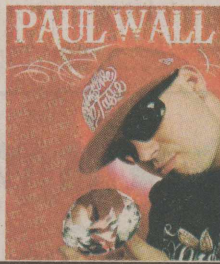


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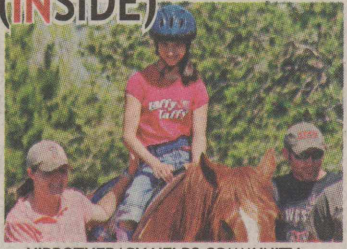


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Retired detective killed in standoff

RUSK, (AP) — A retired Lufkin police detective has died after East Texas deputies shot him in a brief standoff at his mother's rural graveside.

Allen Lee Wallace, 50, was fatally wounded Monday afternoon at the Sardis Cemetery, about 9 miles southwest of Rusk.

Two deputies went to the graveyard in answer to a report of a possible suicide, said Cherokee County Sheriff James Campbell. The deputies did not spot Wallace until he called out to them as he sat in a lawn chair at his mother's grave with a pistol at his feet, Campbell said.

NATION

Juice released from joint

LAS VEGAS (AP) — O.J. Simpson was released from jail Wednesday after posting bail in connection with the armed robbery of sports memorabilia collectors at a Las Vegas hotel.

Simpson, wearing a light blue sport coat and dark blue pants, carried a black bag as he strolled to a gray sedan with his lawyer and drove away from the Clark County Detention Center.

He did not speak to reporters or to at least one bystander who cheered.

WORLD

Anti-Syria lawmaker assassinated

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — A powerful bomb killed an anti-Syria lawmaker and six others Wednesday in a Christian neighborhood of Beirut, threatening to derail an effort by an already deeply divided Parliament to elect Lebanon's next president in voting to begin next week.

Antoine Ghanem, a 64-year-old member of the Christian Phalange party who had returned from refuge abroad only two days earlier, was the eighth anti-Syria figure and fourth lawmaker from the governing coalition to be assassinated in less than three years.

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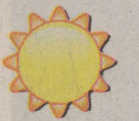
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Iran plans to retaliate against Israeli attack

By ALI AKBAR DAREINI
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran has drawn up plans to bomb Israel if the Jewish state should attack, the deputy air force commander said Wednesday, adding to tensions already heated up by an Israeli airstrike on Syria and Western calls for more U.N. sanctions against Tehran.

Other Iranian officials also

underlined their country's readiness to fight if the U.S. or Israel attacks, a reflection of concerns in Tehran that demands by the U.S. and its allies for Iran to curtail its nuclear program could escalate into military action.

French Foreign Minister Bernard Kouchner said Sunday that the international community should prepare for the possibility of war in the event Iran obtains atomic weapons, although he later stressed the focus is still on diplomatic pressures.

The comments come as the top U.S. military commander in the Middle East, Adm. William Fallon, is touring Persian Gulf countries seeking to form a united front of Arab allies against Iran's growing influence in the region.

Iran has periodically raised alarms over the possibility of war, particularly when the West brings up talk of sanctions over Tehran's rejection of a U.N. Security Council demand that it halt uranium enrichment.

"We have drawn up a plan to strike back at Israel with our bombers if this regime (Israel) makes a silly mistake," Iran's deputy air force commander, Gen. Mohammad Alavi, said in an interview with the semi-official Fars news agency.

Alavi warned that Israel is within range of Iran's medium-range missiles and fighter-bombers.

The Iranian air force had no immediate comment on the Fars report. But Defense Minister Mostafa

Mohammed Najjar told the official IRNA news agency that "we keep various options open to respond to threats. ... We will make use of them if required."

Iran's elite Revolutionary Guards also weighed in, saying Iran "has prepared its people for a possible confrontation against any aggression."

White House press secretary Dana Perino said Alavi's comment "is not

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GIVE ME SHELTER

Lubbock shelter handles high volumes of animals, forced to euthanize many



By MAGGIE KIELY
STAFF WRITER

Animals in need of adoption are not in short supply at the Lubbock animal shelter.

Shawn Byrd, supervisor of Lubbock animal shelter, said the shelter takes in about 30,000 animals a year. Of those, about 20 percent are adopted or reclaimed by owners, and the rest, about 24,000, are euthanized.

Byrd said he feels the abundance of animals brought in is a problem unique to Lubbock, because there are a large number of irresponsible pet owners.

"I get calls constantly where someone just lets their dog roam their neighborhood," he said, "and their neighbors are ready to go through the roof. But we're the bad guys because we have to go out and force the city ordinances."

According to the Austin Town Lake Animal Shelter Web site www.ci.austin.tx.us/tlac/, the shelter takes in animals from all over Travis County, and totaled about 23,000 animals last year. Austin's population is about three times that of Lubbock, and about 7,000 fewer animals were received there than Lubbock in 2006.

Sarah Hammond, an adoption counselor at the Austin Town Lake Animal Shelter, said one of the things the shelter employees gear toward is having dogs and cats spayed and neutered.

"We have a very strong allegiance with the spay and neuter clinics," she said. "The city feels like it is im-

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Help! I've been stolen: Roundtable discusses dangers of identity theft

By MATT MCGOWAN
STAFF WRITER

In a world of high-tech gadgetry and oceans of streaming data on the Internet, identity theft is now a very real threat to many Texas Tech students, faculty and staff members.

Five Tech experts explained the risks of identity theft and how to prevent it at a roundtable meeting in the Student Union Building Wednesday afternoon.

The presentation, organized by Tech's Information Technology Division, was intended to help educate the Tech community and present facts about identity theft.

On its Web site, the Federal Trade Commission defines identity theft as "one individual using another individual's personally identifiable information without permission and with the intent to commit a crime or fraud."

Katherine Austin, assistant vice president of the Office of the Chief Information Officer, said identity theft is a very real threat and needs to be taken seriously.

"Whether you're a computer-savvy individual or not, you're at risk for identity theft," she said. "This is a topic that spans all

age groups, all demographics, because identity theft can have different motivations and different purposes."

According to the most recent Federal Trade Commission report conducted by Data Clearinghouse, Texas is ranked

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— KATHERINE AUSTIN

ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

fourth in the number of recorded identity theft victims in 2006 with 26,006 victims last year. The report also found the most commonly targeted age group for identity theft is the 18

to 29 year-old demographic with 29 percent of all complaints.

Alvin Mills, security manager for Tech's Telecommunication Services and a victim of identity theft, said there are many more types of identity theft other than credit fraud. Also, he said there are more ways of stealing identity than by obtaining a victim's social security number.

"Your identity is your name," he said. "It's your address, phone number, pin number, bank-card number, mother's maiden name and your passport. There are several other ways to identify a person, and a criminal will use as much of this information as they can to consume your identity."

Alvin warned about phishing e-mails, which are fraudulent e-mails sent to trick consumers into responding with sensitive personal information like Social Security numbers and credit card numbers. Consumers should look for the Web address heading "https" while entering personal information online, which is the same as "http," but denotes a secure connection.

"Up here at Tech we have a lot of tools in place that help us protect these kind of attacks, especially on downloading files

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University Career Services works with students to reduce job-search stress

By **ALLISON KOZLOWSKI**
STAFF WRITER

Interviews, writing resumes, and finding that perfect job all are tasks college students may find difficult. Fortunately, University Career Services is available to help anyone at Texas Tech achieve those goals.

Career services provides students with career assessments and information, hundreds of internship and job listings, career fairs and mock interviews.

"We have a liaison for every college to provide one-on-one career counseling," said Stephanie Wehmeier, assistant director of the center.

The career center also helps students to be aware of job opportunities.

"We help students learn about job searches, how to work job fairs and help so they won't be stressed out when looking for a job," said Whitney Atwood, senior office assistant.

The career center will host seminars this week about how to

prepare for on-campus interviews, which also will cover ways to help publish a resume and search for internships.

"Students should attend the seminars for a better understanding of their own strengths, interests, career development and to learn the skills appropriate for seeking a job," said David Kraus, director of the center.

Another way to improve interviewing skills is to complete StrengthsQuest, which assesses an individual's top five strengths through an online quiz.

"StrengthsQuest provides students with more descriptive words other than 'I'm a people person,' or 'I'm a team player, I'm organized,'" Wehmeier said. "StrengthsQuest will help a student distinguish themselves from others in an interview setting."

Seminars are hosted during the year to address the many facets of job searching and attracting employers.

"We hold seminars on a variety of topics from job search strategies, art

of salary negotiation, cover letters, what not to wear to an interview, interviewing, hired and from student to professional," Kraus said.

The center also has help for students who are not sure what career they want.

"Assessments, with the help of a counselor to interpret the results, can help a student better understand who they are — their gifts, talents — and what careers could really help them succeed and contribute to the world in meaningful ways," Wehmeier said.

University Career Services is designed to help students have a less stressful time when it comes to finding a career after graduation.

"Students will eventually need a job, and these seminars can help, plus they are free," Wehmeier said.

The center, located at the southeast corner of Wiggins Complex, is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., but will be offering extended hours from 7:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. beginning this week and lasting until the week before Thanksgiving.

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Iran president asks to lay wreath at ground zero but request denied

NEW YORK (AP) — Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad asked permission to lay a wreath at the World Trade Center site when he comes to New York City next week, but the request was denied, a police official said Wednesday.

Ahmadinejad, who is arriving Sunday to address the United Nations' General Assembly, had asked this month for permission to visit the site of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, police spokesman Paul Browne said.

The request to enter the fenced-in site was rejected because of ongoing construction there, Browne said.

"Requests for the Iranian president to visit the immediate area would also be opposed by the NYPD on security grounds," Browne said.

The U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, Zalmay Khalilzad, told reporters Wednesday that the

United States would not support Iran's attempt to use the site for a "photo op."

"Iran can demonstrate its seriousness about concern with regard to terrorism by taking concrete actions," such as dropping support for Lebanese militant group Hezbollah and suspending their uranium enrichment program, Khalilzad said.

Browne said Ahmadinejad had asked permission from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, U.S. Secret Service and police department. The police and the Secret Service provide security to visiting heads of state.

The Port Authority, which owns the trade center site and is the only agency that could grant him permission to go inside, said it never received such a request, contradicting the police statement.

"We have not been asked to accommodate the president of Iran," Port Authority spokesman Steve

Coleman said.

It wasn't clear whether Ahmadinejad wanted to descend to the base of the trade center site, where the twin towers once stood, or lay a wreath on a public sidewalk outside the site.

Telephone calls to the Iranian Mission to the United Nations were not immediately returned.

White House spokesman Gordon Johndroe said a visit to ground zero "is a matter for the city of New York, but it seems more than odd that the president of a country that is a state sponsor of terror would visit ground zero."

Iran and the U.S. have not had diplomatic relations since Washington cut its ties with Tehran after Iranian students stormed the U.S. Embassy in Tehran in 1979. The Bush administration has accused Iran of arming Shiite Muslim militants in Iraq and seeking to develop nuclear weapons.

Cheerleader coach sues district over disciplinary flap

DALLAS (AP) — A Texas high school cheerleading scandal that included allegations of risqué photos, meddling parents and an "ultra-cool" clique of squad members who were seemingly above the rules might be headed to court.

Michaela Ward, the former cheerleading coach at McKinney North High School, has sued the school district for wrongful termination and defamation after resigning last October.

"The District could have fixed the problem before it became the scandal of our community," Ward said in a statement issued Wednesday. "No one had to lose their job over this, but the District looked the other way for too long."

The lawsuit filed Tuesday seeks an unspecified amount of money stemming from the controversy,

which gave unwanted attention to a suburban campus recently ranked as one of Newsweek's "America's Best High Schools."

Five former and current school administrators — including former principal Linda Theret, whose daughter was on the cheerleading squad — are named in the 27-page suit filed in Collin County.

Richard Abernathy, a lawyer for the school district, said Wednesday he had not yet read the lawsuit closely enough to comment.

A lawyer who has represented Theret, who resigned and accepted a settlement two months after Ward left the district, did not immediately return a phone call to The Associated Press.

The controversy began last October, when Ward resigned after saying school administrators undermined

her efforts to discipline the squad. The lawsuit claims that cheerleaders skipped school, drank alcohol, disrespected teachers and used Ward's cell phone to send sexually explicit text messages to another teacher.

One photo to emerge during the controversy was five North cheerleaders posing in a sexually suggestive manner at an adult novelty store, which was posted on the Internet. The girls were suspended 15 days for the photo, while Ward had felt the girls deserved a much harsher punishment.

