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Officer reprimanded in soldier's death

FORT WORTH (AP) - An Army officer who narrowly avoided a military trial received a letter of reprimand over allegations he lied about when he last spoke to a soldier who died during a Fort Hood training exercise, his attorney said Monday.

Master Sgt. Terry Peggins received the letter in his permanent military file last week, a month after Fort Hood's senior mission commander said the evidence against him would not support a court-martial, said Peggins' attorney John Galligan.

NATION

4 dead, 1 missing from fishing boat sinking

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — A fishing boat sank off Alaska's Aleutian Islands on Sunday, leaving four crew members including the captain dead and another missing, the Coast Guard said.

Forty-two of the 47 crew members on board the Seattlebased Alaska Ranger were rescued, but the search continued for the missing person, said Chief Petty Officer Barry Lane.



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

n Thursday's edition of The Daily Toreador look for a special four-page section dedicated to L remembering the 4,000 men and women who lost their lives in Iraq. In the section will be stories from the soldiers themselves, photographs from the war zone and informative articles about the current conflict in Iraq.

US death toll in Iraq hits 4,000

By KIM GAMEL ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD (AP) - U.S. officials said Monday they will press forward in the fight against extremists in Iraq a day after the overall U.S. death toll in the five-year conflict rose to 4,000.

The White House called the grim milestone "a sober moment" and said President Bush spends time every day thinking about those who have lost their lives in battle.

"He bears the responsibility for the decisions that he made," White House press secretary Dana Perino said. "He also bears the responsibility to continue to focus on succeeding."

The American deaths came Sunday, the same day rockets pounded the U.S.-protected Green Zone in Baghdad and a wave of attacks left at least 61 Iraqis dead nationwide.

No group claimed responsibility for the Green Zone attacks, but suspicion fell on Shiite extremists based on the location of the launching sites.

The deaths of four U.S. soldiers in a roadside bombing about 10 p.m. Sunday in southern Baghdad pushed to 4,000 the number of American service members killed as the war enters its sixth year. Another soldier was wounded in the attack, the military said.

The Associated Press count of 4,000 deaths is based on U.S. military reports and includes eight civilians who worked for the Department of Defense.

"You regret every casualty, every loss," Vice President Dick Cheney said. "The president is the one that has to make that decision to send young men and women into harm's way. It never gets any easier.'

An American military official in Baghdad said each U.S. death is "equally tragic" and underscored the need to keep up the fight.

"There have been some significant gains. However, this enemy is resilient and will not give up, nor will we," military spokesman Navy Lt. Patrick Evans said. "There's still a lot of work to be done.'

Last year, U.S. military deaths spiked as U.S. troops sought to regain control of Baghdad and surrounding areas. The death toll has seesawed since, with 2007 ending as the deadliest year for American troops at 901 deaths. That was 51 more deaths than 2004, the second deadliest year for U.S. soldiers.

Tens of thousands of Iraqi civilians also have been killed since

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WORLD

Royalist candidates win in landslide

THIMPHU, Bhutan (AP) - A political party seen as the more royalist of two groups seeking power swept the first parliamentary elections ever held in this secluded Himalayan kingdom, Bhutan's election commissioner said Monday.

The Bhutan Peace and Prosperity Party took 44 of the 47 seats in the new parliament, Election Commissioner Kunzang Wangdi said. The People's Democratic Party won the remaining three seats.

Turnout was slightly more than 79 percent of the 320,000 registered voters.



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By MAGGIE KIELY AND ADAM YOUNG THE DAILY TOREADOR

In response to Texas Tech President Jon Whitmore's res- named in June 2007, she said. ignation, Chancellor Kent Hance formed a search committee

assigned to select the next Tech president, as Whitmore was announced as a finalist for the presidency at Portland State University in Oregon Thursday.

According to a university news release, Tech's search committee includes 10 Tech community members.

"The members of this group are of the highest caliber, and I am confident their search, which will commence as soon as possible, will yield the most qualified candidates in the nation," Hance said in the release.

Di Saunders, director of communications with the Oregon University System,

said Whitmore was selected as one of three finalists for the position of president at Portland State — an sition are Kathie L. Olsen, deputy director and chief operating

- after an almost 9-month search for a candidate to fill the provost and senior vice president for academic affairs position.

The presidential search committee at Portland State was

WHITMORE

The process of selecting a president at a large university, she said, often can take more than a year.

Whitmore named finalist at Portland State | Bhutto loyalist elected

"It takes a long time," she said. "First you name the search committee, and then it takes quite a while, especially for a large university such as this."

More than 100 applicants applied for the position at Portland State, Saunders said, which was advertised in national publications, such as the Chronicle of Higher Education.

Though she said she is not aware of how the finalists for the position were selected, she said two of the three candidates, including Whitmore, currently work at large universities.

Competing against Whitmore for the po-

institution with an enrollment of 24,284 as of fall 2006 officer of the National Science Foundation, and Wim Wiewel,

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Al-Qaida calls on Muslims to strike US, Jewish interests to avenge Gaza violence

By LEE KEATH Associated Press

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Al-Qaida deputy leader Ayman al-Zawahri called on Muslims in a new audiotape released Monday to strike Jewish and American targets in revenge for Israel's recent offensive in the Gaza Strip.

The al-Zawahri tape came on the heels of a message from Osama bin Laden, who called for a holy war to liberate the Palestinian territories. Together, the two messages appeared to be a more direct push by the terror network's leadership to use widespread anger over the Gaza violence to whip up support.

Israel's weeklong offensive in Gaza ended in early March. It was launched in an attempt to put down Palestinian militants firing rockets against nearby the Israeli town of Sderot and city of Ashkelon. The Israeli assault killed more than 120 people, including many civilians. Three Israelis also were killed.

Bin Laden and al-Zawahri have frequently referred to the Palestinian cause in their past messages, but usually in broader terms of liberating Jerusalem and denouncing Israeli violence. Their latest calls for attacks, however, had a more immediate and urgent tone.

The string of messages has raised concerns that al-Qaida

could be planning new attacks in the West — or is seeking to inspire its sympathizers to carry out violence. In another message last week, bin Laden warned of a "severe" reaction against Europe after Danish papers published a cartoon seen as insulting Islam's Prophet Muhammad.

The authenticity of the 4 minute, 44-second audiotape could not be independently confirmed. But the voice resembled that of al-Zawahri on previous audio and videotapes confirmed to be his. It was posted on an Islamic militant Web site where al-Qaida usually releases its statements, and a banner advertising the tape had the logo of al-Qaida's media arm, Al-Sahab.

"Muslims, today is your day. Strike the interests of the Jews, the Americans, and all those who participated in the attack on Muslims," al-Zawahri said. "Monitor the targets, collect money, prepare the equipment, plan with precision, and then while relying on God — assault, seeking martyrdom and paradise."

Al-Zawahri said attacks should not be limited to places in Israel and the Palestinian territories.

"Today there is no room for he who says that we should only fight the Jews in Palestine," he said. "Let us strike their interests everywhere, just like they gathered against us from everywhere.'

Pakistani PM, frees all detained judges

By MUNIR AHMAD Associated Press

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) - A longtime loyalist of • slain opposition leader Benazir Bhutto was elected Pakistan's new prime minister Monday and immediately freed judges detained by President Pervez Musharraf.

The release of the judges was a powerful symbol of Musharraf's slipping authority since Bhutto's party swept parliamentary elections last month.

The newly elected prime minister, Yousaf Raza Gilani, will form a new government dominated by Musharraf's foes, who have vowed to slash the U.S.-backed president's sweeping powers and review his counterterrorism policies.

Minutes after parliament elected Gilani, dozens of political activists and lawyers climbed over a wall surrounding the home of deposed Chief Justice Iftikhar Mohammed Chaudhry, who had been under house arrest since November.

C Democracy has been revived due to the sacrifice of Benazir Bhutto - YOUSAF RAZA GILANI NEWLY ELECTED PRIME MINISTER

Chaudhry emerged onto a balcony smiling and thanked supporters in his first public appearance since his detention. Riot police stood by as the intruders rallied on the justice's front lawn.

The National Assembly voted 264-42 to elect Gilani, who told lawmakers he would demand the release of all judges detained under Musharraf. Soon afterwards, deputy Islamabad commissioner Amir Ahmed said Gilani's order had been implemented, Pakistan's state-run news agency reported.

After the vote, Gilani shook hands with Bhutto's son, Bilawal Bhutto Zardari, who wiped tears from his face and smiled. His mother held the post of prime minister twice before being killed in a suicide attack in December.

Cheers of "Long live Bhutto, BB is still alive!" rang out through parliament. Fellow lawmakers embraced Gilani as he made his way to the prime minister's lectern.

"Democracy has been revived due to the sacrifice of Benazír Bhutto," said Gilani told lawmakers. "We didn't get here out of charity. This moment came because of continued struggle and martyrdom."

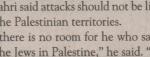
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FBI, Tech police offer tips to prevent identity theft

By AMY HUMBERT STAFF WRITER

Before leaving a wallet in a parked car for hours, leaving personal information around the dorm room for all to see or making purchases on the Internet from businesses not well known, think again.

Cody Patton, a senior publications major from Midland, said he was affected by identity theft.

"I regularly played Internet poker, and to get into the site, you have to pay a deposit," Patton said. "Paying the deposit is the easiest access to get into the site."

Patton said someone obtained his account number from the site who obtained a person's credit card and charged \$1,000 to a furniture information. He said one potential a victim to come to us," Gonzastore, but Wells Fargo helped take identify thief was pulled over by the les said, "but for us to open the case, ' Internet," he said. "Banks do not care of the fraudulent charges. Patton Department of Public Safety for a there has to be a monetary threshold now warns against gaming on poker traffic violation. Web sites.

"so watch out."

Daniel Gonzales, supervisory senior resident agent for the Dallas he was scamming were division of the FBI, said although not residents of there were only two incidents of identity theft investigated by the FBI in Lubbock last year, people are identity theft scammed monetarily in other ways. cases in Lub-

"We are lucky to not have as bock come much identity theft as other cities," to the FBI, Gonzales said, "but we have seen a lot he said. The of Internet scams, lottery scams, mail victim first scams and computer intrusions."

