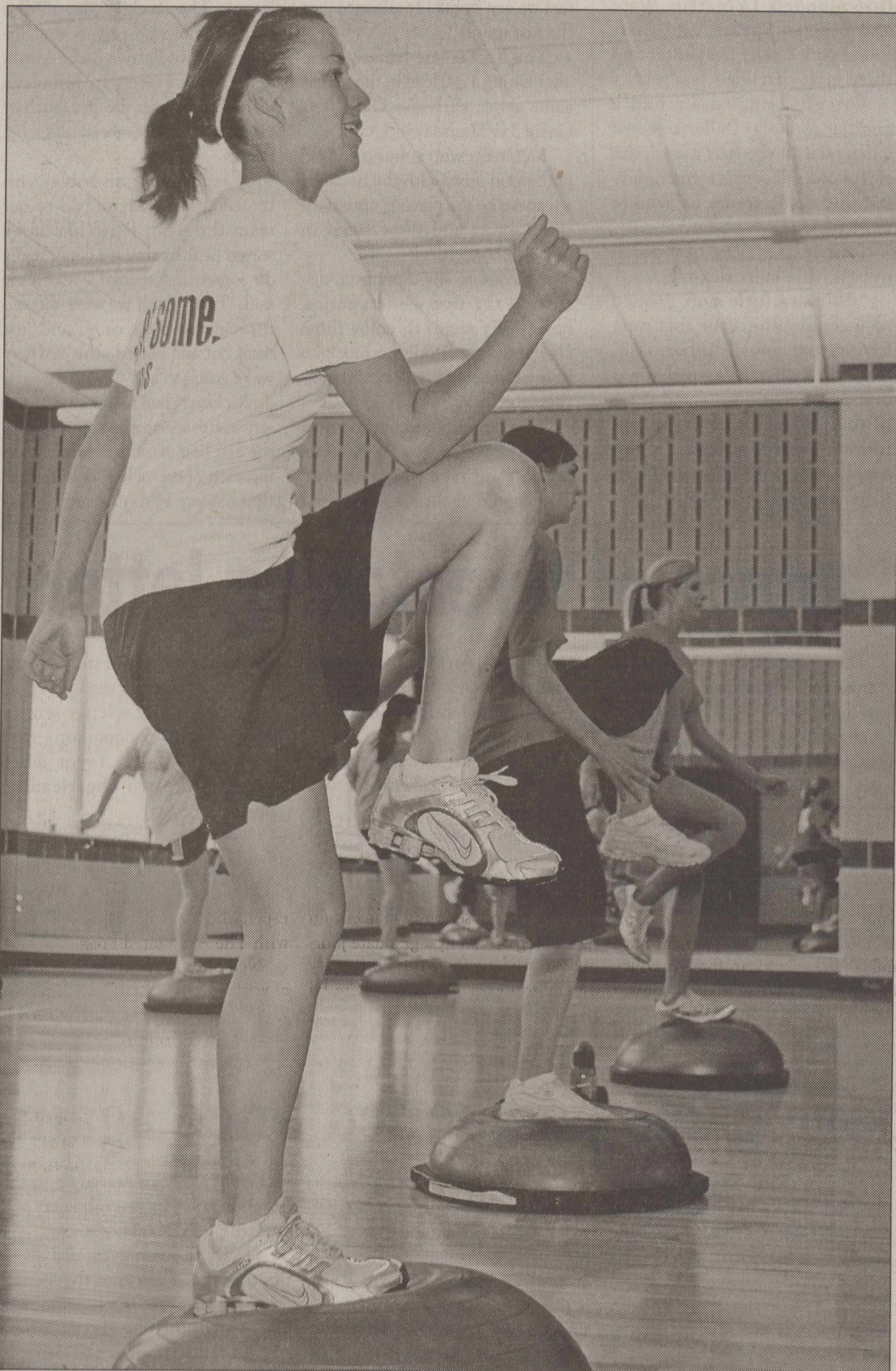
"I'm just excited we're all working together to really help our sport," King said. "The co-ed aspect is huge. It's like fraternities and sororities playing together."

Sivixay said the club welcomes the invitation to the tournament.

