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## Explosive device found at women's clinic

AUSTIN (AP) — A package left at a women's clinic that performs abortions contained an explosive device capable of inflicting serious injury or death, investigators said Thursday.

"It was in fact an explosive device," said David Carter, assistant chief of the Austin Police Department. "It was configured in such a way to cause serious bodily injury or death."

The package was found Wednesday in a parking lot outside the Austin Women's Health Center, south of downtown Austin.

Nearby Interstate 35 was briefly closed, and a nearby apartment complex was evacuated while a bomb squad detonated the device.

## NATION

## Petraeus eyes long commitment in Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. military commander in Iraq says the war effort may well get harder before it gets easier and American casualties are likely to continue to climb. Speaking as the Senate was passing legislation to start bringing home U.S. forces in October, Gen.

# Senate passes troop withdrawal

#### By DAVID ESPO Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — In an bold wartime challenge to President Bush, the Democratic-controlled Congress voted Thursday to begin withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq by Oct. 1 with a goal of a complete pullout six months later. The White House dismissed the legislation as "dead before arrival."

The 51-46 vote in the Senate

was largely along party lines, and like House passage a day earlier it underscored that the war's congressional opponents are far short of the two-thirds majority needed to override a Bush veto.

Democrats marked Thursday's passage with a news conference during which they repeatedly urged Bush to reconsider his veto threat. "This bill for the first time gives the president of the United States an exit strategy" from Iraq, said Rep. David Obey of Wisconsin.

The legislation is "in keeping with what the American people want," added Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada.

The White House was unmoved. "The president's determined to win in Iraq. I think the bill that they sent us today is mission defeated," said deputy press secretary Dana Perino. "This bill is dead before arrival."

Given that standoff, Republicans and Democrats alike already

were maneuvering for position on a follow-up bill.

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Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell dismissed the just-passed legislation as "political posturing" by Democrats that deserves the veto it will receive. "The solution is simple: Take out the surrender date, take out the pork and get the funds to our troops," he said.

The bill would provide \$124.2 billion, more than \$90 billion of which would go for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Democrats added billions more for domestic programs, and while most of the debate focused on the troop withdrawal issue, some of the extra spending also has drawn Bush's criticism.

The day's developments amounted to a landmark of sorts.

The vote occurred nearly four years after Bush stood on the deck of an aircraft carrier before a banner

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# Study shows abstinence-only programs may be ineffective

David Petraeus said the war will require "an enormous commitment" by the United States.

## WORLD Al-Qaida No. 2 in Algeria killed

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — The No. 2 al-Qaida official in Algeria was killed Thursday in a clash with an army patrol, the country's official APS news agency said, citing security officials.

Samir Moussaab, whose real name was Samir Saioud, was killed near the village of Si Moustapha about 25 miles east of the capital, Algiers, the radio reported.

It said Moussaab's body was identified by former members of the Salafist Group for Call and Combat, an insurgent group that changed its name to al-Qaida in Islamic North Africa when it announced its alliance with al-Qaida in January.

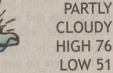




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By ADAM YOUNG Staff Writer

ome sex education programs focusing on abstinence were found to have little effect, according to a study conducted for the U.S. Department of Health and Humán Services, The study released earlier this month, which was conducted by Mathematica Policy Research Inc. and authorized by Congress in 1997, evaluated the effectiveness of abstinence programs funded under Title V, Section 510 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, according to Mathematica's Web site: http://www.

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## Fiscal issues surround ASU-Tech merger | Council hears mixed reaction to

#### By BEN MAKI Staff Writer

mathematica-mpr.com.

The Texas Tech-Angelo State University merger could create increased costs for both the Texas State University system and the Tech system if it passes through the Texas Legislature.

The merger came closer to becoming reality as the Texas State House of Representatives approved a bill to add Angelo State to the Tech system Tuesday.

According to a fiscal note attached to the bill, the Texas State system would be responsible for more than \$2.5 million of Angelo State's debt and other costs, which translates to \$50,000 annually through 2033. tions at Angelo State, said he could not comment on the situation because the issue is still being deliberated in the legislature.

Tom Anderes, senior vice president of Administration and Finance at Tech, said the merger will have almost no economic effect on Tech.

"They would maintain a pretty high level of independence," Anderes said. "They are a different institution and they don't come in as a part of the budget under the Texas Tech University umbrella."

One of the main concerns of the Board of Regents from the Texas State system would be the increased administrative costs per student naming street after Cesar Chavez

#### By NAOMI KASKELA Staff Writer

The possibility of Canyon Lakes Drive being renamed after Cesar E. Chavez led to a number of citizens attending the City Council meeting Thursday morning to voice their opinions. At the City Council meeting April 12, the agenda contained an item concerning the

renaming of street, but action was not taken at that time.

The agenda for the meeting Thursday did not contain an item concerning the renaming beyond the citizen comment portion.

Some of the individuals in favor of the name change said it did not matter which street was dedicated in Chavez's name, as long as something was done to honor him.

"It doesn't really matter what street... its value is not diminished by its location," said

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## Lubbock police blotter: Man arrested for choking wife, daughter

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

#### April 20

Lubbock Police arrested a juvenile suspect for possession of a dangerous drug after the suspect was caught bringing several prescription pills to school. According to reports, the suspect said the pills were not subscribed to her and she takes the pills to make her feel better. Witnesses reported seeing the suspect place the pills inside a breath mint container. The pills were confiscated and the suspect was transported to the Lubbock County Juvenile Justice Center.

## April 22

Lubbock Police arrested a suspect for assault and a misdemeanor warrant following a domestic dispute in the 2400 block of 31st Street. According to reports, a married couple were involved in an argument when the husband allegedly choked her. When the daughter of the couple

Several citizens came in opposi-

The main reason - repeated

tion to Canyon Lakes Drive being

by these citizens - was the im-

portance the street has had for the

black community in Lubbock over

ful part of the city. It's an identifier,

it's an icon," said Billy Russell,

president of the Dunbar-Manhattan

Heights Neighborhood Associa-

tion. "Any other place to rename a

street after Cesar Chavez, we would

Another citizen came in front

"We, as black citizens at that

time, were not allowed to cross,

of the City Council in support of

be 100 percent there."

"...It's a landmark. It's a beauti-

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Russell.

father allegedly choked her as well. When police arrived, the daughter and wife were crying and upset. After police handcuffed the suspect, a warrants check was conducted and the warrant for the suspect was discovered.

Lubbock Police arrested a female suspect for theft at the United Supermarket in the 100 block of North University Avenue. According to reports, the suspect stole some cosmetics supplies worth about \$20 and exited the store without paying. A few minutes later, the suspect reentered the store and attempted to return the times in exchange for cash. An employee of the store recognized the shoplifter from earlier in the day and attempted to detain the suspect. After a brief foot chase, the United Supermarket employee detained the suspect and notified the police.

Lubbock Police investigated multiple burglaries of contents inside ve-

attempted to break up the fight, the hicles at the Lubbock Amphitheater parking lot at the intersection of East 19th Street and Canyon Lake Drive. Police said four vehicles were burglarized. According to reports, the stolen merchandise included several bank debit cards and social security cards from the victims. One victim reported a .22 caliber semi-automatic stolen from his vehicle.

#### April 23

Lubbock Police received a report of credit card abuse when a victim discovered her City Bank debit card was used several times at several locations around Lubbock without consent of the owner.

Lubbock Police arrested a suspect for possession of marijuana in a drug free zone in the 200 block of 37th Street. According to reports, police were dispatched to the location after a report of a domestic dispute. When police arrived, they observed a plastic bag containing a green, leafy substance in plain view. ▶ paul.j.roberts@ttu.edu

## Abstinence CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

The study focused specifically on abstinence programs at the middle school and upper-elementary level, and followed the students through high school, comparing them to a control group of students not in the abstinence programs.

"Abstinence programs have gained tremendous popularity in the last few years, and school districts tend to adopt them because they're less controversial," said Gwendolyn Sorell, associate professor of human development and family studies who was on the board of directors at Planned Parenthood of Lubbock until 2005.

Justin Tuley, an intern with Christ in Action Student Ministries and a senior youth and family ministry major at Lubbock Christian University, said he believes sex education programs are failing because they take a negative approach and either teach guilt or apathy.

"It's a farce," Tuley said. "It's not really education. It's not showing them the history and beauty of sex."

Nancy Sharp, director of public information at the Lubbock Independent School District, said LISD's sex education curriculum "is no different than any other curriculum in the state."

The Texas State Education Code, updated in 2005, states school districts are required to present abstinence as the preferred choice of behavior in relationships, but each individual school district's board of trustees can determine the specific content of the district's instruction in human sexuality, according to a State of Texas Web site: http://tlo2.tlc.state.tx.us.

Sharp declined to comment

## **ASU-Tech**

**CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1** for the system as a whole, said Rep. Drew Darby, R-San Angelo, after a Higher Education Committee

meeting April 16. Adding Angelo State to the Tech system will increase administrative costs, Anderes said. The

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about specifics regarding how LISD interprets the state education code.

'When students have specific questions, teachers will respond to the students questions and refer them to the school's nurses and parents and other resources," Sharp said.

According to the Web site, school districts should provide instruction on contraception and condoms in terms of reality rates instead of theoretical laboratory

The Texas Edition of the Glenco health book used in LISD high school sex education classes, states that "barrier protection is not 100 percent effective in preventing the transmission of STD's.'

Sorell said she believes abstinence programs use scare tactics to prevent premarital sex.

"(Abstinence programs) present information that suggests that the rate of ineffectiveness in condoms in preventing a disease if very high," Sorell said.

The glossary of the Glenco health book defines abstinence as "the deliberate decision to avoid harmful behaviors, including sexual activity before marriage and the use of tobacco, alcohol and other drugs", but does not have listings for barrier protection, condoms or birth control. The book states "abstinence from sexual activity is the only method that is 100 percent effective in preventing STD's."

Sorell said she believes a comprehensive sex education course should include information about contraception, anatomy, relationships, hygiene and values.

"One thing we do know is that people who have information about contraception before they become use it," Sorell said. "There is no evi- De adam.young@ttu.edu

added administrative costs will not affect the tuition rate for Tech students, only the amount of money the Texas Legislature allots Tech.

Anderes said he expects to have knowledge of a final dollar amount by the end of May, assuming no complications arise in the Legislature.

"The Legislature will say 'here's how much money we are going to

on legislation significantly challeng- in military operations. ing presidential war policy.

override attempt would occur in the will jettison the withdrawal time-

dence that taking a sex education class increases sexual activity."

In an effort to improve its sex education program, Sharp said next year, the LISD is planning to add another program at the middle school level focusing on teen sexuality.

Tuley said he believes he has the same objective as the LISD, saving sex for marriage, but believes some teenagers want instant gratification and do not want to wait until marriage.

"The reason that abstinence programs aren't working today is because they're looking at sex as something ugly and bad and making it damnable," Tuley said.

Tuley said he believes some sex education programs are apathetic, giving in to what they see as an inevitable fact that teenagers will have sex, and are providing condoms "in the candy bowls outside."

Tuley said he believes sex education classes should provide a variety of secular and religious viewpoints on the issue of sex.

"They should show a more healthy view of sex by bringing in couples who waited until marriage and peers that are having sex and showing the difference of opinions," Tuley said.

The results of Mathematica's report are based on a survey given to 2,057 youth in 2005 and 2006, four to six years after they began participating in the study. According to Mathematica's Web site. 1,209 participated in one of the abstinence programs and 848 were assigned to the control group,

Nationwide, more than 700 Title V abstinence programs receive up to \$50 million annually from the federal government in order to teach youth about abstinence from sexually active are more likely to sexual activity outside of marriage.

> give you," he said. "You get X millions of dollars and that will lead to X dollars in increased tuition."

