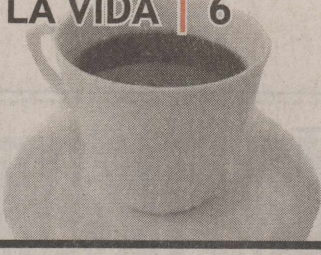
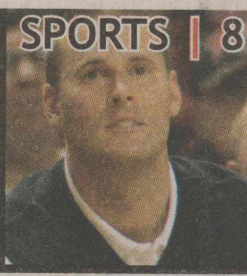




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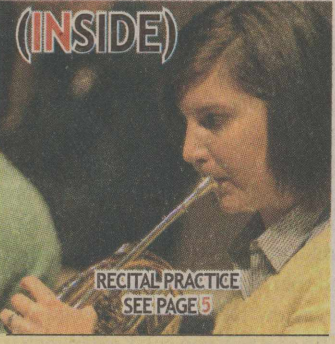
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STATE

Lawmakers question transportation officials

AUSTIN (AP) — Lawmakers on Tuesday accused state transportation officials of falsely blaming the Legislature for their own poor financial planning and creating an exaggerated public impression of budgetary woes to promote private toll roads.

"The impression out there is that, really, this is a ploy to put pressure on us to go back to the toll road plan," said Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, who said she also believed the Texas Department of Transportation was scheming to promote its own agenda.

NATION

Stocks tumble, reports stir concerns

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street plunged Tuesday, driving the Dow Jones industrials down 370 points after investors saw an unexpected contraction in the service sector as evidence the economy is sinking into recession. It was the Dow's biggest percentage drop in almost a year.

The volatility that pummeled stocks in January returned with the news that the service sector shrank last month for the first time since March 2003.

WORLD

Chad soldiers block flight from capital

N'DJAMENA, Chad (AP) — Hundreds of civilians have died in fierce fighting between rebels and government forces in Chad's capital, Red Cross officials said Tuesday, as the insurgents agreed to a cease-fire. Former colonial power France threatened to enter the fight to support the government.

Chad's government told the French military it still was fighting rebels using "air power" outside of N'Djamena, the capital, according to French military spokesman Cmdr. Christophe Prazuck.

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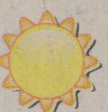
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U.S. Military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

SOURCE: Associated Press, confirmed by the Department of Defense

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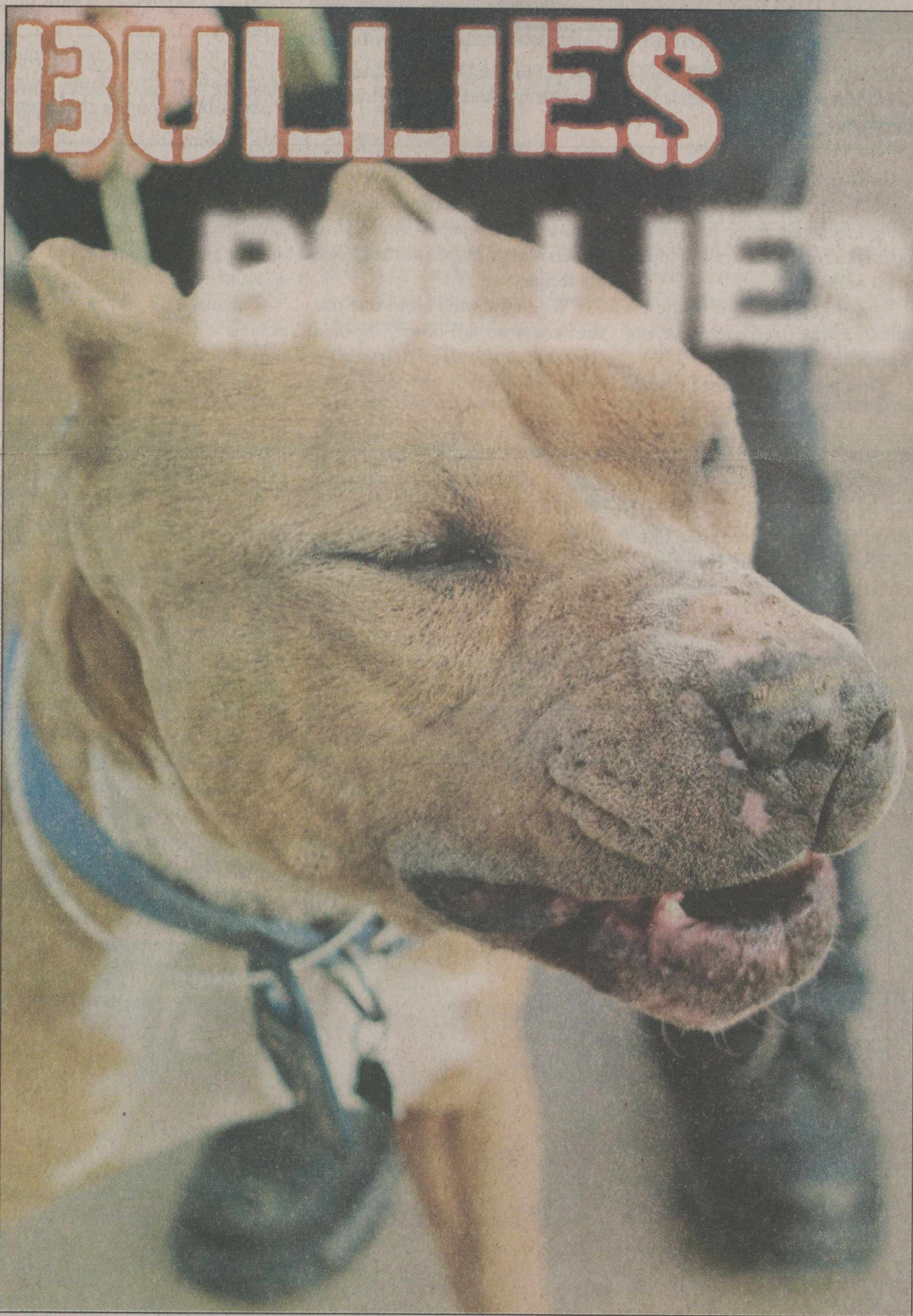


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A restrained pit bull at the Lubbock County Animal Shelter is escorted by an official. In the past week, Lubbock County officials have reported three attacks involving pit bulls.

Lubbock County considers deal with animal shelter after 3 dog attacks

By MAGGIE KIELY
STAFF WRITER

County employees may be more inclined to sign a contract with the City of Lubbock Animal Services after three different pit bull attacks occurred within three days in Lubbock County. The contract would allow the county to pay a fee to use the Lubbock Animal Shelter.

The first pit bull incident occurred at Hearts and Hooves of Lubbock when two pit bulls attacked five miniature horses, killing one and seriously injuring four Thursday, said Kevin Overstreet, director of Lubbock Animal Services. The owners agreed to have the dogs euthanized.

Thursday evening, two goats were mauled during a separate pit bull attack. Both goats were euthanized as a result of the mauling.

The third attack, by two pit bulls, resulted in the death of 10 goats Saturday morning in North Lubbock County. Officials from the Lubbock Sheriff's Department soon found the dogs dead as a result of being hit by a car.

Both of the cases involving goats took place outside city limits, making the county responsible.

Patti Jones, county commissioner for Precinct 4, said the Sheriff's Department is ultimately responsible when it comes to county animal incidences.

"The problem that we have is, as a county, we do not have any ordinance or code capability," Jones said. "We feel our hands are somewhat tied."

To make things more efficient for the county, Jones said a contract with Lubbock Animal Services is under consideration.

When the county comes across an animal needing to be euthanized, the animal is taken to a veterinarian under contract with the county to perform euthanizations, Jones said. Because the city shelter charges \$50 for animals outside of the city limits to be dropped off, using the city shelter is

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Water allocation for Lubbock reduced for 2008, Tech looks underground

By KENDALL WHEELER
STAFF WRITER

With a recent reduction in the amount of water the City of Lubbock receives from the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, one Texas Tech official said there is not much more Tech can do to encourage students to conserve water.

"We cannot just tell (students) to cut back on showers," said Doug Chowning, managing director of the Tech Physical Plant.

The Canadian River Municipal Water Authority reduced water allocations for 2008 from 85,000 acre-feet of water to 80,000 acre-feet of water for all 11 member cities, one of which is Lubbock. Reductions have been continuous for the past three years.

Chowning said the university used 250,952-million gallons of water in 2007, which includes all residential and public service, including personal use, cooking and classroom use.

