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### (INBRIEF)

### STATE

### Women testify against Air Force officer

WICHITA FALLS (AP) - A Sheppard Air Force Base training commander raped and twice assaulted a woman while they were alone in the building at night, she testified during a military hearing Monday.

The civilian worker said that twice last spring Col. Samuel Lofton III forcibly kissed her and put her hand on his genitals and another time raped her. She said she was shocked because she had not shown any romantic interest in him or responded to his flirtatious comments, and tried to avoid the situations by saying "Sir, I've got to go."

### NATION

### U.S. official, Chinese nationals charged

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI was raiding a home in New Orleans on Monday in connection with a spy investigation of U.S. military secrets being illegally given to China.

A Defense Department analyst with security clearances was among the three or four people being charged in what law enforcement officials described as separate cases in Virginia and California.

### WORLD

### East Timor's president in stable condition

DILI, East Timor (AP) — East Timor's president was in "extremely serious" but stable condition at an Australian hospital Tuesday after surgeons worked through the night to remove bullet fragments he suffered in a failed coup attempt, the hospital's administrator said.

Dr. Len Notaros, the general manager of the Royal Darwin Hospital, told the Australian Broadcasting Corp. Tuesday morning that surgeons operated on President Jose Ramos-Horta for three hours overnight to remove the fragments and repair his wounds.

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# College of Engineering TOMORROW

Awakening Council movement deputy chief of Anbar province's al-Qaida are targeting our offices. We in the asphalt.

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> have stepped ing drive out rts of Baghdad

Sneik Ali Hatem al-Sulaiman.

Council, said six of their bodyguards sociated Press, insisting on a tribal s, Abdul-Aziz were among those killed. At least 20 right to revenge. were wounded, he said.

ner led or in- nis who have turned against it.

w Sunnis who Baghdad. They also have lobbied own way." parliament in recent days over stalled for provincial elections.

biggest Sunni tribe and a leading ask the government not to diminish member of the Anbar Awakening our role," al-Sulaiman told The As- an explosives-laden minibus and a

He blamed al-Qaida in Iraq, and we don't want the government chiefs meeting. which has increasingly targeted Sun- or the U.S. forces to interfere," he said. "It is an open war against those speaking on condition of anonym-The Anbar sheiks often meet in criminals, and we will fight in our

A dense cloud of black smoke draft legislation that would set a date filled the air as firefighters hosed down dozens of charred vehicles. The "Al-Qaida and those who assist blasts ripped a crater two yards wide

The Iraqi military spokesman said sedan blew up nearly simultaneously — the first near a gas station and the "It has become a reprisal issue now second within minutes near the tribal

> Iraqi police and hospital officials, ity because they weren't authorized to release the information, said at least 22 people were killed and 42 wounded. The office of Iraq's chief military spokesman, Brig. Gen. Qassim al-Moussawi, put the casualty toll at 14 killed and 45 wounded.

## Tech conservatives establish list of 'biased' professors

If you get to them

young, it makes it

somebody think

your way.

**CULLIN DAVIS** 

**ECONOMICS MAJOR** 

In an effort to promote personal beliefs. an open exchange of Lideas in an academic setting, a student political complained the political organization took it upon itself to warn students about sors pervaded their lectures, some of Texas Tech's more said Brian Ridley, a Tech outspoken faculty.

In 2006 study conducted the Institute for Jewish & Community Research, more than 9,000 college professors

SOPHOMORE INTERNATIONAL were asked about their

"conservative" or "very congrading methods, he said. servative." The plurality, 48 percent, said they were that outspoken professors "liberal" or "very liberal."

The group began the list in response to students who views of some Tech profesgraduate student from Ard-

more, Okla., and former chairman of the group who helped create the a lot easier to make watch list. Com-

plaints came from those who felt their professor's bias might have reduced

political affiliation, and their grades on essays and 17 percent said they were other potentially subjective

Another concern was were using their in-class Two weeks ago, the Tech lectures to "indoctrinate" chapter of the Young Con- students to their politiservatives of Texas began cal viewpoints, said Cullin compiling a watch list Davis, a sophomore interof professors who were national economics major reported to the group as from Lufkin and the chairoverly assertive of their man of the group's Tech

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## City's \$104 million bond package put on hold

STAFF WRITER

Lubbock City officials announced the \$104 million bond package proposed by the city conducted by the Lubbock Chamber of Com- to consider different options for paying off ing the project a year could cost an additional manager will not be on the May election ballot merce revealed the majority of residents were the bonds.

including \$11 million in construction of 54 soccer fields at the Youth Sports Complex and \$45 on reconstruction of 34th Street from Interstate 27 to Slide Road. In addition to the two large projects, \$45 million was proposed for reconcity officials. struction street maintenance in different parts of town and \$3 million in park improvements.

Pam Fitch, assistant to City Manager Lee couple of functions, and I asked them if they in May. Ann Dumbauld, said Dumbauld will continue wanted to see the bond package held until to support the bond package.

Council to move forward with these impor- November." tant projects," Fitch said.

not opposed to the bond package, but wanted The package includes two major projects, to wait until November to vote.

they can concentrate on electing the right 2010 tax bill.

November," DeLeon said, "and 100 percent fixed up 10 years ago," Price said. "This stuff

"She's going to continue to urge the City said they wanted it to be on the ballot in is going to have to get done eventually. It is going

She said she favors placing the bond

According to a letter to the Lubbock City Council from Dumbauld on Dec. 14, 2007, delaying the bond vote until November so a \$100,000 home, beginning with residents'

family and actually had done some talks at a continue to do so if re-elected to the council avoid tax increases.

"Thirty-fourth Street should have been

to cost more the longer you delay."

Dumbauld said in the press release because According to a city press release, a survey package on the November ballot and wants construction prices are increasing rapidly, delay-

Fitch said it is too early to tell if the bond package will increase in value if it is placed on Linda DeLeon, councilwoman for District passing the \$104 million bond package would the November ballot, but the total budget defi-1, said she believes many residents favor increase property taxes by \$6.40 a month on nitely will be re-evaluated to account for rising constructions costs.

Price said he believes the reason projects like Floyd Price, councilman for District 2, reconstructing 34th Street – which has not been "I had been polling some friends and said he has supported the package and will worked on since 1950 – have been put off is to

"If you pay for things as they need to be done,

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## Child Development Research Center among best in country

By LILIANNA GONZALEZ STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech's Christine DeVitt and Helen DeVitt Iones Child Development Research Center is among the first early childhood programs in the nation to earn accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young

According to a Tech news release, NAEYC is the nation's leading organization of early childhood professionals, and it has a new, more rigorous accreditation

Stacy Johnson, director of the Child Development Research Center, said the center has been accredited for the

We are very proud to have met these very high standards, and to be among the first in the nation...

- STACY JOHNSON DIRECTOR OF THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTER

past 20 years, but the new accreditation standards are stricter.

"We are very proud to have met these very high standards, and to be among the first in the nation to have has 10 different standards done that," Johnson said.

The research center received the fications, leadership, relaaccreditation for a five-year period after tionship between family an on-site visit, and NAEYC assessors and staff and relationship ensured the program met each of its 10 between staff and children. standards for accreditation, according to the news release.

the College of Human Sciences, said she open to the public. believes the center is a good example of how an early childhood program should child here, but we do have a waiting list,"

"The CDRC is leading the way not ated with Texas Tech somehow."



PHOTO KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Toreado

A GROUP OF boys aged 4 to 5 years old play inside the Child Development Research Center located on campus near the Student Union Building.

only in the community but in the country," she said. "It is also a huge accomplishment for Texas Tech, as well as for the College of Human Sciences."

Johnson said NAEYC including teaching quali-

Development Research Georgia Godfrey, coordinator for Center has children from ages ranging external relations and development for from 6 weeks to 6 years, with the facility the CDRC carries is to provide an op-

Johnson said the Child

she said. "Most of our families are associ-



PHOTO BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Toreado A PLAYGROUND IS one of the Child Development Research Center's facilities that helped them earn the new high standard accreditation from the nation's leading organization of early childhood professionals, NAEYC.

