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Grim scenes greet rescuers on Texas Gulf

GALVESTON (AP) - Entire subdivisions obliterated. Oil and chemical slicks in the surf where vacationers once frolicked. Longhorn cattle roaming desolate streets. But, most stunning of all, no more deaths.

Grim scenes greeted rescuers Monday as they penetrated the areas hardest-hit by Hurricane Ike, two days after it thrashed the Texas Gulf Coast and left thousands homeless.

NATION

Stocks stabilize, but critical insurer teeters

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street took a step back from the ledge Tuesday, with the Federal Reserve resisting a cut in interest rates and the stock market staging a small rebound one day after a stomach-churning drop.

Investors still kept a nervous eye on American International Group Inc., the world's largest insurer, which huddled with the New York Fed in hopes of staving off a failure that would create even more financial turmoil.

The Fed, in its first unanimous decision this year, kept its closely watched federal funds rate unchanged at 2 percent — but noted that strains on the market have "increased significantly" and said it was ready to act if needed.

WORLD

Pakistan troops ordered to open fire on US raiders

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) - Pakistan's army said Tuesday that its forces have orders to open fire if U.S. troops launch another raid across the Afghan border, raising the stakes in a dispute over how to tackle militant havens in Pakistan's unruly border zone.

Adm. Mike Mullen, the U.S. chairman of the joint chiefs of staff, arrived in Pakistan late Tuesday amid the increased tensions. Mullen planned to meet with top civilian and military leaders to discuss a range of issues, including ways to improve coordination and cooperation along the Pakistan-Afghan border.

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Iraq since fighting began

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Encouraging

Tech student beats the odds to become speech therapist

By HANNAH BOEN STAFF WRITER

ost people know Melinda Williams as an aspiring speech-language pathologist at Texas Tech's Health Sciences Center who volunteers at the Ronald McDonald House.

"To the blind eye," said the second year graduate student from Hobbs, N.M., "I'm fine."

Someone who knows Melinda's GPA or sees her walking through campus would never guess that five years ago she survived a traumatic brain injury when a boat propeller shattered her skull.

In July 2003, Melinda woke up in a hospital bed in Tyler, thirsty and asking for her sister. Far from home, Melinda was surrounded with family and friends who had been anxiously awaiting her first words during her three-week coma.

Melinda's coma resulted from a boating accident at Lake Cypress Springs that left her found herself immobile and reliant on others unconscious, her skull in pieces and one of her eyes out of its socket. Her seemingly normal day at the lake turned disastrous when her head got caught in the propeller of the boat she was through a feeding tube and wore diapers. boarding while at the lake with her employers The once outgoing girl found herself unable and their family members.

As a helicopter picked Melinda up on the after her injury. shore and took her to a hospital in Tyler, herparents drove from Hobbs, wondering if Melinda discouraging but she recalled looking forward would be alive when they arrived.

"miracle from God."

Without the cell phone from someone on a neighboring boat, a nurse on the beach and a prompt care flight, Melinda does not believe she would be alive today.

Medical Center, Melinda was moved to what recovering. is now called the Southwest Regional Medical Center in Lubbock.

For the six months following the accident, were worse off." Melinda admits she was bitter and mean. She once had been active and independent, but



PHOTO COURTESY OF MELINDA WILLIAMS WILLIAMS SPENT NEARLY a year recovering from her life-threatening injuries.

during her recovery.

While she healed, Melinda could do nothing on her own. She received nourishment to express emotion or initiate conversation

She said the slow results of rehab were to her speech therapy and being encouraged Melinda called her arrival to the hospital a by family and friends from Hobbs visiting her in Lubbock.

"What really got me through," she said, "was that people had so much faith in me."

She said the reason she chose speechlanguage pathology as a career was because After spending a month in the East Texas of the speech therapy she received while

> "I'd feel so sorry for myself," she said, "but then I'd see all the others in recovery who

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PHOTO BY COLEMAN MOREFIELD/The Daily Toreador

MELINDA WILLIAMS, A graduate student at Texas Tech's Health Sciences Center, works with students at Wolfforth Elementary who are in need of speech therapy Monday

to impact West Texas

By MIKE GRAHAM STAFF WRITER

A new college at Texas Tech the university's campus — or any buildings for that matter.

The new Tech College of Out-Distance Education. The consoli- of West Texas." dation and formation of the college was organized by former Provost Hance, said Matt Baker, dean of the college.

"It just makes more sense to work together," he said. "Obviously, we are saving money marketing our divisions together, and communication between the two departments is much easier."

The new college oversees Tech's off-campus sites in Abilene, Amarillo, El Paso, Fredéricksburg, Highland Lakes and Junction as distance education program, now is under the authority of the new

college. The TTISD is an accredited school district offering courses by correspondence.

Currently, Baker said, there are goes beyond the boundaries of 60,000 students across the world enrolled in TTISD courses and 1,400 are enrolled full-time.

"Texas Tech has a huge, mostly rureach and Distance Education, ral community to reach out towards," which was created earlier this he said. "This land mass is larger than month, is the consolidation of 46 out of the 50 states. Our goal is the Division of Off-Campus Sites to help the university grow by taking and the Division of Outreach and the university out to the communities

Baker said the college is dedicated to aiding Tech's plan to have 40,000 Bill Marcy, former President Jon students by 2020 by recruiting young Whitmore and Chancellor Kent students through its TTISD credit programs and one-day informative non-credit courses offered in West Texas communities.

In addition to serving students, the college offers non-credit courses for adults. These courses include mostly one-day clinics in professional fields and informative courses for people interested in a field of study headed by Tech professors in West Texas communities, he said.

Baker said the Carnegie Foundawell as Tech's correspondence tion for the Advancement of Teachcollege courses. The Tech In- ing has ranked Tech as a "First Tier dependent School District, a Doctoral and Research University" kindergarten through 12th grade and recognized Tech as the only

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New Tech college seeks Textbook prices difficult to lower

By BRIDGET DE STEFANO STAFF WRITER

Buying textbooks? Prepare to spend an arm and

textbooks each semester, but not all of them are happy about it, often because they are unaware of what goes into textbook production.

News of college students' book-buying woe has reached Washington, D.C., where the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, a division of the United States Department of Education, has discussed enacting legislation to lower textbook prices.

The average retail price of a new college textbook is about \$53, according to the National Association of College Stores.

Student Monitor, a New Jersey-based private student research service, found that the average four-year undergraduate student spent approximately \$670 on

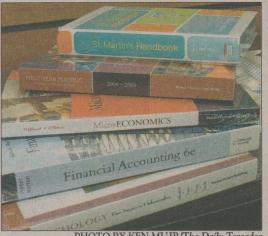


PHOTO BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreadon THESE ARE SOME of the few custom books designed for Texas Tech that can be found at the Double

textbooks this year.

That is less than 5 percent of an average student's total college expenses, said Stacy Skelly, director for higher education of The Association of American Publishers.