Deon Allen, communications director for Sen. Robert Duncan, said Duncan's office has not received any negative comments from other senators, and the bill should hit the floor of the Senate by the end of next week. ▶ benjamin.maki@ttu.edu

Several Democratic officials have In the current case, any veto said they expect the next measure table, a concession to Bush. At the

same time, they say they hope to

commitment to Iraq, have both embraced these so-called benchmarks.

## Avenue A to live," the citizen said. "If we rename Canyon Lakes Drive, we take the heart out of the community."

She said she agreed that Chavez deserved to have a street named after him, just not this particular one.

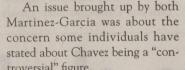
"I definitely want to say, any street, any drive in Lubbock other than Canyon Lakes Drive, I would not have a problem with," she said.

A benefit of the location of Canyon Lakes Drive is the diversity of the surrounding neighborhood, Gutierrez said, which is positive for the community.

Gutierrez spoke of other cities naming buildings, streets and other items after Chavez, and said it was time for Lubbock to do the same.

Christy Martinez-Garcia, a Hispanic leader in the community, agreed with Gutierrez and said it was appropriate to honor the legacy of someone like Chavez by renam-

ing a street.



troversial" figure. "Controversial figures, depends on who you ask," she said, "history

depends on your perspective." Another citizen also stressed the

importance of renaming the street, and said all the greatest leaders in history were controversial, including Chavez.

He said he did not understand why individuals asking for the renaming to occur had to continually redeem Chavez in the eyes of the City Council and others.

'What's the harm of this?" he asked. "It will give a voice to the minority that is (quickly) becoming the majority in this city. I don't understand why we can't give a voice to such a beautiful man like Cesar Chavez."

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that read "Mission Accomplished" House, and even Democrats concede - and 113 days after Democrats took power in Congress and vowed to change course in a war that has cost at his side, Reid said Democrats hoped the lives of more than 3,300 U.S. troops.

During Vietnam, a longer and far

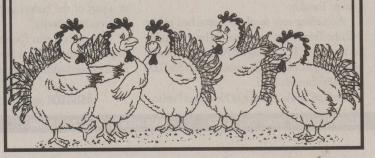




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they lack the votes to prevail.

include standards for the Iraqi gov-With House Speaker Nancy Pelosi ernment to meet on issues such as expanding democratic participation to have a follow-up war-funding bill and allocating oil resources. ready for the president's signature by Bush and congressional Republi-

June 1. Despite administration claims deadlier war for U.S. forces, Congress to the contrary, he said that was soon cans, eager to signal the public that went years before it was able to agree enough to prevent serious disruption they do not support an open-ended

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Unlike Democrats, they generally oppose using benchmarks to require specific actions, such as troop withdrawals. 3206 34th St. Phone: 797-2211

Rep. John Boehner of Ohio, the House Republican leader, said at a news conference that the purpose of benchmarks should be to "see how the Iraqi government is doing," rather than to establish deadlines for a troop withdrawal.

Opinion on the issue covered a wide spectrum. "The only good measure that exists in Iraq now is body counts, and that's not a very good measure," said Sen. Mark Pryor of Arkansas, a moderate Democrat.

Congress acted as the top U.S. military commander in Iraq, Gen. David Petraeus, said at a Pentagon news conference that the U.S. mission "may get harder before it gets easier."

Less than three months after Bush announced an increase in troop strength and a shift in tactics, Petraeus said improvements were evident in both Baghdad and the Anbar Province in western Iraq. At the same time, he said the accomplishments "have not come without sacrifice" and that greater American losses have resulted from increased car bombings and suicide attacks, plus the greater concentration of U.S. troops among the Iraqi population.

There were no surprises in the Senate vote, in which 48 Democrats and one independent joined Republicans Gordon Smith of Oregon and Chuck Hagel of Nebraska in supporting the bill. Sen. Joseph Lieberman, an independent Democrat from Connecticut, voted with 45 Republicans in opposition.

In a clear warning to the White House, Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, opposed the legislation but issued a statement saying her patience with the war was limited.

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**NEWS** 

## Grassroots Organization seeks to improve recycling at Tech

#### **By MAGGIE KIELY** STAFF WRITER

In recognition of Arbor Day, the Grassroots Organization, a Texas Tech student organization dedicated to improving the environment, will have recycling bins placed outside the Student Union Building today for students to bring any paper, aluminum, glass and plastic items to be recycled.

Philip Pride, a junior Latin American and Iberian studies major from Alice and a member of the Grassroots Organization, said the group is sponsoring the pick up to bring attention to recycling on campus.

"We are going to raise awareness that Tech doesn't have a recycling program," he said, "and then just see how much recycling we can collect just from students acting under their own volition."

Pride said he and the other Grassroots members were given strict restrictions about hosting the event in the free-speech zone such as no advertising, no signs may be posted and the recyclable goods they collect cannot be stacked up in the area.

us use the free speech zone," Pride said. "We feel really privileged for that. We are going to try and stick to zone entails."

Grassroots Organization President about it, she said. Caitlin Grann said members of the



organization have been trying to create said the SGA passed a resolution two a recycling program on campus.

"Last semester in particular," Grann said, "we composed a letter of it. "Thank goodness they are letting that we sent to (Student Government Association) officers and senators, and it," Moses said, "but the only reason and I know that may have been a we only got one response.'

The response she received said if the cost." all of the restrictions the free speech the SGA members saw a need for a program, they would do something stand how funds are available for other

SGA President Mason Moses recycling.

years ago proposing a university-wide we don't have it anymore, is the exrecycling program, but nothing came penses," Grann said. "But I honestly

we haven't done anything about it is

Grann said she does not undercampus programs, but do not include

"I was told that was the reason don't see how we can't work around separate fund, but if we're affording a a water conservation problem already, it just doesn't make sense."

for sports and the cost of the recycling center.' program may cost more than some people think.

but we are still trying to figure out the best way to implement (a program)," Moses said. "We don't have that kind of money just laying around, I wish we did. I'm not saying there is not "From the University Library, I'd say a need — there is definitely a waste we probably recycle 5 to 10 percent of paper — but it is not as simple as (of the paper).' just dropping it in a box and taking it outside.

Grann said Grassroots has placed recycling bins at the Gordan/Bledsoe/ Sneed and Carpenter/Wells residence halls, as well as the Honors College. She and other members of the organization spend Sundays collecting the recyclable goods and bringing them to recycle centers. She said the group typically collects 15 to 20 full trash bags every Sunday.

The law school, business college and library have recycling bins available to students, Grann said, and volunteers from those departments take items to the recycling centers some sort of university-wide recycling themselves.

One of those individuals is Tom "We've heard students talk about that if we're building a leisure pool, Rohrig, an associate librarian, who said he and other faculty members collect recyclable goods from the library and leisure pool when Lubbock already has deliver them to the recycling centers.

"What I do is very basic," Rohrig said, "I just co-mingle everything, and Moses said the leisure pool came essentially I just put it in the boxes, and from a fund that only could be used I will sort it at home or at the recycling

He said there are about four or five paper-recycling bins in the library "I think there is definitely a need, and he takes what he can to recycling centers.

> "Unfortunately, if we aren't able to recycle it on our own, then what is left is just trashed," Rohrig said.

> The library bins are left over from a former Tech recycling program that was canceled because of a lack of funding and profit, he said. The library faculty members also recycle aluminum, plastic and cardboard; and he often picks up plastic bottles and aluminum cans from the trash cans to be recycled.

"I think there is a lot of interest in recycling," he said. "It's just that without a formal structure for it, it can be difficult. At this point, the thing that would most help is if the university could revive a recycling program."

Pride said he would like to see program adopted, so students could learn the importance and practice of recycling.

"It is not just recycling itself that is important; conservation needs to be instilled in students," Pride said. "Students of Texas Tech are the future leaders of the community, the state and the nation."

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As Virginia Tech mourns, little anger expressed toward gunman who killed 32

BLACKSBURG, Va. (AP) — Kel- not plan to award him a posthumous the semicircle of memorials on the spokesman Mark Owczarski said. Virginia Tech campus, leaving 32 pink tulips — one for each victim in last week's massacre. They also placed a tulip on the stone for gunman Seung-Hui Cho.

from anger," said White, a Blacksburg aren't able to forgive. resident with relatives who attended the school "I try to teach my children that God loves everyone.'

Cho mercilessly slaughtered 32 people in the worst shooting in modern U.S. history. But there has been people will never do that.' surprisingly little outrage directed toward him around campus. He is memorialized alongside his victims, and students preach forgiveness and talk about him like a troubled family member.

ly White and her two children visited degree as it will the students he killed,

The Rev. Scott Russell, an Episcopal minister at Virginia Tech, said he talked to some students who feel that they need to acknowledge Cho's death because the family deserves compas- ried about the injured getting healthy, "Forgiveness is part of being freed sion. But he said many more students keeping their spirits high, encouraging Brian Britt, a Virginia Tech professor of religious studies, said he was feel the anger," she said. "Just because impressed that a 33rd stone had been it's not spoken doesn't mean it's not added in the first place. "That's very there. And there is anger because

The lack of visible anger also may mean that people have not reached that stage of grief yet, said Melissa Brymer, director of terrorism-disaster programs at the UCLA-Duke National Center for Child Traumatic Stress.

"It's so early on that people are worthem," she said Thursday.

"Typically, after a few months you hard for people to do," he said. "Some somebody has taken away their classmates.

## Southeastern Georgia town evacuated as wildfire threatens to cross 4-lane highway

WAYCROSS, Ga. (AP) - Authorities told residents as gusty winds threatened to spread the blaze across a four-lane highway.

Ware County sheriff's deputies went door-to-door in Astoria, a tiny community three miles southeast of Waycross, asking people to leave. Most had just returned home after evacuating

for several hours Wednesday.

"My nerves just can't take it near a wildfire in the Okefenokee she packed stacks of framed family Swamp in southeast Georgia, photos in the trunk of her Lincoln the swamp across the highway, ignit-Towncar for the second time in two days. "I haven't slept in a week since this stuff started."

In the past 11 days, wildfires have blackened 95 square miles - or about 61,100 acres — of forest and swamp parched by drought. Officials say 18 homes have been destroyed. Emergency officials closed 16 Forestry Commission.

miles of U.S. Highway 1 and railroad tracks running alongside near the Okefenokee Swamp.

The wind blew hot embers from ing small spot fires near the Georgia Forestry Commission district office that fire officials had been using as a command center.

Firefighters contained the small fires quickly, but the command center had to be evacuated, said Eric Mosley, a spokesman for the Georgia

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Thursday to flee about 100 homes anymore," said Mary Howell, 51, as

Caroline Merrey, 22, jumped to safety out a classroom window in the building where Cho killed 30 people and himself. She said she was angry at Cho, but also feels sorry for him. "I don't know how I can be feeling both of those things at the same time, but I do," she said.

Campus leaders, experts and those touched by the tragedy say there are several reasons for the spirit of forgiveness. Many people are too overcome by grief to think about anything else. The fact that Cho killed himself provided enough retribution, some say. Others say the forgiveness is rooted in the strong Christian values of this area.

And there's also the loyalty to the "Hokie Nation."

After a student organization placed the stone memorials in a semicircle last week on the main campus lawn, senior Katelynn L. Johnson added a 33rd stone for Cho. Johnson said she told almost no one about the stone because she feared a backlash.

She came forward after someone took it away, because she was outraged by the brief removal of the rock. She says she accepts all "fellow students, faculty and alumni as Hokies" no matter what problems they have.

"I believe his life had value no matter what he did," she said. "We lost 33 people."

