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STATE

Uninsured drivers targeted in new program

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans driving without insurance may have a harder time dodging a ticket when the state unveils a \$6 million database in January that will give police immediate access to updated coverage information.

The Texas Financial Responsibility Verification Program targets the state's estimated 15 to 20 percent of motorists without valid insurance. Drivers can be ticketed \$175 to \$350 the first time they're caught without a policy.

NATION

Missing girls found in mine shaft

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — A 13-year-old girl who fell into a brushcovered mine shaft while riding an all-terrain vehicle was found dead at the bottom Sunday, and her 10-yearold sister was rescued with serious injuries, authorities said.

The girls, 13-year-old Rikki Howard and 10-year-old Casie Hicks, were out for a holiday weekend ride around 7 p.m. Saturday when their father, who was riding ahead of them on a dirt bike, noticed the girls were

"They were driving along and they went into the mine. It was a total accident," Mohave County Sheriff's Department spokeswoman Sandy Edwards said.

WORLD

Felix becomes Category 5 Hurricane

ORANJESTAD, Aruba (AP) -Hurricane Felix rapidly strengthened into a dangerous Category 5 storm and churned on Monday toward Central America, where forecasters said it could arrive as a "potentially catastrophic" storm. Tourists jammed the airports seeking flights out. Felix was packing winds of up to 165 mph as it headed west, according to the U.S. National Hurricane Center. It could hit Honduras' coastline on Tuesday.

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s residents move in

By GLENYS BOLLS STAFF WRITER

first week of school, U Lofts resi- with his new place. dents were able to move into their

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"When I saw my unit a few weeks paint, and the carpet needed work

really nice."

After living in the Holiday Inn for nice to be able to go home.

new condominiums starting at 6 ago, they still needed to touch up the "It's just like, 'finally!' It was a very trying experience, but now that I'm Joel Aldrich, a graduate student and it needed an intensive cleaning," actually settled, I think I'll really "At least we have a weekend, and it's

been smooth sailing ever since."

After living in hotels for the medical science, said he is impressed more than a week, Aldrich said it is tronic media and communications of the week so I could have enjoyed major from Arlington, said she would "I'm just very relieved," he said. move in Friday evening and take advantage of the three-day weekend.

"I feel good about it," she said. from Lake Jackson studying bio- he said. "But now it has everything enjoy living here. It was frustrating not going to take away from school

it's supposed to have and it looks up until the point of move-in, but it's at all. Starting school, you have a lot of things to get done. I would have Lauren L'Ecuyer, a senior elec- rather had it done at the beginning the weekend rather than spend it moving in."

After making the announcement Friday that residents could

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Internet dating becoming more popular in collegiate arena

By DANIELLE NOVY

Torget the bar scene — increasing numbers of college students now are searching for love in the same place they do their shopping, check their e-mail and chat with friends: the World Wide Web.

"College students comprise a group that has a natural affinity toward being online," said Gail Laguna, a spokeswoman for Spark Network, collegeluv.com, a romance venue bearing the tag line "Sign Up, Look Up, Hook Up."

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\$6,000 worth of equipment stolen from library on campus

STAFF WRITER

Approximately \$6,000 worth of digital camera equipment was reported stolen Aug. 9 from the Texas Tech Library Digital Media Studio (DMS).

Jessica Kunkel, digital media specialist for the library, said a frequent DMS patron checked out a Sony DCR camera, valued at approximately \$2,500, and never returned it. She said the patron, whose name cannot be released because of

pending investigations, routinely checked out and returned for \$2,500. DMS equipment, and sometimes DMS staff made special exceptions for him.

"That was a terrible mistake on our part," she said.

Kunkel said DMS camera equipment must be returned 24 hours after check out and can be renewed if there are no other requests for the items. She said when staff members noticed the camera was overdue, they called and e-mailed the patron and placed him on the suspended privilege list in their database.

She said the patron later returned and checked out a Sony HDR camera, valued at approximately \$3,500, using a fake name and phone number. Kunkel said when personnel realized what had happened, they retracted the bill for the first item and reported both cameras as stolen to the Tech Police

Officers of the Tech Police Department said the investiga-

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State Rep. gives year-end review

By ADAM YOUNG STAFF WRITER

from Houston in a forum Friday.

Garnet Coleman, a democratic spoke at the event titled "2007 view," sponsored by the Tech Law tial ballot, Coleman said. Democrats.

said his organization has difficulty down." bringing in liberal politicians to cians are not allowed to campaign at the school.

ble getting speakers is, this is Lubbock," he said. "This is obviously

Coleman, who represents the 147th District, which is composed entirely of downtown Houston, said he was visiting Lubbock to speak

"Politics has turned into entertainment, and we forget about actually go do something when they get elected that's suppose to have democrats." a benefit to the world we live in,' Coleman said.

crats challenged Speaker of the rates. House Tom Craddick's position.

this was a better Texas deal," Coleman said. "There were a lot of

takes some balls to step up there and tx.us/, boards of regents were lay yourself out there."

Texas Tech School of Law stu- Speaker depended on the vote be- year republicans won control dents discussed new state laws and ing anonymous to prevent political of both houses of the state politics with a state representative retaliation against the representa- legislature. tives, Coleman said.

As speaker, Craddick had the the state of Texas has gone state representative from Houston, power to remove legislators' ano- up over 50 percent," Colenymity by making the vote about man said. "That has changed Texas Legislative Session in Re- whether or not to have a confiden- access to hire education in

"Once there wasn't a confiden-Roberto Ambrosino, Jr., presitial ballot, it was over," he said. dent of the Tech Law Democrats "He would not allow a confidential and a law student from Pittsburgh, vote for him to be forced to step irs.ttu.edu/Tuition/, the hourly

Coleman said this issue can academic year is \$143.67 comspeak at their events because politibe boiled down to a question of whether the Speaker of the House has absolute power to recognize than 63 percent in five years. "Another reason we have trou- other representatives to speak on

a Republican stronghold, and a recognizing me, then that means my their tuition on their own," lot of Democrats aren't willing to folks have no voice," he said. "We Coleman said. "They knew are the ones who cede authority, but they had a lot of demand and none of us believe we cede absolute they wanted really high tuition, STATE REPRESENTATIVE GARNET Coleman addresses the Tech Law Democrats Friday afternoon in the authority."

Coleman said he believes there regulation.' is still bipartisan support in the at Texas Democratic Women's legislature to replace Craddick at in 2005 could still be used to rethe beginning of the next legislative duce tuition rates by giving state session in 2009

the fact that these are folks who be democrats and republicans do- unappropriated funds in the state flagship universities and California be," Coleman said. ing it," he said. "It can't be just treasury.

One of the highlights of this made, Coleman said, was giving tuition cap would be set to prevent year's legislative session, he said, state universities' boards of re- rates from increasing. was when Republicans and Demo- gents the power to increase tuition

"This was not a partisan deal, governments haven't been looting the capital building," he said.

According to the Texas Legis-

given the authority to increase The success of replacing the tuition rates in 2003, the same

> "Since 2003, tuition in Texas, particularly to four-year universities."

According to the Tech tuition and fees Web site, www. tuition rate for the 2007-2008 pared with \$88 per hour in 2002-2003, an increase of more

"UT Austin is the reason why your tuition is going up, "If he has absolute power over because they could not raise so everybody got tuition de-

He said a bill he introduced universities \$14 billion set aside in "If Craddick is gone, it has to a rainy-day fund and \$3 billion in

The extra funding would allow not investing in that.' One of the biggest mistakes he universities to lower their tuition

deregulation," he said, "because if "I've been surprised that student the board of regents can continue to themselves. raise tuition with no check from the legislature, we have no control."

people that wanted to do it, but it lature Web site, www.capitol.state. education to be a top priority and of work.

proposes developing universities like Tech and the University of Houston of the castle' means 'of the castle'

Forum of the Texas Tech School of Law.

has 10," he said. "That means we're

believes the state legislature has rates, Coleman said, and then a Legislature this year, Coleman said he questions the Castle Doctrine, which removes the requirement along the Mexican border. "We have to get rid of tuition that a person attempt to retreat before using deadly force to defend went into effect September 1:

"I had a concern because 'king stopped in the county where he into tier-one flagship universities. and not the front lawn, or the "It's a shame that Texas has two ranch or whatever the case may drivers issued a ticket for speed-

to allow people more freedom to cannot take a driving safety class Of laws enacted by the 80th defend themselves, he said he is to dismiss the citation. concerned the law will encourage

The law also extends the the option of issuing a citation 85 years of age and above to pass boundaries from a person's house instead of arresting a person in a vision test to have their drivers' Coleman said he wants higher to his property, vehicle and place possession of four ounces or less license renewed. of marijuana if the offender is hadam.young@ttu.edu

or she lives.