"When it comes to ensuring academic success," she College students spend hundreds of dollars on said in an e-mail, "this may be the most important 5 percent a student spends."

In the government advisory committee's May 2007 report, "Turn the Page: Making College Textbooks More Affordable," steps are outlined in order to make textbooks more affordable for college students.

The report states the textbook market is driven by supply rather than demand, because textbook prices accumulate in a process of faculty members selecting textbooks from publishers, bookstores ordering them and then students paying for them.

TEXTBOOK continued on page 3

- · Publishers, who are responsible for design, printing and advertising of the textbooks receive the most revenue: 67 percent.
- College bookstores receive about 12 percent for the management of retail and online sales.
- Colleges typically receive about 10 percent of the textbook dollar that is spent on maintenance costs, salaries and additional costs to keep tuition down.
- Used textbooks, according to the Barnes & Noble college bookstores, help cut textbook costs by 25 percent.
- Authors typically receive 9 percent, while freight companies receive about 2 percent for shipping and



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Lubbock disassembles hurricane evacuee shelters

STAFF WRITER

receive Hurricane Ike evacuees.

The hurricane evacuee shelters that Auditorium and Coliseum and the arrival. Lubbock Memorial Civic Center will

"We are going to start that operation by the state and FEMA." (Wednesday) morning at 9 a.m.," said

The Lubbock City Council approved to spend up to \$500,000 to than 1,000 evacu-Lubbock is no longer expecting to provide aid to potential hurricane ees before Hurevacuees. As of now, Overstreet said, the city is not sure how much money it were set up at the Lubbock City Bank has spent in preperation for evacuees continued to re-

"The total cost, right now, is going status after the be disassembled starting Wednesday to take a couple of weeks to figure out," he said. "Most of it will be reimbursed

All of the cots and supplies that ees who needed Kevin Overstreet, Lubbock's emergency were set up at the evacuation centers are services coordinator. "Inmates from the owned by the city, Overstreet said. They sheriff's office will be tearing everything will be kept in storage until another

emergency evacuation situation arises. organizations like the Red Cross and Lubbock planned to receive more the Salvation Army.

ricane Ike made landfall. The city main on standby storm hit, and was prepared to house any evacushelter because of

by the storm. There still is a small chance that a few post-

damages caused

hurricane evacuees could be sent to were sent there. Lubbock, so the city is remaining on standby, said Brigitte Ames, a health some of our volunteers to the DFW and safety specialist for Lubbock's chaparea, so they could help out with ter of the Red Cross. If any evacuees those shelters," she said, "or they can are sent to Lubbock, the city will find go further south if it's needed." accommodations for them through >> matthew.cobb@ttu.edu

Lubbock's

chapter of the

Red Cross still

is doing what-

ever it can to

provide aid to

the hurricane

victims, Ames

said. The Red

Cross has sent

some of its vol-

unteers to other

cities around

the state so

they can help

provide aid to

evacuees that

The total cost. right now, is going to take a couple of weeks to figure out.

KEVIN OVERSTREET EMERGENCY SERVICES COORDINATOR

"The Red Cross has already sent

Bailey names provost search committee

Texas Tech President Guy Bailey named an 11-member provost search committee Tuesday consisting of professors, Tech Board of Regents members and community represen-

Kelli Stumbo, a student regent with the university, said while the committee has not met, she is looking for several qualities in a provost.

From a student perspective, Stumbo said, she will be looking for a provost that will find professors to engage students, bring research money to the university and bring notoriety

Bailey named Jane Winer interim provost Sept. 1 after William Marcy retired from the position Aug. 29. Winer was the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

The provost, according to a university news release, is the chief academic officer and oversees educational components and activities, including research and academic personnel.

Michael Shonrock, the vice president for student affairs and enrollment management, will chair the search committee. Because the committee has not yet convened a meeting, Shonrock said he was unavailable for comment.

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200,000 from their homes, Moscow

has relentlessly cast Saakashvili as

an unstable leader who struck first.

tensions with a unilateral cease-fire,

but that Russia's leaders had made

Saakashvili says he tried to ease

Georgia says intercepted phone calls prove self-defense

TBILISI, Georgia (AP) — In a bid to portray Russia as the aggressor in last month's war, Georgia has released recordings of what it says are two intercepted cell phone calls purporting to show that Moscow invaded before Georgia's offensive against South Ossetia.

The recordings released Tuesday, if authentic, will not cut through the fog of the final hours when escalating tensions burst into war. But President Mikhail Saakashvili hopes they will help dispel a dominant narrative that says his country was on the attack. He said they prove Russian tanks and troops entered South Ossetia many hours before Georgia began its offensive against separatist forces.

"Evidence in the form of telephone intercepts and information that we have from numerous eyewitnesses conclusively prove that Russian tanks and armored columns invaded our territory before the conflict began," Saakashvili told reporters.

Together, the two purported intercepts last less than two minutes. So far they are Saakashvili's best argument in his bid to turn the tables against Russia.

"It looks like the decision had been made in Moscow prior to that, and nothing was going to change it

forcing a response.

up their minds.

on the ground," Saakashvili told The Associated Press. Russia has always cast Georgia Georgia says.

Since the war that killed hun- as the aggressor, saying it only redreds of people and drove nearly sponded militarily to defend Russian citizens and peacekeeping troops in South Ossetia from a Georgian offensive that began late Aug. 7.

Georgia says the intercepted phone calls show Russian forces entered South Ossetia before dawn that day.

The calls are between a South Ossetian border guard at the southern mouth of the Roki tunnel, which leads across the mountainous border from Russia into the separatist Georgian province, and another guard at headquarters in the regional capital,

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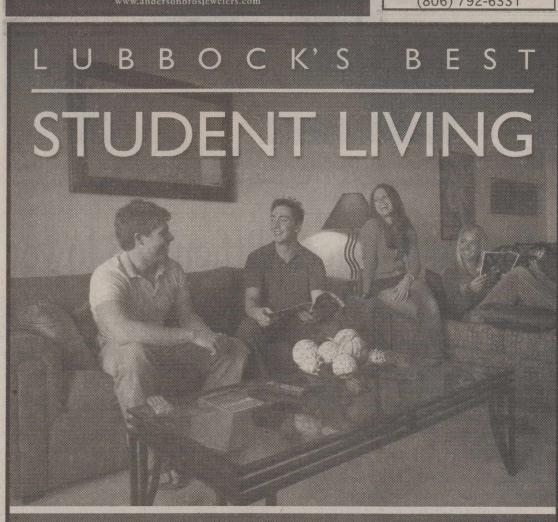
Michelle Moskos, marketing director of the College of Outreach & Distance Education, said none of the courses offered by the college's programs will be altered or canceled due to the consolidation the future.

studied at Tech in 1979 with a bach munications before being named michael.graham@ttu.edu

Idalou High School between 1983 Education's Web site. and 1987 before teaching at Ohio cation and with Tech, he said. He of Agricultural Education and Com- the future."