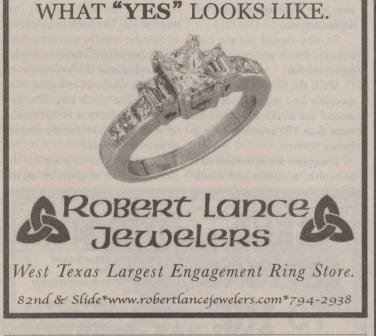
Johnson said she has received hundreds of messages supporting placement of the stone for Cho. She only got a few negative responses, and only one from the Tech community.

After the first stone for Cho was removed, someone else came forward and placed a new one there. As of Thursday, the stone remained.

The appearance and disappearance of the stone reflects the community's struggle to come to terms with the massacre.

Virginia Tech has not included Cho in its memorial services for the 32 victims. A bell chimed 33 times Monday on the campus lawn, but university officials said the first chime was to start the ceremony. Officials also released 32 balloons into the air to remember Cho's victims.

The university so far has had no contact with Cho's family and does





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# OPINIONS

Reid's courageous new role

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FRIDAY, APRIL 27, 2007

Both houses of the Congress passed a \$124 million war-spending bill Thursday, setting a deadline for troop withdrawal from Iraq. President George W. Bush has vowed to veto the bill because of its withdrawal deadline. If the bill were to become law, a phased redeployment of troops would begin Oct. 1 have been extended, recently from with all combat troops out of Iraq by 12 to 15 months, with many soldiers April 1, 2008.

Congress, elected to be the voice of the people, used that voice with the passage of this bill, but President due respect, our president is wrong, Bush continues to ignore the will of and the new Congress will show him so. Some people called Reid a traitor the American public. A Wall Street the way." Journal/NBC poll released Thursday support Congress in its efforts to spending bill consisting of: set a withdrawal date, while only 37 percent oppose it. A majority of respondents said victory in Iraq is not forces possible anymore.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid said last week the war was lost, and Republicans threw a fit. This was one of those rare moments in politics where a politician screwed up by telling the truth. While Sen. Reid's bold statement may have given him bad press for a few days, it paved the way for a brilliant speech he gave Monday at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

Reid's speech was a scathing critique of the Bush administration's disastrous Iraq policy. He quoted Bush's outrageous statements that "the direction of the fight is beginning to shift" and "so far the operation (surge) is meeting expectations."

Bush, who Reid said is in a "state of denial," seems to be ignoring the increasing American casualties and called it "the most complex and chal-Iraqi government have not been complex and very tough." met and sectarian infighting is getting worse.

"To make up for shortages of



on their third or fourth tour," Reid said in Monday's speech. "He tells us it's 'stay the course or fail.' With all

shows 56 percent of Americans proposing a five-point plan for the is a patriot.

sitting a civil war to training Iraqi

2. A phased redeployment 3. Benchmarks on the Iraqi gov-

ernment 4. Diplomatic strategy, including

a regional conference

5. Rebuilding the military

This excellent plan is, as Reid said, "a strategy for success," not some kind of defeatist policy as Bush would have us believe. It "ensures that al-Qaida remains on the run and launches the diplomatic and political 'surges' necessary to prevent regional instability."

Unfortunately, Bush will veto this bill, more Americans and Iraqis will die, and the situation in Iraq will become worse. The top U.S. commander in Iraq, Gen. David Petraeus, congressperson. Tell this administratold Congress Thursday the war "may get harder before it gets easier" and the thousands of Iraqi civilians who lenging war" he ever had witnessed. damages the future of our country are dying. The benchmarks for the He referred to it as "exceedingly

Mr. President.

The American people are tired of combat-ready troops, tours of duty this war, but Bush doesn't care. The

Congress is providing him a sound policy to bring the war to a successful end, but he doesn't care — and until a Democrat becomes president in January 2009, the White House will be a place of denial and dishonesty.

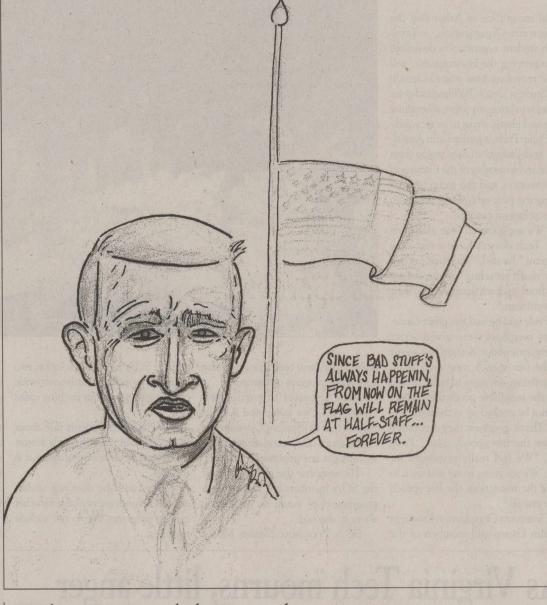
I am glad the Democrats have a noble leader like Reid, along with Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi and Democratic National Committee Chairman Howard Dean. These three honorable public servants have represented the American public well and will continue to do after he declared the war lost. That And they most certainly did is not so. He is courageous, and he

In politics these days nobody says 1. Moving troops from baby- anything bold. Everyone is scared the conservative media outlets and Bush White House will brand them as Benedict Arnolds. President Bush and Vice President Dick Cheney play the politics of fear better than the Sutler administration in "V for Vendetta."

Fortunately, though, there's somebody looking out for us. Americans looking for someone who isn't afraid of speaking the truth, someone who isn't afraid of accomplishing bold things — someone like V — can find him in the majority leader's office of the Hart Senate office building in Washington, D.C.

When Bush vetoes the spending bill and continues to spew his litany of lies, speak up - sign petitions, protest in the streets, and e-mail your tion you've had enough. Bush will go down as the worst president in history. Let's stop him before he beyond repair.

Sounds like things are going swell, 
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## The World Bank woes contin

## **By JENNIFER CHURCH** DAILY TITAN (CAL STATE-FULLERTON)

(U-WIRE) FULLERTON, Calif. — Buried beneath the media frenzy and shock over the Virginia Tech shootings is the scandal over World Bank President Paul Wolfowitz's lapse in judgment.

Appointed by President Bush, and has been asked to step down by the bank's top officials for giv-

miles away do affect us. While people with their own agendas are balking at why the boss gave his girlfriend a promotion, they are distracting everyone from the real issues.

The bank is one of the largest Wolfowitz is facing harsh criticism international sources of funding for World Bank and he used the platform landed her cen phone number viers

ing his girlfriend, Shaha Ali Riza, that amount to about \$11 billion. a pay and promotion package. Global warming is a very real issue people around the world. The New York Times reports that that is affecting us now. It doesn't

countries' governments to fight 35 countries, working to help people corruption. We should care because resume peaceful development and matters that happen thousands of prevent violence. They aid in jumpstarting economies; repairing and rebuilding; and funding programs that assist widows and children. We need to care about what happens to the organization that will be there to pick up after where we left off.

Wolfowitz is the leader of the of fighting corruption when he came "It' funds environmental projects into power. We should care who leads an organization that is able to assist

More importantly, we should European directors of the bank are take a scientist to realize that we care that energies and time are being using the scandal to take control have the power to do our part in diverted from more important issues vay from Wolfowitz and the Bush controlling the waste products that — the long-term goals of this organi-The scandal may be over the Another issue the bank addresses to give, but nobody is perfect. It around the world. It works with war's unpopularity is bound to end and possibly, the United States, and more than 100 countries to help up with us abandoning the country are just using this small blunder as a means to an end. They should be Someone has to pick up the more concerned about the organizaas health, nutrition and educa- pieces after we've given up on the tion being able to move on to bigger

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airline security measures were put your own well-being. There is no

of my fellow columnists have rightfor finger-pointing, but for healing; however, as the wounds mend and we continue to live our lives, it is if it had been us?"

ties, Virginia Tech and Blacksburg the victims, and Squires Student harm. Or, in the gravest extreme, the are very open. With very few excep- Center is covered wall to wall with use of force - even deadly force - is tions, anyone can come or go as he condolences. And we are still smiling necessary for self-defense. or she pleases, seldom having to at each other. It seems that instead show an ID or pass through any sort of constantly worrying, people are ing in methods of self-defense does of security checkpoint. Personally, I realizing the very beauty of living not make you an aggressive or consider this to be a very good thing. life. Unfortunately, tragic events are paranoid individual. Rather, it is We pride ourselves on a welcome and often followed by an overwhelming one way to overcome the spirit of understanding environment, and the urge to "do something," even if that fear that people like Cho would have open campus and town atmosphere something is completely superfluous. us endure. fosters that. We are certainly better While it has not been explicitly sugthan much of the outside world, gested yet, I do not doubt that some day is that everyone is learning some where you must prove who you are are itching to see metal detectors profound lessons. Chief among them and your intent before you are al- and keycard access installed on every is how precious it is to be alive. The lowed go about your business.

less safe than places that are more this, the openness of Virginia Tech importance. The strength to resist restrictive as far as access goes. As and Blacksburg is not sacrificed for a an atmosphere of fear and doubt is an obvious example, the 9/11 attacks false sense of security. were perpetrated in a supposedly

in place by the federal government, such thing as a perfectly safe environ-

campus building. It is my sincere need to be responsible for one's Interestingly enough, we are no hope that whatever comes out of own safety is also of paramount

Instead I encourage everyone to that we will prevail.

(U-WIRE) BLACKSBURG, Va. there are still gaping holes that a ment, and we cannot always count - In the wake of last week's hor- terrorist could exploit as shown in on others to protect us. Most students rific shooting on campus, many are the article "Remove transportation have rallied around the president, quick to play the blame game. Some security warning" (CT, April 12th). provost, Blacksburg and campus By its very definition, terrorism police because they realize this. The fully stated that now is not the time means to be intimidated by violence people that criticize them have huinto a sense of fear. I am happy to say manly impossible expectations of law that I have seen little evidence of enforcement. We cannot expect our that here at Virginia Tech. Rather protectors to always protect us. They necessary to assess what can be done than succumbing to paranoia we can only supplement our basic duty to mitigate future damage. And while are becoming more open than ever. to protect ourselves. Depending upon I'm speaking mainly to the Virginia Students are strolling across the the situation, there is a wide range of Tech community, I think the entire Drillfield boldly and proudly, not options available for individual selfnation is asking the question, "What huddled into tiny groups. The first defense. In most instances, simply thing you see when you walk in being aware of your surroundings Like many collegiate communi- to the library is the memorial to and moving away is enough to avoid

Let me further iterate that train-

The silver lining from last Monanother. It is through each of these administration.

So why should anyone care all over the world by educating them papers are due.

reduce poverty.

It supports social services such tion. It also partners with various Iraqi people. The bank is active in and better things, like doing its job.

we produce. The bank helps people zation over someone's mistake.

anyway? Finals are coming and how to use natural resources wisely. promotion that was not Wolfowitz's Well, the World Bank is re- is helping countries emerging from seems as if people are more concerned sponsible for a multitude of issues conflict. One word: Iraq. The Iraq about taking power away from him,

to its own defenses.

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New science suggests men may soon become endangered species

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(U-WIRE) MANHATTAN, Kan. — Men might be the latest outdated accessory discarded this season.

At least, that's probably the headat being "girly."

tendo and G.I. Joes with my brother, I might not have passed as the quintes- of the deal. sential tomboy — I did have a rather - but I always related to guys far bet- one large, exaggerated eye roll. ter than girls. Still do, in fact.

you guys seem to be struggling to suggest the Y chromosome, which keep your slot in the list of nature's makes boys, has been shrinking over and science are throwing my way is male sports fan with a hotdog in one necessities.

Scientists recently came forward and announced their newfound ability to take DNA from the marrow of a woman and create synthetic sperm. This is then implanted in another woman, and bam — baby.

there. You seem to have been cut out died off.

impressive Barbie collection, after all her womanhood, might be giving men species hasn't shown any signs of

Though the idea is still under That's why I find it troubling heavy fire, there is some evidence to such a possibility. time.

eventually, far into our distant future, at the thought of a world in which men could go extinct altogether.