The suit also says Ward's allegations are partly validated by a 70-page internal report prepared by Dallas attorney Harry Jones, whom the school district hired to investigate the scandal.

Identity theft

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from e-mails," he said. "The bad guys are pretty smart. They're crafty with their e-mails and coming up with new technologies and tools."

According to the 2006 FTC report, 2.2 percent of identity theft last year involved the Internet and e-mail, which is an increase of .4 percent from 2004.

Lt. David Parker of the Tech Police Department said it is important to be careful with computers and electronics holding personal information because these are things people carry around and are likely to lose.

"Nowadays, the thieves are looking for treasure you're not thinking about," he said. "You know, the trash you get rid of when you go home and the junk mail you throw away. A lot of times that mail contains very sensitive information."

Home burglary is another important consideration when preventing

identity theft, Parker said, because there are many different forms of theft.

"We always walk in and say, 'Hey what have they taken?'" he said. "You think about electronics, our televisions, personal heirlooms and things like that, but we need to look and see what paperwork might be missing."

Ellen Hein, manager for the Texas Tech Federal Credit Union, said it is important to consider identity theft from the financial-institution standpoint to get a better feel for the threat.

"If you come in on a regular basis and you've got a new teller, and she asks you for your driver's license, and it's like, 'Hey, I've been a member here for 10 years. Why are you asking me for my ID?' You should say thank you. On the back of my credit card I have 'check ID' next to my signature," Hein said.

The Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, according to the 2006 FTC report, had 7,594 complaints of

identity theft in 2006, which is more than 133 complaints for every 100,000 in population, ranking 48 on the national list of the 50 metropolitan areas with the highest rate of identity theft.

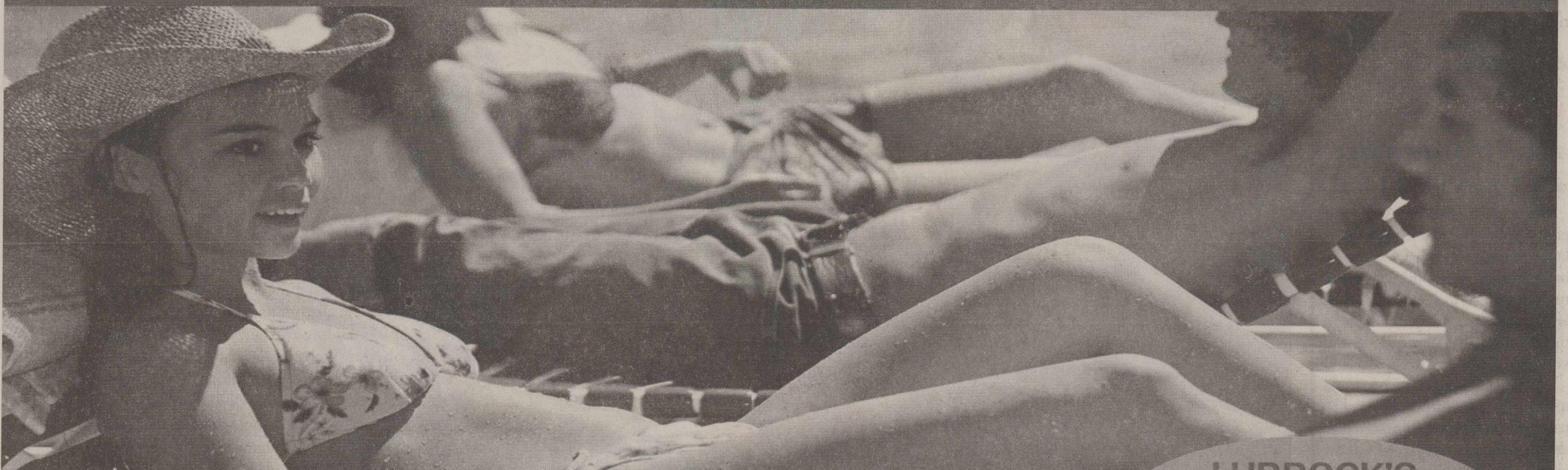
Another Texas metropolitan area — the McAllen-Edinburg-Mission region — had 1,693 complaints of identity theft, which ranked third on the list with 257 complaints for every 100,000 in population, according to the FTC Web site.

Carol Cunningham, an employee of Tech's Department of Facilities Planning and Construction who attended the roundtable, said she found the session informative and helpful.

"There are some things I need to implement," she said. "My son has moved to another town and is setting up his life. He's 22, and there are a lot of things they discussed that I had to learn by experience that he may not know. I worry most about the younger ones and the older ones."

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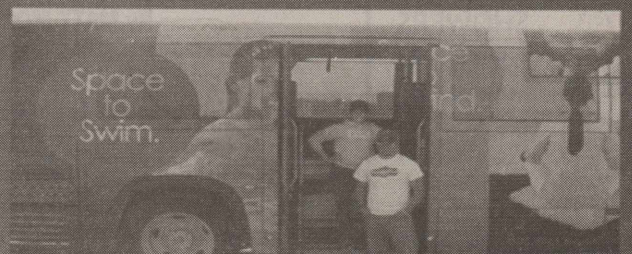
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Iran

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constructive and it almost seems provocative."

"Israel doesn't seek a war with its neighbors. And we all are seeking, under the U.N. Security Council resolutions, for Iran to comply with its obligations" under the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, she said.

During a stop in Jerusalem, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said Washington is committed to diplomacy, but added that the U.S. hasn't taken any military "options off the table." She said that "it can't be business as usual" with Iran, a country whose president has spoken of wiping Israel off the map.

For diplomacy to work, she said, "it has to have both a way for Iran to pursue a peaceful resolution of this issue and it has to have teeth, and the U.N. Security Council and other measures are providing teeth."

Israeli Foreign Ministry spokesman Mark Regev said his government took Iran's "threat very seriously and so does the international community."

"Unfortunately we are all too accustomed to this kind of bellicose, extremist and hateful language coming from Iran," he said.

Israeli warplanes in 1981 destroyed an Iraqi nuclear reactor being built by Saddam Hussein's regime, and many in the region fear Israel or the U.S. could mount airstrikes on Iranian nuclear facilities if Tehran doesn't bow to Western demands to cease uranium enrichment.

Iran, which says it isn't trying to produce material for atomic bombs but rather fuel for reactors that would generate electricity, has said in the past that Israel would be the first retaliatory target for any attack. But Alavi's comments were the first to mention specific contingency plans.

David Ochmanek, an international policy analyst with the U.S.-based RAND Corporation, said Iran has the capability to attack Israel with a limited number of ballistic missiles, but Israel could potentially inflict greater damage on Iran.

"If Israelis attacked Iran it would be with high precision weapons that could destroy military targets," he said. "They could destroy Iran's nuclear reactor and do damage to

the enrichment."

"The Iranian response would be quite different," Ochmanek said. "It would be small numbers of highly inaccurate missiles and the intention would be to do this for psychological purposes rather than to destroy discrete targets. It's an asymmetrical relationship."

A top Iranian Revolutionary Guards commander warned earlier this week that U.S. bases around Iran would also be legitimate targets.

"Today, the United States is within Iran's sight and all around our country, but it doesn't mean we have been encircled. They are encircled themselves and are within our range," Gen. Mohammed Hasan Koushehchi told IRNA.

U.S. forces are in Iraq and Afghanistan. In the Persian Gulf, Kuwait hosts a major U.S. base, the U.S. 5th Fleet patrols from its base in Bahrain, and the U.S. Central Command is housed in Qatar.

Tensions have been raised by a mysterious Israeli air incursion over Syria on Sept. 6. Israel hasn't commented on the incident, while Syria has said little. U.S. officials said it involved an airstrike on a target.

One U.S. official said the attack hit weapons heading for the Lebanese militant group Hezbollah, an ally of Syria and Iran, but there also has been speculation the Israelis hit a nascent nuclear facility or were studying routes for a possible future strike on Iran.

Edward Djerejian, founding director of Rice University's Baker Institute, said the accusation that Israel had violated Syrian airspace, and possibly launched an attack on Syrian territory, was heaping new concerns on an already tense situation.

"The region is very nervous," said Djerejian, a former U.S. ambassador to Israel and Syria.

With Iran adding to the talk of military options, Undersecretary of State Nicholas Burns called Wednesday for U.N. Security Council members and U.S. allies to help push for a third round of sanctions against Iran over its nuclear program.

"We are going ahead to try to sanction Iran again, and we hope very much to have the support of Russia and China and the other countries in the council for that," Burns said during a visit to Turkey. "We have very strong support of France and Britain in this respect."

Hippotherapy treatment assists with serious medical conditions

BY GLENYS BOLLS
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The Texas Tech Therapeutic Riding Center uses hippotherapy to help people in the Lubbock community learn to cope with serious medical conditions.

Hippotherapy — a form of treatment on horseback — uses a horse's natural motion to help people with movement dysfunction, according to the American Hippotherapy Association Web site, www.americanhippotherapyassociation.org.

"The Texas Tech Therapeutic Riding Center has been around since 1998," said Heather Hernandez, center coordinator. "We see about 60 clients a week, and it's different people from semester to semester."

According to the Web site, hippotherapy can be beneficial to people with a variety of conditions, including Cerebral Palsy, Multiple Sclerosis, developmental delays, traumatic brain injuries, strokes, autism and learning or language disabilities.

The horse's walk provides movement that is variable, rhythmic and repetitive, according to the Web site. The horse's motion causes the rider's torso and pelvis to shift backward and forward slightly. This movement provides the rider with a physical motion similar to the human walk.

"That helps those patients who haven't walked before or, in the case of stroke victims, have forgotten how to walk," said

Olivia Whitefield, a speech language pathologist at the center. "It lets them feel how it feels to walk. There's no machine anywhere that can simulate that."

Hippotherapy does not focus solely on physical therapy, Hernandez said.

"Hippotherapy involves cognitive, physical and speech therapy," Hernandez said. "We see children and adults with all kinds of disabilities."

Hippotherapy can improve a person's balance, posture, mobility and operational abilities, according to the Web site. It also may affect psychological, cognitive, behavioral and communication functions.

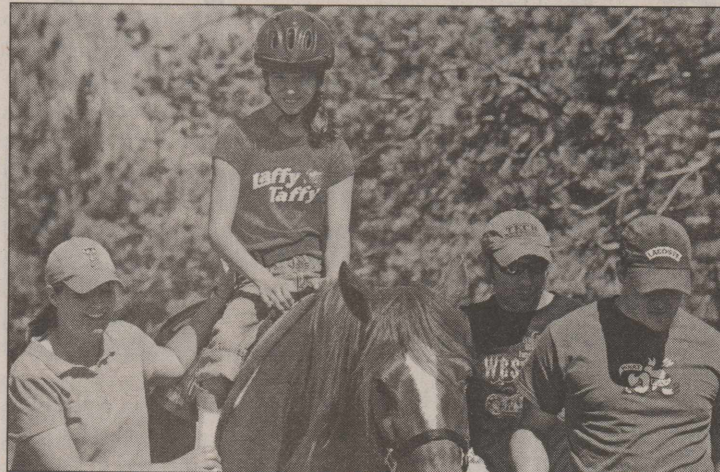
"Hippotherapy helps in different ways," Whitefield said. "One way is motivation. When you get a kid on a horse, they have to use verbal or gestural communication to tell that horse what they want to do. It's more motivating for them

in real life than in a hypothetical situation."

She said even the physical movement of the horse helps the patients' communication skills.

"Sometimes we turn them backwards on the horse with their hands on the horse's rump," Whitefield said. "The movement of the horse's walk provides stimulation through the hands, arms and up into the face. It stimulates the oral and facial musculature."

The Therapeutic Riding Center is the only center in the Lubbock area to be certified by the North American Riding for the Handi-



FILE PHOTO

THERAPISTS WORK WITH a young girl during a session of hippotherapy.

capped Association, Hernandez said.

"We're an accredited center, and that's one thing that helps us stand out, I think," she said. "They judge on the safety, the horses, the facilities, everything."

Whitefield said a semester of hippotherapy costs \$65 per patient, a cost the center helps with.

The Therapeutic Riding Center's employees apply for grants and conduct various fund raisers throughout the year to help cover the costs of the therapy sessions, Hernandez said.

"One-hundred percent of our clients get some form of ridership," she said. "Probably 80 percent are

on full riderships."

Because the center is a part of Tech, students enrolled in Principles of Hippotherapy, ANSC 3309, work at the center with the certified therapists. Hernandez said that gives the center about 30 students per semester, but they always need more people to help.