He said the two instances the the Lubbock po-FBI had to handle with identity lice or the Federal theft were scams run by individuals

"The person had equipment in

in Lubbock, but the people

Lubbock."

But not all must go to

Trade Commission. "It-only takes being

loss that has occurred.' In 2006, there were 1,255 cases

"It is easier than ever to steal their car that duplicates driver's li- of identity theft the FBI opened, said. "He was arrested and prosecuted involved one or multiple victims.

> In 2003, there were 1,582 cases. Every year since then, the case number consistently has decreased, he said, beare many precautions people can take to avoid becoming victims.

"The No. 1 preventive measure is to never give information over the phone or call asking for PIN numbers, Social Security numbers or to ask for your "account number."

If a person is considering purchas- nies that do credit reports: Equifax, identities or credit cards," he said, censes and makes checks," Gonzales Gonzales said. These cases could have ing an item on the Internet, Gonzales Experian and TransUnion. said he recommends knowing the company the item is being purchased from. He said several people in Lub- there were three cases of identity bock were scammed while using fraud at Tech last year. One took eBay.

> habits include storing all personal Credit Union. cause there information in a safe place; shredding and getting credit reports.

> > make sure any unused credit cards or charges up." bank accounts do not come up as active," Gonzales said. "Also, recognize ing when information is being used new credit cards on the report that fraudulently or tips for not becoming someone may have applied for or a victim to identity theft, visit the received in your name.'

people go to Freecreditreport.com, it will bring up the three main compa- Description amyjoy.humbert@ttu.edu

Sgt. Matthew Wainscott with the Texas Tech Police Department said place at the Health Sciences Center Gonzales said other preventive and the other two at the Tech Federal

"Students leave their wallets bank statements, receipts or anything in the front seat, and then people with a transactional record; not car- will steal their credit cards," Wainrying a lot of personal information; scott said, "or they will leave their backpack unattended and someone "When you run your credit report, could take it and run their credit

For more information on detect-Tech Police Department to pick up Gonzales said he recommends information packets or visit the FBI's Web site, www.fbi.gov.

Greeks light flame for Beijing Olympics amid protests over Tibet

Olympics flame-lighting ceremony in Ancient Olympia on Monday and a Tibetan woman covered in fake torchbearer.

field during the ceremony, evading capital of Lhasa, leading to waves of massive security aimed at preventing such disruptions in the wake of China's crackdown on Tibet.

One man ran behind Liu Qi, president of the Beijing organizing committee and Beijing Communist Party Secretary, as Liu was giving a speech. The protester unfurled a black banner showing the Olympic rings as handcuffs.

Three protesters from the Parisbased press freedom group Reporters Without Borders who were detained.

human rights are even more so," the in southern Greece. More than 1,000 nearby village of ancient Olympia while Paris-based group said in a statement. police were deployed ahead of expected other protesters chanted "Free Tibet" "We cannot let the Chinese govern- protests by pro-Tibetan groups.

ANCIENT OLYMPIA, Greece ment seize the Olympic flame, a symbol the country."

demonstrations against Chinese rule Antonaros said. Protesters ran onto the stadium turned violent March 14 in the Tibetan unrest in surrounding provinces. People who sympathize with the Tibetan cause have also staged rallies in other countries.

> The death toll from the violence in Tibet has varied and been impossible to confirm independently. China's reported death toll is 22, but Tibet's exiled an 85,000-mile journey. The torch is government says 80 Tibetans were to arrive March 31 in Beijing. It then killed. Another 19 died in subsequent violence in Gansu province, it said.

Greek officials said politics have no place at the ceremony at the 2,800-"If the Olympic flame is sacred, year-old birthplace of the ancient games or dye lay in the road approaching the

"The Greek government condemns (AP)-Protesters disrupted the Beijing of peace, without denouncing the every attempt to interfere with the cerdramatic situation of human rights in emony for the lighting of the Olympic flame, through actions that have no China's Communist leadership has relation at all with the Olympic Spirit," blood briefly blocked the path of the faced a public relations disaster since government spokesman Evangelos

> China state TV cut away from the protest at the ceremony and showed a prerecorded scene, preventing Chinese viewers from seeing the incident. Chinese television commentators did not mention the demonstration.

> The flame for the Aug. 8-24 games was lit using the sun's rays. From Olympia, the flame will embark on will travel through 20 countries before returning to mainland China.

After the torch left the stadium, a Tibetan woman covered in red paint and "Shame on China."

Posthumous citizenship for US troops killed in Iraq brings conflicted feelings for families

becoming an architect. A Nigerian in order to truly belong? medic. A soldier from China who an American general. An Indian native whose headstone displays National Cemetery.

These were among more than 100 foreign-born members of the U.S. military who earned American citizenship by dying in Iraq.

Jose Gutierrez was one of the first to fall, killed by friendly fire opening hours of the invasion.

In death, the young Marine was showered with honors his family could only have dreamed of in life. His sister was flown in from Guatemala for his memorial service, where a Roman Catholic cardinal presided and top military officials saluted his flag-draped coffin.

from Guatemala who dreamed of Why did Jose have to die for America orphaned teen after he had trekked

boasted he would one day become Angeles, who oversaw Gutierrez's illegally sneaking into the U.S. service, put it differently.

the first Khanda, emblem of the wrong with our immigration policies quera said. "But I also felt grateful and Sikh faith, to appear in Arlington if it takes death on the battlefield in very proud of him. I knew it would order to earn citizenship," Mahony open doors for us as a family." wrote to President Bush in April 2003. He urged the president to cried Fredelinda Pena after another grant immediate citizenship to all emotional naturalization ceremony, immigrants who sign up for military this one in New York City where service in wartime.

in the dust of Umm Qasr in the until they are brought home in a mother. Next to her, the infant casket," Mahony said.

But as the war continues, more his fiancee's arms. and more immigrants are becoming citizens in death — and more and more families are grappling with killed Aug. 6, 2007, by an explosive deeply conflicting feelings about in Baqouba. He was buried by a carexactly what the honor means.

- dated to his death on March 21, as hollow as citizenship. And yet, his foster mother ago- 2003, — was presented during a nized as she accompanied his body memorial service in Lomita, Calif., coffin," she sobbed.

A young, ambitious immigrant back for burial in Guatemala City: to Nora Mosquera, who took in the through Central America, hopping Cardinal Roger Mahony of Los freight trains through Mexico before

> "On the one hand I felt that citi-"There is something terribly zenship was too late for him," Mos-

"What use is a piece of paper?" her brother's framed citizenship cer-"They should not have to wait tificate was handed to his distraught daughter he had never met dozed in

Cpl. Juan Alcantara, 22, a native of the Dominican Republic, was dinal and eulogized by a congressman Gutierrez's citizenship certificate but to his sister, those tributes seemed

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Department of Landscape Architecture, Charles Klein - Department of Natural Resources Management, Gad Perry - College of Architecture, Clifton Ellis and Brian Rex - Department of Biological Sciences, Charles Cannon and Kenneth Schmidt - Department of Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures, Antonio Ladeira - Department of Communication

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China attacks Dalai Lama, House Speaker Pelosi

CHENGDU, China (AP) -China accused the Dalai Lama on Sunday of stoking Tibetan unrest to sabotage the Beijing Olympics and also berated House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, saying she is ignoring the truth about Tibet.

This month's violence in Tibet and neighboring provinces has turned into a public relations disaster for China ahead of the August Olympics, which it had been hoping to use to bolster its international image.

The Chinese government said

restive areas were under control and accused the Dalai Lama, a Nobel Peace Prize winner, of trying to harm China's image ahead of the summer games.

"The Dalai clique is scheming to take the Beijing Olympics hostage to force the Chinese government to make concessions to Tibet independence," said the People's Daily, the main mouthpiece of the Communist Party.

The Tibetan spiritual leader

ported China's hosting of the summer games.

"I always support (that) the Olympics should ... take place in Beijing ... so that more than 1 billion human beings, that means Chinese, they feel proud of it," he said Sunday in New Delhi, India.

Pelosi's visit to the Dalai Lama in Dharmsala, India, on Friday was the first by a major foreign official since the protests broke out. The Democratic leader said if people called the accusations against him don't speak out against China's op-

through official media that formerly "baseless," asserting that he sup- pression in Tibet, "we have lost all moral authority to speak on behalf of human rights anywhere in the world.'

Iraq

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extremist groups.

20, 2003, although estimates of a

specific figure vary widely because of

the difficulty in collecting accurate

One widely respected tally by Iraq

Body Count, which collects figures

based mostly on media reports, estimates

that 82,349 to 89,867 Iraqi civilians

creased against Iraqi civilians but

recent weeks have seen several

high-profile bombings, highlighting

the fragile security situation and the

resilience of both Sunni and Shiite

ernment employees — an American

and a Jordanian — were seriously

The U.S. Embassy said two gov-

Overall attacks also have de-

have lost their lives in the conflict.

China's official Xinhua New Agency published commentary Sunday accusing Pelosi of ignoring the violence caused by the Tibetan rioters.

"'Human rights police' like Pelosi are habitually bad tempered and ungenerous when it comes to China, refusing to check their facts and find out the truth of the case," it said.

Clinton calls for legal protections for honest mortgage lenders

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Democrat Hillary Rodham Clinton proposed several remedies to the nation's home mortgage problems Monday, including one tool more often associated with Republicans than Democrats.

The New York senator proposed greater protections for lenders from possible lawsuits by investors, a variation of so-called tort reform. For years, GOP leaders have called for restrictions on what they consider unwarranted lawsuits against businesses. Democrats have often resisted them on grounds they limit injured parties' legitimate rights to redress.

"Many mortgage companies are reluctant to help families restructure their mortgages because they're

afraid of being sued by the invest- that a mortgage provider's obligament banks, the private equity firms and others who actually own the mortgage papers," Clinton said in what she billed as a major address on the economy at the University of Pennsylvania.

"This is the case even though writing down the value of a mortgage is often more profitable than foreclosing," she said. Clinton said she would offer legislation "to provide mortgage companies with protection against the threat of such lawsuits," but provided no further details.

