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**Jurors deliberate in cancer lawsuit**

FORT WORTH (AP) — Jurors deliberated for their first full day Thursday without reaching a verdict on whether a woman's stomach cancer was caused by chemicals used at a Southeast Texas railroad tie plant.

They are to return Monday to resume deliberations in Linda Faust's lawsuit, which seeks at least \$6 million from BNSF Railway Co. Jurors have had Fridays off during the monthlong civil trial.

Because it's a civil lawsuit, the verdict does not have to be unanimous; at least 10 of the 12 jurors must agree.

**NATION**

**Atlantis blasts off, carrying Columbus lab**

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — After two months of delay, shuttle Atlantis blasted into orbit Thursday with Europe's gift to the international space station, a \$2 billion science lab named Columbus that spent years waiting to set sail.

Atlantis and its seven-man crew safely roared away from their seaside launch pad at 2:45 p.m., overcoming fuel gauge problems that thwarted back-to-back launch attempts in December.

**WORLD**

**UK says it will extradite Islamic preacher to US**

LONDON (AP) — Britain's Home Office on Thursday approved the extradition of an Islamic preacher who is accused of trying to establish a terrorist training camp in Oregon, a spokesman said.

Abu Hamza al-Masri once led London's Finsbury Park Mosque, which was attended by both Sept. 11 conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui and "shoe bomber" Richard Reid. One top British counterterrorism official described the mosque as a "honeypot for extremists."

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## SGA votes to increase leisure pool fee

By MAGGIE KIELY  
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech Student Government Association senators voted in favor of raising the initial Student Recreational Fee from \$10 to up to \$15 in order to fund construction of the leisure pool.

The fee will not go into effect until construction is complete, though the completion date remains unclear.

Joe MacLean, director of the

Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center, said the original construction budget for the pool was \$5.5 million.

In March 2007, students voted to increase student recreational fees to \$10 to expand the budget to about \$7.4 million.

After sending out bids for the project, the estimated total cost was about \$8.2 million, leaving the budget short almost \$1 million.

Had the fee not increased, MacLean said students would not have

gotten the leisure pool they voted to pay for.

"We would probably have to shorten the lazy river, get rid of the lap pool, get rid of the spray pad, the pool side café," MacLean said. "We're not going to do it; it's not what the students voted on."

Mike Ellicott, vice chancellor of facility and construction planning, said rising construction costs were the main reason for the increase.

Also, factors such as labor costs and miscommunication contributed to

the increase in costs.

"We're pretty close to oil and natural gas filled, so a lot of skilled laborers are out there instead of here building our pool," Ellicott said. "There was confusion in the design or in the bid, some of those numbers don't make sense, and we've got to find the problem."

John Esler, project manager for Western Builders, said his company is managing the construction project. He said in addition to construction material prices increasing about 8

percent every year for the past five years, oil prices have risen, increasing the price of products like steel and asphalt, which are made from oil.

All of the project bids will be re-submitted to the public, and Ellicott said he hopes to receive lower bids from competing companies.

"The \$8.2 million, we will throw that whole thing out — I don't recommend anybody accept them — redesign the pool and do a little

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## 2ND CITY

Chicago based comedy group travels to Lubbock

By MATT MCGOWAN  
STAFF WRITER

Several hundred Texas Tech students learned two important lessons Thursday night: nothing is sacred, and there is humor in everything.

Thursday's show in the Student Union Building's Allen Theatre gave several hundred spectators a chance to see six comedians perform under the banner of a comedy dynasty, Second City. The six-person troupe that preformed at Tech comes from a long line of funny people: Bill Murray, Mike Myers, Chris Farley and Tina Fey, to name a few. All once were members of the Second City.

Thursday's show, however, introduced the Red-Raider audience to the next generation of the Second City family. Seth Weitberg, Lilly Allison, Anthony Leblanc, Abbey McEnany, Brooke Bagnall and Joey Bland spared nobody and nothing during the performance, which was presented by the Tech Activities Board.

In a hybrid production of both improvised and sketch comedy, the group's six members made light of almost any situation, from bulimia to "inoperable" brain cancer; from Bobby Knight's resignation to Irish terrorism. During one of the many

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MEMBERS OF THE comedy group The Second City perform in the Allen Theatre Thursday evening.

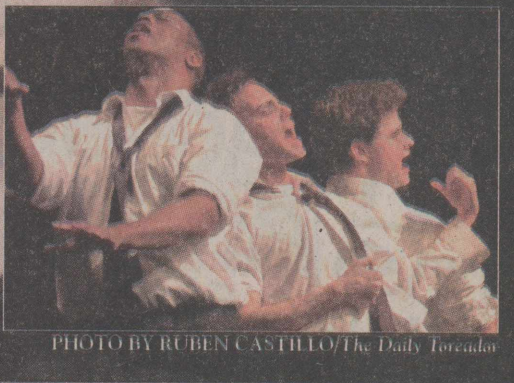


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## Senate approves economic aid plan with rebates

By ANDREW TAYLOR  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate passed an economic rescue plan Thursday that would speed \$600 to \$1,200 in rebates to most taxpayers and \$300 checks to low-income people, including disabled veterans and the elderly.

The 81-16 vote capped more than a week of political maneuvering that ended only when majority Democrats dropped their demand that the proposal offer jobless benefits, heating aid for the poor and tax breaks for certain industries.

GOP senators blocked those ideas, but agreed to add the rebates for older people and disabled veterans to a \$161 billion measure the House passed last month.

House leaders said they would act as early as Thursday night to send the measure to President Bush.

Bush indicated he would sign the measure and said the Senate made changes "in ways I can support."

"This plan is robust, broad-based, timely, and it will be effective," Bush said in a statement. The compromise, he said, was "an example of bipartisan cooperation at a time when the American people most expect it."

The Senate plan would rush rebates — \$600 for individuals, \$1,200 for couples — to most taxpayers and cut business taxes in hopes of reviving the economy. Individuals making up to \$75,000 a year and couples earning up to \$150,000 would get rebates.

People who paid no income taxes but earned at least \$3,000 — including through Social Security or veterans' disability benefits — would get a \$300 rebate.

If the House follows suit as expected and Bush shortly thereafter signs the measure, the rebate checks would be expected to begin arriving in May. The rebates would be based on 2007 tax returns, which are not due until April 15.

The bill had stalled for more than a week in the Senate. The turnaround came after Democrats fell just one vote short Wednesday of overcoming a GOP filibuster and pressing

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## Knight's endorsements left in question

By GLENYS BOLLS  
COPY EDITOR

After former Texas Tech basketball head coach Bob Knight's resignation Monday, the future of his endorsements are in question.

While head coach at Tech, Knight had endorsement deals totalling upward of \$500,000 with companies including O'Reilly Auto Parts, Adidas, RCA and Sergeant's Pet Care Products.

Doug Ruble, vice president of marketing and advertising for O'Reilly, said his company has not determined yet the future of its endorsements with the university.

"We haven't had a chance to look at it fully since he just

resigned (Monday)," Ruble said. "I saw it on Sport's Center (Monday) night, so it came as a complete surprise to me, but we have a wonderful relationship with coach Knight and Texas Tech, and we hope to continue that relationship."

Ruble declined to say how much money O'Reilly paid for the endorsements as well as whether the money went to Knight or to Tech.

Bobby Gleason, deputy athletics director at Tech, said Knight was earning a considerable sum of money by making endorsements.

"His contract was structured in a way that he was guaranteed an outside income of \$500,000," Gleason said. "He earned all that and more."

According to Knight's contract,

if he did not earn \$500,000 annually from outside Tech, the university was required to pay him the difference. However, if his annual income from outside Tech exceeded \$500,000, he was entitled to keep the excess income.

According to his contract, the income from outside the university could be comprised of money relating to uniform or clothing contracts, shoe or equipment contracts, apparel contracts, television or radio shows, camps, speaking engagements, merchandising contracts and any other income he may receive relating to his position as head coach of the Tech men's basketball team.

Under these provisions, Knight frequently wore the logos of the contracted companies, including having

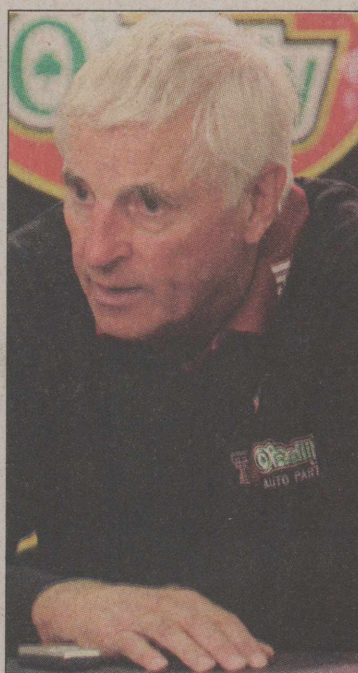
the O'Reilly logo on his shirt and the Adidas logo on his collar.

Gleason said in addition to the money Knight was receiving from the deals, the university also was benefiting from Knight's endorsements.

"He was getting at least \$500,000; we were getting over and above that," Gleason said. "We were getting about \$500,000 or \$600,000 (annually)."

Despite the prominence of some of the companies Knight endorsed, it was not only national companies that had deals with him. Lubbock-based Lynnwood Townhomes has what owner Elroy Wisian called "an advertising agreement" with the

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BOBBY KNIGHT SPEAKS at a press conference after the Texas A&M men's basketball game.

## ONE STRAIT LINE



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STUDENTS WAIT IN line by the Escondido Theater in the Student Union Building Thursday morning for the student pre-sale of George Strait tickets.

## UN says 'tobacco epidemic' could kill 1 billion

NEW YORK (AP) — The World Health Organization warned in a new report Thursday that the "tobacco epidemic" is growing and could claim 1 billion lives by the end of the century unless governments dramatically step up efforts to curb smoking.

In its first comprehensive report on tobacco use in 179 countries, the U.N.'s health agency said governments around the world collect more than \$200 billion in tobacco taxes every year but spend less than one-fifth of 1 percent of that revenue on tobacco control, it said.

"We hold in our hands the solution to the global tobacco epidemic that threatens the lives of 1 billion men, women and children during this century," WHO Director-General Dr. Margaret Chan said in an introduction to the report.

The WHO Report on the Global Tobacco Epidemic 2008 calls on all countries to dramatically increase efforts to prevent young people from beginning to smoke, help smokers quit and protect nonsmokers from exposure to second hand smoke.

It urges governments to adopt six "tobacco control policies" — raise taxes and prices of tobacco; ban tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship; protect people from

second hand smoke; warn people about the dangers of tobacco; help those who want to quit smoking; and monitor tobacco use to understand and reverse the epidemic.

Chan announced the report Thursday at a news conference with New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, whose foundation, Bloomberg Philanthropies, helped fund it with a \$2 million grant. The report examines the tobacco policies of 179 countries for the first time, Bloomberg said.

According to the report, nearly two-thirds of the world's smokers live in 10 countries: China, which accounts for nearly 30 percent, India with about 10 percent, Indonesia, Russia, the United States, Japan, Brazil, Bangladesh, Germany and Turkey.

It forecast that more than 80 percent of tobacco-related deaths will be in low- and middle-income countries by 2030.

Dr. Douglas Bettcher, director of WHO's Tobacco Free Initiative, said WHO estimates 5.4 million smoking-related deaths a year, rising to more than 8 million a year by 2030 if nothing is done. That adds up to 175 million between 2005 and 2030. Beyond that, he said, deaths will continue to

rise and statistical projections put the death toll at near 1 billion by the end of the century.

Tobacco use is growing fastest in low-income countries, the report said, "due to steady population growth coupled with tobacco industry targeting, ensuring that millions of people become fatally addicted each year."

It warned that "the shift of the tobacco epidemic to the developing world will lead to unprecedented levels of disease and early death in countries where population growth and the potential for increased tobacco use are highest and where health care services are least available."

According to the report, 74 countries still allow smoking in health care institutions and about the same number allow smoking in schools. More than half the countries, with two-thirds of the world's population, allow smoking in government offices and workplaces, and only 20 of 179 countries have complete bans on tobacco advertising, promotion and sponsorship.

"The tobacco epidemic is growing — it is shifting toward developing countries, with tobacco use growing fastest in low-income countries," Chan said.

## CIA director says waterboarding legality in doubt

WASHINGTON (AP) — Debate over waterboarding flared Thursday on Capitol Hill, with the CIA director raising doubts about whether it's currently legal and the attorney general refusing to investigate U.S. interrogators who have used the technique on terror detainees.

Vice President Dick Cheney, meanwhile, said "it's a good thing" that top al-Qaida leaders who underwent the harsh interrogation tactic in 2002 and 2003 were forced to give up information that helped protect the country.

