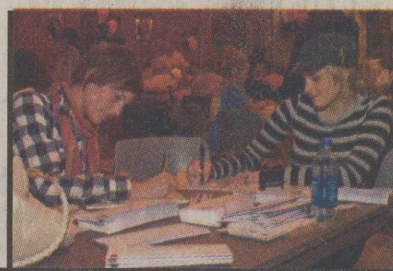




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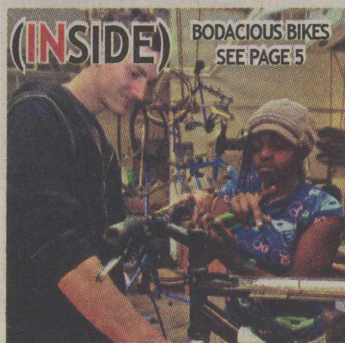
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University of Texas gets first gay fraternity

AUSTIN (AP) — The University of Texas now has its first and only gay fraternity. Delta Lambda Phi, a nationally recognized gay fraternity, was inducted at UT earlier this year. Russell van Kraayenburg, president of the fraternity, brought up the idea to open a gay fraternity to the UT Greek community six months ago. "Everyone's been so supportive on campus," he said. "There's not been a single person I've talked to who's been against the idea or even questioned the idea."

NATION

Obama: Lieberman stay with Senate Dems

WASHINGTON (AP) — President-elect Obama has told Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid he's not interested in seeing Democrats oust Connecticut Sen. Joe Lieberman from their ranks over his endorsement of Republican John McCain. Obama told Reid in a phone conversation last week that expelling Lieberman from the Democratic caucus would hurt the message of bipartisanship and unity that he wants for his new administration, a Senate Democratic aide said Tuesday. This aide spoke on condition of anonymity because the discussions were confidential.

WORLD

Pakistan: Militants seize convoy for US-led forces

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (AP) — Suspected Taliban fighters hijacked trucks carrying Humvees and other supplies for U.S.-led troops in Afghanistan, authorities said Tuesday after a brazen attack near the Khyber Pass that underscored the militants' grip across key mountain strongholds. The assault highlighted the vulnerability of a vital supply route for the 65,000 U.S. and NATO forces battling a resurgent Taliban in landlocked Afghanistan. A significant amount of supplies for the Western forces go through Pakistan.

DEATH TOLL

4193

U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

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DOUBLE-TV

Tech's national exposure could mean millions in economic benefits

By MIKE GRAHAM
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech football has not only grabbed the interest of college football fans this season, but may help increase the public's interest in Tech and Lubbock.

An estimated \$17.2 million in free advertising for the Hub City was provided by ABC's Saturday Night Football.

Marcy Jarrett, the executive

director of Lubbock's Convention and Visitors Bureau, Visit Lubbock, said the organization estimates the publicity value from the Tech vs. Oklahoma State game to be worth \$17.2 million. The organization estimated this number by calculating references to Tech and Lub-

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Government launches new loan aid effort

By ALAN ZIBEL
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government and the mortgage industry are launching the most sweeping effort yet to help troubled homeowners by speeding up the process for renegotiating hundreds of thousands of delinquent loans held by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac.

The Federal Housing Finance Agency, which seized control of the two mortgage finance companies in September, announced the plan Tuesday along with other government and industry officials, including Hope Now, an alliance of mortgage companies organized by the Bush administration last year.

"Foreclosures hurt families, their neighbors, whole communities and the overall housing market," said James Lockhart, the housing finance agency's director. "We need to stop this downward spiral."

The plan could have tremendous importance because Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac own or guarantee nearly 31 million U.S. mortgages, or nearly six of every 10 outstanding. Still, government officials did not have an estimate of how many people would qualify for the new program.

Officials hope the new approach, which goes into effect Dec. 15, will become a model for loan servicing companies, which collect mortgage companies and distribute them to investors. These companies have been roundly criticized for being slow to respond to a surge in defaults.

To qualify, borrowers would have to be at least three months behind on their home loans, and would need to owe 90 percent or more than the home is currently worth. Investors who do not occupy their homes would be excluded, as would borrowers who have filed for bankruptcy.

Borrowers would get help in several ways: The interest rate would be reduced so that borrowers would not pay more than 38 percent of their income on housing expenses. Another option is for loans to be extended from 30 years to 40 years, and for some of the principal amount to be deferred interest-free.

Cotton projections down in South Plains

By JON VANDERLAAN
STAFF WRITER

Regional projections for cotton production, released Monday by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, were down for the third month in a row for the South Plains region, a trend local cotton growers were hoping not to encounter.

The USDA projected 3.41 million bales would be produced in the South Plains, about 67 percent of the total projected production in Texas and about 26 percent of the production for the United States.

Shawn Wade, director of communications for Plains Cotton Growers, said the projections released for the region were less than he hoped for, and he expects them to drop further.

Because this is the third month in a row the projected number decreased, he said, he believes it is getting closer to the actual number of cotton bales that will be produced.

Predictions by the department several months ago were too high, Wade said, and he wondered how the South Plains would produce enough cotton to meet expecta-



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

THE U.S. DEPARTMENT of Agriculture projected 3.41 million cotton bales will be produced near Lubbock.

tions after a dry start to the season and a cool finish.

As weather conditions continued to be unfavorable for cotton production, he said, projections were revised and replaced by a

more realistic number.

The region is projected to produce about 2 million fewer bales than it did in 2007-08,

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Pelosi supports new help for ailing US automakers

By DAVID ESPO
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Speaker Nancy Pelosi called for "emergency and limited financial assistance" for the battered auto industry on Tuesday and urged the outgoing Bush administration to join lawmakers in reaching a quick compromise.

Four days after dismal financial reports from General Motors Corp. and Ford Motor Co., Pelosi backed legislation to make the automakers eligible for help under the \$700 billion bailout measure that cleared Congress in October.

In a written statement, the California Democrat said the aid was needed "in order to prevent the failure of one or more of the major American automobile manufacturers, which would have a devastating impact on our economy, particularly on the men and women who work in that industry."

"Congress and the Bush administration must take immediate action," she added. Administration officials have concluded that the bailout bill that passed earlier does not permit loans to the auto industry, but lawmakers are expected to return to the Capitol for a brief postelection session beginning next week.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., also supports help for the industry, and he issued a statement saying Democrats were "determined to pass legislation that will save the jobs of millions" as part of a postelection session.

"This will only get done if President Bush and Senate Republicans work with us in a bipartisan fashion, and I am confident they will do what is right for our economy," he said.

The plight of the industry has drawn attention from the White House and the incoming Obama administration in recent days, as well as among lawmakers.

Last week, President-elect Obama prodded the Bush administration to do more to help the industry, and on Monday, aides said he raised the issue with President Bush in an Oval Office conversation meant to underscore a smooth transition of power.

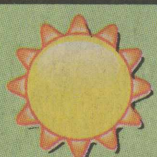
Officials familiar with the conversation said the president replied he was open to the idea.

Before adjourning for the elections, Congress passed legislation providing for \$25 billion in government-backed loans to the automakers to prod them to retool their factories to make more efficient vehicles.