Brian Deese, a Clinton economic adviser, said different categories of investors can have different interests in how a mortgage is handled. Clinton's legislation would state tions are to "investors as a whole," he said in an interview.

Clinton also called on President Bush to appoint "an emergency working group on foreclosures" to recommend new ways to confront housing finance troubles. She said the panel should be led by financial experts such as Robert Rubin, who was treasury secretary in her husband's administration, and former Federal Reserve chairmen Alan Greenspan and Paul Volcker.

Clinton and Sen. Barack Obama are campaigning heavily in Pennsylvania, which holds its presidential primary April 22 to allocate 158 delegates, the largest single prize left in the campaign season. There were 34,000 foreclosure notices issued in

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Pennsylvania last year, Clinton's campaign said.

Clinton said she supports pending legislation to establish an auction system for hundreds of thousands mortgages in default. Under the plan, drafted by Democratic lawmakers, lenders "could sell mortgages in bulk to banks and other buyers," Clinton said, who in turn would "restructure them to make them affordable for families, because they know the government will guarantee them once they're reworked."

The Federal Housing Administration, she said, "should also stand ready to be a temporary buyer to purchase, restructure, and resell underwater mortgages" if the auction plan falls short.

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medical attention after Sunday's vol-CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 ley of rocket attacks. Local hospital and police officials the U.S.-led invasion on March

said at least 12 Iraqis were killed and 30 more were wounded in rocket or mortar blasts that apparently fell short after being aimed at the Green Zone from scattered areas of eastern Baghdad.

The heavily fortified area has frequently come under fire by Shiite and Sunni extremists, but the attacks have tapered off as violence declined over the past year.

The attacks followed a series of clashes last week between U.S. and Iraqi forces and factions of the Mahdi Army, the biggest Shiite militia loval to radical cleric Muqtada al-Sadr.

Al-Sadr has declared a cease-fire through mid-August to purge the militia of criminal and dissident elements, but the militia has come under severe strains in recent weeks.

Spacewalks, construction tasks like March Madness victories

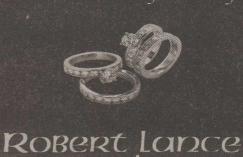
HOUSTON (AP) - To Dominic Gorie, commander of the shuttle Endeavour, spaceflight has a lot in common with competing in the NCAA basketball tournament.

So far his crew has muscled through a daunting to-do list, including five spacewalks to build a giant robot and install the first segment of a Japanese lab. But the championship would be a safe landing back at Kennedy Space Center.

"We've won the first five games," Gorie said. "We've got a couple more to go for undocking and landing, but we've got a great winning team. I'm really, really happy with them."

Endeavour's crew is scheduled to close the hatches between their ship and the international space station on Monday afternoon as they prepare for undocking a few hours later. The shuttle is scheduled to land in Florida on Wednesday night.

your life with somebody, you want the rest of your lífe to start as soon as possíble. - When Harry Met Sally (Movie)



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at the University of Baltimore, according to a Portland State news release.

To replace Whitmore, 21 Tech students, faculty, staff, alumni and Lubbock community members comprise an advisory council formed to assist Tech's search committee, according to the Tech release. The advisory council will be led by Bob L. Stafford, a Tech Board of Regents member from Amarillo.

Kay Cash, a Tech graduate and supporter of the Tech research and scholarship programs, was chosen as a member of the search committee.

Cash said she will have one thing

in mind while conducting her search: Tech's best interest. She said while the 14th president of Tech, originally other members may not have the same goals in mind, she plans to stick to her agenda.

"I love Texas Tech, and I want he would stay in office until January what's best for Texas Tech," she said. "That's real easy from my perspective. A lot of people come in with different agendas, but for me, my agenda always has been Texas Tech."

After seeking approval from the Board of Regents, Hance ultimately will select the next president.

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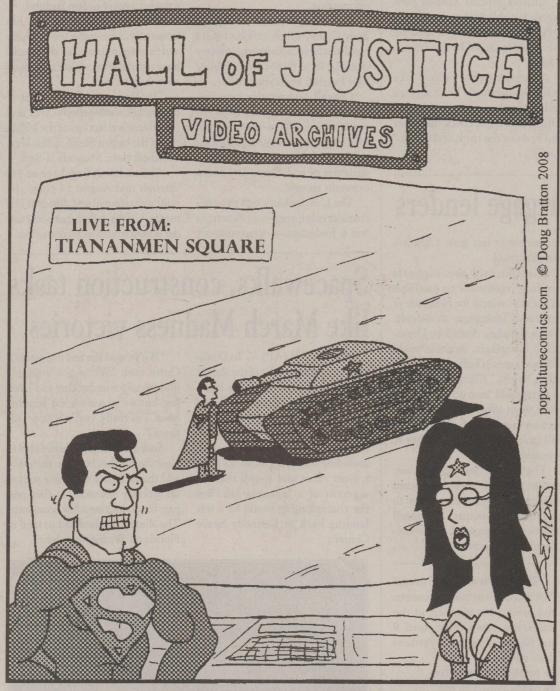




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"I'm sorry, but it just wasn't as brave when you did it."

Foreign media can provide different perspective, views

By MONICA CRUZ

their stories. Baroud gives examples of how accurate description of the dark

quicker, more seductive' - an

'Lubbock or leave it' spirit present at Tech

epending on where you hang your hat, Sept. 6, 2006, was a particularly comforting evening. The majority of Lubbock residents assembled in their homes as College Station folk took to the streets.

It was the iconic Texas Tech versus Texas A&M game, and only to bring Tech back from a 3-point the Texas Legislature. deficit. Even though A&M sat on a 3-point lead, you could tell the 12th Man smelled rain.

As Graham Harrell stood in the way of the wrecking crew, and Robert Johnson outpaced the flailing arms of his defender, Tech fans on Facebook. soaked in the sun of victory and tipped their hats in faces of the be-Tech goes all in.

time and setting foot on my soon-tobe college campus, I knew there was an undeniable frontier quality to this place. Large academic buildings and endless sidewalks convey a sense of uniformity as well as individuality.

Listening to the scratchy voice of our orientation speaker, who had lost his voice during the Nebraska/ Tech game, I could tell he was trying his best to offer us the same excitement. I knew I wanted in. I wanted to be a part of it all. I wanted to be a Red Raider.

Unbeknownst to my starry freshman eyes was the deliberate and purposeful efforts of many educators and officials to promote this ubiquitous uncompromising and victorious.

I didn't worry with brochures, ing plans. I knew what I wanted. I wanted a college experience characterized by pride and originality, and that was Tech.



— in less than five years — raised 26 seconds and 35 yards remained \$500 million in funding for Tech in experience, we add one more thing

His "Horizons" campaign is still the most successful fundraiser Tech ever has employed. If you like going to class in new, architecturally significant and impressive buildings, you might ask him to be your friend

If you enjoy having the only Big 12 football team without a losing wildered Aggies. They should have season since the inception of the changers. known: When the chips are down, conference in 1996, you might owe a little to coach Mike Leach and

Rolling into Lubbock for the first athletics director Gerald Myers. The West always has been char-

> 6.0 The West always has been characterized by a sense doing things your own way: Win at all costs, be your

sense of the West as being cavalier, acterized by a sense doing things your own way: Win at all costs, be your own man. It requires only a or evaluate pros and cons of din- brief glance at opposing institutions appeal, an identity that is unique to to understand the uniqueness of this our history and attitudes. attitude.

own man.

Baylor University, after developing plans for a 41-foot rock climbing be the moral and ideological tone Such attitudes aren't manifested wall, was to have the tallest climbing that sets us apart from our contem-

and ideas, it would be pretty naive to think we are immune from such recreational manipulation and mutiny of the students and administration.

Tech has caught this competitive cold that infects our budgets, tuition and appeal. While presenting prospective students with the promise of a unique and inspiring college to the prospectus.

In opting to compete with these institutions in the Rec center, we invite defeat in the marketplace of ideas and purpose. Our appeal as a university extends beyond the tallest rock wall and deeper than the grandest leisure pool. In assessing where Tech is heading, as always, one needs to look out for the game

The self-directed, ingenious iconoclasts that have left their mark on the Great Plains are facing more difficulty attending the very college that desperately needs them. Increases in tuition and fees are as inevitable as TechAnnounce bulletins. Tuition costs more. Books cost more.

However, the budgets of our colleges are in a paradoxical freefall. A professor paying for copies at Kinko's to circumvent departmental copy restrictions reminds me of stories of taking the family horse to the glue factory in exchange for an automobile.

Although new facilities may grab headlines, they are not going to grab the students who aim to change this region forever.

Tech never has been about, nor cared for, what other universities are doing. We create an image, an

This place will be in us whether we "Lubbock or leave it," and will by happenstance. The West is as wall in the state. Upon learning of poraries. Regardless of the situation,

DAILY O'COLLEGIAN (OKLAHOMA STATE U.)

Okla. — Like any other online news magazine, aljazeera.com offers its readers in-depth stories, and demonize its enemies. reviews, columns and discussion can only be found in this English publication from Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

Arabia, United Arab Emirates. spokesperson." Oman, Bahrain, Yemen, Kuwait to Dubai.

newspaper, which had several name the political leaders exculpate disputes with this magazine.

show readers a different perspective and citizens instead. from European and American mainissues in the Middle East.

facturing convenient realities," conflict in the Middle East has

wording and quote-tweaking in power of the stab-in-the-back (U-WIRE) STILLWATER, news-stories from The New York myth. Politicians sense its future Times and CNN justify violent ac- power and alter their positions tions of the U.S. Army and its allies accordingly."