elors degree and earned his master's dean of the College of Outreach & degree in educational administration Distance Education, according to in 1986. He taught agriculture at the College of Outreach & Distance

"We're delighted to have the State University, California State opportunity to start operations at Polytechnic University and the the beginning of the Guy Bailey and more courses may be offered in University of Florida. He returned era," Baker said. "We look forward to Tech in 2000. In 2002, he was to working with him and Provost Baker has a rich history in edu- awarded the chair of the Department Jane Winer and leading Tech into



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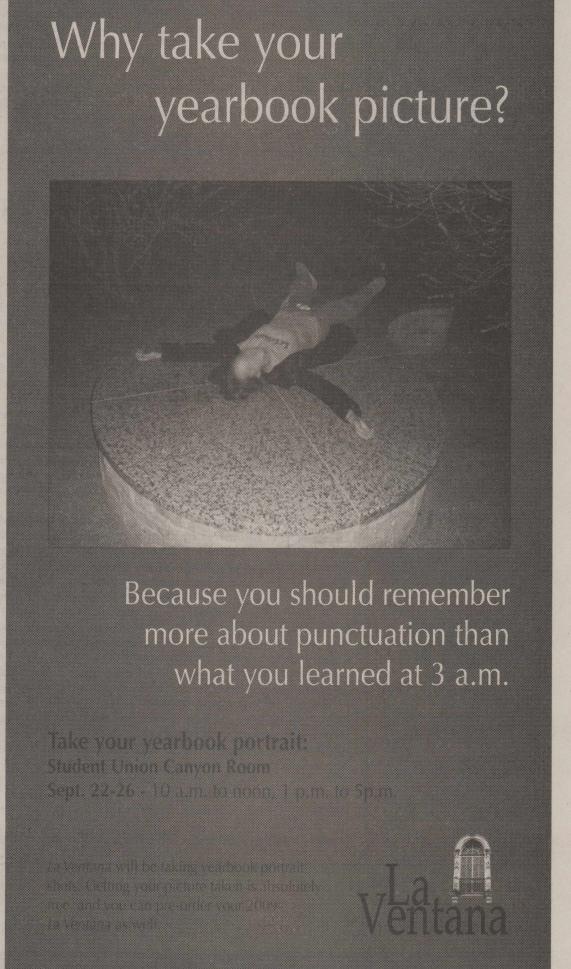
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Tech, HSC praise strength of Joint Initiative proposals

By JON VANDERLAAN STAFF WRITER

Two research teams will split \$500,000 in grant money for their projects as winners of the Texas Tech Joint Initiative Research Grant

Tech and the Health Sciences Center Joint Initiative was started in 2006 and gives winners of the grant a total of \$500,000 to be split between two projects selected by a panel of external experts. The project winners were announced Tuesday.

The two winners of the fiscal year 2009 grant included \$290,052 to a project researching a way to better control lethal parasites and \$209,948 to a project aimed to develop new methods of image-guiding medicine.

Karlene Hoo, Tech associate vice president for research, said the

competition was about the same as previous years, yet has remained 'outstanding."

The one exception to the ceiling limit of \$500,000 in the grant occurred in 2006. Hoo said both proposals were so good that the committee could not reject the amount of funding the two proposals were asking for. A total of \$769,716 was awarded for the 2007

Hoo said Tech and the HSC hope the Joint Initiative will be a catalyst for further interactions between the two campuses. Involving both Tech and the Health Sciences Center, she said, allows researchers to have a different way of thinking about a problem and fosters translational thinking.

Several departments did not file a proposal for the grant, but she said this process is not one the university

Dean Smith, vice president for research, deserves credit for putting the initiative together, Hoo said, although he was not available for comment. Hoo also praised the Health Sciences Center for its willingness to collaborate with the university.

The purpose of the initiative program is to foster collaboration between the Health Sciences Center and the undergraduate university said Douglas Stocco, the HSC executive vice president for

'This has enabled (researchers) to do their work faster, easier and probably more competitively," Stocco said. "That's what this money is for; it allows them to do work in addition to the work they're already

In order to foster this development, he said, each project must

have one principal investigator from the undergraduate university and one from the HSC.

Stocco said it is very unusual to have a medical school and undergraduate campus in the same city, and the two universities are attempting to take advantage of the opportunity they have to collaborate

"For example, if somebody over there had a need for a certain instrument and went a long time without having access to that instrument," he said, "and there was one over here, and the only reason he didn't do it is because he didn't know it was here - that would be a tragedy."

Although the researchers must spend the money they are granted in two years, according to the Joint Initiative Web site, they can request up to \$500,000.

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Textbook 4

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It states that student consumers have "no direct influence over textbooks are in a more competithe price, format or quality of the tive, smaller market, said Barbara product."

cludes two primary goals: To versity Press. increase affordability for college families and to transform the Skelly said. market into a "demand-driven, college- and student-centric mar- for textbooks stems from the work

legislation aims to accomplish ers and designers, she said. this through several goals, which ing the used-textbook market tion rates, bookstore mark-ups and working closely with college account. Also, the legislation calls labor costs. for more financial aid for students spending tremendous amounts of Skelly said, "is years of exhausmoney on their books.

want to know where textbook price individuals.' tag is coming from, and reducing texbook costs may not be as simple as the committee realizes.

Bookstores derive the costs of textbooks from the number of parties involved in designing, writing and distributing them.

Unlike general reading books, industry. Werden, design and production

The cost of designing a new students, especially those who are textbook and its accompanying from low- and moderate-income materials can exceed \$1 million,

and original ideas of authors, ex-If passed, the report states, the perts, editors, researchers, review- of spending a ton of money, stu-

principally include strengthen- final price of textbooks are inflacaused by employee and operation cility allows students to check out faculty to encourage them to take costs - layout, typesetting and their students' texbook costs into printing, which are driven by

"Between a textbook's cover," tive research, precise thought Many students and parents may and contributions from dozens of

Despite what some may say, Skelly said, the publishing industry does not make a lot of profit.

rials, have changed in the busi- students to have alternative ness, said Werden, an artist and ways of obtaining the assigned 30-year veteran of the publishing

The cost of paper, ink, printing presses and oil to lube the presses have been adversely affected from Iraq War.

"Everything is affected by oil," Werden said, "beginning with reserves." electric mills that make paper."

Much of the production costs she said, and publishers are making far less than they once were.

The reserves section of the faa textbook for two hours.

Many professors know about

Many things, especially mate- the reserves and want their textbooks without spending a fortune, said Amber Grice with the circulation reserve desk at the library.

"Professors know that their The committee's report in- manager at the Texas Tech Uni- rising oil prices, she said, since the students can't buy all the books," Grice said, "and there's a huge amount of students that use the

> The library usually has between Textbooks are feeling the pinch, three and four copies of most core subjects's books, she said, and at least one copy of textbooks that However, to alleviate the pain are not in high demand.