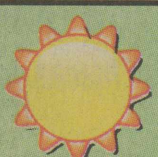
Since then, executives from GM, Ford and Chrysler LLC and officials in the United Auto-workers union have called for more than that to avert a possible collapse of one of the nation's most basic industries, including a \$25 billion loan to help keep the companies afloat and \$25 billion more to help cover future health care payments for about 780,000 retirees and their dependents.



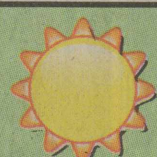
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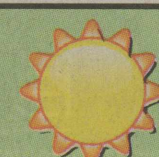
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Health Sciences Center unveils state-of-the-art facility

By MATT COBB STAFF WRITER

A new facility where people can go to receive treatment for pain-related issues opened 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center.

focus on both the practice of anesthesiology and pain medicine. Tech's Health Sciences Center is the "premier" healthcare facility in West Texas, he said.

The International Pain Center will replace the old pain treatment facility located at Loop 289 and Quaker Avenue, she said.



KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador DAVID MEADOWS OF Lewis Construction; Dr. Mark Boswell, TTUHSC chairman of the Department of Anesthesiology and director of the International Pain Center; Dr. Laurie Lazott, TTUHSC Pain Fellow; TTU Chancellor Kent Hance; TTUHSC President Dr. John Baldwin; Dr. Gabor Racz, TTUHSC professor and Chairman Emeritus of the Department of Anesthesiology; Mike Ellicott, the vice chancellor for Facilities, Planning and Construction; and Dr. Steven Berk, dean of the TTUHSC School Of Medicine cut a ribbon Tuesday at the grand opening ceremony for the International Pain Center.

Experts warn diabetes affects college students, too

By HALIE HARTMAN CONTRIBUTING WRITER

November is American Diabetes Month, and the American Diabetes Association may have a surprise for college students: Diabetes affects them, too.

The number of people in the United States diagnosed with diabetes has more than doubled in the last 15 years, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

The symptoms of Type 2 diabetes occur slowly over time, Hust said, which is why some people go undiagnosed for years.

— straight from a health care professional. Hust said students should be concerned about the prevention of diabetes because bad habits are harder to break as someone ages.

Legislative win gives House edge to GOP, Craddick

AUSTIN (AP) — A late legislative win for Republicans seems to have secured the GOP majority in the state House, if only by a razor-thin 2-seat margin.

ballots was completed late Monday, the incumbent held a 20-vote lead over her Democratic challenger.

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back into 30-second commercial slots and valuing news articles referencing Tech and Lubbock leading up to the game.

up to the game and collected footage of Lubbock features that are not usually seen in many other parts of the nation, such as cotton.

million for every Tech home football game. The estimate is based on many factors, including lodging, eating, car repairs and shopping.

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while Texas is projected to produce 3.15 million fewer bales, according to Monday's report.

fewer bales that are projected to be produced, anticipated reduced quality of West Texas cotton also will affect the region's revenue.

stitute at Texas Tech, which was released Oct. 13, a 3.2 million-bale harvest would translate to a \$1.5 billion economic impact, as opposed to a \$2.1 billion economic impact for a 4.4 million-bale harvest, which is the average for the region.

Table with columns for station (KTXT, KCBW, KLBK, KMYL, KLCW, KAMC, KJTV) and time slots (7AM, 8AM, 9AM, 10AM, 11AM, 12PM, 1PM, 2PM, 3PM, 4PM, 5PM, 6PM, 7PM, 8PM, 9PM, 10PM, 11PM, 12AM).

Egypt unveils discovery of 4,300-year-old pyramid SAQQARA, Egypt (AP) — Archaeologists have discovered a new pyramid under the sands of Saqqara, an ancient burial site that has yielded a string of unearthed pyramids in recent years but remains largely unexplored.

Egypt unveils discovery of 4,300-year-old pyramid

while Texas is projected to produce 3.15 million fewer bales, according to Monday's report. The nation, however, is projected to produce 650,000 fewer bales than last year's crop.

to calculate that the complete pyramid was once 45 feet high. "To find a new pyramid is always exciting," said Hawass. "And this one is magical. It belonged to a queen."

Hawass said he believes the pyramid belonged to Queen Sesheshet, who is thought to have played a significant role in establishing the 6th Dynasty and uniting two branches of the feuding royal family.

Advertisement for FOX 34 NEWS BONES TONIGHT 7:00PM featuring the show's main characters.

Advertisement for Angela's Cafe, featuring home-cooked and made-from-scratch meals, daily specials, and a Texas Monthly featured status.

Advertisement for PEACE CORPS Live & Work Abroad, offering 4,000 positions and a job information session on Thursday, November 13.

Students compete in poetry contest, draw inspiration from professional

By HANNAH BOEN
STAFF WRITER

Ten anxious students calmed their nerves with snacks and Sudoku Tuesday night.

The Tech Activities Board held its first poetry contest in the Red Raider Lounge in the Student Union Building. The contest accompanied a professional poetry performance.

Participating student poets seemed to use finger foods and puzzles to fight their anxiety before reading.

"I've never read in front of an audience," said Ari Rillon, a natural history and humanities sophomore, "so I'm sort of branching out."

The Houston native said, though she writes a lot for her song writing class and creative writing class, she had not spent a lot of time on poetry.

Audience members laughed as she read her poem — a comedic look at the woes of text messaging — which she said she wrote in five minutes.

"If you need me that bad, call me," her poem read, pleading with her friends to halt before they send her meaningless text messages.

Rillon's poem was not alone in the humor category, but some poems touched on heavier topics.

Some students claimed to be long-time poets, and others admitted they had not tried their hand at poetry before the contest.



PHOTO BY RUBEN CASTILLO/The Daily Toreador

PROFESSIONAL POET GABRIELLA Garcia Medina reads some of her own poetry at the TAB nightlife poetry reading.

Electrical engineering graduate student Chandamita Pathak confessed she entered the contest partly to explore a crowd outside the engineering department. Although she once had time for poetry, she said, her studies have consumed

much of her time, leaving her little time to write.

"Coming here," she said about Texas Tech, "everything is student-oriented, so I have found the time for poetry again."

The self-described amateur writer

said she co-wrote her entry "Trying Hard To Get Lyrical" with a friend in India, the place she calls home.

Following the student contest, published poet Gabriela Garcia Medina shared her own work with audience members, and thanked student poets for their entries. Medina said she performs her poetry for a living, and Tech is the next-to-last stop on what has been a three-month tour.

Originally from Cuba, Medina said she grew up everywhere, but calls Los Angeles home. She is the author of "Ink-Scribing Oshun" and "In the Wake of Oya," and is currently working on her third book.

She performed both published and non-published works and said she prefers to memorize her pieces, so she rarely reads them. Her performance included both comedic and somber pieces spanning from her early days into her adulthood.

She said her past experiences gave her things to write about. Her performance expressed feelings about growing up with immigrant parents and a glimpse into a past abusive relationship.

Four judges chose freshman Chris Brooks' poem "I Dreamt Loudly Last Night" as the winner of the poetry contest. Brooks is an English major from Dickens.