"It's definitely a big accomplishment," Sivixay said. "It's like an honor itself because this semester coming in we didn't know what direction to go, and we just went with the flow pretty much."

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STEP IT UP



KELLY MATHERLY/The Daily Treador

FROM LEFT: JENNIFER Scaramuzzo, a junior nutritional science major from Clyde, Melissa Medley, a junior cellular and molecular biology and Spanish major from Spring, and Monica Seymour, a nutritional science major from Lubbock do exercises on a BOSU ball during a BOSU class at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center Tuesday morning.

Piniella learns losing, Cubbie style

CHICAGO (AP) — His hands jammed into his back pockets, his blue cap pulled tightly over graying hair, Lou Piniella prowls and paces the dugout daily, intently studying the game in front of him. So far, he's been watching a rerun.

Yes, it's early. And it's also so familiar.

The Chicago Cubs are in last place.

The swagger Piniella envisioned with a team that was overhauled in the offseason — with \$300 million committed to contracts present and future — has yet to surface.

"We broke spring training really thinking we have a championship ballclub," said Mark DeRosa, one of the offseason acquisitions. "If you went around and still asked the same question, to a man we think we do."

But there have been baserunning mistakes, letdowns from the bullpen, an ace with just one win, a star outfielder with no homers and one RBI, an offense that has been erratic, some bizarre plays and several devastating losses.

Hoping to get off to a quick start, especially with a favorable home schedule in April, the Cubs dropped to 3-8 at Wrigley Field after a 5-4, 12-inning loss to Milwaukee on Monday night in which they blew a four-run lead. They began Tuesday 7-12, last in the NL Central.

Piniella didn't even show up for his postgame news conference after the deflating loss, a rarity for a man who often is blunt, entertaining and humorous during exchanges with reporters. And his hitting coach, Gerald Perry, could be heard having an angry exchange with the umpires in the tunnel leading to the dugout. Piniella had a similar incident with ump's last week.

The loss was the second straight in extra innings — the Cubs are now 0-3 in extra innings this season — and dropped them to 0-5 in one-run games.

So far, a team that's gone almost a century since its last World Series title in 1908 is getting much the same results it experienced last season under Dusty Baker.

And there's another common thread — often-injured pitchers Mark Prior and Kerry Wood are out

of action with injuries. Prior is scheduled for surgery this week and Wood has tendinitis and has been unable to pitch since late in spring training.

The Cubs have tried to move on, but the slow start has frustrations mounting.

"Look," Piniella said earlier during the recent homestand, using one of his favorite introductions.

"We've been in every game we've played: Our pitching for the most part has been pretty darn good. Defensively we've actually played really good baseball. We just need to start scoring some runs and that should come," he said. "So what's happened here in the past I really don't care about. What I care about is what happens here now presently."

No. 1 starter Carlos Zambrano, 0-for-April a year ago, has one win. After he and reliever Will Ohman let a 5-0 lead slip away in a loss to the Reds, an agitated Piniella showed flashes of his famous temper when questioned about what wasn't working.

"What the hell do you think isn't working? You see the damn game," he snapped during a news conference.

That outburst has been his biggest meltdown publicly, although he and umpires exchanged some loud "pleasantries" in the runway between the clubhouse and dugout after a 2-1 loss to the Cardinals last Friday.

In that game, Chicago's Ronny Cedeno ran from first on a 3-2 pitch as teammate Jacque Jones drew a walk. But in what would be called a typical Cubs play, Cedeno overslid the second base bag and was tagged out, a call that was made after the umpires conferred. And a right one, according to Piniella.

Piniella has been tinkering with different lineups throughout the first month, looking for the right combination to get the offense going. Derrek Lee and Aramis Ramirez, Nos. 3 and 4 in the batting order, have been consistent.

Alfonso Soriano, who signed a \$136 million, eight-year deal in the offseason, hurt his hamstring while playing center field and was switched back to left when he returned to the starting lineup Monday. The move was made to take some of the strain off Soriano's leg, but it could also be

a way to get his bat going.

Soriano has no homers, one RBI and one steal in his first 14 games, and seemed satisfied with the position switch.

Rich Hill and newcomers Ted Lilly and Jason Marquis were pitched well in the starting rotation, but Zambrano has not. He and the team had hoped to work out a multiyear contract extension when the season opened three weeks ago, but then the Tribune Co. announced the Cubs would be put up for sale after the season.

