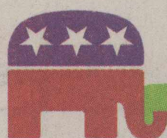


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STATE

Wal-Mart truck used to smuggle immigrants

McALLEN (AP) — Four illegal immigrants were found in the back of a Wal-Mart truck, and the driver and two alleged accomplices were accused of trying to smuggle them through a Border Patrol checkpoint.

Authorities acting on a tip arrested driver Alejandro Hernandez and two other suspects Thursday just south of a checkpoint at Falfurrias, authorities said. The four Mexican nationals in the trailer also were taken into custody.

NATION

Bonfire blamed for sparking wildfire

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A bonfire built by a group of young adults caused a weekend wildfire in Santa Barbara that destroyed 210 homes, including multimillion dollar mansions, and injured more than two dozen people, authorities said Tuesday.

An anonymous tip led to the discovery that 10 college students had gathered for a late night hangout at an abandoned property where the fire originated, Santa Barbara County Sheriff Bill Brown said. He declined to say which college the students attended.

WORLD

US says it fired at insurgents in Pakistan

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — U.S. troops in Afghanistan launched a barrage of artillery at insurgents attacking their position from inside Pakistan's volatile tribal region, in a cross-border strike coordinated with Pakistan's military, U.S. and NATO officials said Tuesday.

The strike less than a mile inside Pakistan came after the militants fired rockets at a U.S. position in Afghanistan. Al-Qaida and Taliban militants have long found refuge in the border region, where they launch attacks on U.S. and NATO forces in Afghanistan.

Sunday's operation highlights growing cooperation between Afghan, Pakistani and U.S. officers, military officials said.

DEATH TOLL

4200

U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

SOURCE: Associated Press, confirmed by the Department of Defense

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Full tank | Full pockets

Lowered gas prices afford students chance to make trip to Norman

By MIKE GRAHAM
STAFF WRITER

Gasoline prices fell steeply during the past few weeks just in time to ease the burden on students' wallets for travel to and from Norman, Okla., for the football game between No. 2 Texas Tech and No. 5 Oklahoma.

Peter Summers, a Tech assistant professor in economics, said international economic uncertainty has played a major role in slumping fuel prices.

"It seems that most of the developed world is going into recession or already has," he said. "Prices are much lower than they have been in a very long time. Consumer spending is declining or slowing down very sharply which is keeping demand for crude oil down."

In the short term, Summers said, the only way prices would increase would be if the gas supply chain was disrupted.

"Supply and demand are relatively fixed in

the short term," he said. "Hurricane Ike caused gas in some places in the Southeast's gas prices to increase 30 to 40 cents overnight. But we're out of hurricane season, so it would have to be something big and totally unpredicted to disrupt supply — like a major refinery fire, which occurred to a Valero refinery last year."

Summers said he expects gas prices will remain low through the weekend.

"There are lots of things that could happen between now and then," he said. "But it would have to be something fairly surprising or severe to drive up prices quickly enough to impact prices this weekend."