According to House Bill 586, ing at more than 95 mph, or 25 Instead of being used strictly mph faster than the speed limit,

Katie's Law, House Bill 84, pre-"hunting immigrants" on ranches vents drivers age 79 and older from renewing their drivers' licenses Other notable state laws that on-line, and requires licenses to be renewed every two years instead of House Bill 2391 gives police six. The law also requires drivers



President Bush makes a surprise visit to Iraq to assess war, political process AL-ASAD AIR BASE, Iraq (AP) capital. The gesture underscored the Then he gave Talabani a customary of reaching out to Sunnis, who ran - President Bush and his national U.S. belief that the spark for progress Middle Eastern greeting of three pecks security team made a first-hand assessmay come at the local level. on the cheek. Hussein.

ment of the war in Iraq and prospects the U.S. troop buildup.

of Anbar province, bypassing Baghdad in a symbolic expression of impatience with political paralysis in the nation's

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Senior members of Bush's national for political reconciliation Monday leaders, Bush met with Prime Minister security team were all in Iraq: Defense grees as Bush stepped off Air Force before a showdown with Congress over Nouri al-Maliki, President Jalal Tala- Secretary Robert Gates, Secretary of One. The president stopped at a small bani and other top Iraqi officials from State Condoleezza Rice, National Se- building where a Marine Cobra pilot The president secretly flew 12 hours Baghdad. Bush reached across a nar-curity Adviser Stephen Hadley, Gen. briefed him about the positives and to this dusty air base in a remote part row table and shook al-Maliki's hand. David Petraeus, the top U.S. general negatives of current troop rotations. He When Talabani arrived, Bush greeted in Iraq, Ambassador Ryan Crocker, Gen. Peter Pace, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Adm. William Fallon, the top U.S. commander in the

> To a large degree, the setting was the message: Bringing al-Maliki, a Hemming, said. Shiite, to the heart of mostly Sunni the beleaguered Iraqi leader is capable

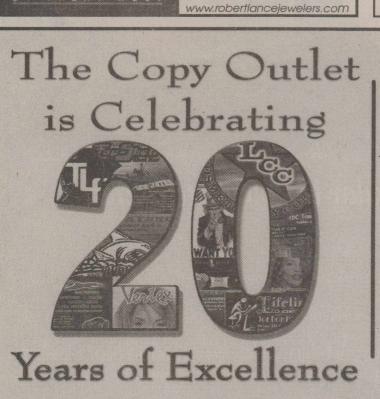
the country for years under Saddam

The temperature topped 110 detold the president that troops were not getting enough time at home and did not have enough time for training.

"Morale?" asked Bush. "How's morale?"

"Very high sir," the pilot, Capt. Lee

Bush's six-hour stay was being Anbar province was intended to show confined to Al-Asad Air Base, an the administration's war critics that airfield once part of Saddam Hussein's



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move in, manager Peter Rosen said he received a positive response from the waiting parents and students.

"They seemed very happy," he said. "The parents seemed a lot more happy than the kids. The kids probably didn't have that much trouble dealing with it. But it's the parents who were excited to know that their kids are in a unit and are going to have a place to stay tonight."

At least one parent was not happy after her daughter moved in Friday night.

"The place is awful," said Carol Neal, mother of a U Lofts tenant. "When we signed the lease in April or May, they were supposed to be done Aug. 1. We told them she was going to have to be up here early for rush. Because they weren't done, she was going from place to place, living with friends."

Neal said U Lofts management started paying for the hotel rooms and storage Aug. 19, when the leases officially went into effect. Since then, she still has had to pay to eat at restaurants for each meal.

"It ended up costing us a lot of money," she said. "This is the finished product, and I certainly wouldn't want to pay for it. It's just cheaply built."

Neal said she and her daughter spent several hours cleaning because the apartment was "filthy," and they flooded the bathroom because some pipes under the sink had not been connected properly.

Aldrich, however, said his apartment was clean and work-

"It's absolutely what I expected," he said. "They're very good about telling you exactly what you're going to get. It's perfect. Right now it still seems kind of foreign, almost like being in a hotel room. I'm still trying to get settled, but it feels more like home now."

L'Ecuyer said she is glad the experience is in the past.

"It's been pretty stressful," she said. "I'm taking 18 hours to graduate. (Moving in) on top of starting school has not been the most pleasant experience."

The U Lofts project is the first that Rosen's Fla.-based company has undertaken in Texas. Despite the problems, he said the overall experience has been a

"The parents have been wonderful, the kids have been wonderful," he said. "Everybody's been really cooperative and understanding and known that the reason they were not moving in was for safety reasons."

Although city of Lubbock building inspectors have ruled the complex safe for inhabitants, Neal said she is still concerned for her daughter's safety.

"There are workers here all hours of the day and night, and that parking garage -- I'm worried about that parking garage," she said. "They told us it was going to be a gated parking garage, and it's not. As a parent, I'm very concerned."

L'Ecuyer said she is not worried about her safety at U Lofts, she just wants to finish moving in and put the experience behind

"I'm sure I will (spend all weekend moving in), which is not the way I'd like to spend it," she said, "but it's better than staying in a hotel for longer."

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Tech hockey team gets green light for City Bank

By MAGGIE KIELY STAFF WRITER

hockey team will be able to more involved. call the City Bank Auditorium

Lubbock Cotton Kings and everyone a chance to skate." will cost the team \$40,000 for the season.

Lubbock benefits from part- hockey games. nerships with Tech.

cause it has some financial sig- games. nificance," he said. "I like the

the Tech hockey team, said the teams this year." team will be leading and orga-City Council, the Texas Tech he hopes to get the community dents and community members. cost.'

been kind of been monopolized previously utilized by the open up more venues and give said by continuing to ask for community.

hockey associations will be uti-

"I think it is important be- see 2,000 to 3,000 fans at the

life for the community as well." a very competitive schedule; we ing rink.

Paul Fioroni, head coach of are playing four division-one

proval vote by the Lubbock and skating at the coliseum, and at the coliseum to attract stu-

In the past, the Tech hockey donations, he hopes to keep fund The Lubbock adult and youth raising a thing of the past.

"Because we're non-profit, Todd Klein, District 3 lizing the space as well, which we're still able to advertise for councilman, said he voted in Fioroni said he believes will donations," he said. "These stuapproval because he believes bring more fans out to the Tech dents last year had to pay \$3,200 a person to play; this year they're He said he would like to not paying anything."

will purchase a new ice plant, "This is not some fly-by-the- which acts as a large refrigerator idea of increasing the quality of night team," he said. "We have and cools the floor of the skat-

Fioroni said he intends to use Goicoechea, and myself and students, period." After a unanimous ap- nizing all other forms of hockey all advertising available to him some private guarantors are

Goicoechea, Tech vice presi-"You know, in the past, it has team members have been respondent of operations and head to camp, this year I had 60," he sible for funding much of the athletic trainer, said his goal The approved lease gives where it was never been allowed organization, which is a Tech is to keep the ice as available players are Texas-born hockey the team use of all facilities to grow," he said. "We want to student organization. Fioroni as possible so as to involve the players, and we're beating all the

> "Our goal is to have a freeanother one, if the city would

He said he would like to establish a figure skating program and skate nights.

"The biggest part of our plan hockey as a whole." is to have Tech student support," >> mag8240@hotmail.com

"The ice plant is costing Goicoechea said. "We're going over \$100,000," he said. "Mike to put on a good show for Tech

Fioroni said he hopes to see taking out a loan to pay for the the hockey program continue to grow and become successful.

> "Last year I had 35 guys come said. "Seventy percent of my traditionalized places."

Admission for the games is \$2 standing, self-sufficient ice fa- for Tech students and \$5 general cility," he said, "and either keep admission. Because the auditothis facility or eventually build rium is city property, alcoholic beverages will be served. The first home game will be against North Texas Sept. 28.

"We've worked very hard Fioroni said he and others and make the ice rink available to acquire this lease," Fioroni for events like birthday parties said. "By people supporting Tech hockey, they're supporting



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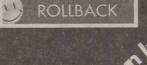
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Reasons not to be religious

here have always been people who define God and life by a set of rules.