In fact, there is a species of lizard in which this already has come to pass.

The Australian Bynoe Gecko While I do delight in the idea completely has rendered the males ing I would choose if I were at all good of lesbians potentially being able to of its species obsolete. The females have their own biological children, are able to reproduce by themselves, Growing up playing Super Nin- man-free, I worry for all the guys out and all the males of the species have

> Worse, it seems to be evolution-Even Mother Nature, ever loyal to arily beneficial to the geckos. The weakening.

> > Far be it from me to gloat about

Though all the "girl power" nature useful in shutting up argumentative meaty fist and a Coors in the other.

Some experts even claim that male friends, I find myself concerned men are useless at best, extinct at worst. Can you imagine a world without guys?

I picture a nation strewn with dusty Xboxes. Baseball caps and tattered Wranglers mope silently in forgotten closets.

Calendars featuring busty beauties sprawled across Mustangs sag dejectedly on their cheap drugstore tacks.

Sports, easily enough taken over by women who were better qualified anyway, echo with falsetto taunts of "Ref! Don't be such a man! That was a perfect play!"

Conspicuously absent is the aging

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## Three faculty members receive award from National Science Foundati

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

Three Texas Tech faculty memdation.

January, but the Tech Office of Communications and Marketing went public with the announce-

Morales, an assistant professor of chemistry; and Brandon Weeks, an assistant professor of chemical engineering.

al Science Foundation's Faculty Heterogeneous and Competitive Coherent States," according to was really happy. It was a big vote standing Nanoscale Properties of Early Career Development Pro- Self-assembly at Liquid-Liquid the release. gram, offers monetary awards to Interfaces," according to a press bers received the CAREER Award support the early career develop- release from the Office of Comfrom the National Science Foun- ment activities of young teachers munications and Marketing. who effectively integrate teaching The awards were given in late and research, according to the study of solid-stabilized emulsions, coded into a computer program to National Science Foundation's where one liquid is dispersed into perform a simulation of chemical plicated, so it's best in the hands Web site.

ment in a press release Thursday. junior faculty members are par- tablish research-related projects funds to buy more computers complish, and there's a big sense of The Tech recipients are Le- ticipating in should build a firm in existing courses and establish to conduct the research and to responsibility. It's a lot of money, nore Dai, an assistant professor foundation for a lifetime of inte- a summer program to broaden support undergraduate and post- so I have to make adequate use of of chemical engineering; Jorge grated contribution to research the participation of minority doctoral students developing the that money. I feel very confident problem in the U.S. right now. Enand education, according to the groups and promote the transfer Web site.

Dai will receive \$400,000 over

The award, part of the Nation- her proposal, entitled "CAREER: "Building a Direct Dynamics with possibility of it was in November. I his research proposal "Under-

another and then stabilized by The kinds of activities these solid particles. She also will esof technology.

Morales will receive \$570,000 on January 29," Morales said, "but the course of five years to research over five years for his proposal the first time I heard of the great during the five years to complete

His research involves inventing and developing a new theory to computationally describe Dai's research will involve the chemical reactions. The theory is reactions.

project.

"I got the final confirmation seriously."

of confidence in my research."

Morales said one of the largest components of the project is the erties of energetic materials - exmath, which he chooses to do by himself.

of just one person," he said. "I Morales said he will use the feel like I have a big duty to acabout that, because I take it very ergetic materials is maybe an area

Weeks will receive \$400,000 bring more kids into science."

Energetic Materials."

He said he will study the propplosives — on a scale too small for the human eye, then use the "It's very difficult, very com- properties on the visible level to develop new energetic materials.

"We've blown up cars and things just for fun," Weeks said. "One of the exciting parts is that kids like seeing things blow up. Getting kids into science is a big where Tech can stand out, and

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## N.H. lawmakers approve civil unions for gay couples; Governor has said he will sign it

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) said he would sign it.

of conscience, fairness and of part. preventing discrimination," said of preventing discrimination."

Shortly after the Democraticcontrolled Senate passed the bill the state's best-known gay residents told The Associated Press he would use it.

New Hampshire is set to become ward to taking full advantage two years earlier, when a study lapse of traditional values. the fourth state to offer civil of the new law," said Episcopal panel of lawmakers and commuunions for gay couples with leg- Bishop V. Gene Robinson of nity leaders recommended New is, no sugarcoating," said Repub- anyone's marriage." islation approved Thursday and New Hampshire, whose 2003 Hampshire giving no meaningful lican Sen. Robert Letourneau. sent to Gov. John Lynch, who has consecration shook up the Epis- consideration to extending legal copal Church and the worldwide recognition to gay couples. "This legislation is a matter Anglican Union of which it is

governor's spokesman Colin and Vermont already offer civil amendment to limit marriage Manning. "It is in keeping with unions for gay couples. Neigh- to unions between a man and a drive or felons vote, all for good New Hampshire's proud tradition boring Massachusetts in 2004 became the only state to allow gay marriage.

14-10 along party lines, one of was no active court challenge to push New Hampshire to act on the issue.

that homosexuality was a choice, Constitution or the federal Con-New Jersey, Connecticut and it endorsed a constitutional woman.

State lawmakers have de-Unlike other states, there bans on same-sex marriage two change those attitudes. vears in a row.

bill called it a door to marriage in not worried so much about the nomination to stop ordaining gay to introduce gay marriage legisla-In fact, the success of civil all aspects but name. Opponents marriage word," he said. "This is bishops and temporarily refrain tion in the next few weeks.

"Let's just call it what it really That panel had concluded in either the New Hampshire stitution."

and obvious reasons," he said.

"As we continue to evolve Sponsors of the civil unions this discussion, we'll see people have since asked the U.S. de- Eliot Spitzer this week pledged

not marriage. This is civil union. Robinson's sexual orientation This does nothing to impact has not been much of a lightning

Robinson, 59, whose partner "This creates same-sex marriage. of 18 years is state health admin- Jan. 1, and some couples were There is no right to marriage istrator Mark Andrew, 53, said he already planning. looks forward to the day when gays will be able to marry.

"We don't let blind people forward but it is not full equality the instant it is possible to do until we have equality," he said of so," said Democratic Rep. Gail the civil union legislation. "We Morrison. State Rep. Jim Splaine, who have come further in a short time feated proposed constitutional is openly gay, said time would than any civil rights movement nia, New York City and Washin history."

"My partner and I look for- unions was an about-face from argued it would lead to the col- an important difference. This is from blessing same-sex unions, rod at home.

The measure would take effect

"My partner and I have already spoken to our minister and "I think this is a huge leap we will be having a civil union

Washington, Maine, Califorington D.C., recognize domestic Though Anglican leaders partnerships. New York Gov.

## Prosecutor: Detroit police sergeant forced couples to engage in sex acts while he watched

DETROIT (AP) — A police sergeant and got in the back seat of her car, then with penalties if they refused.

Detroit Sgt. Roosevelt Tidwell, 39, suspended from his job with pay.

A 21-year-old Detroit woman told demanded her cell phone number. investigators that she and a male friend were driving through Chandler Park early on Feb. 7 when a Detroit police officer pulled them over.

The officer took their identification investigators.

cruiser and forcing them to engage in sex the woman, according to court records. He said. acts while he watched, threatening them threatened them with a a \$500 ticket if they didn't, according to court records.

> The woman said the officer also fondled officer then told her to get out of the car and

Wayne County Prosecutor Kym Worthy said Tidwell later called the woman several times. The woman secretly taped at least one call and gave the tape to

pulled up to their vehicle in a police car, car away. took their identification and told them while he watched.

The women were told to perform sex acts on the two men, and one couple was forced to have intercourse, according to court records.

The victims said that the officer shone his flashlight on them and that

the officer told them to stop and "be They told investigators the officer cool" before waving the other patrol

> of first-degree criminal sexual conduct. County jail in lieu of \$1 million bail.

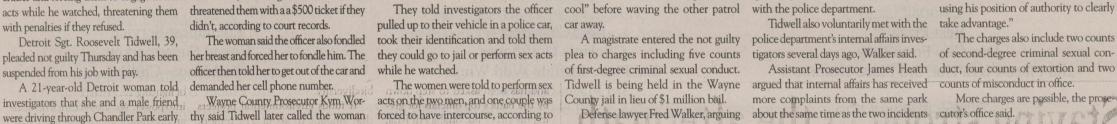
spent 22 years in the military and 12 years the least," Heath said. "This is an officer, with the police department.

"These are not isolated incidents in

using his position of authority to clearly

The charges also include two counts of second-degree criminal sexual con-

More charges are possible, the prose



Tidwell confronted two other women they saw him masturbating. When a for a low bail amount, told Lockhart that linked to Tidwell. is accused of pulling couples over with his told the male friend to perform a sex act on and two men early April 14, Worthy second patrol car approached, they said, Tidwell has been married 18 years and

## Man convicted of murdering Texas couple put to death by injection

HUNTSVILLE (AP) - A gang take responsibility for what I did," 9, was just two weeks past his 18th member convicted of fatally shoot- said Dickson, the 13th prisoner to birthday when he killed Carmelo ing an Amarillo couple during a be executed this year in the nation's Surace, 61, and his wife, Marie, 60, botched beer theft at their grocery busiest capital punishment state. store was executed Thursday evening.

Ryan Dickson, 30, spoke rapidly injected with lethal drugs. when asked if he had anything to say, expressing love to his family and apologizing to the relatives of his victims. No witnesses from his family or the victims' family attended the execution.

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Dickson was pronounced dead at 6:17 p.m., eight minutes after he was Dickson shared some marijuana

Dickson, who had frequent decided he wanted some beer but

in 1994. Before the attempted robbery, with his friends at home, then

run-ins with the law dating to age didn't want to pay for it. All Specials Good Through April 28 "2nd Stop On The Strip" \$795<sub>96 oz.</sub> Master Mix MARGARITA Bucket Master Mixes 1.75L 5<sup>95</sup> All Types Tarantula Azul **Makers Mark** Bourbon Tequila vith Margarita Mix

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Best Local TV Sportscaster Drew Dougherty-KJTV TV 2nd Place-Pete Christy-KCBD-TV 3rd Place-David Collier-KAMC-TV

Best Local TV Weathercaster John Robison-KCBD-TV 2nd Place-Laura Thomas, 3rd Place-Ron Roberts

> **Best TV Show CSI-Las Vegas** 2nd Place-American Idol. 3rd Place (TIE)-Law & Order SVU & **Desperate Housewives**

Best Local Radio Morning Show **Kidd Kraddick** 2nd Place-Max, Jax & Armen, 3rd Place (TIE)- Bob & Tom & Jeff, Kelli and Mudflap

**Best TV Station** KCBD/NBC/Ch.11 2nd Place- KMAC/ABC/Ch.28, 3rd Place-KJTV/Fox/Ch.34

**Best Radio Station KTXT-FM 88.1** 2nd Place-KMMX-FM 100.3 3rd Place- KFMX-FM 94.5,

**Best Movie Theater** Tinseltown 2nd Place-Cinemark 16, 3rd Place-Stars & Stripes

Best Video Rental Store **Blockbuster Video** 2nd Place-Hollywood Video, 3rd Place-Hastings

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**Best Place to Study TTU Library** 2nd Place-Daybreak Coffee, 3rd Place-J&B Coffee

Best Place to take a Date Cafe J 2nd Place-Stars & Stripes, 3rd Place (TIE)- Orlando's & Putt Putt

> **Best Place to Work** TTU 2nd Place-TTU Rec Center 3rd Place-Buffalo Wild Wings