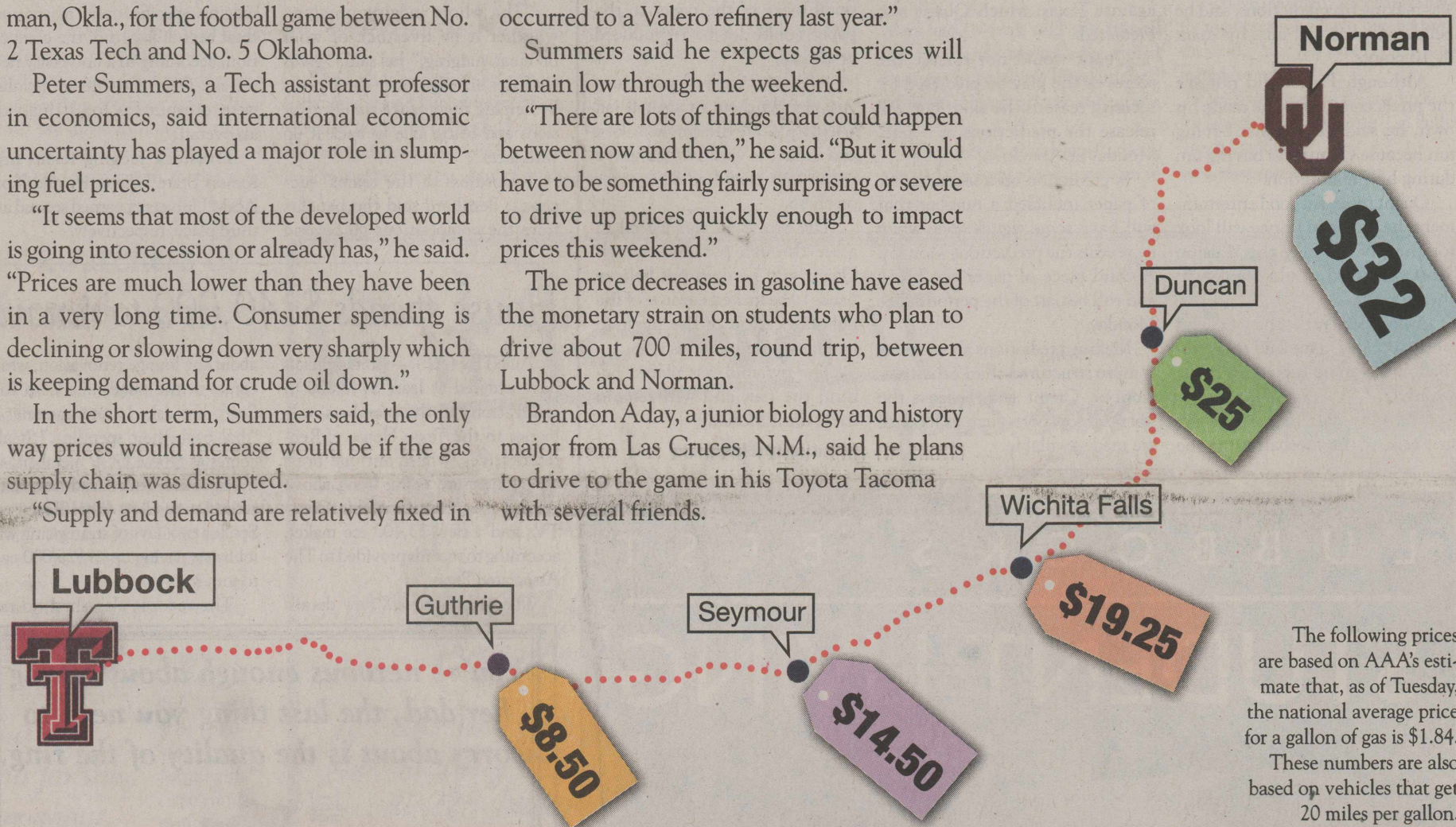
The price decreases in gasoline have eased the monetary strain on students who plan to drive about 700 miles, round trip, between Lubbock and Norman.

Brandon Aday, a junior biology and history major from Las Cruces, N.M., said he plans to drive to the game in his Toyota Tacoma with several friends.

"It's been really nice lately," he said. "It's about half-price now compared to what it was this summer."

At the beginning of the semester, Aday

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The following prices are based on AAA's estimate that, as of Tuesday, the national average price for a gallon of gas is \$1.84. These numbers are also based on vehicles that get 20 miles per gallon.

Tech judging teams win national titles

By ADAM YOUNG
NEWS EDITOR

Two Texas Tech judging teams ranked best in the nation this week for the second consecutive year.

The Livestock Judging and Meat Judging teams won national championships in competitions Sunday in Dakota City, Neb., and Monday in Louisville, Ky., respectively.

Tech's Livestock Judging team won the 2008 North American International Livestock Exposition by a 50-point margin, breaking the previous contest record by 11 points.

The teams' wins shine a good light on Tech's Department of Animal and Food Sciences and the university, said Bryan Bernhard, a Livestock Judging team member and highest ranked individual at the competition.

"It's good to know you're at a successful university that has a lot of strengths," said Bernhard, a senior animal sciences major from Seguin.

He said he attributes his team's win to hard work and preparation during the year.