Johnson said one of the missions portunity for different programs across "Anyone is eligible to bring their campus that do research on different issues related to children and family to work together.

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### ENGINEERING THE FUTURE



SENIOR CIVIL TECHNOLOGY majors Adam Laplante from Midland and Jacob Kirkland from Levelland, along with Philip Seely, a junior civil technology major from Corsicana, partake in an engineering lab Monday afternoon in the Civil Engineering building.

### Gunmen steal 4 Impressionist paintings worth \$163 M

ZURICH, Switzerland (AP) with paintings by Cezanne, Degas, police said. van Gogh and Monet valued at \$163.2 million.

Authorities appealed Monday for any witnesses to help reconstruct the robbers' getaway from the E.G. Buehrle Collection, a private museum of Impressionist works whose

with stolen art. "This is an entirely new dimen-Switzerland's history and one of the the Red Waistcoat. biggest ever in Europe.

The men, one of whom spoke German with a Slavic accent, loaded the paintings into a white vehicle parked out front. Police said the paintings may the robbers made their getaway.

founder had his own troubled history for information leading to the recovery of the paintings — Claude Monet's "Poppy field at Vetheuil," Edgar Degas' sion in criminal culture," police "Ludovic Lepic and his Daughter," Vin-received any such demand. spokesman Marco Cortesi said, cent van Gogh's "Blooming Chestnut calling it the largest art robbery in Branches" and Paul Cezanne's "Boy in Irell & Manella LLP's Los Angeles

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The three robbers entered the mumarket at \$6 billion annually, and — Three gunmen in ski masks and seum a half-hour before its scheduled Interpol has about 30,000 stolen works dark clothes burst into a museum close Sunday. While one trained a listed in its database. But while only just before closing time. After a pistol on museum personnel ordered to a fraction of stolen art is ever found, quick run through the building, they lie on the floor, the two others collected such thefts are rare because of intense hustled out the door and sped off four paintings from the exhibition hall, police investigations and the difficulty of selling the works.

"It's extremely hard, if not impossible, to sell these works," said Michaela Derra of Ketterer Kunst GmbH, a Munich, Germany-based purveyor of have been sticking out of the trunk as modern and contemporary art. "Maybe they think they can blackmail the A reward of \$90,000 was offered insurance (companies) and get money for the paintings in return. But this is all speculation."

Police said the museum had not

Steve Thomas, head of art law at The FBI estimates the stolen art was commissioned by a private collector looking to stash art in a secret

> He thought the motive most likely would be an insurance ransom, a reward or leverage for someone who could be facing prosecution for even bigger crimes.

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## **Professors**

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chapter.

"One of the big ways commuis that they would teach it in the schools, and same thing with fasyoung, it makes it a lot easier to get somebody to think your way."

Marcy, provost of the university. the watch list, he finds it hard to are.' believe students are so concerned

would like," he said. "Absolutely, other instructor. that's their privilege to do so."

structors, which goes against the other view." very nature of a healthy academic

much interaction they'll have with the watch list is flawed. them," he said. "That's not going to benefit the students any."

the group's intention in creatcommunication between faculty and students, Davis said. The goal of the watch list is not to make in there."

professors change their styles of the ability to see if a professor is enroll in his or her class.

Students who are familiar with nism was able to perpetuate itself the frustration of having intolerant professors, Ridley said, may find the list very useful in avoid-

Tech's professors rarely use people who want a professor who on my mind, whatever's on their very positive. The University of their positions as tools to promote allows dialogue and allows both mind, whatever comes up. It Texas chapter designates profestheir own agendas, said William viewpoints to be shared," he said. could be politics. It could be the sors to the list after a thorough Though he has not heard about find out who these professors game."

If students are informed about cise any right of free speech they within their rights to choose an-

Some professors, however, may against people who are open-forum take the list personally, said Gene teaching," he said. "It's people who Wilde, president of the Faculty sit at the front of the classroom certify the professor actually is and take student testimony." Senate. Once posted, the list may and use their bully pulpit to tell

atmosphere of free exchange, he assumption that college students themselves and the professor. need a watchdog group to help "If you have people who are them distinguish between fact concerned about being put on the and opinion. Students can discern list, particularly untenured faculty, a professor's bias without outside this may affect how open they are help, he said, and even if they were opportunity to explain the pertigoing to be with students and how incapable of doing so, the logic in nence of their remarks. Second,

Contrary to Wilde's beliefs, same students who are so naïve incident. as to not be able to distinguish ing the list was to promote open fact from opinion want to begin group's Web site, www.orgs.ttu. posting peoples' names on the

account, Wilde said. Some discusparticularly outspoken before they sion casually takes place between professors and students before class

"For example, I walk into my the door is locked," he said. "We a similar list several years ago. "We're hoping this will (help) begin chatting about whatever's "This will give them a (way) to weather. It could be a football

Although the list currently is syllabuses. blank, Ridley said, the group is professors will remain confidential "It's really not even going date for the release of the list.

biased. Claims must be verified

The group will verify student claims in two ways, Ridley said. First, the group will speak with accused professors to give them an students who submit a professor's

The list will be posted on the give it credibility.' also plans to post the list in a scope of political parties, Davis

Web site.

The watch list at Tech is not a spokesperson for the Young Conservatives of Texas and a student at classroom — I get there a little the University of Texas at San Anearly to set things up — and I let tonio. The Austin-based chapter cism," he said. "If you get to them ing those types of professors in the students into the classroom if at the University of Texas started

Feedback, she said, has been now. We'll dump them." investigation, which includes a look at the professor's lectures and

'They've been doing it for a about the integrity of the faculty. any potential biases a professor investigating six potential can-while now," Morales said. "I know "Certainly, students can exer-might have, Davis said, they are didates. The identities of the six that students still submit names, and they have a really well-orgafor now, and there is no definite nized list. Like I said, people don't have to take it to heart. It's kind Before posting anybody on of like 'Rate My Professor,' where the list, he said, the group will they just give recommendations

The watch list can be compared inhibit open communication students what they believe is to assure that claimants - who to the Web site www.pickaprof. between students and their in- correct and not give any sort of will be kept anonymous - are not com, Davis said, where students simply retaliating for a bad grade can access statistical information Wilde said he questioned the or personal differences between about potential professors before enrolling in their class.

> The group's blatant political ideology, however, sabotages the credibility of the list, Wilde said. The group's Web site reveals its partisanship.

"If you're a ditto head, then seeing a Web site reference Rush "To make sure (bias) is not a name also must provide the name Limbaugh's Web site... gives it problem," he said, "I guess the very of a witness who can attest to the credibility," he said. "If your orientation is otherwise, then it doesn't

The Young Conservatives of edu/youngconservativesoftexas/ Texas, however, belong in a non-Web site — a little circular logic index.php, he said. The group partisan classification beyond the

as many might suspect.

they tend to best represent us currently," he said. "There's going to

Although the group has every matthew.mcgowan@ttu.edu

Also, the context of political group they have created within said. The group's allegiance is to right to create the list, Wilde said, instruction, but to give students discussion should be taken into Facebook, a social networking its political views, not the GOP, resorting to "stunts like this," does not make sense to him. Confront-"It's not that we hold on to ing a professor and personally new to Texas, said Laura Morales, the Republican Party, it's that addressing the grievance would resolve these issues best.

"I think it's their right to do be the inevitable point in politics it," he said. "I don't think it's gowhen the Republican Party no ing to serve anybody well in the longer represents the conservative end. I suspect that, down the road, agenda, which it's getting close to they'll learn that and that will be the end of it."

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## Obama narrowly leads in general election matchup

if they were matched today in the pairing. presidential election, while Mc-Cain and Hillary Rodham Clinton are running about even, according to new general-election sentiment since the Super Tuesday contests.

Obama outpaces Clinton in a matchup against McCain among men, minorities and moderates in an Associated Press-Ipsos poll released Monday. And she does no better than Obama when pitted against McCain among two groups that have supported her in Democratic primaries so far: women and whites.