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"I Dreamt Loudly Last Night"

AN EXCERPT FROM A POEM BY CHRIS BROOKS

last night I slept and dreamt
as if I had never walked that particular
stretch of beach before
with sun beating down on my outstretched
shoulders
that opened wide
to take in blue sky and white clouds
blue waters and white crested waves
that save themselves for rocky shores
imbedded with clamshell secrets and puddles
full of forgotten fish
who wish they part of the sea like you and
me
I wonder if we have forgotten to breathe
with gills on our lungs that filter out the
dead breaths of trees and the sea breeze
full of salt to bathe our wounds in
absolve our sins from outside to within
beneath our souls where dust collects
waiting for a spring cleaning that never
begins
waiting for a warm sunbeam that never
comes
and I shun the idea that we are not yet be-
gun to live and love
like two whales who find each other after
years of following the sound of the other's
song
amidst a sea of fish who try to hide in our
open mouths
from sharks with smiles full of sharpened
teeth
with a different name etched into the
enamel of each tooth
a chain of hearts that will be broken as of-
ten as those teeth come loose and drift
to the ocean's sandy floor

Students write letters to raise awareness, raise money for cancer research

By TINA L. ARONS
STAFF WRITER

Thousands of letters soon will travel across the country requesting donations that may help save a children's lives.

Texas Tech's student-led program, Up 'til Dawn, hosted its third annual letter-writing event Tuesday evening to raise money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, one of the world's premier pediatric cancer research centers.

"It's a good opportunity for college students to come and do something to give back to society," said Zach Bean, executive director of the organization and senior management major from Amarillo. "Imagine if it was your little brother or sister."

More than 350 students wrote about 10,000 letters for this year's event, which included free food, raffled prizes and music by two volunteer bands.

The letters will contribute to the Up 'til Dawn's nationwide goal of 1 million letters.

Christina Baugh, St. Jude's event marketing representative for the Southwest, said the name and concept of Up 'til Dawn originated from the sleepless nights loved ones spent worrying about a catastrophic disease.

She said participants of the letter-writing campaign are not only asking for donations, but also were spreading awareness about the hospital's mission to advance cures and the means of prevention for certain childhood diseases.

Two-and-a-half years of standard treatment for acute lymphoblastic leukemia costs \$500,000, Baugh said, and bone marrow transplants can cost up

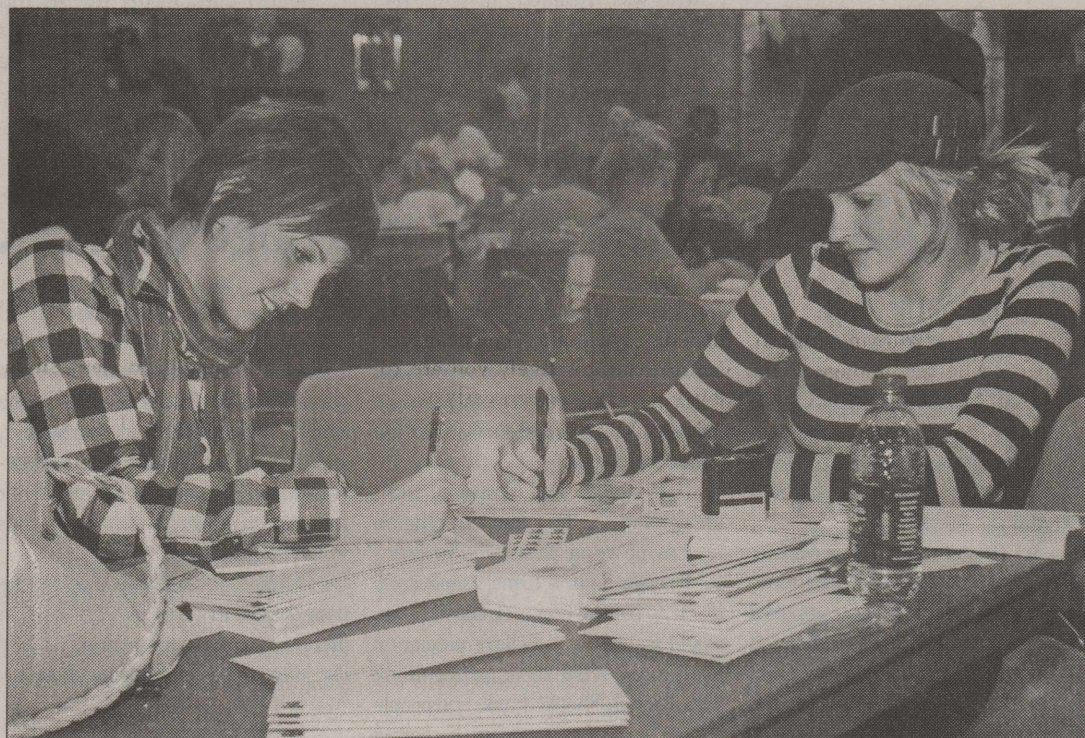


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LINDSEY QUALLS, A senior biology major from Lubbock, and Ashleigh Zouzalik, a senior public relations major from Lubbock, fill out address information to send out letters for donation to the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital during the "Up Til Dawn" campaign. The campaign was hosted Tuesday in the Frazier Alumni Pavillion.

to \$250,000.

Because patients are treated at St. Jude without regard to the family's ability to pay, Baugh said, it is important that people contribute what they can to the cause.

Sonia Khurana, a senior marketing major from Houston, said she wrote a letter to everyone she knows.

"I think it's important because there are a lot of families who don't have the money to pay the bills," she said. "And with the economy going bad, it makes it harder."

Kaci Stricklin, a junior public relations major from Windsor, Colo., said she was able to visit the hospital this summer.

Stricklin, a member of Delta Delta Delta, said her sorority partners with Up 'til Dawn, because children's cancer charities are a part of its philanthropy. Each of the sorority's chapters sends one person to visit St. Jude for every \$10,000 raised.

"It's pretty heart-wrenching," she said. "It puts into perspective all the fundraising we do."

Stricklin said she had a friend whose younger brother died of cancer after her visit to the hospital, which contributes to her passion about the cause.

"It made me appreciate it more," she said, "because they're helping kids like that."

Erick Stow, a senior advertising major from Canada, said he heard about the event during a class announcement and wanted to take advantage of the opportunity to help.

"These kids are so young and they have so much life ahead of them," he said. "I think they should have a chance to live on."

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Crabtree should win this year's Heisman

Now that the election is over, many are relieved. But there is always something political to be discussed. There is always a media circus to be had.

Considering the Texas Tech football team's recent victories over the University of Texas and Oklahoma State University, hype and politics will continue to go hand-in-hand.

After participating in the incredible events of the past two weekends, I've come to a conclusion: I'm ready to formally back a candidate.

No, not a presidential candidate — we're over that, remember? — I'm talking about a candidate for the Heisman Trophy.

My vote is for Michael Crabtree. Really it's a toss up — or too close to call, to use political lingo — but I feel there are many factors to take a look at when comparing the candidacy of Graham Harrell and Michael Crabtree.