With slightly more than 6,000 students living on campus during 2007, according to the Tech Housing Welcome Center, each student's water usage per day would equal 115 gallons.

Aubrey Spear, assistant water utilities director for the City of Lubbock, said Tech students use considerably less water than a regular Lubbock resident.

"Students living on campus use less water because they are not outside washing their cars and watering their lawns," Spear said.

Water usage is highest in the summer, Spear said, when Lubbock residents irrigate their lawns. Tech does not use city water to irrigate land, but relies on groundwater, which is pumped from 16 wells across campus and only used for irrigation because the untreated water is not suitable for human consumption.

Chowning said Tech also pumps water from a water table located under Jones AT&T Stadium for use in the water cooling towers at the Physical Plant. The water table is located 10 to

12 feet below the playing field surface.

By using its own well for irrigation, Spear said, Tech helps the city to keep water usage down. The reduction in water Lubbock receives from the authority comes as the source of water is at a record low, with rainfall absent from weather forecasts.

"We're going to see a high consumption of water if the pattern of low rainfall continues," Spear said.

Kent Satterwhite, general manager of the authority, said water allocated to member cities is derived from two sources: Lake Meredith, located north of Amarillo, and groundwater wells in Roberts County, which draw water from the Ogallala Aquifer. As of Jan. 30, Lake Meredith was at a record low depth of 50.26 feet, with a lake volume of 87,960 acre-feet. An acre-foot of water is approximately 325,851 gallons.

"Four out of six past years have set a

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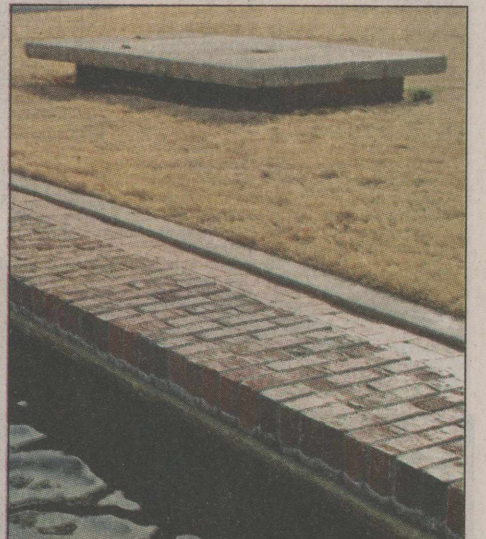


PHOTO BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Toreador
A WATER RUNOFF collector behind the fountain at the entrance to campus near University Avenue and Broadway Street.

Student Diversity office aims to give minorities at Tech a voice

By CHINELO IKPEAMA
STAFF WRITER

Although the Office of Student Diversity Relations opened at the beginning of the 2007-08 school year, many Texas Tech students may not know the office is in existence or its objective to increase the voice of minorities at the university.

Allen Sutton, assistant director of Student Diversity Relations, said a major reason the office was created was because minority students felt like they had no voice and were not a part of the Tech community.

"A lot of people have misconceptions about why this office opened up this year," Sutton said. "Student Diversity Relations was not created because of the MLK incident, although it did speed up the process."

The "MLK incident" occurred on the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday in 2007 when pictures of Tech students perpetuating black stereotypes were posted on Facebook, sparking protests at the university.

"The MLK Facebook incident did not create this office," Sutton said. "It was a combination of that incident and requests from the minority community for a means of representation on campus."

Monica Williamson, president of the Black Student Association, said the Student Diversity Relations office gives her organization more exposure on the Tech campus.

"Student Diversity Relations has definitely increased our voice here at Tech," said Williamson, a junior history major from DeSoto. "This new office just shows that diversity is on the agenda."

But Sutton said the Student Diversity Relations office had been in the works for a while.

If Tech succeeds in its initiative to have 40,000 students enrolled by the year 2020, he said there will be more diversity on campus.

"The chancellor and the vice president of Student Affairs are very passionate about this office," Sutton said.

Because of these views, Sutton said the office is involved with several programs on campus. He worked on Native American Week in which Tech played host to Comanche Nation College from Oklahoma.

Sutton and Sofia Rodriguez, director of Student Diversity Relations, have taken over Tech's gay, lesbian, bisexual and transsexual safe zone and Allied Training from the Student Counseling Center for the students and faculty of Tech.

Sutton said the office has programs planned for the future.

"We had an MLK program on Jan. 29," Sutton said. The program delved into King's famous speech and sponsored an MLK essay contest for Tech students.

Student Diversity Relations also is hosting a quiz show. "Think Fast" is a game show from T. Johnny Entertainment and will be in the Allen Theatre Feb. 14. The game show will give Tech students the chance of winning \$200. The MLK program and "Think Fast" are just a few of the events Student Diversity Relations has planned for Black History month.

Williamson said the Black Student Association also will be involved in Black History month.

"Student Diversity Relations is helping with Apollo Night, which will be on Feb. 22, and is a Black Student Association event," she said. "I think it's great that this new office is willing to help so many

organizations in their pursuit for diversity."

Sutton agrees and said he finds many benefits in his job.

"It's not just the programs that excite me about this office," he said.

He recently had the opportunity to travel with the Black Student Association to the 20th annual Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference at Texas A&M.

"Interacting with the students is my favorite part of this job," Sutton said. "The diversity aspect is a big

plus for me."

However, he said he wants to remind the Tech community that Student Diversity Relations is not just for minorities.

"We're here to serve the majority as well as the minority," Sutton said. "Diversity won't take hold at Tech unless all students are involved, and that is what we are looking for. We are just trying to get to the point where minority students on campus feel like they have a voice, and that is why this office is here."

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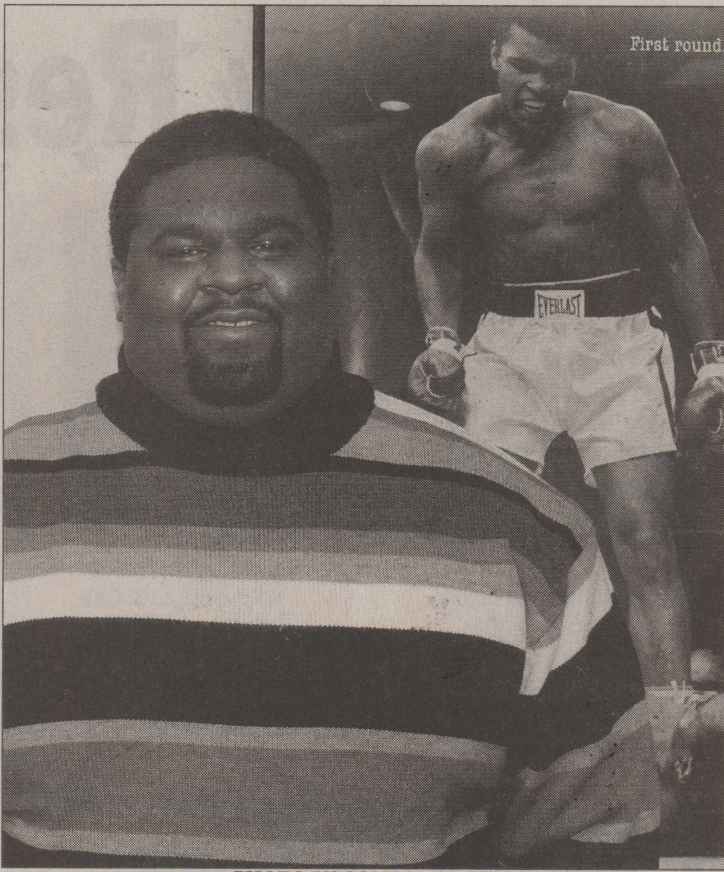


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ALLEN SUTTON, ASSISTANT director of Student Diversity Relations, poses for a picture in his office in the Student Union Building Thursday afternoon.

McCain seizes GOP command; Clinton, Obama fight for Dems

WASHINGTON (AP)—Sen. John McCain seized command of the race for the Republican presidential nomination Tuesday night, winning delegate-rich primaries in all regions of the country. Democratic rivals Hillary Rodham Clinton and Barack Obama traded victories in an epic coast-to-coast struggle with no end in sight.

Clinton won the biggest state, California, for the Democrats, capitalizing on support from Hispanic voters.

McCain led the Republican race in the Golden State, hoping to inflict a crushing blow on his closest pursuer, former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney.