"It's a good thing we had them in custody, and it's a good thing we found out what they knew," Cheney told the Conservative Political Action Conference in Washington.

Since the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, President Bush has "made the right decisions for the right reasons," Cheney said. "And would I support those same decisions again today? You're damn right I would."

Waterboarding involves strapping a person down and pouring water over his or her cloth-covered face to create the sensation of drowning. It has been traced back hundreds of years, to the Spanish

Inquisition, and is condemned by nations around the world. Critics call it a form of torture.

This week, for the first time, the Bush administration acknowledged it waterboarded al-Qaida detainees Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, Abu Zubaydah and Abd al-Rahim al-

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VICE PRESIDENT  
OF THE UNITED STATES

Nashiri. CIA Director Michael Hayden on Thursday said waterboarding was used, in part, because of widespread belief among U.S. intelligence officials that more catastrophic attacks were imminent.

In 2006, the CIA banned waterboarding by its personnel in the

wake of a Supreme Court decision and new laws on the treatment of U.S. detainees.

"It is not included in the current program, and in my own view, the view of my lawyers and the Department of Justice, it is not certain that that technique would be considered to be lawful under current statute," Hayden told the House Intelligence Committee.

Hours earlier, Attorney General Michael Mukasey pushed back against Democrats on the House Judiciary Committee demanding to know whether he would prosecute U.S. interrogators who used waterboarding in the past.

"Are you ready to start a criminal investigation into whether this confirmed use of waterboarding by U.S. agents was illegal?" the committee's chairman, Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., asked, calling the technique an "odious practice."

"No, I am not," Mukasey answered bluntly.

He said the Justice Department could not investigate or prosecute people for actions that it had authorized earlier.

Mukasey has refused to say publicly whether he considers waterboarding legal. On Thursday he said it "was found to be permissible under the law as it existed" in the years immediately following 9/11.

## Mass Communications professor taken to ER during class

By ADAM YOUNG  
NEWS EDITOR

A Texas Tech faculty member collapsed during class Thursday in the Mass Communications building and was transported to the University Medical Center emergency room.

Elizabeth Watts, an associate professor in the College of Mass Communications, said she had a bad cold and fainted during her Introduction to Mass Communications class.

"I was trying to do my job, but I couldn't," Watts said.

Brent Griffith, a freshman

history major from Carlsbad, N.M., said though Watts complained of feeling ill at the beginning of the class, she continued teaching the class.

"She just was kind of quiet all class long and then, all of a sudden, she just kind of fell off her stool and passed out," he said.

In response to Watts's condition, Griffith said, a student in the class called 911 on a cell phone.

"We just opened up the doors so she could get some cool air, some teachers came in and said we could leave," he said.

Watts said she planned to stay at University Medical Center over-

night pending the result of medical tests today.

Though Capt. Kenny Evans with the Tech Police Department said he could not comment on specific medical issues, he confirmed that university police responded to a medical emergency, and the victim was transported to a local emergency room.

Evans said it is standard procedure for Tech police to respond to medical emergencies and assist emergency medical services when they arrive at the scene.

"Our response time is quick," he said.

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## Economic Plan

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ahead with their \$205 billion plan.

Democrats decided on Thursday against insisting on their package. Instead, they agreed to speed the bipartisan measure, costing \$168 billion over two years, to Bush.

"It's our responsibility to pass

the strongest bill that we can, and so I think it's tremendous what we'll be able to accomplish," said Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev. "We had to finish this quickly."

The retreat came after House Speaker Nancy Pelosi sided with Republicans, including Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky. Pelosi, D-Calif., urged the Senate to stop its infighting and pass the bill.

"There's no reason for any more delay on this," Pelosi said.

Thirty-three Republicans joined 46 Democrats and the Senate's two independents to pass the measure. Sixteen Republicans voted against the plan.

Reid defended his decision to try to pressure Republicans on the larger proposal by offering it as a take-it-or-leave-it proposition along with the rebates for older people and veterans. "I feel very strongly that we did the right thing," Reid said.

Democrats said Republicans would pay a political price for their opposition. The more expensive proposal would have extended unemployment for 13 weeks for people whose benefits had run out; added \$1 billion in heating aid for the poor; and provided tax breaks for the home-building, renewable energy and coal industries.

"If today (Republicans) are squirming because they voted 'no,' that's what democracy is all about," said New York Sen. Charles Schumer, the head of the Senate Democratic campaign committee. "The political chips will fall where they may."

But Democratic Sen. Max Baucus of Montana, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, said: "Discretion is the better part of valor. The best thing for us to do is declare a big victory that we've achieved, namely getting the rebate checks to 20 million seniors and 250,000 disabled veterans."

The measure moved through Congress with remarkable speed amid a series of deflating economic reports. Some Republicans, however, expressed reservations that the rebate checks would help much. Other lawmakers worried about expanding the budget deficit.

"We have to remember that every dollar being spent on the stimulus package is being borrowed from our children. And our children's children," said Sen. Judd Gregg, R-N.H., who voted against the bill.

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# Tech's El Paso medical school receives full accreditation

By **MATT MCGOWAN**  
STAFF WRITER

The El Paso branch of Texas Tech's Health Sciences Center received official news this week that it has been accredited fully as a four-year medical school, news that has been 10 years in the making.

With its announcement of the school's full accreditation earlier this week, a national accrediting body, the Liaison Committee on Medical Education, authorized the Paul L. Foster School of Medicine in El Paso to begin accepting applications for prospective first-year medical students.

Although Tech's Health Sciences Center's El Paso branch has been educating third- and fourth-year students for more than 35 years, it hitherto has not been qualified to educate students in their first and second years of their postgraduate medical training, said Dr. Jose de la Rosa, the school's founding dean.

Now that it is fully accredited, he said, the school no longer educates on the periphery of Tech's central medical school in Lubbock.

Officials in El Paso and Lubbock set out to establish the school as an independent entity in 1999, de la

Rosa said, but only after bypassing several considerable obstacles.

Ten years ago, he said, he and John Montford, the university's chancellor at the time, approached the Board of Regents with a desire to take the steps necessary for full accreditation, but state legislators and various accrediting bodies did not see a need for any more medical schools in the state because they were confident the existing programs were sufficient.

But Tech administrators, de la Rosa said, were not so sure. The university undertook a study to evaluate the state's needs itself. Meanwhile, advocates continued to pursue legislators and medicine's accreditation agencies, insisting there was, in fact, a need for more doctors. Upon the study's completion, school advocates had proof to verify not only a severe shortage of doctors in Texas, but also a dire shortage of physicians in El Paso.

"We convinced them to change their stance," he said. "We then took (the information) nationally to the American Association of Medical Colleges and convinced them to change their stance. We went to the state legislature and convinced them to change their stance."

Not only did the legislature jump on board, said de la Rosa, but they even appropriated funding specifically for a medical school in the lower Rio Grande Valley and for more faculty in that area.

Officials then proceeded to seek private donations for additional funds, he said. Also, they approached the City of El Paso and told it to, "essentially, put your money where your mouth is." They requested \$25 million from the city. Eventually, it returned with \$80 million.

The next obstacle involved the formation of a partnership with the local hospital to accommodate the new teaching institution, de la Rosa said. The last thing in the way was the final inspection and accreditation approval process, which, as of this week, is complete.

The school implemented a curriculum, he said, that is "cutting-edge and, actually, very unique. Some people even thought that it was a little too unique." The LCME approval validates the legitimacy of the school's goals.

"People didn't understand how difficult of a position we were taking," de la Rosa said. "And, as we kept finding out more and more and more about how difficult the position was,

we kept saying, 'We made a promise. We're going to keep our word.' Here we are today, keeping our word."

As the region's only medical school and the only one of its kind on the border, he said, the program will offer El Paso an economic booster shot. The school will inject at least \$1.5 billion into El Paso's veins, according to estimates.

Also, the school will serve as a regional "doctor factory," de la Rosa said, which will create high-quality, "clean" jobs and an entire medical-support industry on the border. Bottom line: El Paso may not look so industrially pale once it begins seeing more doctors.

"That medical school with Texas Tech Uni-

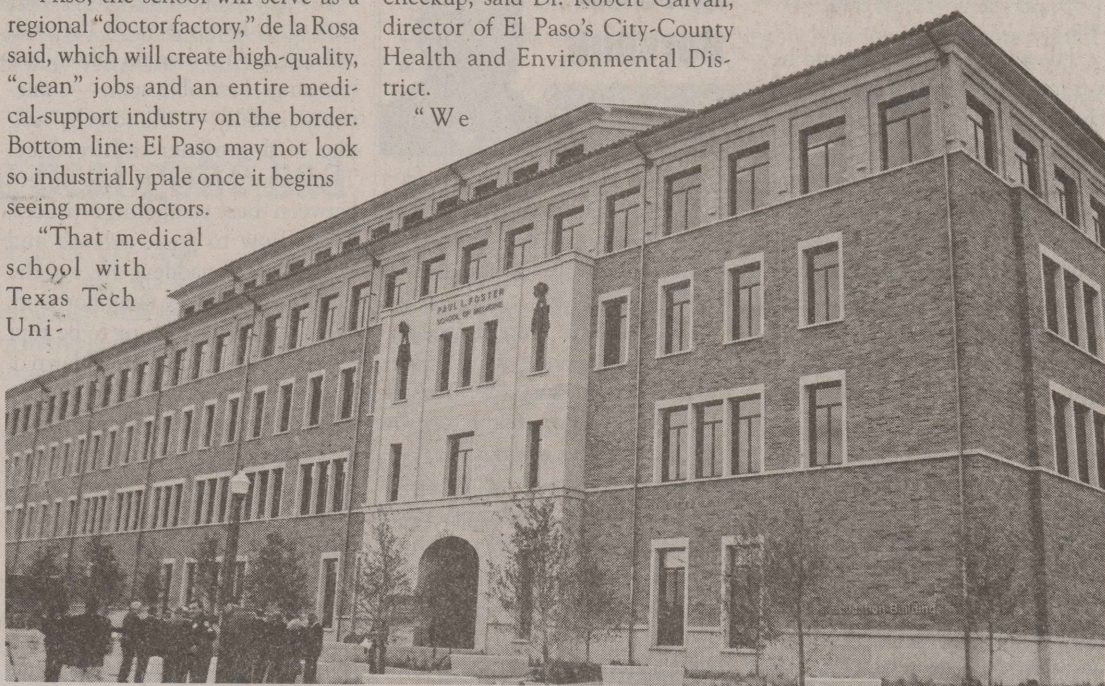
versity in El Paso is going to be a leader nationwide in border health education and research," said Tech Chancellor Kent Hance. "This is just another step in the direction of accomplishing what we set out to do, and that is to have more than one medical school at Texas Tech University."

The city is long overdue for a checkup, said Dr. Robert Galvan, director of El Paso's City-County Health and Environmental District.

"We

are so pleased that the accreditation is finally over and you guys have received that," he said. "I think it's a major milestone, certainly for everyone here in El Paso and certainly for Texas Tech. We'll be working very closely with Dr. de la Rosa and other faculty in the area (in the interest of public health)."

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## Pool Fee

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greater outreach and beat the bushes a little harder and try to find the guy who is hungry for something to do," he said.

Ellicott said increasing the fee by \$5 increases the budget to \$9 million. If the project costs less than \$9 million, the fee will be raised to less than \$15.

In order to reduce costs, Ellicott said \$800,000 of construction was eliminated by reducing the size of the lap and fitness pool, simplifying buildings and stairs, relocating the bathroom and decreasing deck area. Other architectural designs such as curving walls and corners also were taken off the original plans.

Before the Senate passed the resolution to increase the fee, Eric Pace, senator of the School of Law, said he wanted to encourage the senators to fully consider the decision at hand.

"Nobody wants it here more than me, I just wanted to make sure it was clear everyone knew what they were voting on," he said. "You're voting on your future students' money, and make sure you are doing it for the right reason, not because you want a leisure pool."

He said he had heard concerns from students and wanted to make sure those concerns were voiced.

MacLean said the vote to increase fees was not taken to the student body because the process would be prolonged.

"I look at the student senators to be representatives for the students," he said. "It would prolong it even longer and cost of construction would continue to rise."

Suzette Matthews, SGA internal vice president and senate president, said she believes the senators made

the right decision.

"Since the students voted on it and this is what they want, then I don't think this is a bad decision," Matthews said.

Taylor Hutcherson, SGA external vice president, said because the student body already voted

“Any more reductions, we’re going to start losing things the students voted on.”

