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(INBRIEF)
STATE
FEMA triples mobile homes in 4 counties BEAUMONT (AP) - FEMA has more than tripled the number of mobile homes for Hurricane lke
victims in four southeast Texas victims in four suutheast Texas
counties inthe last week - raising
. counties sinthe last week - raising
the number from 18 to 62 - but
off cill say thousands more are officials say thousands more are still neded.
is ist an an unsamisfactory number," Orange Mayor William Brown Claybar said Tuesda
The 62 units reported by FEMA model trailers occupied as of fues day night in Jefferson, Orange,
Hardin and Chambers counties.

## NATION

Economy will return 'better than ever'
ADA, Mich. (AP) - Presir
dent Bush says the bank rescue plan is limited becayse-foserent ownership of businisses is good for the United States. Atter having lunch Wedness
day with business owners in Ada Aay with business owners in Adda,
Mich., Bush said that, frankly, he doesn't want the government involved in owning private businesses. But he says the 9250 billion cash infusion into the nation's banks sis necessary in the shortrun
to unfreeze credit markets and instill confidence in the economy.

WORLD
Pirates seize ship with 21 crew near Somalia KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia
(AP) - A maritime official says (AP) - A maritime official says armed pirates have hijacked b bulk cartier with 21 crew members in
the Gulf of Aden near Somalia. the Guf of Aden near Somalia.
Noel Choong of the IntermaNol Choong of the Intermar
tional Maritime Bureau says the ship was saling from the Middle East to Asia when it was seized Wednescay The ship fies a Panamanian flag but is operated in the Philippines.
No further deta
mediately vailable.
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Wednesdays hija
the number of attackss this year in the African waters to 73. A total of 29 ships have been hijacked. Choong says 11 remain in the
hands of pirates along with more hands of pirates along with more

DEATH TOLL


## INSIDE

Classifieds. Crossword. Opinions.... Opinions.

## Stocks plunge as retail sales show drop

## By TIM PARADIS

EW YORK (AP) - Investor
NEW YORK (AP) - Investors
agonizing over a faltering economy agonizing over a faltering economy
sent the stock market plunging all sent the stock market plunging all
over again Wednesday after two disheartening reports convinced Wall Street that a recession, if not already here, is inevitable. The
Dow Jones industrials dropped Dow Jones industrials dropped as
much as 572 points, more than half much as 572 points, more than hal Monday, and all the major indexes fell at least 5 percent.

The government's report that up government efforts to revive the
retail sales plunged in September stagnant credit markets. retail sales plunged in September stagnant credit markets.
by 1.2 percent -almost double the The release of the Beige Book, by 1.2 percent-almost double the The release of the Beige Book,
0.7 percent drop analysts expected the assessment of business conditions - made it clear that consumers from the Federal Reserve ation - made it clear that consumers from the Federal Reserve added, economy and a punishing stock found that the economy continued market.
The Commerce Department re to slow The Commerce Department re- in the early fall as financial and port was sobering because consumer credit problems took a turn for the
spending accounts for more than worse. The central bank's report spending accounts for more than worse. The central bank's report
two-thirds of U.S. economic activ- supported the market's belief that ity. The reading came as Wall Street difficulties in obtaining loans have was refocusing its attention on the choked growth in wide swaths of faltering economy following stepped the economy.
"Even though the banking sec- even if they stabilize as we hope they or may be returning to normal, the will, broadere economic recovery will conomy still isn't. The economy not happen right away," he told
continues to face a host of other Economic Club of New York. problems," said Doug Roberts, chief Analysts have warned that problems," said Doug Roberts, chief Analysts have warned that the
investment strategist at Channel- market will see continued volatilCapitalResearch.com. "We're in for ity as it tries to recover from the a tough ride."
Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke of.
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the credit markets won't provide an after a huge decline, but the market' he credit markets won't provide an after a huge decline, but the market
instantaneous jolt to the economy. anxiety about the economy was also instantaneous jolt to the economy. anxiety about the economy was also
"Stabilization of the financial expected to cause gyrations expected markets is a critical first step, but in the weeks and months ahead.

## Grow with the flow

Study examines human transport of plant seeds


A STUDENT WALKS by a flower bed of yucca plants Wednesday north of the Mass Com
Lubbock Dems, Reps gather for final presidential debate