Recent primaries and Mitt Romney's departure from the Republican race have made McCain the heavy favorite to win the GOP presidential nomination. Clinton and Obama are locked in a Democratic battle that may take weeks or even months to resolve.

When she is paired against Mc-Cain in a general election matchup, she gets 46 percent to his 45 percent,

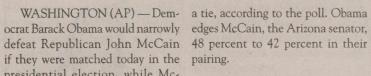
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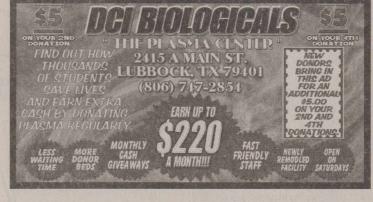
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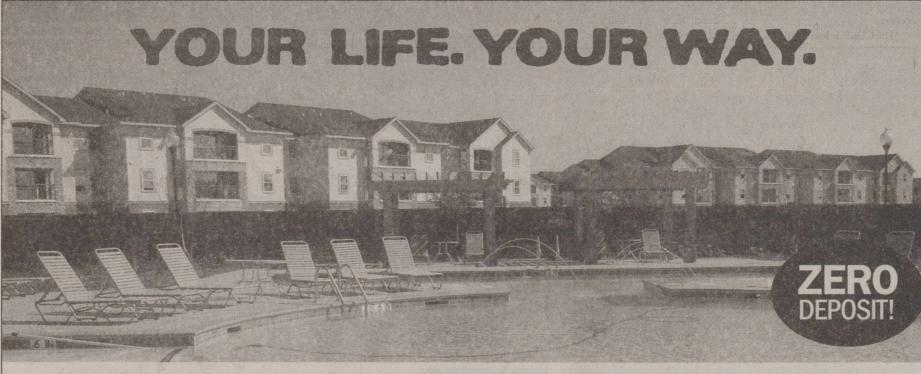
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# OPINIONS

## Importance behind painful memories

woke up yesterday morning by turning on my television to the Home Box Office network in an attempt to entice myself out of a borderline coma.

This, of course, was after a couple of violent altercations with my persistent and unreasonably loud alarm clock, which then led to an attempt at blatant sunlight and a meowing cat at my feet possible to follow.

thoughts for Valentine's Day, 2004.

propriate movie to grace the presence of ever knowing them. of my masterpiece of a television/com-

The first time I saw "Eternal Sun-Stangel Hall three doors down from my at 16. friend, Emily.

philosophical-type movies and then discuss them in an intellectual manner. Films are just think that, perhaps one of those things I edge on.

have sort of an elitist despite what you think is best for It's part of the reason I cringe when yourself, love is I see "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days" on love — it can't be somebody's favorite movies list on controlled, tamed, Facebook or why I refused to watch or explained. "Evan Almighty" with my mother over

was "really good."

Christmas Break, no

Not to say I can

that "Legally Blonde" is the greatest movie of its generation and then demand it win an Academy Award? No. Does it serve its purpose, however,

being cute, light and silly-funny? Sure. But again, as always, I digress.

memory, who would it be and why?"



It makes me

If somebody, in the act of breaking up The movie, one of my all-time fa- with you, happens to tear your chest cavvorites, begins with the line, "Random ity open with their bare hands and hold superior to such a being — turn you into your beating heart in front of your face a stronger, wiser person? Today is a holiday invented by greeting for a moment before squeezing it between card companies to make people feel their fingertips like a large piece of Play-Doh, I could understand why you might For the week at hand, it was an ap- want to completely erase your knowledge

For my part, especially at the time, puter/sound system extraordinaire — and I had no real relationships — especially one that has led me to the matter of this those that ended badly — for me to declare the hypothetical winner.

There was my first and subsequently shine of the Spotless Mind" I was still only boyfriend who I dated for threea baby freshman, 18 years old, living in months when I was finally able to date

Although technically I broke up She and I have this connection of with him because I found out he was sorts, where we like to watch brilliant, watching "Braveheart" with another girl

while I was at Dairy Queen, I wasn't acover the event. For a steady six weeks prior, I had been trying to figure out how to let the annoyingly nice guy

But, since then, I can say I finally have a person in mind who if I had the choice, I would

matter how much she implored to me it erase from my memory with much joy them painful.

and exhilaration. for such movies, because I do understand entire moments of my life leads me to they have their place. Would I proclaim further musings — because if I'm willing to delete experiences and human beings, who have added experience and "life-lessons," perhaps even in an ostentatiously depressing way, aren't you you are today?

to the discussion of, "If you could erase could be labeled as a "trial" or "tribulaone-single human being from your entire tion"—although actually going through the experience might lead to feelings of - although the movie would have you result or the learning and surviving of believe otherwise — such a thing is not such an event surely would add to your

life positively in some way. Right?

This person and those memories of this one person might cause me to feel the need to drink many ounces of spiced rum while watching some sort of violent, science-fiction film — kitten cuddling in my lap — to make me feel better; but doesn't the point after that moment — you know, that point when you realize exactly all the reasons why you are far

Don't transgressions lead to prosperity? And if so, then should we not welcome these moments with open arms, rather than wish for a procedure where you might be able to deny yourself into submission?

My absolute favorite point of "Eternal Sunshine" is the fact that, despite their intentions, the two main characters — post-procedure — realize something is wrong. Jim Carrey's character Joel begins to fight the process in his mind, realizing even though there are memories he finds painful and sad, there are also good memories that he wants to keep, subconsciously.

The end of the movie leads to them meeting again and perhaps beginning the tually heartbroken relationship all over again, without them even knowing it.

It makes me think that, perhaps despite what you think is best for yourself, love is love — it can't be controlled, tamed or explained. It just is what it is.

Joel says to his memory version of go without crushing Clementine, played by Kate Winslet, "I loved you on this day. I love this Apparently, I memory," and suddenly he realizes he have a soul — on can't go through with erasing her.

And even though the movie might quote Nietzsche saying, "Blessed are the forgetful: For they get the better even of their blunders," it really is a commentary more on holding onto memories, even if the end result of the relationship makes

In that spirit, Valentine's Day is not everyone's favorite day, and I empathize. Even when I have somebody I love on Valentine's Day, I won't want to celebrate it, because it's forced emotion, in my opinion, and spontaneity always has been the road to my heart.

But, that shouldn't mean it's a bad and have an entertainment value for taking away even just a little bit of who day altogether, for everyone. And though some people, if not most, might have For instance: if one goes through a those past and forlorn memories of a "Eternal Sunshine" led Emily and I rough experience — something that forgotten love to haunt them come Thursday, remember: that they make us

It's a provocative question, because anger, sadness or depression, the ending **Drumm is** *The DT*'s **opinions** editor. E-mail her at britnev.drumm@ttu.edu.





## Northwestern University journalism dean may have fabricated quotes in story

**By DAVID SPETT** 

DAILY NORTHWESTERN (NORTHWESTERN U.) (U-WIRE) EVANSTON, III.

ethics says anonymous quotes should magazine, I was surprised.

One quote, in last spring's issue, a marketing campaign to discourage explanation here. drunk driving among teenagers.

and make things better. Journalism is the best way for me to do that, - Nearly every guide to journalism but I sure felt good about this class. It is one of the best I've taken, and I be avoided. So when I saw Medill learned many things in it that apply of them in two columns for Medill as to this campaign to save teenage

is attributed to a Medill junior in be anonymous. Many newspapers last winter's "Advertising: Building print their rationale for granting Brand Image" class, which designed anonymity, but there was no such

The phrasing also struck me as

The quote reads: "I came to Me- odd, and an instructor at Medill, who quote, even when I promised not to that I often don't remember," Lavine traditional forms of journalism. dill because I want to inform people insisted upon remaining anonymous print their names. for fear of retaliation, told me that Lavine often uses the phrase "sure felt asked for his exgood" colloquially. I searched my email and found one message the dean tape-recorded insent to Medill students, dated Oct. terview, he told Dean John Lavine had used three as much to truth-telling in journalism 23, 2007, that contained the phrase me the quote had "we sure want you to know."

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All the students denied saying the not, I see so many of these (e-mails) would be less necessary than in more I find reason to be suspicious.