"Every story can be told in three tion explores new points of view forums. But its section "Conspiracy different ways: two by the two main about genocide in Gaza Strip, Theories" is probably a feature that conflicting parties, and a third by France military intervention in the journalist himself," Baroud the Arab Gulf, and historic reawrites. "The journalist must not sons and antecedents of today's compromise on his independence, military conflicts. Al Jazeera Magazine - whose must not buy into jargons, manname refers to the territory of Saudi tras and turn into another official not the only ones that can be

In "The Enemy Within," Wil- The readers' posts provide perand Qatar — was founded in Lon- liam J. Astore, a retired lieutenant spectives that not always agree don in 1992 and later transferred colonel of the U.S. Air Force com- with the authors. Comments pares German dagger-in-the-back come from countries like the It is not related to Al Jazeera, post-WWI myth with Bush's ad- U.S., Ireland, Afghanistan, the the Qatar TV network and online ministration regarding Iraq, where UK, Portugal and New Zealand. themselves from military failures about the articles having unclear Journalists and political analysts and blame opposition parties, media sources and being anti-American

Astore also explains the sudden bate complements the columns' stream media on political and social divergence of opinions of the U.S. Congress about the Iraq conflict is synthesis that cannot be found Palestinian-American journalist a phenomenon that has happened in other news sources. Ramzy Baroud writes in his article many times before throughout world "Media language and war: Manu- history. He even exemplifies this Theories can be good option for political deja-vu with Star Wars.

"In The Empire Strikes Back, been part of international headline young Luke Skywalker asks Yoda, site offers in-depth information news for years but news sources like his wizened Jedi Master, whether that could help them have a bet-Google often confuse and divert the dark side of the Force is stron- ter understanding of international readers from real issues because of ger than the good," Astore writes. affairs and make better political the lack of crucial information in "'No', Yoda replies, just 'easier, decisions in the future.

The Conspiracy Theories sec-

The columnists' opinions are found in this online publication.

Some readers have complained biased. However, the posts' deinformation. The result is a

Aljazeera.com and Conspiracy people in search of a broader coverage of world news. This Web an institution.

People like John Montford, the

old as it is vast, and many people the new 44-foot rock wall belonging Red Raiders always will stampede have branded the land, and the to Texas A&M, Baylor thought it ferociously towards the finish line university, with their sense of brazen wise to extend theirs to 52 feet. No and go for it on fourth down. disregard for the conventional in matter, said officials at the Univerfavor of forwarding our potential as sity of Houston, and plans were set in **Randell is a junior finance and** motion to build a 53-foot wall.

Although Tech has established E-mail him at first ever chancellor of Tech, who itself on the battlefield of attitudes michael.randell@ttu.edu.

economics major from Austin.

Students should protect health, get tested

STAFF EDITORIAL THE DAILY CAMPUS (U. CONNECTICUT)

cording to the Centers for Disease Con- and chlamydia. If the student tested everybody necessarily needs or chooses trol and Prevention, at least 50 percent positive for any of the three diseases, they to get tested. If there was a small fee for of sexually active people will get the were offered free treatment. human papillomavirus (HPV) at some get HPV, which is an alarmingly large prevent against the most common STD among young people.

against 10 types of HPV with three simple shots that are covered by medical insurhealth, they can always get tested.

In February, the University of Con-

time in their lives. Every year in the dents did not have to worry about awk- panding the amount of people that the United States, about 6.2 million people ward conversations with their parents clinic can provide with help. over mysterious insurance bills. This was have taken advantage of it.

HPV is responsible for up to 70 per- way for students to protect their health able to provide more than two clinics cent of all cervical cancers and 90 percent but it only has enough supplies for 200 of genital warts. The most common four people to get tested. Because students types of the disease are treatable with the are not paying a fee, there are limited Gardasil vaccine. The vaccine protects resources due to an austerity budget. Perhaps the clinic should require a small fee. That way, they could allow more ance. However, if people don't get the students to get tested and more students vaccine and are concerned about their could take advantage of anonymous testing.

In addition, if the clinic charged a necticut hosted a free STD testing clinic. small fee for the testing, the cost burden The clinic tested for diseases more serious can be more equitably distributed. Not (U-WIRE) STORRS, Conn. - Ac- than HPV such as syphilis, gonorrhea everybody is sexually active and not testing, students who want to get tested The testing was anonymous so stu- could be responsible for it, thereby ex-

UConn held a successful STD clinic statistic. There are safe and easy ways to very beneficial and more students should in November that preceded the February testing. If the clinic started to charge The clinic is a safe and confidential money for testing, the school may be per year to students. Anonymous STD testing is extremely advantageous to students. Even if there is a cost, students should take advantage of this opportunity and make an effort to protect their health. The number of students who have STDs is getting dangerously high. There is no reason to not take advantage of convenient and cheap testing.

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VIETNAM SYMPOSIUM



AT THE SIXTH Triennial Vietnam Symposium hosted by the Texas Tech Vietnam Center, independent researcher Nguyen Le Hieu speaks about the Tet Offensive Experience at the Holiday Inn Park Plaza.

Home sales rise unexpectedly but prices keep tumbling

February which may have reflected more been expecting a small decline. aggressive price cutting by sellers in some group reported.

said that sales of existing homes rose by back to 1999. 2.9 percent in February to a seasonally

WASHINGTON (AP) — After fall- adjusted annual rate of 5.03 million units. Realtors, said that prices in some formerly ing for six straight months, sales of existing It was the biggest increase in a year and hot markets in California and Florida were homes posted an unexpected increase in caught economists by surprise. They had seeing significant price declines now as

The trade group reported that the parts of the country, a real estate trade median existing sales price in February fell to \$195,900. That was the largest The National Association of Realtors year-over-year drop on records that go

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evidence, that Hamas is supported by Israel would halt peace talks with Pal-Iran and Syria and that they're doing estinian President Mahmoud Abbas if everything they can to torpedo the he reconciles with Hamas. The official peace process." spoke on condition of anonymity because operating to deny the Lebanese the op-Cheney said in his meeting with he was not authorized to discuss the mat-portunity to govern themselves. Palestinian leaders on Sunday they ter with the media. talked about efforts under way in Meanwhile, a top Palestinian official can death in Iraq, Cheney said the mile-Yemen to encourage reconciliation said Monday that a mix-up resulted in a stone may have a psychological impact between moderate and militant Fatah official signing the Yemeni plan Palestinians. setting a goal for Fatah and Hamas to "My conclusion after talking about unite in a single Palestinian government. he said. "The president is the one that has this with the Palestinians is that they The proposal was signed Sunday by a rep-

reconciliation, including a complete Minister Azzam al-Ahmed. reversal of the Hamas takeover of Gaza," he said.

between the Palestinians and Israel.

part, because I think it's true, there's

a senior administration official traveling with Cheney said the United said that "there was a misunderstanding" January. States has made it clear that it will not support working with Hamas unless there is a fundamental change in the group's current role, which the U.S. describes as terrorist.

The official commented on condition of anonymity to more freely discuss U.S. policy.

After his breakfast with Olmert - their second meeting in two days - Cheney flew to Turkey.

Cheney spent the day in Ankara in talks with Turkish President Abdul-

10 BUCKS FOR TWO

Hamas, with support from Syria and chief of the military. Turkey's military signed. Iran, is trying to "torpedo" peace talks recently completed an eight-day ground incursion into northern Iraq. The U.S. Meeting reporters after having shares real-time intelligence with Turkey, ister Ehud Olmert, Cheney said, Kurdish rebels, who use bases in northern "It is clearly a difficult situation, in Iraq to launch attacks against Turkey.

Cheney says Hamas torpedoes

Israel-Palestinian peace talks

have established some preconditions resentative from Hamas and by a senior before they would ever consider a Fatah official, former Palestinian Prime

But the top Palestinian negotiator with Israel, Ahmed Qureia, suggested Asked whether the U.S. supports Monday that al-Ahmed was hasty. He the Yemeni mediation effort to bridge said al-Ahmed called before the signing differences between Hamas and Fatah, to get guidance from Abbas, but that Abbas was busy hosting Cheney. Qureia

JERUSALEM (AP)-Vice Presi- lah Gul, Turkish Prime Minister Recep involved in the signing. Other Abbas dent Dick Cheney said Monday that Tayyip Erdogan and Yasar Buyukanit, aides said al-Ahmed should not have

Iran and Syria to some extent are marching in lockstep to foment trouble in the region, the official said, adding breakfast with the Israeli Prime Min- its NATO ally, in its fight against the that they have resupplied Hezbollah in neighboring Lebanon with a significant inventory of weapons since the summer An Israeli official on Monday said · of 2006 and that these weapons have become increasingly sophisticated in terms of range and accuracy. He said the two countries, Syria in particular, are clearly

> Commenting on the 4,000th Amerion the American public.

> "You regret every casualty, every loss," to make that decision to send young men and women into harm's way. It never gets any easier."

In recalling his talks last week with the king of Saudi Arabia, Cheney would not say whether he had asked the Saudis to increase oil production. President Bush publicly urged the Saudis to produce more to reduce pressure on rising oil prices when he was in the region in



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'Under the Same Moon' proves heartwarming

at Wild West.

Tt's not very often you see a film these days that any L person of any age or gender would enjoy. I'm not talking about family movies; I mean the type of movie you would tell about to your grandfather, your best friends and the random girl you meet at Wild West. I'm thinking movies like "The Sandlot," "Sleepless in Seattle" or "Jurassic Park." They're the movies year-old boy living in Mexico with played over and over on cable TV during the summer because, even if you've seen them a hundred times, they're still irresistible. They could be romances, dramas or comedies, but the point of these films is always he decides to take the dangerous one thing: to fill you with wonder.

joyful, so engaging and so well-made, Ferrera. I'm not sure I could get tired of it. Who would have thought a movie about illegal immigration would be the feel-good flick of the season?



Carlos (Adrian Alonso) is a 9his grandmother. His mother, Rosario (Kate del Castillo), is working to save money illegally in the United States to save and live under money to bring Carlos to America. the radar of the When Carlos's grandmother dies, trip across the border with the ill-"Under the Same Moon" fits fated help of two college students traveling huncomfortably in this category. It is so played by Jesse Garcia and America dreds of miles to

but kind. While working in tomato gen. Some of the twists and turns whenever he sinks into despair, you creating it isn't to wow an audience strong bond. The

scenes between the two, espe-I'm not talking about cially in a restaurant kitchen, are among the most family movies; I mean memorable of the the type of movie you film. Meanwhile, would tell about to Rosario struggles your grandfather, your best friends and the police. random girl you meet I know a mov-

ie about a kid find his mother

- strangers who often are anything by first-time director Patricia Rig- outlook on finding his mother, but movie can do when the reason for chris.kellerman@ttu.edu.

heartstrings the entire time without ever going overboard. The final shot of the film is a beautiful instance of this.

only 13 years old, but his acting is light-years away from other child actors. He has more emotional

As Carlos works his way to Los sounds ridiculously cheesy. Believe depth than Abigail Breslin or Fred-

fields, he meets the cold Enrique (Eu- of the story are quite unlikely, but can see the weight of the world on with special effects or make us apgenio Derbez) with whom he forms a Riggen makes them feel believable. his shoulders. His performance is so plaud its indie flavor. It tugs at your mature, it's astounding.