US military: No. 2 al-Qaida in Iraq leader killed

## By ROBERT H. REID

BAGHDAD (AP) - American soldier killed the alleged No. 2 leader of al-Qaida in Iraq, a Moroccan who trained in Afghanistan, recruited foreign fighters and ran operation remain a potent threat the U.S. military said Wednesday.
The man, who the military said wasknow as Abu Qaswarah, died Oct. 5 during a raid on a building in the northern city of Mosul that served as a major command and contro loca
tion"for the region. Four ohher insurgents were killed in the operation, the U.S. said. The announcement of Abu Qaswarah's death was withheld until Wednesday to alio
for positive idenififcation, the military said. for positive identification, the military said.
American officials described Abu Qaswarah, also known as Abu Sara, as a char ismatic figure who had rallied al-Qaida's network in the north after the movement suffered major setbacks in Baghdad and othe former strongholds.
The Swedish news agency TT reported that the man was also a Swedish citizen.
Swedish officials confirmed that a Moroccan Swede suspected of al-Qaida ties was killed in early October and that he was on the U.N. and the EU terror watch lists. They declined to elaborate and it was unclear whecher the Swede may have been among the four other killed.
The death of such a senior al-Qaida leader will cause a major dissuption to the terror net
work, particularly in northem Iraq, where work, particularly in northern Iraq, where the
movement remains active, the military said. "It's going to be much more difficult for the factions left in that area to network and operate among themselves," U.S. spokesman Brig. Gen. David Perkins said. "It allows the
Iraqi security forces with the support of the Iraqi security forces with the support of the
coalition to go in and continue to tear apart that network."


Sen. John McCain assailed Sen.
Barack Obama's character and his campaign positions on taxes, abortion and more Wednesday night,
hoping to turn their final presidential debate into a launching pad for a debate into a launching pad for a
political comeback, according to The political comeback,
Associated Press.
Associated Press.
Victoria Beles, a second-year
Tech law student, said after the last Tech law student, said after the last eight years of President Bush's ad-
ministration, it would take a strong ministration, it would take a strong
Republican candidate for her to vote Republican can
Republican.
Republican.
While she has respect for McCain, as she was a resident of Arizona in the past, she said she thinks something needs to be different from the Bush administration. No matter which candidate ends
like to hear strong statements from
both of them. both of them. in Hempstead, N.Y., was their third and in surveys in many battleground
debate and marked the beginning states, an advantage built in the ound table at Hofstra University Obama leads in the national Dolls. debate
 a graduate public administration major from Lubbock, and John Parras, a graduate public administration major and John Parras, a graduate pabic administration major
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PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador
THE LUBBOCK the final preck COUNTY Republican Party views $\begin{array}{lll}\text { administration. } & \text { from Valentine, react to statement made by presidential } & \text { the final presidential debate between Sen. Barack } \\ \text { No matter which candidate ends candidate Sen. Barrack Obama during a debate Wednes- } & \text { Obama and Sen. John McCain Wednesday at One Guy } \\ \text { up taking office, Beles said she would } \\ \text { day at a Democratic watch party at Murphy's Pub. }\end{array}$
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Cell phone companies increase capabilities as region expects growth


#### Abstract

By MIKE GRAHAM Staff Writer Cell phone companies are well aware of Texas Tech's expansion plans and the increasing population and have been increasing their networks' capabilities to accommoda the growing Lubbock market. Representatives from both Allte Whey are aware of Tech's plans to they are aware of Tech's plans to expand to 40,000 students by 2020 and have brought the latest in cell phone technology to the region. "Our network could withstand the increase in volume there and around the city already," said Brad Vreeke, a wireless consultant with Alltel. "And with a pending merger with Verizon (Wireless) we will probably be able to expand even more." Brian Sanderson, the overseer of Alltel's network operations in Lubbock, said currently there are six cell phone towers near the Tech campus. Sarah Andreani, an AT\&T mar-


keting representative, said she does launched its Third Generation (3G)
not know how many towers are near network in Lubbock on Aug. 27 , but
the Tech campus but AT\&T, like Andreani said users with 3 G phones the Tech campus but AT\&T, like
all cell phone companies, monitors its networks to see what areas need more coverage. Sanderson said the major cell phone companies that cover Lub bock and the South Plains are Alltel, AT\&T and Sprint. Verizon and networks in the South Plains Representatives for Sprint not return requests to discuss the company's Lubbock network ca pabilities. "We'll continue to monitor the "WWation there," Andreani said Stantly, perform drive tests and keep track of call volumes in any given area to ensure our network's quality. So as areas grow, our network will grow as well."
Some wireless cell phone users Some wireless cell phone users may have noticed an increase in their service when they returned to
school from their hometowns this summer.
AT\& wireless officiall
 G service before the initial launch
date in some areas of Lubbock. Andreani said AT\&T plans to invest $\$ 200$ million dollars wort of infrastructure in Texas this yea bringing AT\&T Wireless' tota
investment in the Lone Star State investment in the Lone
$\qquad$ etropolitan areas in the U.S. metropolitan areas in the U.S. areas by the end of 2008 .
"We're investing Andreani said " 3 G is a technology Andreani said. " 3 G is a technology
we are very interested in and it should be the standard service for many years to come."
Sanderson said Altel has th riginal "third generation" network in Lubbock.
"We actual
We actually have had a network similar to AT\&T's 3 G network in Lubbock for about two years now,' he said. "It's called EVDO and it
provides the same standard services


#### Abstract

that 3G offers; like high speed Internet on your phone. The technology just works a little dif- ferently from getting information fechnology just works a little diffrom your phone to the tower and back than 3 G ." Sanderson said Alltel is expanding its network and has spent millions of dollars in the past year setting up new towers past year setting in the region.