Since then, a new deal for Zambrano appears to have been put on hold, and it's not clear whether that has distracted the big right-hander, who's been known for his temperamental antics on the mound.

The offseason was a busy one. Ramirez re-signed for five years and \$75 million; Lilly got \$40 million for four years; Marquis \$21 million for three years; DeRosa \$13 million for three years; and outfielder Cliff Floyd \$3 million for one. Zambrano got a \$12.4 million, one-year deal just before a scheduled arbitration hearing.

Making Piniella's new adventure even more intriguing so far has been his experience at Wrigley Field, the second oldest ballpark in the majors. The 63-year-old manager said it was "neat" to watch people sitting on the rooftops across the street taking in the game. But playing the elements can be difficult.

The dimensions of the park, with its ivy-covered walls, narrow foul lines and fickle winds that blow in one day and out the next, are all factors for a manager to consider when he puts his team on the field.

"It makes you play baseball. It really does. The better your team is put together to play baseball, the more games you're gonna win," Piniella said. "You need balance here... You've got to make the plays defensively. It's baseball. It really is baseball here... It puts a premium on how your roster's set up."

All of this is part of Piniella's introduction to Cubs baseball. So far — as he acknowledged earlier — he can see what's made winning so elusive for so many years. He's vowed to fix that. Whether he can is still to be determined.

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With Jones back in charge, Cowboys may look to move up in NFL Draft

IRVING (AP) — Jerry Jones may be looking to move up in the NFL draft, something the Dallas Cowboys owner and general manager never did with Bill Parcells at his side the past four years.

Parcells left the roster in good shape when he retired, even though it was the only of his four NFL coaching jobs where he never won a playoff game.

"I feel like that we could line up and play with the players that we have before the draft. ... We do not have to have a player at a position," said Jones, who is preparing for his 19th NFL draft. "That gives me a lot of flexibility in any decision that I may make as we get into the draft."

So does having 10 picks, though there is one small problem: The Cowboys, who haven't won a playoff game in 10 seasons, have the 22nd spot Saturday.

"Bill didn't do us any favors," Jones said, smiling. "He left us with a low draft pick."

Without a specifically pressing need and with a few extra picks, Jones may try to move up to get an impact player, preferably on the offensive side of the ball.

"I'm looking at the possibility of, and probably more seriously consider it than I ever have, doing some bundling up (of picks)

and trading up," Jones said. "We do have our bases covered, so if there were a player we could reach — big if, big if — that could come in and make the obvious impact, then that should be a consideration."

The problem is, it would take a blockbuster deal to snag an impact player such as Georgia Tech receiver Calvin Johnson or Oklahoma running back Adrian Peterson.

Not as big the October 1989 deal by Jones that sent Herschel Walker to Minnesota for five players and six draft picks, or Mike Ditka trading all six of New Orleans' picks in 1999 to get Ricky Williams. But it would have to be something significant.

And Jones is only planning to package draft picks, not current players.

"I would like to see if we could create some impact over there, do something to juice it up," Jones said. "But 31 other clubs are looking for the same guy, too."

Since Jones bought the team in 1989 — when he got Hall of Fame quarterback and three-time Super Bowl winner Troy Aikman with the first overall pick — the Cowboys have made 40 draft-day trades. There are only five years

when one of those trades didn't involve a first-round pick.

The Cowboys moved up in 1990 to get NFL career-rushing leader Emmitt Smith with the No. 17 pick. But even Jones knows the nearly impossible chances of something like that happening again that low in the round.

The Cowboys may look for a receiver — Terrell Owens and Terry Glenn both will be 33 at the start of their 12th NFL seasons — but the group behind Johnson is somewhat equal and probably not worth trading up for.

With the emergence of Tony Romo, the Cowboys may finally have a true successor to Aikman seven years after his last game, so they don't have to draft a quarterback high. Plus, they've already signed veteran Brad Johnson as insurance after Drew Bledsoe was released and retired.

The Cowboys also don't have to worry about trying to get an offensive lineman early after their offseason moves. They spent big money on free agent Leonard Davis and gave long-term contracts to keep right tackle Marc Colombo and center Andre Gurode.