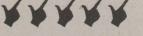
Derbez, also are brilliant. The gorgeous Castillo makes her character have qualms. This movie unabasha morally respectable woman with edly is compassionate toward the honest intentions but doesn't allow illegal immigrant, and for those who her to become the "perfect mom" character of family movies. This issue, it certainly tries to persuade

can put Alonso script; she shows it on her face. on the political scale from Rosa in the child ac- While Enrique's transformation is Rosales to President George W. Bush tor category. He's difficult to believe, Derbez makes will like it. If you're to the right of it seem real.

This is how these great movies work. Those timeless movies film light up your life. mentioned above, like "Sleepless in Seattle" and "Jurassic Park," all had plot twists that were highly implausible, but we believed. Why? Because Angeles from El Paso, he must de- me; it's not. Ligiah Villalobos's script die Highmore ever could dream the director, writer and actors all E Chris Kellerman is The DT's pend on the kindness of strangers is handled with graceful restraint of. His character retains a positive said, "It is so." It's stunning what a movie critic. E-mail him at

Of course, "Under the Same The other leads, Castillo and Moon" tackles a subject with which many conservative students will haven't made up their minds on the I'm not sure I isn't something written into the you to agree with its view. Everyone Bush, though, you may have to open your heart a bit to let this stunning

Five out of five guns up



Hanson looks for 'the right band' at SXSW

three brothers from Oklahoma who similar to tales of woe shared by both have been in the business for more Wilco and Spoon. than 10 years, produce and write cord label, and released their fourth studio album last year.

Amid the faux-hawked and brothers Hanson showed up to rock the crowds (some who lined up for they wrote). their shows at 5 a.m.), speak on some panels (one about the love/hate relationship between music journalists and pop music stars), and listen to some great music (they caught Nada Surf and gave it six thumbs up).

But since they didn't have a new album to plug, why come to a festival that's all about looking for the next of" podcast on iTunes). big thing?

(U-WIRE) AUSTIN - One of of Hanson circa 2001, after they we may add other bands to the rosthe 1,700 bands that performed in defeated public adolescence, their ter," Taylor said. "Honestly, we've Austin during the 2008 South By recording careers turned into a clas- spent the last five years being guinea Southwest festival was a band of sic indie rock fight against the Man pigs for our own label."

their own songs, own their own re- when a record company pays for a should be able to, on some level or record that they own it outright," another, be a single." Isaac said.

skinny-jeans-wearing hordes who 3CG Records in 2003 after their invaded downtown last week, the former label passed on the 80-plus songs they turned in (all of which ative involvement on "The Walk."

> 2003, on their own terms; produced both his and Isaac's soulful vocals "Strong Enough to Break" in 2005, a documentary about going head to head with their former label and followed both up with last year's album/ multimedia combo "The Walk" and "Taking the Walk" (the free "making band. He's not abrasive, and the

"Our eyes and ears are always own music, the trio that critics once Isaac sits back and sums up the gist of open. We're not here like A&R guys stuck under the coffee table of '90s what they're all trying to say. searching for bands, but we've been music alongside other chewed-up bubble gum acts, earned respect seamlessly interrupts the other in as respected indie rock musicians. an overlapping system probably Publications like Paste and The developed as a by-product of pro-Village Voice, which in the past fessionally harmonizing for the past would have turned up their noses at 10 years. Hanson, unanimously praised their latest efforts.

"A record is about making sure that everything on that album is an "I don't buy into the concept that A-side," Isaac said. "That every song

"You don't just have 12 songs on Hanson started their record label there to have 12 songs," Zac said.

Zac, who plays drums and sings backup, recently stepped up his cre-He sings lead on several of that They released "Underneath" in album's songs. When they perform, complement Taylor's slightly higher, more straightforward singing.

Taylor sings lead vocals on most of the songs and generally takes the lead in any conversation with the other two don't seem to mind. Zac By independently releasing their jumps in with quick anecdotes, while

J.K. Rowling says in interview she once had 'suicidal thoughts'

LONDON (AP) - J.K. Rowling said she contemplated suicide as she suffered from depression before her rise to success, according to an interview with a student journalist.

The Harry Potter author said she had suicidal thoughts in her mid-20s, when she was a single mother and struggling to establish a literary career.

"Mid-20s life circumstances were poor and I really plummeted," Rowling said, according to an interview posted online by student journalist Adeel Amini.

Rowling said in the interview, edged that characters featured in parts of which were published in Edinburgh University's Student the series called Dementors were magazine, that she sought help from inspired by her illness. doctors and spent nine months The author has said she sought edical help following her ser receiving cognitive behavioral of \$1 billion

therapy, according to Amini. "We're talking suicidal thoughts here, we're not talking, 'I'm a little bit miserable," Rowling, 42, was quoted as saying.

Amini provided The Associated Press with an audio file of his 29-minute conversation with Rowling.

Christopher Little, Rowling's London-based agent, didn't immediately respond to requests Monday for comment.

Rowling has previously said she suffered depression before her Harry Potter series brought her international success. She has acknowl-

tion from first husband, Jorge Arantes, a Portuguese journalist.

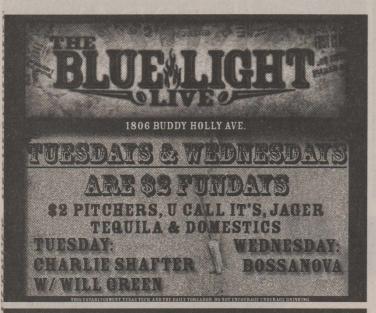
Amini told the AP in an email that he had carried out the interview in Edinburgh last month. He said Rowling granted him an interview after a chance meeting several months ago in a coffee shop in the city.

"I have never been remotely ashamed of having been depressed. Never," Rowling was quoted as saying in her interview with Amini. "What's to be ashamed of? I went through a really rough time and I am quite proud that I got out of that.

Fortune magazine ranks Rowling, who wrote seven Harry Potter novels, as one of the richest women in Britain, with an estimated wealth

very ready to sign the right band," Taylor Hanson said.

It's true that Isaac, Taylor and Zac Hanson (27, 25 and 22 years old, respectively) had a great deal of success with their first album and, specifically, with their infamous first hit single. For those who lost track



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They all acknowledge that the reality of how people digest and "Soon we'll be to the point where discover music has changed quite a bit since they started in this business. Nevertheless, they aim to stay independent and see if they can help others do the same.

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Whos on first again at box office as 'Horton' hauls in another \$25M; 'Browns' opens in 2nd

and his Who pals.

"Dr. Seuss' Horton Hears a studio estimates Sunday. Who," 20th Century Fox's animated adaptation of the beloved

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Featuring the voices of Jim Carrey and Steve Carell, the movie raised its 10-day total to \$85.5 million.

new movies opening over Easter weekend.

kin at her late father's funeral, opened in second place with \$20 million.



LOS ANGELES (AP) - Au- children's book, remained the top director and co-star Perry, whose past diences are still listening to Horton movie for a second straight weekend hits for Lionsgate include "Madea's with \$25.1 million, according to Family Reunion" and "Why Did I Get Married?" Shot on modest budgets, Perry's movies play to a built-in fan base.

> "You kind of know what you're "Horton" fended off a rush of going to get with Tyler Perry, and that's a good thing," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of box-office Lionsgate's "Tyler Perry's Meet the tracker Media By Numbers. "You Browns," about a single mom who want to be in business with this connects with previously unknown guy because he's going to make you money every time."

"Shutter," 20th Century Fox's fright flick about a newlywed couple tormented by a spirit whose image appears in their photos, opened at No. 3 with \$10.7 million.

Just behind it at No. 4 was Owen Wilson's comedy "Drillbit Taylor," which pulled in \$10.2 million. The Paramount release stars Wilson as a laid-back homeless guy who signs on as bodyguard for three bullied teenage nerds.

The acclaimed "Under the Same Moon," a border tale about a Mexi-

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two or three hours in singles and have

to play four hours of tennis in a day.

That just absolutely is a necessity.'

Groce said she is confident with

"I think we are gonna just keep

plugging away," she said. "I think

we are at the level. We're where we

need to be. I'm very happy with the

play. We fought hard against a very

good Baylor team but played some

very good tennis. If we aren't playing

teams that are at that level, then we

Geoff Ogilvy ends Tiger Woods' winning streak

for that perfect-season talk. Not only Ogilvy did it on a course where the year, either. world's No. 1 player looked unstoppable in recent years.

ship on Monday, saving a round that Ogilvy said. seemed in peril with a chip-in for par his second victory in a World Golf Championship event.

A final-round of 1-under 71 was even he couldn't escape. good enough for him to finish at 17 Goosen, Jim Furyk and Vijay Singh, all closing with 68s in the rain-delayed tournament. Woods was alone in fifth at 15 under, losing for the first time in huge charge Monday at Doral, where his last eight starts worldwide.

"It was going to end at some one of those weeks.'

With the win, Ogilvy joined select Clarke have more than one WGC title. But this week won't be remembered for that accomplishment: It'll took down Tiger.

"As players, it's nice to see somebody else lift a trophy for a change," Goosen said.

It was Woods' first defeat since Sept. 3, and his perfect start to 2008 - 3-for-3 on the PGA Tour, 4-for-4 overall — begged the ridiculoussounding question: Could he go for a tap-in.