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not have asked if he could, because remember it or not, or told you or attributing quotes in this context were fabricated. But at the very least,

"The point was not in this instance that you said it, or she said it, He said he or someone else said it," he said. "The could not find the point was, this is an opinion, these student to ask per- are feedback I got."

In his columns, the dean has used his or her name. two other anonymous quotes - at-(The dean did not tributed to "one student" and "one sophomore," with no further details given — but none in which he named the student or explained why the quote was anonymous.

We cannot be certain these quotes

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## Tech professor looks to animal waste as solution to energy problems



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CLIFFORD FEDLER AN associate dean with the graduate school speaks to the Tech Renewable Energy Society about the uses of bio mass as an

By MATT MCGOWAN STAFF WRITER

Sciences building, and it's not corn its own byproducts. ethanol or wind power.

Clifford Fedler said he had an ideal plan for producing 80 percent of the country's annual electrical energy region produces enough cow manure

needs in a way pleasing to both the economy and the environment. Bio-fuel — more specifically, a A Texas Tech environmental combination of animal waste and a engineer offered one possible solution plant called water hyacinth — could to the United States' energy problems transform the United States from a Monday evening in the Human fossil-fuel addict to a sensible user of

"It's really a matter of looking at During his presentation to the what potential we have and where Tech Renewable Energy Society, this potential lies, and then, what are your limitations," he said.

Because the southern high plains

each day to fill the Jones AT&T Stadium twice, Fedler said, the local until approxiavailability of bio-fuel is astounding. mately five years Unfortunately, however, few local energy producers see the potential in Texas seemed manure, so they leave it in the field to finally wake to waste away.

"There's not a cow out there who's the cows, Fedler not going to produce something every said. The pace day," he said. "He's not going to be of changes still able to hold it in that long."

Another often-overlooked biological power plant, water hyacinth, Fedler vincing people said, produces vast amounts of energy to adopt change on relatively small plots of land.

If Lubbock residents were to realize the potential of these two energy locomotive with sources and begin a gradual shift a rubber band," toward their utilization, he said, it because "it'll would not only yield economically get there, but it more viable energy production, but will take some the impact on the environment time." Even the cycle, itself, would be self-sustaining entice change.

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He said conon this scale is "like powering a

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Progress has been slow, however, lem," he said. "Think of a cattle renewable energy.

A problem as complex as energy do they know? shortages and environmental decline, he said, requires a very abstract and They know cattle, and they often far-fetched solution. The soluknow cattle very, tion for the energy issue only will very well. Then I come if the world begins thinking come in here and about it in bold new ways.

"It's all up in the air right now," you try water he said. "There's no clear plan of hyacinth?' They what we're going to do. We know that there's problems — too much pollution, too much global warming, peak oil — all those types of problems call for this kind of thinking, I think, where you look at various solutions."

Fedler said he still remembers ulty adviser for the moment he saw the potential in animal waste. When he was a child, newable Energy his father would ask him to go outside

Society, said he and clean up the swine house. "Needless to say, I thought that invited Fedler would be very low and the production economic benefits of bio-fuel fail to to speak after overhearing a con-there's got to be something else we versation between him and another can do with this crap," he said.

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## Watchdog group says Craddick illegally trying to buy support

AUSTIN (AP) — A political tee sent \$50,000 checks to the three watchdog group on Monday alleged that House Speaker Tom Craddick is illegally trying to buy support for his re-election as the influential leader codes by using campaign funds to aid of the chamber.

Texans for Public Justice filed a complaint with Travis County one day to be laundered," said Craig Ronnie Earle, a Democrat, to open a Public Justice. criminal investigation. Craddick is a Republican.

Craddick's office didn't immediately comment on the filing, which was being reviewed by the district one who didn't was Rep. Dawnna attorney's public integrity unit.

tends to run for a fourth term as seeking comment. speaker, became House leader in of that chamber for the first time returned a call Monday. since Reconstruction.

Craddick of indirectly donating to return it. He said he has not \$50,000 to each of three Democrats discussed the speaker's race with who have supported Craddick and Craddick and it was not mentioned are facing re-election challenges when the money was offered by the within their party. A fourth Demo- committee. crat turned down the money, the

group said. speaker when they convene next elections," Bailey said. year. Craddick turned back two challenges to his leadership from his own party at the beginning and end of last year's legislative session. usually targets Republicans. Fifteen Democrats were crucial in offsetting his loss of support among Republicans.

The key to the watchdog group's allegation is the timing of dona-

According to the complaint, the Texas Jobs Political Action Committee had reported no cash on hand as of Dec. 31, then received \$250,000 from Craddick's campaign fund on Jan. 10. The next day, the commit-

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The complaint said Craddick violated election and government his speaker candidacy.

"It (the money) was parked for prosecutors, asking District Attorney McDonald, director of Texans for

The Democrats who accepted the money were Reps. Kevin Bailey of Houston, Kino Flores of Palmview and Aaron Pena of Edinburgh. The Dukes of Austin. She did not imme-Craddick, who has said he in- diately return a telephone message

Bailey was the only one of the 2003 after Republicans took control three who accepted the money who

He said he needs the money The watchdog group accuses for his campaign and has no plans

"Nobody's bought my vote. I have not pledged to anyone and I'm quite House members must elect a sure I won't until after the November

> Critics, including Bailey, have accused Texans for Public Justice of being a left-wing organization that

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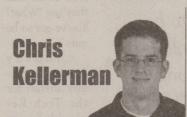
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## 'Roscoe Jenkins' worth the price of admission

Tanuary and February are bad months for movies. You see, Oscar season comes to a close, and all the lame films the big studios were dreading are put right at the beginning of the year. Therefore, when you go to see a comedy in January or February, you can't expect it to be at the level of "Superbad" or "Juno."

moments to make you smile.

Martin Lawrence plays Roscoe Jenkins, a Southern boy who grew up in a happy family and then becomes a daytime talk show host. He's suc- (Nicole Ari Parker). It's clear from cessful and living the good life — a the beginning Roscoe is still in love millionaire with an attitude he calls with Lucinda, and this furthers the bias was unfair. Sigh. "the team of me." He is engaged to rivalry Clyde and Roscoe already the sassy, greedy Bianca (Joy Bryant) have. The rest of the movie explores Roscoe, Bianca and Roscoe's son important in life. from a previous marriage, Jamaal, anniversary.



Jones) are upset Roscoe hasn't been With that in mind, "Welcome home in years. Roscoe's family, a Home Roscoe Jenkins" still isn't a delightful cast of characters played great movie, but it's in the "Worth" by the likes of Mo'Nique and Michael a Matinee Ticket Price" category. Clarke Duncan, hassles Bianca to There are enough laughs and warm no end and give Jamaal the love he's or Saturday night. See it on a Tuesday never had from his father.

Enter Cedric the Entertainer as Roscoe's cousin, Clyde, who is dating Roscoe's high school crush, Lucinda who is a former winner of "Survivor." Roscoe's discovery of what's most

I went to this film with a slight head home for Roscoe's parents' 50th bias, because I am not a huge Martin **Mellerman is a senior political** Lawrence fan. However, Lawrence At home, Roscoe's parents (played does a nice job, as do the other by Margaret Avery and James Earl actors. Mo'Nique is ridiculous as

Roscoe's loud and offensive sister, and as difficult as it is to see Michael Clarke Duncan in a comedic role, he's decent.

The jokes are hit-and-miss. I'm tired of fart jokes and sexual situations involving dogs. However, some of the stuff is fresh. One joke about Forrest Whitaker almost makes the entire movie worth it. Bianca's constant references to living life like an episode of "Survivor" are hilarious.

Don't go see this movie on a Friday afternoon when the prices are low, or wait until it comes out on DVD and add it to your Netflix queue. It's two hours of mindless entertainment and has a good message.

I'll admit... my Martin Lawrence



Three out of five guns up

science and music major from Arlington. E-mail him at chris. kellerman@ttu.edu.