When it comes to finding, dents have the option of reserv- purchasing and selling textbooks, Other factors that affect the ing textbooks at the university students do have options, some of which are free.

> In the end Werden said, "textbooks are expensive to produce and expensive to buy.'

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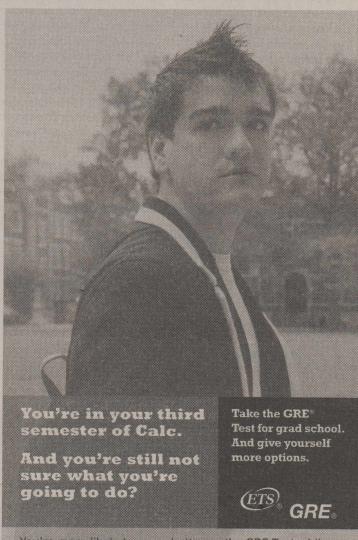
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Law school to host senate hearing

The Texas Tech community will have a rare opportunity to see state government in action in West

The Texas State Senate Jurisprudence Committee will have a public hearing from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. today in the Don Hunt Courtroom in the Mark and Becky Lanier Professional Development Center at the Tech School of Law.

Those in attendance will have a chance to participate in a discussion about jury reform which could effect legislation in the next legislative session in 2009, said Kay Fletcher, an assistant dean at the

Fletcher said she hopes having the public hearing at Tech will enforce in students' minds the idea the public can affect legislation.

"It's just a chance to get a first-hand impression of the way public input is evaluated, and perhaps incorporated into legislation that will be brought before the senate," she said.

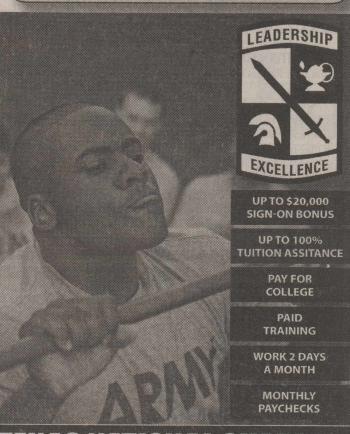
The seven-member jurisprudence committee is chaired by Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-Texas, who is a Tech law school alum.

Fletcher said Wentworth chose Tech for the location of the public hearing to receive input from West

Texans and because of his ties to the university. "They want to get a cross section of interest from around the state and (Wentworth is) very proud to be an alum," she said. "Between those two things, if they were going to go to West Texas, this would seem

the logical place." Students are encouraged to attend any part of the hearings but are asked to enter and exit the courtroom as quietly as possible, according to a Tech news release.

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Naturally, a continuation of that would be to delve into the character of that fiber and indulge the mind in how transcendent such characteristics are, and whether or not they are wrote a compact that explained the result of belief in divine benevolence on our behalf.

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gating of [the] Christian Religion."

The Mayflower Pilgrims, in 1620,



their mission was "undertaken for the Glory of God and advancement Such a conversation cannot begin of the Christian faith." Eighty years minded us in their defined by a singular

It was by these declarations that dence which alour founders had the need to solidify Sir Walter Raleigh, one of the a nation that credited God in their pensable supports original journeymen, was granted a everyday lives. This can be clearly of morality and charter that stated he could estab- perceived in wording from the Dec- religion. Wash- principles reliant on lish a government provided it "not laration and basic assumptions from ington spoke in be against the true Christian faith." the Constitution. The Declaration of When that first government was Independence notes in its preamble established in Virginia, it described that governments are subject to "the the "furtherance of so noble a work, Laws of Nature and Nature's God." which may, by the providence of The constitution expounds on this Almighty God, hereafter tend to the with the fundamental rights inher-Glory of his Divine Majesty, in propaited by such a people that recognize human happiness." God as their creator.

fearing people, as the founders and other presidents consistently re-

Washington, Jefferson and Adams frequently spoke of divine provilotted us the indishis Farewell Address that "In vain

would that man should labor to subvert these great piness." Pillars [morality and religion] of

innate sense of liberty and third, the greater happiness hereafter." Also, beyond the here and now. Ronald united by moral principles reliant freedom of conscience, or free-will. John Adams noted, "We have no Reagan, perhaps the greatest pursuer on religion, and religious principles These principles are enumerated in government capable of contending of the Christian America since the reliant on Christ. the Bill of Rights and are clear ex- with human passions unbridled by founders, was unrelenting in his amples of Christian ideals. They were morality and religion ... our Con- commendation of religious values ist founders used often, "Fear not, established for a law-abiding, God- stitution was meant for a moral and for this nation. We are a "City set therefore, you are of more value

religious people." We may not be there. Abraham Presidents belief in Christ, but Lincoln noted the are certainly united peace, and multiby moral principles reliant on religion, and strengthened and religious Christ.

to achieve so large

Him did not stop authority of religion. Reagan was quoting John Winthrop, as have many presidents in gracious hand that their inaugural address. Winthrop from the beginning with the original "preserved us in was the governor of Massachusettes colonists who sought religious tolerplied and enriched this: "For we must consider that we that successful government gives shall be as a City upon a hill. The credit to the creator who gives us us." Theodore eyes of all people are upon us. So that breath. In our public and private Roosevelt men- if we shall deal falsely with our God lives we attribute our well-being to tioned the "Giv- in this work we have undertaken, God because this has been done since er of good who and so cause him to withdraw his our origin. We recognize that source blessed us with the present help from us, we shall be because from it comes the blessings conditions which made a story and a byword through- and sustainment of liberty that we have enabled us out the world."

We are unmistakably a nation at its base. We were established as Bless America. John Kennedy spoke of a soci- one, flourished as one and continue ety that keeps its faith in God, in in our success to acknowledge the **Coulson is a junior history** Jefferson recognized this over- knowledge that 'religion elevates creator who endows us with life. major from Waxahachie. E-mail

of all citizens, second, each person's the happiness of men here and their value and responsibility that echo belief in Christ, but are certainly

To quote a verse the Revolutionon a hill", he said. A light before than many sparrows. So everyone Still, the belief the world, representing God-blessed who acknowledges me before my in God and ac- success and enduring freedom for all men, I also will acknowledge before knowledgment of willing to accept the transcendent my father who is in heaven, but whoever denies me I will deny before my father who is in heaven."

> This foundation was laid out Bay Colony, and his entire quote is ance. They believed, as should we, enjoy as Americans.

May God continue to bless us as claim the tribute of Patriotism who a measure of well-being and hap-conceived with Christian principles citizens, and above that may God

The rights are: first, the equality ruling providence that "delights in the individual' and brings forth true We may not be defined by a singular him at derek.coulson@ttu.edu.

Britney Spears is back

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partying. Britney

Spears is back and

better than ever.

By CAITLYN SCOTT THE DAILY REVEILLE (LSU)

and I can see the light for Johnny Cash. the first time in years.