DORAL, Fla. (AP) — So much unbeaten for an entire year? No one ever has, and it's not really in trouble.

has Tiger Woods been beaten, Geoff a huge surprise that Woods won't this

to win every golf tournament this Ogilvy won the CA Champion- year,' that's frustrating stuff to hear,"

Woods struggled to a third-round at the 13th hole and going on to claim 72 while every other contender piled up birdies with alarming regularity, and simply dug such a deep hole that

"I think it's a great sign, what many mistakes and only be two back," Woods said.

he'd won each of the last three years.

point," Ogilvy said. "I'm very glad holes he played in the morning, getthat I did it. It's a nice place to do it, ting to 15 under but never making up too, because he's obviously owned this the entire gap between himself and every hole he played Monday, missing place for the last few years. He just had Ogilvy, whose last win was the 2006 four of them, including a 15-footer at U.S. Open at Winged Foot.

"You want to always win every company - only Woods and Darren one you play in," Woods said. "So you've just got to get ready for the on some chances in the tournament's next one.'

His next official tournament: the Slam quest will begin.

Woods started the morning five shots back with seven holes remaining and made his typical charge, closing within two strokes after making a 4-footer at the 17th. He birdied the

At that moment, Ogilvy seemed

His tee shot at the par-3 13th missed way left, and his chip from "The chit-chat about 'Is he going thick, wet grass didn't even reach the green - making bogey seem probable, until a most improbable shot followed.

Ogilvy's second chip hopped twice, hit the pin and dropped straight in, giving the Australian a break he desperately needed. If it went past the cup, he surely could have been looking at double-bogey -____since the under, one shot better than Retief happened this week, to make that ball clearly would have kept rolling for a while.

'That was moving," Ogilvy said. In typical fashion, Woods made a "That's why you have to hit it on line. Flag gets in the way.'

And with the way Woods wasn't Woods birdied three of the seven capitalizing on all his chances, Ogilvy didn't have to be perfect, either.

> Woods gave himself birdie putts on the par-4 14th hole that left his face pained in disbelief.

> He wasn't the only one misfiring deciding holes.

Singh was the first one to make a be known as the week someone finally Masters, where Woods' annual Grand run at Ogilvy, getting with a stroke early Monday before back-to-back bogeys essentially doomed his chances. Furyk got within one after making birdie at the 17th, then missed the fairway at the finishing hole. Adam Scott started the morning four shots away any hope of making a run.

Women's tennis blanked by No. 3 Baylor

and hollering and switching and

After losing the doubles point,

Drift to illness. The team struggled

Groce said the team's biggest con-

der Drift back into the lineup.

it," she said. "I was very happy with enough this week to be able to play

the combinations that we have fi- doubles and then get on the court," nally come down to. Against Baylor, she said. "Then possibly be out for

By KEVIN CULLEN STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech women's ten- they played fantastic. I think all the nis team lost to No. 3 Baylor 7-0 flipping and flopping, all the working Saturday at the McLeod Tennis and grinding and practicing, yelling Center.

The Red Raiders (8-6, 1-2 talking, and all the hours we've spent her team's start to conference play in Big 12 Conference) kept the analyzing as a team, we finally have despite losing two of their first doubles matches close against three combinations I think that not three. Baylor (17-1, 3-0) but were unable only the staff is very happy with, but to win any of their matches. The the team is very confident with." Bears have two nationally ranked duos in No. 4 Lenka Broosova the Red Raiders headed into singles and Zuzana Zemenova and No. having to bump everyone up one spot 54 Taylor Ormond and Jelena due to the loss of Samantha van der Stanivuk.

Doubles play has been a prob- against the Bears, who boast four lem area for the team all season, nationally ranked singles players. but Tech coach Cari Groce said she was pleased with her team's cern moving forward is getting van performance.

"The doubles, we worked on

Wright's strong spring keeps him in running for bullpen spot

KISSIMMEE, Fla. (AP) - Wesleague hitters.

from his older brothers in backyard get him. games growing up in Alabama.

him strike them out," his father Willie Wright said of his other sons, now 31 and 27. "I think that was a foundation for where he is today because he had to work real hard to strike them out. who could help us." It made him tough."

Wright was a long shot to end up on the Houston Astros roster this the bullpen.

A Rule 5 draftee, if Wright is not ley Wright isn't intimidated by major kept on Houston's 25-man roster all season he must be offered back to That could be because of the rigors the Los Angeles Dodgers for half of the 23-year-old left-hander endured the \$50,000 fee the Astros paid to Stephen Randolph to minor league

Manager Cecil Cooper has been "They used to play catch out in impressed with his work and said the yard and they would always make be's been the biggest surprise of the spring

> "I've really liked his composure this spring," Cooper said. "He's eager to learn. He's turning out to be somebody

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are gonna have a little bit easier time with them." The Red Raiders' next match is at home Friday against Missouri. "We need to get Sam back, fit >> kevin.m.cullen@ttu.edu

> Wright's chances of making the team increased on Wednesday when Houston optioned Mark McLemore to Triple-A Round Rock and reassigned camp, leaving him as the only lefthanded reliever on the roster.

> The left-hander has been sharp this spring, allowing one three hits and two runs in eight innings over eight games. He's walked six and struck out five. He's struggled with his command in the past, but has been more consistent in that area this year.



Sally Kipyego wins sixth national title

By BRAD DUFF STAFF WRITER

Sally Kipyego won her sixth national title as the Texas Tech track and field teams competed Ark.

everything that has happened, because without him, I wouldn't have gotten this far," Knight said in a press release.

The women continued to do at the NCAA Indoor Champion- well as Pentathalete Julianne ships March 14-15 in Fayetteville, Kennedy earned her first All-American honor in her last season Kipyego defended her title in of competition. Kennedy scored the 5,000M with a world-leading 4,116 points and earned personal bests in both the 60M hurdles and 800M, running 8.49 seconds and Shawon Harrris broke a school title in the 3,000M because of ill- record in the 60M during the qualifying races with a time of 7.72 and again during the finals with a time of 7.68 to finish fourth overall. Harris will enter the outdoor season as the owner of four All-American honors. Anthony Flemons set a per-According to a press release, sonal best of 52' 10.25" in the triple jump, earning his first All-American in the process. The men's team tied for 24th place with a score of nine points. The women cracked the Top 10 with 18 points, good enough for a 10th place tie. ▶ john.b.duff@ttu.edu

time of 15 minutes 31.91 seconds. Kipyego was more than 20 seconds ahead of her closest competitor. 2:24.95, respectively. Kipyego was unable to defend her ness and fatigue.

This is Kipyego's sixth national title, and her performance led to her be named the United States Track and Field/Cross Country Coaches Association Women's Indoor Track Athlete of the Year.

Patience Knight threw 56 feet 8 inches, earning her third overall in the women's shot put. With her throw, Knight broke her third school record of the season.

Knight said her accomplishments come from a higher power.

Wrigley, Cubs in limbo as Tribune chief Zell seeks deal

CHICAGO (AP) - Despite a Midas touch for eking profit from distressed properties, Sam Zell surely didn't know that having control of baseball's lovable losers would be this hard.

As Opening Day approaches on March 31, the new Tribune Co. chief's plan to sell the Chicago Cubs and Wrigley Field is months behind schedule, and both hoped-for sales are in limbo.

Fans are venting about the prospect of him selling naming rights to historic Wrigley. Public officials oppose his plan to sell the ballpark to a state-city agency. And some prospective Cubs buyers are frustrated the ballclub would come without the ballpark.

Yet whether or not Zell is able to win approval for a sale of Wrigley to the Illinois Sports Facilities Authority, clearing the way for a Cubs sale, few are willing to bet against the real estate billionaire and renowned dealmaker in the end.

"It's gotten a lot more complicated because of his effort to maximize the proceeds" from selling Wrigley and the Cubs, said analyst Dave Novosel of the Gimme Credit bond research firm. "But from his viewpoint, if he can get more dollars out of this, even if it takes an extra few months, it's a worthwhile delay."

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Tech beats UC-Riverside 5-4 in 9th By BEN MAKI SPORTS EDITOR

After losing two of three to the Texas Longhorns over the weekend, Texas Tech. got back on the winning track with a 5-4 walk off victory over UC-Riverside Monday at Dan Law Field.

With the score tied in the bottom

the ninth. two outs and a man on second and third, Riverside pitcher Ryan Platt threw a wild pitch that stuck at the bottom of padding on the backstop allowing cenfielder Tan-Rindels to from third give Tech 2-4 in Big ference the win.

got to f u l get

pitcher or the help." catcher coming off," Rindels per to the right side of the in- Jason Seefeld. field to tie the game at.4-4.

With the score tied at in the bottom

fifth, Tech third baseman Joey Kenworthy knocked in Rindels, who reached base on a

> walk to give Tech game.

> > his

Big 12 Conferenceter- leading 10th home n e r run of the season, a score two-run shot. He is now a n d second on the Big 12 list for (12-10, RBIs with 33. Kieschnick has 12 Con- been struggling lately as he did play) not have a hit during the week- ERA), end series against Texas.

Tech coach Larry Hays said en innings, gave "You be care- this game should help him get up four runs — three not to back on the right track. "It was nice," he said. "He walks while striking out five. picked o for fonceds to catch some luck and from mahave some good things happen Platt (0-1) finished the game the to him, and tonight should for Riverside throwing 1.2 in-

Both teams got on the board said, "but (I was) just doing in the first, each scoring a run. ly knew they were throwing some what we do in practice: get a Riverside's came via a leadoff of their better people," Hays good lead and be ready for it." home run by centerfielder said. "I think they were looking In the eighth inning, River- Carl Uhl, while Tech's came for midweek pitching, and we're side (5-11) saw its right fielder by way of a leadoff double by not going to see that." Joey Gonzales hit a leadoff Chris Hall and was brought Tech is scheduled to finish double and was knocked in by home after sacrifices by both its midweek series with the leftfielder Aaron Wible's chop- Kenworthy and first baseman Highlanders at 2 p.m. today at

more in the second to give them three a 3-1 lead. of the

SPORTS

Cory Large (1-0) earned a no-decision and has not tallied a win since Feb. 28 against UTSA in the UTSA Baseball Classic. In Monday's outing, he went five innings, giving up three runs on four hits and two walks.

"We had way too many walks all weekend," Large said. "I was really just trying to pound the zone, keep it away from the hitters with that wind blowing like it was, really just try to keep the ball down and out of the zone."