Sometimes people hope religion will save them, but while religion can be useful for gathering in community, it is necessary to remember religion is an invention is caught in a sin, you who are of man. Although people may at- spiritual should restore him gently tempt to follow God, history has shown religion tends to distract (Galatians 6:1-2) from God rather than bring him attention.

early religious activity, people comes from self-righteousness. would burn animals on alters as (Hosea 6:6)

and with all your soul, and with 51:17) all your mind and with all your action, it can't be defined merely merciful God has been to them. through rules and lists.

of Jesus who said, "If someone but have not love, I gain nothing." ttu.edu.



... carry each other's burdens."

recognize when we're doing somebased religion is legalism, which condemnation because we don't those rules. is following rules without un- know each other's true hearts.

a sacrifice for their gods. But, their good works earn them a spot prophets, "I desire mercy, not superiority. They make a show control our lives. sacrifice, and acknowledgment of out of how "good" they are. This

strength. The second is this: Love they have somehow earned God's is the foundation for a life spent your neighbor as yourself." (Mark gifts by their good works, they following Jesus. 12:29-31) Love takes work and don't recognize how loving and

distraction from God. When fol- tough love without grace. "If I... well the rules are followed, it is that can move mountains, but worthwhile. easy to condemn others. But this have not love, I am nothing. If I . Kapalka is a senior architecis not the helpful attitude rec- give all I possess to the poor and ture major from Billings, Mont. ommended by an early follower surrender my body to the flames, E-mail her at ginger.kapalka@

(1 Corinthians 13:2-3)

Neither intelligence nor actions can show fully the truth of a person's heart. The attitude that others must earn our love and concern is opposite to God's attitude and the way he has treated us; his mercy is taken for granted.

The final reason to not be religious is, it ends in hypocrisy. First, no person is perfect enough to live up to a set of rules. Second, Although others can help us the attempt to only follow rules leads to an unloving attitude and The first problem with a rule- thing wrong, it is useless to issue misses the deeper purposes behind

When we repent before God, derstanding their purpose. In an This judgmental attitude often we not only admit we have done sinful things, or have broken the Self-righteous people think rules, but that our attitude has been wrong. We confess we are even before Jesus came, God told in heaven, or their actions justify selfish, rebellious and trying to

We ask God to forgive both our God rather than burnt offerings." attitude is contrary to the humil- actions and our attitudes, because ity God desires. True repentance only Jesus was perfect enough Jesus further emphasized this and regret of sin leads to a desire to make the sacrifice. Then, we point when he said, "The most to live life for God. "The sacrifices ask for God to be the lord of our important command is ... Love the of God are a broken spirit, a brolives, to teach us live according Lord your God with all your heart, ken and contrite heart." (Psalms to his plan and to learn to love people like he does. We forget Because some people believe this simple and honest request

Then, perhaps as long as religion does not replace a personal Thus, they don't offer other relationship with God, it can Being judgmental is another people love, or they give only be useful. If church activities enhance or lead to a relationship lowing God is reduced to earning can fathom all mysteries and all with God in personal prayer and and losing points based on how knowledge, and if I have a faith Bible study, then they can be



Foghorn Leghorn loved his job as KFC's "stud rooster"... until he found out what the Colonel was doing with all his kids.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Despite being a self-proclaimed conservative advocate of logic and reasoning, Josh Brownlow neglected facts in his column, "What is a conservative?" Last week, his conservative love song brimmed with emotions he purportedly

Brownlow ignores the founding fathers' allowance for the U.S. Constitution to change and grow. Evidence? Look at the Bill of Rights and the other 17 amendments. Knowing they couldn't anticipate every circumstance, they allowed for constitutional flexibility. Otherwise, blacks and women wouldn't be able to vote.

Brownlow advocates government with few responsibilities and believes a powerful government threatens the individual. The federal government protects us against terrorism, but it also seeks safety with agencies such as the Food and Drug Administration and the Centers for Disease Control. Did Brownlow observe the federal government on vacation two years ago? Scores of Katrina victims lost homes and livelihoods, and some even lost their lives.

Brownlow argues an economic system free of federal regulation increases competition and lowers prices, but he forgot about one of the founders of his conservatism, Theodore Roosevelt, whose Square Deal pursued corporations, dismantled monopolies and prosecuted the "predatory rich" to ensure competition and fair prices. Back then, government went after big business instead of financing it. "No regulation" conjures images of Enron.

Brownlow and I agree taxation may be abused. He says people should do what they want with earnings. But people who put in a 40-hour week at minimum wage make \$12,168 during an entire year! And, they're still going to be taxed 10 percent of income, leaving the freedom to invest or save little of their money when buying \$4.39-a-gallon milk.

I agree God is supreme and gave us inalienable rights, but I count on government to protect those freedoms from evildoers. We don't legislate morality, but against immorality and those who steal our freedoms.

- Brett Copeland, a senior public relations and political science major from Boerne.

When I started reading the column, "Don't fight discrimination with discrimination," written by Brian Ridley, I couldn't believe my eyes. Another white male, who is in the majority, complaining about affirmative action.

I understand affirmative action isn't the best system out there, but there are no considerable alternatives. Without this system, many highly qualified minorities would never see the opportunities they now enjoy. The harsh reality is that America was built on principles of inequality, and left alone, many employers would give employment opportunities to individuals with similar backgrounds to theirs, and that would be a majority of white people. This is the heart of discrimination, and it is often unintentional.

Look around you, most blacks associate with other blacks, Hispanics with Hispanics, and whites with other white individuals. You can see this everyday simply by walking across campus. It is a product of human nature, and since the majority of the country's power lies in white hands, this "human nature" becomes discrimination, which leads to harmful social effects. Contrary to Ridley's comment, even without a race category on applications, our race is often closely linked to our names and the way we sound and the way we carry ourselves. If affirmative action is no longer needed for women, that's a good thing — that means it did its job and now needs to complete the task for racial minorities too.

Affirmative action never tries to give under-qualified candidates jobs. It simply tries to make sure when two candidates are equally qualified and the workplace doesn't have a good representation of minorities, the minority gets the job. I know this isn't entirely fair, but life isn't fair. Is it fair I am judged by the color of my skin and not the contents of my mind? No. but it happens.

Blacks, Hispanics and other ethnic minorities have been behind the 8-ball for centuries, and only since the 1960s have these groups been able to compete in any realistic way with white people. Only since my parents generation have blacks been able to succeed without being hampered by blatant racism. Affirmative action is meant to help underprivileged groups catch up to where they would have been without being dragged down by white America because of our race. Professional sports have many minority players but few minority coaches and owners. Sports are the modern day coliseum — they entertain us, but don't get our true respect or any real power.

Take Michael Vick, he may never play football ever again, and now his career and livelihood are over. However, Bill Gates he could fight dogs all day long, go to jail, get back out, and make millions the very next day. That is true economic and social freedom. That is what affirmative action seeks to do for minorities. It is a sad day indeed when the three universities that actually use race as a factor in admissions still boast minority attendance percentage in the single digits.

Diversity isn't meant to make me feel better about myself, it is important because the whole world isn't just black or white but many colors. Diversity helps prepare us to relate to different people and different cultures. So, affirmative action isn't reverse discrimination but a needed institution that makes America a better place every day, as long as it remains on the books.

Azuwuike Okorafor, a junior political science major from Houston.

Government shouldn't handle health care

t's becoming increasingly difficult for Americans to A afford medical care because of the rising cost of health insurance and medical fees.

Since these problems have become so prevalent, the idea of universal health coverage has stepped into the limelight of American politics. It may even vate health coverage. With the sound like a good idea, before government offering free health researching the facts on social- coverage to these people, their socialized health care is not a safe health insurance is gone, thus and viable option for the citizens thrusting children entirely into of the United States.

The United States is trapped in a vicious cycle. In order harmless, it's a step in the wrong to continue research on new direction. Some advocates of medications and pad their CEO's universal health care try to use bank accounts, pharmaceutical England and Canada as models, companies need to charge exorbibut, medically speaking, things tant amounts of money for a pill, are worse in those countries. Dr. which costs very little to make.