"We're a volunteer-based program," she said. "We need people to side walk and lead the horse. We always need volunteers."

Anyone interested in volunteering can contact the center by e-mailing Hernandez at heather.hernandez@ttu.edu or calling (806)792-4683.

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8 AM	Super Why!	Law and Order: SVU; actress Mariska Hargitay. (HD)	The 700 Club	Divorce Court	The Steve Wilkos Show	Montel Williams	Martha Cooking, horse design.
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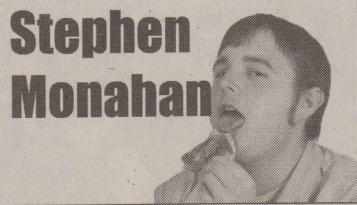
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Color me bad: I wanna sex you up, or do I?

The point of these little columns — for me — is to entertain, not to Sex in the City the audience to death. Because we do not know each other personally, some of you may not discern my sarcasm appropriately. So, if you take this seriously, you should get your mind in the gutter.



Stephen Monahan

But you know what? I enjoy being dirty — like playing-in-the-mud dirty.

The phrase “that’s what she said” runs through my mind like Frank-the-Tank streaking through the quad and over to the gymnasium (of course I used this visual because Will Ferrell’s 40-year-old bum is much more appalling than imagining Jessica Alba frolicking naked through a corn maze while sucking on a red Blow-Pop).

If you are in my presence, you can mutter any group of words to create a sentence (otherwise known as a phrase) and I can turn it upside down, inside out and bust you with a freestyle of glamorized sexual indulgence.

Intentionally using innuendoes occupies my thought process for nearly 17 of the 24 hours that I’m awake (I do have to sleep obviously, and perhaps

wet dreams consume part of the REM process as well, so not all is lost), but I believe it’s another way to keep the mind fresh when the doldrums of a 50-minute lecture cannot.

For example, I was walking through Memorial Circle Tuesday and overheard one of those sorority girls talking on her cell phone while attempting to put on make-up, read a book, walk and stuff her face with a rice cake all at once (and I thought this type of behavior only occurred behind the wheel of their Volkswagen Beetles, and yes I may have exaggerated — everyone knows sorority girls don’t know how to read). I was shocked by her multi-tasking abilities, because I thought that was just a fallacy (like when I was told by my father that eating spicy food would put hair on my chest, but to this day

my chest still resembles a 5-year-old’s, but with man-boobs).

Nevertheless, when she whined to the person on the other end of the conversation “please, just give it to me when I see you, I need it,” my Innuendar immediately reverberated through my eight-pound head.

The sophomoric, yet stimulating sexual thought brought a smile to my face, leaving me satisfied for the rest of the day (I even thought about smoking a cigarette).

For you dissenters, you probably think my thought process is immature and asinine. Your next step may be to write a letter stating that being a college student should be about learning and retaining information only to spew it onto a resume in hopes of acquiring a lucrative career.

But come on, if I wasn’t educated then I wouldn’t use such voracious vernacular in my columns, instead I would boast about doing drunk chicks and raising my “average.”

Speaking of doing drunk chicks, — well, just drunk chicks in general — every person has encountered one,

either at a party, bar or family reunion. These feisty nuggets of human flesh provide the best opportunity to be sexually deviant — with your mind that is. While some may be annoyed by a drunk woman’s inability to keep to themselves, I happen to love ‘em (like the kind of love a dog has toward a human leg).

These women remind me of those Magic 8-Balls you might have owned as a child. You know, you ask it a question and then turn it over, and it gives you some random answer like “no,” “doesn’t look good,” or “I wouldn’t touch you with a 20-foot pole.” For me that’s perfect because those are the exact responses I receive when I walk up to an inebriated female and politely ask “hey shawty, wanna be my lover?”

I don’t need sexual stimulation from unprotected coitus to satisfy my caveman-like instincts (trust me, women love a little hair pulling now and then). I’d rather mentally take advantage of a chick who has swallowed too many cups of donkey punch and consumed a dozen Everclear cherries.

Why?

Because to me, being dirty-minded is another avenue for people to stimulate conversation between one another.

Think about it. How many times have you been talking to someone, especially when it’s the opposite sex, and the conversation grows stale? You’ve covered the basic checklist of getting to know each other (what your majors are, how many hours you’re taking, what church you attend, etc.), and all of a sudden, it grows silent and you’re both struggling to think of something to talk about.

This is the part where a crude sexual comment needs to be enforced.

If the person laughs, then, “bang!” The conversation will continue, and who knows, maybe you will end doing the “Funk Nasty Flex” with them later.

If you need practice at being sexually explicit, take some shots at a drunk girl one night at a party.

For example, if you are sitting around a kitchen and you see a chick eating pretzels and dipping them in

Funfetti icing — scraping the last wads of icing out of the container with her “rations” (the name she has dubbed the pretzels), then that’s a good indication she’s wasted.

Next, she’ll probably ramble some random lines of jargon no one understands and ultimately reveal that her hands are covered in a white-sticky substance (the icing).

This is where you get your shot at sexual-innuendo stardom. Make her aware of her icing-laced hands and she will come to you. Most likely she will rattle off the phrase “my fingers are all gooey, gooey, gooey — look, I have gooey, gooey fingers” (cue in “impure thoughts” here, followed by ab-jarring laughter).

So next time you are out, and a bunch of drunkards are around, find the drunkest chick you can (she’ll either be near the pantry, refrigerator, toilet or keg) and try to bang her — with your impure thoughts, of course.

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Purrrfect love in a dog eat dog world

Britney Drumm



While randomly napping in my glorified beanbag last summer, a stray cat waltzed right into the house I was living in and brushed against my outstretched hand. Not usually a light sleeper, I startled at the touch of the fur to skin contact.

The cat — a small, grey, skinny thing — wasn’t bothered at all by my violent shock out of slumber and continued to mosey on through the house.

Incidentally, she would never leave.

She would come home every night, have some sort of rummaged meal we could fashion, cuddle up on the end of one roommate’s bed, and leave in the morning — as if she had to get to work on time or something. This cycle would continue for seven months.

Leave in the morning, home in the evening. Food, then sleep. Leave in the morning.

She mooched with the best of them, and I envied her uncomplicated life — until she came home acting a little crazy one day, and then got a little fat a few weeks later — and very abruptly I coveted her life no longer.

Gata, as we would end up calling her, got knocked up — Katherine Heigl style.

Two days before Gata started giving birth underneath my other roommate’s bed, I had a dream that she had five kittens, one of which stood out from the rest — smaller than the rest and orange speckled. In the dream, this was the kitten

I immediately fell in love with, but when I woke up, an orange speckled kitten seemed a ridiculous thought.

March 31, 2007 was the day I became a pseudo mother to four

“We were ‘dog people,’ apparently, and thus I called myself for many years.”

— BRITNEY DRUMM
DT COLUMNIST

kittens: three boys and one girl.

The girl was the first and only kitten we actually missed being born (which is a terrible, terrible thing to witness, FYI.) When we finally got the last box out from under the bed, there was Gata vigorously licking her firstborn — an orange speckled calico.

Next came Jockey, Cricket, and finally Sir Lancelot du Loc. They all were so unique and beautiful and neat, even during those first few boring months when all they did was eat, whine, and cuddle together in a tight ball. They all developed distinct personalities by the time they could stumble around. But, my little speckled babe consumed my devotion.

Mine. My own. My precious, etc.

Leia has been the one pet I can clearly call my own.

I felt her and her siblings in the womb before their birth; I was the first person to lay eyes on her

after her birth. I was the first to hold her, see her walk and watch her kick the snot out of her little brothers in a scuffle.

A week after she was born I held her up in one cupped hand, where she fit snugly, and took a picture with the other. My very first words to her on her birthday were, “I dreamt of you.”

I’m such a sap for kids — even of the feline persuasion, it seems.

Coincidentally, I grew up in a household that abhorred cats. We were “dog people,” apparently, and thus I called myself for many years.

I’ve told many people of my Leia, and sometimes I’m met with the disdainful response of, “Oh, I didn’t know you were a ‘cat person.’”

Must we label everything so black and white in this country? It’s bad enough that we’re basically given two options when it comes to varied political ideals, but to divide a fork in the road when it comes to pets seems so absurdly narrow-minded.

One day you might wake up hating something for no other reason than you were born in a household that taught you to hate it, but then find yourself in a circumstance that will change your perspective completely.

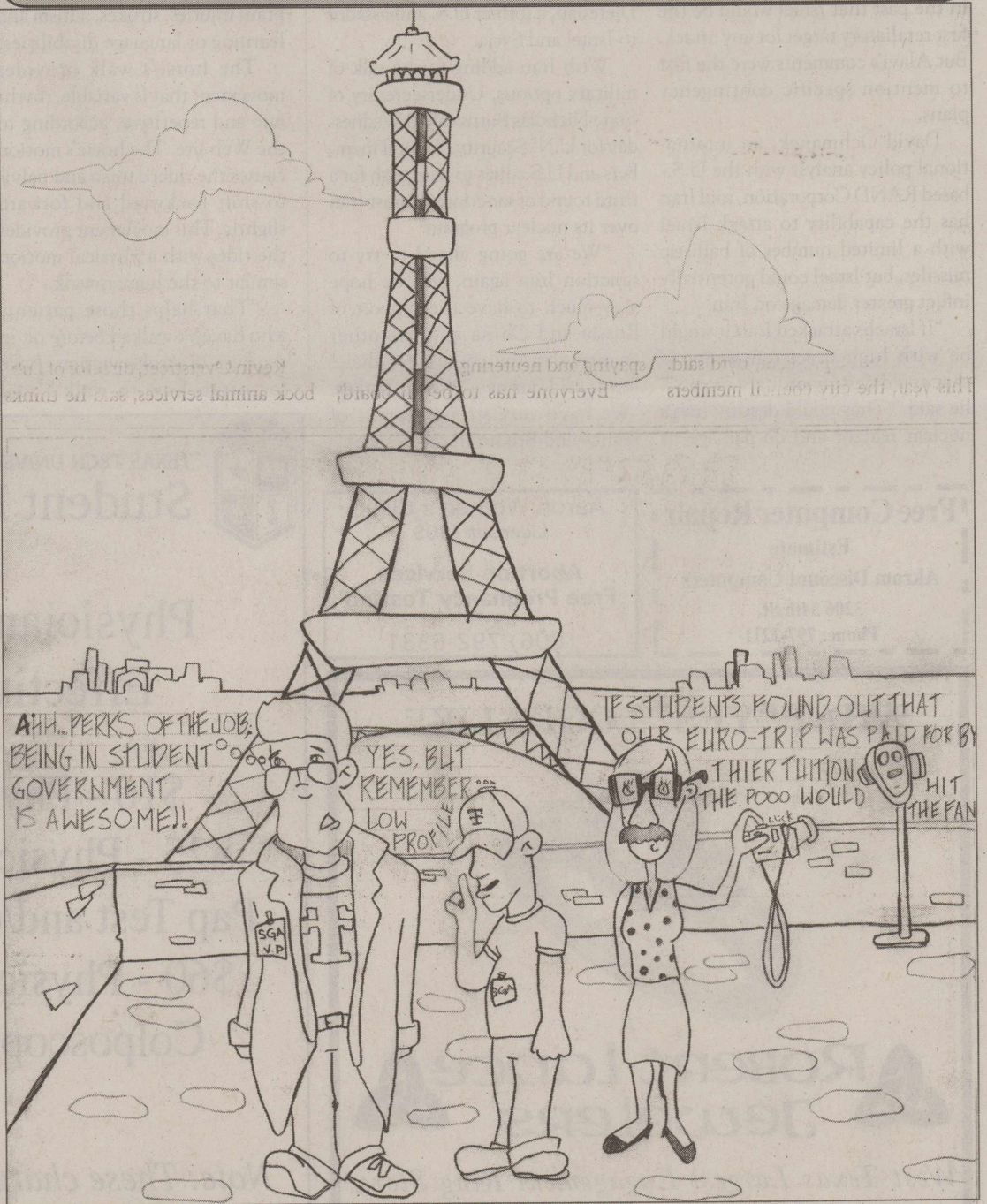
It’s the beauty of having your own brain and conscience to use how you see fit — you can allow influences to flow through you like rain and add to your awareness and values. This might be in the form of firm political beliefs, spiritual viewpoints, educational thought or some other profound way of interpretation that can help you save, change or conquer the known world — whichever might seem most pertinent to you at the time.