Brian Cloud came in and ts first shut down the Highlanders for lead of the two innings, allowing one hit in two innings of work and no Rog - runs, but James Leverton ruined er Ki - Large's chance for a win as he eschnick gave up the game-tying run in tied the the eighth. score

Tech closer Zach Stewart (1at 3-3 0) came in to pitch a scoreless with ninth inning, earning the win. "We had to have some guys pitch really well to get it done," Hays said. "Wish we had been sharper, hopefully tomorrow we will be because they got a good team and we just looked at their record instead of who we are.'

> Large's counterpart, Paul Bargas (0-2, 4.41

pitched sevearned — on six hits and two He also earned the no decision. nings

"I don't think our players real-

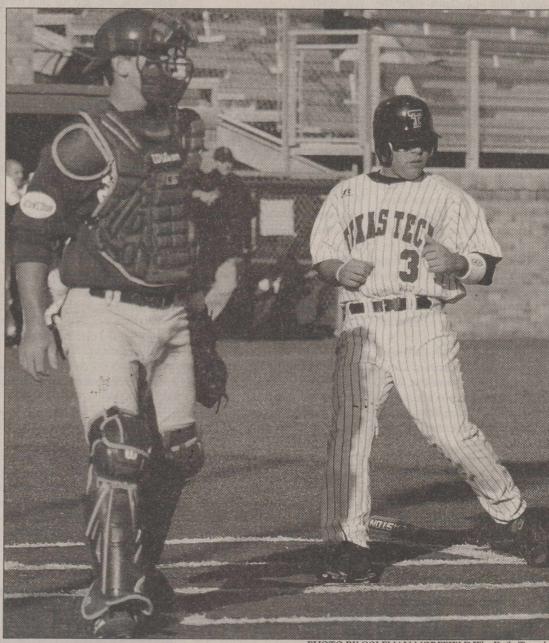
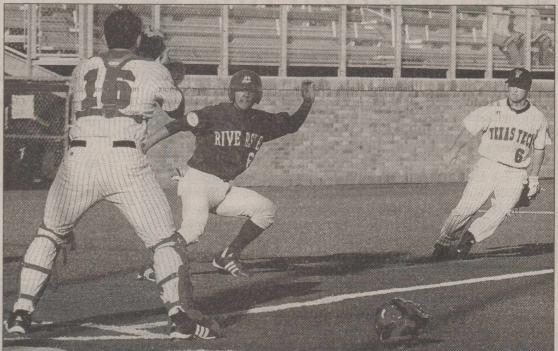


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TEXAS TECH SHORTSTOP Chris Hall scores on a Roger Kieschnick double in the first inning during Tech's 5-4 victory over UC-Riverside Monday at Dan Law Field.

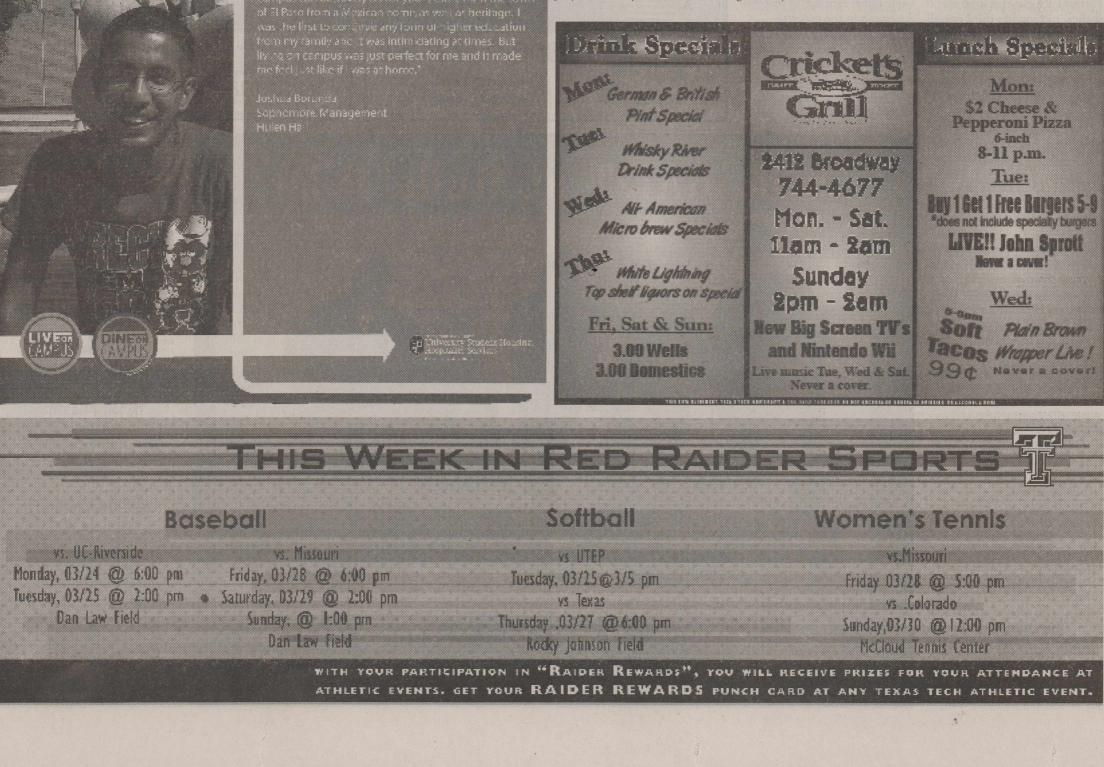


The Highlanders added two >>>> benjamin.maki@ttu.edu

Dan Law Field.

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U.C. RIVERSIDE'S RYAN Goetz gets caught in a rundown between Texas Tech catcher Juan Rodriguez and Joey Kenworthy in the second inning Monday at Dan Law Field.



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Lady Raiders get clean slate in WNIT, advance after win against Texas State

By ALEX YBARRA STAFF WRITER

Many games have passed since the Texas Tech Lady Raiders were able to dominate a team from the first possession to the final buzzer.

against the Texas State Bobcats, winning 82-49 in the second round of the Women's National Invitational Tournament at the United Spirit Arena Saturday.

Tech (17-15), who received an atlarge bid into the tournament and a first round bye, snapped a four-game losing streak with the win.

"I was proud of our team (Saturday)," said Tech coach Kristy Curry, whose team is playing in the post season for the first time since 2005. "I think we've been tired of practicing for so pushed each other, many days. We were happy to play, and I was pleased with how our team came out (Saturday). I thought we did some really good things."

Tech forward Dominic Seals scored 24 points and had 11 rebounds, while forward Ashlee Roberson took advantage of her first start since Feb. 17 with a career-high 22 points and 12 rebounds.

"to know that we were playing again, and we're playing at home against Texas State in front of our fans."

Even though the Bobcats (21-11) won the regular season in the Southland Conference with a 14-2 record, the difference in talent was obvious from the start as the Lady Raiders controlled the first half and went into halftime with a 39-21 lead.

In the game, Tech outscored the Bobcats 40-12 in the paint and held them to 22.9 percent shooting from the field, which set a season low for a Tech proud of them," Texas State coach Daniel.ybarra@ttu.edu

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opponent this season.

Texas State forward Joyce Ekworo-The Lady Raiders did exactly that madu, Southland Conference player of the year, came into the game averaging 20.6 points per game, but scored only 10 points Saturday.

"They're a big team," Ekworo-

I believe everybody worked hard in practice and and this was our result.

- JORDAN MURPHREE **TEXAS TECH** SOPHOMORE GUARD

"I had a lot of fun," Roberson said, madu said. "Obviously, in the Southland Conference, we don't see size like that usually. It was just tougher to get shots off."

> Guards Victoria Davis and Ashley Cole scored 13 points apiece for the Bobcats, who advanced to the second round after defeating Prairie View and I believe everybody worked hard in A&M 84-83 Thursday.

The first round win was the first-ever postseason victory for any Texas State basketball team since the school began play in Division I.

"I told the team I couldn't be more

Suzanne Fox said. "This team won 21 games, we won the first regular season title, we won the first post season victory in school history, only the second time our league has won a post season game, so I don't think this game is a reflection at all of our season, it's one game."

The Lady Raiders, who average 19.1 turnovers and 12.5 assists per game, committed only 11 turnovers in the game to go along with 18 assists.

Curry said she is happy to see her team respond to the challenges the coaching staff have presented in practice when it comes to securing the basketball.

"The pressure that we saw (Satur-'day) was no different than what we've seen, to a certain degree," Curry said. "Especially starting up top, we've continued to practice, game speed, gamelike, I think (the players) will probably attest to that."

Tech guard Jordan Murphree added 11 points while guard Maria Moore chipped in eight points before fouling out

With 11:45 to go in the second half, Seals was running down the court after scoring a layup when she stopped and winced in pain at her right knee.

Seals left the game and worked out the knee on a stationary bike, and with just under 10 minutes remaining, she came back into the game with no problems.

"It all starts in practice," Seals said of her team's solid play. "We work hard in practice, and it'll all pay off in a game, practice and pushed each other, and this was our result."

Tech is scheduled to play TCU (21-11) in the third round of the WNIT at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the United Spirit Arena

Tech's WNIT opener marred with mistakes

By BEN MAKI SPORTS EDITOR

This may have been the second round of the WNIT, but consistent errors on both sides made the game reminiscent of an early November matchup.

Both teams threw up shots at will instead of working the offense to find the best available shot in the first half in Texas Tech's 82-49 victory over Texas State Saturday at the United Spirit Arena.

the game, the teams went a combined a Tech shot. 4-of-17 from the field and 0-of-5 from beyond the arc.

Tech coach Kristy Curry said her team was a bit rusty from the week off.

"I think the biggest thing is we haven't played for a while, so it took a few minutes to go 'OK, it's a game situation; it's not practice," she said. "It just took us a few minutes to get gosome pretty good basketball."

After the timeout at 15:32 in the first half, the Lady Raiders (17-15) found some control and began to run their offense, but the Bobcats (21-11) did not.

Over the next four minutes, the

play, to Tech's two.

At halftime, the Bobcats were hitting 19.4 percent of their shots and had committed 11 turnovers, compared to Tech's 43.3 percent shooting and two promise, and her players still are improvturnovers.