"We've won some of the biggest states in the country," McCain told cheering supporters at a rally in Phoenix after pocketing victories in all regions. An underdog for months, he proclaimed himself the front-runner at last, and added, "I don't really mind it one bit."

With 497 delegates, the Arizona senator was more than 40 percent of the way to the 1,191 needed for the nomination—and far ahead of his rivals in that competition that counted most.

Even so, Mike Huckabee and Mitt Romney said they were staying in the race.

Neither Clinton nor Obama proclaimed overall victory on a Super Tuesday that sprawled across 23 states, and with good reason.

"I look forward to continuing our campaign and our debate about how to leave this country

better off for the next generation," said the former first lady, looking ahead to the primaries and caucuses yet to come.

Obama was in Chicago, where he told a noisy election night rally, "Our time has come. Our movement is real. And change is coming to America."

McCain, the early Republican front-runner whose campaign nearly unraveled six months ago, won in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Missouri, Delaware and his home state of Arizona — each of them winner-take-all primaries.

Huckabee, the former governor of Arkansas, won a series of Bible Belt victories, in Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee as well as his own home state. He also triumphed at the Republican West Virginia convention, and told The Associated Press in an interview he would campaign on. "The one way you can't win a race is to quit it, and until somebody beats me, I'm going to answer the bell for every round of this fight," he said.

Romney, the former governor of Massachusetts, won a home state victory. He also took Utah, where fellow Mormons supported his candidacy. His superior organization produced caucus victories in North Dakota, Montana, Minnesota and Colorado, and he, too, breathed defiance. "We're going to go all the way to the convention. We're going to win this thing," he told supporters in Boston.

Democrats played out a historic struggle between Clinton, seeking to become the first female president and Obama, hoping to become the first black to win the White House.

Attacks

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not an option. Signing a contract with the city animal services would eliminate the \$50 fee, Jones said.

In addition to being able to use city facilities, manpower would be offered to the county animal services on a need-be basis, Overstreet said.

Jones said county officials are in the process of deciding whether signing the contract and paying the city for facility use is sound economically.

"We've been looking at what we've spent in the past few years on animal incidences," she said. "We're crunching numbers now to see if it is more economical for us to contract with the city."

Jones said she believes the decision will be made within the next few months.

Shaun Byrd, supervisor of the Lubbock Animal Shelter, said since the recent attacks, he has received numerous phone calls from residents concerned about pit bulls.

"Right now, it seems like every call we get is (about) a pit bull," Byrd said. "They are kind of a popu-

lar breed right now; they're a status symbol."

He estimated about half of the dogs picked up by shelter employees are pit bulls.

Byrd said he believes while pit bulls are instinctively aggressive, not all pit bulls are dangerous.

"True, pit bulls were used to hunt cattle — that's part of the breed, to latch on and not let go," he said. "Some of it is genetics, some of it is upbringing. I have pit bulls back here that are big old babies. I can't defend all of the breed, just like I can't defend all of the Labradors. I don't think you can condemn the whole breed."

Byrd said residents have reason to be concerned about pit bulls, but more emphasis should be put on

the responsibility of the owner. The increase in animals getting out of yards is in part due to the wind, so owners need to make sure their fences are secure.

"When the wind blows like this, the fences do fall down," he said. "Not all of the dogs that get out cause problems; it just takes a few rotten apples."

Byrd said he does not believe it was coincidence that all of the attacks involved pit bulls.

"If we pick up 50 to 60 percent pit bulls, that shows that is the predominant animal out there," he said. "If I picked up 60 percent Labradors or German Shepherds, those are the ones you are probably going to hear about getting into trouble."

Because many residents associate

pit bulls with negative behaviors, Byrd said pit bull owners need to take extra precautions to ensure the safety of their pets and the safety of others — animals or people.

Because the attack on the horses occurred in the city limits, Overstreet said his department dealt with the situation.

In this incident, he said the owners of the pit bulls agreed to have the dogs euthanized, but because there is no law regarding the attack of an animal by a pet,

no legal action could be taken. "There is going to have to be some legislation written by state representatives to be presented during the session that is coming up in '09," Overstreet said. "If the citizens want stricter laws, they need to contact their state representative."

If the owners of the horses want

financial compensation for the veterinary bills from the attack, Overstreet said they would have to take the dogs' owners to civil court. However, as of September 2007, a state law regarding

pets killing humans makes it a second-degree felony punishable by two to 20 years in prison, he said.

Overstreet said he wants to make sure pet owners take full responsibility for their animals.

"When we have cases as we have in the past few days, it comes down to

owner responsibility," he said. "All dogs have propensity to attack livestock, and when you have a particular breed that tends to attack other animals or livestock, then the owners of the breed need to take responsibility to make sure the dogs don't get out of the yard."

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Soap found in fountain near English building, multiple cars broken into

Jan. 28

Two officers investigated the theft of a Health Sciences Center employee's personal laptop from the Texas Tech Medical Pavilion.

Two officers investigated the burglary of a vehicle in the R-5 parking lot. A Texas Tech parking permit was stolen from the vehicle.

Two officers investigated a hit-and-run accident without injuries after a vehicle struck an unattended vehicle in the C-11 parking lot.

An officer investigated a theft in the Administration building. Food was taken from the refrigerator.

An officer documented information concerning unwanted calls to a faculty member in the Sports Studies Center.

An officer documented information concerning a fight between two students that occurred at an off-campus location during a school-sponsored event.

Jan. 29

An officer investigated criminal mischief in which a vehicle was scratched by an unknown object in the Engineering Key parking lot.

Two officers investigated criminal mischief to a vehicle in the Z-4R parking lot. A student's passenger-side mirror was knocked off the vehicle.

Two officers investigated a theft

in the Sam's Place at Sneed Residence Hall. A male student put several items in his backpack and walked out of the store.

An officer investigated a traffic accident without injuries. An unattended vehicle was struck in the Z-4P parking lot.

Jan. 30

Two officers arrested a student for driving with an invalid driver's license in either the C-1 south parking lot following an observed traffic violation on the 2600 block of Seventh Street. The student was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.

Two officers arrested a student for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia in the 1900 block of Detroit Avenue following an observed traffic violation in the 1800 block of Flint Avenue.

An officer documented damage to a student's vehicle, which occurred in either the R-7 parking lot or the student's off-campus residence.

Two officers documented information concerning a student's missing Apple laptop computer. The computer was sent to Apple for repairs but never reached the company.

Two officers responded to a pedestrian-vehicle accident that

occurred on the 2600 block of 15th Street. The pedestrian refused EMS treatment.

An officer investigated a report of harassment at the Texas Tech Traffic and Parking Office. A staff member was being harassed at work by her ex-boyfriend.

Jan. 31

An officer investigated an accident without injuries on the 600 block of Boston Avenue.

An officer investigated a traffic accident in the 1600 block of Texas Tech Parkway. The driver of one of the vehicles was transported to Covenant Medical Center for further evaluation.

An officer investigated the theft of a backpack on the first floor of the Texas Tech University Library.

An officer investigated a report of graffiti in the Z-3L parking lot. A student's vehicle was spray-painted using white aerosol paint.

An officer conducted a traffic stop in the 1800 block of Indiana Avenue and issued a Lubbock County Citation to a non-student for driving under the influence of alcohol by a minor.

An officer detained a student for public intoxication in the 1700 block of Flint Avenue.

An officer detained a student

for public intoxication in the 1400 block of Flint Avenue.

Feb. 1

An officer investigated the burglary of a vehicle in the Z-4-R parking lot. The driver-side window was broken, and a Kenwood CD player was taken from inside.

An officer investigated the burglary of a vehicle in the Z-4-P parking lot. The passenger-side window was broken, and a Pioneer CD player was taken from inside.

An officer investigated criminal mischief to a pickup truck in the Z-4-R parking lot. The passenger side window had been broken out, but no items were taken.

An officer documented information in reference to a 911 medical call that came from the east side of the Texas Tech library. A male fell off his bicycle, injuring his finger.

An officer investigated a theft of an unattended black case containing a diabetic kit at the Student Union Building.

An officer investigated the burglary of a vehicle in the C-2 parking lot. The passenger-side window was broken out, and a Sony car stereo was taken.

An officer arrested a student on the east side of Coleman Residence Hall for evading ar-

rest or detention, resisting arrest, public intoxication and failure to identify.

An officer detained a non-student for driving with an invalid license following an observed traffic violation on the 3100 block of 18th Street and subsequent traffic stop on the 1800 block of Flint Avenue.