Or, you might adopt a living being and find that you love what you thought you should hate.

They’re such similar emotions, in context.

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Tech speech, debate team continues winning tradition at tournament

By **ADAM YOUNG**
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Kicking off their 2007-2008 season, the Texas Tech speech and debate team won two parliamentary style debate tournaments last weekend at the University of Wyoming.

Joe Gantt, director of forensics and a communications studies instructor at Tech, said the team of Anthony Putnicki, a senior philosophy major from El Paso, and Mike Mitchell, a senior mass communications major from Lamesa, won each of their five debates, winning the Boot and Spur Round Robin on Saturday.

"Their are only three Round Robins held per year," Gantt said, "so it's a prestigious title to win a Round Robin especially when you're up against five of the top teams in the country."

In the tournament, Tech competed with teams from United States Air Force Academy, Northern Arizona University, Rice University, the University of Oregon, and the University of Wyoming, according to a College of Arts and Sciences news release.

Gantt said Tech also won at the Top of the Rockies Invitational,

where 24 universities from around the nation were represented.

He said the team of Putnicki and Kristen Owen, a senior political science and communications studies major from Houston, won all 12 of their debates with a win over Washburn University in the final round.

"It's not like basketball or football where you have a score at the end of the debate," Gantt said. "You're having to convince a judge who has their own preferences and might see the world in a different way."

Because of the subjective nature of how the winner of the debates is determined, he said it is nearly impossible to win 12 in a row.

"The judges are very subjective, and to win 12 debates means they had a high level of topic knowledge, and very good abilities to structure those into arguments, and a good ability to adapt the arguments to what the judge wanted to hear," Gantt said.

Unlike other tournaments, he said the Boot and Spur Round Robin and the Top of the Rockies Invitational were all parliamentary debates, where competitors are given only a short time to prepare for their

topic and are told what stance to take.

"Virtually anything is debatable," Gantt said. "We could have Iraq one round, health care the next round and then talk about the Major League Baseball designated hitter, but the students just have an immense amount of knowledge going in and can do that."

Student debaters were not the only ones from Tech to earn praise at the events.

Brendan O'Grady, assistant coach of the Tech's team, said Gantt was named 2007 coach of the year at the Top of the Rockies Invitational.

"A coach is selected who embodies the best of what (speech and debate) has to offer," O'Grady said. "They're somebody who has energy and who devotes himself to the activity, to his team, and to the community at large."

Gantt said he believes his winning the award came down to having a good team with competitive success.

Tech will continue its debate season with a tournament this weekend at William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo., according to the college's news release.

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SGA announces Freshman Council

By **CHASE YORK**
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Student Government Association Internal Vice President, Suzette Matthews, announced the election results for the 2007-2008 Freshman Council Wednesday evening in the Student Union Building.

SGA officers reported 68 candidates campaigned for the 25 available positions on the council.

SGA officials said approximately 10 percent of the 6,000 freshman who were eligible to vote cast their ballots online at the SGA Web site, www.sga.ttu.edu.

She said she is excited that freshman students are interested in SGA.

"It's a great way for them to get involved on campus," Matthews said. "This year we are going to try to give them more ownership of the council."

She said freshman council members will attend a retreat on campus to determine their mission statement for the year, discuss project budgets, build their leadership skills and get to know one another.

She said one of their main

projects will be to host a fall festival for the students of Parkway Elementary to get involved with the community.

Matthews said the results will be posted outside the SGA office and on the SGA Web site for review.

She said if other freshman students would like to get involved in SGA they can fill out an application for the Freshman Advisory Board, an independent body that works cooperatively on projects with the Freshman Council, in the SGA office or online.

Ashlee Schertz, a freshman international business major from Sanger, TX, and newly elected member of the council, said she is excited about representing her classmates.

"I wanted to get involved with the students," she said. "I was involved with student government throughout high school, and I plan to stay involved throughout my college career."

Schertz and other candidates attributed their success to being in sororities and fraternities, encouraging their friends to vote, making Facebook groups, handing out fliers, and hanging posters during their campaigns.

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tant to give money to the clinics. If we can reduce the number being born, the other problems will kind of work themselves out."

She said without support from the city, the shelter would not be able to do things like offer free spaying and neutering in certain parts of the cities.

"We know what zip codes the animals are coming from," Hammond said, "that is where we go and that is where we put our free services."

Spaying and neutering animals helps trim down numbers, but does not alleviate the problem, Byrd said. This year, the city council members

launched a program allowing low-income families' pets to be spayed or neutered for free.

"A lot of them just aren't taking advantage of that program, basically they just have to come ask us," he said. "We were allotted \$20,000 this year and we still have a good \$5,000 left."

Hammond said she suspects employees of the Lubbock animal shelter are probably doing the best they can with the money they have, but money is imperative to be able to educate the community and offer special programs. Without the money from the city, Austin's shelter would not be able to sponsor free rabies clinics where they try and educate the community about spaying and neutering.

"Everyone has to be on board;

the community, the city," Hammond said. "The culture might be a little bit different than in Lubbock, I think the population in general in Austin is a little bit more educated and aware."

Byrd said the shelter provides education programs for citizens when possible, but has not for some time due to lack of staff.

"Education I think really helps," he said. "If people know how many animals go through here and don't get back out, it shocks people when I throw that number out there."

Byrd said while he feels like the city council members support the shelter, they may not be fully aware of the problem.

Kevin Overstreet, director of Lubbock animal services, said he thinks

council members are conscious of the problem, though he believes it is up to community members to make a difference.

"We bring council up to date as much as we can and try and keep them aware of everything that's going on," he said. "Being a responsible pet owner is certainly something that we want the people to be aware of."

Mike McGee, director of the Amarillo animal control department, said his shelter takes in animals from Potter County, Randall County, the city of Canyon, and the city of Happy. About 31,000 animals come to the shelter yearly, and last year about 10,500 were euthanized.

Because the Lubbock shelter is not allowed to turn animals away, it is constantly overcrowded with animals.

Overstreet said city council members have approved a \$3.5 million budget for a new animal shelter and a contract was approved to Minnix Commercial Construction.

"He has partnered with a company called the Bacon Group out of Florida who specialize in building animal shelters," he said. "We hope to break ground by the end of this year."

Byrd said he hopes technology in the new building will help improve the ventilation problem in the shelter.

"Hopefully we can get a design to alleviate some of these smells, better ventilation, better drainage," he said. "It will help us clean easier, it will make the dogs a little more comfortable. They have to stay here 24 hours a day, they're always subject

to the smell. We get to go home, they don't."

The new ventilation systems will also help decrease the spread of disease and the stress on the animals, Byrd said.

The problem of stray or lost animals does not come from one area of the city, Byrd said, though a lot of community members tend to blame Texas Tech students.

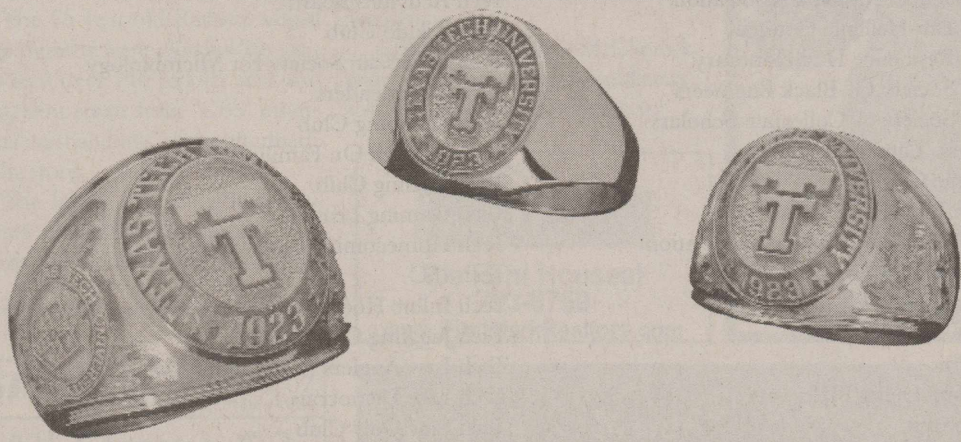
"It's not a Tech problem, it's not," he said. "Everyone wants to blame the college kids 'oh well when they leave, the leave their animals.' No, we don't get that many calls in the Tech area, it's all over town."

Animals adopted from the shelter come spayed or neutered, with shots and a microchip and costs \$60.

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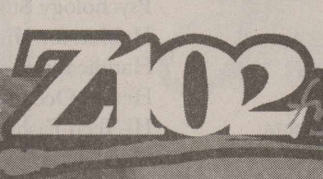
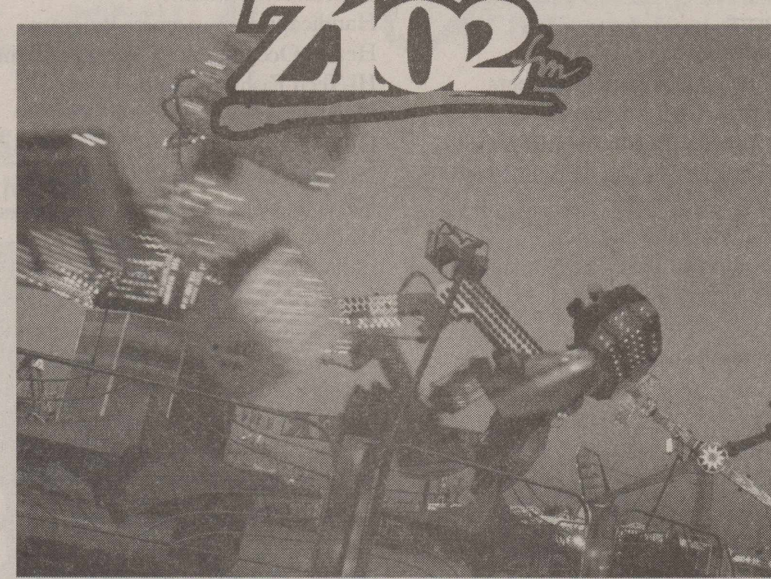


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Carnival worker says 2 friends having sex caused crash

MOSCOW, Idaho (AP) — A carnival worker who hit a telephone pole with his SUV blamed the crash on two friends having sex in the back seat.

Joshua D. Frank, who had been living on the Latah County Fairgrounds, pleaded guilty Monday to

a misdemeanor charge of failing to notify a police officer of a traffic accident. He was fined \$188.

Frank told Moscow police he was driving near downtown early Saturday while a man and woman were having sex in the rear of the vehicle. According to a probable cause affidavit,

he said the movement caused the SUV to become "tippy" and he lost control of it.

Frank, 22, suffered a minor head wound in the crash and his friends were treated for unspecified injuries, according to the affidavit.

Bees escape after truck overturns on Montana highway

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — Thousands of bees got loose when the truck carrying their hives ran off a highway and overturned near a Montana community, the Highway Patrol said.

State trooper Dell Aman said he was stung twice but didn't know of anyone else who was.

"The public was in no way in danger, as long as they didn't stop to get out of their vehicles," he said. "If they did get out, they figured out pretty quickly that that wasn't the place to be — no pun intended."

The truck, headed from North Dakota to California, veered into a ditch Tuesday along Interstate 94 near the exit for Huntley, a community just northeast of Billings, the Highway Patrol said.

The truck was hauling 465 beehives — nearly 13.7 million bees, Aman said.

Most of the bees stayed in their hives but a "couple thousand" got loose, he said.

The driver, Robert Esper, 66, of Winnemucca, Nev., was uninjured. Aman said Esper wasn't speeding

but was cited for alleged careless driving.

Aman said the escaped bees returned to their hives as the weather cooled in the evening. "The temperature dropped about 10 degrees while I was there, and they started going home," he said.

On Wednesday, the hives and their trailer were at a storage yard awaiting further arrangements, said Scott Hanser of Hanser's automotive and towing business in Billings.

Officials fine man for carrying dead snakes, birds in luggage

ATLANTA (AP) — The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has fined a man \$800 for flying dead snakes and birds inside his luggage from South Korea to Atlanta.

Last month, security officers at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport found 30 snakes, a dead bird and pieces of several other birds in his luggage.

All the animals were dead, but screeners took extra precautions because U.S. Fish and Wildlife officers warned that some of the snakes, packed inside jars and bottles, could

still contain venom.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife officers issued two citations against the man — one for failing to declare the unusual cargo and another for violating laws intended to protect endangered species.

"They're typically used in traditional Chinese or Asian medicine," said Darwin Huggins, Fish and Wildlife agent in charge of Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. "Some of the snakes had scorpions in their mouths. And they were preserved in wine. It's a medicinal type wine that

certain cultures drink."