— **TAYLOR HUTCHERSON**  
SGA EXTERNAL VICE PRESIDENT

on building the leisure pool, he believes they would be in favor of increasing the fee.

"When they voted on it, they voted for the features that they wanted, and we've already reduced the river slide, the wave runner," Hutcherson said. "Any more reduc-

tions, we're going to start losing things the students voted on."

While senators voted to increase one fee, they denied the chance to increase another, a debt-service fee.

In December, senators passed a resolution placing a referendum on the upcoming SGA ballot that would increase the student recreational fee by "\$1 per credit hour, starting at 4 credit hours up to 15 credit hours, beginning in fiscal year 2011," to "generate up to \$8 million over 20 years for the renovations of the Jones AT&T Stadium."

The resolution came up for reconsideration and senators this time voted against the resolution and the referendum was removed from the ballot Thursday.

Mason Moses, SGA president, said Wednesday that the referendum had been taken off the ballot.

Matthews said Moses's claim could not have been the case.

"He doesn't have the authority to just take something off the ballot. I don't know if he knew," she said. "To take something off, you have to write a legislation saying the opposite, or you can reconsider it."

Moses could not be contacted for a response.

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## McCain all but clinches GOP nomination, seeks to unite party as Romney drops out

WASHINGTON (AP) — John McCain sought to mend his tattered relationship with conservatives and unify a splintered GOP as he all but clinched the party's presidential nomination Thursday. Mitt Romney, his former chief rival, dropped out, and a parade of prominent Republicans swung behind the Arizona senator.

"We're continuing campaigning and not taking anything for granted," McCain said in an Associated Press interview, still reluctant to call himself anything more than the front-runner. "I certainly think that we have enhanced our chances."

Only Mike Huckabee and Ron Paul remained in what has been a crowded and wide-open nomination

fight for the past year. Both have narrow voting constituencies and are far behind in the hunt for delegates to the GOP's nominating convention this summer.

Romney's departure left McCain, whose independent streak ruffles many in the Republican rank-and-file, poised to assume President Bush's position as the party standard-bearer. It was a remarkable turnaround for McCain, whose campaign was barely alive last summer, out of cash and losing staff.

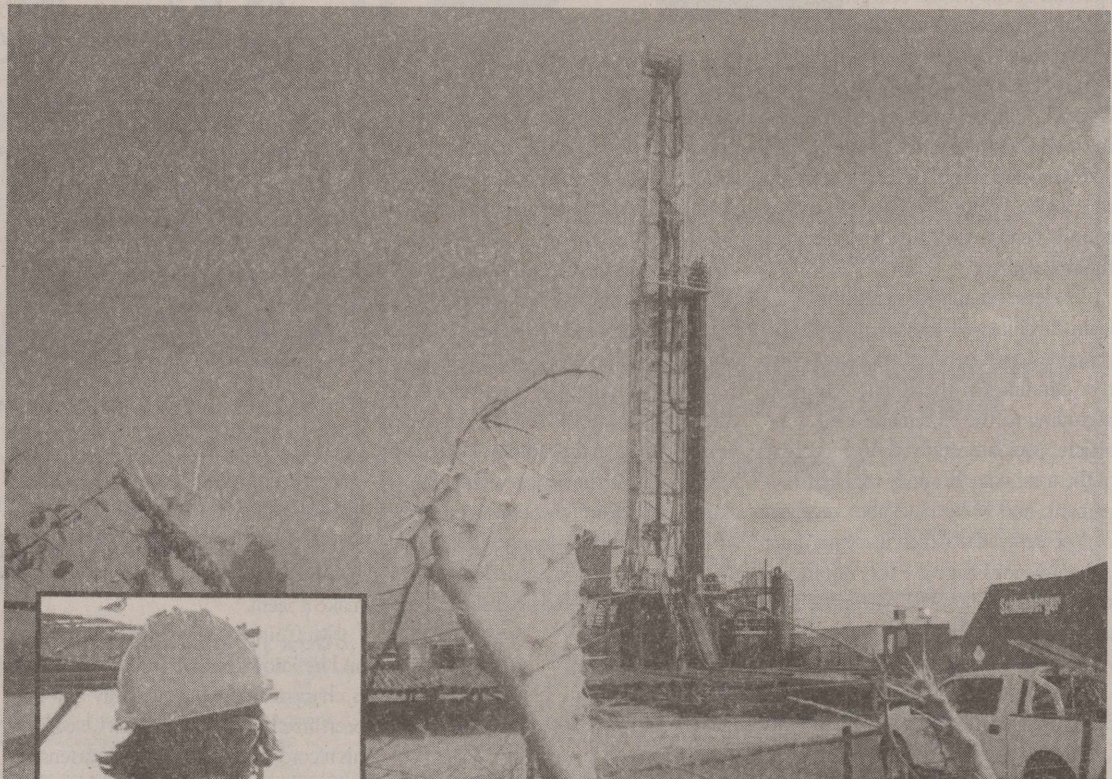
"It is my sincere hope that even if you believe I have occasionally erred in my reasoning as a fellow conservative, you will still allow that I have, in many ways important to all of us, maintained the record of a conservative," McCain told a gathering of the party's influential

right flank on Thursday a few hours after Romney appeared before the same group to announce he was suspending his faltering bid.

Said Romney, "I must now stand aside, for our party and our country."

"If I fight on in my campaign, all the way to the convention, I would forestall the launch of a national campaign and make it more likely that Senator (Hillary Rodham) Clinton or (Barack) Obama would win."

Romney's fate had been virtually sealed earlier this week when he failed to stop McCain's coast-to-coast Super Tuesday rout in presidential primaries; McCain and Romney spoke by phone Thursday but no endorsement was sought nor offered.



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## Of dog ownership, civic duty

This Monday I improved my quality of life about 10,000 percent by adopting a new dog.

His name is Coltrane, and he's a 6-month-old Labrador retriever. He's all gangly limbs and disproportionately big paws at this stage of his life: a floppy-eared, clumsy picture of unbound joy. And so far, it seems he lives primarily for two things — biscuits, of course, and walks in the park at the beginning and end of every day.

Walking through Tech Terrace Park with him Wednesday morning, I was reminded of something about Lubbock that has driven me nearly insane in the past. Namely, the excess of excess that I find here in our city's parks. Or, in less polite terms, the crap. Dog crap, that is. Puppy droppings. Fido poop. Canine doo-doo. You get the point, I'm sure, and if you've ever taken a walk in this town's all-too-insufficient green spaces, you know the evils of which I speak.

Why is it that in parks where disposal bags are provided in convenient dispensers and trash cans are arranged at handy intervals, people will not take the time to bend over and clean up the mess when Rover has a movement on his morning promenade?

Well, I do have some theories. Lubbock, as a city space — or, rather, as a pseudo-suburban geography masquerading as a city space — seems blighted by the cancer of radical individualism. And by this I don't refer to the great spirit of self-reliance at the heart of the

**Michael Borshuk**



American ethos, but rather, to a degree of selfishness and civic disregard so acute as to make those of us who still have faith in communities miserable.

Case in point: I live in a neighborhood where homeowners water their lawns obsessively, despite constant panicked reports on the local news about a water shortage in this area so severe it threatens to be apocalyptic. In spring, these same lawn-waterers cover their verdant pastures with something that looks, to me, like spray-paint, but in reality, I am told, is a fertilizer that facilitates the growth of the lush, weed-free lawns I see throughout the warmer months. In short, these are well-tended yards — free of garbage, dandelions or ugly qualities of any sort.

Now, many of these same fastidious lawn maintainers seem to own dogs. I base this assumption on the occasional bark I hear from inside homes, or the occasional glimpse I observe of a four-legged gait as a pooch makes his way from a driveway-parked SUV to a house side door. Rarely, though, do I see these dogs in any of the front yards with well-tended grass. (And this is a pity, really. If I were a dog I can think of no place I'd rather relax than on the lavish blanket of a

manicured yard.)

However, I do see many neighborhood folks strolling through the park with happy pups at the ends of leashes. And then on subsequent mornings, I stumble upon — sometimes literally — the squishy residue of dog-owner indifference. The absurd level of disconnect between these competing attitudes, about how to treat private and public space, maddens me. For the homeowners in my neighborhood, the front lawn is a thing to be kept pristine, but the communal lawn of the park at the end of the street is a virtual feces dumping ground, a big ol' Porta-Potty for the local pooch population.

This disdain for communal resources appears sadly ubiquitous to me here in the Hub City. The fact, for example, that municipal taxpayers have so readily endorsed the massive expansion of the Marsha Sharp Freeway — or as I like to call it, quoting a favorite old Talking Heads song, "The Road to Nowhere" — confirms this for me. There is not a continuous north-south sidewalk in the six blocks between my house and campus, but city development appears directed at enabling me to get to all points within our municipal boundary without ever hitting a red light.

Why is this so bad, you ask? Well, as delightful as ease of car travel can be, a city's emphasis on vehicular transport can erode its citizens' relationship to one another — to say nothing of the erosion of the ozone layer, but that's a topic for another column. I, for

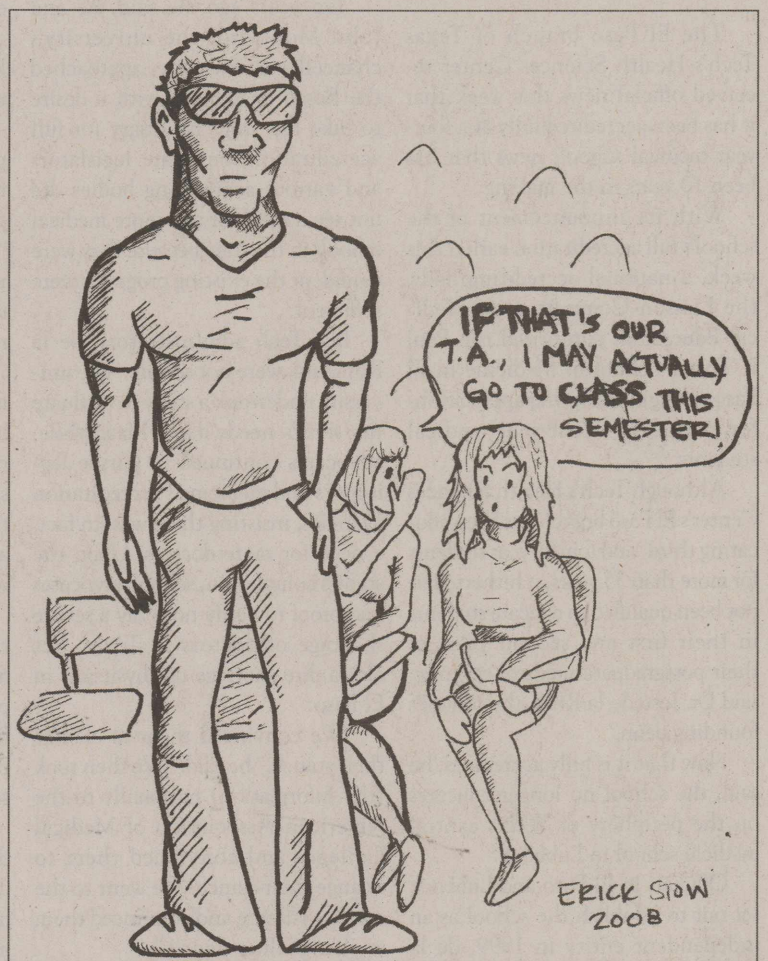
one, regrettably am more likely to flip someone the bird in traffic — from the safety and isolation of my driver's seat — than I ever would while negotiating sidewalk space in a crowded city.

People in other cars on freeways too easily become impersonal bodies who cut me off or drive too slowly, and thus, don't command my respect. Bodies walking near me on sidewalks or in parks, on the other hand, are people to be treated with manners and engaged in conversation. And communities, naturally, depend on both of those activities.

While I may appear to be lost to complaint too much here, I'd prefer to conclude in the idealistic spirit of my new dog, whose exhibitions of bigheartedness this past week have brought me no shortage of bliss. A call to action, then: Let's work toward re-imagining our city space from a thing to be consumed and abused in a selfish way into a resource in which each of us, as members of something larger than ourselves, shares.

Meet me in the park, if you want, and we'll talk about the importance of community, to successful and ethical city living. I'll be the guy with the gangly Labrador — and the pocket full of plastic bags.

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## Primary results disappoint

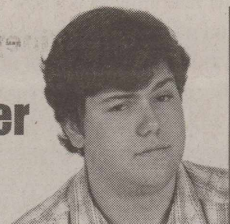
Super Tuesday was a difficult time for fans of Mitt Romney, such as myself. It was like watching a car crash in slow motion with a smiling John McCain at the wheel. The primaries so far haven't seemed to make much of a difference to Democratic candidates Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton. Overall, Clinton won 50.2 percent of the total vote so far and Obama received 49.8 percent, according to Time magazine totals. That equals out to Tuesday's contest being worth nearly nothing to the Democrats.