An officer detained a student for public intoxication in the Z-3-K parking lot.

An officer detained a student for consumption of alcohol by a minor in the Z-2-C parking lot.

Feb. 2

An officer arrested a student for driving while intoxicated after conducting a welfare check on the 1800 block of Boston Avenue.

An officer arrested a student for public intoxication near the fence-line of the 3000 block of the Marsha Sharp Freeway.

Feb. 3

Two officers detained three students on the third floor of the Flint Avenue parking garage. The students were issued Lubbock County Citations for consumption of alcohol by a minor.

An officer investigated criminal mischief at the English building fountain. The fountain had

soap in it.

An officer responded to the odor of marijuana in Knapp Residence Hall. A student was arrested for the possession of marijuana and having more than one current valid driver's license. The student was issued a Lubbock County Citation for possession of alcohol by a minor and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Feb. 4

An officer documented a theft of a Texas Tech Parking Permit that occurred at an off-campus location.

Two officers investigated a traffic accident without injuries in the R-10 parking lot.

Two officers arrested a non-student for driving with an invalid license, failure to identify a fugitive from justice and two outstanding Lubbock Police Department warrants following a traffic stop on the 2900 block of Drive of Champions.

An officer assisted a female and two children who were being attacked by dogs at 40th Street and Nashville Avenue.

An officer investigated a broken window on a door near the Chitwood Residence Hall that occurred the previous day.

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Water

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record low depth mark for Lake Meredith," Satterwhite said.

The depleted water in Lake Meredith can be attributed to two causes: a low rainfall amount, which reduces inflow to the lake, and the abundance of the Salt Cedar plant, which the authority has been battling.

Salt Cedar uses excessive amounts of water from the soil, according to a newsletter published by the authority. It also produces salt, displaces native plants and is unusable for food or nesting for the native wildlife.

Satterwhite said the authority, which was created by the Texas Legislature in the 1960s as a source of water for member cities, has spent \$1.7 million to spray herbicide on 9,200 acres of the Salt Cedar population. The authority has 10,000 acres left to spray; if left alone, these plants could lead to destruction.

"Ten thousand acres of Salt Cedar can use as much water as all of the 11 member cities combined," he said.

The authority's water is not only drawn from Lake Meredith but also growing groundwater wells in Roberts County, approximately 180 miles from Lubbock.

Spear said the water from the Roberts County well, which flows at 2,000 to 3,000 gallons a minute, is some of the fastest-flowing water Lubbock receives.

Spear said Lubbock draws water from the authority and the Bailey County well field, which produces at

a lesser 200 to 300 gallons a minute. Water drawn from the wells is a product of the Ogallala Aquifer.

Ken Rainwater, director of the Tech Water Resource Center, said drops in the water table elevation of the Ogallala Aquifer occur when groundwater is used faster than it is recharged.

"It's like taking money from your checking account without making deposits," Rainwater said. "Over time, you're going to run out of money."

Rainwater said the city is looking for other sources of water to be available for future use. A pipeline to draw water from Lake Alan Henry is in the planning process.

The pipeline, which would supply up to 50 percent of Lubbock's water by 2012, Spear said, has a projected cost of \$200 million and is the largest infrastructure project the city ever has taken on.

Satterwhite said rainfall would be the greatest assistant to the situation the authority is facing.

"One big rain would change everything," Satterwhite said.

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U.S. intelligence chief says al-Qaida fighters creating cells in other countries

WASHINGTON (AP) — Al-Qaida, increasingly tamped down in Iraq, is establishing cells in other countries as Osama bin Laden's organization uses Pakistan's tribal region to train for attacks in Afghanistan, the Middle East, Africa and the United States, the U.S. intelligence chief said Tuesday.

"Al-Qaida remains the pre-eminent threat against the United States," Mike McConnell told a Senate hearing more than six years after the Sept. 11 attacks.

McConnell said that fewer than 100 al-Qaida terrorists have moved from Iraq to establish cells in other countries as the U.S. military clamps down on their activities, and the organization "may deploy resources to mount attacks outside the country."

McConnell said while the level of violence in Iraq has dropped sharply since last year, it is going to be years before Iraq is stable.

"It is not going to be over in a

year. It's going to be a long time to bring it to closure," he said.

The al-Qaida network in Iraq, Pakistan and Afghanistan has suffered setbacks, but he said the group poses a persistent and growing danger.

The Pakistani tribal areas provide al-Qaida a safe haven similar to what it enjoyed in Afghanistan before the war, but on a smaller and less secure scale, McConnell told the Senate Intelligence Committee. It uses the area to "maintain a cadre of skilled lieutenants capable of directing the organization's operations around the world," he said.

The next attack on the United States will most likely be launched by al-Qaida operating in those "under-governed regions" of Pakistan, Adm. Michael Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, planned to tell Congress on Wednesday.

"Continued congressional support for the legitimate government of Pakistan braces this bulwark in the long war against violent extremism," Mullen stated in remarks prepared for a separate

budget hearing and obtained by The Associated Press.

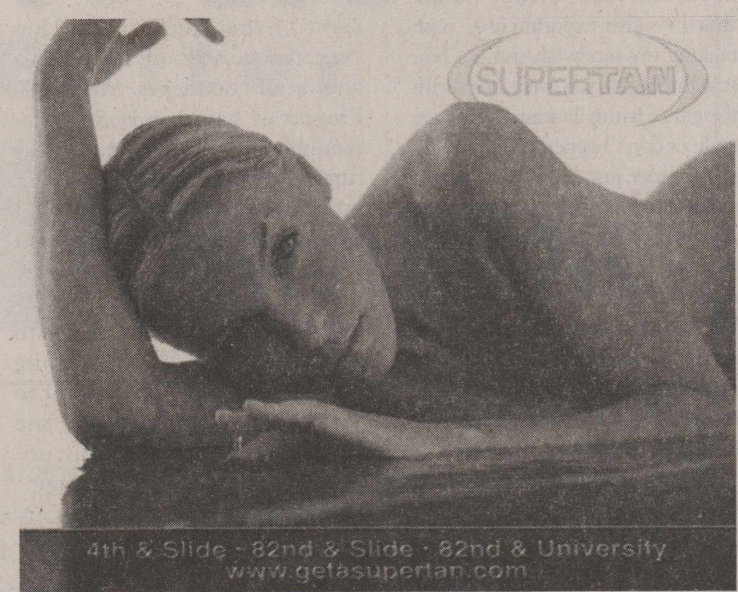
FBI Director Robert Mueller, who testified alongside McConnell, said al-Qaida continues to present a "critical threat to the homeland" and warned that "homegrown terrorists" inspired by al-Qaida's propaganda on the Internet posed a threat as well.

McConnell agreed, saying, "While the threat from homegrown extremists is greater in Europe, the U.S. is not immune."

After terrorism and weapons of mass destruction, McConnell said cy-

berattacks to U.S. information systems are the most pressing threat. President Bush signed a classified directive in January outlining steps the federal government is taking to protect its networks.

U.S. intelligence agencies believe al-Qaida figures who fled Afghanistan after the ouster of the Taliban regime in 2001 have regrouped inside Pakistan's tribal region, posing a threat to U.S. forces across the border and offering a potential base for global operations. U.S. officials have said they believe bin Laden is hiding there.



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an eyesore and posed dangers to their children.

When I was a teenager, the custodian at my hometown church was a kind, hardworking man. He eventually moved, but I saw him on campus a few years ago, working for grounds maintenance.

Since then, I have run into him a few times near the English building, and he and I talk about our families and how everyone back in Clarendon is doing. It's such a simple thing—finding old acquaintances in a small world and catching up—but in talking to him, I've come to notice I rarely observe other students conversing with the people who work at Tech.

In fact, the student attitude toward our maintenance workers, custodians and food service employees seems to be one of avoidance, unless we're telling them what to put on our burritos. Perhaps this is because they hold no authority over us like administrators, but the simple fact is these low-wage workers keep our university going, and they deserve our respect.

Now, please don't think I am saying Tech as a whole is consciously racist, but the presence of these workers does demonstrate racial and financial inequality in Lubbock. Most are Hispanic or black, and it's a pretty good bet some of them live on the east side of town.

Indeed, I wouldn't be surprised to find that some of them were displaced by the Overton development. If this is the case, they had to move farther east — out of walking distance from campus, forced to rely on Lubbock's inadequate and increasingly expensive bus services.