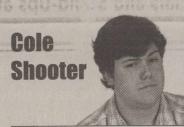
doctors' prices to increase. When government. those prices increase, insurance control.

only way to afford medical care many of their cancers become one that he or she has lived long is to sue some innocent doctor, incurable.' and then move somewhere else done

cans and their political rep- times, by treatments, from a resentatives are advocating a person's referral by a general socialized health care system. practitioner to treatment by major from Lubbock. E-mail him It's been implemented to a small a specialist. According to the at cole.shooter@ttu.edu. extent with Congress extending study, "the shortest waiting time the State Children's Health In- was for oncology (4.9 weeks). surance Program (S-CHIP), for The longest waiting time was for another five years.

earning up to 200 percent of the weeks). poverty level, but has now been stretched to those earning up to cialized health care, aside from 400 percent of the poverty level. the lengthy queues, is the use National Review Editor-at-Large of Quality Adjusted Life Years. John O'Sullivan said "children Aside from things such as transin families where the annual plants, the government decides income is as high as \$82,000 will who is allowed surgery based on become eligible for free health age. If a 55-year-old and a 20-

the S-CHIP poverty percentage chooses the 20-year-old over the increase, O'Sullivan said, is an 55-year-old because he or she is estimated 77 percent of children more likely to live longer based living between 200 and 300 per- on general life expectancy. cent already have health insur-300 and 400 percent have pri-receive treatment, instead of try-



ized medicine - unfortunately, incentive to keep the private socialized health care.

While this may sound fairly Walter E. Williams, Professor People sue doctors, causing of Economics at George Mason the doctors' malpractice insur- University, said the cure for ance to go up, which causes the our health system issues is less

According to a story published companies must raise prices as in the London Observer in 2002, well to cover the increased cost. "an unpublished report shows Everyone's cost spirals out of some patients are now having to wait more than eight months After all, it shouldn't be the It's beginning to look like the for treatment, during which time government's place to tell some-

where no one knows what you've from Canada's Fraser Institute entitled "Waiting Your Turn," Because of this, some Ameri- which lists Canada's waiting ment handle everything. orthopedic surgery (40.3 weeks), S-CHIP originally extended followed by plastic surgery (35.4 health insurance to families weeks) and neurosurgery (31.7

Another problem with soyear-old need the same surgery, The biggest problem with the government-owned hospital

Here in the United States, ance, and 89 percent between both individuals would be able to

ing to uphold the government's bottom line. Because of this, the idea of universal health care looks less attractive as one ages.

When considering universal health care, the main question should be whether you really trust politicians to make your health care decisions.

Unfortunately, socialized health care is not a safe and viable option for the citizens of the United States.

> - COLE SHOOTER DT COLUMNIST

Health care is expensive, and the current system is very flawed. The answer, however, is not handing the entire health care industry over to the government. enough. The chance for private Williams mentions a study industry competition to correct our health care system is far more hopeful than letting the govern-

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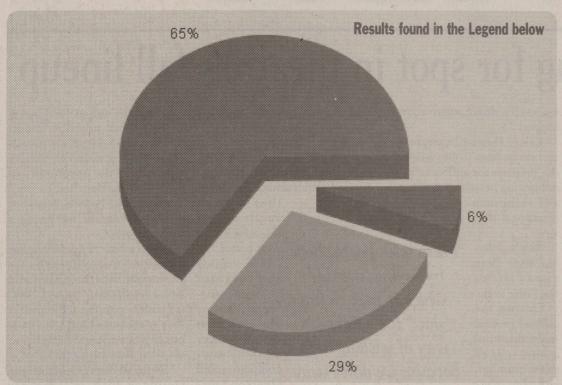
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tion is still pending and charges are expected to be filed.

"Through thorough investigation, we have recovered the cameras," said Gordon Hoffman, assistant chief of the Tech Police Department.

He said no other information can be released at this time.

Kunkel said the DMS has taken measures to correct their mistakes by increasing security and requiring photo IDs at the time of check

"We have learned our lesson," she said. "I have very little sympathy for lateness. Most of our patrons are exceedingly honest, abide by the rules very well and appreciate my new stringency."

Jeff Whitley, director of com- meredith.c.york@ttu.edu

munications and marketing for the Tech Library, said all Tech students, faculty and staff members can use the DMS equipment, but he expressed concern about people who choose to take advantage of

"The whole idea of a library is that it's on an honors system," Whitley said. "We never, never think mal-intent — that's not our nature as a library."

He said he believes libraries are supposed to be about unabated access to resources.

"We don't know very many libraries that make this kind of industry-standard equipment available to students, faculty and staff, and we will continue to make it available. In fact, we have more equipment in route that will be available for check out this semester."

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Britain pulls out from downtown Basra base

BAGHDAD (AP) - Iraqi soldiers hoisted the nation's flag over after British troops withdrew from their last garrison in the city, leaving the country's second biggest city Iranian-backed Shiite militias.

At al-Asad Air Base west of Baghdad, meanwhile, President Bush made a surprise visit to Iraq, hoping to bolster his case that the buildup of U.S. troops is helping stabilizing

injured when a roadside bomb blew up next to their patrol on Sunday outside of Baghdad. No further details were released.

British vehicles rumbled out of the gates of the sprawling Basra Palace compound after dark Sunday and headed for the Basra's international airport, about 12 miles away, where

British Prime Minister Gordon be scrapped. Brown said the move was planned for the Basra palace compound Monday months and that British troops would certain circumstances.

four provinces, and now we are moving over time to being in an overwatch role," Brown told the British Broadcasting Corporation.

"We are able to give training. We are able to re-intervene in Iraqi security forces.

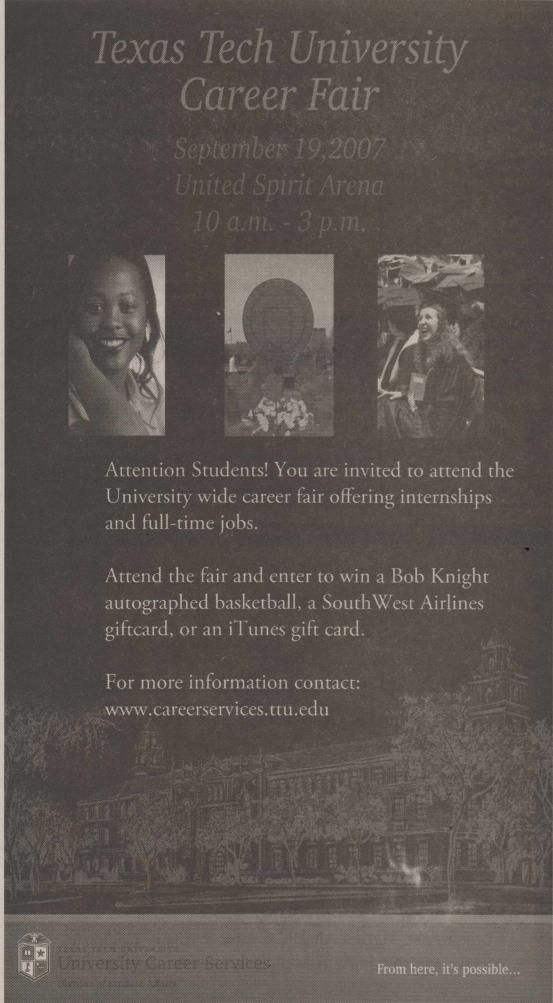
Bush was joined by his top advisers, including National Security Adviser Stephen Hadley. Defense Secretary Robert Gates was traveling there separately. The mission to shore up support for the war was shared with only a small circle of White House staffers and members news of his trip leaked early, it would defeat."

The White House arranged Bush's trip as a showdown nears be available to help Iraqi forces "in with Congress over whether his decision in January to order 30,000 "This is essentially a move from more U.S. troops to Iraq is working. largely in the hands in the hands of where we were in a combat role in Some prominent GOP lawmakers have broken with Bush on his war strategy, but so far, most Republicans have stood with Bush. In exchange for their loyalty, they want to see substantial progress in Iraq soon.

U.S. officials have been concertain circumstances. The purpose cerned about the prospect of British And the U.S. command said a of this has been to hand the security troops handing over control of a soldier was killed and three others over from the British army to the city where armed militias hold sway. Basra controls a key land supply line from Kuwait to Baghdad and farther north, and is also near important

In a report last June, the International Crisis Group, a Brussels-based think tank, said Basra residents and militiamen would consider the British departure "not as an orderly the last of Britain's 5,500 soldiers of the media, who were told that if withdrawal" but as "an ignominious

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Act II complete: Callbacks waiting for spot in theatre's fall lineup

By ANN LUU STAFF WRITER

A small crowd gathered around the window of the Maedgen Lab Theatre Thursday night, waiting for the callback sheet to be posted at midnight.