Back on the subject of nothing, McCain did quite well Tuesday, much to the chagrin of most upper echelon conservative pundits. On the Republican side, according to the aforementioned Time article, McCain enjoyed 43.1 percent of the total vote, Romney received 35.4 percent, and Mike Huckabee received 21.5 percent, all of which made me quite unhappy, considering I was hoping to have written Huckabee out of the race at this point. Thanks, Georgian and Alabaman evangelicals.

We've seen the grandstanding from the pundits at this point, such as Ann Coulter saying she'd support Clinton rather than McCain because she believes Clinton's more conservative. Now former senator and 1996 presidential candidate Bob Dole has jumped into the fray, asking Rush Limbaugh to stop attacking McCain on his own show, which opened up yet another Pandora's Box of angst between Romney and McCain, when McCain immediately began attacking Romney over opening his mouth on the issue.

According to the Associated Press, Romney said Tuesday morning on "Fox and Friends" he "thinks there's a lot of folks who tend to think that maybe John McCain's race is a bit like Bob Dole's

**Cole Shooter**



race." McCain was quite unhappy, saying, "This is no way to end his campaign, by attacking a genuine American war hero." Romney again countered by saying, "I do not think highly of the mental set that says we should choose our nominee based on how many years they've served and how long they've waited in line." I agree wholeheartedly.

I have nothing but respect for McCain's military record and the sacrifices he made while in the military. His record while serving in the Senate was much less glowing and definitely not conservative. McCain has shown opposition ardently to drilling for oil in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, voted against the Bush

*"His conservative record isn't quite as glowing as the Arizona senator is attempting to make it seem."*

tax cuts and captained the sour grapes express known as the McCain-Feingold campaign finance reform. His record on immigration isn't great either, palling



around with Teddy Kennedy, offering amnesty to millions of illegal immigrants. His conservative record isn't quite as glowing as the Arizona senator is attempting to make it seem.

McCain is a seasoned politician, and he knows how to woo a crowd. He is charismatic in his own way and has been an effective campaigner. Outside of his record, I take issue with his defensive tactics. It seems as though anyone who speaks out against something he or one of his supporters — such as Dole — is unpatriotic, in the world according to John McCain. He illustrated that in his response to Romney who dared to bring up former senator Dole's failed run for the White House in 1996.

Romney has been an incredibly successful businessman, amassing a sizeable personal fortune and showing his leadership and business skills by pulling the 2002 Salt Lake City Olympics out of the dumpster. McCain has had a heroic military career, followed directly by entering into politics. In politics, Romney put

Massachusetts back into the black, balancing the budget and leaving a sizeable surplus. McCain got angry after his failed presidential bid and turned on the Republicans after George W. Bush handily thwarted him in the 2000 primaries. Huckabee raised taxes in Arkansas and played bass. That's really all the elaboration he deserves.

The choice isn't difficult about who real conservatives should support in this election. McCain always has been a political maverick, pandering to those he's least annoyed with at the time, regardless of what his ideology actually might be. Right now, we need a businessman who will make some sort of effort to fix our budgeting problems, not a politician whose only allegiances lie with his career and his ego.

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## High-definition formats: Does anyone really care?

It's official — or at least will be by 2009: High Definition is becoming the norm.

And with a new era of big, shiny TVs and an American society that's known for usually wanting things bigger and better looking, along came the High Definition format war. Like VHS and Betamax long before, HD-DVD and Blu-ray are fighting for the title of the one true next-generation video format.

And while Sony lost the earlier war with its choice of Betamax, it looks as if it's set to win this one with Blu-ray. Sales figures are showing HD-DVD clearly is pulling ahead of HD-DVD in the format war, and more and more studios like Warner Bros. are announcing they will support Blu-ray exclusively. So before long, it looks like we may have our new standard for disc-based entertainment.

Problem is, does anybody really care?

Sure, it's easy to walk into an electronics store and marvel at "Planet Earth" running on a beautiful 52-inch TV in glorious HD. Sure, with sporting events like the Super Bowl, watching in HD somehow feels leaps and bounds above watching in Standard Definition. Sure, the idea of having Megan Fox in as big and sharp of an image as possible when watching "Transformers" is extremely appealing...

But is that enough?

We're living in somewhat odd times as far as entertainment goes. Instead of being entranced by the new flick at the movie theaters every week, a lot of us spend more time watching ridiculously idiotic and extremely low quality videos on YouTube. And we enjoy it. Some people — OK, probably a lot of them — apparently would rather download a video of shaky-cam "Cloverfield" shot on an even shakier cam by some dude who snuck his camcorder into the local Cinemark.

Let's face it. As appealing as the new technology is for some of us, has anybody really spent several hundred dollars on an HD-DVD/Blu-ray player and said, "Great! Now I can watch 'Borat' in 1080p!" Somehow I doubt it, especially when the HD format tends to cost around \$10 more than the standard DVD at retail. Besides, most DVD players now will upscan

**Britton Peele**



standard DVDs to 1080p or another of the higher resolutions, which, while not looking as good as the HD format, still looks pretty good.

That's not to say that these formats don't matter on some level. They hold much more data — Blu-ray can hold 50 gigabytes: 6 times what a normal DVD could — which has potential in a number of areas. It would be great if we'd soon see the end of "special edition" DVDs that have all of the extra features that the company was too cheap to include in the standard package, as it would require two discs. It may be a long shot, but since movies like "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" contain their "special edition" features on the Blu-ray disc, it's certainly possible.

Moving to a new disc format also makes sense for video games. As games become bigger and bigger — and better and better looking — they need more space for all the game assets, no matter how good their data compression is. While the Xbox 360, with its DVD-only drive — you can purchase an HD-DVD add-on for the system, but Microsoft has stated it never will be used for games themselves — already has seen games that require more than one DVD, the PS3 — sneaking a "cheap" Blu-ray player into gamers' homes everywhere — won't likely see that problem. In fact, with so much room on the disc, some developers have taken to including every single language track they produce — English, Spanish, French... you name it — onto one BD that they can more easily ship worldwide.

High Definition is no doubt nice, and it's no doubt the future of our TV experiences. But I think it's yet to be seen whether general consumers are ready to start replacing their DVDs with something else.

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# Hutchison urging court to overturn D.C. gun bans

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, who might start run for Texas governor next year, has mustered support from a majority of Senate and House members to help persuade the Supreme Court to strike down the District of Columbia's gun laws.

Hutchison said Thursday she is filing a friend-of-the-court brief in a challenge to the laws. Fifty-five senators and 250 House members have signed the brief to be filed Thursday by her and Sen. Jon Tester, D-Mont.

Hutchison has long opposed the

district's ban on handguns and requirement that rifles and shotguns be registered, stored unloaded and either locked or disassembled. She has sponsored legislation several times to overturn the district's laws. Her 2004 bill passed the House, but not the Senate.

The district's law forced her to dismantle and return to Texas her .357 Magnum she brought with her when she moved from Austin.

"In Texas, of course, the right to keep and bear arms is well-settled. In fact, when in Texas you talk about gun

control, they mean using two hands," Hutchison quipped in a speech organized by the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank.

A federal appeals court ruled in March that the district's ban is an unconstitutional infringement on an individual's right to keep and bear arms.

The district appealed the ruling to the Supreme Court, arguing the Second Amendment protects the right to keep and bear arms only in the context of an organized militia. Hutchison

argues it is an individual right. The court is expected to hear arguments next month.

"All of the congressional legislative history is assuming that the Second Amendment, which is in the Bill of Rights, is an individual right and for a city or state to thwart this by taking a person's right in their home to have a loaded gun, just seemed to be a perfect opportunity for the Supreme Court to affirm this individual right that Congress has acknowledged throughout its history," Hutchison said.

# Student falsely reports burglary, was part of drug deal gone bad

By JON VANDERLAAN  
STAFF WRITER

The report of a burglary in Coleman Residence Hall Jan. 15 now is being classified as a robbery, according to the Tech Police Department.

A student, according to a Tech police press release, invited two men up to his room with the intent of selling them drugs. The student then became the victim of a robbery during the transaction and afterwards falsely reported that his room was burglarized, according to police.

The release reports the two suspects in the crime have been identified, and charges are pending against them for robbery, a second-degree felony. The student also will have charges filed against him for filing a false report to a peace officer, a class B misdemeanor.

The student initially reported being burglarized by two males who followed him as he entered his room,

according to the press release.

Ron Seacrist, chief of the Tech Police Department, said the officers working on the investigation believed there was more to the story than they were being told.

"When this was reported, the officers that did the investigation, even after I read the initial report, we all felt the same thing: there's something wrong here," Seacrist said. "As we started piecing it together, then we started seeing some of the holes and discrepancies in the stories."

However, Seacrist said the Tech Police Department currently is not charging the student with selling or

possession of drugs because, even though the suspects admitted to going to the student to buy drugs, there is no proof.

D'aun Green, unit associate director for residence life at Tech, said she would like the residence halls to become more like a neighborhood watch.

"Residence halls are microcosms of Lubbock and society itself," Green said. "Students need to be very careful, be smart, do all of the things they've always been told and watch out for each other."

Green said the department also will issue a security bulletin in the residence halls to inform residents

about the false report.

She said the kind of behavior exhibited by the student is a violation of the housing contract and could lead to a contract cancellation.

Green said the process of contract violations begins with a judicial hearing, where Student Judicial Programs recommends an action to be taken by University Student Housing.

University Student Housing then hears the recommendation and has an administrative hearing with the student to determine if he or she will be allowed to continue living in the residence halls.

Seacrist said one of the suspects returned the majority of the resident's belongings shortly after the robbery occurred.

He said based on interviews of the suspects from investigators, the suspects were feeling remorse for what they had done and wanted to at least partially make it up to the resident.

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"...we all felt the same thing: there's something wrong here."

— RON SEACRIST  
TEXAS TECH POLICE CHIEF

# Endorsements

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Gleason said he does not know yet how many of the companies will cancel their endorsement deals, so he does not know how much money Tech could lose.

"It's hard to say what the impact will be," Gleason said. "Some of the companies will continue with Pat Knight, I'm sure."

Because the announcement of Bob Knight's retirement is still so recent, Ruble said O'Reilly representatives have not discussed

yet the possibility of continuing the endorsements with Pat Knight.

Wisian said because Lynwood's contract is with the basketball program and not specifically Bob Knight, he is sure the contract will continue despite Knight's resignation.

Kiesha Cochrane, director of public relations for Adidas, said her company had not decided yet whether the endorsements would continue.

Numerous phone calls were not returned by representatives of RCA or Sergeant's.

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# Experts say Iran testing advanced centrifuge for uranium enrichment

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Iran's nuclear project has developed its own version of an advanced centrifuge to churn out enriched uranium much faster than its previous machines, diplomats and experts said Thursday.

They said that few of the IR-2 centrifuges were operating and that testing appeared to be in an early phase, with the new machines rotating without processing any uranium gas.

of covert nuclear activity built on illicit purchases and revealed only five years ago.

That secrecy heightened suspicions about Iran's intent, but Iranian leaders argued the country has a right to run a peaceful enrichment program and dismissed the U.N. demands, saying they planned to expand the project rather than freeze it.

Up until recent weeks, Iran had publicly focused on working with P1 centrifuges — outmoded machines that it acquired on the black market in the 1980s. Workers set up more than 3,000 of the



and equipment bought on the nuclear black market in combination with domestic ingenuity to overcome daunting technical difficulties and create highly advanced centrifuges.

Iran's uranium enrichment work has raised concerns in Washington and other Western capitals because it can produce the radioactive material needed for nuclear bombs. Tehran says it is only pursuing lower-level enrichment to make fuel for atomic reactors that will generate electricity.

Iran is under two sets of U.N. Security Council sanctions for refusing to suspend uranium enrichment, which it started developing during nearly two decades

machines in the large underground hall near Natanz, a city about 300 miles south of Tehran.

But diplomats told The Associated Press that Iranian experts now are testing a small number of more advanced IR-2 machines. They described it as a hybrid of the P-2 centrifuge once peddled on the black market by A.Q. Khan, the scientist who oversaw Pakistan's development of nuclear weapons.

The diplomats, who agreed to discuss the development only if granted anonymity because they weren't authorized to divulge the confidential information, said it was unclear whether the new generation centrifuges were in the underground facility or an above-ground pilot site at Natanz.