The Cowboys go for defense, they'd probably have to do some

dealing for LSU safety LaRon Landry or Michigan cornerback Leon Hall. However, But Texas safety Michael Griffin or his teammate, cornerback Aaron Ross, could be available at No. 22.

Like Parcells, new coach Wade Phillips is defense-minded and well-versed in the 3-4 scheme, though they have different approaches.

Most of the pieces are in place there because of the emphasis on defense the last two drafts: six of the eight picks in 2005, including first-rounders DeMarcus Ware and Marcus Spears, and first-round pick Bobby Carpenter and three more defenders last year.

Parcells' final draft had a familiar formula. Dallas selected a defender in the first round, the son of one of coach's former players, and made trades to acquire more picks.

Jones expects the new coach to be a little more flexible.

"Bill was a little more focused on a certain prototype that were his system guys," Jones said. "(Phillips) will take a guy that was drafted for that system and make it work in his system or attempt to work it in his system. His idea would be it's unlikely you're going to get them all that just fit."

McGrady focusing on his 'chance' in playoffs

HOUSTON (AP) — Don't call Tracy McGrady while the Houston Rockets are in the playoffs.

Actually, it's fine to call, but don't expect an answer. McGrady said as long as the playoff run is on, his cell phone will be off.

After failing to advance past the first round in five previous career playoff series, the seven-time All-Star believes this is his time and doesn't want anything to get in the way.

"This is the chance of a lifetime," he said. "It's a great opportunity and I'm just trying to take advantage of it. This is the first time I've felt like I had a great supporting cast and I feel we can hopefully advance past the first round."

The Rockets are halfway there after taking a 2-0 lead in the seven-game series with the Utah Jazz. Game 3 is Thursday in Utah.

McGrady, who is in his second postseason series with the Rockets, advanced to the playoffs once with the Raptors and three times in Orlando.

Not one to shy away from discussing the five winless series, he actually seems to enjoy those conversations, if only to proclaim how he believes it will be different this time.

He acknowledged his first time in the playoffs while in Toronto, he was "just happy to get there." He's candid about his subsequent

failures, especially when discussing his chances with the Magic.

"At the time I felt like I didn't have a chance to advance because I had a very young, inexperienced team — a young coaching staff," he said. "And I just didn't think we had the talent to advance, especially playing the teams that we played."

McGrady said playing without Grant Hill in all three series was difficult for him.

"Not having Grant Hill, a superstar in your lineup, was tough on my shoulders," he said.

Things are certainly different now as McGrady and Yao Ming are one of the toughest duos in the league. The Rockets also have a strong set of role players that includes Shawn Battier, Rafer Alston and Chuck Hayes. In Monday's Game 2 win over the Jazz, each of Houston's starters scored in double figures.

"Coming into this season with the additions that we had to our team this year, I felt like if we stayed healthy that we could really do something special," McGrady said. "I felt like if we were focused throughout the season, and just went out and played...this is where we're going to be."

McGrady had a slow start to the series after scoring just one point in the first half of Game 1 while dealing with nerves. He shook it off in time to score 16 third quarter points

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FBI seeks author of threatening letters

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — The FBI offered a \$5,000 reward Tuesday for help tracking down whoever mailed dozens of threatening letters — including some containing a potentially harmful insecticide — complaining about TV coverage of college cheerleaders.

The letters were sent to national networks and their local affiliates, as well as people in states throughout the West and Midwest, according to the FBI office in Portland. Recipients also included people associated with university athletic departments in Ohio, Michigan and Arizona.

The initial batch of letters was postmarked in Portland and delivered in September 2004. Subsequent batches of letters were delivered between November 2006 and February, mostly with postmarks from Seattle, but some also were sent from Chicago, the FBI said.

The letters claim camera crews spent too much time on close-ups of cheerleaders. One letter also complained about coverage of WNBA players.

Some of the letters contained various powdery substances, which the FBI laboratory determined was

an insecticide. An FBI spokeswoman declined to identify the chemical.

No injuries have been reported, authorities said.

The FBI released excerpts of two letters in the hope of identifying who sent them.