Best Night Club Wild West 2nd Place-Library, 3rd Place-Daiquiri Lounge

**Best Cleaners** Comet 2nd Place-Briteway, 3rd Place-Master Cleaner's

**Best Carwash** X-treme Wash 2nd Place-Quick Quack, 3rd Place-Sundance

Best Car Repair Gene Messer 2nd Place-Hub City Bodyworks, 3rd Place (TIE)-Collision King & Scott's

**Best Haircut Sophisticuts** 2nd Place-Sophisticuts, 3rd Place-Aalon Salon

**Best Tanning Salon** Always Tan 2nd Place-Body Bronze, 3rd Place- Pacific Sun

**Best Church** First United Methodist 2nd Place- First Baptist, **3rd Place-Westminster Prebyterian** 

Best Bank Wells Fargo 2nd Place-Bank of America **3rd Place-American State Bank** 

**Best Pharmacy** Walgreen's 2nd Place-CVS 3rd Place-Thompson Hall

**Best Romantic Dinner** Sky Views 2nd Place-Cafe J, 3rd Place-Chez Suzette

**Best Health Club** 

Best Bar Cricket's Drafthouse 2nd Place (TIE)-Blue Light & Bash Riprocks, 3rd Place (TIE)- Library & Jake's

Best Business at the Business at the Strip Doc's 2nd Place-Crossed Keys **3rd Place-Austin's** 

**Best Apartment Property** Lynnwood Townhomes 2nd Place (TIE)-Raider's Pass & Ashton Pointe, 3rd Place-University Courtyard

> **Best Place to Buy Flowers** United Supermarkets 2nd Place-College Flowers, **3rd Place-University Flowers**

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**Best Residence Hall** Stangel/Murdough 2nd Place-Bledsoe/Gordon/Sneed **3rd Place-Hulen/Clement** 

**Best Tech Tradition** Carol of Lights 2nd Place-Guns Up, 3rd Place-Wrapping Will Rogers & Soapsuds

Best Men's Sport Football 2nd Place-Basketball, 3rd Place-Track & Field

> Best Women's Sport Basketball 2nd Place-Track & Field, **3rd Place-Soccer**

**Best Professor/Instructor** Robert Wernsman (Mass Comm) 2nd Place-Dr. Bill Dean (Mass Comm), 3rd Place-Dr. Robert McDonald (BA)

**Best Student Organization KTXT-FM 88.1** 2nd Place-Goin Band, 3rd Place- Phi Alpha Delta-Pre Law

> **Best Sorority/Fraternity** Chi Omega 2nd Place-Pi Bet Phi, 3rd Place-Beta Theta Pi

Best Class History of Jazz 2nd Place-Newswriting, 3rd Place-Human Sexuality

> Best Major Journalism 2nd Place-Psychology, **3rd Place-History**

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**TTU Recreational Center 2nd Place-Reaction Fitness 3rd Place-Body Works** 

Best Hangout Starbucks 2nd Place-Daybreak Coffee, 3rd Place-Old Town

**Best Coffee Shop** Starbuck's 2nd Place-Daybreak Coffee, 3rd Place-J&B Coffee

Most Helpful Department Psychology 2nd Place-Red to Black **3rd Place-Mass Communications** 

Best Athletic Coach **Bobby Knight** 2nd Place-Mike Leach, 3rd Place-Kristy Curry

> **Best Tech Landmark** Will Rogers & Soapsuds 2nd Place-Memorial Circle **3rd Place-Jones Stadium**



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# Design department bans controversial shirt for fashion show

### **BY JEREMY REYNOLDS** STAFF WRITER

Mary medallion around her neck, sporting a pair of tattoos on her arms and wearing a shirt that has been of garment, but she got hung up on this banned from the Texas Tech fashion show

but no one is accepting "God Hates ing crowd during tonight's show. Lubbock," at least not for the Department of Design's fashion show this that feeds you," Huffman said. "She's evening.

Ritze, a senor apparel design and manufacturing major from The Woodlands, designed the burnt-orange shirt, which reads "God Hates Lubbock" in nothing to do with free speech or First black letters, as a piece to be worn in the senior fashion show today.

news that the department chairwoman, Lynn Huffman, had deemed this would give the department bad the shirt too inappropriate to wear.

"I was shocked at first," Ritze said. "They waited until a day before the shirt infringed on her rights. Huffman show to tell me this."

Ritze said she is not an atheist. Her she attends and participates in church every week.

"This is not an anti-God statement," Ritze said. "This is an anti-Lubbock shirt. I've always been the most outspoken person in the department. This is my way of saying I'm gone."

department of design, said she decided against allowing Ritze to wear the shirt because it represented an inside joke be privy to.

"It shuts everybody out," Huffman show.' said. "This is a fundraising thing, and a large portion of our audience would be offended by that shirt."

Ritze said if someone was so persuaded against giving money by a first place.

Huffman said she spoke with Ritze about the shirt.

"She was very upset when she left Mary Ritze sat wearing a Virgin my office," Huffman said. "It's not like this was her only piece in the show. She's going to show many other pieces one piece. I didn't understand it."

Huffman said the shirt would of-She's been to her professors and fend people from Lubbock, who will to the department chairwoman, make up a major portion of the donat-

"It's kind of like biting the hand thinking short term, while we're thinking about what's best for the department in the future."

Huffman said the shirt issue has Amendment Rights.

"(Huffman) told me I could wear On Thursday, she received the the shirt in the free speech zone if I wanted," Ritze said. "She said publicity."

Ritze said she felt that banning the said she does not agree.

"You can free speech all you want, parents were missionaries and she said but when you represent this university, you have to think in broader terms," Huffman said. "This is something that represents our department and our education system. I think it's a bit of a black eye for us."

Ritze said today's fashion show would be made up of men in Speedos Huffman, chairwoman for the and women wearing outfits that leave no reason to censor a designer." nothing to the imagination.

was the only thing cut. (Huffman) various other people, and no one has nah said. "They can get away with that the audience members wouldn't said I could wear the shirt during the objected to her shirt. day, but I couldn't wear it during the

> design and manufacturing major from Dallas, said she support the fashion de- wear it under another piece of cloth- 7 p.m. today at the Lubbock Civic partment on almost every occasion.

simple shirt, then he or she was prob- partment," Hannah said. "But this was I don't want to get my model in the ably not going to give money in the my line. No matter how much the in- middle of this. This is my fight." stitute wants to be reasonable, there's

GOD HATES LUBBOCK WALTER ROSADO/The Daily Toreador

MARY RITZE, A senior apparel design and manufacturing major from The Woodlands, poses with a shirt that was deemed too inappropriate for todays fashion show.

Ritze said she has spoken with "This is just a shirt," she said. "It other students in the department and

"No one finds any problems with it, except the woman concerned with the Lisa Hannah, a senior apparel money," Ritze said. "This is very unfair. I was going to have one of my models ing and then rip that piece off. I don't Center. "I will always stand up for the de- think that's going to work now because

Hannah said the issue of censorship

has never been a problem within the Art Department.

"No one censors the artists," Hananything. Nudity. Profanity."

Ritze has replaced the banned shirt with a pro-homosexual shirt reading, "Straight Not Narrow."

The fashion show will take place

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Exclusive video from The DT available online. 



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ABOVE: APPAREL DESIGN AND Manufacturing instructor Rachel Anderson fits model Jenna Manning, a junior public relations major from Victoria, into a design while others wait their turn to be approved for the Fashion Design Show. BELOW: JOE PINO, A senior apparel design and manufacturing student from Midland, fits model Jennifer Jones, a junior apparel design and manufacturing major from Dallas, into one of his original designs.



## Long running HBO favorite comes to close at end of season

(U-WIRE) PHILADELPHIA -- "Is Soprano in the final season of "The So- show itself.

ranos" may come to define the show's

David Chase, creator of the single lexicon of American pop-culture. world when he introduced Tony Sopra- up gangster play, "The Sopranos" proved

of "The Sopranos." Could HBO have show became overly enamored with its Relying on the internal conflicts of devoted their resources to an original examination of Tony's psyche. Things 20 years, shook water coolers around the the 'family' over the standard shoot'em programming division that gave us got worse with each season as internal classics like "The Wire," "Deadwood" television was capable of producing and "Six Feet Under," Would F/X have external developments and progression protagonist. Chase's brilliance and what fresh, thought-provoking content of ever dared base "Rescue Me" around a of the plot. group of self destructive, misogynistic, With acting, directing and cin- alcoholic firemen (led by Denis Leary) to no change in the dynamic of Tony's to humanize his leading character. Au- ematography that rivaled that of any in a post 9/11 world? And what of "Dexter," Showtime's new masterpiece tion than the inevitable Shakespearian about a Miami Metro Forensics expert ending. The show has become wildly who moonlights as a Robin Hoodesque inconsistent, plagued with undisciplined serial killer -- meticulously ending the writing and serious pacing issues. lives of criminals he encounters in his day job? If not for "The Sopranos," television would still be defined by formulaic sitcoms, laugh tracks and self-contained dramas that provide swift resolution

Sopranos" became unparalleled in the television today without the influence two seasons in the catbird seat, the conflict came at the expense of any

Those first words spoken by Carmela legacy as a tragedy no less epic than the most influential piece of art in the last



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- AM	Curious	Today Masi	Early Show	Believer	(5:00) Daily	Good Morning America (HD)	J. Hanna
1:30	Clifford	Oka ("He-		Life Today	Buzz		Paid Program
n AM	Dragon Tales	roes*), Spolled kids; wed-		About Animals	Judge Lopez		Paid Program
Ø:30	It's Big World	ding-shower		Eye lor an Eye	Lopez		Paid Program
9-AM :30	Sesame Street		700 Club	Judge Mathis	Greg Behrendt	Montel Wil- liams	Martha
AM	Caillou	Regis and	Price is Right	Divorce Court	Paid Program	The View (HD)	Tyra Banks
U:30	Barney	Kelly		Divorce Court	Paid Program		
AM	Teletables	Jeopardy!	Young and the	Judge Alex	Paid Program	Victory Life	Dr. Keith
:30	Mister Rogers	Jeopardy! (HD)	Restless (HD)	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Ablow
- PM	Needle Arts	News	KLBK 13 News	Jerry Springer	Cosby Show	All My Children	Access
4:30	Fine Art	Days of Our	Bold & Seaut.		Cosby Show		Extra
. PM	Real Moms	Lives Passions	As the World	Maury	Roseanne	One Life to Live	People's Cour
1:30	PlaceOwn		Tums		Roseanne		
- PM	Puppy	Inside Edition	Guiding Light	Paid Program	What I Like	General Hospi- tal	Cristina Court
4:30	The Lions			Paid Program	What I Like		Cristina
- PM	Reading	Oprah Winfrey	Brown	Jerry Springer	Reba	1	Ellen De-
5:30	Cyberchase		Brown	1 Barris	Reba		Generes
A PM	Clifford	Dr. Phil	Judge Judy	Maury	Bernie Mac	Rachael Ray	Fox 34 News First@Four
4:30	Arthur		Judge Judy		Bernie Mac	"Michael J. Fox"	
- PM	Maya & Miguel	News	KLBK 13 News	Access	Still Standing	News	Friends
3:30	Bus.Report	NBC News	CBS News	Family Feud	Still Standing	ABC News	Simpsons
PM	Newshour With	News	KLBK 13 News	Family Feud	King Qu.	News	Jim
0:30	Jim Lehrer	Wheel (HD)	Millionaire	Extra	King Qu.	Entertainment	Raymond
My PM	Wash, W.	Identity	Ghost Whis-	*** "101	Friday Night SmackDownl	Grey's Anatomy	House "Honey moon" (HD)
	Now		perer (HD)	Dalmatians"		"Desire" (HD)	
	Bill Moyers' Journal	Raines "Cio- sure" (HD)	Close to Home "Drink the Cup"	('96, Comedy) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.	THE STATE	Wife Swap	Bones
PM	State of	Law & Order	Numb3rs (HD)	Jim	Will & Grace	20/20	Fox 34 News@Nine
and wanted	State of	"Fallout" (HD)		Wife and Kids	Will & Grace		
PM	Bus.Report	News	KLBK 13 News	70s	Sex and Cily	News	Seinfeld
U:30	Charlie Rose		(:35) Jay Leno (:35) Late Show	King of Hill	Sex and City	(:35) Nightline	Frasier
PM		(HD)	Janvis Cocker.	Malcolm	The Nanny	(:05) ET	Friends
:30	News	(:35) Late Night	(:35) Craig Fer-	Malcolm	Mad About	(:35) Jimmy	Scrubs
MA m	Destinos		guson	Becker	Cops	Kimmel Live	Cheers
4.20	Destinos	(:35) Last Call	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program