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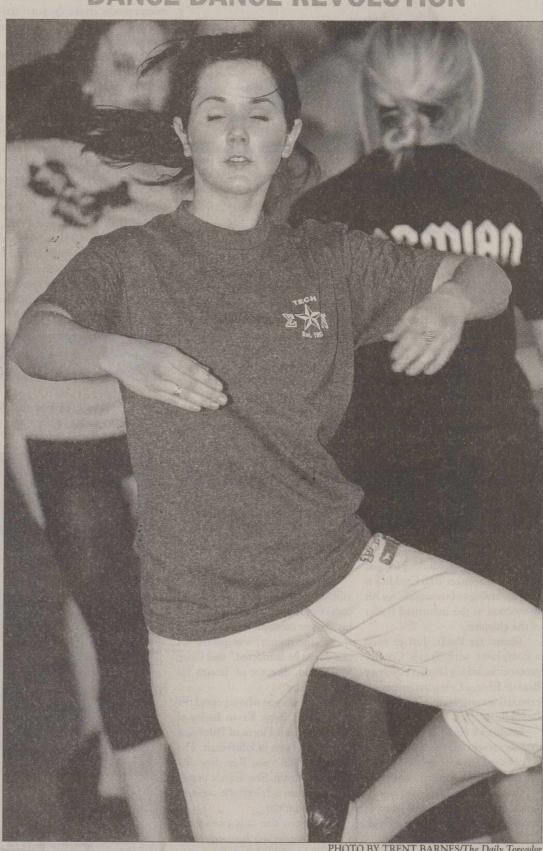


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AMY STILWELL, A sophomore accounting major, dances a routine Monday in a Jazz II class located in the Sports Studies center.

## 'Fool's Gold' hardly a treasure

By PETERSON HILL THE CRIMSON WHITE (U. ALABAMA)

make me suspend my logic. "Fool's Tennant really cares about. Gold" is that type of film, yet I was ness of the plot because the film was but at times it works. winking at us the whole time. The film

It is Andy Tennant's first film boat the day before his divorce to

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since the pretty boring and unfunny Tess (Kate Hudson). "Hitch," and he shows little growth behind the camera, but I don't know (U-WIRE) TUSCALOOSA, Ala. if he really cares. "Fool's Gold" is sure — I have a weakness for films that to make money, and I guess that is all

The film is about sunken treasure unable to delve into the ludicrous- and love. Yes, it is indeed a tired idea, voluted, highly illogical and utterly

Matthew McConaughey plays and just kidding around - therefore, set on treasure. The problem is that he is a bumbling fool and sinks his

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He gets lucky and finds enough proof to convince Tess and her boss Nigel Honeycutt (Donald Sutherland) that the treasure really does exist. I will not go into the specifics of the treasure, because they are con-

But the treasure is merely the wants us to know that it is light fare Finn, a beach bum with his mind means for Tess and Finn to fall back in love in the tasty locales of the Caribbean. Tess and Finn not only go through the motions of falling back in love, but are entangled in a (maybe) deadly game of treasure hunting.

> It seems that Tennant has watched the "Indiana Jones" films a lot, yet he took notes in the wrong places. The secret to a film like "Indiana Jones" is the characters. Spielberg crafts those films with the grace of a lightweight boxer dancing from round to round. But Tennant gets too bogged down with discussing the treasure, the seeking of treasure, then discussing it some more.

## Grammys offers great sets, upsets

By CAROLYN VIDMAR BADGER HERALD (U. WISCONSIN)

(U-WIRE) MADISON, Wis. the past, celebrate the present and

night's 50th annual Grammy Awards Hancock and Kanye West. The night Music's biggest night aims to "honor performed, including Carrie Under-

featured dozens of performances by was full of standout duets and collaboheavy hitters in the music industry. rations between industry legends and Almost all of the leading nominees contemporary artists. A Beatles tribute by the performers in Cirque du Soleil wood, Feist, Amy Winehouse, Beyonce and the cast of Across the Universe featured "A Day In the Life," and "Let it Be." Several lifetime achievement awards were presented, and a massive gospel production honored Aretha Franklin as the 2008 Musicares Person of the Year. This menagerie of performances made it easy to forget that the Grammys are an awards ceremony: Out of 110 awards categories, only a handful were televised.

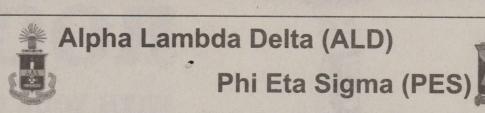
Alicia Keys won Best Female R&B Vocal Performance for "No One." Carrie Underwood won Best Country Song for her hit "Before He Cheats," but Vince Gill took the award for Best Country Album. Rihanna won Best Rap/Sung Collaboration for "Umbrella," featuring Jay-Z, and The White Stripes won Best Alternative Music Album and Best Rock Performance. Not surprisingly, both Justin Timberlake and Bruce Springsteen were also

successful in multiple categories. The Foo Fighters did beat the Boss in the fight for Best Rock Album with Echoes, Silence, Patience and Grace. In the unconventional and rebellious spirit of rock and roll, they performed for fans standing outside of the Grammys rather than inside the Staples Center in Los Angeles, where the event was held. The Foo Fighters also won Best Hard Rock Performance.





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By MEREDITH FRASER THE DARTMOUTH (DARTMOUTH)

(U-WIRE) HANOVER, N.H. - Every writer in Hollywood has This humor isn't for everyone. Just dealt with the recently resolved because I enjoy borderline-offenwriters' strike differently. Some sive satire doesn't mean my picketed. Some made fun of reality more, uh, "sensitive" peers will TV. Some feared homelessness. But get the giggles as well. But Sam Means '03 decided to spend his off-time wisely, writing a book titled more than just poke fun "A Practical Guide to Racism."

Now don't get your discrimina- effectively condemns the tion-sensitive panties in a wad — Means happens to be a humor writer the realm of absurdity. with one sweet resume. As an undergrad, he contributed humor columns parent on every page, and comic strips to The Dartmouth. After graduating from the College his overarching sentiand obtaining his master's degree at ment by including a King's College, Cambridge, Means chapter on "Merhas written for The Onion, Saturday people" (y'know, Night Live's "Weekend Update" and, like Mermaids) right perhaps most notably, "The Daily alongside chapters Show with Jon Stewart." He also on "Blacks," "Hisdraws cartoons for The New Yorker. panics" and "Ar-In 2006 Means won an Emmy for his abs." writing on "The Daily Show," and he'll return to that gig now that the he explained strike has ended. Case in point: He's the unexpected one badass jokester.

Keeping all that past experience in mind, the satirical tone of "A the Merpeople Practical Guide to Racism" should be chapter was obvious. I had high expectations for really so that this lampoon of both racist thought people would

Here's the necessary disclaimer:

"A Practical Guide" does at racial stereotypes — it concept of racism into In case this isn't ap-Means drives home

In an e-mail, Mer-chapter: "The point of

and high academia and with jaw get the overall joke of the book from chapter is in there to point out non-whites are inherently inferior

dropping laughs on every page, those the table of contents. Not to be too that hating Mermen and Mermaids to their paler counterparts. expectations were impressively met. heavy-handed about it, but that and believing those stupid, hateful lews, or Asians."

Now I'm no expert on ra-Simply put, this book

heart - it gets pretty down and dirty as far as mean things you

cover even the

Stoddard, who notoriously used their own warped science to "prove" that

"Let's just say my internet browsstereotypes about them, makes just ing history for the last year or so as much sense as hating all blacks, would raise some serious eyebrows," Means said.

The book's tone strongly echoes cial epithets or discrimina- the type of humor found in the natory stereotypes, but to tional newspaper parody the Onion, my knowledge, Means which Means has written for in the doesn't leave much out. past. Also, it's important to note that "A Practical Guide" is written by is not for the faint of Means "in character" as a haughty "Ethnography" professor named C.H. Dalton, who Means said "might be a distant relative of T. Herman Zweican say about certain bel, the Onion's fictional, cantankerraces. In order to ous editor-in-chief."

most offensive allowed Means to parody high acaing, Means did a satire of racism. Means' time spent lot of research at Cambridge prepared him for that in prepara- aspect of the book. "[Grad school] tion. He dove definitely gave me an appreciation into the work for the absurdity of academia, as well of academic as some experience with blowhard racists such as professors like Dalton, which is part Josiah Nott of why I enjoyed creating that charand Lothrop acter so much," he said.