The callback sheet deterall their hard work paid off.

semester's theatrical lineup, com- cast." prised of "A Chorus Line" (Oct. 18-21), directed by Dr. Jonathan Marks; "Jitters" (Nov. 29-30, Dec. 1-2), directed by Cheramie Howe; and "The Solution" (Oct.

out of your mind," said Minerva Villa, a junior theater major from Kermit, after her auditions, "but get it out of your head."

When midnight rolled around, game and proceed to the callback rounds Saturday or Sunday.

Callbacks for "The Solution" were in the Lab Theatre from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, "A

the dance studio located in the tops and jazz shoes. Sports Sciences Center, and "Jitters" callbacks were from 1 Maedgen Theatre main stage.

"I was very excited," said A.J. Warren, a senior dance major calming their nerves. mined the fates of those who from Casper, Wyoming. "I was auditioned for a variety of theat- also excited about the people rical performances and whether who were also getting called wanting to take part in the fall ally don't see and the potential

> Senior theater major Teri Bocko, a Lubbock native, said callbacks were a bit of a relieving process.

"I was ecstatic," she said. "It 29-Nov. 4), directed by Laurin was a relief getting called back because you know there's some-"You try to push callbacks thing they like, but there's still petition, more talent," he said. pressure to do well."

students who were called back you can't because it's something for "A Chorus Line" assembled what to expect, so they must vin, said the you worked hard for. You can't into the lobby of the Sports Sci- come prepared for anything. ences Center.

> skills and abilities with cold readings from the script, Audience Privitt said.

A majority of the group ar-

1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday in tards, tights, dance pants, tank happen."

preparing himself or herself and technique stretching, vocalizing and of musical the-

"I usually have to go to the bathroom beforehand," said ent style than senior theatre major Katy Baker everything back because you get to spend of Fort Worth, "but I never go' else," she said. Auditions took place for those time with these people you usu- because it keeps my adrenaline going. It makes me think, 'just callback process, get past this, and then you can students learned

> Carlos Gutierrez, a sophomore show number, business major from El Paso, said and they were he compares callbacks to the encouraged to initial audition.

"It is more stressful because they could in a there is more pressure, more com- two-hour span.

Matt Harr, a senior dance and Saturday afternoon the 53 Spanish major from Spring, said during callbacks no one knows major from Al-

"I make sure I get plenty of preparation for Callbacks for "A Chorus Line" sleep," he said. "I make sure I the show numthe auditioned knew whether or consisted of combinations of eat foods that do not hurt my ber is fast-paced. not they had to step up their singing and dancing to determine stomach or that is detrimental to my tum-tum.

Relations Specialist Richard heavy foods, such as dairy prod-

said. "I also wish people luck by learn a lot." saying 'merde,' which is French

Chorus Line" callbacks were from rived clad in dance-attire leo- we really don't want that to said she is attentive to those are they (the non-majors) here,"

Kelsey Dorman, a senior the-While the stage manager ater major from Colleyville, said ent world," Waldenmaier said. assigned audition numbers to she prepares for callbacks by fa- "I don't think about anything. p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday in the students, everyone milled around miliarizing herself with the style When I watch others, I see what

"It's a differ-

During the a fast-paced learn as much as

Ben Harris, a junior business management two hours of

"It's definitely learning intensive," he said. "The performing is Warren said she avoids any pretty easy, but I just wish there very fast. Even if I don't make a and I don't eat any dairy," she of the audition experience. You lead."

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performing ahead of her.

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- A.J. WARREN

SENIOR FROM

CASPER, WYOMING

they do well for myself and I also wish people luck do it better."

tor, the show acbecause we don't want companist and Director Jonathon Marks.

> policy where any undergrad-

are at a disadvantage because of best actors for the concept for a lack of experience, but Privitt the show." disagrees.

were more personal time. It goes must have experience," he said. "Here, we often cast freshmen. the directors' decisions. "I drink lemon tea with honey, part, it was still worth it because Once, we had a freshman in a

> N.M., said he used to prefer auditioners be theater majors.

"At first I was mad, like, why > vinh-an.luu@ttu.edu

he said. "But now I'm impartial because a lot of my friends changed their majors to theater after having the opportunity to be in a production."

Harris, said he feels somewhat and steal that at a disadvantage not being a theater major.

"I feel a little at a disadvantage The audition because everyone else has recent also consisted experience with the theater and of private sing- dance department," he said. "But, ing and reading it's really up to the individual if portions with they're ready to shine ... It's been the vocal direc- one hell of a ride and I'm ready to see what happens next."

With all three productions casting as little as four to as many as 14 members, some stu-Since Texas dents may think there is tension Tech has an between those contending for open-audition parts, but Baker said he supports the directors decision.

"I don't really see them as uate, graduate competitors," Baker said of his or faculty and auditioning peers. "I just want staff member to perform and do my best. If may audition, they need me, they will use me. some students I'm not competing, because I may feel they know the directors will use the

Now that callbacks are over, "We are not UT where you the actors and actresses have done all they can except wait for

"Once it's over, as long as I did my best, I will be happy," Shiloh Link, a sophomore said senior Harr from Spring. "If For her first time auditioning,theatre major from Angel Fire,I don't make the cast, there will be other opportunities. If I do, it will be great."

Movie crasher: Wilson doing better after apparent suicide attempt

VENICE, Italy (AP) — Owen latest film said Monday.

"Obviously he has been award. Wilson is doing well as he re- through a lot this week," said covers from an apparent suicide Wes Anderson, who directed Wil- ing very well, he has been making attempt, and is even making col- son in "The Darjeeling Limited," us laugh," Anderson told a news leagues laugh, the director of his one of the films in competition conference to promote the film. for the Venice Film Festival's top

"I can tell you he has been do-

tor said, asking that the actor's and their relationship again. privacy be respected.

worked together for more than to work with Wilson on the set. a decade, in pictures including "The Royal Tenenbaums."

last week after police responded brotherly thing.' to a call about a suicide attempt at his Santa Monica home. The Schwartzman, Anjelica Huston day after he was hospitalized, and Bill Murray. he issued a statement asking for

throughout the film - who other characters imply has attempted

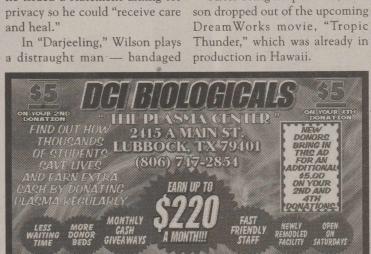
Wilson plays one of three brothers who haven't said a word "When he is ready he's going to each other in a year and who to speak for himself much better take a train journey across India than any of us could," the direc- in an attempt to find themselves

Adrien Brody, who plays one of Wilson and Anderson have the brothers, described how it was

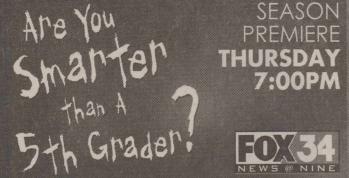
"Owen has a tremendous sense of humor and he's very mis-The 38-year-old Wilson was chievous," Brody told the news taken by ambulance to a hospital conference. "I would say it was a

The cast also includes Jason

After being hospitalized, Wil-DreamWorks movie, "Tropic









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Hollywood high: Movie industry sees increase in summer movie sa

string of blockbuster hits.

The movie industry had its first \$4 Media By Numbers.

That was up 8 percent from last summer and surpassed the previous high of \$3.95 billion in summer

Hollywood did not set a movie atannual rises in admission prices, about 606 million tickets were sold this sum-

that looked to be going down for the for attendance since the golden age of count two years ago rebounded with the 1930s, '40s and '50s came in 2002, record revenue and an unparalleled when 653.4 million tickets were sold, according to Media By Numbers.

Still, it was a sharp turnaround billion summer and will finish with a from summer 2005, when attendance of the Caribbean: At World's End," haul of about \$4.15 billion from the plunged 11.5 percent compared to the the third installments in those three first weekend in May through Labor previous summer and critics predicted franchises all shooting past \$300 mil-Day, according to box-office tracker the movie industry would continue to lion domestically. decline as consumers turned to home theaters, video games and other entertainment choices.