"We knew we had a good shot at winning it," Bernhard said, "because we knew that, on our best day, we were as good as anybody else out there."



PHOTO COURTESY OF TEXAS TECH MEAT JUDGING TEAM
MEMBERS OF THE Texas Tech Livestock Judging team won the national title Monday in Louisville, Ky., for the second year in a row.

The Meat Judging team went undefeated in the five competitions it competed in since January, but the team did not have enough members to compete in the first two of seven competitions.

Shanna Ward, a junior animal sciences major from Coffeyville, Kan., credited the clean sweep to the team's drive to succeed.

Meat Judging team members regularly practiced at 6 a.m. every day and at 4 a.m. Saturdays — practice sessions the team calls "Super Saturdays," Ward said.

"Everyone at most of the other schools practices quite a bit," she said, "but we practice a lot more."

Ward said meat judging involves tasks such as grading carcasses, writing reasons for the assessment and knowing what to look for.

"But the importance of this doesn't really go back to what you're doing," she said. "It goes back to problem solving, and this really builds you up and prepares you for future careers."

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Big 3 carmakers beg for \$25 billion, see US peril

By JULIE HIRSCHFELD DAVIS
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Detroit's Big Three automakers pleaded with Congress on Tuesday for a \$25 billion lifeline to save the once-proud titans of U.S. industry, warning of a national economic catastrophe should they collapse.

Millions of layoffs would follow their demise, they said, as damaging effects rippled across an already-faltering economy.

But the new rescue plan appeared stalled on Capitol Hill, opposed by the Bush administration and Republicans in Congress who don't want to dip into the Treasury Department's \$700 billion financial bailout program to come up with the \$25 billion in loans.

"Our industry ... needs a bridge to span the financial chasm that has opened up before us," General Motors Corp. CEO Rick Wagoner told the Senate Banking Committee. He blamed the industry's predicament not on failures by management but on the deepening global financial crisis.

And Robert Nardelli, CEO of

Chrysler LLC, told the panel the bailout would be "the least costly alternative" when compared with damage from bankruptcy.

Sympathy for the industry was sparse.

Banking Committee Chairman Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., told the leaders of GM, Chrysler and Ford Motor Co. that the industry was "seeking treatments for wounds that I believe to a large extent were self-inflicted."

Still, he said, "At a time like this, when our economic future is so tenuous, we must do all we can to ensure stability."

Sen. Mike Enzi, R-Wyo., complained that the larger financial crisis "is not the only reason why the domestic auto industry is in trouble."

He cited "inefficient production" and "costly labor agreements" that put the U.S. automakers at a disadvantage to foreign companies.

Ford CEO Alan Mulally told senators the auto industry was "a pillar of our economy. We look forward to working with you to be part of the solution" to the financial crisis. "We at Ford are well on our way to transforming our country and building a new Ford," he said.

TODAY	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
High 75 Low 37	High 58 Low 28	High 52 Low 35	High 62 Low 41	High 67 Low 38

Illusion artist predicts Tech vs. OU outcome

By JON VANDERLAAN
STAFF WRITER

Local illusion artist Irving Quant made his prediction for the Texas Tech-Oklahoma football game at about 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in Abuelo's Mexican restaurant.

His first prediction included a significant play during the game and its final score. For secrecy, he placed it in a jar, which was placed in a sealed box and ultimately positioned in the middle of a see-through pyramid.

Quant correctly predicted the score and final play of the Tech-Texas game and sealed the predictions in a vault at First Texas Bank.

Quant, a junior business management major from Lubbock, said his predictions are based mainly on statistics, but he still calls the predictions a "magic trick" because it is not guaranteed he will be right.

His predictions are based on a system, he said, which is a hybrid of his techniques and other techniques similar to his. Because he could not guarantee the prediction, he believes it would be questionable to wager on his guesses.

"Don't bet your life on it," Quant said.

A margin of error up to one or two points is possible, he said, but Quant is confident his scores will fall within that margin.

William Prince, a Lubbock resident who was present when Quant was making his predictions, said he believes Quant will miss his mark by 10 points.

Although Prince did not see the predictions before he made his own, he said he was just having fun because Quant was having fun during his presentation.