And though both athletes are outstanding, I believe these factors go beyond statistics only.

One of the main reasons I like Crabtree is his consistency. He's incredibly athletic and has the ability to make the key plays time and time again. I'm certain you haven't forgotten the last second of the game against UT.

That's not to say he is infallible, but when you know who your go-to

Janine McCord



guy is and don't have to doubt him ... that says a lot. Even our head coach wants to make sure we remember Crabtree, commenting, "Some of you guys maybe ought to add [Crabtree] to your Heisman list," Mike Leach told reporters after the UT game. "I know how political it is."

The biggest sell for me in Crabtree's case is his attitude. Rarely do you see him lose his cool on the field or place blame on other players for not blocking or getting a pass to him. I can't say I've ever heard an interview with him that he didn't speak positively, and he always seems grateful for the team of players around him. He seems focused on the intricacies of the game, and I believe this is imperative in a well-rounded player.

Now, nothing can be taken from the superior performance of Harrell this season and his seasons prior.

In fact, my boyfriend brought a good point to my attention: Graham has to be directly involved in every offensive play, Crabtree doesn't necessarily.

This is absolutely true, and Harrell is extremely effective. What I

see, or more accurately, what I don't see, is the same degree of consistency and superior attitude in Harrell that Crabtree has displayed.

It's also worth mentioning that it is an interesting situation to come across when two players from the same team would be in the race for such a prestigious award. It becomes even more fascinating if they somehow both made the list of top four finalists for the trophy.

But what some people don't understand is that this would actually hurt either player's chances of actually receiving the award.

This is ultimately why I decided to finally settle on one candidate, even though my vote or opinion on the matter doesn't count for much.

Please understand I like both of these players immensely. I think they both possess extraordinary skills on and off the football field and deserve all the accolades they can be offered. But when it comes down to who I hope gets the nod this season, I plan to voice my support for Michael Crabtree.

I hope you all, too, will express your choice by going to <http://promo.espn.go.com/espn/contests/theheisman-vote> and voting for either candidate.

Let the politicking continue!

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CNN's election night 'hologram' was a useless, misleading trick

By **LESLIE SMALL**
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Election Day, as we all saw a week ago, can bring out the best in people. However, it can also bring out the weirdest.

While switching between all the major networks and "Indecision 2008" last Tuesday, I landed on CNN and did a double take.

Wait, did they actually just "beam" a correspondent in via hologram?

For those of you who haven't heard or seen by now, they said they did — but they really didn't. As she spoke to Wolf Blitzer in the Situation Room while actually standing in Chicago, reporter Jessica Yellin acknowledged what must have been on every viewer's mind and made the obligatory Star Wars joke.

The problem is, that even though Blitzer told Yellin she was a "terrific" hologram and seemed to speak to her, he couldn't see her at all. Much like the yellow first-down line on televised football fields, only TV viewers could see Yellin; Blitzer was talking to thin air marked by a red cross on the floor.

Even if Yellin and Will.i.am, who was "beamed" in later, had been actual holograms, CNN's technological showboating did nothing but distract viewers from an already captivating news story.

There were a lot of graphics flying around on election night, many of which actually helped the viewers understand the developing election results. While red, white and blue bells and whistles came along for the ride, most broadcasts offered a good example of how to marry technology and useful information.

I fail to see what CNN's new trick, made possible by a round green-screen room and 35 high-definition video cameras, did to achieve journalism's supposed goals. In fact, viewers might have been better able to benefit from Yellin's reporting if she had the scene in Chicago actually behind her, rather than talking to viewers as a cutout figure.

In its own article about the new technology, CNN gleefully touts the time and effort that made the hologram debut possible, even mentioning the TV spoofs. It's as though they're trying to get attention or something.

It's disappointing when a network that so many people (myself included) turn to for its excellent coverage thinks it needs to grab our attention with silly tricks. It's even more disappointing when you consider that money could have gone toward hiring another foreign correspondent.

Budget cuts, hiring freezes and layoffs are plaguing newsrooms around the country. For prospective journalists, the economic downturn isn't anything new — we've

been facing a dismal job market for years.

I'm not suggesting CNN "spread the wealth" to the more needy print medium, just that it use its money to serve the public rather than simply boost its ratings.

Newspapers have a thing or two to learn, as well. Much of the industry's response to plummeting advertising revenue is to do anything and everything to turn a profit.

If you haven't noticed it, it's because you haven't been paying attention. Front-page ads, an obsession with multimedia, corporate-sponsored columns and content tailored to higher-income areas are just a few of the symptoms of a media system losing its focus.

I'm usually not one to mediate, especially after I've seen what even the youngest journalists go through to get the news and get it right. But I'm also a media consumer, and I expect a lot from the people that bring me my news. I expect that they continue to pursue better business models, but that they also never forget to put the reader or viewer first.

This election brought us hope that even the biggest mistakes might be turned around with good intentions and better leadership. I think the same can be done with journalism.

But if "holograms" and infotainment are the future of the American press, beam me up Wolf, because I'm getting out of here.

Vote no to bailing out American automakers

By **IAN BEZEK**
ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGIAN
(COLORADO STATE U.)

It appears that President-elect Barack Obama is intent on creating a plan to aid the ailing automakers.

It's arguable that the automakers are in deep trouble. For instance, General Motors has roughly \$40 billion of debt and is losing more than \$1 billion every month, according to Yahoo! Finance.

However, we must ask ourselves if these failed companies are worth saving with our taxpayer dollars.

Let's look at Ford more closely. Ford's debt load, \$166 billion, is astronomical. \$166 billion is roughly eight times the annual budget of the State of Colorado; Ford doesn't have a prayer of paying this much debt off.

Ford is, like General Motors, losing roughly \$1 billion a month. They have a negative profit margin, meaning that their average car sells at a loss. Add it all up, and you see their present situation is hopeless.

The simple truth is that our auto companies have made inferior products that people don't want.

They've made gigantic gas-guzzling vehicles while their foreign competitors have made small efficient cars that made far more sense in our resource-constrained world.

The American auto companies completely and utterly failed to predict the wave of hybrid vehicles, once again getting left in the dust by foreign manufacturers.

Aside from making the wrong cars at the wrong time, our automakers are also constrained by unions.

Our companies are forced to vastly overpay workers to make substandard cars. Even though Ford employees make far more money than a Toyota employee, our cars are shoddy and don't have nearly the reliability of the import autos.

Other than nostalgia, there's no good reason to buy American.

Our cars are totally outclassed by foreign competition. In this environment, simply granting these companies another bailout solves nothing. It would cost us \$10 to \$20 billion a year to keep our automakers afloat. Those billions of dollars per year wouldn't

fix the companies; it would merely keep their pulse faintly beating.

What's needed is to allow these companies to go into Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Unlike a complete liquidation, a Chapter 11 bankruptcy allows a company to reorganize, be freed of some debt, break onerous union contracts, freely fire employees and other such things that allow a company to rebuild itself.

The only way a company like Ford survives is by greatly cutting costs, shutting down unproductive model lines, firing thousands of employees, breaking the unions and axing all of the upper level management.