\section*{unique feature that no other ma-} jor American cell phone company currently provides, Andreani said, called Video Share. Video Share allows AT\&T Wireless customers allows AT\&T Wireless customers to talk on the phone while simulaneously sharing live video. "In the past, you could call your friend to talk about a dog you're looking at," she said. "Now you can call and, at the same time, how your friend a live image of he dog they can see on the screen of their phone. It also can help a Grm with their spouse that the are buying the right item.




NATALIE ANGLIN, A junior comunication studies major from Stephenville, talk on the phone with her mother between classes Monday morning
outside the Mass Communications building. ville, talks on the phone with her mother bet
outside the Mass Communications building.

## Debate $\downarrow$

## CONTINEE FROM PAGE 1

built in the weeks since the nation sumbled into the greatest economic crisis since the Great Depression. Joe Gantt, coach of the Tech debate team, said results of Wednesday's debate were closer than the debate a week age,
and believes McCain was doing "excep and believes McCain was doing "excep.
tionally" well in the first 30 minutes. Because he found a good attack on
Obamas policies regarding the economy Obamas policies regarding the economy -attacking Obama's policy on redistribution of wealth - and separated himself well from President Bush, Gantt said, he was able to
performance.
However, when the possible associations between Obama and "domestic terrorists" were brought up, Gantt said he thoughtObama was ready for the question and started picking up momentum from that point.
Winn said he believed those who Winn said he believed those who
were undecided would observe and listen Winn said he believed those who Wiinn said the most important thing
were undecided would observe and listen he believed Mcacain should have done
intently abouthow the candidates plan to Wednesday was build tuost and confidence

E. European nations want climate package changes
$\begin{array}{cl}\text { BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) - } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Latvia, Lithuania and Estonia }\end{array} \begin{array}{c}\text { ment need to a } \\ \text { Eo }\end{array} \\ \text { Eastern European leaders pushed } \\ \text { released a joint statement on the }\end{array}$ Eastern European leaders pushed rel for changes to a EU climate issue.
package at the opening of a two- During the past year, negotiapackage at the opening of a two- The recent financial turmoil has tions on the package between EU day summit Wednesday, saying triggered fears of a global recession in intensified. It is hoped both sides can
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that would make much of a burden We can't say governments endorse it by year's end so that it can much of a burden
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tries said the EU must balance the
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trade emissions scheme.
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cap-and-trade cap-and-trade be enacted in 2009.
"We can't say well get an agree-
ment by the end of the year if our ment by the end of the year if our
conditions are not met," said Mikolaj conditions are not met," said Mikolaj affairs ministers. But Irish Foreign Minister Micheal Martin said the lan on the table now "represents the est possible compromise" and should If the EU backs off. een as a harsh blow to U.N. climate change talks planned for December change talks planned for December
in Poland that will include delegates from more than 190 countries. The conference will work out the details of a climate change accord to succeed
the Kyoto Protocol, which expires n 2012 The Eastern European leaders aid their economies have made great cuts in carbon emissions since emerging from communism in the late 1980s and th
ognized" now. ognized" now.
If not, they nations will pay distern European nations will pay disproportionately
toward an EU climate change package agreed to in 2007 that calls for a slashing of greenhouse gas emissions
and creating a costly emissions tradand creating a
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ing program.
"Europe has been built on the principles of cooperation and solidarprinciples of cooperation adn
ity," they said, adding the EU's cli mate change package can only work if it fosters "economic development for all member states.
Their plea echoed misgivings in Germany and Italy about forging
ahead with the ambitious climate ahead win che ambitious chimat
change package at a time of financial turmoil and declining economic growth.
Several leaders, however, said the
package
age must not be mothballed.
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## TECH POLICE BLOTTER

Non-student stole tip jar containing \$339 from tailgate
A non-student was issued a crimi-
nal trespass warnoing $12: 43$ p.m. for
all Texas Tech property.
Oct. 10
An officer documented informa-
tion about a pedestrian/vehicle
accident at $11: 50$ a.m. at the in-
tersection of Main Street and
University Avenue. The student
who was hit exchanged information
with the driver of the vehicle and
left the scene. The student later
contacted the Tech Police Depart-
ment and was instructed to report
the accident to the Lubbock Police
Department.
A student was arrested at $3: 36$
p.m. in the Z-44 parking lot for
providing alcohol to a minor,
possession of alcohol by a minor
and possession of a fictitious or
altered driver's license. The student
was transported to the Lubbock
County Jail.
Two officers investigated theft
at $6: 05$ p.m. at the Robert H. Ewalt
Student Recreation Center in which
a wallet was reported stolen.
An office investigated criminal
mischief at $10: 5$ p.m. in Stangel
Residence Hall in which a room
window was broken from the outside
with a Sprite bottle.
An officer documented informa-
tion concerning a lost cell phone
at $11: 20$ p.m. in the 3000 block of
18th Street.
Oct. 11
An officer investigated an ac-
cident at $12: 02$ a.m. in the Z-4P
parkinglo innovving Tecch vehicle.
No injuries were reported.
An officer responded to a medi-

Residence Hall in which a student was transported to the University Medical Center emergency room for possible alcohol poisoning. An officer investigated burglary of a motor vehicle at $8: 30$ a.m. in
the $\mathrm{Z}-2 \mathrm{~B}$ parking lot in which the Z-2B parking lot in which a
TomTom GPS was reported stolen from the vehicle.
An officer investigated an acci-
dent at $12: 22$ p.m. in the Double T dent at 12:22 p.m. in the Double T parking lot that involved a bus and an unoccupied vehicle. No injuries were reported.