Quant provided good entertainment, he said, and Prince will look for the pivotal play the illusion artist predicted would happen in the first half.

As for the play that he predicted would occur, Quant said that prediction was more subject to being wrong.

The play will happen in the first half of the football game, he



PHOTO BY COLEMAN MOREFIELD/The Daily Toreador

IRVING QUANT, A junior business management major from Lubbock, seals his prediction Tuesday at Abuelo's near 82nd and Quaker for the matchup between Texas Tech and Oklahoma scheduled for Saturday. The prediction will be opened on Monday.

View a related video at www.dailytoreador.com

said, and will be a turning point of the game that will be a "whoa" play similar to the play when wide receiver Michael Crabtree's last-second game winning touchdown against Texas, which Quant also predicted.

Quant would not release the scores or the play he predicted for security reasons, he said, but will release the predictions at 3 p.m. Monday at Abuelo's.

A prediction on a second piece of paper included a number that will have some significance when he reveals the predictions Monday. A third piece of paper was blank and will be part of the performance Monday.

Making predictions about sports is more structured than other predictions, Quant said, because the statistics for sports such as football are made available.

During his presentation, Quant used several "tests" that would ensure a tamper-proof environment for the predictions.

First, he made several people in attendance, including the media, sign the paper he was making the prediction on and tear a small piece of the paper so the paper could not be reproduced or altered.

After writing his predictions and placing them in a small jar, Quant placed the jar in a box and sealed it with two adhesive name tags that had signatures on them.

The box then was placed in a see-through pyramid, which Quant said he does not believe needs to be locked because of the public location of the pyramid and tamper-evident tests.

The pyramid was placed behind the bar, and will remain there until Monday.

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Tanker capture raises alarm over Somali piracy

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — It seems inconceivable: Somali pirates in speedboats foil warships from the world's most powerful navies to prey on shipping lanes crucial to the oil supply.

How do they do it? Basically, it's a big ocean and no one wants to be top cop.

NATO and the U.S. Navy say they can't be everywhere, and American officials are urging ships to hire private security. Warships patrolling off Somalia have succeeded in stopping some pirate attacks. But

military assaults to wrest back a ship are highly risky and, to this point, uncommon.

Yet when pirates took their biggest prize to date over the weekend — a Saudi supertanker carrying \$100 million worth of crude oil — it raised the stakes dramatically. The pirates struck hundreds of miles off the coast of East Africa, far out to sea where ships were presumed to be safe.

Governments, navies, oil companies and ship owners are scrambling for solutions, and finding few options are ideal. At least one private

security company said it has been flooded with requests from shipping companies for protection, including from Saudis.

Shippers and insurance companies that once minimized piracy's risks — at worse, pay a ransom, get your ship, crew and cargo back unharmed — have now awakened to the potential economic impact. The turmoil could force cargo ships and tankers to take longer routes around Africa, drive up costs and, though it hasn't happened yet, even raise oil prices.

Gas prices

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said, it cost him \$60 to \$65 to fill his gas tank, but it recently has been costing him closer to \$35.

With gas prices as low as they are now, he said, he might be able to afford to travel to the Big 12 Conference Championship Game in Kansas City, Mo., if Tech defeats Oklahoma, and

possibly a Tech bowl game in addition to driving home for Thanksgiving.

Aday said he would not miss the Tech-Oklahoma game regardless of the teams' respective records.

"It's Tech versus Oklahoma," Aday said. "It's a huge game no matter what, but going to Norman this year and what's at stake is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

Although gas prices have fallen, students like Tucker Williams, a

sophomore from Dripping Springs, said simply driving around Lubbock are remaining conservative with their gas usage.

"I know gas prices will rise up again," Williams said. "So the drop in price has not affected me. I'm driving the same amount I have been lately — I don't speed as much as I used to and I don't accelerate as quick as I did to save gas."

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Meat judging

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Bernhard, who left the celebration in Kentucky for a job interview in Indianapolis, agreed that lessons from the judging experience will benefit team members' careers after college.

"The whole judging program, whether it be livestock or wool or meat judging," he said, "gives students an edge over their peers by helping them make timely decisions and being able to back it up with facts."