Of course, the redevelopment of the "Tech ghetto" has centered mostly on apartments and retail complexes. McDougal Properties has promised single-family housing, and indeed, these finally are beginning to appear, but they are far too expensive for those displaced residents, most of whom were renting. Neither are the student-oriented apartments a good option for families with lower incomes. What working family of any race would want to get rid of all their furniture and move into what is, essentially, privately owned student housing?

The McDougals and the City of Lubbock have praised themselves for reducing crime in this historic neighborhood. Overton faced problems middle-class neighborhoods typically do not. When I used to go visit a friend of mine renting there, we occasionally were approached by panhandlers, and she did have her bike stolen once. Parents protested the neighborhood was

In attempting to address these problems, the Overton project did accomplish one thing — destroying beautiful (if somewhat unkempt) houses and replacing them with uninspired cookie-cutter units. I can think of three separate occasions when I was trying to get to someone's apartment and ended up in the wrong complex altogether. Despite this redevelopment in North Overton, however, the south side of the area still is plagued with crime and poverty, though I'm sure it, too, will be torn down eventually.

I'm not sure about other cities, but the way to reduce crime in a neighborhood isn't to tear the whole thing down and displace the residents. This just concentrates the crime into other low-income parts of town. Furthermore, fewer bums on the street in North Overton doesn't necessarily mean less crime, just a different kind of student-based crime—namely, underage drinking and trafficking in illegal and pharmaceutical drugs.

In a time when the city and university are choosing to focus on accommodating more students, neither entity should forget those left behind — and even physically displaced — by the system. As a middle-class white student with financial aid, I think Tech has done enough for me; I get a great education, cheap medical care

and a graduate assistant salary. So I would like to propose the university give all the food, custodial and maintenance staff a generous raise. Maybe they can use it for bus fare, closer housing or better educational opportunities for themselves and their children.

"In fact, the student attitude toward our maintenance workers, custodians and food service employees seems to be one of avoidance."

After all, we couldn't eat, the campus would look awful and classrooms and dorms would be filthy without these staffers. Unfortunately, they represent the bottom layer of the Texas Tech hierarchy, but without them, everything else would fall. A pyramid stands because of its foundation, not its capstone. Maintenance, custodial and food service workers are a vital and underrepresented part of the university infrastructure.

To the man from my hometown and all other vital staffers of Texas Tech, I want to thank you for everything you do for us and our campus. Even if it isn't reflected in our attitudes or your salaries, you deserve our deepest gratitude and respect. Students and faculty, the next time you buy lunch, pass a maintenance worker or see the custodial staff after hours, please smile or wave, and maybe even strike up a conversation.

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Best and worst of the American Presidents

With the presidential primaries in full swing, and early voting in Texas beginning Feb. 19, most people have decided or are deciding for whom to vote. A lot of people probably are not too enthusiastic about the pool of candidates this election cycle. Both parties are offering up less than perfect presidential hopefuls, which makes it very hard to choose who to select to lead the country.

On one side you have John McCain, who panders to whomever he thinks will give him the most praise, and Mitt Romney, who can't seem to make up his mind on a subject for more than a few months. On the other side, you have Hillary Clinton promising to bring about the rise of Socialism in America, and Barack Obama bringing his wealth of no experience whatsoever with him. In times like these you have to wonder why there is no candidate who seems to actually know what is best for the people of this country. Why can't we have a candidate who is good on the major issues? There really is no candidate who is strong on economy, defense, immigration and foreign policy. It looks like the next four years might be pretty bleak for the people of the United States. It's times like these that make me look back on our history and think about past presidents and what made them better or worse than the candidates running now. We have had many great men lead this country, and many men whom most wish never had entered office. That is why I have decided to make a list of the five best U.S. presidents, and the five worst.

1. George Washington — Washington led the Continental Army to victory and freed us from the tyrannical rule of Great Britain. He then held together the frail unity of the colonies to form our great nation. Washington also presided over the Philadelphia Convention, which drafted the U.S. Constitution. Two years later, he became the first president of the United States and set the precedent for how the executive branch of this new country would work. Washington showed the leaders of this country how a president and a leader should act.

2. Thomas Jefferson — Jefferson was the main author of the Declaration

Brian Ridley



of Independence, orchestrated the Louisiana Purchase and was one of the leading proponents of states rights. Jefferson believed in the freedom of people to make their own choices and run their own lives.

3. Ronald Reagan — In a time of foreign and economic crisis left behind by the Carter administration, President Reagan turned this country around, making it the most powerful country in the world. Reagan's "Reaganomics" lowered the inflation rate and the unemployment rate and raised the GDP. He also won the Cold War for America and made people proud to be Americans again.

4. Andrew Jackson — Jackson was a brilliant military commander. In the Battle of New Orleans, Jackson's 4,000 men defeated 10,000 British soldiers. While the British had more than 2,000 casualties, Jackson's soldiers took only 13. In office, he worked to best represent the common man. He fought for term limits and the eradication of a national bank. He also brought the federal debt to the lowest mark it has ever been, \$33,733.05 in 1835.

5. Theodore Roosevelt — A true Renaissance man, Roosevelt was a great politician, soldier, conservationist, negotiator and orator. While a proponent of capitalism, he fought corruption in big business. He gave the United States control of the Panama Canal. He was also the first president to consider the need for conserving natural resources, and he was the first American to receive a Nobel Prize, the peace prize.

Bottom 5.
1. Jimmy Carter — His administration was wrought with crises. With almost no foreign policy skills, Carter made many failed attempts to return American hostages in Iran. He gave up control of the Panama Canal but made sure it would happen under someone else's watch. Under Carter, we also ceded control of many important islands. His poor handling of the energy

crisis plunged us into a recession that would last the length of his administration. We also saw income taxes increase dramatically over his tenure.

2. Franklin Roosevelt — F.D.R. saddled the American people with a Social Security system that was sure to fail and used practices to fix the economy of his time by dooming future generations to pay for his handlings. By refusing to set time limits on his social programs, he has made it impossible to cut wasteful spending.

3. Richard Nixon — The worst thing Richard Nixon did was pave the way for Jimmy Carter to be elected. That aside, Nixon believed in government intervention in business, which goes against Capitalist principles. He also abused the authority of a president, and his scandals took away from the position's reputation.

4. Bill Clinton — The Clinton administration had its share of scandals as well. Just like Nixon, President Clinton gave the position of president a bad name for his sexual deviancy and

impeachment. He also was involved in many scandals that his attorney general refused to do anything about, including his Whitewater real estate fraud and his selling of nuclear secrets to China for campaign contributions. He also rented rooms in the White House to the highest bidder to fund his campaign.

5. Ulysses Grant — Grant made a bad president because he knew how to lead an army but not how to select political leaders. During his presidency, he surrounded himself with friends and war buddies instead of politically competent men. While he personally did not profit from it, this kind of mentality caused his presidency to be surrounded with scandal and resignation. Among those who resigned from his administration were his vice president for taking bribes, his secretary of war and his treasury secretary.

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Toasty snack in your dorm

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(U-WIRE) AUSTIN — Let's be honest — dorm life can be rough, especially when it comes to dining.

Alas, not all hope is lost. Dining can once again be fun and delicious if you are willing to think outside the box and get creative with your culinary endeavors.

Enter my dorm version of a grilled cheese sandwich. Making this sandwich requires only a piece of foil, a clothes iron, the basic components of a sandwich (bread, cheese and margarine/butter) and less than 10 minutes of your time.

Some words to the wise — do not touch the foil immediately after you remove the iron. It becomes a heat magnet. A metal baking sheet, a plate or anything that can resist heat and serve as a buffer between the counter and your scalding mass of melted cheese will work.

If you do not own an iron, I don't blame you. What college student frequently irons his or her clothing?

In this case, you'll be happy to know that I've also experimented with making my sandwich using a hair straightener. If you were born with the gift of naturally straight hair, are male or don't happen to own a hair straightener, just ask the first girl you see in a pair of Nike running shorts and I guarantee you'll find one. Unfortunately, grilling via hair straightener is harder than you'd think. You can't just leave the straightener resting on top like you can the iron. Instead, you have to carefully hold the straightener in place and move it over an inch every 30 seconds. It gets pretty tedious. In a pinch, it will work, but I advise sticking to the iron for best results.

Overall, a dorm room grilled cheese makes for a simple yet satisfying meal or snack when you're craving something warm and comforting without the means of acquiring it. I highly recommend giving this experiment a try. If anything, it's something to pass the time while counting down the days until your apartment lease begins.