RED RAIDER BASEBALL

no, New Jersey crime boss, murderer and reinvented not only the mob drama, but cinematic quality. all of television was an amazing ability diences instantly fell head over heels Academy Award winner, it's almost

for the vulnerable mafioso and "The impossible to imagine the landscape of



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*************	Biscuit	Today (HD)	(6:00) Saturday	*****************************	Loonatics		Winx Club
7 30	FETCHI		Early Show	Paid Program	Tom and Jerry	(HD)	Viva Piñata
	Saddle Club		Horseland	Lubback Home	Scooby-Doo	Emperors	Ninja Turtles
8 30	Zoom		Horseland	Housecalls	Johnny Test	Replacements	Viva Piňata
	Design Squad	Babar	Horseland	Paid Program	Legion Superh.	So Raven	Ninia Turties
The common	Hearliand	Dragon	Horseland	Lubbock Home	The Batman	So Rayen	Chaotic
	Texas Parks	3-2-1	Ashley Show	Pollard Ford	The Baiman	Hannah	Yu-Gi-Oht
	Chronicles	VeggieTales	Coldwell Bank	Saturn	Xiaolin	Suite Life Zack	Yu-Gi-Oh!
	RS' Europe	JaneDrgn	Paid Program	Used Cars	Beakman's	Rengers	Satum
	Victory Garden	Jacob 2-2	Paid Program	Paid Program	Beakman's		Paid Program
mumm	P. Allen	Paid Program	Paid Prog-	** "De-		Rangers NBA Access	Stargate SG-1
1 1 mmm	This House	Paid Program	ramming	ceiver" ('97.	Farscape	Paid Program	The Scourge
		Off-Road	Great	Suspense/	1617 and days 4		
	Workshop	Racing (T)	Shoolers (T)	Thriller) Tim Roth. (R)	"Bookies" A trio of college buddies start their own gam-	Paid Program	American Idol Rewind -
	HomeTime					NASCAR Bsh	
1 mm	Woodwright's	Stanley Cup Playoff A con- lerence semili- nal (Live) (HD)	(HD)	Paid Program		NASCAR Racing Busch Series in Talladega, Ala. (Live)	Paid Program
-:30	Antiques Roadshow			Paid Program	bling ring.		MLB Baseball Teams TBA (Live)
· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •				Paid Program	** "Finder's Fee" ('01, Drama) Erik Palladino.		
	Real Simple			Wife and Kids			
6	Everyday Food			Scrubs			
	Mexico			Roeper			
Re	Barbecue	Jeopardyl	Paid Program	Access Holly-	Bemie Mac	Paid Program	
	America's Kit.	NBC News	CBS News		Still Standing	ABC News	
A	Farmers TV	News	Paid Program	Extra	King Qu.	News	CSI: Miami Recoil
	Boomers	Wheel Fortune	Paid Program		King Qu.	Insider	
S	Lawrence Welk "Spring"		CSI: Crime (HD)	IFL Battie- ground	The Shield "Posse Up"	** "Pearl Harbor" ('01, Drama) Epic	Cops
* :30							Cops
8 PM	Globe Trekker "Greece"	Law & Order: SVU "Haystack"	Without a Trace		The Shield "Safe"	restaging of the sneak at-	America's Most Wanted
n PM	Austin City	Law & Order	48 Hours Mys-	24 'Day 4; 1:00	Masterminds	tack on the U.S. naval	Fox 34 News
¥:30	Limits	"Murder Book"	tery	PM-200 PM*	Masterminds	base. (HD)	Fox Sports OT
PM	Masterpiece	News	KLEK 13 News	Alias	Cold Squad	News	Seinfeld
10 30 Theatre Bleak	Saturday Night	(:35) Westmark	the los field	"Faith"	(:35) Entertain-	Mad TV	
N N PM	House	Live	(:05) Victory	Stargate Atlantis "Coup D'Etat"	Stone Under- cover "	ment Tonight	
11 :30			(:35) Family H.			Paid Program	TALKSHOW
AM	Monty Python	Poker After Dark	Without a Trace	Star Trek	Girls Behaving	Paid Program	American Idol
1 /	Roadtrip (HD)				Girls Behaving	(35) Exposure	Rewind

Hays

with coach

Instead, television has moved out of the shadows, equaling if not surpassing storytelling, straying from the show's film as the best artistic visual medium. once brilliant ability to humanize a That fact is what makes "The Sopra- world that had always held a larger-thannos" decline so heartbreaking. After life mystique.

within the hour.

SUNDAY

The last four seasons have seen next struggle. He is nowhere closer to redemp-

Coming into the last season, dubbed 'The Final Episodes,' there have been nearly four hours dedicated to extended dream sequences, one of which follows Tony as a door to door salesman. Instead of an existential look at Tony's torment, the dreams come off as self-indulgent

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-y AM	Noddy	Today (HD)	Horseland	Awaken	Bible Society	Pollard Ford	Paid Program	
:30	Bob		Horseland	Total Health	in Touch	Lord's Way	Paid Program	
OAM	George	Reporter	Sunday Morn-	Paid Program	C. Luit	Feed the	Believer	
0:30	Buster	First United	ing	Paid Program	Key of David	Prophecy	Eddie Trice	
AM	Signing Time!	Meth. Church		Access Holly-	Paid Program	In Touch	FOX News	
7:30	Thomas	Meet the Press	Nation	wood	Paid Program		Sunday	
IN AM	Keeping Kids		Hour of Power	Extra	Critter Gitters	Si se puede!	Lifepoint	
IU:30	Keeping Kids	Southcrest Ch.	and the second s		Kid Guides	This Week	N. Mak	
MA .	Special Sesion	National	Motocross (T)	First Baptist	Reel Life 101		Paid Program	
:30	Business	Heads-Up		Safari Tracks	Ultimate	NBA	Paid Program	
PM	Motorweak	Poker Champi- onship "Round	Auto Racing	MLB Baseball	***	NBA Playoff A	Paid Program	
12:30	Texas Monthly	as Monthly of 32° (HD)		Rangers at	"Punch-Drunk		NASCAR	
PM	Religion Ethics	Stanley Cup	Mans in Hous- ton (T)	(Live)	Love" ('02, Comedy- Drama) "Pleasant- ville" Two sib-	game (Live)	Flacing Nextel Cup in Taliadega, Ala (Live) (HD)	
:30	McLaughlin	Playoff A con- ference semili- nal (Live) (HD)	ines (s)					
- PM	Hidden Epi-		Galf Byron Nel- son Champion- ship (Live) (HD)					
4:30	demic: Heart					first-round game (Live)		
3 PM	Disease in America (HD)			Base. Preview	lings are trans- ported to a '50s TV show.			
" PM	Good News:			Star Trek "All Ou Yesterdays"	All of Us (HD)			
4:30	How Hospitals	tion's Horse			Ginthiends (HD)			
PM	Faces of Chil-	Paid Program	Paid Program	Smallville	Game (HD)	ABC News	Paid Program	
>:30	dren's Hospital	NBC News	CBS News	"Cyborg"	Everybody	Greg Garrett	Paid Program	
/ PM	Lawrence Welk	Dateline NBC	60 Minutes	Alias	7th Heaven	Funniest Home	King of Hill	
0:30	"Spring"			Para		Videos	King of Hill	
-y PM	Nature (HD)	lature (HD)		Amazing Race:	* "Blank	7th Heaven	Extreme	Simpsons
:30		Construction and	All-Stars	Check" ('94,	N. WALL	Makeover	Simpsons	
o PM	Masterpiece	** "Along	Cold Case "The			t Desperate Housewives	Family Guy	
0:30	Theatre		Good Death"				American Dad	
OPM	Masterpiece	sterpiece Ben Stiller.	Without a Trace	Smallville	Will & Grace	Brothers & Sis-	Fox 34 News	
Y:30 Theatre	(PG-13) (HD)	"One and Only"	"Hypnotic"	Will & Grace	ters "Bad News"	Fox Sports OT		
IN PM	Independent	News	KLBK 13 News	'70s "fin Free"	Sex and City	News	Red Raider	
10:30	Lens "Enron:	Inside Ed.	Without a Trace	Red Raider	Sex and City	(:35) Entertain-	CSI: Miami	
I PM	The Smartest Guys in the	Outdoors	"Transitions"	Paid Program	Cheaters	ment Tonight	"Vengeance"	
:30	Room" (HD)	Whacked	(:45) Westmark	70s			24 'Day 4: 1:00	
NA CH	American Ex-	News	Paid Program J	Jerry Springer	Farscape	(:05) Consumer	"PM-2:00 PM"	
14:30	perience	Paid Program	Paid Program	Sec. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.		Paki Program	Seinfeld	

## FOX34 10:00PM MY LUBBOCK-TV 10:30PM

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## "Latin Kings of Comedy" comes to Hub City

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

What do you call a Hispanic on stage with a microphone?

comedy show "Latin Kings of Comedy," calls it money well comedy circuit. spent. The next stop on Rodri- He toured with guez's nation-wide tour will be the the "Original Hub City Saturday night.

The tour, which Rodriguez said Comedy" early features some of the best young in his career. Hispanic comedians in the coun- Among those try, has played to many venues "Kings" includes throughout the nation.

"We got some great, young George Lopez, talent traveling with us," Rodri- Cheech Marin guez said. "These guys are really and Joey Mefunny."

Among the featured comedians will be Frank Lucero, Dennis started, George Gaxiola and Manny Maldonado.

Audiences around the country have seen the show based on name recognition of Maldonado after his over the place." stint on the reality television show said.

big," Rodriguez said of Maldonado. guez and his team. "He should have won on 'Last all of us."

the Verizon Wireless Center in a joke, they can film it and put Houston and the Nokia Center it on YouTube. The Internet has show has a different specialty. in Dallas.

"We've had great response to comedy world." our tour," Rodriguez said. "Every-Paul Rodriguez, host of the one seems to really like it."

> Kings of Latin a then-unknown

dina. "When we got

was unknown,' Rodriguez said.

"Last Comic Standing," Rodriguez amount of com- City Bank Auditorium. ics in the nation

"It used to be where you worked Comic Standing.' He's going to your butt off on a five-minute about the war and ruin the night television.' be the most popular one out of segment and you perform that on for some serviceman who's come the Johnny Carson Show if you out to see me," Rodriguez said. "I'm will perform at 8 p.m. Saturday at The team of comedians comes were good enough," Rodriguez not there to put out my political to Lubbock after performing at said. "Now, when someone makes opinion."

become the pawn shop of the Rodriguez said he didn't want to

has to keep his material as fresh as wouldn't take to that. Rodriguez is no stranger to the possible, and he does that by lis-

act.

lem with peo-



COURTESY PHOTO "Now, he's all PAUL RODRIGUEZ, host of the to take events of people need to decide on what comedy show "Latin Kings of Com- in the news they should do with their money. The vast edy," will perform Saturday at the and turn them They can either spend the money

those comedians.