Means expected some backlash from readers who found the book offensive — but the opposite has turned out to be true. "Most of the negative feedback I've gotten has been from people who don't think it's offensive enough, which is a little creepy," he said. He explained that the book is more about racist jokes, rather than adding new ones to the slew that already exist. Cheap humor this is not, and anyone expecting jokes along the lines of "South Park" or "Mind of Mencia" will be disappointed.

Since the writers' strike began on Nov. 5, Means has been promoting his book and writing freelance for Writing with Dalton's voice magazines and websites. He admitted that watching "The Daily Show" racial stereotyp- demia in addition to his more overt return to the airwaves (sans writing team, of course) was tough, but since the Writers Guild of America finally struck a strike-ending settlement, he'll be back at the writers' table soon enough. Until then, Dartmouth can claim that one of its most noteworthy alums is out peddling racist humor to those who can find it absurd - and hilarious.

### Theater draws flack for 'Vagina Monologues' showing at Penn

By STACEY FEDEROFF DAILY COLLEGIAN (PENN STATE)

Pa. — An e-mail opposing the upcoming presentation of The Vagina sexuality. Different women perform Monologues at the State Theatre monologues ranging from comedic prompted its executive director to topics, such as what their vaginas file a police report Thursday.

executive director, said he filed the of women being raped and tortured report with the State College Police during wartime. Department after reading the subject Sunday performance.

"I was concerned about the subject line and the threatening of one can surface. of my employees," he said.

L. Morella, a Penn State research the issues," she said. assistant, opposed the performance at the theater but was not threatening. Negra said Morella's e-mail criticized the depiction of rape in the performance and the use of the word "vagina."

Morella could not be reached for comment by press time.

Negra said the e-mail was circulated, and the theater then received another forwarded message with the same content as Morella's original message, but a different subject line, which Negra deemed threatening.

A copy of the e-mail was not available to The Daily Collegian.

State College Police Lt. Dana Leonard said an investigating officer reviewed the e-mail, but nothing unlawful was found in its content. Any subsequent messages of a harassing, obscene or threatening nature would lead to further investigation, he added.

Leonard said he couldn't recall any objections to other performances that involved police.

Negra said there has been no objection to any other performance at the State Theatre, 130 W. College Ave., since it opened last year.

The theater has received about five other e-mails about the performance, some criticizing the theater's decision to present it, Negra said. However, the theater should not be held responsible, he said, because it is only renting the space to the women performing The Vagina Monologues.

Producer Valerie Jarrett said she reviewed the e-mails on Thursday. She said she had expected some opposition to the downtown performance, even though the monologues have been performed on campus for the last nine years.

"We knew there would be controversy literally bringing The Vagina Monologues across the street," she said.

Sarah Kosar (sophomore-theatre), assistant director of the oncampus production of The Vagina Monologues, said that during the past two years, no one involved has received any negative or threatening feedback.

Kosar said the purpose of theater is not to please everyone.

"The theater exists to challenge ideas and challenge people's views," she said. "If people react, then you know you're doing something

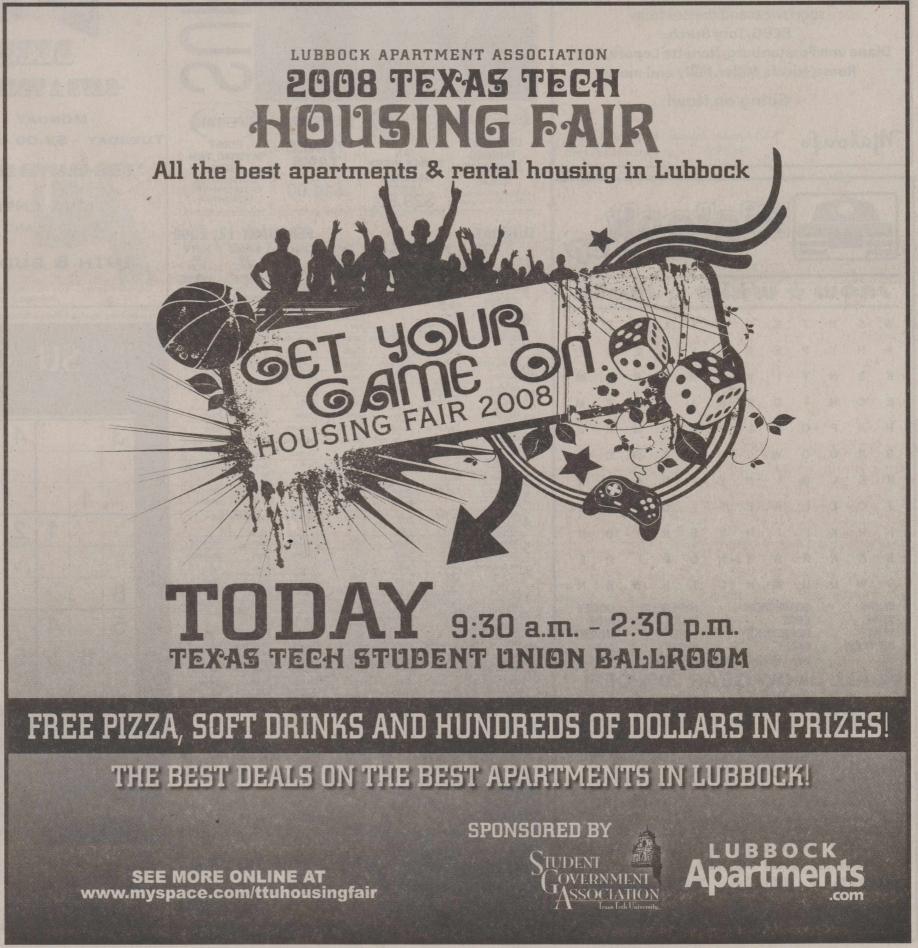
Written by Eve Ensler in 1996, (U-WIRE) UNIVERSITY PARK, The Vagina Monologues features a group of women speaking about their would say if they could talk, to more Mike Negra, the State Theatre serious women's issues, like a retelling

Jarrett said she is glad opposing of the message regarding the 7 p.m. opinions have surfaced, so awareness of sexual assault and domestic violence discussed in the performance

"I welcome the controversy be-Negra said an e-mail sent by Gary cause at least people are talking about







# SIP(O)RIES

## McNamee lawyer predicts criminal investigation of Clemens

Brian McNamee believes the Justice was not immediately returned. Department will open a criminal investigation into Roger Clemens' denials of doping.

date a federal law enforcement official.

last week to staff lawyers of the House of what will or will not happen." Committee on Oversight and Governdeposition.

prosecution after Wednesday, and that drama. means there will be grand jury proceedings and subsequent proceedings," Richsaid Sunday. "I don't see there's any possibility that Brian has any jeopardy. getting investigated by Justice, whether Hardin said. or not Congress refers it."

Told of Emery's comments, Rusty Hardin, Clemens' lead lawyer, said: "They have consistently acted and Meantime, the chairman of a con-indicated that they have a pipeline to gressional committee said comments agents of the Department of Justice. ment investigaattributed to one of the pitcher's lawyers Whether they do or not, it certainly tion of Clemens could be interpreted as trying to intimi-raises a lot of questions of whether even if the comwhat's going on here is proper. So I'm mittee doesn't Clemens gave a five-hour deposition not going to express any predictions ask for one.