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ELIZABETH POLING, A sophomore music education major from Bedford, plays the French horn in Symphonic Wind Ensemble practice Tuesday afternoon. Symphonic Wind Ensemble will be having their concert Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Hemmle Recital Hall.

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New Iraqi flag waves but more changes could be on horizon

BAGHDAD (AP) — A new Iraqi flag — stripped of the three green stars of Saddam Hussein's toppled Baath party — was hoisted over the Iraqi Cabinet building Tuesday in a symbolic break with the past nearly five years after the U.S.-led invasion.

It marked the latest of several tweaks and revisions — and one failed American-supervised redesign — of Iraq's national symbol over the decades from monarchy to military rule to the rise and fall of Saddam's regime. And more fine-tuning could come after the one-year lifespan for the new flag.

Its main modification removes the stars, which were first added in the early 1960s in homage to the pan-Arab bonds promoted by Egypt's Gamal Abdel Nasser. Later, the green stars were associated with the slogans of Saddam's party: unity, freedom and socialism.

The new design also officially enshrines the new script for the Arabic words "Allahu Akbar," or "God is Great" in green — which were added as part of Saddam's

1990-91 occupation of Kuwait. The original calligraphy — believed inspired by Saddam's handwriting — was replaced with the sparse Kufic script after his fall in 2003. But many houses continued to fly the old flag.

"It is a good step toward the new Iraq," said Nassih Gahfour, a lawmaker in northern Iraq's semiautonomous Kurdish area, where officials had demanded the changes and threatened not to fly the flag while hosting a meeting of Arab parliament members later this month.

Many Kurds identify the Saddam-era flag with his campaigns of persecution in the 1980s that left more than 100,000 Kurds dead.

But some Sunnis — who were favored under Saddam — grimaced at the changes.

"The government should change our life for the better instead of changing the flag," said Khidier Jassim in Fallujah, which was once the heart of the insurgency. Jassim said he is helping organize a protest on Wednesday.

Fallujah's mayor, Saad Awad, said city authorities will raise the new

flag when they receive orders from provincial council.

But the new flag is just a stopgap design. It is valid for just one year, when parliament take up the flag flap again.

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki said Tuesday that he believed it "could have been changed in a better form."

"But this flag design was voted for by the parliament, and we have to commit ourselves to it," al-Maliki told reporters inside the U.S.-guarded Green Zone. "This is the only flag that should be raised."

The new Iraqi flag also waved over building of the municipal council in Baghdad's main Shiite district, Sadr City.

The Iraqi flag's black, red and white stripes are inspired by lines from al-Mutanabi, a 10th century poet who lived in Baghdad. The colors later came to symbolize ties with Sunni heavyweights Egypt and Syria, whose flags use the same colors.

Kurds, however, have demanded the addition of yellow — which dominates their own flag.

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Philosophy Café: Engaged minds examine questions of life with philosophy

By **JORDAN EICHER**
STAFF WRITER

To pose quandaries such as "Why do I love you?" or "Why do I choose to love you rather than someone

else?" as questions of philosophical explanation does not seem to be the first solution for most, but for a group of philosophically engaged minds, these questions could turn into never-ending discussions.

Philosophy Café, a group of individuals with one common characteristic — a love to be challenged intellectually began meeting again at 6 p.m. Monday night at J&B Coffee Co. at 26th Street and Boston Avenue. This week's topic was "The Philosophies of Love."

The group discussed issues including whether love is truly a known concept, whether one loves a person or a person's qualities, whether one is capable of loving more than one person romantically and whether one is capable of loving someone if the original attractive qualities change.

Aerzoo Islami, a philosophy grad

student, originally asked Monday night's questions.

Islami said she felt like philosophy was something that truly could be applied to almost any aspect of everyday life.

Other group members agreed.

"I think the interesting thing about Philosophy Café is that it can engage people in all of the things that they find interesting," said Michael Hunter, a first-year philosophy grad student from Englewood, Calif. "I guess it's just really interacting with other people who may not really see themselves as philosophers, and it's just kind of fun asking all the 'what-ifs'." Hunter said he particularly was

excited about the topic he plans to bring up at an upcoming meeting concerning "unfair and unnatural advantages" focused mainly on major league baseball and steroid usage.

A few Tech professors got involved in the philosophical discussion as well.

"I think philosophy has relevance to contemporary social issues, and this is a way for the department to inform and engage with the community at large," said Chris Hom, visiting assistant professor from San Francisco.

Philosophy Café's next meeting will be at 6 p.m. Feb. 16 at J&B Coffee Co.

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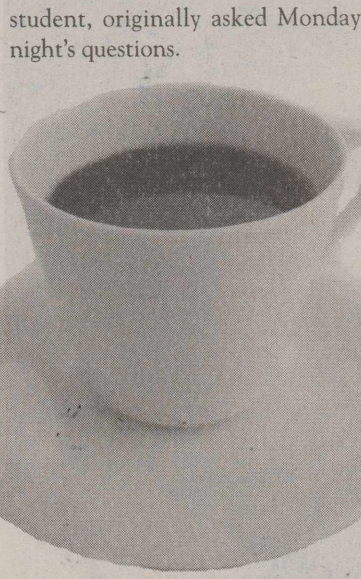
'Eli Stone' is fun, offers no revelation

By **CYNTHIA BRUNELLE**
TUFTS DAILY (TUFTS U.)

(U-WIRE) MEDFORD, Mass.—Continuing with ABC's theme of new, quirky, mishmash fantasy/romance/drama/comedy shows, "Eli Stone" is the story of a young, successful lawyer who, after experiencing visual hallucinations and strange coincidences, is forced to consider the possibility that he's a prophet. The show is amusing, but in glossing over certain questions, it lands just short of being great.

Eli spends what should have been a normal Monday morning at the office hearing distant organ music. While lying in bed with his beautiful fiancée, Taylor (played by the sweet Natasha Henstridge of "Commander in Chief" fame), he suddenly realizes what song it is and rushes to the living room to find pop star George Michael of Wham! standing on his coffee table and singing his finger-snapping hit, "Faith."

It's a good song and a great introduction to the beginning of the



breakdown of Eli's life. While he had previously lived for buying expensive clothes and winning court cases for big bad corporations, the introduction of daily hallucinations encourages him to start living a moral life. While Eli's neurologist brother Nathan (Matt Letscher, "The New Adventures of Old Christine") initially chalks up this stunt to stress; it later comes out that Eli has an "inoperable brain aneurysm." This condition leads him to reconsider his life and, eventually, to "fight for the little guy" to try to prove a correlation between a childhood vaccine and autism.

This show comes from the collective creative genius of Greg Berlanti ("Everwood") and Marc Guggenheim ("Law & Order"). It comes as no surprise that together, Berlanti and Guggenheim try to use Eli Stone as the bridge between the legal drama and comedy genres, while giving it a new, supernatural twist.

At first, the formula appears to work; the script is well written with well-timed punchlines and genuinely funny situations. However, as the episode builds toward what should be the dramatic conclusion, the writers appear to forget a rule that every third grader knows: "Show, don't tell." When Eli and his acupuncturist meet for a couple of beers, Eli confesses guiltily that he's an atheist. In response, "believing in God" is quickly defined as believing in "right and wrong, justice and fairness, and of course, love" by the gentle Dr. Chen (James Saito, "I Think I Love My Wife"). Then, to end the scene, there is a slight swell in the background guitar music and a shot of the sun setting over San Francisco Bay.

While the sentiments expressed were in no way offensive, and in fact beautiful, they felt empty. Any show that decides to attack the biggest, most complicated and frequently asked questions in the universe should give an answer that takes longer than 30 seconds. Or at least wait until the second episode to conclude the matter.

As if to support the show's aversion to serious thought, the theme song, "Faith," isn't about anything deep at all. "Well I guess it would be nice/ If I could touch your body/ I know not everybody/ Has got a body like you." It would appear that the faith George Michael is crooning about is that someday, he will get laid.

Luckily, star Jonny Lee Miller has a habit of scene-stealing. His current project, "The Flying Scotsman," opened the Edinburgh Film Festival and earned him a BAFTA Best Actor nomination. Maybe what makes him so remarkable are his "average" features: his brown-haired, blue-eyed twenty-something look is that of someone you'd pass on the street.

However, when his character is faced with an incredible situation, like, say, being handed his father's ashes in a coffee tin, the audience is interested in how he handles it. By accepting each catastrophe calmly, meeting each twist and turn with only a puzzled look, he makes this storyline flow. It appears that this show will base most of its appeal on pushing the envelope of believability. Only with the genuine talent of Miller will it find success.