Each of the comedians in the recruit a bunch of guys who tell Rodriguez said he knows he the same jokes because audiences

"Our show is completely origitening to what nal," he said. "You always have to his friends talk change up your material and, unabout and us- less you've watched Carlos Mening it in his cia, you haven't seen our jokes."

Rodriguez, who's been in tele-"Some com- vision and film for more than 20 ics talk about years, has appeared alongside some politics," he of the top actors in Hollywood. said. "But, I've He's starred in "Blood Work" never been with Clint Eastwood, Michael one of those Mann's "Ali" and the comedy "Rat Race."

He said he enjoys touring with said he doesn't the comedians because of the vahave a prob- riety he gets every night.

"This is going to be a great ple who want time," Rodriguez said. "I know a lot into some kind on us, or wait two weeks until of funny an- George Lopez comes to town. You' "This guy is going to be real has become a problem for Rodri- ecdote, but he is just not one of can see George (Lopez) all over the place now, but you won't be "I don't want to make a joke able to see these kids all over the

> "The Latin Kings of Comedy" the City Bank Auditorium.

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## Indian court reportedly issues arrest warrant for Richard Gere

NEW DELHI (AP) — A a public function "transgressed town of Dharmsala. all limits of vulgarity," media reports said.

the warrants in the northwestern or both. city of Jaipur after a local citizen reported.

he called "highly sexually erotic," saying the pair violated India's strict public obscenity laws.

Gere and Shetty "transgressed all limits of vulgarity and have the affection are largely taboo. tendency to corrupt the society," PTI quoted the judge as saying.

- often filed by publicity seekers May 5, PTI said.

— are common in conservative India. They add to a backlog of legal cases that has nearly crippled the country's judicial system.

Gere left India shortly after the no comment from the actor.

Gere is a frequent visitor to India, court issued arrest warrants for promoting health issues and the Hollywood actor Richard Gere cause of Tibetan exiles. The Tibetan and Bollywood star Shilpa Shetty spiritual leader, the Dalai Lama, has on Thursday, saying their kiss at his headquarters in the north Indian

Under Indian law a person convicted of public obscenity faces up Judge Dinesh Gupta issued to three months in prison, a fine,

Last week, crowds in several filed a complaint charging that Indian cities burned effigies of the the public display of affection 57-year-old star of "An Officer offended local sensibilities, the and a Gentleman," "American Press Trust of India news agency Gigolo" and "Pretty Woman" after he embraced Shetty and kissed her Gupta earlier viewed televi- several times on her cheeks during sion footage of the event, which an HIV/AIDS awareness event in the Indian capital.

Photographs of the clinch were then splashed across front pages in India — where public displays of

The judge lambasted Shetty for not resisting Gere's kisses and Such cases against celebrities ordered her to appear in his court

Shetty, who is on a religious pilgrimage in southern India, was upset by the news, said her spokesman, Dale Bhagwagar.

"She does hurt, she does feel kissing incident and it was not im- low," Bhagwagar told The Associmediately clear how the warrant ated Press. "She feels she is being would affect him. His publicist, constantly targeted, but anyone who Alan Nierob, said there would be knows her well knows she can't be put down."

## Regis says he's happy to be back after heart surgery

NEW YORK (AP) - Regis Philbin is back on "Live With Regis and Kelly" but still not 100 percent, he says, six weeks after his triple heart bypass surgery.

Philbin, 75, returned to his syndicated daytime talk show Thursday. The audience cheered as he walked onto the set with co-host Kelly Ripa.

"Finally back after six weeks. ... Yes, it was six weeks — and one day," said Philbin, spry and energetic as ever.

But in a press conference, Philbin said he continues to feel post-surgery pain.

"My chest hurts," he told report-

## Laughing gas: Alternative Fuel group performs onthe-spot comedy during final improv show of the year

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

Whether it be masturbating, acting like Britney Spears or simply guessing a celebrity's name, the men and women of Texas Tech's Alternative Fuel group are always game.

The group, which is Tech's members. only improvisation organization, spends the first semester of each year touring the Tech campus playing for faculty members and students.

featured performances at differ- laughs. ent back-ally and dive bars in

attempt. Throughout Wednes- who perform throughout day night's performance, people the year. Though Luu was screamed out suggestions on what the only female on stage the group should act out.

gins, the group is broken into are in the group. two teams that will compete for the applause of the audience native Fuels group requires

After each round, the crowd cheers for its favorite team. Dur- ing, Darden said. A person ing Wednesday night's performance at Bash's, the crowd went or her feet quickly. There's back and forth on which team no telling what the next skit The second semester tour was able to generate the most will be, considering it's all

too embarrassing for the team to 12-13 members of the group Wednesday night, she said Before the night of skits be- there were two others who

Being a part of the Altermore than the ability to tell a good joke with the right timhas to be able to think on his taken from audience sugges-"This is the art of making tions, so someone always has to be thinking. There's no real way of planning ahead for jokes.



ers. "People keep telling me, 'Hey, you look great.' I don't feel that great but I'm happy to be here." Why is he back at work?

"Well, because it was time," he said. "It really was. And sometimes you delude yourself into thinking - you know, you get sort of a wave of hypochondria saying, 'Maybe I shouldn't go back, this hurts, that hurts.' Yeah, it hurts but it's not enough to keep me away from the show.'

Philbin said he loved having more time with his wife, Joy, but felt pulled back to the "Live" studio - his "home for many, many years now."

"Frankly, I don't know what I would do without this morning show," he said. "It's a wonderful show. It's exactly what I devised for myself selfishly back in 1961.... But now it's a part of my life."

David Letterman, host of CBS' "Late Show," was Philbin's first guest on Thursday's program. Philbin was a guest host when Letterman underwent heart bypass surgery in 2000 and recovered from an eye infection in 2003.

While chatting with Ripa, Philbin mentioned he'd lost 8 pounds.

"It is a tough procedure" but the rewards are great, he said of the heart surgery. "But in the meantime, that whole thing is a tough one."

Lubbock. Some nights the group someone laugh," Darden said. performs at Bash Riprocks, found at Jake's Backroom.

Ann Luu, a sophomore jour- stupid, Luu said. nalism major from Dallas, said was a freshman.

"I wanted to join, so I decided to skip going to a basketmade it."

another. On stage, they're com- night's performance.' pletely stone-faced to the possibility of breaking character.

out for the team.

"I didn't think I would get pieces of dialogue. it," he said laughing.

said he occasionally gets ner- the quote, "Get in my belly." vous on stage and there's not much one can do about the occasional stage fright.

"Sometimes I do," Powers said. "When I get up there - if I think I'm going to act stupid, then I am."

There's no job too little or



Sometimes the members have while other nights they can be to do easy skits such as acting like a celebrity doing something

Other times it can be a bit away from my job.' she saw the group performing difficult. During their last peron her campus tour when she formance of the year Wednesday dent assistant in the Art night, the team had to act out the act of masturbation.

"I definitely get embarrassed ball game one night and go and all the time," Luu said, who was try out," Luu said laughing. "I one of the ones chosen for the masturbation skit. "Sometimes The group does a lot of I wonder if I've used up all my

Situated beside the stage is a bright-pink pumpkin filled with Jimmy Darden, a sophomore random phrases. Chosen members said he was coaxed into trying pumpkin and act out a skit using were unwilling." the random phrases as occasional

Rick Powers, a freshman paper are always random addi- the group told her to do. theater major from Dallas and tions to the conversation, such as another member of the group, when one of the members pulled

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"I like being in the group," Darden said. "It keeps me

Antonio Hardy, a stu-Department and member of Alternative Fuels, said he

to talk with him during the performance.

"I was like, 'I will kick you laughing off stage with one funny juices in the previous out," he said laughing. "We've got a lot of funny things that have happened. We learned the hard way one night that it's not a good idea to get a member of the English major from Houston, grab a handful of phrases from the audience to participate if they

Hardy said the group once pulled a woman on stage who The quotes on the pieces of refused to do any of the things

> "One of the members tried to approach her, and she shoved him," Hardy said.

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once had a few of his friends ALTERNATIVE FUELS members perform a skit at the Wall/Gates Residence come to the show and try Hall student lounge during a performance in 2005



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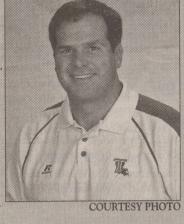
## Bicknell leaves Tech for position with Boston College

## **By ADAM COLEMAN** STAFF WRITER

After being named the new Texas Tech offensive line coach in January, coach Jack Bicknell will be heading north for an assistant head coaching position with Boston College.

According to a press release from Boston College athletics, Bicknell said he looks forward to the chance to coach where he established his collegiate career.

"I'm very excited about the opportunity to come home and coach at my alma mater," Bicknell said in tradition." the release. "BC has a tremendous reputation for producing outstand- as a player at Boston College for variing offensive linemen. I'm looking ous accomplishments. He received the forward to working with coach (Jeff) Scanlon Award, which is the highest Jagodzinski in building upon a great honor a BC football player can earn;



the Scarminach Award, which accounts for his athletic and academic excellence: and the Dean's Award.

Bicknell is a graduate of Boston College and a former starting center for the Eagles. He also started his coaching career at Boston College as a graduate assistant before moving on to coach at New Hampshire and Louisiana Tech. Bicknell's father, Jack Bicknell Sr., is a former coach at Boston College who now coaches in NFL Europe

Bicknell leaves Tech after be-Bicknell received numerous awards ing a part of the program for just a

> few months. Tech coach Mike Leach was not available for comment. ▶ adam.coleman@ttu.edu

## Tech women's basketball signs 2 more recruits

## **By JESSICA HENDERSHOT** STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Lady Raiders expanded their 2007-08 squad by signing two student-athletes to National Let- South Plains College squad for one our sophomore class." ters of Intent, announced Thursday.

Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, Idaho, honors, as well being named a Kodak/ and Ashlee Roberson, from South Plains College in Levelland, will be added to the Tech women's basketball roster in the fall. Moore, a 5-foot-5 guard, and Roberson, a 5-foot-11 forward, join two other April signees for the Lady Raiders: Kaylan Talley, from Clarendon College in Clarendon, and Stanecia Graham, from Cloud County Community College in Concordia, Kan

Moore comes to the Lady Raiders after two years at Southern Idaho where she averaged 17.7 points per game and was a two-time National Junior College Athletic Association WBCA All-America honorable men- seniors Alesha Robertson, Patrice two years.

"Maria brings us that impact point 13-1 conference record. guard with two years of experience," coach Kristy Curry said in a press

and ability in the open floor give us brings a level of tenacity and wina dimension that will fit very well in ning attitude that will be very excitthe Big 12."

Roberson was a member of the season where she received first team Maria Moore, from the College of all-conference and first team all-region

COACH KRISTY CURRY

All-American. She led her team to a tion selection. She averaged 13.2 points 50-14 record while helping them to and 7.6 rebounds per game in 2006-07 reach the Region XVIII finals the past while aiding her team to a Western Junior Athletic Conference title and a of Suwanee, GA., who opted out of

"Ashlee is an extremely versatile South Carolina April 15. athlete who can score inside-outside,"

release. "Her quickness, athleticism Curry said in a press release. "She ing to watch for the next three years. This is an outstanding addition to

> The April additions mark the first since the end of the Lady Raiders season in which they lost three

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Edwards and Brooke Baughman. The Lady Raiders also lost their only true freshman recruit, Jordan Jones her letter of intent and signed with

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# Tech baseball looking for series win against Missouri

is fifth in the Big 12 with 68 strikeouts.

Saturday, Colt Hynes went 7 1/3 innings,

allowing one run while recording nine

ERA and 52 strikeouts. Last season against

Offensively, Roger Kieschnick leads

the team with a .339 batting average and

leads the Big 12 with 22 doubles. He is

tied with Frey in triples and is tied with

Smith for third in the league with 11

Today's game will be the 35th match-

up between Tech and Missouri; the all-time

home runs.