Regardless of the teams' successes, Bernhard said the benefits from the competitions go beyond

the wins.

"It's really nice to win and to do well, but the friendships with people from the team and people from other teams are the most important part," he said, "because 50 years from now, they won't remember what the scores were."

The Meat Judging team won the beef grading, pork judging, lamb judging, specifications, reasons and total beef divisions of the competition, according to a university news release. Four of the team members were recognized as Top-10 individuals overall.

Livestock judging teams from Kansas State University and Texas A&M University earned second and third place, respectively.

Meat judging teams from South Dakota State University and Colorado State University also trailed Tech with second and third place wins, respectively.

For the Livestock Judging team, the competition included teams from 27 universities who were tested in their knowledge of cattle, sheep and swine as well as their oral reasons for the assessments.

The Livestock Judging Team earned four of the Top-10 individuals and the team claimed first place in the sheep, swine and oral assessments.

Department of Animal and Food Sciences teams have won 23 national championships.

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House spends \$140,000 to renovate members lounge

AUSTIN (AP) — State officials have ordered at least \$140,000 in renovations to the members-only lounge in the Texas House of Representatives, where antique brass chandeliers are being hung above granite countertops, two big screen TVs and a new \$3,400 ice maker, according to records provided to The Associated Press.

The records reveal new details

about the lounge renovation, which comes at the same time Gov. Rick Perry has asked state agencies to "dial back their spending." It also comes as House GOP members, led by Speaker Tom Craddick, have retired to the Lost Pines Resort and Spa for two days of strategizing with lobbyists paying up to \$25,000 each to join in.

The records also shed no new

light on who is in charge of this project. House Accountant Steve Adrian said "no particular person" initiated the renovation idea.

House officials, busy this week overseeing the installation of vintage wood cabinets, have said they need to upgrade the lounge to keep it on par with the Senate cloak room.

"It's the height of hypocrisy for legislators to be out spending money feathering their lounge when everybody else has to cut back," said Tom "Smitty" Smith of the liberal watchdog group Public Citizen. "There's no more classic definition of a private club than that part of our capitol."

The records released to the AP under freedom of information laws show how much the renovation has cost taxpayers so far and what the money has been spent on. The chandeliers alone, purchased almost a year ago, cost \$14,500 each.

In October, Perry wrote agency heads — but not the Legislature, which operates independently of the executive branch — that "as stewards of public dollars, we must remain fiscally responsible and continue to put taxpayers first by finding ways to curtail state spending."

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Students rally support for '09 Relay for Life

By BRIDGET DE STEFANO
STAFF WRITER

Students who plan to participate in next semester's Relay for Life put on their party hats and got pumped up for the all-night event.

Next year marks the 25th anniversary of the American Cancer Society Relay for Life, and Texas Tech Relay for Life hosted a rally for its seventh annual relay Tuesday night at the Student Union Building.

Tech was the first university in the Big 12 Conference to have its own relay, said Event Chair Rachel Verbout, a senior accounting major from Victoria. Because of this, it should be able to raise the most money.

The 2009 spring semester goal is \$150,000, an increase from last spring's \$123,000 goal, she said.