'Persepolis' draws a troubled picture

By **RHIAN HIBNER**
DAILY LOBO (U. NEW MEXICO)

(U-WIRE) ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — In spite of Marjane Satrapi's drawing style - light, airy and fun - "Persepolis" still manages to be a dramatic film.

The animation is based on Satrapi's graphic novel drawing

style. It's largely line-based, and, as such, the amount of detail one can see in any given shot is impressive. While the bookend scenes are drawn in color, the rest of the film is in black and white. Overall, the animation style works. Though it does seem to pull some of the emotional punch at the beginning of the film, by the end, the viewer

is only vaguely aware it is even animated.

The story behind "Persepolis" gives that emotional punch its follow-through. It's a coming-of-age story of a 6-year-old girl that starts just before the 1979 Islamic Revolution in Iran and follows her life up until her mid-20s. The story is autobiographical, and the viewer can tell the story is very personal to Satrapi.

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One of the key issues of the film is the conflict between Satrapi's liberal upbringing and the Ayatollahs' oppressive regime that followed. Satrapi is brought up in a liberal family. One of her uncles is a communist insurgent, and his execution in the first 20 minutes of the film has quite an effect on the rest of Satrapi's life. Those factors, when combined, set the stage for her parents to send her to Vienna for school. Satrapi has a tendency to say things that are politically unwise, and her parents fear for her safety. The rest of the story unfolds from there.

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Lady Raiders make changes in hopes of winning on the road

By ALEX YBARRA
STAFF WRITER

With the last road win coming more than two months ago for the Lady Raider basketball team, coach Kristy Curry understands that changes to the team's normal routine could make a difference.

Finding out which changes impact the team begins when Tech (14-7, 2-5 in Big 12 Conference play) goes up against Iowa State at 7 p.m. today in Ames, Iowa.

"I'm going to make some adjustments, so hopefully that will make things better," Curry said. "I'm not going to continue to do things the way I have been, what I can control obviously."

Instead of practicing in Lubbock before traveling to Iowa State Tuesday, Curry said the Lady Raiders left earlier than usual so they could practice at the James H. Hilton Coliseum at Iowa State.

"That's something that I felt like we could do a little different," Curry said. "Maybe that has an effect on them."

Curry also said she will hold onto her players' cell phones for several days.

While tied for seventh in the Big 12, both teams have struggled on the road this season. Iowa State (13-7, 2-5) has lost three of four games away from home in conference play, and Tech is still searching for a conference win outside of Lubbock.

The Cyclones began the season 11-2, but dropped five of the next seven games while dealing with two major injuries.

Senior forward Toccara Ross and junior forward Nicky Wieben — both starters — went down with ACL tears. Ross was injured against Minnesota Dec. 21, and Wieben got hurt in the second half against Texas Jan. 16.

"I think you go through every emotion, and the challenge is don't let them feel sorry for themselves; don't make excuses," Iowa State coach Bill Fennelly said of how he

has handled the situation. "Let's keep playing. It's a very, very difficult thing, and it impacts a team in a variety of ways. You (have) really got to rely on your leaders to rally your team."

Fennelly's bench players have stepped into new roles, and the adjustments have not subsided.

Junior forward Jocelyn Anderson went from playing 10 to 12 minutes to playing 30 minutes as a starter.

"Everyone has kind of moved into a new role, and we've had to kind of tinker with some four-guard line ups," Fennelly said.

Cyclone freshman guard Kelsey Bolte leads all freshmen in the conference with 19.3 points per game, opening the door to become the Big 12 Freshman of the Year this season.

"I'm going to make some adjustments, so hopefully that will make things better."

— KRISTY CURRY
LADY RAIDER BASKETBALL
TEAM COACH

Patriots' Andrews charged with marijuana possession

LOWELL, Mass. (AP) — New England Patriots defensive back Willie Andrews pleaded not guilty to drug possession Tuesday, hours after authorities said they found him with a half-pound of marijuana.

Andrews was charged with possession of marijuana with intent to distribute and driving an unregistered motor vehicle, a black Crown Victoria. Prosecutors said he had \$6,800 in cash, three bags of marijuana, and no means to smoke the drugs.

According to authorities, Lowell police responded to an anonymous caller who reported possible drug activity in a black motor vehicle. Police later pulled over the car, and when they approached it, detectives smelled a strong odor they believed to be marijuana, District Attorney Gerry Leone said.

Andrews was released on per-

sonal recognizance after entering not guilty pleas during his arraignment in Lowell District Court.

Andrews' lawyer, Sean Delaney, declined to comment.

"As is our policy, team discipline will be handled internally."

— STACEY JAMES
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS
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The arrest came one day after the team returned from Arizona, where the New York Giants upset New England 17-14 in the Super

Bowl to end the Patriots' perfect season.

The Patriots declined to comment specifically on Andrews' arrest.

"The conduct of our players is very important to the New England Patriots," spokesman Stacey James said in a statement. "As is our policy, team discipline will be handled internally."


Andrews completed his second year with the Patriots, spending time on special teams return and coverage units. He scored his first NFL touchdown in October on a 77-yard kickoff return against the Miami Dolphins.

The 24-year-old player from Longview, Texas, was drafted in the seventh round out of Baylor in 2006.

Andrews is due back in court March 18 for a pretrial conference.



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TEXAS TECH COACH Kristy Curry hopes he team can earn a win on the road in Big 12 Conference play at 7 p.m. today at Iowa State.



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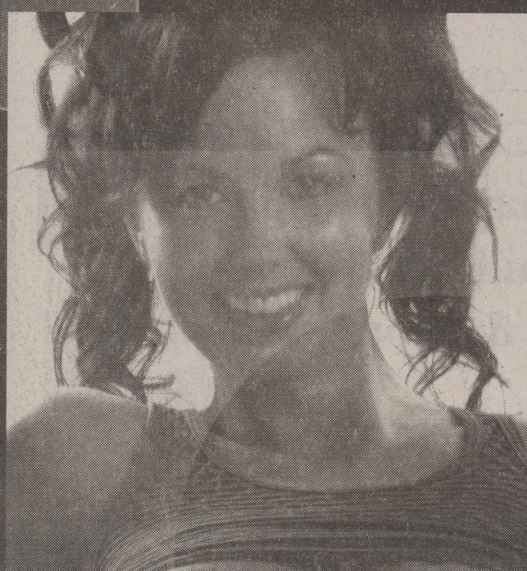
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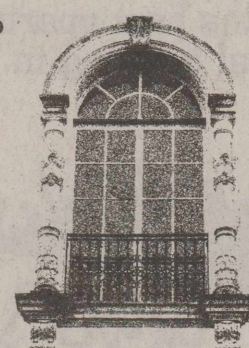


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Bob Knight's resignation catches players off guard

By **ADAM COLEMAN**
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Red Raiders had a chance to go through practice without Bob Knight Monday.

With his resignation in place, Tech players will attempt to move on and never forget what The General taught them.

"It was tough," Tech guard Alan Voskuil said. "It just came out of nowhere. It was unexpected. As he said earlier, it's a business. He stepped down from his job. We respect his decision, and we just (have to) carry on with our next game."

Tech players were surprised at Knight's departure, even though some expected it could happen sooner or later.

Tech guard Martin Zeno said Knight informed the team of his decision right before practice Monday, and the move caught the team

off guard considering the time of his announcement.

"We weren't expecting him to say anything like that," he said. "After he said what he had to say, we thought that it was best for him to do that. He probably made that move for us."

The Tech players said they felt if Knight's resignation was going to happen, it could happen at the end of the season.

"He told us that he was tired and he was worn out," Tech guard John Roberson said. "I didn't want him to continue on if that's how he was feeling. I think he made the best decision for the team and I respect that."

Nothing is expected to be different with Pat Knight at the helm.

Pat Knight is inheriting a team with three scorers who average double-figure points in Roberson, Zeno and Voskuil. Zeno leads this group with 16.7 points per game.

In the Big 12 Conference, the Red Raiders are sixth in scoring offense and fifth in scoring defense.

With the players expecting the

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— **MARTIN ZENO**
TEXAS TECH
SENIOR GUARD

philosophy to stay the same, Zeno said Pat Knight and his playing experience gives him an edge as

he makes his head coaching debut against Baylor.

"Same approach," Zeno said, "just a different type of coach. That's all it is. More laid back, up-tempo type coach. They both coach each player in the game differently. Coach (Bob Knight is) more intense. Pat is intense, but he played, so he knows what to expect from each player, too."