A government bailout Band-aid accomplishes nothing; these companies are in need of open-heart surgery.

Of course, the myopic management of these companies insists on robbing us, the taxpayer, rather than taking the lumps for their own terrible business decisions.

General Motors CEO Rick Wagoner claims that going into bankruptcy is impossible and told Seeking Alpha, an online stock market analysis Web site, "we're convinced the consequences of bankruptcy would be dire."

He argues that no one would be willing to buy products from a bankrupt company.

However, he ignores companies such as K-Mart and virtually the entire airline industry, including Frontier Airlines presently, which have gone through Chapter 11 bankruptcy before emerging as stronger companies.

Instead, it appears that Wagoner is just trying to save face.

Doug McIntyre of the 24/7 Wall Street analysis Web site argues a bailout would be pointless, saying, "The U.S. government could hand GM a tremendous sum of money and watch it be burned up in the fire of management's stupidity."

It would be a grave mistake to give incompetent management more time and money to make defective cars. Bankruptcy will, in the short-run, cause many job losses. However, the companies will emerge stronger and be able to take on the likes of Toyota and Honda.

If we bail the automakers out, they'll remain fiscal basket cases for the foreseeable future — an outcome no one should want.

Religious opponents of gay marriage distort Christian values

By **JUSTIN HEAD**
DAILY MISSISSIPPIAN (U. MISSISSIPPI)

The election is over. Obama has triumphed, Republicans are complaining and homosexuals in California have been overruled.

Yes, during all the joyous celebration of our newly elected lesser of two evils, many people have overlooked another, rather unexpected Election Day vote: the passage of Proposition 8, a bill that limits the definition of marriage within California to only the union between a man and a woman.

I would usually be the first to say that states should have the right to decide on these matters due to the language in the 10th Amendment. However, the language in the 14th Amendment which affirms, "Nor shall any State... deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws," seems to say otherwise.

If a state is willing to allow specific citizens benefits and special treatment under their laws, the language in the 14th Amendment points out that all citizens within that state should be equally granted those same benefits and privileges. When a state defines marriage, it in turn grants special treatment to married people. Therefore, how fair is it to disallow other groups the same treatment? This is letting the majority oppress the minority. While I am not a lawyer, this seems unconstitutional to me.

Yet, even if the 14th Amendment doesn't apply here and states are constitutionally allowed to decide these issues for themselves, I still do not agree with the decision to pass Proposition 8. I know full well

the argument used by proponents of the bill: Homosexual marriage is a sin and, therefore, they cannot support the religious bonding of two members of the same sex. This is a total confusion of the Christian religion.

I am straight and Christian, and I understand the fact that my religion teaches me we are all sinners. To distinguish between sins is, to me, a sin in itself. If you do believe homosexuality is a sin, would you not also believe premarital sex is a sin? What about getting drunk with alcohol? Should drunks and people having sex before marriage be barred from holy matrimony? The Bible clearly defines these actions as sins, yet a drunk would be the first to say all gays are going to hell and not think twice about the log in his own eye.

Furthermore, would barring homosexuals from marriage help convert anybody to Christianity? I don't believe it will. I believe it will just create anger towards Christians — not to mention it could drive many homosexuals who are Christian away from the faith.

There is another argument that opponents of same-sex marriage use which points to studies that show the best upbringing for a child is a two parent, male-female home. This, they point out, protects the children of the next generation. But this argument insinuates that the state should only allow the most favorable condition for the upbringing of a child. All heterosexual couples do not make good parents, and all homosexual couples do not make bad parents. Who is to determine which situations are most suitable for children to be raised in? By this train of thought, a single parent would not be allowed to raise a child because the situation is not optimal for the child's upbringing.

People are also scared churches will be forced to marry homosexuals or else be sued. This brings us to my view: The government should not define marriage at all. Marriage is a religious agreement, and so, is unconstitutional for the government to support. If the state did not recognize marriage for anyone, lawsuits would be diminished.

The fact a preacher must say, "by the power vested in me by the state of..." in pronouncing a couple married, is very disturbing to me. This effectively means

that the state grants marriage, not God. How are conservatives complacent with this practice?

It doesn't seem like this battle against homosexuals has done anything good for the Christian religion. It has only served to create a stereotype that all Christians are exclusive and harbor hatred toward their fellow man while hypocritically preaching love. It is time to follow the true advice of God as well as the advice of our Constitution and take marriage back for the people.



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BIZ WEEKLY

Michelle Williams' father to be extradited to US

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Michelle Williams' father, a prominent stock market trader, agreed Tuesday to return to the United States to face tax evasion charges.

Larry Williams has been fighting extradition since he was arrested by Australian police in 2006 after flying to Sydney for a speaking tour

in Australia and New Zealand. He has been free on bail.

The U.S. Internal Revenue Service wants to question the 65-year-old Virgin Islands resident about a possible \$1.5 million in unpaid taxes from book royalties and earnings related to international seminars he conducted between 1990 and 2001.

Sydney's The Daily Telegraph newspaper reported that Williams will leave for Los Angeles on Wednesday.

"I will fight this and win," Williams said before sheriffs escorted him from court. "I will be back — I have a lot of friends here in Australia."

'Leave It to Beaver' actor to show at the Louvre

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Eat your heart out, Eddie Haskell.

Tony Dow, best known as the actor who portrayed The Beav's big brother, Wally, in the '50s TV series "Leave It to Beaver," will have one of his abstract sculptures on display at the Louvre. Several sculptors from the Karen Lynne Gallery — including Dow — will have their works shown at the historic art museum in Paris as part of the Societe Nationale des Beaux-Arts exhibition.

"Having something shown at the Louvre is about as good as you can get," said Dow, who lives in Los Angeles, "especially when it's a juried show like this where there's a panel of judges who pick the pieces to be in the exhibition. I'm a little humbled by the whole thing but grateful nonetheless."

Dow, who has also worked as a director and visual effects producer on several TV shows, has been painting and sculpting since he was a teenager.

The 63-year-old artist's sculpture that will be shown at the Louvre from Dec. 11 to Dec. 14 is titled "Unarmed Warrior," and is a bronze figure of a woman holding a shield.

"Of course, I'm really proud of 'Leave It to Beaver' and my directing career in television," said Dow. "Those are great accomplishments. I'm really proud of them, but this is interesting because I don't think they know anything about that at the Louvre."

Web site: Spears' youngest son out of the hospital

NEW YORK (AP) — Britney Spears' youngest son has been released from the hospital after being treated for some kind of reaction.

According to an update on Spears' Web site, 2-year-old Jayden James has left the Southwest Mississippi Regional

Medical Center and is doing fine.

A representative for the Spears' family says Jayden was admitted Sunday after having "a reaction to something he ingested."

The hospital is near Spears' home in Kentwood, Louisiana, where the

singer was reportedly staying with family. Representatives for Spears and her family didn't immediately return messages left Tuesday.

Spears and ex-husband Kevin Federline are also parents to 3-year-old Sean Preston.