"Everyone should be very happy with the result. The movie industry is alive and well, in comparison to maybe tendance record, though. Factoring in what was being said a few years ago," said Rory Bruer, head of distribution

lywood lived its own second-chance season was only the sixth-best for mod-opening weekend for "Spider-Man 3"

"Spider-Man 3" was quickly fol-

It was the first summer ever to start with three such huge blockbusters, yet Hollywood lost momentum in June. The month had hits with Universal's "Knocked Up" and 20th Century Fox's "Live Free or Die Hard" and "Fantastic Four: Rise of the Silver Surfer."

Though packing in solid audiences, for Sony, which started the summer the star-studded Warner Bros. sequel

"Evan Almighty," a follow-up to the such as "The Island," "Stealth" and "Rocky" story this summer as a business ern Hollywood, whose biggest summer and also released "Superbad," which blockbuster "Bruce Almighty," failed to is on its way to becoming a \$100 mil- live up to their predecessors, contributing to a soft box-office month.

lowed by DreamWorks Animation's amount's "Transformers" and War-"Shrek the Third" and Disney's "Pirates ner's "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" reignited movie fever. Ouickly following were hits such as Universal's "The Bourne Ultimatum," New Line's "Hairspray" and "Rush Hour 3" and 20th Century Fox's "The Simpsons Movie," providing a surge to quality of the movies is there." the second half of summer, when the movie business usually slows down as up 7 percent and attendance has risen on that for the fall and holiday season, fall approaches.

> While there were a couple of boxoffice underachievers, Hollywood was conspicuously free of outright bombs this summer, unlike two years ago,

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hol- mer, up 3 percent from 2006. But the with a record-breaking \$151.1 million "Ocean's Thirteen" and Universal's when the season was littered with flops franchise flicks. "The Bad News Bears."

we put out was satisfying," said Chris Aronson, senior vice president of distribution for 20th Century Fox. "At the end of the day, it says that if it's good, they're going to come. The demise of the movie business is very premature. It's a healthy business as long as the

2.5 percent compared to last year.

But the movie business is fickle, and that momentum could falter through the fall and holidays, when the film schedule is unusually barren of big

The one major sequel is "National Treasure: Book of Secrets," but that "It's a tribute to the fact that we does not come out until late Decemas a collective group paid attention to ber. If Hollywood hopes to maintain Then Disney's "Ratatouille," Parthe audience and made sure that what its strong year, audiences will have to turn out in big numbers for such original films as Johnny Depp's musical "Sweeney Todd," Nicole Kidman and Daniel Craig's fantasy "The Golden Compass" and Denzel Washington and Russell Crowe's crime drama "American Gangster."

"Look how important sequels were For the full year, movie revenues are to summer of 2007. If we're counting we're going to be out of luck," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of Media By Numbers. "It's going to be about originality having to win out over franchise films."

Dating

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"At this point, the social aspect plays more of a role than the mar-

Dating Magazine, said he also has observed a trend of more and more online-dating pool. collegians turning to both dating Web sites and social networking sites, such as www.myspace.com and www.facebook.com.

"(The popularity of) online dating continues to go up," he said. "It hasn't yet reached its peak."

Tracy said he believes college students gravitate toward the Internet for romance because of the Web's combined simplicity and convenience.

"(Dating Web sites) are easy to fit into students' schedules," he said. "Plus, most college students are tech-savvy."

Tracy said online dating is a safe alternative to yesteryear's dating methods as long as participants follow basic safety tips.

The dating Web site www. match.com offers potential lovebirds a string of simple tips for online dating, including: guarding one's identity, using third-party, anonymous e-mail addresses and blocking anyone who behaves in

an abusive manner.

David Bernal, a senior general studies major from McKinney, said he still is dating a person he met thing to try; you never know until through an online dating site.

Online dating can be appealing riage aspect," she said of young to college students because it's easier than going to bars to meet potential Joe Tracy, publisher of Online partners, he said. Still, one needs

"You have to be kind of careful

out there," Bernal said with a smile. "Still, (online dating) is not a bad you actually do it.'

Laura Cunningham, a graduate student from Lubbock, said although she has not tried online dating herself, she has a handful have sampled it.

"I think it is a tool mostly for men

the men to take initiative."

Cunningham said her male and disappointing. friends have had quite a different experience than her female friends in the realm of online romance.

"My male friends have not had as much success — they've dated a to be cautious when entering the of friends and family members who lot, but they enjoyed the anonymity (online dating provides)," she said.

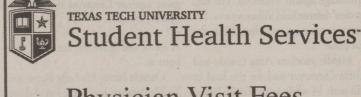
On the other hand, Cunningham

"Often the women are waiting for felt by her female friends is that on-

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because there are some crazy people rather than for women," she said. said the overwhelming sentiment com and www.plentyoffish.com are among the free online datline dating can be both discouraging ing venues available to college students.





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Tech volleyball eeks out two wins at host tourney

By ADAM COLEMAN STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech women's volleyball team won two of its three weekend games at the Red Raider Roundup.

Tech grabbed two 3-2 victories against Villanova and Lamar while sustaining a 3-1 defeat to undefeated

"When we're in system (and) when we're passing the ball, our offense is really good," Tech assistant coach Mike Moffitt said. "We've got a lot of different options and a couple (of) different lineups we

Tech grabbed the first game Friday against Villanova 30-20, but the Wildcats recovered, winning back-to-back games to post a 2-1 lead. The Red Raiders forced a fifth and deciding game to pull out a 3-2 win.

percentage against Villanova. The Red Raiders' defense held Villanova to a . 193 hitting percentage, including .043 in the

Middle blockers Amy Gandy and hurts us." Alicia Ostmeyer tied for the lead in kills with 14 while setter Emily Ziegler recorded a double-double with 12 kills and 46 assists. The 12 kills and 46 assists Wildcats in kills with 22.

Although the Red Raiders pulled out ing (us) up." the win, Tech coach Nancy Todd said wanted it to be.

defense) needed to be better. We were 15-8 for a 3-2 win. out of control on a lot of things. We need to be a little more disciplined about our movement — being in the right spots.



Tech finished with a .239 hitting TEXAS TECH'S ALICIA Ostmeyer spikes the ball during Texas Tech's game against Lamar at the Red Raider Roundup Saturday at the United Spirit Arena.

A lot of the times we were not, that

Outside hitter Michelle Flores said Tech's defense had an up-and-down effect throughout the match.

"Our defense was pretty good at the are a career-best for Ziegler. Villanova beginning," she said. "It was kind of outside hitter Alona Cherkez led the messy, but at the end we got in together. Our libero did a really good job of pick-

Tech and Lamar went back and forth the defense was not exactly where she with Tech claiming the first and third games, while Lamar took the second "I thought (Villanova) played great and fourth games. For the second straight defense," she said. We're kind of a little match, Tech found themselves in a decibit more of a blocking (team), so (our sive fifth game, but edged the Cardinals exhaustion, but then again, last week-

Flores had 15 kills while hitting .345 percent. Gandy and Ostmeyer had 14 kills each for a second match in a row.

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Against SMU, the Red Raiders took a 1-0 lead on the Mustangs, but SMU won the next three games to put the Red Raiders away 3-1. Middle Blocker Brandi Hood finished with seven kills and eight blocks.

Ziegler said the fact the team went two straight matches with five games should not have been a factor in the loss against SMU

"I think that the two games that went to five did (create) a little bit of end we played back-to-back games," she said. "We played seven games in a row, so we can't really use that as an excuse."

Moffitt said back-to-back matches with five games can slow a team down, especially going against a well-rested SMU squad.

"It can be, and we've had a little bit of illness of the team, but also it can't always be a factor when you're playing five matches," he said. "But it's no excuse, our girls are in great shape, SMU was a little bit more rested than

Gandy was named to the all-tournament team while Jenn Harrell was named best libero of the tournament. → adam.coleman@ttu.edu

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BIG 12 ROUND-UP

Texas' season opener shaky in win over Arkansas State

AUSTIN (AP) — If ever a victory felt hollow, this was it.

can say about a 21-13 win over an extra win, preferably by a rout. Arkansas State is at least they're not Michigan.

"We've got to get them to relax colossal upset. a little bit more and enjoy playing and not expect to have to do everything perfect. This is not a perfect world," Texas coach Mack Brown said. "That's one of the reasons the national title. people enjoy college football, people

ter if he had scripted it himself.

10 Saturday night.

But not at Texas, where fans and and overwhelmed, Texas was: the Longhorns players expect near thing the No. 4 Texas Longhorns against teams that are scheduled to give touchdown drive covered 93 yards.

ugly slugfest that nearly turned into a utes.