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

If the Texas Tech baseball team wants to keep its postseason hopes alive, it will need a Big 12 Conference series win against Missouri this weekend.

The Red Raiders (25-18, 7-10) travel to Columbia, Mo., to take on the Tigers (28-12, 9-6) today for the first game of a three-game series.

Tech is currently in seventh place in the Big 12 but is only two wins behind third place Missouri. The top eight teams in the Big 12 advance to the conference tournament. With a series win, Tech has a chance to move up significantly in the Big 12 standings.

Tech catcher Matt Smith said the team needs to keep winning and not focus on where it is in the standings.

"If you focus on where you're at all the time," Smith said, "you put a little more pressure on yourself than you need to."

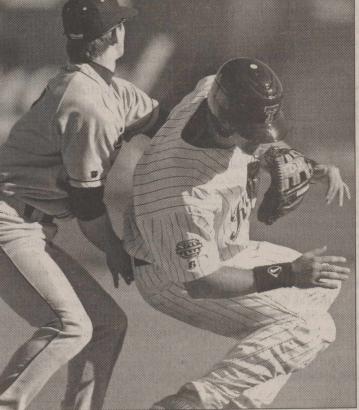
Missouri has won four out of five Big 12 series with its only conference series loss coming to No. 14 Texas A&M. Last weekend at Baylor, the Tigers won the series 2-1 for their third straight road series win.

Missouri is fourth in the Big 12 with a 3.84 team ERA. Right-hander Aaron Crow is 5-2 on the year with 56 strikeouts and his 2.54 ERA is tied for second in strikeouts. He is 3-4 this season with a 4.58 the Big 12. Sophomore left-hander Rick Zagone is a perfect 6-0 for the season Missouri, Hynes pitched a complete game, with a 4.59 ERA and 56 strikeouts. Last allowing two earned runs while tossing six season against Tech, Zagone threw seven strikeouts. innings, allowing three earned runs with five strikeouts.

"They have a couple of pitchers that are really outstanding," Tech baseball coach Larry Hays said. "(Zagone) last year, we thought he was the best left-hander we faced all year and he was just a freshman then."

Offensively, the Tigers are eighth in the series is tied at 17-17. In 2006, Tech swept Big 12 with a .282 batting average. Evan Missouri in a three-game series at Dan Law Frey leads the squad with a .354 average Field In 2005, Missouri won the series 2.1 and is tied for most triples in the confer- in Columbia Mo., including a 25-0 win in ence with five.

which the Red Raiders were hitless. In his last outing against Kansas Friday, Tech right-hander A.J. Ramos pitched a team from the 2005 season. complete-game shutout for the win. He is 8-2 on the year with a 3.91 ERA and a freshman that year, that was tough on wesley.a.skipwith@ttu.edu



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me," Smith said. "Their place was a tough place to play then and just playing on the road in general is always tough, but I think we will be able to handle it.'

Missouri is 13-3 at home this season while Tech is 3-8 on the road. Tech is coming off a road loss Wednesday against TCU. The Red Raiders, leading 6-2 before a rain delay, saw their lead disappear in the bottom of the seventh inning. TCU rallied with five runs in the inning to take the lead and eventually an 8-6 victory.

Hays said the team has had opportunities this season to pick up some key wins, but has fallen short, so defeating Missouri is crucial.

"When that happens you've got to make it up," Hays said about his team's missed opportunities. "We've had a couple of make-ups, but we need some more - and (Missouri) is a tough place to do Smith is one of a few players left on the it. If we can get together and pick up a win on the road and possibly another, that "That was a bad experience, and being would be huge."

## Tech women's track team adds commitments, prepares for regional meets

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

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nounced Thursday the addition Shannon Jackson, of Westbury track team. As a junior, Guzman ond in the state in the 800-meter up to travel to three different of two recruits to the 2007-08 High School in Houston, will finished the Texas 3A State meet As the Texas Tech track team women's team.

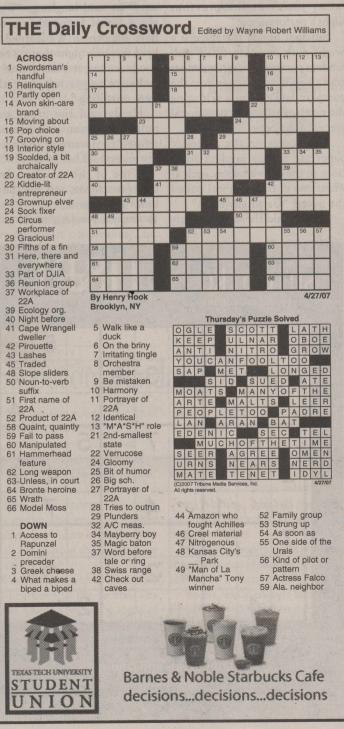
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join the squad for the 2007-08 in the 3,200 meter in second place season. The additions bring the with a time of 5:02.00. As a senior, the 4A Texas State meet in the total number of track commitments to 18.

Guzman placed third in the fall 800-meter and helped the 4x400-3A state championships.

Guzman will take the role of



with a time of 2:13.35. As a junior, locations. Jackson finished in sixth place in meter relay team finish fifth. Jackson, a senior at Houston Jackson's 4X400 relay team have recorded the sixth-best time in the for the Red Raiders. state with a time of 3:51.61.

> in the Texas Relays and helped the sprint medley relay team finish third with a time of 4:04.85.

> will wrap up the regular season



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schedule, coach Wes Kittley an- High School in Giddings, and a distance runner on the Tech Westbury, is currently ranked sec- schedule this weekend and split

Today 33 Red Raiders will travel to Des Moines, Iowa for the 89th annual Drake Relays, where the No. 9 ranked men's 4x400 relay team will close the day Friday

The Sooner Invitational will In April, Jackson participated begin today and features 20 Tech athletes, including Tech freshman Ozie Okolie, who participates in the hammer throw. Freshman jav-Before the Big 12 Outdoor elin thrower Paden Dehrens also Championships, the Red Raiders will compete along with Jessica Stovall and John Means who are both running in the 3000-meter.

> Tech distance runners will travel to Palo Alto, Calif., today to participate in the Jordan Cardinal Invitational. Gladys Kipsang, Kevin Chelimo, Irene Kimaiyo, Violet Chemakwila and Sally Kipyego all will be running in the meet. Chemakwila and Kipyego will be looking to earn NCAA automatic marks to June's

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**SPORTS** 

## The waiting game: Tech players prepare for NFL Draft

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

have come to the point where they praying for a good situation." might attain their dream of playing in the NFL.

In the 2007 NFL Draft beginning Saturday morning, Tech will have a nervous is really the biggest thing," handful of its former players eligible to play for one of the 32 professional teams. Wideouts Joel Filani, Jarrett Hicks and Robert Johnson, offensive linemen Gabe Hall, Glenn January and Manny Ramirez, linebacker Brock Stratton and cornerback Antonio been conducted for both NFL and Huffman participated in either the NFL Combine, Pro Day or worked out for a team.

effect on him and he realizes, at this been in contact with CFL teams. point, he has no control over what happens.

say more you're anxious to find out where you're going to be," Filani said. "I'm pretty confident I'm going to get After the NFL Combine, Pro Day, picked up by somebody, so it's just a and individual workout sessions, for- waiting game. Obviously, it's out of mer Texas Tech football players finally vour hands right now — just keep

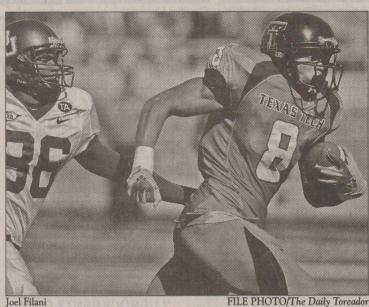
> Hall said waiting is the biggest obstacle in his view.

"It's nerves man, just getting Hall said.

The last time Tech players had a chance to impress NFL scouts was at Pro Day, but some players have been invited to individual workouts since then. The individual workouts have Canadian Football League teams.

Huffman said he has been told by teams he has a chance to get drafted Filani said waiting has a different Saturday or Sunday, but he has also

"Pretty much we'll be waiting to see where I fall, possibly free agency," "I wouldn't say nervous — I'd Huffman said. "I've been to Cana- including workouts and interviews.



Joel Filani

dian League tryouts for the (British Columbia) Lions who won the Grey cup last year."

Filani said he has been active said. "They all have been seeing I've with many NFL teams since Pro Day,

since Pro Day, but it is just a matter NFL has been meeting and competing of waiting.

"Since Pro Day, I've had some workouts with a few teams," January said. "Basically, a lot of (the teams) have been in contact with my agent."

Some Tech players may have been busy since participating in the NFL Combine and Pro Day workouts, but they have also done some work on their own to stay in shape and stay sharp.

Filani said it is key to stay healthy since the NFL Draft is so close. He has continued to workout with Tech football's strength and conditioning coach Bennie Wylie.

"I definitely try and stay in shape; you got the Draft this weekend," Filani said. "Back in Lubbock, I'll be here and there working out with Bennie shape as far as lifting and running." Leading up to the draft, Hall said

January said he has also been busy his best experience in training for the with some of the top names in college footabll

> "Probably going to the Combine, just working out with some of the big-name guys that you hear about throughout your career," Hall said.

> At a practice this spring, Tech coach Mike Leach said he really sees no difference in whether a player gets drafted or not. Leach said all that matters is the level of ability a player can offer to an NFL team.

> "I don't know if any are (going to be drafted) this year," Leach said. "One of the most recent successful ones was Wes Welker. Welker didn't get drafted, so it really doesn't make any difference. All that really counts is what you do when you get there."

Coverage of the 2007 NFL Draft will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday and the - he gave me a program to stay in second day of the draft will air at 10 a.m. Sunday, both on ESPN. ▶ adam.coleman@ttu.edu



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Byrd left after yielding a lead-

CLEVELAND (AP) — Sam- and the new Busch Stadium in (1-1). my Sosa hit two homers to reach St. Louis. 594 for his career, but Paul Byrd and the Cleveland Indians beat the Texas Rangers 9-4 Thursday for their fifth straight win.

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Sosa's 439-foot drive into 600 homers club. It was his 69th the left-field seats leading off Hub City Aviation offers personalized flight training the sixth inning off Byrd (2-1) career multihomer game. league ballpark in which he has off single in the seventh to

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walked one and struck out three. The Rangers twice put a runner at third base with none out and failed to score against Byrd. Texas loaded the bases in the first, but left fielder Shin-Soo

Choo caught a fly ball from Mark Teixeira and made a perfect nohop throw to get Kenny Lofton trying to tag up from third. Sosa then grounded out to end the threat.

fifth, but Byrd got three quick outs to strand him.

three-run first off Kameron Loe inflammation on April 13.

Hank Blalock doubled and later scored on a groundout by Brad Wilkerson in the second to get Texas within 3-1.

Choo opened the bottom Ruth and Willie Mays in the half of the second with a single and scored on Kelly Shoppach's double. Shoppach later scored on a wild pitch to make it 5-1.

> Hank Blalock doubled and scored in the second and fourth innings and Sosa's first homer of the game got Texas within 5-3 in the sixth.

But Cleveland extended its lead in the bottom half on an RBI single by Grady Sizemore and bases-loaded walks by Casey Blake and Travis Hafner. Jhonny Peralta hit his third homer in the seventh to make it 9-3.

Loe allowed seven runs and six hits with three walks over 5 1-3 innings in his second start of the Lofton tripled to open the season. The right-hander made five relief appearances before being into the starting rotation Trot Nixon's two-run homer, when Jamey Wright went on the his first, capped Cleveland's disabled list with right shoulder

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