Batter up! Piazza to write memoir

NEW YORK (AP) — Baseball great Mike Piazza, a home run slugger and 12-time All Star widely regarded as the best hitting catcher in history, is working on a memoir.

"I look forward to having the chance to take people behind the scenes and to talk about the many great people and characters I've played with and for over the course

of my career," Piazza said in a statement issued Tuesday by Simon & Schuster, which plans to release the book in 2010.

Financial terms were not disclosed for the memoir, currently untitled.

Piazza, who retired earlier this year after a career spent mostly with the New York Mets and Los Angeles

Dodgers, had a .308 lifetime batting average, 427 home runs and 1,335 RBIs. Along with his many triumphs, he will also write about such controversies as pitcher Roger Clemens throwing a shattered bat at him during the 2000 World Series between the Mets and New York Yankees, and the 2002 press conference in which he denied rumors he was gay.

Bruce Springsteen appears in food bank ad

HILLSIDE, N.J. (AP) — Bruce Springsteen wants to make sure one bank remains solvent: the Community Food Bank of New Jersey.

The singer will appear in a newspaper ad for the state's largest food bank that says: "We Can't Let This Bank Fail!"

Springsteen has been a supporter of the food bank for 23 years, often donating proceeds from concerts or encouraging fans to bring food donations to his shows. This is the first time he's lent his image to the anti-hunger campaign.

The Community Food Bank

says the economy has resulted in a 30 percent increase in those needing food and could lead to ration supplies for the first time in its 26-year history.

The food bank assists charities serving a half-million people each year.

Aniston talks about Jolie, Pitt in mag interview

NEW YORK (AP) — Jennifer Aniston says Angelina Jolie was out of line when she spilled details about her relationship with Brad Pitt while they were filming "Mr. & Mrs. Smith."

In an interview in the December issue of Vogue, Aniston talks about

the magazine's 2007 profile of Jolie, who talked about growing chummy with Pitt — then married to Aniston — while shooting the action film in 2004.

"There was stuff printed there that was definitely from a time when I was unaware that it was happening,"

Aniston says. "I felt those details were a little inappropriate to discuss. That stuff about how she couldn't wait to get to work every day? That was really uncool."

Jolie recently told The New York Times that she and Pitt fell in love on the "Mr. & Mrs. Smith" set.

Hotel rooms vanishing quickly for inauguration

WASHINGTON (AP) — Heading to the capital city to be part of history on Jan. 20? Good luck finding a room.

You might be able to ante up \$40,000 for a four-night stay at a fancy hotel, or you can crash on someone's couch or floor. Anything in between is just about gone for Barack Obama's Inauguration.

With hotels nearly booked up, lots of out-of-towners are suddenly deciding it's time to pay a visit to friends or relatives here. Others are more imaginative.

"Your apartment in Washington DC for a week ... for my apartment in Beverly Hills, CA," says one ad. "It's nothing large, just a smallish 1 bedroom, but it's smack dab in 90210!"

"With this being such a historical event, people are truly making the most out of it," said Doug Camp, marketing director at the sold-out Hay-Adams Hotel on Lafayette Square across from the White House. "It's almost like another Millennium experience."

Already, there is a waiting list at the Willard InterContinental Hotel, where the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. finished writing his "I Have a Dream Speech." Guests are paying a minimum of \$949 a night with a four-night stay required, spokeswoman Barbara Bahny David said.

"About 10 minutes after 11 on election night we had flurry of calls," she said. Most rooms at the hotel, located along the Inaugural parade route, were booked months ago.

BOLD BIKER



PHOTO BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Toreador

NATHAN DIAMOND, A senior architecture major from Lubbock, and Cherrille Speight, a junior architecture major from Dallas, install a head set for Diamond's bike Tuesday for the because the Outdoor Pursuits Center.

Jon Stewart, Lily Tomlin honor George Carlin

WASHINGTON (AP) — The late comedian George Carlin — famous for those "Seven Words You Can Never Say on TV" — was honored Monday with the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor, the only award he saw as a legitimate comedy prize.

Jon Stewart, Lily Tomlin, Joan Rivers and others saluted Carlin at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts for inspiring their own comedy, and they took up his cause of pushing the boundaries of free speech.

Actor and comedian Dennis Leary said he grew up in a church that listed banned books and records in the bulletin each Sunday, including Carlin's "Class Clown" and "Seven Words." Leary said he and his fellow altar boys immediately pooled their money to listen to Carlin's "Seven Words."

"That was when I realized you could make money for saying things my dad used to say when he was fixing the car," Leary said.

On the red carpet before the show, Stewart said he was about 10 years old when Carlin's album "Class Clown" was released. Stewart said it made him the funniest kid at school until his friends also found Carlin's work.

"For all his antiestablishment cred, he was a working man. He punched in. He sat down and he wrote," Stewart said. "He respected what he did."

A handful of protesters gathered on Pennsylvania Avenue near the Kennedy Center, some holding signs saying "Carlin's Going to Hell."

The prize was announced shortly before Carlin died of heart failure in June at the age of 71. This is the first time in its 11 years that the award was presented posthumously. The program will be aired later on PBS stations.

"He was thrilled," Carlin's daughter, Kelly Carlin McCall, told The Associated Press shortly before the award ceremony. "I think he represented a lot of what Mark Twain did for our country, not only being smart and funny but also being a sharp commentator."

The Twain Prize was instituted in 1998 and first given to comedian and actor Richard Pryor. Recent recipients have included Billy Crystal

in 2007 and Steve Martin in 2005.

Carlin had great respect for the prize and its previous honorees, said Jerry Hamza, Carlin's longtime manager and best friend. Carlin "always flipped" over the comedy of Tomlin and Pryor, two previous recipients.

"He would have been humbly grateful," Hamza told The AP. "Also George, who throughout his career was perceived as an outsider or maverick, had a real desire to connect with other comedians. He loved being in that club."

Carlin's career as a comedian, actor and author spanned more than 50 years. He was paired for a brief time with longtime friend Jack Burns, then went solo in 1962, growing his hair long and embracing the counterculture movement of the era.

He would record 23 comedy albums, win four Grammys, serve as the first host of "Saturday Night Live" and make more than a dozen TV specials for HBO.

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Giants ace Tim Lincecum wins NL Cy Young Award

NEW YORK (AP) — Tim Lincecum won the National League Cy Young Award by a comfortable margin Tuesday, taking home pitching's highest honor in his second major league season.

The slender kid with the whirling windup joined Mike McCormick (1967) as the only San Francisco Giants pitchers to win a Cy Young.

Lincecum received 23 of 32 first-place votes and 137 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America. Brandon Webb of the Arizona Diamondbacks got four first-place votes and finished second with 73 points.

"I was definitely surprised. I thought it was going to be a lot closer," Lincecum said on a conference call.

Listed at 5-foot-11 and 160 pounds, tiny by today's standards for a big league pitcher, Lincecum defied detractors — and the laws of physics — by firing 97 mph fastballs past one hulking slugger after another.

The 24-year-old right-hander was 18-5 with a 2.62 ERA and a major league-best 265 strikeouts, remarkable numbers for a fourth-place team that finished 72-90.