I didn't think I would see it in my long as theirs.

a garden hose before this happened. had dawned, I couldn't be happier. Britney is back.

That's right, the indomitable spirit paparazzi at bay. of Ms. Spears has prevailed over

the tabloid rumors, the failed marriage and the train wreck partying. Britney Spears is back and better than ever.

I mean, have you seen those recent bikini pictures?

That's the Britney we all know and love.

No longer must we "leave Britney alone!" as Chris Crocker so elegantly put it. Instead we can rejoice in her decision to rejoin the living.

Her hair has grown and so has her pride as she puts away the Cheetos, sitcom, "How I Met Your Mother."

Frappuccinos and Carl's Jr. bags in exchange for a balanced diet and a trip to be the hero of this tale, as opposed to to her favorite dance studio. But it wasn't merely Britney's

return to her old looks that solidified her comeback. That distinction was reserved for Sept. 7 when Britney took the stage in a Versace mini dress and grabbed three VMAs for best female video, best pop video and video of the Britney and of course the pantylessyear for her single "Give Me More."

So it's not the Grammy's, but this shining Britney is a far cry from Britney a year ago with her strange tion her return to glory will undoubtrelationship with paparazzo Adnan edly bring, it will be interesting to see Ghalib, enabling manager Sam Lutfi and her bloated, uninspired rendition of "Give Me More" on the same stage will not forsake her fans again with anall culminating in her breakdown last other fall from glory. A second comelanuary.

Spears thanked God, her "two beautiful boys" and her fans; adding once again. Positive media attention that "this is for you."

a standing ovation and just like that, Britney was back.

and out for long. She's the Madonna tabloids where they post her pictures. of our generation — assuming Madonna isn't in fact the Madonna of back to the top. Stop reading this our generation.

Britney really only had two options at this point — death or a comeback.

She is far too important to our national sense of self to simply fade either go out with a bang or come back with a smile. Luckily for us, she chose to the latter.

Death would have put her in the ranks of James Dean, Marilyn Monroe and Heath Ledger. But a awn has finally broken in comeback puts her in the company the world of pop culture, of Neil Diamond, Tina Turner and

I can only hope her career lasts as

Spears' road to recovery has been I thought I would die of old age, be a long and thought out process trampled by wild horses or strangled by beginning Jan. 31 when Spears was placed back in the custody of her But now that this most holy of days father. Ghalib and Lutfi were soon out of her life, her finances were now in safe hands and bodyguards kept the

The tabloids had lost their favorite

target, as she all but disappeared from PerezHilton.com and similar gossip blogs.

I have a feeling this cessation of frenetic media attention has a big part to play in Britney's comeback. Only when people learned to truly "leave Britney alone" was she able to recover.

Soon she was able to see her sons again, she was back in the recording studio and she made a successful guest spot on the

Spears' father, Jamie Spears, seems her mother, Lynn, who is in the process of publishing a tell all book about her famous spawn.

As happy as I am to see Britney back in her rightful place at the top, a part of me will miss the head-shaving Britney, the underwear-clad-ocean-romping partying-with-Paris Britney.

She was fun. With the increase in media attenhow Spears handles herself.

I can only fervently wish Britney back is much harder to orchestrate.

So here is to leaving Britney alone, can be just as taxing as the negative. Spears' speech was greeted with Keep the paparazzi from crowding around her when she leaves the studio and causing car accidents as she tries I knew Britney couldn't be down to drive away by refusing to read the

You can help Britney in her rise column if you must.

I promise I won't hold it against you. I would do anything to keep Britney on the bandwagon.

As long as she continues to churn into obscurity. Britney would have to out pop hits and wear scandalous outfits, I'll be happy.

So come on Britney, give me

Government should better approach poverty problem

By GREG COLLINS

MASSACHUSETTS DAILY COLLEGIAN (U. MASSACHUSETTS)

o you think government welfare programs help the poor? You would be surprised at the

This Thursday's lecture at the University of Massachusetts by Star Parker, a former mother on welfare and now advocate for limited government, strikes at the heart of the following its passage. hypothetical situation liberals bring up frequently when discussing the welfare programs. It asks, "Shouldn't for symbolic purposes. the government help a poor, single mother with multiple children?"

The answer of course is also

lutely. lots of single mothers with multiple children?

government should create incentives racial biases. to reduce the total amount of single multiple jobs while having to provide food, clothing, shelter and medical

care for their children. trate on what government welfare programs propose to do without looking at whether these programs actually assist in helping the poor and ending poverty. If empirical results show that such programs are largely ineffective in meeting these aims, this would suggest that alternative solutions should be emphasized to alleviate poverty.

For instance, poverty rates for incredible progress. African-American families fell during the 1960s, a decade frequently noted as an era of social and racial progress for its passage of landmark civil rights legislation.

families began to fall far before mid-

before President Lyndon B. Johnson's Americans to value education, acquire historical period preceding 1960, meant "War on Poverty" government welfare skills necessary to work in blue-collar little government welfare programs. programs. In fact, this poverty rate fell and white-collar jobs and earn enough remarkably from 87 percent in 1940 to money to move to safer living areas? Did 47 percent in 1960

to rise out of poverty. The rates of African-Americans entering professional occupations were greater five 1964 then they were in the five years

benefits of government-directed On the contrary, it was very important

African-American economic progres- to happen. sion occurred in the 20 or so years preonly help a single mother with crime rates and the maintenance of multiple children? Why not help two-parent households, and reflected the overlooked efforts of millions of African-Americans to progress in a The deeper issue is whether the society which collectively still held

It is easy to point to government mothers on welfare who are working legislation and programs as signs of progress or advancement. However, it is much more difficult to recognize the tireless commitment of African-People have misconceptions Americans, or any other racial majority about this issue because they concen- or minority group for that matter, in stressing education to their children and acquiring the skills necessary to be promoted to higher-paying jobs. Because such efforts occurred in private and in local households, classrooms, libraries and offices, people looking back on the 1960s have a much more difficult time identifying the underlying reasons that are responsible for providing the foundation for African-Americans'

Liberals will remark that African-American advancement was inevitable, because they had so much more to gain from America's dark past of slavery. But the question is: Did African-Americans However, economist Thomas progress because of federally mandated Sowell has pointed out that the programs? Did African-Americans poverty rate for African-American progress because of government-directed money transfers from richer to 1960s civil rights legislation and poorer people that enabled African-

African-Americans progress because More revealing are the types of white politicians made sweeping claims jobs which enable African-Americans that they wanted to help the poor, disinequality in America?