Texas State players did not communicate on the floor, as they bumped into each other on both the offensive and defensive ends of the floor.

Though Texas State led the rebounding battle 31-20 in the first half, there were occasions when no one in a black Through the first five minutes of and maroon jersey even looked up after

The Lady Raiders masked some of their issues for most of the second half, because Texas State got into the bonus quickly. Tech had several errant passes and the players lost their dribble several times, but the mistakes made little difference to the final score.

Bobcat guard Joyce Ekworomadu said there was a combination of factors leading to Texas State's poor play, as ing, but once we got going, we played the Bobcats finished the game shooting 22.9 percent from the field, shot 4-of-22 from 3-point land and committed 19 turnovers.

"There was good pressure from Tech," she said, "definitely a lot of miscommunication. You don't like to do things like that in a game like this, and if we were Bobcats committed four turnovers, in- focused and just calmed down a little bit,

cluding a five-second call on an inbounds we could've limited our turnovers."

Tech managed to limit its turnovers to 11 — tied for the second fewest of the season for the Lady Raiders.

Curry said her team's play showed ing late in the season.

"I think the biggest thing is that our team is continuing to improve," she said. "We were probably playing our best basketball down the stretch and couldn't find a way to get a win. In no mean form or fashion do I want to criticize (Texas State) on the job they've done; they went and played K-State pretty good there, and they played Missouri, Baylor. I think they were only down five at half at Baylor. I've watched them play those three Big 12 games. They're a very good team. They're senior-laden; they all understand their roles. Our league prepared us for (this game) in a lot of ways, as far as transition defense stopping a great player. Those are things we go through every night."

Texas State coach Suzanne Fox said her team just could not make the plays it is accustomed to.

"When you shoot the ball as poorly as we did, it's going to be tough for us to stay competitive in the game," Fox said. "We got 28 points in the second half, and we just couldn't make some open shots we normally do."

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Complete game by Matsuzaka unlikely in Red Sox opener

games were common for Daisuke let him keep it until the end. Matsuzaka in Japan.

finish just one of his 32 starts as a completed 72 games. rookie last year.

So fans in his homeland are bound Then he came to the United to be disappointed Tuesday night when States, where pitch counts and Matsuzaka starts in the opening game manager Terry Francona let him eight seasons with the Seibu Lions, he season."

"If we were playing this game in It's Year 2 of the Dice-K era and June, I'd love to send him out there and Francona still isn't ready to give his let him try to pitch a complete game, more - but not much more.

... TOKYO (AP) — Complete hardworking right-hander the ball and like he probably wants to," Francona said Monday. "We just probably can't shoot for that now. We're still at a stage where you're building arm strength.

"We're just trying to mix and caution forced him out of games of the major league season against the match the competitive nature and before he wanted to leave. Red Sox Oakland Athletics. In 190 starts over still gaining the strength for a long

> Too much work now can lead to injuries later. The manager thinks Dice-K can throw 90 pitches, possibly



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Mavericks' Dirk Nowitzki out indefinitely

DALLAS (AP) — Dirk Nowit- a game against San Antonio. zki of the Dallas Mavericks is out indefinitely with a high ankle sprain and a mildly sprained knee.

It's a blow to the Mavericks' title hopes — and perhaps their chances of making the playoffs. The team announced the diagnosis Monday, the day after the reigning MVP was injured during

He is getting around in a protective boot without crutches.

Nowitzki is seventh in the league at 23.6 points per game this season. He's also the team leader in rebounds (8.8) and averaging a career-best 3.6 assists.

The Mavs have lost three straight, continuing a spiral since adding Jason Kidd. They are only

9-8 with the All-Star point guard State on Sunday. and hold a half-game lead over Golden State for the No. 7 seed in the Western Conference. The Warriors play the Los Angeles Lakers on Monday night.

The Mavericks have 12 games left, starting Tuesday night at home against the Los Angeles Clippers. They'll play at Denver on Thursday and at Golden

The Mavericks also need to keep an eye on Denver (42-28), which is closing in on a top-eight seed. The Nuggets play at Memphis on Monday night.

Nowitzki's injury could have international ramifications: Germany is among 12 national teams vying for the three remaining spots in the Olympics. The tour-

nament is in July.

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Dallas has won at least 52 games and made the playoffs every season since 2000-01, when Nowitzki became the focal point. He led the club in scoring for the first time that season and has done so every year since, including two years ago when the Mavericks made the NBA finals and last year when they won 67 games.

Dallas is 0-1 without Nowitzki this season, having lost to Houston earlier this month when the German was suspended.

Nowitzki has had ankle problems throughout his career, but he's never missed more than six games in a season. His durability is a big reason why he recently became the leading scorer in team history.

UCLA holds off Texas A&M 53-49

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) -There's no quit in the UCLA Bruins. Good thing, since they keep finding trouble and inventing ways to escape.

Darren Collison scored the goahead basket on a one-handed lavin with 91/2 seconds remaining, Josh Shipp blocked Donald Sloan's final drive and the West Region's No. 1 seed held on for a 53-49 victory over Texas A&M in the second round of the NCAA tournament Saturday night.

"Once the time clock goes zero, zero, we'll stop playing," Collison said. "We've been through that all season. We knew what we had to do; we knew who was going to win, and all the coaches said we just had to do the right things to win the game."

The Bruins (33-3) won their 12th in a row and will face Western Kentucky or San Diego next week in Phoenix. Their 33rd win is a record at the tradition-laden school that has 11 national championship banners, and their 96th NCAA tourney victory trails only Kentucky's 100.

"That was reminiscent of a lot of games we seem to be in lately, where we're having to make dramatic comebacks in the last few minutes," UCLA coach Ben Howland said. "But the one thing that I love about our team is that they know in their heart they're always going to win the game. They're going to find a way."

Urged on by a pro-UCLA crowd that made it seem like a home game, the Bruins rallied from a 10-point deficit in the second half.

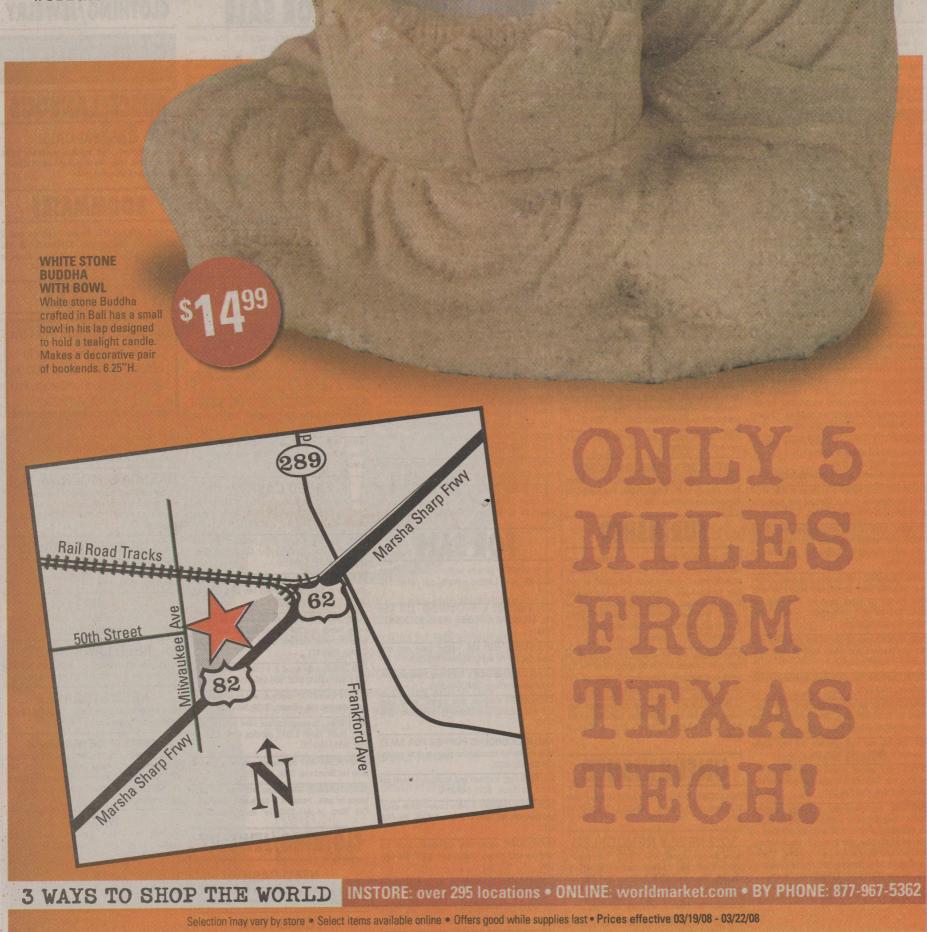
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points and 11 rebounds - his 21st double-double - and UCLA overcame the combined 3-for-14 shooting of Shipp and Russell Westbrook. Love had seven of UCLA's 11 blocked shots.

Abrams shoots Texas to 75-72 win over Miami in second round

NORTH LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — After 75 minutes of smooth shooting, poised ball-handling and a quiet crowd of Longhorn-haters in Arkansas, Texas nearly let its entire season slip away.

A.J. Abrams made two free throws with 9.5 seconds remaining, giving the second-seeded Longhorns just enough margin to hold off seventh-seeded Miami 75-72 in the second round of the South Regional on Sunday. Texas led by as many as 17 and was ahead 66-50 with 4:15 remaining before a dramatic rally by the Hurricanes.

"We won so I'm really not sweating it anymore," said the Longhorns' Damion James, who missed a pair of free throws in the final half-minute. "Just go back to practice and shoot free throws and hope to get better."

Texas (30-6) led 74-69 after Abrams' final free throws, but the Longhorns weren't quite safe yet. Miami's Raymond Hicks made a 3-pointer, and D.J. Augustin then shot an air ball on his first of two free throws with 1.8 seconds to play.

"I shot it a little short," Augustin said.

The timing couldn't have been worse. Arkansas fans, putting it mildly, do not care for Texas. They'd booed the Longhorns before each of their two games at Alltel Arena, but had to quiet down as Texas played beautifully against Austin Peay in the first round and then for most of the Miami game.