A student was issued a Lubbock
County citation at 2 p.m. at Gate
6 of Jones AT\&T Stadium for consumption of alcohol by a minor. An officer investigated an accident at $3: 06 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. in the 3700 block of 10 th Street. No injuries were
reported. reported.

An officer documented information about an unauthorized person going through lockers at 11:05 a.m. in the Music building. An officer investigated criminal mischief at $1: 50$ p.m. in the English
building in which wallpaper was cut wiilh an unknown object in a men's with an unknown object in a men's
restroom. An officer investigated an ac. cident at 6:03 p.m. in the 1800 block of Boston Avenue in which minor injuries were suffered. One of the drivers was transported to University Medical Center for
treatment.
Two students were issued Lubbock
County citations at $9: 55$ p.m. in
Murdough Residence Hall for posMurdough Residence Hall for possession of drug paraphernalia. Both students were released. An offcer investigated theft at
1:30 p.m. in the Music building in $1: 30$ p.m. in the Music building in
which an iPod was reported stolen. An officer investigated theft at 1:30 in the Foreign Language build ing in which a cell phone and wallet were reported stolen.
A non-student was arrested for assault at 2:04 p.m. in the Tech Museum. The non-student report edly pushed and slapped his wife. He was issued a criminal trespas warning from all Tech property and
was transported to the Lubbock County Jail.
Two officers investigated an ac cident at 8:19 p.m. in the R-7 parking lot in which a pedestrian was involved. The pedestrian was transported to the UMC emergenc room for treatment.

4:30 p.m. in the Z-1 Parking lot in which a non-student stole a tip jar
that contained $\$ 339$ from a tailgatthat contained $\$ 339$ from a tailgat-
ing area. Officers pursued the nonstudent after observing him fleeing the scene.
6.57 p.m. in investigated theft 6:57 p.m. in the Music building in
which two Visa debit cards and a City Bank Mastercard were reported stolen.
An officer Oc
An officer investigated crim nal mischief at $8: 34$ a.m. at a Lee
Lewis construction site on campus in which windows were broken with rocks.
An officer documented information at $9: 30$ a.m. in the University
Library in which a patron made a Library in which a patron made a
derogatory comment about an

Georgia-Russia talks off to shaky start in Geneva

GENEVA (AP) - The first both sides were complying with an the problem had to do with the high-level talks between Russia and EU-brokered cease-fire, security, status of the breakaway delegations
Georgia since their war broke down the return of refugees and human and how to arrange the meetings Georgia since their war broke down the return of refugees and human and how to arrang
Wednesday, but international spon- rights and what steps need to be to include them. sors said the negotiations had only hit a procedural snag and will resume next month. The delegations from Russia and Its allies in the breakaway Georgian Ossetia left the talks before their scheduled end. Deputy Foreign Minister Grigory Karasin said the delegation would explain at a news conference later. "They no longer continue to talk," U.N. spokeswoman Elena Pon va said. They are finished." several issues including whether

Originally, senior ministers were "The choice was made to take
"son. Expected in Geneva for substan- "some breathing space" to handle ive discussions. meeting was downgraded because of Vor Georgia. "The process is on
differ differences over the participation of track." Abkhazia and South Ossetia.
EU representative Pierre Morel late for the opening of the talks, said the talks had "encountered underscoring its objection to procedural difficulties" and all parties the exclusion of representatives
had decided to suspend the meet- from Abkhazia and South Ossehad decided to suspend the meet- from Abkhazia and South Osse-
ing. He said they would meet again tia. A half-hour later, when the ing. He said they would meet again
Nov. 18. A half-hour later, when the
meeting moved to a format that Nov. 18 .
"I don't think at this point it it included the representatives of "I don't think at this point it included the representatives of
would be useful to go into the de- the regions, the Geoggian delthe regions,
egation left.