"People have been doubting me my whole life," he said. "I don't let them bring me down."

Lincecum led the NL in winning percentage (.783), ranked second in ERA and was third with 227 innings. He made his first All-Star squad, but an illness prevented him from appearing in the July 15 game at Yankee Stadium.

New York Mets ace Johan Santana, who led the league in ERA (2.53) and innings (234 1-3), also garnered four first-place votes and came in third.

The other first-place vote went

to Milwaukee lefty CC Sabathia, last year's AL winner who was traded by Cleveland into the National League on July 7. He went 11-2 with a 1.65 ERA and seven complete games in 17 starts for the Brewers, pitching them to their first playoff berth since 1982.

"I definitely thought he was in fair contention," Lincecum said.

Sabathia came in fifth. Brad Lidge, the star closer who had a perfect season for the World Series champion Philadelphia Phillies, was fourth.

Webb, the NL winner in 2006, was runner-up for the second consecutive season after going 22-7 with a 3.30 ERA in 226 2-3 innings.

The baby-faced Lincecum, nicknamed "Franchise," is an aberration in almost every way. He eats junk food before starts and doesn't ice his arm. When he was called up from the minors in May 2007, ballpark security workers in San Francisco thought he was a bat boy.

Late this season, some teammates even asked for his autograph — including veteran catcher Benjie Molina.

"The key is to continue to get better," Giants outfielder Randy Winn said. "With the usage of video that hitters use, now people are going to see him a little more. People are going to have a better idea of what his pitches look like and how he attacks hitters. The pitchers who have been good for a long time are pitchers who continue to get better."

Drafted 10th overall out of Washington in 2006, Lincecum said his major league experience last season definitely helped him succeed this year. He also credited an improved changeup, which he threw more often after finding a comfortable grip.

Advantages cancel out with OU, Tech each getting bye week before playing

By ALEX YBARRA
STAFF WRITER

Normally, having a bye week has its competitive advantages.

Coaches get extra time to look over game film while players can rest up their ailing bodies, which is especially helpful toward the end of the season when minor injuries are countless.

However, those advantages cancel each other out whenever the other team has the same week off. So is the case in No. 2 Texas Tech's next monumental matchup against No. 5 Oklahoma on Nov. 22 in Norman, Okla., as both teams are idle this week for the second time this season.

"In the end, you're both off, you both have a little more time to prepare and look at tendencies," OU coach Bob Stoops said. "But you do that even if you have one week to work. You're aware of everyone's tendencies. (A week off) doesn't change anything. It still gets down to your execution and how you play."

Tech coach Mike Leach sees the next two weeks in the same light as Stoops, who Leach worked with as an offensive assistant coach in 1999 before coming to Tech.

"I can't really think of (an advantage) because they get two weeks too," Leach said. "If they were playing this week, maybe, but they're not."

Stoops said his team will finish practicing today and tomorrow, with Thursday's practice scaling the intensity down a notch with a short day and less contact before giving his players this weekend off. He mentioned Monday's practice was light as well.

The break could be coming at an

inopportune time for both teams, particularly the offenses.

Tech and OU are second and third nationally in total offense, respectively. The Sooners are one of two teams in the nation averaging more than 50 points per game while the Red Raiders are right behind them at 47.9.

Tech quarterback Graham Harrell and OU quarterback Sam Bradford are two of the nation's best right now. Therefore, the game has Heisman Trophy implications written all over it. Bradford, a sophomore, has 3,406 passing yards, 38 touchdowns and only six interceptions to go along with a 188.94 passer rating — good for second in the nation.

Then there is Harrell, who in the last three weeks has led his team to victories against then-No. 19 Kansas, then-No. 1 Texas and then-No. 8 Oklahoma State, becoming the Heisman frontrunner in the process.

Both team's ground attacks are established as well.

Tech is averaging 132.6 rushing yards per game with running backs Baron Batch and Shannon Woods emerging out of the backfield. On the flip side, the Sooners' DeMarco Murray and Chris Brown have combined for 1,586 rushing yards and 23 touchdowns while averaging 5.8 yards per carry. The offensive lines have allowed a combined 14 sacks all season, with Tech at five and OU at nine.

So the offenses are a push.

Since his team is 10 games into the season already, Leach said he does not see his offense losing any kind of steam heading into the upcoming bye week.

As far as who has the top offense, that remains to be seen, he said.

"I guess we'll find out (which offense is better)," Leach said. "They're really good this year there's no question about it. Over the last nine years clearly



PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH WIDE receiver Michael Crabtree catches a touchdown over Oklahoma State defensive back Perrish Cox Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

we've had (the better offense). I don't know about this year, they're really good and obviously we'll have the opportunity to compare a little bit."

Tech receiver Michael Crabtree, who leads the nation with 18 touchdown receptions, is probably the most prominent player looking forward to the bye week. He has dealt with a left

ankle injury since Oct. 18, when he hobbled off the field after a 50-yard kickoff return against Texas A&M.

"It's always good to have a bye week," Crabtree said. "Everybody can regroup. It's not just me, everybody got little nicks and bruises, so it will give us time to heal."

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Big hits create bigger confusion in NFL

(AP) — The NFL has always known how violence is inherent and celebrated in its sport — from the once-famous "Jacked Up" segments on ESPN, to the still-famous "Hit Stick" and the "Madden NFL '09" video game and the dozens of "great-

est hits" videos.

More and more, however, the hard hits are being viewed by the league in a much different light. The weekly list of those being fined \$7,500 or \$15,000 or \$50,000 for a hard hit — whether

it drew a flag or not the previous Sunday — is getting more attention than ever.

It's confusing lots of players, too.

"I don't know what a bad hit is," said Adrian Wilson of the Arizona Cardinals, fined \$25,000 earlier this season for a hit that knocked Buffalo quarterback Trent Edwards out of a game — the very thing some defenders see as part of their job.

"You know, it's football, and to me, every hit could be scrutinized, regardless of whether it's a legal hit or an illegal hit," Wilson said.

A week ago, Justin Tuck of the Giants got penalized for a hard sack on Brooks Bollinger because he put the full force of his body into slamming the Dallas quarterback to the ground. Even Ron Jaworski, a former quarterback and longtime advocate of QB protection, said he thought that was a little ridiculous. The NFL fined Tuck \$7,500, but later rescinded the fine when the commissioner looked at the tape.

It was yet another decision that raised as many questions as it answered.

The NFL, seriously contemplating moving to an 18-game season in which player health would be jeopardized even further, realizes what a big investment it has in these players.

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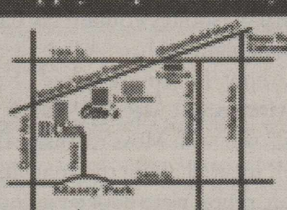
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Soccer heads to offseason with high hopes for '09

By **STEVEN RYAN**
STAFF WRITER

All is not lost with the Texas Tech women's soccer team's early exit in the Big 12 Conference Tournament.

The future looks bright as the Red Raiders head into the offseason.

With only two seniors graduating from its 2008 squad, the 2009 Red Raiders should be one of the more experienced groups in the Big 12 come next season.