The passenger, whose name has not been released, was contacted at his home in Florida.

The animals were inside boxes checked as luggage on a Korean Air flight, which arrived in Atlanta on August 15.

Federal Transportation Security Administration officials say international baggage is routinely screened and it is not unusual to find animals and animal parts.

But such a large number of animals is odd, they said.

Chain of e-mails reunites fan with lost digital camera

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — A woman who found a digital camera outside Ohio Stadium located the owner by uploading a picture from it and e-mailing the image to a batch of Ohio State football fans.

Within 48 hours of sending the e-mail to 14 friends, Michelle Montgomery declared her social experiment a success. She

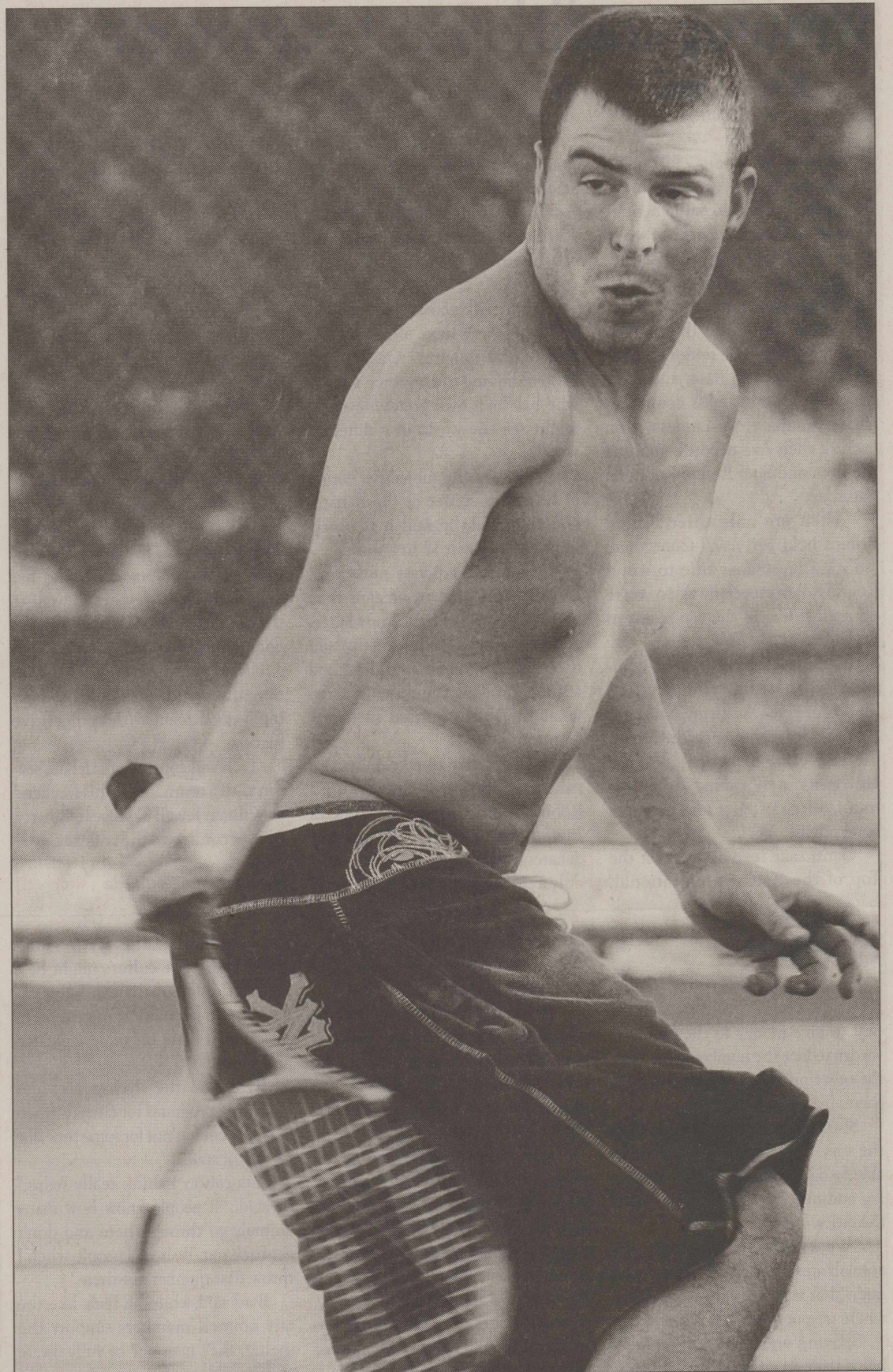
was contacted by Kevin John, 45, of Shelby, who learned through a chain of e-mailers in the Buckeye network that Montgomery had his camera.

"It shows the power of the Internet, e-mail and the Buckeye network. It's amazing how many Buckeye fans are out there," said John, a 1986 Ohio State

University graduate.

John lost the camera outside the stadium at the Sept. 1 Ohio State-Youngstown State football game after asking a cheerleader to take pictures of him and his 10-year-old son Noah posing with Brutus Buckeye, the team mascot.

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WORLD EVENTS IN BRIEF

Senate rejects attempt to regulate combat tours in Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate blocked legislation Wednesday that would have regulated the amount of time troops spent in combat, a blow for Democrats struggling to challenge President Bush's Iraq policies.

The 56-44 vote was four votes short of reaching the 60 needed to cut off debate. It was the second time in as many months that the bill, sponsored by Sen. Jim Webb, D-Va., was side-

tracked. In July, a similar measure fell four votes short of advancing.

Failure of the bill was a sound defeat for Democrats, who have been unable to pass significant anti-war legislation by a veto-proof majority since taking control of Congress in January. Webb's measure was seen as having the best chance at attracting the 60 votes needed to pass because of its pro-military premise.

The bill would have required that troops spend as much time at home training with their units as they spend deployed in Iraq or Afghanistan. Members of the National Guard or Reserve would be guaranteed three years at home before being sent back.

Most Army soldiers now spend about 15 months in combat with 12 months home.

Bush urges Congress to make eavesdropping law stronger

FORT MEADE, Md. (AP) — President Bush said Wednesday he wants Congress to expand and make permanent a law that temporarily gives the government more power to eavesdrop without warrants on suspected foreign terrorists.

Without such action, Bush said, "our national security professionals will lose critical tools they need to protect our country."

"It will be harder to figure out what our enemies are doing to train,

recruit and infiltrate operatives into America," the president said during a visit to the super-secret National Security Agency's headquarters. "Without these tools, our country will be much more vulnerable to attack."

The Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act governs when the government must obtain warrants for eavesdropping from a secret intelligence court. This year's update — approved just before Congress'

August break — allows more efficient interceptions of foreign communications.

Under the new law, the government can eavesdrop without a court order on communications conducted by a person reasonably believed to be outside the U.S., even if an American is on one end of the conversation — so long as that American is not the intended focus or target of the surveillance.

Israel calls Gaza an 'enemy entity,' undermining Rice push for peace

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel declared the Palestinian-controlled Gaza Strip an "enemy entity" on Wednesday and said it would cut utilities to the territory. The move complicates a U.S. plan to relaunch peace talks aimed at establishing a separate Palestinian state in Gaza and the West Bank.

Israel made the provocative decision hours before Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice arrived for talks setting up what President Bush hopes will be a pivotal peace conference this fall. Rice neither endorsed nor criticized Israel's move.

Israel did not announce a date for cutting off services. The decision is likely to reinforce perceptions among Palestinians and their Arab backers that Israel will do as it sees fit regardless of the cost to civilians and that the U.S. will not block Israel.

Rice said the U.S. is trying to help both sides reach "common understanding." But she did not say if the U.S.-sponsored peace meeting will address the hardest issues in the

six-decade conflict, including the final borders of a Palestinian state.

The U.S. has not said exactly what it wants to achieve from the summit, nor who will attend.

Rice wants to recruit Arab states to reinforce the Palestinians in any deal with Israel, but the conference will carry little weight if regional players such as Saudi Arabia choose to sit it out. The meeting also has little chance of success if Israel is seen as unwilling to make hard concessions to the Palestinians and the U.S. is seen as unable to force Israel's hand.

The U.S.-sponsored conference is meant to invigorate peace efforts that largely lay fallow during George W. Bush's presidency and set clear guidelines for forming a Palestinian state.

The Gaza designation overshadowed any public talk of peace prospects as Rice began two days of meetings with Israeli and Palestinian leaders.

Israel did not inform the U.S. in advance of Wednesday's action, a U.S.

diplomat said. Israel has been considering something similar for several weeks, however, to try to halt Palestinian rocket fire on Israeli towns from launching sites in Gaza. The decision lets Israel cut electricity, water and other services that the impoverished, crowded coastal territory depends on Israel to provide.

Israel has been carrying out air-strikes and limited ground strikes. It also has sealed Gaza's borders, halting trade, while permitting little more than humanitarian aid into the area.

Hamas militants who hold de facto control in Gaza have not been directly involved in the rocket attacks, but the movement has done little to halt the fire. Israel says it holds the group responsible.

Rice tried to tread carefully at a press conference with Israel's foreign minister, Tzipi Livni. Grim-faced, Rice said the U.S. will not turn its back on civilians in Gaza and that Hamas "is a hostile entity to the United States as well."

Doctors may be missing cases of 'purging disorder'

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — An Iowa researcher is studying a little-known eating disorder that some doctors may miss: purging disorder. Though similar to women with bulimia, patients who fit this description don't binge-eat. Yet they feel compelled to purge, usually by vomiting, even after eating only a small or normal amount of food, said Pamela Keel, the University of Iowa researcher who led a study on the subject.

Keel, a psychology professor, and colleagues from Iowa and the Har-

vard Medical School describe their research in this month's issue of Archives of General Psychiatry.

"Purging disorder is new in the sense that it has not been officially recognized as a unique condition in the classification of eating disorders. But it's not a new problem," Keel said. "Women were struggling with purging disorder long before we began studying it."

If further study supports that it is a distinct disorder, Keel said the American Psychiatric Association could

revise its criteria for diagnosing eating disorders. That's important because doctors could then better screen these patients and identify treatments for them. Otherwise, they might be missed because they are normal weight and don't report binge-eating, she said.

"The bottom line is there are women out there right now who have this condition, and very little is being done to figure out why they have this problem or how to help them with it," Keel said.

Officials confirm meteorite struck Peru

LIMA, Peru (AP) — A fiery meteorite crashed into southern Peru over the weekend, experts confirmed on Wednesday. But they were still puzzling over claims that it gave off fumes that sickened 200 people.

Witnesses told reporters that a fiery ball fell from the sky and smashed into the desolate Andean plain near the Bolivian border Saturday morning.

Jose Mechare, a scientist with Peru's Geological, Mining and Metallurgical Institute, said a geologist had confirmed that it was a "rocky meteorite," based on the fragments analyzed.

He said water in the meteorite's muddy crater boiled for maybe 10 minutes from the heat and could have given off a vapor that sickened people, and scientists were taking water samples.

"We are not completely certain that there was no contamination," Mechare said.

Jorge Lopez, director of the health

department in the state where the meteorite crashed, told The Associated Press on Tuesday that 200 people suffered headaches, nausea and respiratory problems caused by "toxic" fumes emanating from the crater, which is some 65 feet deep and 15 feet wide.

But a team of doctors sent to the isolated site, 3 1/2 hours travel from the state capital of Puno, said they found no evidence the meteorite had sickened people, the Lima newspaper El Comercio reported Wednesday.

Modesto Montoya, a member of the team, was quoted as saying doctors also had found no sign of radioactive contamination among families living nearby, but had taken blood samples from 19 people to be sure.

He said fear may have provoked

psychosomatic ailments.

"When a meteorite falls, it produces horrid sounds when it makes contact with the atmosphere," he told the paper. "It is as if a giant rock is being sanded. Those sounds could have frightened them."

Justina Limache, 74, told El Comercio that when she heard the thunderous roar from the sky, she abandoned her flock of alpacas and ran to her small home with her 8-year-old granddaughter. She said that after the meteorite struck, small rocks rained down on the roof of her house for several minutes and she feared the house was going to collapse.

Meteor expert Ursula Marvin said that if people were sickened, "it wouldn't be the meteorite itself, but the dust it raises."

Cambodia's genocide tribunal charges top Pol Pot aide

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) — Cambodia's most senior surviving Khmer Rouge leader was arrested and charged with crimes against humanity on Wednesday — three decades after the murderous regime left 1.7 million people dead through starvation, overwork and execution.