Tech Police: Most warrants issued through unpaid tickets

EU, US call for a global summit to reshape banking

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) - causes to produce the same effects in
The Group of Eight major industrial
future," the French leader said. "We The Group of Eight major industrial future, the French leader said. We
nations announced Wednesday they dontt want talt this to sart again; we
will hold a global summit - perhaps want lessons to be learned." as early as No- British Prime Yember in New $<$ We are confident Minister Gordon York-toforge We are confident
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said all European union return our economies the post-World radical restruc $\quad$ to stability and tional financial turing ofglobal
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World Bank.
He called for a
He called for a
meeting "pref-
erably in New York, where everything
started" started and said
new capitalism."
Sarkozy said emerging economies
such as China, India and others out-
side the $\mathrm{G}-8$ should also pate
because "no one should feiticipate from what we are recasting.
EU leaders meeting in Brussels "all
ADERS $\qquad$ united in their commitment to change
the reculation win the regulation of the world's financial sector to restore confidence and
remedy deficiencies exposed by the current crisis."
"We are con "We are confident that, working together, we will meet the present
challenges and return our economies challenges and return our economies
to stability and prosperity," they said. Brown, a longtime former Treasury

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said he wants a group of supervisors
regional regulation and supervision," said he wants a group of supervisors
from major nations to monitor the world's 30 largest financial institu"I believe there is scope for agree-
ment in the next few days that we will ment in the next few days that we will have an international meeting to take
common action ... for very larye and common action ... for very large and
very radical changes," Brown told re-
porters before meeting for ratks on the
financial crisis with other EU leaders,
who on Wednesday endorsed a $\$ 2.3$ who on Wednesday endorsed a $\$ 2.3$
trillion continentwide emergency bailout for the "We now have global financial citizens and not the reverse," he told

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## Opinions

## Republicans reap what they have sown

For a white now the Unit-

W history, 15 primary candidates became two presidential hopefuls: Sens this point in time, a typical campaign analyst would presume both platforms challenged and disseminated in the typical campaign, and that does not seem to be the case. In the midst of bemused moderators and citizens it
is important to ask: What have we learned from Obama and McCain in the debates?
The first presidential debate, held in September, did a fair job addressing
the financial crisis and some issues in international politics. Under the um-
brella of foreign policy and national security, the candidates focused primarily on the global financial system, energy efficiency and the war in Iraq
The public's response was reasonably The public's response was reasonably
positive (as we so cleverly saw on overall the candidates' responses wer measured and politically pointed. The second debate however, was pains-
takingly mundane. Both candidates esorted to rhetoric, statistics an dress the concerns of the American eople. Once again, focusing almost dissolved into a sheet of statistics a he questions yielded themselve easy answers and easy escapes. hat the questions asked by the moderators and by the audience left something to be desired. Unremittin
inquiries concerning the economy an upcoming ele estrved to reduce the des - financial security and energy urgency of these issues. I will however oint out that not much has been said he debates. How many different way an one ask, "How is the bailout going help me. Who is responsible for this lamic meltdown?" The question with frustration, and for good - Americans are in a tough position ight now. But the answers we received
id very little to quell such gripe Instead, they promulgated specific gendas with canned answers. Moreover, not only have the ques an didates have continuously sidestepped he focus of the moderators' inquiries.
Instead, they peddle the reperitive sound bytes of their specific agenda,

Looking at job prospects after election
no matter how off-track they may be.
More often than not, Obama and McCain have acknowledged the moderator's question and then proceeded to
answer something entirely different. Rather than providing direct answers and McCain have used the debates public on issues at their discretion. Maybe the questions themselves have instead deviated from their proposed trajectory.
which questions were asked, it is important to consider which quesfinat voters are panicked about our all animosity towards Wall Street the American public has mistakenly put all other policy matters on the back
burner. Once this economic cycle comes out of its trough, we will again
be faced with social issues at the crux
ald Reagan to oust Jimmy Carter in
1980. But I am not confident that 1980. But I am not confident that In 2008 that will be the case. The
2008 election has certainly ushered in a new era of politics. Do our expectations of the debates need to be adjusted to this reality? I would
ather see the candidates rise to the occasion and demonstrate a strong understanding of these broad and
multidimensional issues. Instead of multidimensional issues. Instead of
falling prey to political stereotypes alling prey to political stereotypes,
through these debates I would like to see a candidate rise up and truly be presidential.


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are only more to come. But before are only more to come. But before
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me qualingit in my boows, not only
 edness has allowed us to forgo tions like, how has Obama addressed Guantanamo Bay and human rights?
What has McCain said recently immigration? With Justice John Paul whom will each candidate appoint to the Supreme Court and how will the
appointment affect Roe $v$ W/ade? appointment affect Roe v . Wade?
Understanding the weavings of the Understanding the weavings of the different from voting wholly on the economic crisis. A few years down the
line, this financial calamity will have been placated and order resumed. It is candidates stand ronider where thes the economy and in which direction our institutions have been restored. Perhaps this is politicis sas usual. But if holding each debate? The American public is anxiously looking not at the crises, but also what they genuinely In tonight's debate moderated by Bob Schieffer, the candidates will sit sues in domestic policy. It is inevitable hat once again the economy will
dominate the conversation, but sominate the conversation, but debate towards other social issues that weigh heavily on our lives 50 we and Republican platforms. "The time chieffee to be a little more specific, on Sunday I The Associared Pres word.
It has been argued that the debates can ultimately determine the votes
They helped John F. Kennedy to de feat Richard Nixon in 1960 and Ron-

> Trevor White

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## Career advisers offer networking advice for young professionals