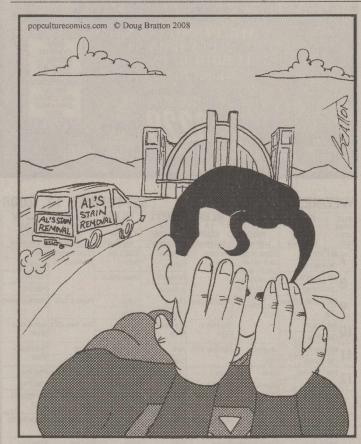
proclaiming a War on Poverty for this mandate or enforce them. to happen. It did not take federal civil This is not to say that the civil rights legislation for this to happen. It of poor single mothers with multiple rights legislation was not important. most certainly did not take federal gov- children? Reducing welfare programs ernment welfare programs attempting will do more to alleviate such unfor-But the most important part of mothers with multiple children for this sweeping proposals intended to wage a

> What it did take w responsibly, which, in the particular try to do it.

What else did it take? Answers to some complex questions are oftentimes very simple. It took hard work. It took strong families. It took individual responsibility. Every day we use these tribute income more fairly and reduce tools to accomplish our goals. Make no doubt - every single American is The answer is an unequivocal no. capable of applying these principles years before the Civil Rights Act of It did not take Lyndon B. Johnson without the need for government to

So what about reducing the number to alleviate the stresses on poor single tunate socioeconomic situations than War on Poverty will ever do.

Instead of politicians or the gov ceding such acts. This progress included incentive structures to encourage peo- ernment saying they want to combat But why should the government rising education levels, decreasing ple to achieve financial independence poverty, we, the people, can actually



The Hall of Justice's cafeteria was cleaned, Robin's funeral was arranged, and Superman never attempted the Heimlich Maneuver again.

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Local musicians perform for NPR program

We want to

humanize classical

music and let kids

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JENNIFER HURLEY-WALES

EXECUTIVE PRODUCER AND

CO-CEO

By HANNAH BOEN STAFF WRITER

The National Public Radio show "From the Top" taped a live broadcast at 7 p.m. Tueday in Texas Tech's Allen Theatre.

"From the Top" is a nationally syndicated program played on 231 stations, including KOHM-FM, South Plains Public Radio.

KOHM development director Sherril Skibell said 89.1 is the only station playing classical, Celtic and jazz music for Lubbock and the South

A barefoot Christopher O'Riley hosted the show, and accompanied classical performances from five young musicians.

"Lubbock is where the cotton fields go on forever," O'Riley said, "and the Texas Tech Red Raiders rule the streets."

Lubbock is also home to two young classical

Grace Cheon is a student at O.L. Slaton Middle

writing stories, but was recognized by "From the are celebrated. Top" for her talent on the piano.

Jennifer Hurley-Wales is the Executive Producer and Co-CEO of the radio show, and travels across the nation to tape "From the Top"

"Grace," she said, "is a very sunny, likeable and talented

Flutist Tristan Plaut also performed for the radio show. The senior is on the varsity golf team at Frenship High School.

Hurley-Wales said talented students are sometimes discovered through summer music camps, but the two local students were discovered through an application process.

School. The 13-year-old enjoys playing tennis and celebrate classical musicians the same way athletes questions about music.

"We want to humanize classical music," she said, "and let kids tell who they

are and what they do." Plaut and Cheon were selected to perform on the show based on a listening test. Hur-

ley-Wales said the listening test tells producers if people can hear and be engaged by the performances.

Also, the music must sound like the quality of music on a classical station.

Plaut and fellow performer Gemma Nam visited Mackenzie Middle School before the live taping as part of an NPR educational program. Their

visit gave local musicians an opportunity to see Hurley-Wales said the mission of the show is to classical performances and ask Plaut and Nam

"It was fabulous," Hurley-Wales said of the visit to the middle school. "It's a really great school with really attentive kids."

Gemma Nam from Natick, Mass. performed on the cello. The 17-year-old is originally from Seoul, South Korea. Besides playing the cello, Nam likes to snowboard and practice taekwondo.

Roberto Granados came to Lubbock from Southern California and performed three songs on three different guitars for the radio show. Granados' initial inspiration to play guitar was rock and blues, especially Jimmy Hendrix, which he performed for "From the Top".

Kenneth Renshaw plays the guitar, piano and violin. The 14-year-old from San Francisco performed on the violin for the radio show. Six years ago, Renshaw performed for a larger audience at Carnegie Hall.

Tuesday's taping will air on December 20th on KOHM 89.1 FM.

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Melinda's high school graduation and as she watched her friends move get out of her hospital bed and make a full recovery.

After 99 days of recovery and rehabilitation, Melinda returned home to a parade of supporters.

In the spring of 2004, Melinda began her journey toward becoming a speech-language pathologist by attending classes at New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs.

Melinda said she knew she was ready to pursue higher education but did not want to be far from her family, who had played a large role in her recovery.

Thanks to Melinda's injury afcognitively, she excelled in school and received her bachelor's degree from Tech in 2007, a year and a half

After graduating from junior college, Melinda made the decision to leave her family and attend Texas Tech's Health Sciences Center.

Guy Williams said he always had confidence in his daughter's abilities and continued to be confident when Melinda made the choice to pursue a career in the health industry.

"If it takes work, she just starts working," he said.

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transformed her life. She said it has allowed her to meet her boyfriend of The accident happened just after with others and given her a new attitude toward people with handicaps.

Ultimately, her accident also has on to college, she was determined to led her to her career choice, which she said she never considered before she was forced to go through speech therapy.

special calling to the health industry after her injury, particularly to the same therapy that had rehabilitated

people who had helped her," he said, 'and realized how important therapy a possibility.' was to recovery.'

linda said. "I can use my accident in gone through similar things."

fecting her physically rather than who can see a positive outcome from her near-fatal accident.

Melinda said her accident has therapist during her recovery in therapists have said she is already she has made is incredible.

'We call her the poster child for career has begun. four years, given her more patience rehab because her recovery was so amazing," Hope said. "When I first saw one who's gone through this," Guy her, she could not eat, walk or talk. Now she's completely independent."

ery to her faith, her attitude and her go away completely. She's managed family. Although Melinda is not yet Melinda's father said she felt a a speech therapist, Hope asked her to have expected." speak to patients who have survived traumatic brain injuries.

tion to others," she said. "I can call very good speech therapist because "She felt a sympathy for these her anytime and say we have some she knows from personal experience one who needs to know recovery is how important therapy is.

"I want to help other people," Me- tion to her and the therapists she why she has recovered so well." works with because she is just a my career to inspire people who have genuinely good person who has not beneath the skin. She has a cerebral Melinda is not the only person her experience to help as many other people as she can.

Shea Hope has known Melinda out to use her experience to change since the month after her accident. the lives of others by becoming a headaches, tires easily and likes to

inspiring those around her before her

"She can empathize with every-Williams said. "There are things she'll never be able to do well because Hope attributes Melinda's recov- of the physical injuries that will never them better than anyone could ever

Although he acknowledged the impossibility of his daughter's full "She's absolutely been an inspira-recovery, he said Melinda will be a

"I'm really proud of her," he said. Hope said Melinda is an inspira- "Her attitude is incredible, and it's

Melinda's injuries are now hidden only never given up, but wants to use spinal fluid shunt. She also has a baclofen pump that sends a muscle relaxer through the left side of her body, After her accident, Melinda set which is still tight from the injury.