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## Light at the end of the tunnel: Program dispels common '-isms'

By ANN LUU  
STAFF WRITER

"Chink," "cracker," "wetback" and "nigger" were graffiti words scribbled on a makeshift brick wall in the ballroom of the Stu-

dent Union Building. Pictures of terrorists and gay couples were displayed as well as a web of sexist comments and obstacle courses designed for the disabled.

University Student Housing

and Student Diversity Relations put on these presentations for the second year in a program called Tunnel of Oppression.

"Tunnel of Oppression is a national program to show the ills in society," said Nefertiti Beck, the residence life coordinator in Hulen/Clement Residence Hall. "This year, we chose the theme of 'isms,' such as terrorism, sizeism, ableism, classism, heterosexism, linguisticism, sexism, ageism, and racism."

Each residence hall was given an '-ism' and provided a presentation that composed of three components: passive, still life and active.

Coleman Residence Hall was assigned racism.

"Racism impacts Tech in multiple ways," said Asher Mullins, a community advisor in Coleman. "There's the normal racism against people based on race, but there's the racism when a person succumbs to the stereotype and meets the expectation that other people put on them."

Mullins, a sophomore architecture major from Amarillo, said the display of the offensive words in Coleman was one way to stop racism by showing the commonly

targeted groups of people. "It gives a wide array of racism that is seen on campus and shows how offensive it is," he said.

The tunnel started with a description of the different types of 'isms' and how they affect people.

"This is a campus-wide program and also open to the community," Beck said. "We wanted to see show others are oppressed and how others are affected by society."

The tunnel continues with the different 'isms.'

Chitwood/Weymouth Residence Hall presented sizeism, and participants had to go through an obstacle course wearing a fat suit.

Other presentations included movies, audio tapes and live skits.

Anybody who attended ended the tunnel by entering the center where a large Double T was constructed out of butcher paper. Anyone was able to write their thoughts on the program and the issues at hand.

Many students were able to attend Tunnel of Oppression for extra credit for classes, but they left with a lesson.

"I thought it was really interesting," said Brad Oakes, a senior communication studies major from Midland. "It brings out issues we have to deal with. It really stomped my ignorance on some of these issues."

Oakes said these left an impact on him, and he was able to relate to some of the presentations.

"I was definitely able to relate to ageism," he said. "We're all

college students and face that everyday. Also, the terrorism wall was impacting because it was a personification of the act. It made you open your eyes."

That message, Beck said, was the purpose of the program.

"We wanted others to be aware of the effect we put on each other," she said. "People need to have a reflective experience."

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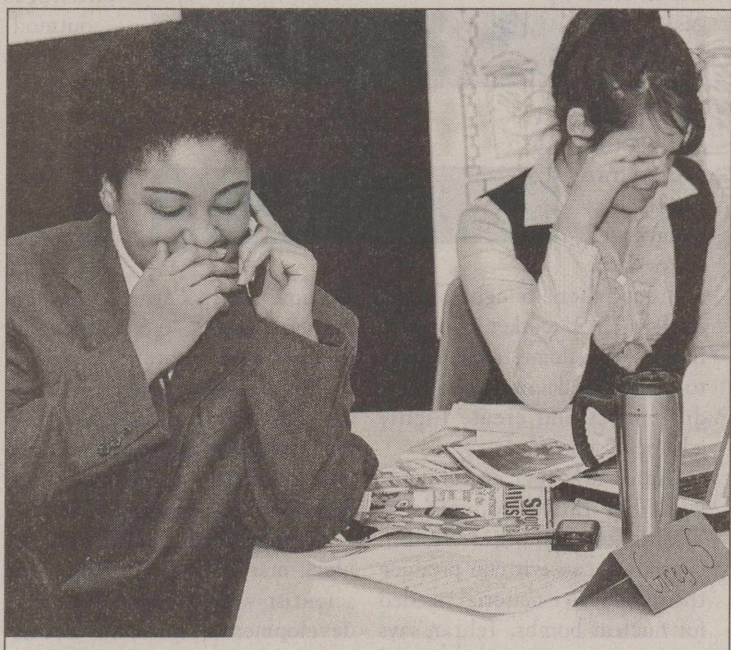


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CRYSTAL STRANGE, A junior Physiology major from Houston and Nicole Roman, a sophomore RHIM major from Keller, act out a skit from the Tunnel of Oppression held Wednesday night in the Red Raider Room located in the Student Union Building.

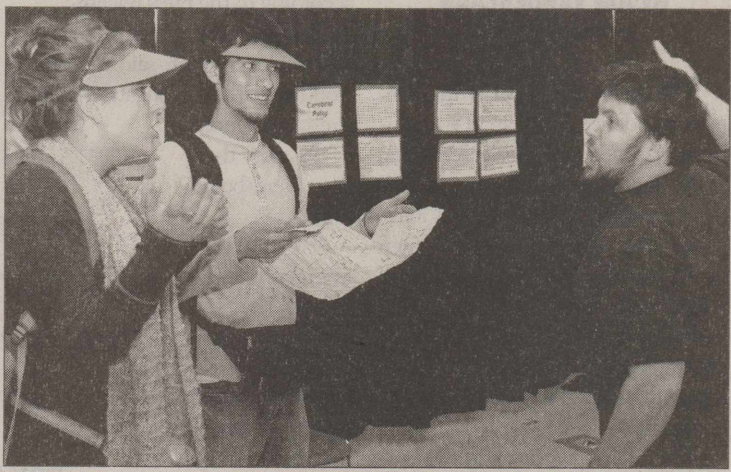


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CHRIS MARTIN, A junior Architecture student from Houston, yells at Katie Moreland, a sophomore Education major from Austin and Daniel Salas, a sophomore Microbiology major from El Paso as they act out a skit from the Tunnel of Oppression held Wednesday night in the Red Raider Room located in the Student Union Building.

## Spoonfed Tribe Returns to Lubbock 'Full House' actress discusses meth at U. Wisconsin-Platteville

By CHELSEA ROE  
STAFF WRITER

It's about that time again when Jake's Backroom reminds us more of a party around the campfire where we all come mildly dressed with glow sticks in hand as the pounding on djembes resonates throughout our bodies, more than it reminds of an actual bar. It's time to let the rhythm move you and to dance on stage like no one watching as Spoonfed Tribe returns.

After leaving for several months to tour, Tribe members will be returning to Lubbock, where fans eagerly have been waiting. The show will occur at Jake's Backroom Saturday night, and whispers of excitement could not be heard louder amongst Lubbock's show lovers. "The Mood

Manipulation-Behavior Modification Program" as the tribe refers to it, will begin at approximately 11:30 p.m. and usually lasts until 1:30 a.m.

In late 2007, the band released its fifth album, "Public Service Announcement," both produced and recorded by Alex Gerst of The Feds, which will be available at the show. The album's biggest hit to date, "Chupa Cabra," has made a name for itself on Myspace profiles and has made an even bigger impact at live showings.

During the band's previous show at Jake's, the entire band jumped off the stage and proceeded to play on the dance floor as fans literally danced circles around them. If this night ends similarly, everyone will return home that night completely exhausted, sweaty and with hair

plastered to their faces — but having enjoyed every minute of it. Check out the band at [www.myspace.com/spoonfedtribe](http://www.myspace.com/spoonfedtribe) before the show to prepare yourself for the intense night ahead.

Opening for Spoonfed Tribe is the Lubbock-born band Spivey. Spivey is an ensemble consisting of only two members and has been making its way through town, stopping off at places such as Bar PM and Melt for a couple of years now. It only recently began to gain momentum, and it can also be found on Myspace.

Spivey will go on stage at 9 p.m., so show up on time, get pumped up for Spoonfed Tribe, and don't forget your glow sticks. You're a fool if you miss out on this one.

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By KAT CONNORS & ASHLEE KRAUS  
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(U. WISCONSIN-PLATTEVILLE)

(U-WIRE) PLATTEVILLE, Wis. — Former child star Jodie Sweetin visited the University of Wisconsin at Platteville campus on Feb. 4 to talk to students about the problems she faced with her methamphetamine addiction.

Students may recognize Sweetin from the hit TV show "Full House" where she played the character of Stephanie Tanner for eight years.

"We grew up with her and 'Full House.' She is a recognizable face to students," Hannah Diebold, Campus Programming and Relations event manager, said.

Methamphetamine is becoming a serious drug problem in the southwestern Wisconsin area, and Sweetin's experiences

touched some students who attended.

"It made me think of family and friends and people I know who are addicted or may be someday," Kimberly Schnell, senior animal science major, said.

When CPR booked Herman Boone, the distinguished lecturer, they realized they could afford both Boone and Sweetin through the same agency.

"The meaning of her story was important for students to hear," Diebold said. "A lot of students can relate to her or have friends that can relate to her."

Sweetin began her presentation by talking about her childhood and her time on the set of Full House.

After the show's cancellation in 1995, Sweetin returned to high school. She was no longer in the spotlight of the camera. She felt a void in her life and turned to drugs to fill it.

Sweetin said she was ridiculed by schoolmates and couldn't break the image of Stephanie. There was something missing and she felt like she couldn't fit in.

After a rough journey, Sweetin sobered up for two and a half years only to hear the little voice in the back of her mind tell her that she still had yet to fit in.

Sweetin then began experimenting with harder drugs, hiding this from her former husband, friends and family. This problem continued until a night out with friends ended with her being admitted to the hospital and going through rehab.

"We just want students to know that life gets rough sometimes but things will get better and there is help available," Diebold said.

Sweetin now travels around and shares her story with college students. She hopes her experiences will help someone else who may be dealing with an addiction.

## Will Ferrell wants to give shark to school

By ERIC LOY  
THE REBEL YELL (UNLV)

(U-WIRE) LAS VEGAS — Will Ferrell recently released a video on his popular funnyordie.com website with this promise: to give away a stuffed hammerhead shark to one college.

To obtain the shark, the school must complete one simple task. The school with the most Facebook users

to add the Funny Or Die application to their profiles will win the shark.

This is a big deal. With the shark comes fame and bragging rights. In the video, Will Ferrell also speculates that the shark could possibly be signed by himself or even the cast of "The Golden Girls."

"Think of the possibilities," Ferrell says in the video. "Hey, let's go look at the hammerhead shark. Ok. And that's when you propose

to your wife."

Unfortunately, this contest is limited to only the schools that Will Ferrell's comedy tour is visiting this spring. In other words, UNLV is ineligible. However, with more comedy tours pending, surely more contests for aquatic animals will follow.

Funnyordie.com gained internet fame last year with the short video titled "The Landlord."

The video features Ferrell's two-year-old daughter as a foul-mouthed, drunken, abusive landlord demanding Ferrell's rent.

The video has already generated over 50 million views and is telling of the comedy site's success.

## 'Office' star holds index card to the future

By IAN MASSAR  
THE GW HATCHET  
(GEORGE WASHINGTON U.)

(U-WIRE) WASHINGTON — BJ Novak, cast member and co-writer of the hit NBC television series "The Office," revealed what he believed to be the cornerstones of success in the entertainment industry: index cards.

"Index cards are the keys to tele-

vision and movies," Novak said in an in-person interview with The Hatchet. It was a seemingly simple answer for a guy who has experienced a remarkably rapid ascent in the world of television in recent years. But when you look at Novak's approach to comedy and to his work in television, his easy response makes a lot of sense. Armed with a wide array of jokes (written on index cards, of course) Novak is set to take the stage at Lisner Auditorium this weekend as part of Program Board's "Winter Hoopla" Series.

While most people recognize Novak as Ryan Howard from "The Office," his story in Hollywood begins long before "The Temp" ever debuted on TV. After graduating from Harvard

University, Novak followed in the footsteps of many writers before him, leaving his home in Boston and heading to Los Angeles to work as a screenwriter. His first job was writing for "Raising Dad," a sitcom on The WB. Landing the job was a big success for Novak, but the business quickly brought him to a realization that would shape his future as a stand-up comic.

"I was really frustrated because I couldn't get the jokes I was most excited about on the air," he said. The more he wrote, the more he began to realize that the material that was left out was really the stuff that he wanted to put in. "I started doing stand-up as a way to do the jokes I really wanted to do."

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DEREK RODRIGEZ, A senior construction engineering technology major from Odessa helps support the African Student Organization by buying doughnuts Thursday morning outside of the Student Union Building.

## Second City

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sketches, two Irish terrorist characters sang a song of frustration because an airline-counter employee sees nothing wrong with selling them plane tickets. Al-Qaida, apparently, stole all of the IRA's thunder.

"We represent not harm," the character sang in unison. "We're full of lucky charms."