McNamee says he injected Clem- come back that ment Reform prior to Wednesday's ens with steroids and human growth he is connected public hearing. McNamee, former hormone at least 16 times in 1998, with those sypersonal trainer to the seven-time Cy 2000 and 2001, accusations Clemens ringes, they Young Award winner, gave a seven-hour has repeatedly denied. Both are set have evidence to testify Wednesday on Capitol Hill that contradicts "I think there will be a criminal in what figures to be a day of high his sworn state-

"Our position is very simple: Roger did not take steroids, he did said. ard Emery, one of McNamee's attorneys, not use human growth hormone, and he has demonstrated that he is I only see the possibility of Clemens oath as to the truth of those matters,"

NEW YORK (AP) — A lawyer for questing Justice Department comment needles from times Clemens used perthat the pitcher's legal team says is quoted as saying. manufactured. Emery said he thinks there will be a

Justice Depart-

"If the tests ment to federal officials," Emery

Hardin was

quoted in Sunwould be "brazen" and "unbelievable" A message left Sunday night re- Justice Department what he says are cases, attends the hearing.

formance-enhancing drugs, evidence Roger will eat his lunch," Hardin was be adverse repercussions to a federal or talking about steroids. The FBI's

Rep. Henry Waxman, the committee chairman, actions.'

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ROGER CLEMENS' LEAD LAWYER

the hearing or taking other official that inquiry.

Sunday, saying his comments were vember on four counts of perjury and "inelegant" and "I regret it." Hardin some comments said he meant that if Novitzky purby Hardin and sued legal action against Clemens he in which he denied knowingly using McNamee's law- would lose, and the remarks were "not yers were "inad- meant as a threat of personal action against agent Novitzky."

Still, Hardin criticized Novitzky on Tuesday. know your in- in the letter for "conduct that could tent in making reasonably be perceived as witness this statement, intimidation" and conduct "intended but under one to chill Roger Clemens' attempts to interpretation it publicly defend his reputation."

The committee called this hearing attempt to in- as part of its probe into the Mitchell timidate a federal Report, in which McNamee went law enforcement public with his accusations against official in the Clemens. The same committee last willing to repeatedly testify under day's New York Times as saying it performance of his official duties," month asked the Justice Department Waxman wrote. "It is not your client's to investigate whether former AL if IRS Special Agent Jeff Novitzky, a prerogative to dictate who attends MVP Miguel Tejada lied when he told McNamee last month gave the key prosecutor in the BALCO drug or does not attend the hearing. ... I staff in 2005 that he never took illegal trust you did not intend your com- performance-enhancing drugs and had Johnson.

"If he ever messes with Roger, ments to be a signal that there could no knowledge of other players using law enforcement official for attending field office in Washington is handling

> Barry Bonds, baseball's career Hardin wrote to Waxman late home run leader, was indicted in Noone count of obstruction of justice in connection with grand jury testimony performance-enhancing drugs.

> > Clemens spent two days visiting congressmen last week and may again

> > His agent, Randy Hendricks, responded Sunday to an article by four professors from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School who criticized an 18,000-word statistical report Hendricks Sports Management issued to rebut accusations that the pitcher's career rebounded about the time he is accused by McNamee of using performance-enhancing drugs.

Hendricks' report compared Clemens' performance during the second half of his career to those of Nolan Ryan, Curt Schilling and Randy



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## Biggio agrees to personal services contract

stars Nolan Ryan, Roger Clemens and at-bats, hits, doubles and total bases. Jeff Bagwell.

agreed to a three-year personal services career in Houston. Last June, he became of the game work." contract with the Houston Astros, simi-the 27th player to reach 3,000 hits and lar to deals the team struck with former retired as the Astros' leader in games, the general manager, helping coach Mitchell Report. It will take effect when

HOUSTON (AP) — Craig Biggio season after playing his entire 20-year "I'm excited to see how the other aspects

young players as well as assisting the As- Clemens officially retires. Clemens "I've already moved on to the next tros on the business side. He'll split time threw batting practice in late January between the Astros and St. Thomas High School, where he's working as an assistant baseball coach. His oldest son, Maid Park. Conor, plays for the team.

games," Biggio said. "It's going to make

The Astros said their deal with Clemens is still intact, despite the He'll work as a special assistant to steroid allegations that surfaced in the to minor leaguers, including his oldest son, at the team's mini-camp at Minute

Bagwell, who played 15 seasons "My mornings are free and my in Houston, retired before last season nights are free, so that works out very because of an arthritic right shoulder. nicely for meetings and it works out for He served as an instructor at spring training last year and at the mini-camp, something Biggio said he's interested in doing.



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2. Duke	21-1	1,714	2	2. Connecticut	22-1	1,174	1
3. Kansas	23-1	1,662	- 4	3. North Carolina	22-2	1,154	3
4. Tennessee	21-2	1,553	7	4. Maryland	25-2	1,077	4
5. North Carolina	22-2	1,511	3	5. Rutgers	19-3	1,061	7
6. UCLA	21-3	1,383	5	6. Stanford	22-3	1,019	6
7. Stanford	20-3	1,354	9	7. LSU	20-3	946	8
8. Georgetown	19-3	1,207	6	8. Baylor	21-2	885	5
9. Butler	21-2	1,132	10	9. California	21-3	819	9
10. Michigan St.	20-3	1,071	11	10. Oklahoma	17-4	804	10
11. Texas	19-4	1,014	12	11. West Virginia	19-3	736	12
12. Xavier	20-4	962	13	12. Duke	18-6	689.	11
13. Indiana	20-3	933	14	13. Old Dominion	20-3	670	13
14. Drake	22-1	863	15	14. George Washington	19-4	572	14
15. Wisconsin	19-4	816	8	15. Oklahoma St.	19-3	537	17
16. Texas A&M	20-4	713-	18	16. Notre Dame	18-5	513	16
17. Connecticut	18-5	658	19	17. Kansas St.	16-6	426	<i>⊎</i> 18
18. Kansas St.	17-5	486	20	18. Pittsburgh	18-5	361	15
19. Purdue	19-5	467	24	19. Utah	20-3	283	20
20. Notre Dame	18-4	465	22	20. Texas A&M	17-6	252	21
21. Washington St.	18-5	419	17	21. Syracuse	18-4	205	23
22. Pittsburgh	18-5	301	21	22. Wyoming	19-3	188	22
23. Louisville	18-6	_246		23. Ohio St.	18-6	172	19
24. Vanderbilt	20-4	222	23	24. UTEP	19-2	112	<u> </u>
25. Saint Mary's	20-3	204	25	25. Vanderbilt	18-6	97	-

### Quiet day at Daytona means NASCAR is doing things right

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) Crew chief Tony Eury Jr. visited Sea nervously for the hammer to drop. World. And some of NASCAR's top officials played golf.

Daytona International Speedway on season opener, nearly turning NASCAR 2008 be about the action on the track Monday, just the way NASCAR into a national laughingstock in the days and the characters who comprise the

Cheating scandals rocked the Dayon those two days of Speedweeks.

Instead, NASCAR officials huddled growing faster than Stewart's hair. - Two-time series champion Jimmie in their offices to determine punish-Johnson took a trip to the Florida Keys. ments, while the offending teams waited cheating.

Not so this year. The only Speedweeks States. tona 500 the previous two years, tardrama so far has revolved around an alnishing NASCAR's most prestigious leged fat joke to Tony Stewart that may that in recent years, with sagging televievent and turning the attention to have earned Kurt Busch a left hook. It sion ratings and a decline in attendance as the uglier side of racing. It made for a apparently happened in the NASCAR fans grew bored with the racing and bland busy Monday and Tuesday at Daytona, hauler — no one involved will discuss the drivers afraid to show any emotion. France which is traditionally closed to crews particulars — but that hasn't stopped the heard the rumblings and began to rethink

But, hey, that sure beats talking about

NASCAR opened this year hoping to get back to the basics. After several Five teams were popped last season changes, large and small, to its top series, All was quiet — for a change — at and six people were kicked out of the chairman Brian France wants to make leading up to the Super Bowl of racing. most popular form of racing in the United

> The attention had shifted away from entire garage from spreading a tale that's NASCAR's behavioral guidelines.

## Tech men's golf finishes 5th after leading early

By KEVIN CULLEN STAFF WRITER

team finished fifth in the Hawaiiat Waikoloa Village Golf Club playing really good right now." last week.

provide motivation for his team.