Her dad said she continues to get

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"She just does her best. She never does anything half-way," Guy Williams said. "She works way harder than everyone else to learn things."

Melinda agreed school has not been easy for her, and her teachers at stopped to consider the what-ifs. Tech have challenged her, not giving her special treatment.

"I always thought I'd at least get a

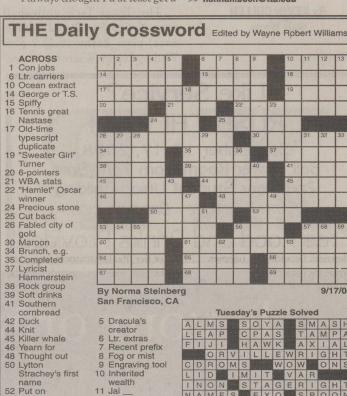
'good job," she said, "but I don't."

Melinda's therapists and family members have attributed her successful recovery to her positive attitude. and Melinda said that she would not be as happy or triumphant if she had "It's been hard," she said, "but I

wouldn't change it for the world."

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Safety Charbonnet rewarded for timeliness

Little brother, Taylor taking advantage of limited playing time on special teams

By ALEX YBARRA STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech safety Daniel Charbonnet has four interceptions on a Tech defense that leads the nation in the same category.

The latter would seem believable before the season began, but the former not so much.

At least, not by the third game of the season.

Because of the senior's three interceptions — a Tech single-game school record — in a 43-7 win over SMU on Saturday, the Woodlandsnative was named the Big 12 Conference Defensive Player of the Week Monday.

"A lot of games, you go to the right place, and they never throw your way, but it felt good," said Charbonnet, whose four interceptions lead the nation. "Everyone

I just happened to get lucky, and 35-19 victory at Nevada. they threw it my way. It's just a blessing."

fourth and fifth interception against the Mustangs, but cornerback Jamar Wall jumped in front of him for one, and the other was a tipped ball that net securing the ball after causing slipped off his fingertips.

"It's kind of weird," Charbonnet said. "I was telling somebody, I've had games where I've had lots of tackles. I felt like I did more in the game, because I played almost the whole game on defense. I really only made three plays, because I don't think I even had a tackle or anything like that."

The Red Raiders' 10 interceptions already matches the team's total from 2007, putting Tech 11 shy of tying the school record for most interceptions in a single season.

In the second game of the season, was going to the right place, and Charbonnet made a huge play in a

With Nevada trailing 14-9, he stripped the ball from Wolf Pack Charbonnet said he nearly had a quarterback Colin Kaepernick just as he ran across the goal line for an apparent touchdown. An official review revealed Charbonthe fumble.

> Those kinds of plays have defensive coordinator Ruffin McNeill singing Charbonnet's praises.

"He's just always around the ball, stripping the ball or getting interceptions," McNeill said. "That's just how Charb plays football."

Charbonnet's little brother, redshirt freshman Taylor Charbonnet, has garnered attention of his own on special teams.

Against Eastern Washington on Aug. 30, Taylor Charbonnet blocked a field goal and had three tackles all while seeing the field on

His speed and size cause all sorts of problems for opponents, which is why McNeill gave him the nickname "speed bunny."

Tech coach Mike Leach said he often thought about giving Taylor Charbonnet a bigger role when he was redshirted because of all the chaos he would cause as a scout team member.

"He'd be out there on scout team and our starting receiver would run some route, and Taylor Charbonnet would just defeat you because he's really quick," Leach said. "He changes direction really well. He's not a guy that's just sort of fast. He truly is a head for things."

At one point, Daniel Charbonduring practice — something he has the Week award. specialized at since high school.

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fast guy. You couple that with his BROTHERS DANIEL AND Taylor Charbonnet are helping the Red change of direction, he's got a good Raiders on defense and special teams respectively this season.

"When he gets older and gets >> daniel.ybarra@ttu.edu

McNeill said it will not be too a little lead in his pants," McNeill net said they had to ask his little long until Taylor Charbonnet gets said, "(he needs) a little sand in his brother to stop blocking field goals his own Big 12 Defensive Player of britches to make him weigh a little bit more."

Tech volleyball travels to Waco for second Big 12 Conference match

By KEVIN CULLEN STAFF WRITER

Finishing is key.

The Texas Tech volleyball ond Big 12 match of the season. "That's a big problem with us the three losses in the tourna- Oregon. Before these two losses, team (3-6, 0-1 in Big 12 Conference) plays Baylor (8-2) 7 p.m. performance in the Red Raider how to finish together and not Wednesday in Waco for its sec-

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25-20, 27-25, 17-25, 15-10). Amanda Dowdy, who earlier can do it." was named Big 12 Rookie of the

respective sets.

Tech is coming off an 0-3 right now. We need to learn ment as motivation.

Week, said in order for the Red Witte tallied 127 assists at the Raiders to succeed, they must Red Raider Round-Up as the the 2007 season losing by scores conference in service aces with

perform better at the end of their primary setter.

"I'm excited about that," Round-Up that extended its just lay back and let them beat Witte said. "Hopefully we can do sets on this season. Baylor's oplosing streak to six. The three us. We work way too hard in somewhat of what we did to OU, ponenets are hitting .112 in 2008, losses included a loss in the Big practice and out on the floor to but turn out the win instead of a the best in the Big 12. 12 opener to Oklahoma (12-25, just let somebody like that beat loss. Definitely use (the losses) as us. As long as we have the heart motivation. It gave us a little bit hitter Katie Sanders, who has Tech freshman middle blocker and we want the win, I think we of confidence I think, knowing 111 kills on the season so far,

She said the Red Raiders cess early this season, winning its fogle leads the team in blocks 'We definitely need to learn hopefully will draw from their first eight matches before drop- with 51. how to finish a game," she said. experience against OU and use ping its last two to UNLV and kevin.m.cullen@ttu.edu

the Bears had allowed their opponents to win a combined three

The Bears feature outside that we can do it; it's just finish- averaging 3.58 a set. Setter Tay-Tech newcomer Caroline ing the games up that we start." lor Barnes has 310 assist on the Tech failed to beat Baylor in year. The Bears also lead the of 3-1 and 3-0. Baylor found suc- 63. Middle blocker Anna Brey-

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Baseball looks forward to road trips on 2009 schedule

By KEVIN CULLEN STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech baseball team now knows what is in front of it.

The 2009 non-conference and Big 12 Conference schedule was released Monday. Key points on the 55-game schedule include an 11-day road trip through California where the Red Raiders will face Cal State-Northridge for a three-game series and UC-Davis for one game before spending five days at the Palm Springs Baseball Invitational. There, the team will see San Francisco, UC-Riverside, Gonzaga and Oregon State. A 56th game will be added at a later date to fulfill the maximum number of games allowed by the

Spencer said the non-conference games are tough games and will help prepare his team for later in

"I think we are excited about opening at home," Spencer said. "I think the California trip against good people will put us in the right frame of mind, keep us around, keep us together. When you're on the road, you do a lot more together than when you're at home. I think we will be fully prepared by the time Nebraska comes to town."