Some sketches lasted longer than others, but even the brief skits elicited an eruption of laughter from the audience. In one such brief skit, a woman hops into the family car, excited because her husband is taking her out for a night of romance.

Much to her dismay, she instead only encounters an Indian man sitting in the driver's seat, who informs her that her husband "subcontracted" the evening out to him. The light dimmed and the show darted forward.

Politics played its role in the show, too. For instance, one skit began as

a woman whose name that sounds almost exactly like "Hillary Clinton," attempts to contract the services of a ruthless hit man to assassinate Barack Obama.

The hit man refuses, though, and announces he cannot kill the only man he secretly could love. He eventually uses the term "Bi for Barack."

When the woman asks him why he loves Obama, exclusively, out of all the other men in the world, the hit man replies, "Because he's just the right amount of black."

The group targeted the media, as well, in a skit about the superficiality of local broadcast news teams, complete with sexual tension among the anchors, a reporter on-location who announces he "knows nothing more than what has already been said," and a meteorologist the female anchor introduces as "clearly the slutbag."

After the show's intermission, one of the performers walked out and addressed the audience, surprised that they had not all left to go "chase Bobby Knight."

Other skits throughout the show exhibited the troupe's ability to improvise. Audience participation produces one narrative of a "dyslexic" young man named "Nanananana" who leaves his lover and mother — who has had a hard life because she was "born before her mama" — at home to pursue a career in "competitive eating." We later find out the man is bulimic.

Following a postcard from "Purgatory," he announces he has invented a new diet food he calls "Purge-atory."

Matt Nuckolls, a senior physical education major from Harrold and president of Tech's own improvisation troupe, Alternative Fuels, said he and his troupe found the show as educational as they did entertaining.

"I'm a big fan of one-liners, so the small skits that lasted for just a few seconds were classic," he said.

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## Discrepancies in campus GOP votes lead to recount

By JAKE GROVUM, LIZ RIGGS  
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(U-WIRE) MINNEAPOLIS — A large discrepancy exists between presidential preference votes cast at the GOP caucuses held Tuesday night at Ford Hall and those reported to the Secretary of State.

According to the Secretary of State's results for the precincts in question, a total of 84 votes were cast on Tuesday.

But those in attendance say the number of votes was almost four times that many, based on the results that were announced in the room that evening.

The night of the caucus, three volunteers announced the results of the poll and each candidate's percentage, and ballots were counted in front of participants. In total, 317 presidential preference votes were submitted Tuesday night.

Three separate precincts were set to hold caucuses in Ford Hall that night in the same classroom, but there was no separation by precinct of the votes cast, making it unclear which votes belonged to which precinct.

Regardless of whether the votes were separated, the total number of votes reported to the Secretary of State falls 233 votes short of the number counted Tuesday night.

Business marketing and education senior Tom Druk said he remembers the straw poll results clearly.

"I believe they announced there were 95 votes for McCain," he said. "He took 33 percent of the vote,

so it must be close to 300 (total votes)."

Minnesota GOP spokesman Mark Drake said the party simply reports the numbers given to them and this was the first that party officials had heard of any discrepancies.

"We trust they're accurate," he said. "I don't know what happened."

## Accidental overdose of prescription pills killed Heath Ledger; 6 sedatives, painkillers

By AMY WESTFELDT AND  
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NEW YORK (AP) — The actor Heath Ledger died from an accidental overdose of six different drugs — painkillers and sedatives — the medical examiner said Wednesday, leading doctors to warn of the dangers of mixing prescription drugs.

The 28-year-old film star died "of acute intoxication" from the combination of two strong painkillers, two anti-anxiety medicines and two sleeping aids, according to the medical examiner's office.

Among the drugs found in his body were oxycodone, a painkiller sold as OxyContin and used in other pain relievers such as Percodan and Percocet. Others included drugs sold as anti-anxiety pills Valium and Xanax, which are sedatives.

The medical examiner and police wouldn't identify the medications Ledger had in his apartment when his body was discovered on Jan. 22, nor would they discuss who had prescribed them. It also wasn't known why he had the drugs; he said in a newspaper interview last year that he needed sleeping pills after two stressful acting jobs.

The Drug Enforcement Administration is investigating how Ledger got the medications. It's common for investigators to review prescriptions when so many drugs are involved in an overdose death, said spokesman Rusty Payne.

Doctors not connected with the case said it would be unlikely for one doctor to order all the drugs. However, they said it's not unusual for people to be prescribed both painkillers and sedatives, and overdoses are not uncommon.

"This is not rock star wretched excess," said Cindy Kuhn, a pharmacology professor at Duke University. "This is a situation that could happen to plenty of people with prescriptions for these kind of drugs."

Kuhn said some of the drugs are long-lasting and Ledger could have taken them over a period of several days. The medical examiner's office wouldn't say what concentrations of each drug were found in Ledger's blood.

"What you're looking at here is the cumulative effects of these medications together," said the spokeswoman, Ellen Borakove.

Police had said they found six bottles of anti-anxiety medicines, sleeping pills and other medicine in his Manhattan apartment after the Oscar-nominated actor was discovered dead in his bed last month.

"This was not a deliberate attempt to kill himself. This was an accident," said Lawrence Kobilinsky, head of forensic science at John Jay College in New York. He had no role in the investigation. "He just took too many drugs having similar effects on the central nervous system."

Experts said the combination of sedatives and the other medicines likely combined to suppress his brain function and his breathing. They said that Ledger probably had been prescribed the medicine by a number of different doctors, because several of them were from the same class of drugs and used to treat similar symptoms.

"It doesn't make sense" that one doctor would prescribe all those, said Dr. William Lee, an internal medicine specialist at the University of Texas-Southwestern in Dallas. "It's more likely that he got them from different prescribers."

Jane Prosser, a medical toxicologist from New York University School of Medicine, said patients can often end up with similar medications prescribed by different doctors, who are unaware of what they're already taking.

Three of the six prescription drugs found in Ledger's apartment had been filled in Europe, where the actor was recently filming, police said.

"If you see one doctor for one thing and you see another doctor for another thing, neither the physician nor the patient may realize they're getting two similar medications," Prosser said.

"Patients should be aware that this happens on a regular basis and it doesn't just happen to celebrities." Ledger's publicist, Mara Buxbaum, didn't immediately respond to questions about the drugs that had been prescribed to the actor before his death. She released a statement Wednesday from Ledger's father, Kim.

"While no medications were taken in excess, we learned today the combination of doctor-prescribed drugs proved lethal for our boy. Heath's accidental death serves as a caution to the hidden dangers of combining prescription medication, even at low dosage."

The medical examiner cited oxycodone, hydrocodone, diazepam, temazepam, alprazolam and doxylamine as causing the actor's death. There was no mention of alcohol or illegal drugs.

Oxycodone, marketed as OxyContin, is used in other painkillers such as Percodan and Percocet; hydrocodone is used in a number of

painkillers, including Vicodin.

Diazepam and alprazolam are the generic names for the anti-anxiety drugs Valium and Xanax, temazepam is a sleep aid sold as Restoril, and doxylamine is an antihistamine used in over-the-counter sleep aids and cold medicines.

Ledger's masseuse found him unresponsive after she arrived for an appointment at his rented apartment. She called 911 after first repeatedly calling actress Mary Kate Olsen. Ledger had moved into the apartment last fall after he broke up with actress Michelle Williams, the mother of his 2-year-old daughter Matilda.

Ledger, nominated for an Oscar for his role as cowboy Ennis del Mar in "Brokeback Mountain," had returned to New York from London, where he had been making a Terry Gilliam film, days before his death. He told The New York Times in November that his most recent completed roles in the Batman movie "The Dark Knight" and Bob Dylan biopic "I'm Not There" had taken a toll and caused him to lose sleep.

"Last week I probably slept an average of two hours a night," Ledger told the Times. "I couldn't stop thinking. My body was exhausted, and my mind was still going." He said he had taken two Ambien pills, which only gave him an hour of sleep.

Ledger's family returned to the actor's hometown of Perth, Australia, on Tuesday to prepare for his funeral. Arrangements were private.

"To most of the world, Heath was an actor of immeasurable talent and promise," Ledger's father said on Wednesday. "We knew Heath as a loving father, as our devoted son, and as a loyal and generous brother and friend."

Williams, Ledger's former girlfriend and "Brokeback Mountain" co-star, arrived in Perth for the actor's funeral with their young daughter, Australian media reported. The ceremony, details of which are being kept secret by Ledger's family, is expected within days.

On Wednesday, Williams, dressed in black and carrying the 2-year-old, arrived in Perth from New York, News Ltd. newspapers reported.

Ledger's parents and other close relatives arrived Tuesday in Perth after spending nearly two weeks in the U.S. immediately following his death. There was no indication that Ledger's remains have arrived in Australia, and there was no sign of activity at the family's plot in Karakatta Cemetery on Wednesday.

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# Texas Tech softball begins season in Las Vegas against top competition

By ALEX YBARRA  
STAFF WRITER

After the Red Raider softball team made it to the championship game of the Big 12 Conference Tournament in 2007, the players harbored their sense of accomplishment and tapped into it throughout the offseason.

Tech went 4-12 in Big 12 play, but the Red Raiders won their final three games in conference play to give them a No. 8 seed in the Big 12 tournament, where they won three straight to make the championship game. As a No. 8 seed, Tech is the lowest seed to make the championship game of the tournament. The team fell short of an automatic bid to the Women's College World Series, losing to OU 6-3.

Senior pitcher Sarah Losleben said the late season surge motivated the team to continue what they started in that tournament.

"Right after that happened we all sat together and were like, 'Remember how this feels, how badly you want that win,'" she said. "I know all of us carry that in our hearts. We definitely want to get it going. That momentum definitely hasn't been lost."

The Red Raiders will try to sustain their confidence through the first tournament of the 2008 season — the Sportco Spring Kick Off Classic in Las Vegas.

Tech opens the tournament with a doubleheader today against No. 14 Washington at 2:15 p.m. and UNLV at 4:30 p.m.

In 2007, Tech lost the first meeting against then-No. 10

Washington 1-0, but beat the Huskies the next day 3-2.

Both schools have some history between them.

Tech coach Teresa Wilson transformed Washington into a national powerhouse, where she put together a record of 532-198-1.

Senior catcher Robyn Wike transferred to Tech after playing her freshman year at Washington, and Tech assistant coach Amy Suiter played for Wilson at Washington.

The Huskies return four starters to a team that went 42-19 and finished third at the Women's College World Series in 2007, including All-American Ashley Charters.

In 2007, Charters batted .391 with 33 RBIs and seven home runs.

Losleben said Tech knows what to expect from the Huskies; now it's just a matter of execution.

"We've done our homework, most certainly from last year and gaining the knowledge we had from splitting with them last year," she said. "Us pitchers have been looking over videotapes of hitters and just trying to mentally visualize and prepare."

Tournament host UNLV went 37-27 in 2007 on its way to a second-place finish in the Mountain West Conference, earning it two votes in the 2008 preseason polls.

The games do not get any easier for the Red Raiders, as they will face Loyola-Chicago at noon Saturday before meeting No. 2 Arizona State at 4:30 p.m.

Arizona State reached the Women's College World Series in 2007 with a 54-17 record. Junior Kaitlin Cochran leads the offense, and senior Karie Burkhart highlights the pitching staff.

Cochran is a two time All-American and the 2007 NCAA batting champion. She hit .492, recorded 59 RBIs, 18 home runs and an .888 slugging percentage.

Burkhart won 35 games with a 1.11 ERA a season ago. Her 517 strikeouts set a Pac-10 Conference single-season record, placing her ninth all time for the most strikeouts in an NCAA season.

Tech senior infielder Jennifer Corkin said she believes Tech's batting order can counter any pitching staff in the nation.

"We have a mix of speed and power and contact hitters," she said. "I think we have a good mix of everything, a good balance to get the job done. If we need somebody to lay down a bunt to move the runner and then somebody to hit it hard to get them in, I think we have (that)."

Tech wraps up the tournament with the Canadian National Team at 11:00 a.m. Sunday.

Wilson said the Canadians present a difficult match up for any team, whether it's at the college or the national level.

"They're an extremely talented group," she said. "With the exception of Japan, they will give the USA its biggest challenge, I would guess, in the Olympics this year."

Losleben said although the solid competition along the West Coast allows little time for rest, she is used to it, and she said she looks forward to facing each team.

"It's no different from any of the schedules from the past two years," she said. "We've played the ASUs, the Washingtons, the California teams. We've played national contenders who have been competing for it. This year it's going to be great seeing them again and playing them again."