Madonna announces divorce
LONDON (AP) - After respect from the press for their countless denials of domes- family's sake.
tic trouble, Madonna and Guy A financial settlement has not tic trouble, Madonna and Guy A financial settlement has not
Ritchie announced Wednesday been agreed by the wealthy couple, Ritchie announced Wednesday been agreed by the wealthy couple,
they are divorcing after nearly who also must decide child custody they are divorcing after
eight years of marriage. The couple's announceme issues. brings to an end a showbiz union Madonna and Ritchie, director that spanned the Atlo union of "Snatch" and "Lock, Stock and dominated the gossip Madonna - "Madge" to the December 2000 at Skibo Castle, in Madonna - "Madge" to the the Scottish Highlands. The couple
British press - and her film- have two children: Rocco 8 , and British press - and her film- have two children: Rocco, 8 , and
maker husband were always David Banda, 3 , who was adopted
 where they lived. The pop star has a 12 -year-old daughter, Lourdes, seemed to take to English life, from her relationship with personal spending much of her time at trainer Carlos Leon.
the couple's 1,200 -acre country The couple are reportedly worth estate in Wiltshire, and to some some $\$ 525$ million, the bulk of that ears, adopting a slight British belonging to Madonna. Ritchie has
accent. accent.
But in recent years, reports be. They own homes in London, Los gan to accumulate that they were Angeles and New York, and the on the rocks. Over the summer, retreat in Wiltshire.
Madonna was linked - unfairly, In London, Ritchie's mother,
she said she said - to the breakup of New Lady Amber Leighton, told reportYork Yankee Alex Rodriguez and ers that the family wouldn't be makhis ex-wife Cynthia. ing any statement to the media.
The couple issued a brief Lawyers said the couple would statement by their representa- likely try to come to an agreement tives Wednesday, asking for before heading to court.

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## DT's music critic offers her picks for Lubbock's 10 best live music venues

Baylor U. offers freshmen $\$ 300$ to take SAT again By LIZ FOREMAN \& ASHLEY CORINNE KILLOUGH
The Larat (Bavior U.)
the highest ever in Baylor's history
and the 2006 entering class had an
verage of 1213 High school seniors have always
had the option of retaking he SAT had the option of retaking the SAT
to increase their score and receive to increase their score and recei
more financial aid, Oliver said. In past years, however, the window for retesting was shorter. A cording to the admissions Web site,
the original cut-off date for retesting the original cut-off date for retesting
was February 15,2008 . was February 15,2008 . dent for student financial service said that as Baylor began accelerat ing the application process to offe
financial aid awards earlier, studen sent in their most recent SAT scores,
which they might have taken durin which they might have taken during
their junior year of high school and their junior year of high school and
may not be an accurate assessment of heir knowledge upon enrollment.
"We decided it would be a goo opportunity, given that many of she said. "Certainly there's a lot information they're going to gain in their junior and senior year of high school, so we allowed these student.
to retest." Because the students, this year ated from high school when the e-mail was sent in June, Diaz said the $\$ 300$ incentive was offered to encourage them to take advantag
of the testing. White Oak sophomore Emanue Gawrieh, a Brooks College CL and moard, said he found out about the residual SAT testing after confron ing Student Life in regards to Baylor one-point drop from No. 75 to 7 in the 2008 U.S. News and World
Report.
another animal.
Wichmann offered a general rule
of thumb: More human movement in an area equates to a greater potential for human-mediated dispersal
and all of its associated effects. Und al of its associated effects. tial and may often be the first place invasive species appear, but habitat suitability may be limited, he said.
National parks and similar habitats often experience high visitor numbers that potentially makes them more sus ceptible than surrounding areas. McGinley said human-seed disper-
aloccurs more easily in places without landscape maintenance.
"Many plants on campus are cut
Mony plants on camus sese cur It alsod deends on the shoe McGinley said. Footwear with muc seeds than flat shoes. Iassic example," he bet
According to to the study, pedes
rians may disperse seeds waias may disperse seeds in othe acilitate other means of transporta tion such as cars, boats or airplanes
and thus potentially may carry seeds across much longer distances. The biggest problem is that we go everywhere now," Holaday said
The animals of North Americ don't travel to Europe, but we do
We have the capability of moving things all over the globe, and it can grow there."

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## Console wars: PS3, Xbox 360, Wii practically neck-and-neck

The Real Story Behind Microsoff's Next- selling out and "waggling" its way to vic-
Generation Video Game Console." The tory since its launch. Even with today's
 360 and Nintendo's Wii have been out long enough that it's pretty easy to see the
direction in which theyre headed. But despite such feasible extrapola-
tion, a winner is still fairly difficult to determine.
That, however, won't stop me from passing early judgment.
The PS3 had a prety fact that early sio ported. In fact it shard to internety supe figures as anything buta bust. The PS3 had than half as many units as the Wii, which hit shelves a mere eight days later. one of the most disappointing consoles ever released, even garnering a spot on
PC Wordd' Top 21 Tech Screwupspof 2006 list. Its launch titles were disappointing Ist. Its launch tittes were disappointing price practically made it a luxury item; and it was clear Sony's PSN was no match for Microsoff's Xbox Live system. However, as of late, this has turned in Now that HD DVD is out of the of HD media, the PS3 is one of the best Bluray players out there. It's cheap and ust about as future-proof as you can get torage and Internet connectivity keep it up-to-date, making the PS3 one of the
few Blu-ray players capable of liling the ew Blu-ray players capable of utilizing the Exclusive games like "Uncharted: ously titled "The Xbox 360 Uncloaked:


Generation Video Game Console." The tory since its launch. Even with today's
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rates hovering around 3 percent. Corruption" and "uuper Mario Galaxy", These failures have sparked a flurry of consumers reuurning and exchanging
consoles hhathave RRODed - "Red Ring
of Deathed" - referring to the red rings that light up on the console atter critical tem failure.
 community services, excellent backward
compatibility and it sported the ability to
utilize an HD DVD player add-on. Howutilize an HD DVD player add-on. HowHD DVD went extinct and the hardware problems caused sales toslow and criticst
denounce the 360 's decisive victory. denounce the 360 s decisive victory.
Microsoff Vice President Don Martick Microsof even conceded Presisient Don Mattick race, leaving the Wiit t take the lead.
But considering the 360 's consisten snagging of exclusive titles and eve poaching those of other consoles - no to mention Microsoff's decision to keep its
XBL and Marketplace as high-quality as it is-and che impending release of the new is-and the impendingreeease ofthenewhard to say the 360 is losing to anyone. But anything's possible.
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Harold was awaiting further which was first reported by TMZ. tests at USC Medical Center, The California Highway Patrol
spokeswoman Adelaida De La said it had no information about spokeswoman Adelaida De La said it had no information about
Cerda said. She gave no further the accident. Cerails on his injuries. Harold plays Jackson, the boy Wednesday that Harold fractured Susan Mayer on the ABC show. his shoulder, and "Housewives" The character plays a pivotal role creator and executive producer in the fifth season's eighth episode,
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## Soccer complex additions expected to take Tech soccer to new heights

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soccer team.

area, training room and concession ing machine" that will attract players
stands. Construction on the fiedhouse began two weeks ago and is expected not think about coming to the South to be completed by Tech's first game Plains.
2009. The project is supposed to cost $\$ 4$ Stone said the fieldhouse will be million, excluding the field, fencing,
one of a kind and called it a "recruit- scoreboard and sound system that were THE TEXAS TECH soccer team's John Walker S
to be completed by the start of the 2009 season.

The Red Raiders packed their bags The Red Raiders packed their bags
and moved out of R.P. Fuller Stadium and moved out of R.P. Fuller Stadium home, the John Walker Soccer Complex, has given Tech coach Tom Stone a new headquarters from which to
build his soccer program. build his soccer program.
"There is no comparison between the John WalkerSoccer Complex and
R.P. Fuller Stadium," Stone said. "One R.P. Fuller Stadium," Stone said. One
is a track stadium that we happened to play soccer in, the other is one of the best soccer stadiums in the country." The John Walker Soccer Complex includes a scoreboard, press box, enough seats to fit 1,400 fans and a field turf from the same company field turf from the same company
that made the field for Jones AT\&T Stadium.

What could make the complex stand out even more is Tech's plans to add to it.
Still to co
Still to come is a fieldhouse which will contain new coaches offices,
locker rooms, a video room, workout
 that by the time we have the team fieldhouse done, this will be the best soccer facility in the Big 12.

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installed prior to this season.
The man in charge of getting the soccer complex up and moving is
Paulo Peres, the senior project manager of the Facilities Planning and Construction department for Tech. "It is a complex just for soccer," Peres said. "I have no doubt that by the time we have the team fieldahouse
done, this will be the best soccerf faility in the Big 12."
With every part of the complex
complete except the fieldhouse, the complete except the fieldhouse, the new stadium has already provided
Tech with a more distinct home fild Tech with a more distinct home-field
advantage than it had last year. advantage than it had last year. This compared to $9-15-1$ in their previous three seasons at R.P. Fuller Stadium. Average home attendance also has made a significant jump from last season's 349 per game to 443 per game this season.
Peres said the steepness of the stands makes the game more enioyable to watch for the fans because it puts


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PET FRIENDLI hem right on top of the action.
"It'seated some loyal fans," Stone said. "When fans have come for the first time, the environment
has been so exciting that they have ome back."
Tech Athletics Director Gerald
Myers said the new soccer facilitie Myers said the new soccer facilities
were part of a master plan to build up Tech athletics. The plan also ncluded major renovations for track, soft
facilities.
"Our track and soccer were in the same complex, so to improve
both of those facilities we had to separate them," he said. "When it was built that way, we said someday we would like to build a track or soccer field at a different location." The athletics department dehided to give the soccer team a new Street and Texas Tech Parkway, while R.P. Fuller Stadium undergoes enovations for the track team. The planning for the soccer facility began years ago while Tech
was still under the guidance of for-was still under the guidance of for-
mer coach Neil McGuire. McGuire mer coach Neil McGuire. McGuire
left before the construction started when he was offered a job to coach at Califormia in 2006.
Stone said when Tech began pursuing him to replace McGuire,
the John Walker Soccer Compley the John Walker Soccer Complex
played a major role in convincing played a major role in convincing nation because it showed him the athletic department was behind athletic depar
the program.
"I think
"I think Tom is an excellent
coach," Myers said "and cow the coach," Myers said, "and now that we have a nice facility and team
building, I think it's going to enhance his recruiting and Ithink our team will become very competitive in the Big 12 Conference."