"We started really well, we were tied for first," Sands said. "We ended hard to win the tournament. up dropping to fifth. The guys seem they didn't get the job done."

turned in one of his top outings were thinking too far ahead." of the year by finishing in the Top lowest round total Thursday with a unable to finish. six-under 64.

The Texas Tech men's golf got a lot of confidence right now. It's Lubbock." hard to judge from field to field which

The team ended day one of the with maturity. Coach Greg Sands said he be- tournament in a tie for first place with lieves this disappointing finish will Arizona State but saw that lead disap-

"I think for the most part, more pretty motivated to not let that than anything, we just probably tried eighteen, so we can't act like it was I think they tried to win the golf tourso hungry to win tournaments that instead of just going out and playing. and not holding on to it.' they were pretty disappointed that Sometimes in golf you can get ahead of

10. He shot the tournament's third was well prepared, but they were just carded a 2-over 212 while freshman

"Sometimes you just don't do as 218. "Off the top of my head, I guess well as you hoped," he said. "Like I that's his best performance," Sands said, we played well at first, we just while No. 8 USC and Arizona State said. "We really are working on just didn't finish it, Most of those guys finished tied for second place. doing well as a team, and he is obviare from last year. Most of the guys >> kevin.cullen@ttu.edu

ously a team player. He has had three have played on Bermuda greens, and straight Top 10 (finishes), and I think it was windy one day. Obviously we he is playing real consistent and has were prepared for that, being (from)

Sands said he believes his team Hilo Intercollegiate tournament is the better performance, he is just needs to hold on to a lead when it can get one, but he believes that will come

"Basically I just — we are trying look at it like 'hey we are going to get pear over the next two days. Sands said the job done, but we are learning lots he believes some of his golfers tried too of different things from our experience' and in the long run we think it's going to make us better," he said. " Each one of the guys has something I happen again. It was fifth out of a little bit too hard," he said. "Mentally think they can take from that and get better. Ultimately, we just don't want a bad performance. The guys are just nament on the second and third day to be satisfied with being in the lead

Along with Merrell leading the yourself, not stay in the present, so to team with a 7-under 203, Chris Ward Junior golfer Garrett Merrell speak, and focus on each shot — they shot a 4-under 206 to tie for 13th place in his first event as a Red Raider. Sands said he thought his team Will Griffin and Santiago Rivas both Sergio Franky finished with an 8-over

No. 10 Stanford won the event

### TV program to air video of Simpson's arrival at Vegas jail

Simpson told jailers he had been an executive producer. planning to host a poker game at released Monday.

"I didn't expect to be back here so soon," Simpson laughed broadcast Tuesday at 9 p.m. as he was greeted by a Las Vegas transcript from producers of the comment Monday. MyNetworkTV show "Jail."

LAS VEGAS (AP) — O.J. man on Jan. 11, said Morgan Längley, ers at a Las Vegas casino hotel.

his home in Miami before he was expecting," Langley said of Simpson's release on \$125,000 bail by trying to brought to Las Vegas to spend sev- appearance, which Langley said drew contact a co-defendant in his armed eral nights behind bars, according cheers from other people in an intake robbery case. A judge doubled his to a television program transcript waiting room at the jail. "It was a little bail. bit strange."

Simpson's lawyers did not immepolice jail officer, according to the diately respond to messages seeking Simpson tells a jailer. "Now (I) hate

Simpson and two other men are A crew was already filming at due for trial April 7 on charges includ- house that I was hosting and today I the Clark County Detention Center ing kidnapping and armed robbery finally found my golf swing," he says. when the former football star was stemming from a Sept. 13 confrontabrought in by his former bail bonds- tion with two sports memorabilia deal- posting the new bail amount.

He was brought back to Las Vegas "It was not something we were for allegedly violating terms of his

According to the transcript, Simp-The segment is scheduled for son said he was having a good day until he was brought back to Las Vegas.

"I used to love coming to Vegas,"

"I had a poker game tonight at my

Simpson returned to Miami after

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## Big Problems

Tech has hardship defending low post

By ADAM COLEMAN STAFF WRITER

If Texas Tech had a problem guarding centers and forwards this season, the Red Raiders' problem may get a little more difficult.

After a stellar performance by Nebraska's Aleks Maric Saturday in the Cornhuskers' 73-62 win, the Red Raiders continue to have difficulty defending centers and forwards.

Wednesday, Tech will face what could be two of the top big men in the conference in Kansas State's Michael Beasley and Bill Walker.

"We didn't come out with a lot of energy at all (against Nebraska)," Tech guard John Roberson said. "We were kind of flat. We just couldn't guard the big man inside. He was killing us the whole game. We just didn't play (well) as a team at all."

Maric had 22 points and 14 rebounds against the Red Raiders, both were game-highs. The center was already on a roll before Nebraska met Tech, as this was his fourth consecutive double-double.

With his performance against Tech, Maric is seventh in the Big 12 Conference in scoring, averaging 15.8 points per game. He follows his scoring up with rebounding, as he is third in the conference with 9.3 per game.

Roberson said the Red Raiders' trouble with centers and forwards is a recurring theme with Tech.

He said playing Tech bring out the best in centers and forwards, which is difficult to handle.

"Every time we play somebody a lot of space. He just sat with a good big man, they seem to in the middle of the lane. have one of their best games against us," he said. "We're going to have to eliminate that (and) find ways to disrupt their big men. We just gotta find a solution to that problem."

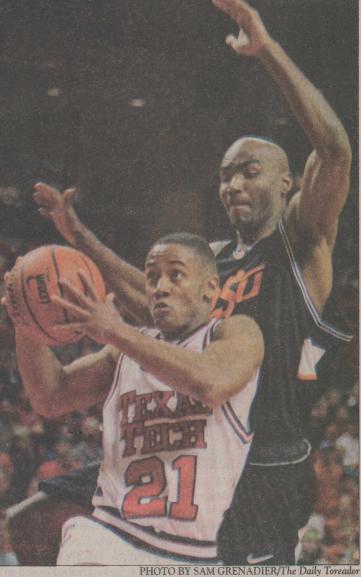
Only two players average more rebounds in the conference than forward for Kansas State Maric, and Beasley is one of those who is key to the Wildplayers.

With the help of Beasley, who behind Beasley in scoring leads the conference in scoring and on the team with 15.8 offensive and defensive rebounds, points per game. No. 22 Kansas State is on top of the Big 12 North.

Coming off an 82-61 win over Beasley and Walker are Oklahoma State, the freshman forward earned his third consecutive Big 12 Rookie of the Week honor, the first Big 12 player ever to do so. Last week against Nebraska and Oklahoma State, he averaged 29 points and 13 rebounds to win the honor.

Tech forward Mike Singletary said he believes the Red Raiders' fortunes against centers and forwards will turn at the right time against Kansas State.

"I think we did (have a problem them down." guarding the big man against Nebraska)," he said. "(Maric) took up ing centers and forwards in the Big



TEXAS TECH GUARD John Roberson attempts a shot against Oklahoma State's Marcus Dove earlier this season at the United Spirit Arena.

Our (big men) were having a little bit of trouble. I think they'll get it done whenever we play Mike Beasley on Wednesday."

Walker is the other cats' success. Walker is

Roberson said the futures of players like

"As far as I know, (Beasley is) probably going to be the No. 1 pick in the (NBA) Draft," he said. "Bill Walker's probably one of the best athletes in our conference. It's going to be hard to stop them, but we're going to have to come

Besides facing the task of defend-

TEXAS TECH FORWARD Damir Suljagic

could have the task of trying to defend Kansas State's Mchael Beasley Wednesday. up with a scheme and try to shut 12, the Red Raiders are riding a two-

game losing streak to begin the Pat Knight era.

Knight said he has to give his all with his new head coaching job.

"There's nothing you can prepare for," he said. "I just look at it as — it is what it is. You might as well give it a try."

For the next two games, Tech will be at home, a place where most of its success in conference play has come. After welcoming Kansas State, the Red Raiders will face Oklahoma at home. With the second matchup with Oklahoma coming up, Tech will see its first action against another top forward in Blake Griffin.

Tech will face Kansas State at 8 p.m. Wednesday at the United Spirit Arena.

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