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# Lady Raiders prepare for Round 2 of Big 12 Conference schedule

By ALEX YBARRA  
STAFF WRITER

Before No. 5 Baylor lost to No. 17 Oklahoma State Wednesday night, Texas Tech pushed the Lady Bears as much as any other Big 12 Conference team this season.

Tech (14-8, 2-6 in Big 12 play) opened its Big 12 schedule Jan. 9 against then-No. 8 Baylor, losing 72-67 in Lubbock.

"We played them as well as anybody in our league has played them," said Tech coach Kristy Curry, whose team plays No. 5 Baylor at 1 p.m. Saturday in Waco. "So we have to have a lot of confidence with the fact that we have played them well."

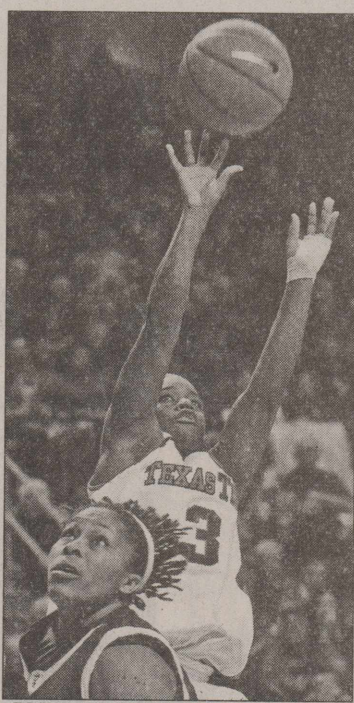
After winning 13 consecutive games, Baylor (20-2, 8-1 in Big 12 play) is coming off a 77-67 loss to Oklahoma State in Stillwater, Okla.

The loss came one game after Baylor lost a major asset in junior guard Jhasmin Player.

Player tore the ACL and sprained the MCL in her left knee in a 63-49 victory at No. 18 Kansas State Saturday. She was averaging 12.2 points, six rebounds and three assists per game.

Tech guard Tiny Henderson, who scored a season-high 17 points in a 66-58 loss to Iowa State Wednesday, said she believes Player's teammates will fill Player's role nicely. She said she hopes the second time around against the Lady Bears allows Tech to correct mistakes that led to the loss earlier this season.

In that loss, Baylor led 60-49 with just under four minutes remaining, but Tech whittled the margin to three points. Unable to capitalize, Tech eventually fell behind again and lost its first Big



RUBEN CASTILLO/The Daily Toreador  
TEXAS TECH GUARD Maria Moore takes a shot over the head of Texas A&M's guard Danielle Gant AT the United Spirit Arena Saturday.

12 game.

"I feel like we can limit our turnovers and just guard them better," Henderson said. "I don't think we guarded them very good at the end in the last three to four minutes."

While Baylor looks to win its first full game without Player, Tech still is searching for its first Big 12 road win after Wednesday's loss to Iowa State in Ames, Iowa.

Tech has lost its last five road games of the season, with four coming in Big 12 play.

Curry said she thought the game against Iowa State was Tech's best road effort of the season. Unfortunately, she said, some parts of the game did not go her team's way.

"(The road loss) is very upsetting because I think we came out and we played our butts off," Tech forward Dominic Seals said. "I think we came out and played with a lot of intensity, but it just didn't follow through in the end."

Baylor senior point guard Angela Tisdale poses the biggest threat to Tech.

Tisdale — the only player left from Baylor's 2005 National Championship team — leads the team with 15 points per game, and for the most part was held in check the last time she faced Tech.

She was held just below her season average and missed five of six 3-pointers, resulting in a 12 point performance.

Junior forward Rachel Allison, the team's second leading scorer with 13.4 points per game, also was held to a dismal shooting night.

"I think the biggest thing is if we can control Tisdale, and contain her a little bit," Curry said. "Transition defense, not giving up easy baskets in transition, and probably more important than any of that is controlling the boards. Second and third opportunities against Baylor is what beats you."

Curry said she fully expects Baylor coach Kim Mulkey to fire up her team after the loss to Oklahoma State, but acknowledged that Tech's five-game road skid is enough motivation for a win in itself.

"They're probably pretty upset," Curry said. "Once Kim gets a hold of you for a couple days, that'll be enough motivation for those kids to respond to adversity, but we should respond from adversity that we've had on a consistent basis."

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# Tech track to rest regulars at home meet

By BRAD DUFF  
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After traveling to the far corners of the country, the Texas Tech track and field team is back in Lubbock to compete in its final indoor meet of the season.

Teams joining the Red Raiders Saturday include South Plains College, Wayland Baptist, North Texas and Lamar University.

Tech returns to Lubbock after a successful outing in the United Heritage Invitational in Nampa, Idaho, where the team earned three first place finishes as well as three personal bests. The women continued their success as Kelsey Lloyd and Julianne Kennedy finished second and fourth in the high jump with heights of 5

feet, 8 inches and 5'6", respectively.

For the men's squad, Lamont Adams won the 400M while Omo Osaghae took first place in the 60M. Leaving Idaho with its third top finish of the season, the men's 4X400 relay team of Wouter Le Roux, Bill Lawhorn, Rodney Mims and Lamont Adams ran a winning time of 3 minutes 13.03 seconds.

After traveling the past few weeks, coach Wes Kittley said some of his athletes will be sitting out Saturday.

"Some of our good people that have traveled for the past three weeks, they won't compete, or they're going to compete very limited," Kittley said.

Since Tech only is allowed to bring 26 athletes to the Big 12

Conference Championships, Kittley said this weekend will be a great opportunity to earn one of those spots, especially since most of the regular athletes will not be competing.

"We're looking for our kids to step up this week and get good marks so we can make them into one of the 26," he said. "These are preparation meets for the Big 12 and National Championships, so we're always looking whether we need to place this kid first leg or third leg and see how they handled this and that."

As far as the other teams competing Saturday, Kittley said they will be a fair challenge for his squad.

"I think you're going to find, individually, there's going to be bits and pieces of really good things in every event," he said. "It's a big meet; it's probably the largest meet we've had. We're going to get some good competition."

The Red Raiders begin their final home indoor meet of the season at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Athletic Training Center.

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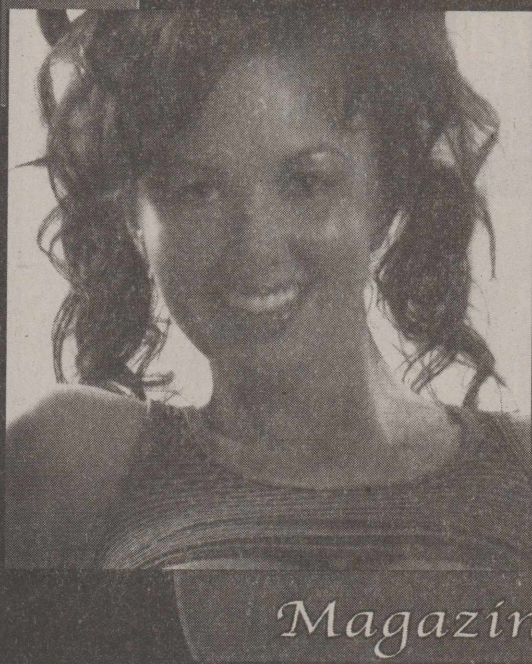
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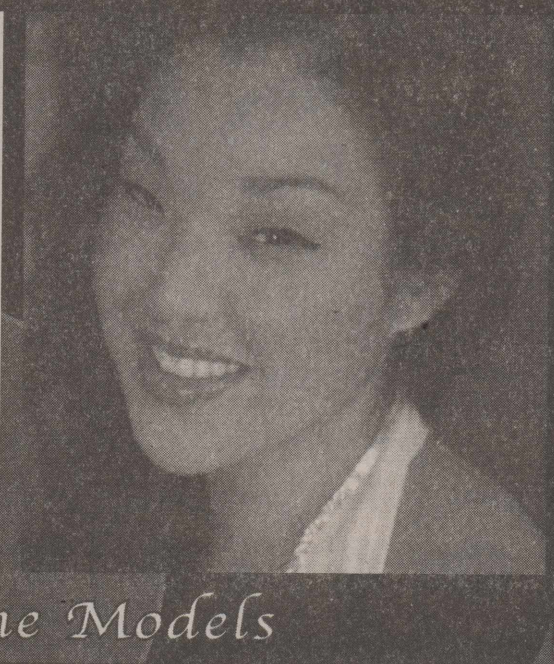
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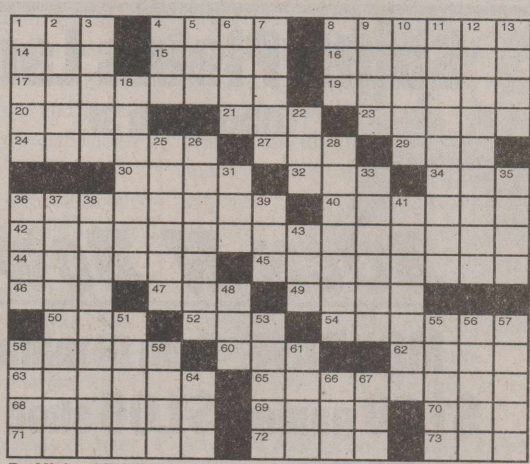
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# Tech tennis teams face ranked teams this weekend

By ADAM COLEMAN  
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech men's and women's tennis teams are set to push deeper into the season.

The men's tennis team will be on the road for the first time this season going up against No. 73 San Diego at noon today in Las Vegas. This is followed by a match against No. 75 UNLV at noon Saturday in the same location.

The women are set to return home to play North Texas at 5 p.m. today and Nevada at noon Saturday at the McLeod Tennis Center.

"We've got some real challenging matches ahead of us," Tech men's coach Tim Siegel said. "UNLV made the NCAA's last year; they won the Mountain West

Conference, so we know they're a good team. San Diego just lost 5-2 to the No. 6 ranked team in the country, USC, so we're looking forward to playing some very tough teams. Hope to do well (in Las Vegas)."

The No. 32 Red Raiders (3-0) hope to continue their winning ways on a road trip lasting for four consecutive weekends.

The men's team will not play in Lubbock until March 8.

Siegel said he welcomes the road matches because of his team's past success away from Lubbock.

"We've always had good success on the road," he said. "I think the conditions for all these places should be good. We're playing ranked teams in pretty much every place. Some of these matches are on neutral sites. Our guys

*"We've always had good success on the road. I think the conditions for all these places should be good."*

—TIM SIEGEL  
TECH MEN'S  
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have done well in those situations before, so we're looking forward to the challenge."

Last time out, the Red Raiders remained undefeated by sweeping Lamar and defeating Abilene Christian 5-1.

Bojan Szumanski enters the road trip as the No. 50 singles player in the nation. He and Christian Rojmar also make up the No. 10 doubles team in the country.

The women's team expects a challenge as hard as the men's team will face.

Last time on the road, the women took their first loss of the season at the hands of No. 38 Arizona 4-3.

In that match, Samantha van der Drift suffered her first singles loss of the season.

After the Arizona loss, the Red

Raiders bounced back for a 4-0 win over San Diego.

Tech coach Cari Groce said the Red Raiders will look to have the same attitude toward their next slate of opponents.

"From last weekend to the next four weeks is going to be very, very tough," Groce said. "I think we gotta approach this weekend (and) those two teams the same way we approached last weekend."

The women's team's young players started the season on a roll with freshmen Kelsy Garland and Simone Templeton being among the standouts. Garland and Templeton are both 5-0 in singles action to start their careers at Tech. Sophomore Kerryn Potgieter is 4-0 in singles play to start the season as well. Garland and van der Drift team for Tech's

No. 1 doubles team and boast a 3-0 record to start this season.

Groce said the Red Raiders bounced back from the Arizona loss because of their experienced players, while the younger players still have some work to do.

"I think what we did most of all, is we were able to put the veterans back in," she said. "We went ahead and went away from some of the results that had been happening in practice, where some of the freshmen were winning. So we gave them an opportunity to play (against Arizona), but then when they got out there, they got choked up and couldn't compete. So that's it, we're going to go with the veterans even though you're beating them in practice at home."

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## NBA announces details for community service

NEW YORK (AP) — Before they take to the basketball court in New Orleans, Kevin Garnett and the San Antonio Spurs' Tim Duncan will help unveil a new one.

The court refurbishment and dedication at the Mahalia Jackson School in Central City was among the plans the NBA announced Thursday for its "All-Star Day of Service" next Friday, two days before the All-Star game at New Orleans Arena.

Players will take part in 10 projects throughout the city, ranging from the rebuilding of homes to the construction of playgrounds. The league expects more than 2,500 people in town for the weekend to participate

in one of the community efforts.