Khmer Rouge ideologist Nuon Chea, the top aide to late leader Pol Pot, was arrested at his home in northwestern Pailin near the Thai border and flown to Phnom Penh,

where he was put in the custody of a U.N.-backed tribunal.

The tribunal is investigating abuses committed when the communist Khmer Rouge held power in 1975-79. A statement released by the tribunal said its judges had placed Nuon Chea in "provisional detention" after charging him "for crimes against humanity and war crimes."

"Now the time has come for him to share his version of the history of Khmer Rouge before the court of

law," said Youk Chhang, director of the Documentation Center of Cambodia, an independent group researching Khmer Rouge crimes.

"So many people have died. The facts are everywhere. There are plenty of mass graves, prisons, documents, photographs that can show what he did at that time," Youk Chhang said.

Rather sues CBS for \$70 million

NEW YORK (AP) — Dan Rather filed a \$70 million lawsuit Wednesday against CBS, alleging that the network made him a "scapegoat" for a discredited story about President Bush's National Guard service in Texas.

The 75-year-old Rather, whose final months were clouded by controversy over the report, says the complaint stems from "CBS' intentional mishandling" of the aftermath of the story.

The lawsuit, filed in State Supreme Court in Manhattan, also names CBS President and CEO Leslie

Moonves, Viacom Inc. Chairman Sumner Redstone, and former CBS News President Andrew Heyward.

Rather, the former anchorman of the "CBS Evening News," is seeking \$20 million in compensatory damages and \$50 million in punitive damages.

CBS spokesman Dana McClintock said: "These complaints are old news, and this lawsuit is without merit."

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Study says chivalry still alive

By MARIA ZINSER
THE REVIEW (U. DELAWARE)

(U-WIRE) NEWARK, Del. — Traditionally, romance is defined as the act of courting or wooing someone or treating them with ardor or chivalrousness. Some would say the college definition has evolved into something more vulgar.

"Most people see romance as making out and having sex," University of Delaware freshman Selasie Buatsi said.

The definition of romance, or the lack thereof, is the key factor which affected the results of a study done by Catherine Mosher of Duke University and Sharon Danoff-Burg of the University of Albany. The study showed male undergraduate students were more likely than female undergraduate students to choose intimate relationships over careers and education.

The results of the study, published in the journal *Gender Issues* in July 2007, were calculated after surveying 237 undergraduates, including 80 men and 157 women, about their life goals. The study evaluated the students' readiness to relinquish achievement goals for an intimate relationship. It found 51 percent of women studied and 61.3 percent of men studied would choose to pursue romantic relation-

ships over achievement goals.

According to the study, only 1 percent of the participants were living with a partner, although approximately 50 percent of the females and 40 percent of the males reported having a current dating relationship.

Daniel Kruger, a social and evolutionary psychologist at the University of Michigan, said he found the results a bit hard to evaluate.

"The results are a little ambiguous just because (of) the way the questions were asked," Kruger said.

He said the definition of romance varies and the study never defined what romance or intimate relationships meant.

Freshman Matt Morelli said males may have a different perception of what the term means.

"Guys don't really think with their brain that often," Morelli said.

Senior Kristin Johanson said she was surprised at the study's result because it did not coincide with her image of men. "[Men] just don't seem to care about relationships as much as a woman would, for the most part," Johanson said.

Other students, such as Buatsi, said they were not surprised by the results.

"Men always want to take risks while women just analyze," she said.

Kruger said women often take education more seriously than men do.

"Women are, in general, more future-oriented and more willing to have delayed gratification, so they are taking the tried-and-true path in education," he said. "Men are opting to do something that they think will get them to the top faster, like start a company [or] get into sales so they don't have to spend all that time getting a degree."

Senior Alexandra Villiard highlighted the effects of the stress that is placed on women.

"Girls might feel more pressure on them to get a career and be successful to show that they can," Villiard said.

Johanson gave her own hypothesis for why she thinks men would opt for relationships over personal goals.

"Men seem to always need to be nurtured," she said, "and if Mom's not going to be there anymore for them, they are more likely, if they really feel like they need it, to pick a relationship they know they can stay in to continue being nurtured."

Kruger used his knowledge of evolution to make a prediction about women's motivations.

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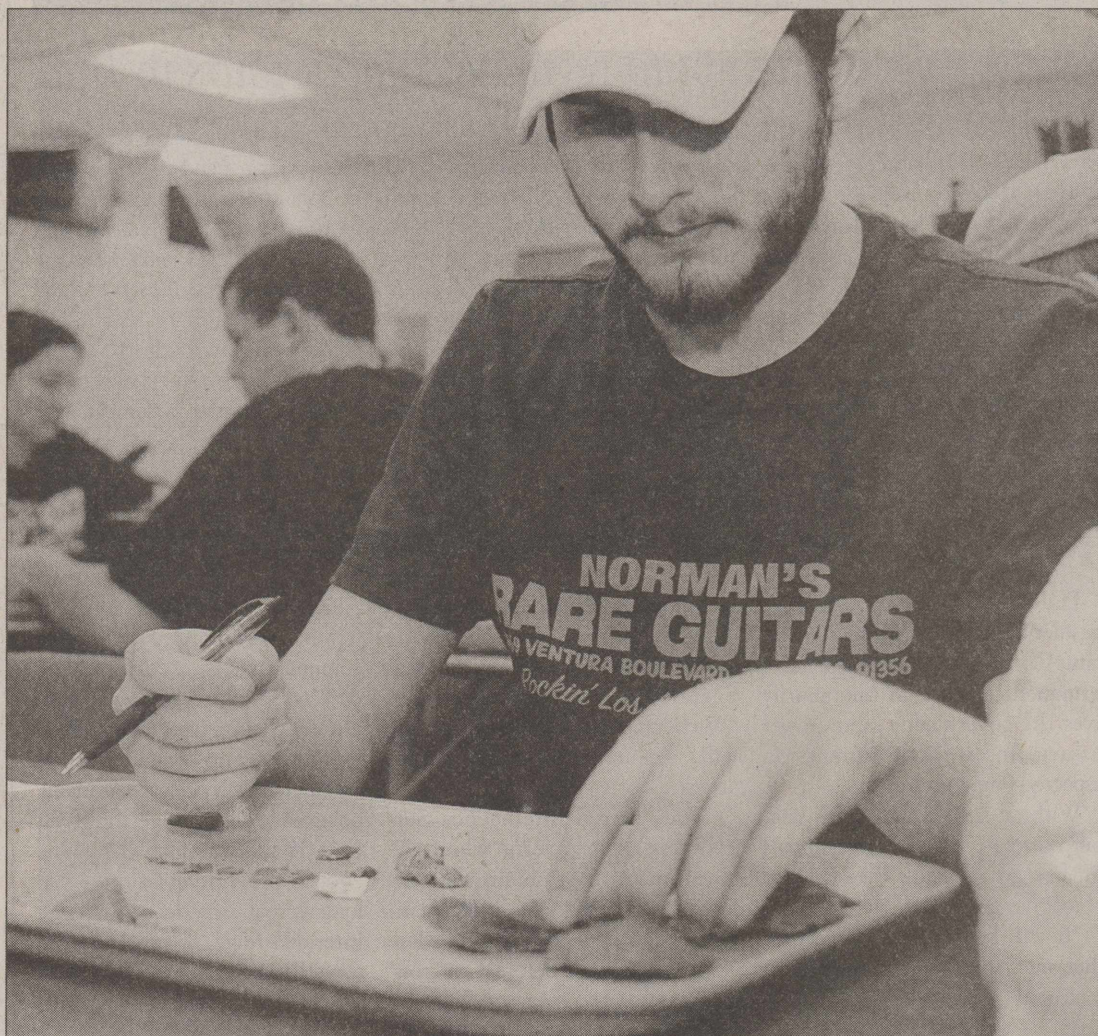


PHOTO BY KELLY MATHERLY/The Daily Toreador
DAN RODRIGUEZ, A senior anthropology major from Houston, classifies rocks according to different features in his archeology lab Wednesday afternoon in Holden Hall.

Britney Spears ordered to clean up act as custody of her children seems uncertain

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The hits keep coming for Britney Spears, but not the kind that will put platinum records on her walls.

A court commissioner in Spears' child custody dispute practically called the 25-year-old pop star an addict in ordering her to undergo random drug and alcohol testing. The question is, does the order come soon enough — and is it strong enough — to keep Spears from losing her two young sons to ex-husband Kevin Federline.

It couldn't have come at a worse time for Spears, who is trying to recover from a series of image-crippling events that include a bizarre

head-shaving in February and a ridiculed performance at the MTV Video Music Awards.

On Monday, Superior Court Commissioner Scott M. Gordon required both Spears and Federline to refrain from drinking or using drugs either in the presence of their children or within 12 hours before taking charge of them. He said there was evidence Spears engaged in "habitual, frequent and continuous use of controlled substances and alcohol."

He also ordered Spears, but not Federline, to undergo random drug and alcohol testing twice a week, according to court documents.

"If she were to violate the order, she would be really stupid," said Lynne Gold-Bikin, a family law attorney in Pennsylvania and former chair of the American Bar Association Family Law Section. "Reading between the lines, I think the judge is saying, 'I think you can stop it, pull yourself back.'"

A phone message left for Federline's attorney, Mark Kaplan, was not immediately returned Wednesday.

Absent from the order was a requirement that Spears undergo rehabilitation and substance abuse counseling, possibly indicating that her problem isn't severe enough to affect her parenting skills. Without

that provision, however, experts say Spears may be bound to fail.

"People tend to backslide in those situations, and once you get into habits and patterns, it's tough to change," said University of Southern California sociologist Julie Albright. "The stakes have been set very high for a relapse."

The judge did say Spears must meet eight hours a week with a parenting coach, who will observe her with her children and report back to the court.

Both parents are prohibited from making derogatory remarks about each other in their children's presence, and from using corporal pun-

ishment to discipline them.

Each must complete the court's "Parenting Without Conflict" class. The educational program, set in a group format and comprised of six sessions, helps parents learn the benefits of cooperative parenting, conflict resolution and problem solving.

Spears married Federline in October 2004. She filed for divorce last November and it became official in July. The two have joint custody of their sons — Sean Preston, 2, and Jayden James, 1 — but Federline is seeking a greater share of custody.

It's been a rough week for Spears as she prepares for the release of a

new album in November. She was dropped by her management company, parted ways with her attorney, and a former bodyguard was prepared to testify in the custody dispute about alleged drug use, nudity and safety issues he said he observed.

All of this has made Federline, 29, look — at least publicly — like the stable parent. It's an interesting change of public identities for Spears, the former Mousketeer, and Federline, the dancer and wannabe tuggish rapper.

Observers said Spears doesn't have much room to make any more mistakes, given that the court has now taken notice of her actions.

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Houston rap mogul Paul Wall to perform in Lubbock

By ADAM COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

The words "I'm a break 'em off real bad. I'm a show 'em pourin' up deuce and ridin' slab" will be words the Hub City will soon be familiar with.

Swishablast and Atlantic recording artist Paul Wall is scheduled to put on a concert at 8 p.m. tonight at the Daiquiri Lounge. The concert will be presented by Already Blazin' Productions headed by Daniel Amoako.

Amoako, a senior communications major from Dallas, said he is trying spread out the success Wall has had in Dallas to give students a chance to see a high-profile

music artist.

"We do promotions in Dallas, and we started doing them here, and I've been here since spring (of 2005)," he said. "This place is pretty boring. I could've done a concert and people really won't get to interact with him (Wall). I've been talking to people about it and I found that it's more beneficiary to college students; instead of a concert, you could just do a celebrity host party and get more one-on-one time with celebrities."

Wall debuted at No. 1 with "The People's Champ" and No. 8 with "Get Money, Stay True" on the Billboard 200 during his career. He sold 100,000 copies of

one of his earlier albums in "Get Ya Mind Correct".

Wall won the 2006 Ozone award and also has been nominated for a Grammy with his single "Grillz," a collaboration with fellow rappers Nelly and Ali & Gipp.

He also has worked with other music artists like Kanye West, Jim Jones, Diddy and Chamillionaire.

Although he is trying to change

the Lubbock nightlife, Amoako said changing Lubbock's views is not one of his goals.

"Dallas is already established. (I'm) just trying basically not to interrupt the whole conservative-ness here, but our age, we don't really have a conservative mind set. Basically just something cool, something fun, something the college students can go back and tell your kids

back later on that 'I got to party with this guy' — something cool like that."