Roberson was a player recruited by Bob Knight, but whether he played for Bob Knight was not a factor in his decision to become a Red Raider.

"During the recruiting process, I know he had signed a contract extension," he said. "I wasn't expecting him to finish this early, but I knew even if he did retire, it wasn't going to be that much of a change with Pat. They're going to run the same stuff. It really wasn't a thing for me to worry about."

Zeno said Bob Knight's resignation is something that will either stay on the players' minds throughout the season, or it will motivate them to finish the season on a good note.

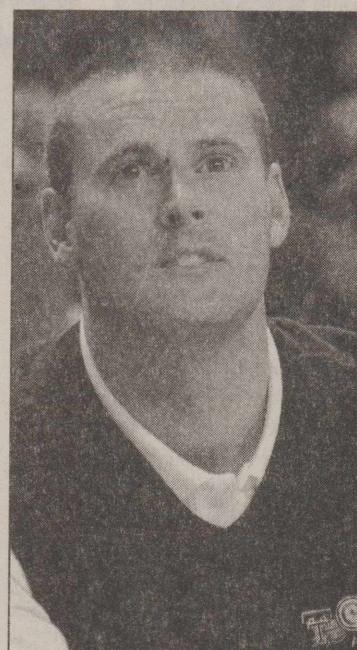
The players also focused on memories of Bob Knight as a coach, a friend and the lessons he left them with to use from now on.

Roberson said he was just trying to get the most out of Bob Knight's lessons before the resignation, expressing that he was glad to play for Bob Knight as long as he did.

Bob Knight not only gave his players lessons to use on the court, but he gave them lessons to use in life as well.

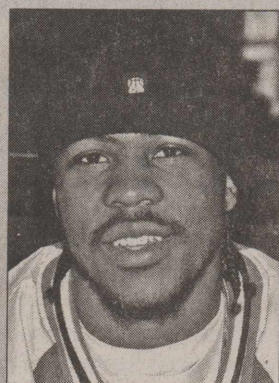
"He made me a better person," Zeno said. "He made me a better player; he made me stronger. (He made me) think more with my mind, just concentrate and do my best every time I do something."

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FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH COACH Pat Knight is excited about the opportunity to lead the Red Raiders.

MAN ON THE STREET: Tech students react to Bob Knight's resignation



Travis Dotson
Freshman, Accounting — Houston

"I was surprised that he resigned in the middle of the season and (did) not finish it out. They really ain't been winning on the road but at home I think they'll be all right. (They) just have to play off the fans I guess now."



Raequael Anderson
Junior, Psychology — Dallas

"I guess I was surprised because I know he was a good coach, and he had been here for so long. I was just wondering his reasoning (for resigning). I think (it will affect the team) just out of being comfortable and knowing him and knowing what he expects from them. I think it will probably change a lot. He was well known, so I think it will affect the team."



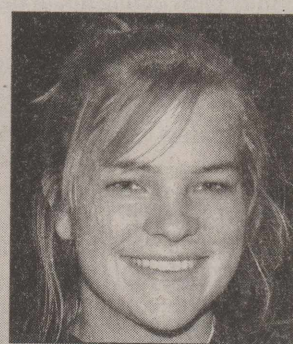
Ray Tumlinson
Freshman, — Abilene

"My dad called me, and we looked it all up on the Internet because we didn't think it was true, and it turns out it was. I was kind of surprised why he would do that in the middle of the season, but I kind of understand because it kind of helps his son out so that way the team is already prepared, so he can't really screw up. I think they essentially already have the coaching from Bobby Knight. I think it's still going stay with them, and they are still going to do pretty good towards the end of the year. It may (affect them against Baylor) we will have to wait and see."



Chase Moore
Freshman, Sculpture — Allen

"I didn't believe it, just like (my friend). I was in his room, so I heard from his dad on the phone — on speakerphone. We were like 'you've got to be kidding me.' A few minutes later after he got off the phone, we looked it up on the Internet, and it was (true). If his son is the way his father was then we could be just fine, but each person brings a different aspect to the game. A different coaching style would bring different results. I don't know whether it's going to be good or bad."



Courtney Nabors
Freshman, Agriculture Education
Celina

"Before I found out why he did it, I was kind of angry because I thought it was weird that he didn't even talk to the team about it or anything. But after hearing Pat talk about it, and how tired he was and everything, I understand. At least Pat took over, so hopefully we will keep doing good. Pat has been there at every game, so the team is used to him, and I'm sure he is going to use some of the same methods as his dad. Hopefully the team can just get over not having their coach anymore and having a new one."

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Ark. to ask NCAA to waive year off for Ryan Mallett

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Arkansas will ask the NCAA to allow transfer quarterback Ryan Mallett to play immediately for the Razorbacks without sitting out a year.

Mallett transferred from Michigan after Rich Rodriguez replaced retiring coach Lloyd Carr.

"After visiting with Ryan and his parents, we feel that it is appropriate to file a waiver in this case based on extenuating circumstances," Arkansas athletic director Jeff Long said in a release. "While the outcome of the waiver request is uncertain, we feel strongly that as an institution we should offer our full support to Ryan and his family in this process."

The 6-foot-7 Mallett, who played in 11 games for the Wolverines last year, has three years of eligibility remaining. Mallett appears well suited to a pro-style offense, but Rodriguez's offense works well with a more mobile quarterback.

Mallett was 61-of-141 for 892 yards with seven touchdown passes and five interceptions last season while filling in for Chad Henne when the senior was injured.

Mallett went to high school on the Texas side of Texarkana, but lived on the Arkansas side.

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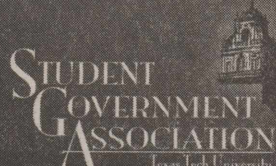


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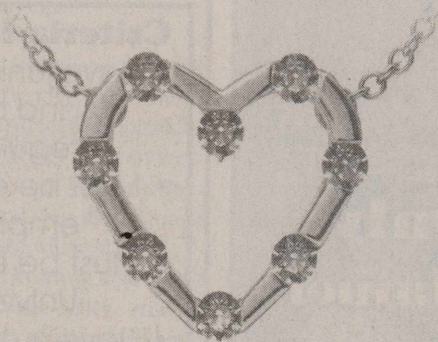
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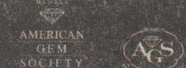


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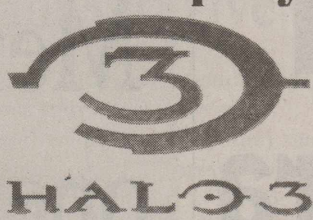
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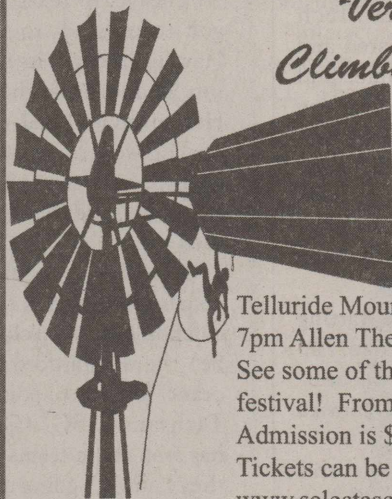
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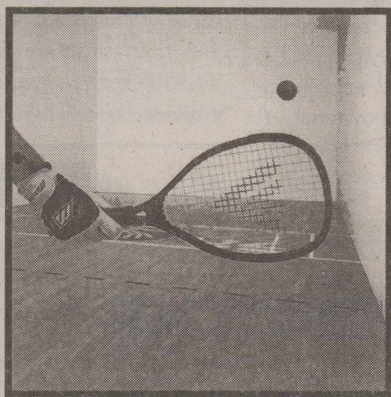
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Second City Improv Comedy Group

Thursday, February 7
 SUB Allen Theatre | 8:00 pm

Movie - Mr. Magorium's Wonder Emporium & The Combacks

Sunday, February 10
 SUB Allen Theatre | 5:00 pm & 8:00 pm

Matinee Movie - Mr. Magorium's Wonder Emporium

Monday, February 11
 SUB Escondido Theatre | 3:00 pm

After Hours - Featuring Poet Colin Gilbert

Tuesday, February 12
 SUB Matador Room | 7:00 pm

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S.O. Registration Meeting

Wednesday, February 6 & 13
 SUB Playa Room | 2 pm

Don't miss the opportunity to register your student organization for 2007-2008.