Texas' season opener showed the goal-line offense. Longhorns have a lot of work to do if they are to be considered favorites to win the Big 12 and even contend for

that should have been undermanned more easy picks.

Outgained on offense 397 yards But that's how it is when the best perfection in season openers, especially to 340. The Indians' fourth-quarter

> Outscored in the second half 10-7 What they got instead was an and shut out over the final 18 min-

Confused on defense and soft in its

Making surprisingly inconsistent passes. Quarterback Colt McCoy threw two touchdown passes but also two interceptions. Arkansas State also Against an Arkansas State team dropped what should have been three

Green meanies: OU routes North Texas in Norman

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) - getting a win like that," Bradford maine Gresham as he slinged the Sam Bradford's debut as Okla- said. "There's not going to be many ball along the line of scrimmage for homa's starting quarterback nights like this. You've got to take three straight plays and allowed his couldn't have looked much bet- these. These are special."

Freshman DeMarco Murray In his first start, the redshirt became the first Oklahoma player record for passing yardage in a half freshman tied a record set by to score five touchdowns in his one Heisman Trophy winner and debut, and the Sooners showed broke another set by a Heisman no signs of a hangover following runner-up, throwing for 363 yards a stunning overtime loss to Boise Heisman voting in 2000. and three touchdowns as the No. State in the Fiesta Bowl and the 8 Sooners beat North Texas 79- loss of star tailback Adrian Peterson in the second half to tie 2003 Heisto the NFL.

playing in front of 85,000 and pass, a 15-yarder to tight end Jer- Halzle.

receivers to run for big gains.

Bradford broke Josh Heupel's that was set against Baylor in 2000, going 20-for-22 for 350 yards in the first half. Heupel was second in the

Bradford completed his only pass man Trophy winner Jason White's Bradford needed only 32 seconds school record of 18 straight compleabout, coming out here and to notch his first career touchdown tions, then yielded to backup Joey

TCU shuts out Baylor in season opener

chanting "We Want Texas!" as here. the No. 22 Horned Frogs wrapped up a season-opening shutout of Conference rival.

"This really is what you dream

Coach Gary Patterson insisted he was too drained to look

the hardest 30 days I've been hold him out of the game. through. It's a very emotional day for me," Patterson said. "I

— TCU students were already ing Tommy here and Tommy not sonal reasons in mid-August.

After two extended absences another former instate Southwest and watched the game from a patio outside of Patterson's office above the south end zone.

Blake was away on a medical ahead after a 27-0 victory Sat- leave with an undisclosed illness urday night over Baylor without last week before rejoining the Frogs standout defensive end Tommy for their walkthrough Friday. It appeared he might get to play 10-15 "That has probably been snaps, but doctors later decided to interceptions and gave up only 78

The two-time All-Mountain West Conference selection and top Texas. ... all the turmoil they three times since leaving campus 1958 opener.

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) went through emotionally hav- and going home for a week for per-

Blake's status for next Saturday's game at No. 4 Texas is uncertain, from the team, Blake was held out and Patterson wouldn't elaborate.

Even without Blake, the MWC leader with seven sacks and 16 1/2 tackles for losses last season, TCU had seven starters against Baylor from the defense that ranked top three nationally in total defense, rushing and scoring last season.

The Frogs had three of their four yards after halftime on way to their first shutout of a Big 12 or former Big Eight Conference member since don't even have one glimpse of NFL prospect has practiced only winning 42-0 over Kansas in their

QB McGee leads Aggies to 38-7 win over Montana State

— No. 25 Texas A&M wasn't great sion I-AA. in its 38-7 season-opening win over Montana State on Saturday night.

But coach Dennis Franchione couldn't really be upset. After all, the Aggies walked away with a win over their scrappy opponent from the Football Championship

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Franchione said, referring to Apthis in perspective. 38-7 and we're in the foot." 1-0 and I'm going to take a positive

Stephen McGee had 112 yards for the Aggies. The Bobcats scored first but the Aggies scored 38 straight points to improve to 5-0 in home openers under Franchione.

The Bobcats outgained the Aggies

"Heaven knows we've got plenty to work on," Franchione said. "But the ball in his hands because he can we did a lot of good things tonight. I don't feel bad."

McGee scored a career-long 65yard run in the first quarter and made it 31-7 on a 3-yard run early in the

shaky early with McGee going 4-of-7 in the fourth quarter.

"We had some typical commu-"We're not Michigan tonight," nication mistakes and some stupid penalties that kind of set us back,' palachian State's 34-32 win over No. McGee said. "We were moving the 5 Michigan earlier in the day. "Keep ball good and then we shot ourselves

McGee looked better after halftime, completing consecutive passes of 9, 9 and 15 yards to tight end passing and added 121 yards rushing Martellus Bennett on the first drive and two touchdowns to lead the way of the third quarter to set up A&M's next score. McGee completed 10 of 20 passes with a long throw of 23 yards.

Mike Goodson jumped over one player at the line and danced his way 18 yards for a touchdown to finish and controlled the clock, but couldn't that drive and make it 24-7 early in finish drives, missing three field goals the third quarter. Goodson finished and losing a fumble deep in Aggies with 10 carries for 65 yards and had two receptions for 29 yards.

> "He's on fire and we want to get make good things happen," McGee said of Goodson.

Jordan Peterson fumbled a punt which Montana State recovered, but the Bobcats were left empty when fourth. He was replaced by backup Eric Fisher's 28-yard field goal attempt Jerrod Johnson midway through the sailed wide left in the third quarter. He also missed one from 42 yards later in The Aggies passing game was that quarter and another from 39 yards

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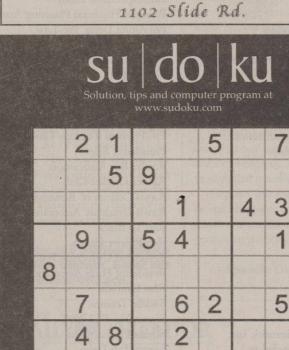
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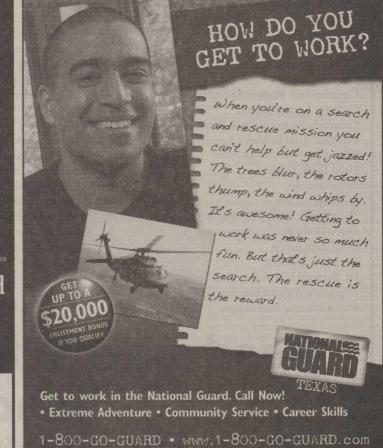


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Undersized, but speedy, Appalachian State sends message to big boys

"Michigan Who? 34-32."

this mountain town's residents on TV crews. "The only thing different is you announcing the Mountaineers' Sunday were still basking in the glory that they were bigger than us. That's consecutive Division I-AA titles. of the Mountaineers' win over No. 5 all it was." Michigan a day earlier.

to show a replay of the game Sunday during recruiting.

school.

BOONE, N.C. (AP) — The black with the bigger school," quarterback school doesn't mean we can't play were the Mountaineers so fast. Why consecutive home games. and gold T-shirts already on sale read: Armanti Edwards said during a first- with you." time, day after news conference that

Toilet paper still hung from trees. by Clemson and several other big Sunday was Michigan. Area business congratulated the team schools but only to play defensive on their display boards. At least two back, is typical of coach Jerry Moore's they've got to really, really bathe in it Georgia and Tennessee. "We want (basketball players)," Moore said. "I tian high school," Lynch said. "So bars were advertising they were going team: Small, quick and unappreciated and enjoy and cherish the moment," good kids that are tough kids that think it's a little more difficult to put of course I can't play with the big

And the rest of the nation was try- der, going up there knowing we can particularly these players, to enjoy them stronger." ing to figure out how so many speedy play on their level, and show them what they just did." players ended up at this little-known why," said receiver Dexter Jackson, I-AA doesn't mean we can't play that just because you're at that Top 25, left many wondering how best 15 straight games overall and 27

When you enter this town in the big boys of college football? Appalachian State students and drew about 20 reporters and several Blue Ridge Mountains, a sign greets

> Yet, all anyone talked about in snatch them up. Armanti, who was recruited restaurants and convenience stores

weren't these players recruited by the

"Size is probably our third factor "What we just did at Michigan, ers come mostly from the Carolinas, special teams, than it is finding three Moore said. "I'm not about to rob can run. We feel we can put weight a football team out there and compete schools because I'm from a small "Just having a chip on our shoul- our staff, our school, our town and on them, make them bigger, make

Moore has used his fast, quick The win, the first time a Football offensive and defensive lines and unrecruited by Georgia and Clemson Championship Subdivision team dersized, speedy receivers to dominate "Hopefully the whole world knows but told he wouldn't play until he — formerly I-AA — beat a team the second tier of Division I. The by a combined 83-18 the past two cellor Kenneth Peacock's yard by fans that just because we're called Division was an upperclassmen. "Show them ranked in The Associated Press Mountaineers have won a nation-seasons.