Wall also is part owner of his own grill shop, which is based in Houston. The shop sells grills — mouthpieces used as jewelry consisting of either white gold, platinum or diamonds — for as much as \$10,000.

The Hub City will be one of Paul Wall's first stops before he makes his way to Denver Saturday and New York City Oct. 6.

Amoako predicts Paul Wall's appearance will have a great impact on the attendance of Tech students at the Daiquiri Lounge.

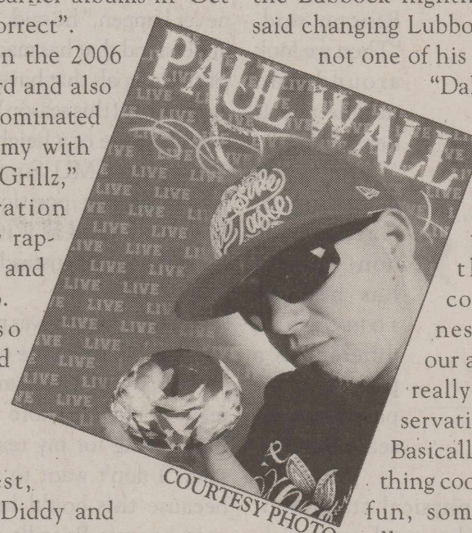
"It's going to be big," he said. "I know a lot of people from

Houston will probably be all over that — getting the opportunity like that (to) get to hang out with somebody that hanged out with SwishaHouse back then, and now he's like a big time rap star. (Wall) coming to Lubbock to just hang out with people and just chill — I think it's going to be pretty big."

Kristen Rothenberg, a junior management and marketing major from Dallas, said many people have contacted her trying to be part of the event.

"I've got people trying to get tickets like crazy," she said. "It's pretty easy to promote in Lubbock."

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SHIRT SALE



PHOTO BY WALTER ROSADO/The Daily Toreador

AARON LAM, A sophomore mechanical engineering major from Wichita Falls, buys a "Welcome to the Gun Show" t-shirt from High Rider Ashlie Haas, a freshman business management major from Houston, Wednesday morning near the Student Union Building.

Roberts of 'Good Morning America' to begin chemotherapy for breast cancer

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Robin Roberts, who had surgery last month for breast cancer, was to begin chemotherapy Thursday.

Roberts, co-host of ABC's "Good Morning America," which airs from New York City, said during Wednesday's broadcast that she would first go into work "and then head off for my chemotherapy."

She announced on July 31 that she had been diagnosed with breast

cancer. Roberts, 46, had surgery Aug. 3 and returned to work 10 days later.

Roberts, who grew up in Pass Christian, Miss., said after the successful surgery her doctors had determined that chemotherapy would be the most effective form of treatment. That will be followed by radiation treatment.

"I'll work as much as I can," Roberts said. "Part of the reason I am coming forward is in case you tune in and it looks like Kojak is sitting next

to Diane (Sawyer), you'll understand why."

Roberts thanked viewers, co-workers and guests for their outpouring of well-wishes. She said some viewers even gave tips and ideas for dealing with the treatment.

"Somebody said eat a lot of bacon before I have chemo," she said. "I don't know about that one. That's a new one."

McConaughey takes Wilson's place in film

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Matthew McConaughey is taking Owen Wilson's role in the comedy film "Tropic Thunder."

Wilson dropped out of the DreamWorks movie after an apparent suicide attempt last month.

"Tropic Thunder," which is filming in Hawaii, stars Ben Stiller, Jack Black, Robert Downey Jr., Nick

Nolte, Bill Hader and Steve Coogan. Stiller is also directing.

McConaughey, 37, has an uncredited cameo in the movie, his publicist, Nicole Perez, said Wednesday.

"Tropic Thunder" is about a group of actors who gather on a remote island to shoot a big-budget war movie and are forced to become the soldiers

they are playing.

Ina Treciokas, publicist for Wilson, didn't immediately return a telephone message seeking information on the actor's recovery.

Wilson, 38, was taken by ambulance to a hospital after police responded to a call from his Santa Monica home.

Douglas learned how to use a backhoe for his role in new film

NEW YORK (AP) — Michael Douglas has two Oscars, a glamorous actress-wife and a home in Bermuda. Still, he was happy to get his hands dirty for his new movie, "King of California."

The 62-year-old actor got behind the wheel of a backhoe to portray Charlie, a bipolar musician on a quest to find buried treasure in the suburbs of Southern California.

"I learned how to use the shovel, and I wanted to go out like Charlie and just dig around," Douglas says in

an interview on Parade.com. "What a feeling of power that is. It's just amazing the damage you could do with a backhoe."

Another first for Douglas: Spending time at Costco.

"I had never been to a Costco before, and it was incredible," says Douglas, who spent a few nights filming at the store.

"I'd get home at 9 o'clock in the morning and I'd pop the trunk and I had all these Hawaiian coconut drinks and

bags of toys and stuff from my shopping sprees," he said.

Douglas married Catherine Zeta-Jones in 2000. They have two children — son Dylan, 7, and daughter Carys, 4 — and live much of the year on the island of Bermuda.

He has won two Oscars — as a producer for 1975's "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" and as an actor

for his role as Gordon Gekko in "Wall Street."

Douglas says a script is being developed for a sequel to the 1987 movie.

"I believe it's called 'Money Never Sleeps,' which is a line from the original," he says. "I haven't seen the first draft yet. All I know is that Gordon is out of jail. It's 20 years later, so we'll see what he's up to."

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Long-term goals: Tech goal keeper weighs options on future

By ALEX YBARRA
STAFF WRITER

Sitting at a desk every day during an internship this summer, Texas Tech goal keeper and senior finance major Tina Rincon was outside of her net for the first time in years.

"Every year, over the summer, I've been playing soccer and doing something with soccer," she said. "This is the first summer I played soccer only a few days. I played a tournament and worked out, but not how I should have been; it makes you miss it. I guess you never realize that until you get back."

Because of a knee injury Rincon suffered in 2005, she has one year of eligibility left after this season, but with graduation approaching and a full-time job on the table, this season could be her last.

"I know I talked about it over the summer," she said. "I was thinking 'I don't think I'm ready for the real world. There's no way I'm ready to start waking up at six every morning and going to work.' I just want to hold on to this as long as I can and not really think about that."

In six games this season, Rincon

has recorded a shutout against both Texas State and SMU.

"The Texas State (shutout) was kind of special to me because I have a lot of friends there," she said. "Behind the goal there was a bunch of people heckling me, so being able to get the shutout down there was really cool. A shutout anywhere is nice knowing that nothing got past you."

This season, Rincon has allowed eight goals with 28

saves, 11 more than she had at this point in the 2006 season.

Senior forward Priscilla Esquivel, Rincon's best friend, said she knows Rincon's vocal leadership resonates through the team every game.

"She's more of a leader," Esquivel said. "She's got so much more confidence in her that's grown over

the years. It's awesome to see that everyone feeds off it."

Rincon said she and Esquivel feel old when they recall the beginning of their career at Tech.

"We reminisce about freshman year," Rincon said. "Then we look around and no one else is here."

Under the coaching of Aaron Gordon, Rincon has become somewhat different as a player compared to past seasons, Gor-

don said Rincon's previous playing style revolved around her height disadvantage and hindered her from making more plays up the field.

He told Rincon to open up her comfort zone a little bit. "I think her physical attributes can cut off a lot of things that would never happen," he said. "Making her understand that has made her better. In all the goals that have been scored against her (this season) not one has been because of a height factor."

Against SMU Sunday, Rincon was in perfect position to save a ball that looked as if it would float in over her, but instead hit the goal post.

Gordon said he was pleased to see her react to that type of shot.

"This year I feel more like my team is playing more for me, and I'm playing for my team," Rincon said. "I don't want to let a goal in because this could be my senior year, because Priscilla is one of my best friends. I know if she gets the ball, she is going to do everything she can to get the goal because she wants to do it for (Kim Cypert) or Shannon (Sims)."

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TECH SENIOR GOAL keeper Tina Rincon has one year of eligibility remaining after the 2007 season, but she said she is not sure if she will return for another year. Rincon has recorded two shutouts on the season, including one against Texas State. Rincon has recorded 28 saves along with her shutouts.

Bills happy knowing Everett making strides in recovery

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Robert Royal has mixed emotions as Bills teammate Kevin Everett prepares to be transferred to a Houston hospital to continue his rehabilitation from a life-threatening spinal-cord injury.

"I feel like his brother, so I'm going to be kind of heartbroken," Royal said Wednesday.

Royal said he's going to miss making regular visits to Millard Fillmore Gates Hospital, especially now that Everett, a native of Port Arthur, Texas, is off sedation and able to hold a normal conversation.

"Yeah, he's trash-talking now," he said with a laugh.

But Royal understands that Everett's pending move — doctors have discussed transferring him by this weekend — is for the best.

"Obviously, it's a better place in

terms of what they're trying to do with him in the second phase," he said. "And that's a good sign because he's actually progressed at a rate that nobody thought he would."

Everett continues making remarkable strides since the third-year tight end was hurt while making a tackle in Buffalo's season opener against Denver on Sept. 9. After arriving at the hospital paralyzed from the neck down, Everett began to show voluntary movement in his feet, legs and arms two days later.

Soon after, he was taken off a respirator and breathing on his own, while also beginning to move his hands.

This week, doctors were so confident in Everett's progress that they fed him while the player sat up in a chair.

The Bills and hospital officials

have yet to confirm whether Everett's going to be transferred, but talk of the move was the buzz in the team's locker room.

"It's positive," receiver Lee Evans said. "And it makes everyone in this locker room feel just a little bit better."

A person close to Everett's family told The Associated Press on Tuesday that Everett could be transferred to Houston by this weekend if there are no setbacks in the player's progress. The person spoke on the condition of anonymity because of the sensitive nature of Everett's status.

Dr. Barth Green, chairman of the department of neurological surgery at the University of Miami school of medicine, told The AP he suggested to Everett's doctors that the player be moved to a facility in Houston so that he can be close to his friends and family.

Everett grew up in Port Arthur, Texas, and now lives in Houston, 90 miles away.

The Bills (0-2) continue to keep Everett firmly in their thoughts as they prepare for a game at New England this weekend.

Everett's locker remains untouched, with his helmet and practice jersey hanging from a hook below Everett's nameplate and the No. 85. Players also signed a Bills helmet that will be presented to Everett's mother, Patricia Dugas, who has remained constantly at her son's side at the hospital and also met with most of the team.

Another nice touch is how a Bills staff member makes sure the team's weekly schedule is placed on the stool of Everett's locker every Monday.

Tank on joining Cowboys: 'I know that I'm not a risk'

IRVING (AP) — There was no vow to become "Man of the Year" this time. Tank Johnson simply said Wednesday he is looking forward to resuming his career with the Dallas Cowboys.

"I know that I'm not a risk," he said. "I'm a highly intelligent person and I take pride in a lot of things I do in life. Just like any other human being, I'm going to make mistakes and I've made mistakes. As far as the risk goes, I'm coming to Dallas to be a productive defensive lineman and to solidify what (team owner) Jerry Jones thinks of me."

Since December, Johnson has gone from star tackle on the NFL's best defense to being unemployed and suspended. He's also spent two months in jail because of weapons charges — both new and old — and seen a friend get shot and killed.

NFL commissioner Roger Goodell suspended Johnson for eight games in June. He said then that he would consider cutting the penalty by two games if Johnson stayed on his best behavior — in other words, proved he was living up to his post-incarceration promise of trying to become the "Man of the Year." Weeks later, Johnson was pulled over for speeding at 3:30 a.m. The Chicago Bears released him soon after.

Although no charges were filed from that incident, Johnson remained unemployed until Jones gave him a two-year contract Tuesday.

"As far as it being a last chance, I'm so focused on making this a great experience and being a Dallas Cowboy that I'm not really too wrapped

up in what chance it is," Johnson said in a conference call from his home in Arizona.

If Goodell's initial punishment holds, Johnson couldn't play until Nov. 11 against the New York Giants.

Jones said the team is already talking to the league office about all the things they can and can't do for Johnson until then. For instance, he can work out at team headquarters, but not with his teammates. He also may be able to visit with the team's player assistance staff, headed by Calvin Hill.

"The incentive is all there for him to do the right things, make the right kinds of decisions," Jones said. "We're going to be working with him. We will have a good read as to how prepared he is to get on the field, basically where he is with his focus and his intent."