In a letter sent in September 2004, the author objects to the timing and angles of the shots captured by camera crews during sports events.

"We have asked nicely for them to respect us and all women, yet they refuse. They exploit innocent people, so we will too. When they

start respecting us, we stop mailing these out," the letter reads.

The author of a letter sent in December 2006 complains that networks unfairly favor more modestly dressed cheerleading squads.

"For the last 6 years, Ohio State cheerleaders have received more TV time than any other Division 1A cheer squad on ESPN, because they wear long sleeved red/white outfits. If they wore sleeveless outfits, they would not get ANY TV time. So, we are fed up with this constant exploitation," the author wrote.

Mariners' have game postponed once again

ARLINGTON (AP) — While the Seattle Mariners didn't need another game pushed back by stormy weather, a day off for the Texas Rangers' slumping hitters might not be a bad thing.

Tuesday's game between the Mariners and Rangers game was postponed because of steady rain and will be rescheduled for July 23-25, when the Mariners return to Arlington. Seattle has had six games postponed by rain or snow this season.

"You go to the ballpark ready to play, but there's that lingering fear that the game will be called," the Mariners' Raul Ibanez said. "So it's frustrating. But you've got to deal with it. It's the hand we've been dealt. You have to deal with adversity and stay ready to play."

Texas, usually a top-hitting team in recent years, began the day with the lowest batting average in the AL at .230. Among the slumping Rangers are 2005 AL batting champion

Michael Young (.165), Mark Teixeira (no homers after hitting 76 the previous two seasons), and career .297 hitter Frank Catalanotto (currently at .170). Gerald Laird, who took over as the starting catcher, is in a 1-for-34 slide that left his average at .098.

Two years ago, the Rangers hit a club-record 260 homers. Last season they set a team mark with 357 doubles.

One of the few Rangers swinging a hot bat is Ian Kinsler, who began the season as the No. 9 hitter. Kin-

sler, who has been moved up to the seventh slot, has seven homers and 16 RBIs, both team highs.

"I talk to them every day about the importance of staying the course," new manager Ron Washington said. "Like anything else you do where there's competition, if you don't do what you want to do, it's human nature to have a little frustration. It's not frustration from giving up; it's frustration from wanting to be the best you can be."

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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16 Nasty
17 Office note
18 Animal trap
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23 Break off
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25 Desert havens
26 "Car Talk" broadcaster
28 Of the ear, pref.
30 Quentin
32 Without delay!
34 Spanish queen
36 Dreary
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51 Old Russian orbiter
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Portland, OR 4/25/07

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Boy recovering after sideline run-in

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (AP) — A 4-year-old boy who was inadvertently blitzed by a college football player during a game has 30 stitches in his head, but he's recovering well, his father said Tuesday.

It was the spring youth football festival at Colorado State on Saturday, and Caden Thomas was wandering along the sidelines with his father during the team's intrasquad game. They were near the end zone when wide receiver George Hill, trying to catch a

The team's trainer and doctor rushed in to help Caden as his father held him and Hill waited nearby, worried about the little boy. Caden was bleeding from a deep cut on his head, but he was conscious, and his neurological exams were normal.

"He was saying he wanted to go home," Thomas said. "I think he had a pretty good idea that this was going to require a trip to the hospital, and he was none too excited about that prospect."

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TTU 20, TAMU-Commerce 0

Gymnastics:

@ Nationals (Cincinnati, OH)
Men's Team - 5th overall
Larry Warren - 8th parallel bars
Sarah Gummelt - 10th vault

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@ Nationals (Killeen, TX)
Women
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Men
Leo Brittain - 2nd (165lbs class)
Nick King - 3rd (132lbs class)
Bobby Warren - 12th (181lbs class)
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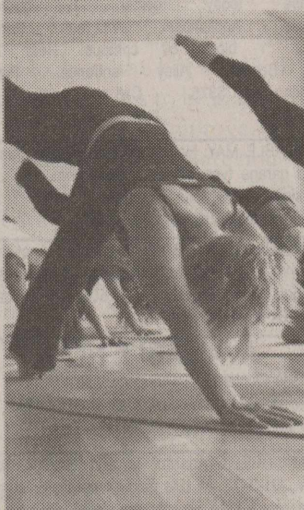
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