While college basketball sees its less than 40 players Saturday. share of lower tier Division I teams Mostly because they were con- beat the top dogs, it rarely happens the big schools didn't want pulled sidered too small. And Moore, in his in football. There is no equivalent it off. 19th season, was more than happy to to George Mason's run to the Final Four in 2006.

to look at," said Moore, whose play- 25 or 30 players, when you count one major scholarship offer. with the big schools."

Very few thought Appalachian

They also had 22 fewer scholar- the stadium.

ships than the Wolverines and used

However, Moore's team of players

Safety Corey Lynch, who blocked Michigan's game-winning field goal "It's a little more difficult finding attempt on the final play, didn't get

> "I went to an evangelical Chrisschool."

The sense of accomplishment State had a chance against Michigan. was apparent all over town Sunday. The Mountaineers lost to North It started at 7:30 a.m. when a crew Carolina State, Kansas and LSU picked up the goal post left in Chana day earlier and brought it back to

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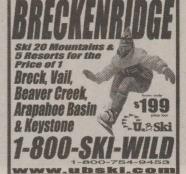
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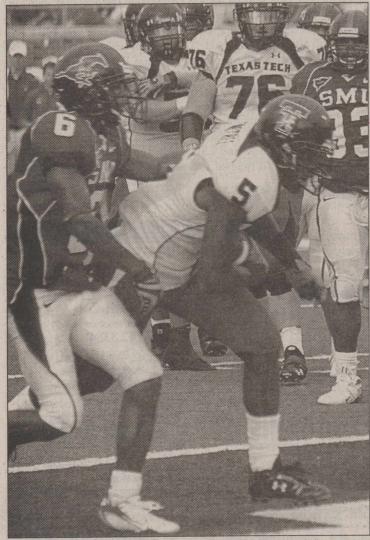


PHOTO BY TRENT BARNES/The Daily Toreador TEXAS TECH'S MICHAEL Crabtree catches a touchdown pass against SMU Monday at Gerald J. Ford Stadium. Crabtree had 12 catches for 106 yards and three scores.

THE DT'	BIG	12 PLAY	ERS OF	THE WEEK	
Quarterbacks			1		
Graham Harrell, Texas Tech	44-59	419 yds	4 TD		
Chase Daniel, Missouri	37-54	358 yds	3 TD	Pass Defense	
Sam Bradford, Oklahoma	21-23	363 yds	3 TD	Nebraska	108 yds
Runningbacks				Iowa State	161 yds
Marlon Lucky, Nebraska	30 car	233 yds	3 TD	Kansas	174 yds
DeMarco Murray, Oklahoma	17 car	87 yds	5 TD	Rush Defense	
Jamicah Bass, Iowa State	22 car	133 yds	1 TD	Oklahoma	15 yds
Widereceivers				Kansas State	62 yds
Danny Amendola, Texas Tech	8 rec	139 yds	LTD	Nebraska	77 yds
Malcolm Kelly, Oklahoma	4 rec	118 yds	2 TD		
Michael Crabtree, Texas Tech	12 rec	106 vds	3 TD		

By BEN MAKI SPORTS EDITOR

DALLAS — With questions surrounding Texas Tech returning just four starters on offense, junior quarterback Graham Harrell's performance against SMU Monday night may have let the Red Raider faithful know the Air Raid is in good hands.

Harrell finished the day 44-of-59 passing for 419 yards and five total touchdowns, including a 1-yard rushing touchdown en route to a 49-9 victory over the Mustangs at Gerald J. Ford Stadium in Dallas.

Tech (1-0) set the tempo early with a 10-play scoring drive, consuming nearly five minutes of play and ending with the 1-yard rushing touchdown from Harrell.

The junior quarterback from Ennis had two main targets of the day in receivers Danny Amendola and Michael Crabtree who combined for 22 receptions for 255 receiving yards and four touchdowns. Up the 1-yard line, but the play was re-

42-6 in the fourth quarter, Tech coach Mike Leach took out most of the offensive starters, including Amendola and Crabtree, but they each wanted more.

"(Amendola) clearly was not happy when we told him we were going to play the other guys, but he had to sit down," Leach said. "He wants the ball every time whether he's double covered or not."

The knockout blows came from Crabtree, who in his first game as a Red Raider scored on three consecutive Tech possessions, including a 1-yard score with two seconds left in the first half to put the Red Raiders ahead 21-6. The redshirt freshman added two scores in the second half, including a 42-yard touchdown on

Crabtree broke free from a defender in the middle of the field and cut outside, scrambling toward the left corner of the endzone where he knocked over the pylon. Initially, Crabtree was ruled out of bounds at

viewed and overturned to give Tech a 28-6 lead after the extra point from senior kicker Alex Trlica.

Amendola recorded a careerhigh 149 yards receiving, including 102 yards and a 49-yard touchdown before halftime.

He said his career high can be attributed to his position switch during the offseason.

"Coming into the game at H is something I've done a lot of the past three years," Amendola said, "and now at Y it gives me an opportunity to stay in and make more plays."

Despite the stigma of Tech having a weak defense, safety Darcel McBath said the defense's depth is a positive so far this season.

"We know the depth chart is just there for (the media,)" he said. "We can roll guys in and we were going three deep in some areas. That's good for us this early in the

Willis ran the ball 14 times for 40 yards and was held to 138 yards pass-

ing with two interceptions.

"We just have to move on," Willis said. "We never got a good offensive rhythm today. We'd make a play, then have a penalty; make a play, then miss an assignment."

With the score 42-6 with 11:04 left in the fourth quarter, Leach called a timeout to make sure his players did not let the Mustangs into the end zone.

"It would be kind of like if you did a tremendous job of writing the first two-thirds of (this story) and then misspell a whole bunch of words towards the end," he said. "We just wanted to make sure we didn't have any misspellings."

Despite 553 total yards of offense, and holding SMU to 270, including 155 yards through the air, Leach said there is still room to improve.

"All first games, everybody can play better than their first game," Leach said. "If you don't improve SMU (0-1) quarterback Justin from it you are in for a long sea-

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Another new job for Dolphins coach Cameron

Knight remembers well how the better find it.' new Miami Dolphins coach got his start in the profession.

It was 1984, and after playing from Knight, and the Hoosiers' phins at Washington. basketball coach made a call ing for a graduate assistant.

"Bo said, 'Get him up here to-

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — Bob said, 'Where is it?' I said, 'You'd ship game, 23 since they made the

"He was there when Bo came most recent NFL title. in, and Bo really liked him."

two sports at Indiana, Cam Cam- is starting another new job. He era begins with expectations of Even with rookie guys, you never eron wanted to pursue a football makes his debut as an NFL head at least modest improvement in know what can happen. coaching career. He sought help coach Sunday for the Miami Dol-

to Michigan football coach Bo eron says. "My mother married a picks, the most to make the team Schembechler, who had an open-coach when I was 13. I don't know in 10 years. anything else."

be sitting on the step at 7.' He they reached the AFC champion- you're rebuilding.

Super Bowl, and 34 since their brought in Joey Porter and Trent

2007. But it's clear the Dolphins are rebuilding — 11 rookies are "Coaching is all I know," Cam- on the roster, including nine draft to wait and see."

Does he know enough to trans- and veterans don't want to hear created by his successor, so it's no morrow morning," Knight says. form the Dolphins into champithat word," All-Pro defensive end surprise his players praise him. "I told Cam, 'Schembechler will ons? It has been six seasons since Jason Taylor says. "But any time Some of his decisions have left be in his office at 8 o'clock. You their last playoff game, 15 since you have a new coaching staff, observers scratching their heads,

"Cam brought in veterans — he Green, guys he's trying to use to Miami went 6-10 last year unget this thing fixed now and not Some 23 years later, Cameron der Nick Saban, and the Cameron just waiting for down the road.

> "It may not take five years. It may not take one year. We'll have

Cameron has yet to lose a game, and with a charm offensive he dis-"You talk about rebuilding, sipated the oppressive atmosphere



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