"This is a standard operating procedure for us. It's who we are and what we do," commissioner David Stern said. "We're doing it a little bit more in New Orleans for a couple of reasons, but the most important of which in some way is to demonstrate how the city is in fact coming back."

It's the largest yet in a number of efforts the NBA has made to aid the city's recovery. Stern announced New Orleans would host All-Star weekend in May 2006, just nine months after Hurricane Katrina had devastated the region. Two months earlier, the Hornets hosted the Los Angeles Lakers in the first profes-

sional sports event in New Orleans after the hurricane.

This season, every visiting team will take part in a community service activity.

"I've done a lot of stuff in New Orleans as it is, I'm looking forward to doing some more," Lakers All-Star Kobe Bryant said earlier this week. "But that's one of the places that I've really been active in. It's something else for us to do in New Orleans."

Bryant will be part of crew that will construct homes with Habitat for Humanity. LeBron James is part of a team helping restore existing homes that have been abandoned, while others will aid in the cleaning up and improvement of schools.

## Man denied liquor license planned Super Bowl gunfire, changed mind in parking lot

PHOENIX (AP) — A would-be bar owner angry at being denied a liquor license threatened to shoot people at the Super Bowl and drove to within sight of the stadium with a rifle and 200 rounds of ammunition before changing his mind, federal authorities said.

Kurt William Havelock, who ultimately turned himself in, had vowed to "shed the blood of the innocent" in a manifesto mailed Sunday to media outlets, according to court documents. "No one destroys my dream," he wrote.

The documents say he was armed with an AR-15 assault-style rifle

Sunday when he reached a parking lot near University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale, where pre-game activities were happening.

"He waited about a minute and decided he couldn't do this," FBI agent Philip Thorlin testified at a detention hearing for Havelock on Tuesday.

Havelock's father testified that his son then called his fiancée and met his parents at his condominium in Tempe, like Glendale a Phoenix suburb.

"He was very upset; he was sobbing hysterically," Frank Havelock said. "He said, 'I've done something

terribly, terribly wrong.'"

Kurt Havelock, 35, was charged Monday with mailing threatening communications. He is being held without bail, and additional hearings have yet to be scheduled.

Havelock's lawyer, Jeffrey Allen Williams, did not immediately return a call seeking comment.

Federal authorities say Havelock was upset over being denied a liquor license.

A few months ago, Tempe officials denied Havelock's application for a liquor license for a Halloween-themed bar called The Haunted Castle, city spokeswoman Shelley Hearn said.

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# SPORTS

## Tech football fills void in schedule with Eastern Washington

By ADAM COLEMAN  
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Red Raiders found an opponent to fill Tulsa's spot for the 2008 season.

Eastern Washington will travel to Lubbock to play the Red Raiders Aug. 30 at Jones AT&T Stadium.

Tech will play Eastern Washington as a result of Tulsa breaking its agreement to play Tech for the next two seasons. The move left Tech scrambling for an opponent.

"Tulsa opted out of that con-

tract," said Tech Athletics Director Gerald Myers. "We only had a little over eight months to find a home game. We wanted a home game. We could not schedule a home game. We wanted a home game, and we wanted it on opening day, on Aug. 30. That eliminated a lot of (options)."

No matter the opponent, Tech defensive coordinator Ruffin McNeill said the coaching staff is relieved to have another game on the schedule after the falling out with Tulsa.

Eastern Washington went 9-4 in 2007 in the Division I-Foot-

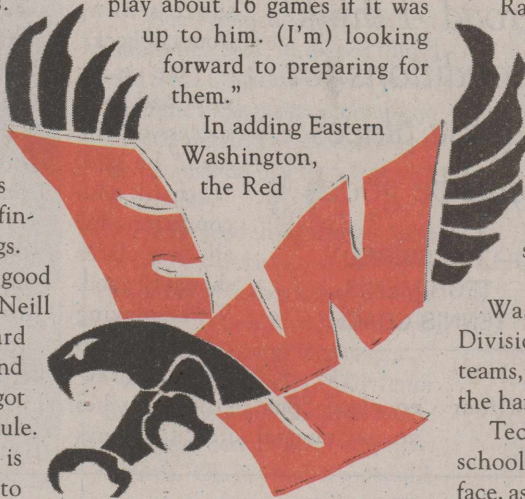
ball Championship Series. The Eagles faced eventual national champion Appalachian State in the first round and lost a close one 38-35.

Making it to the playoffs helped Eastern Washington finish No. 8 in the FCS rankings.

"I know they had a pretty good football team last year," McNeill said. "(I'm) looking forward to being able watch them and study them. (I'm) excited we got one more game on the schedule. I know coach (Mike) Leach is very happy. I bet he'd like to

play about 16 games if it was up to him. (I'm) looking forward to preparing for them."

In adding Eastern Washington, the Red



Raiders completed their non-conference schedule. After opening with Eastern Washington, Tech will head on the road to play Nevada, come back home to play SMU and wrap up the non-conference schedule with UMass.

Since 1982, Eastern Washington is 7-15 against Division I-Football Bowl Series teams, including a 42-7 beating at the hands of BYU.

Tech is not the only Big 12 school Eastern Washington will face, as the Eagles follow this game

with a visit to Colorado.

Eastern Washington was in need of an opponent as much as the Red Raiders, the Eagles fit what Tech was looking for, while they were just looking for a place to play.

"It completes our schedule," said David Cook, EWU associate athletic director. "We'll start the season off against two of the toughest teams in the country here. Our athletic director, Bill Chaves, formerly worked at Baylor, so I'm sure there's probably a Texas connection there somehow."

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## Texas Tech men in search of Pat Knight's first win

By ADAM COLEMAN  
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech basketball team is more focused on improving than on its former coach Bob Knight.

After an 80-74 loss to Baylor Wednesday, the Red Raiders still are looking for a Big 12 Conference road win. They will get another chance against Nebraska at 3 p.m. Saturday in Lincoln, Neb.

"(Focusing on Bob Knight is) not one of our goals," Tech coach Pat Knight said. "One of our goals is to keep moving forward as a team. We never even talked about (Bob Knight). We're just trying to get better. My whole thing is to, each day, make sure we're getting better. As a team, play harder and come close as a team."

The Red Raiders (12-9, 3-4 in Big 12 play) played a close game against Baylor but could not finish off the Bears.

For the second-straight game, freshman Mike Singletary stepped up as he scored 20 points in Tech's loss.

In the first half, Tech had a nine-point lead, but the Red Raiders could not build on it later in the game.

In the end, mistakes riddled the Red Raiders. They had consecutive turnovers and a foul to start the second half. Tech had 13 turnovers to finish the game. Baylor had 18.

The Red Raiders were close to receiving their first conference road win, but the bad start to the second half kept them from completing the goal.

"At the start of the second half, we just made too many turnovers," Singletary said.

"We just started out real bad. That caught up with us at the end when we were trying to make push. Just those turnovers at the start of the second half really hurt us."

Pat Knight said even though the Red Raiders lost, he was proud of the effort he saw in Waco, which is what he would

like to see against Nebraska.

"I thought the kids gave a great effort," he said. "I told him I was proud of

the effort but unhappy with the outcome. I told them 'people will be nice and tell you it was a moral victory' but I told them there's no such thing. If you lose, you lose. So now they gotta put together that effort and win some games."

The Cornhuskers (13-7, 2-5) will be the latest to welcome a Tech team boasting one road win this season.

Nebraska is coming off a 74-59 loss to Kansas State, looking to get back on the winning track.


Nebraska's offense is a problem for the Cornhuskers as they are 11th in scoring offense in the conference,

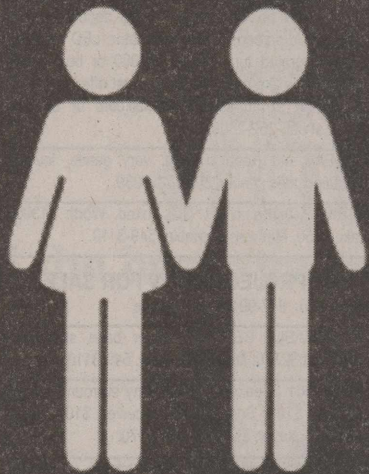
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— PAT KNIGHT  
TECH MEN'S  
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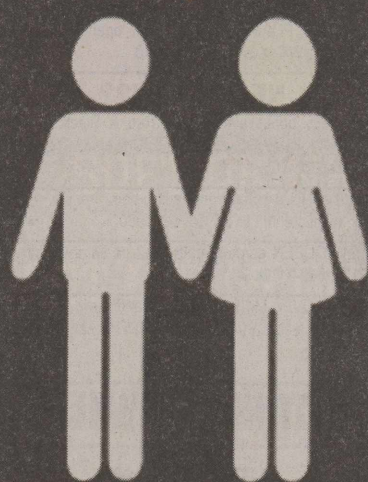
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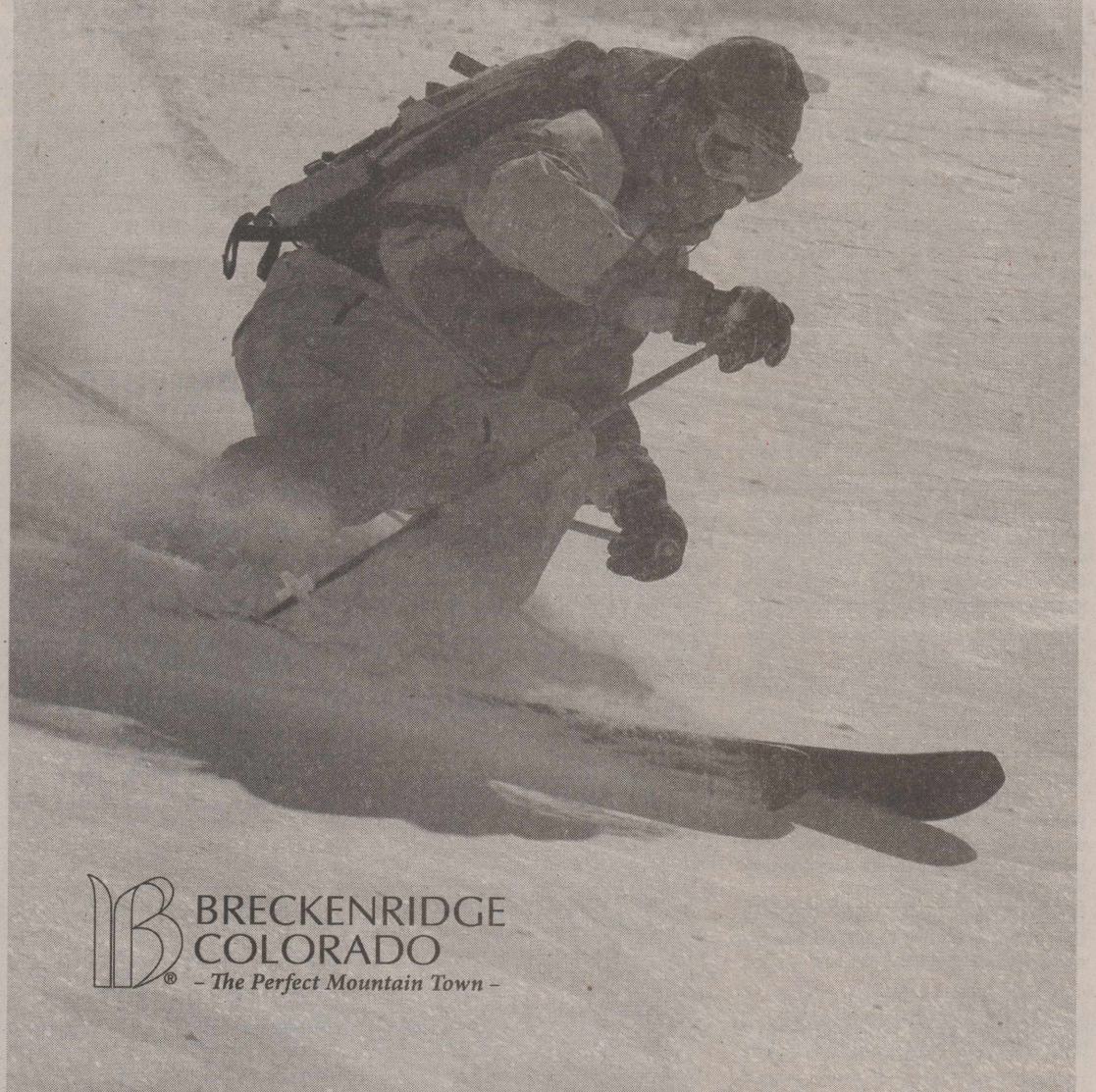


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