"(Next year) you are going to see a team that has potential to see some great leadership step forward," Tech coach Tom Stone said. "In my two seasons we have had tiny senior classes. Next year, we will have a big senior class."

In Stone's first two years on the job in Lubbock, there have been a combined four seniors on his rosters. Next season, Stone will have a senior class running seven deep. Tina Rincon and Shannon Sims are the two seniors leaving this season.

Brittney Harrison, Megan Hoffert, Jennifer Kammerer, Zhaleh Rezaie, Sarahbeth Clopton, Emmie Bennett and Maegan Wilber all came to Tech in 2005 hoping to build up a soccer program that was coming off of a 1-18 season and had not won a conference game in more than two years.

"They came here trusting that the university was as behind Tech soccer as they said they were in recruiting," Stone said. "This class is probably the most talented class that had ever come to Tech, and they came on trust because there was no history to base it off of."

Since this group joined the team, Tech soccer has been close to .500 with a 22-29-5 record. They also were a part of the first Tech soccer team to make consecutive Big 12 Tournaments by qualifying in 2007



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TEXAS TECH'S SHANNON SIMS is one of the two seniors leaving the Red Raiders this season. Tech coach Tom Stone will have seven seniors on 2009's team.

and this season.

Each of those players received starting experience during their freshman campaigns and now are a part of one of the most experienced senior classes in the Big 12. Combined, the group has 284 starts.

"We have learned a lot since our freshman year," Kammerer said. "I

think we have a lot of good leaders in our group, and I think we are going to help out all the new freshmen coming in next year."

Rezaie and Harrison each led the team in goals the past two years — Rezaie in 2007 and Harrison in 2008. Meanwhile, Clopton and Kammerer have been mainstays on Tech's

backline that helped goalkeeper Tina Rincon become Tech's all-time shutouts leader earlier this season.

Rincon leaves some pretty big shoes to fill for junior Colleen Pitts. Pitts also was a part of the class of soon-to-be seniors but decided to redshirt this season to gain an extra year of eligibility.

Her experience dwindles heavily compared to the rest of the team. She has only one career start that came during her freshman year, and she only recorded 12 minutes of playing time during her sophomore season.

"Colleen is a stud," Rincon said. "She is going to come out here and do some big things. We definitely joke around in practice how she thinks she is going to be able to beat my records."

Stone said he was very impressed with the way Pitts practiced this season despite redshirting. He said she competed with Rincon every day in practice, matching her minute-to-minute and save-to-save.

Tech's offense, which scored more goals this season than any Tech soccer team has scored since 1996, will return almost everyone. Of the 34 goals and 29 assists recorded by the Red Raiders this season, all but one were made by players returning to the team next year.

Highlighting that offense was redshirt freshman Taylor Lytle. Lytle became the first player in Tech soccer history to make two conference post-season teams. She made the All-Big 12 Second Team and the All-Big 12 Newcomer Team.

The awards came well deserved as she finished the season leading the team in total points with 18, and third in the conference in assists, with eight.

"It's a tribute to how well she played," Stone said. "We are looking forward to the rest of her career."

— steven.ryan@ttu.edu

Callaway wins court order over golf ball patent debate

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP) — Callaway Golf said it has won a court order permanently halting sales of Acushnet Co.'s Titleist Pro V1 golf balls, which Callaway argued infringed on patents that it holds.

Acushnet said it will appeal the ruling, and has converted production of the golf balls so that they are outside the patents in question.

Carlsbad, Calif.-based Callaway said late Monday that the U.S. District Court in Wilmington, Del., has granted the company's request for a permanent injunction on sales of Acushnet's current line of the Titleist Pro V1 balls, effective no later than Jan. 1. At Callaway's request, professional golfers will be allowed to

use the balls through the end of this year.

The court also rejected a request from Acushnet to overturn a jury's December 2007 ruling in favor of Callaway in the patent dispute.

"We strongly disagree with the judge's ruling, and will file an appeal and seek relief from the injunction," Joe Nauman, an executive vice president with Fairhaven, Mass.-based Acushnet, said in a news release late Monday.

Nauman said the ruling "will not have any impact on our ability to supply our customers with Pro V1 golf balls," because Acushnet in September converted production of existing Pro V1 models "so that they are outside of the patents in question."

Batter up! Piazza to write memoir

NEW YORK (AP) — Baseball great Mike Piazza, a home run slugger and 12-time All Star widely regarded as the best hitting catcher in history, is working on a memoir.

"I look forward to having the chance to take people behind the scenes and to talk about the many great people and characters I've played with and for over the course of my career," Piazza said in a statement issued Tuesday by Simon & Schuster, which plans to release the book in 2010.

Financial terms were not disclosed for the memoir, currently untitled.

Piazza, who retired earlier this year after a career spent mostly with the New York Mets and Los Angeles

Dodgers, had a .308 lifetime batting average, 427 home runs and 1,335 RBIs. Along with his many triumphs, he will also write about such controversies as pitcher Roger Clemens throwing a shattered bat at him during the 2000 World Series between the Mets and New York Yankees, and the 2002 press conference in which he denied rumors he was gay.

"He will also talk about the personalities and players from his days with the Mets, including Bobby Valentine, Pedro Martinez, and Rickey Henderson and many others," according to Simon & Schuster. "In the book, Piazza will describe how he matured as a ballplayer and a man over the last decade."

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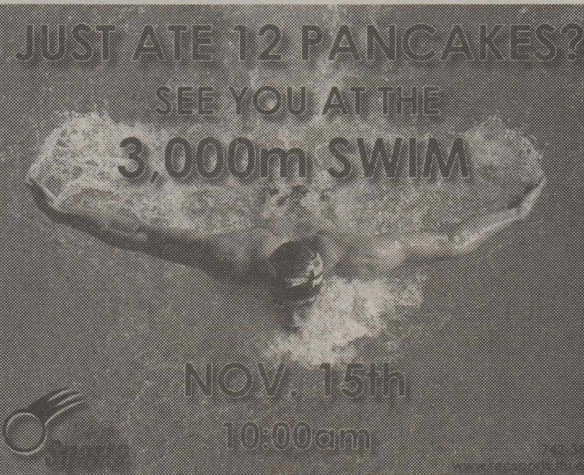
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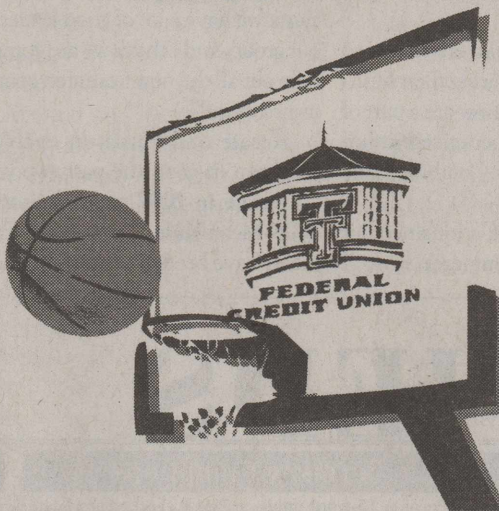
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