The Cowboys did so much research on Johnson as a person, player and teammate that they didn't even discuss his past when they met with him Tuesday.

Johnson appreciated that, too. "Those guys really let me come in with open arms," he said. "They just talked about me moving forward as a Cowboy and to me that was pretty important."

Jones has rarely shied from controversial players, especially good ones who can help put his team over the top. Dallas is 2-0 and a legitimate contender in the NFC but already has injuries piling up on defense — including a Tank-sized hole at nose tackle. Starter Jason Ferguson was lost for the year in the opener and his replacement, Jay Ratliff, is a converted defensive end who might not be able to hold up all season.

Besides, Johnson is only 25 and will

be making a minimum salary. That makes this a low-risk move with the chance for a high reward.

Coach Wade Phillips said he believes Johnson is sincere about getting his career back on track.

"I talked to him and he said all the right things," Phillips said. "There are two kinds of guys in those situations — one who wants to get back and wants to change their life and there are the ones that don't care. He seemed to be the former. He seemed to want to get back going and wanted to play football and knew how much he missed it."

Chicago coach Lovie Smith said Wednesday that a fresh start might be all Johnson needs.

"I think you can be a good guy and make some bad mistakes. I think that's what happened with Tank," Smith said. "I believe in Tank. I still do. You get to a point sometimes, in certain places, where you come to your last chance. That's what happened here."

Bears linebacker Brian Urlacher said Johnson's jovial personality is missed in the locker room. Urlacher noted that the number of people from within the organization who visited him in jail this summer shows "we obviously cared about him quite a bit." Urlacher said the Cowboys are getting a good player, too.

"He's definitely going to be fresh," Urlacher said.

Terrell Owens knows all about that, having endured a long behavior-related absence of his own before joining the Cowboys. Like many of his teammates, T.O. was glad to hear about the signing.

"We're going to welcome him just like guys welcomed me," Owens said.

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Tech baseball begins fall practice at Lubbock Christian

By **BEN MAKI**
SPORTS EDITOR

New assistant coaches? Check. New players? Check. New artificial turf? Not yet.

Because the installation of the FieldTurf surface at Dan Law Field will not be completed until at least November, the Texas Tech baseball team began fall practice Wednesday at Hays Field on the Lubbock Christian University campus.

The new turf replaces the AstroTurf surface in the infield and the natural grass in the outfield. The only dirt on the field will be the pitcher's mound, while the areas around the bases will be a terracotta-colored FieldTurf to resemble dirt.

Tech coach Larry Hays, the namesake of LCU's baseball field, said he enjoys putting the uniform on and competing, even if it is only an intrasquad scrimmage.

"It's just great to be out at a ball

yard playing baseball," he said. "We've been working hard since the beginning of school and to get to come out now and to get to play ourselves, right now it's a lot of fun."

Junior outfielder Roger Kieschnick, who played for Team USA for the second consecutive summer, said it doesn't matter where the team practices, he just enjoys getting back out onto the field.

"The first day of fall is an exciting time," he said. "I look forward to it and look forward to getting ready for the season."

The baseball team welcomes two new assistant coaches, including Dan Spencer, who comes to Tech from Oregon State, where he served as pitching coach for the Beavers during their back-to-back national title seasons in 2006 and 2007.

The other new coach, Trent Petrie, comes to Tech from Oklahoma State, where his team claimed the Big 12 Tournament championship in 2004, via New Mexico.

"Both these guys (have) a lot of energy, both been head coaches; they've had a lot of success as a head coach and assistant coach," Hays said. "Put the two together and (volunteer assistant) Lance (Brown) working with the outfielders with his experience, it's a good staff."

Tech, who finished the 2007 season with a 27-28 record and went 8-18 in Big 12 Conference play, returns junior pitchers Miles Morgan and A.J. Ramos to the starting rotation and could add freshman Chad Bettis, who opted to play for Tech instead of the Houston Astros after they selected him in the eighth round of the 2007 MLB Draft, to the rotation by the start of play in the spring. Other new pitchers include freshmen Brennan Stewart and Robert Kilcrease.

Morgan missed all but one start in 2007 because of an injury, but in 2006, he was named Big 12 Freshman Pitcher of the Year and a Freshman All-American after compiling 103 strikeouts and a 3.63 ERA in 106 2/3 innings.

Ramos compiled a 4.70 ERA in 88 innings in 2007 with 83 strikeouts and pitched a complete game.

Junior James Leverton has been moved from first base to full-time pitcher for the upcoming season, in part because of the NCAA rule that shortens the season, but allows for more games.

"I want to see them throw strikes and be very aggressive," Spencer said. "Those are the two things I told them. You're going to compete and throw strikes, and we'll worry about the rest of that in the winter."

On the offensive side of the ball,

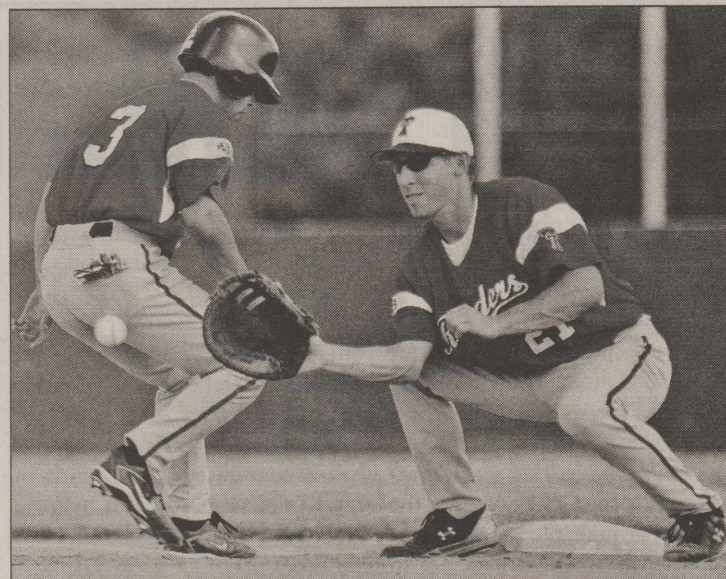


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TANNER RINDELS CATCHES the ball in an attempt to tag out **Chris Hall** during a scrimmage Wednesday afternoon at Hays Field on the Lubbock Christian University campus.

Hays said he expects junior college transfer Tanner Rindels to replace Leverton at first, and redshirt freshman Monk Kreder to replace catcher Matt Smith, who was drafted in the 14th round of the MLB Draft by the Oakland Athletics.

One player Hays said will be an impact player this season is junior outfielder Chris Richburg, who was named

Player of the Year this summer in the Texas Collegiate League, a wooden bat league in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

"With Kieschnick and Richburg and Kreder in the middle of the lineup ... (Doug) Thennis — that could stretch our lineup out," Hays said. "(Richburg is) a key part of it. He's now a good outfielder."

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Tech football prepares for shootout

By ADAM COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech football team may be expecting a shootout against Oklahoma State Saturday at Boone Pickens Stadium in Stillwater, Okla.

Tech brings a fast scoring offense while the Cowboys enter the game with multiple quarterbacks and an All-American receiver in Adarius Bowman.

Tech quarterback Graham Harrell said he has no interest in who is thought to be the better offense; he is just focused on putting up more points to help his team win the game.

"They're really talented on offense, I don't think we can argue with that," he said. "Can't say who's the 'world's greatest offense.' They can claim that. It's not something we really look at;

we're just trying to go in, execute and score some points, and out-score them."

This is the highest scoring offense Tech has come across in 2007, as Oklahoma State enters the game scoring 26.3 points per game. The Cowboys offense also has accumulated 1,186 yards of total offense gaining an average of 395.3 yards per game and 5.8 yards per play.

Oklahoma State has put up 11 touchdowns during the season, five of which are rushing touchdowns. The Cowboys rushing offense ranks sixth in the Big 12 Conference.

"They (have) a couple good running backs," Tech defensive back Chris Parker said. "With that, we (have to) keep them in line, and we can't let them get a lot of rushing yards on us."

Oklahoma State's offense features a rushing offense averaging

181.33 yards per game.

OSU senior running back Dantrell Savage played the Cowboys' first game against Georgia, his only appearance in 2007, and rushed for 55 yards on 10 attempts with one touchdown.

The majority of the carries belong to sophomore running back Keith Toston with 31 carries for 146 yards and one touchdown. Three running backs have at least 10 carries for Oklahoma State.

"They're going to try to use (their running game) against us right now because we have a young D-line," Parker said. "But other than that, they have a good offense altogether."

OSU quarterbacks Bobby Reid and Zac Robinson both have received snaps this season. Reid has played in two games this season, throwing for 196 yards and one touchdown. Robinson has played

in three games and has thrown for 446 yards and four touchdowns. Reid, who rushed for 500 yards and five touchdowns in 2006, has yet to find himself with a rushing touchdown in 2007.

"Our defense played really well last week, second half especially," Harrell said. "There's no question (OSU's offense has) talent, but we feel like we're pretty good on offense around here."

Tech coach Mike Leach said whether Oklahoma State will present a challenge is not of interest to him, but he believes the Red Raiders need to attack the challenge when they see it.

"I don't care," he said. "If you care very much, then you're only going to get what you want half the time. What I care about is if we recognize it. We need to recognize it."

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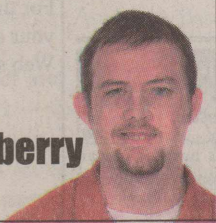
TEXAS TECH DEFENSIVE end Sandy Riley wraps up a Rice running back Saturday at Rice Stadium in Houston. Tech will play against Oklahoma State 2:40 p.m. Saturday at Boone Pickens Stadium in Stillwater, Okla.

Heisman race heats up: Don't give Crabtree the award, yet

Before anyone goes off the deep end and decides to give Michael Crabtree the Heisman trophy before he faces any defensive backs outside the lackluster Conference USA, it would be a good idea to take a look at some of this year's early Heisman hopefuls and see how their campaigns are fairing so far.

Darren McFadden, RB, Arkansas — After drawing comparisons to Reggie Bush while tearing up SEC defenses last year, McFadden landed near the top of almost everyone's list of Heisman candidates for 2007. He has rushed for 346 yards and three touchdowns in two games. Of those yards, 195 and two scores came against a tough Alabama

Eric Quisenberry



defense. McFadden also threw a touchdown pass against Troy in the season opener. The fast and versatile back is difficult to defend. If McFadden wins the Heisman, expect to hear his name early in the NFL draft.

Steve Slaton, RB, West Virginia — First of all, let me say that although Slaton is a legitimate candidate for the Heisman, he has absolutely no chance of winning.

This stems from the nation's unreasonable love affair with West Virginia quarterback Patrick White, who will steal votes from Slaton and keep him from winning the trophy despite putting up numbers that may warrant the award. Slaton has racked up 392 yards and eight touchdowns so far this season, but those statistics are over three games while McFadden's numbers come from two contests.

Brian Brohm, QB, Louisville — Many were surprised when this talented quarterback chose to stay for his senior year rather than accompany former Louisville coach Bobby Petrino and tailback Michael Bush to the NFL. Possibly the top NFL prospect at his position this

year, Brohm has passed for 1142 yards and 11 touchdowns through three games this season with only one interception. He totaled 366 yards and two scores in a loss to Kentucky and seems to also show composure, putting his team in a position to win.

John David Booty, QB, Southern California — His numbers are much smaller than Brohm's, totaling only 350 yards and five touchdowns in two games, but this is how the Heisman trophy works. In order for a player to win, his team must be excellent and be in contention for the national title at the end of the season. Southern California will be there and Booty will lead them. He may not blow anyone away, but he

is a very sound quarterback and his numbers will improve as the season progresses.

Michael Crabtree, WR, Texas Tech — Go ahead and call me a homer and a hypocrite, but even I cannot argue with the numbers this freshman has put up in the Air Raid offense. His 538 yards and eight scores are both highs for the Red Raiders. Graham Harrell seems to have found a favorite target as Crabtree leads the nation with 12.7 receptions per game. At this rate, Crabtree will finish with more than 2,000 yards receiving and 30 touchdowns. That is obviously not going to happen, and Crabtree's productivity will shrink with Big 12 defenders covering him for the

rest of the season, but his play so far warrants a place on this list.

It is still early. It is possible that by the end of this season, none of these five players will even be mentioned in the Heisman conversation. Players can rise from relative anonymity and burst into the national spotlight in a heartbeat. Crabtree is living proof, even though he will not be in the race by the end of the season. Relax, he still has three more years to win at least one. You can decide for yourself whether I am serious or not.

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