Having such a lengthy road trip early in the season is an advantage, as the California trip is something Spencer said you cannot put a price on.

"I think early in the year your routine is different on the road," he said. "You're always with your teammates; you're always around the coaches.

You don't go home and get away from it and come back; you go to the hotel room. There's team meetings, team meals, position meetings. It's really a business trip and they get used to the feel of being on the road."

Spencer said the road trips hold extra value from a preparation standpoint, as the Red Raiders will be on the road for five road series with Big 12 Conference opponents, compared to four at home.

Exposure is important for recruiting, and the 2009 schedule will provide many opportunities for Tech to get noticed by potential recruits.

Last year's schedule was interrupted on numerous occasions. Once because of the campus shooting at Northern Illinois University that forced the Huskies to withdraw from a four-game series and also when Illinois withdrew from a series with Tech.

Spencer said barring any unforeseen changes like last year, this year's schedule is strong and balanced with a total of seven teams who advanced to the 2007 NCAA Tournament. which is exciting to the team.

Spencer will face his former team for the first time in Palm Springs after spending the last 11 seasons at Oregon State, three of which were spent as associate head coach.

'I haven't really thought about it really, to be quite honest with you," Spencer said. "It's funny because I was the guy that started that tournament. I was doing the scheduling at think it'll mean anything more to me Oregon State when I talked to coach up until we play, and then it will. It (Larry) Hays when I said, 'Hey, do will mean something because I know you wanna come to Palm Springs a lot of those guys. and play?" and he said, 'Sure.' I don't >>> kevin.m.cullen@ttu.edu

Schedule **Notes**

Tech coach Dan Spencer will face his former team, Oregon State, who he won two national championships with in 2006 and 2007.

The Red Raiders have an 11-day, eight game road trip through California. The trip will be the first to California since 2001.

Tech opens the season at home against against Southern Utah and Texas-Pan American starting Feb. 20.

Big 12 Confernece play starts against Nebraska March 13-15 at Dan Law Field.

Tech women's soccer hoping to get players back in time for Big 12 season

By STEVEN RYAN STAFF WRITER

The injury bug has taken its rison said she is toll on the Texas Tech women's expecting to start soccer team.

The Red Raiders most likely tion at forward for will continue to play shorthanded the Oral Roberts for a few more games.

The team's leading goal scorer from last year, Zhaleh Rezaie, and the first four games co-captain Shannon Sims were on defense, Harrinot participating with the team son has had plenty during practice again Tuesday as of success in her Tech prepares for a Thursday night three starts up top. matchup with Oral Roberts.

"I know they are both trying her team-leading to get back by (Oklahoma Sate)," six goals in those forward Brittney Harrison said. three games. "That is their deadline. I do not think either of them is playing start at forward, on Thursday. I think we are going Harrison scored to save them and wait for confer- a goal 12 seconds

Sims hurt her knee in the con- Against Northference opener against Colorado. western State She said she thought it was a minor Sunday, she had injury at first and was expecting a hat trick in the to play the next weekend in the first 15 minutes of Middle Tennessee Soccer Classic. the game.

But Sims has had trouble getwas her fifth straight to miss.

match of the Middle Tennessee tacking teams." Soccer Classic against Middle day-to-day.

'(Sims') knee really hurts," weeks but she can't."

With Rezaie likely out again this week. Harin Rezaie's posi-

After starting She scored four of In her first

into the match.

'The statistics speak for themting back on the field. Sunday's selves," Tech coach Tom Stone said. game against Northwestern State "Last year we did not feel comfortable leaving her out of the backline Rezaie hurt her foot in the first because there are so many good at-

Stone said with freshmen Lauren Tennessee State. Rezaie missed Yelinek and Casey McCall adjusting her third straight game Sunday well to playing college-level defense, and the pair of stars were listed as he feels better about Harrison moving up top for a while. Another freshman Taylor Lytle,

Harrison said. "I know she wants to has been starting at forward the entire to come back for the last couple of lead the attack with both Rezaie and with it." Harrison.



PHOTO BY KAT HILSABECK/The Daily Toreadon BRITTNEY HARRISON, moves the ball down the field while playing Arizona at the John Walker soccer complex.

"I enjoy playing with Brittney because she gives us that extra speed," Lytle said. "Me and her work really well together. With Brittney, there is just more speed and we can play directly down the line. Zhaleh is more technical with footwork, and we do 1-2s and stuff.'

Stone said it is a possibility that Harrison could stay at forward for longer than expected. "We will analyze it once Zhaleh is back healthy," Stone said. "Once she is healthy we will probably put a bunch of different scenarios out there, see which come back. She has been wanting season and has had opportunities to one clicks the best, and then go

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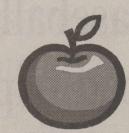




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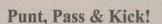
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Sept. 21-23

6:00 - 9:00pm

Get in the game and test your football skills in Texas Tech's first Punt, Pass & Kick competition! Located on the IM Flag Football Fields, this event will be taking place during flag football games and will be open to all students and Rec Center Members! For more info, contact the IM office at 742-3351!



Adult Beginner Swimming

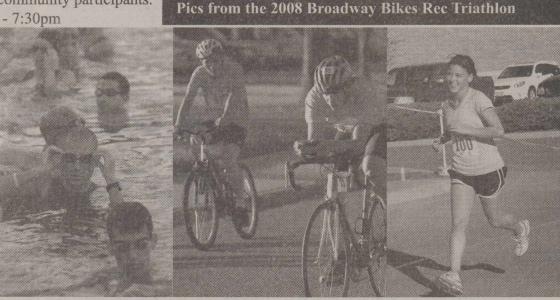
Designed for adults, these classes will help you feel comfortable in the water and start you on a path to a great workout! Our Beginning Classes teaches the basics of swimming and water safety. It's perfect if you haven't been in the pool for a while or are just starting out. All classes are taught by an American Red Cross instructor in a supportive and friendly environment. The cost is \$25 for Texas

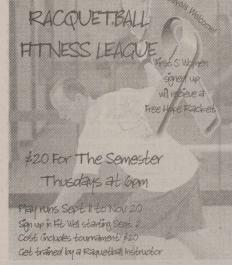
Tech Students, Faculty and Staff and \$35 for community participants. Fall Session 1: October 6 - 22 Mon/Wed 6:30 - 7:30pm

Saturday Morning Specials are Back! Stop by the pool at 10:00am on Saturday morning for the weekly special! The Long Course Swim is on Sept. 20, Water Polo and Underwater Hockey are on Sept. 13 and Kayak Polo is on Sept. 27!



Hand Wraps - \$6 RaiderX Shirts - \$15 Heart Rate Monitor Straps - \$8





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