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Talley Cowboys Sunday. As of the writing of this column, Flozel Adams and Anthon were iisted as questionable.
Thank all that is sacred that the St Louis Rams are this week's opponent. However, the Cowboys' injuries, St , Louis' improbable defeat of the Redskins last week, and the Cowboys similarly surprising loss to the Cardinals last Sunda make this game someching to watch.
Before Dallas' loss to Washingto three weeks ago, this game was consid ered an automatic "W" for the Cowboys, but now this game has to be watched to determine the result. This one should have been a foregone conclusion. Although, the same was said about the Cowboys-Cardinals game last Sunday. People in the media and every idio
with a status bar on Facebook have been blaming the loss on Romo. But a 63.2 completion percentage for 321 yards with three touchdowns and no interceptions hardly seems like the reason for defeat. Instead, the offensive line should take
responsibility for the sub-par offensive responsibility for the sub-par offensive
performance. When your quarterback is put on the ground over half the times is put on the ground over half the times
he drops back into the pocket (19 knockdowns, three sacks), you cannot blame him for not playing as he is capable on every single play. The line played this game without inspiration and discipline.
Until Marion Barber broke off a monster Until Marion Barber broke off a monster
play on a dump-off pass, no one on the play on a dump-off pass, no one on the
line, or the rest of the offense, seemed line, or the rest of the offense, seemed
to be playing inspired foobball. It was a classic "going-through-the-motions" performance right up until the Barber big play. After that play, Leonard Davis finally seemed as if he cared about the
outcome of the game. The only outcome of the game. The only problem being that he decided to pick up the
football and spike it. Bam! Dallas gets hit with a 15 -yard unsportsmanlike conduct penalty to be assessed on the kickoff. This was a monster penalty becaus Dallas was down by three with two been a ball
up winning.
up winning.
Finally, in one this year. talley@ttu.edu.
minutes remaining on the clock. Dallas had two timeouts remaining at this point, so the thought of onside kicking because the Cowboys could not stop because the Cowboys could not stop
the clock three times. IfDallas was going the clock three times. If Dallas was going to cick it deep, the Cowboys best-case
scenario saw them getting the ball back scenario suw them getting the ball back on the clock with no timeouts. Plus, the field position would have been terible.
Because of the 15 -yard penaty Dallas Because of the 15 -yard penalty Dallas would kick from its own 20, Arizona would then get the ball near its own 35
or 40 , and then Dallas would get the ball back after a punt inside its own 20 -yard back alter a punt inside its own 20 -yard
line. If the Cowboys had decided to onside kick, they ran the risk - almost an inevitability, actually - that Arizona would recover and have the ball inside Dallas' 35 . Because it was only a threepoint game, Dallas was forced to kick it deep in order to keep Arizona out of field goal range. Ifyou saw the game, then you
know this decision - the obvious and only decision - paid off. Davllas stopped Arizona's pathetic rushing attack on
firstand second downs and then picked first and second downs and then picked a fantastic time to record its first sack of the day on third down. Arizona punted,
Romo found Jason Witten deep over the Romo found Jason Witten deep over the
middle to put the Cowboys in field goal range, then Nick Folk did what he could not do earlier in the game. He nailed a 52 -yard field goal to send the game into vertime - he had missed a 36 -yard field goal attempt in the first half. In overtime, the real reason the Cow-
oys lost became painfully evident After boys lost became painfully evident. After
winning the coin toss, the Cowboys went winning he coin toss, the Cowboys went McBriar's punt was then blocked and recovered in the end zone by Arizona for the game-winning touchdown. Special
teams, special teams and special teams teams, special teams and special teams
lost his game for the Cowboys. Arizona's I.J. Arrington returned the opening J.J. Arrington returned the opening
kickoff for a touchdown, Folk missed his previously mentioned 36 -yarder, and the blocked McBriar punt created a trifecta of poor special teams play. If even one of these plays does not happen, then it is a different ball game. It might have even

Finally, even though Romo did not
Iose this particul protect the football raises concersity to he may lose future games . ball on the ground three times umble lost, two reco bee - and was aved from a safect by the grace of the "uck Rule" another time. It does not natter how many times your line lets ou get knocked on your back, you have to protect the football. Hug hat ball and let it ride to the turf with you or be more aware of the defensive end chasing you outside the pocket and learn to throw the ball away. That bad little habit did not
lose this game but it has to the potential tolose a playoff game if the Cowboys are lucky enough to find themselves playing

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