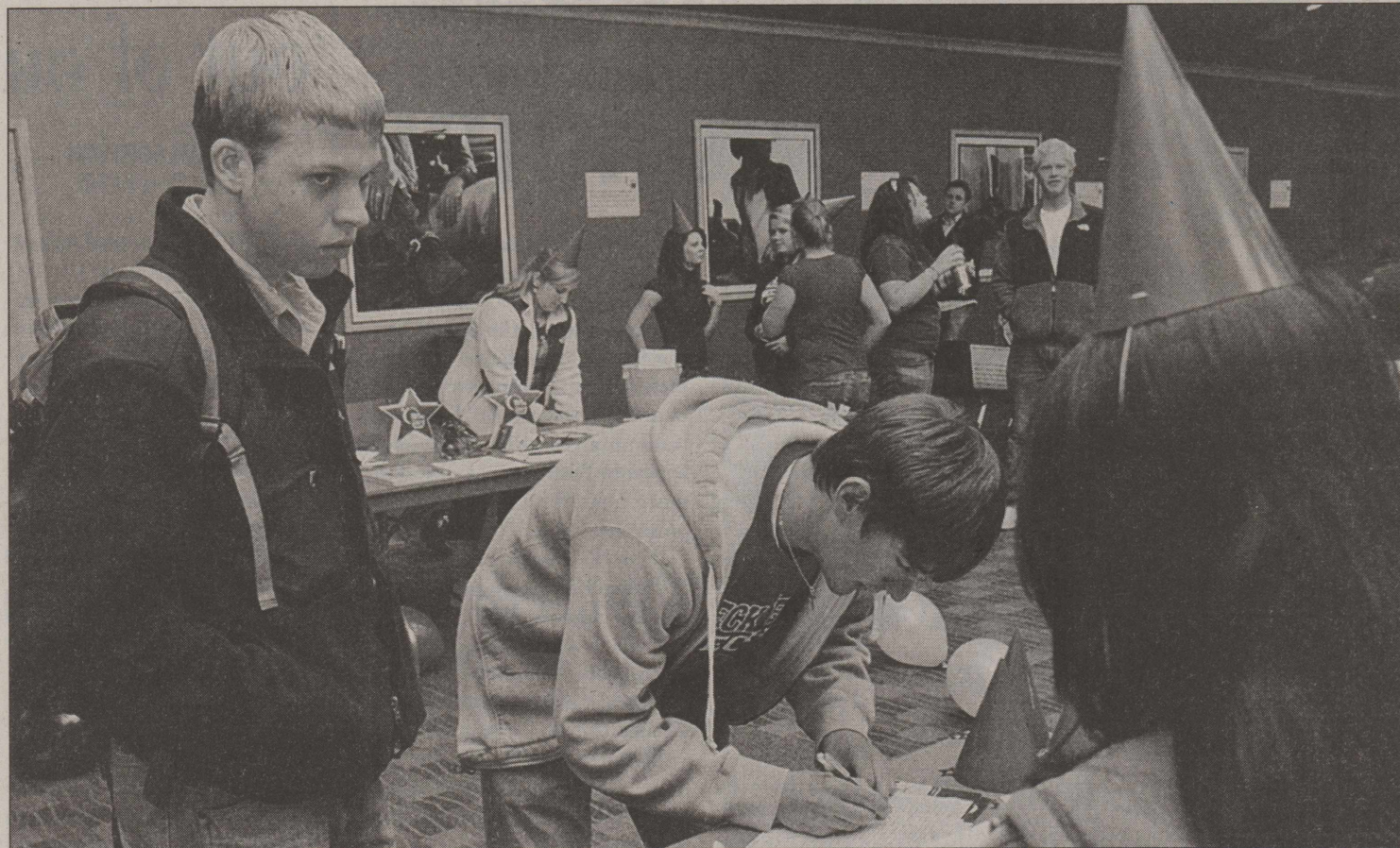
"It's always good to put a goal with everything," Verbout said. "And that is a lot of money coming from college students."

Colleges Against Cancer, the Tech student organization coordinating the relay, is dedicated to helping cancer survivors and supporting cancer research through participation and donations, she said.

Relay for Life is a community event, she said, because cancer is a disease that affects many lives.

"We all have families hit by cancer," Verbout said. "It's something we all face and something we can all rally around."

Relay for Life and the American



JESS LAWSON, A junior mechanical engineering major from Georgetown, and James Brown, a broadcast journalism major from Bellaire, sign their team Kappa Upsilon Chi for the Relay for Life Monday in the Matador Room in the Student Union Building.

Cancer Society are dedicated to eliminating the disease through research, education and national and local service, Verbout said. These efforts are made in honor of cancer survivors, patients and caregivers.

To add inspiration to the rally

attendees one cancer survivor shared her story.

The senior human development and family studies major from White House, Rosemary Novak, said, "cancer changed her whole life."

During her senior year of high

school, Novak was diagnosed with melanoma — a type of skin cancer.

At the age of 16, she said, she had to miss many school days to visit Houston and Virginia for cancer treatments.

Despite the struggles she endured

years ago, Novak said she turned her experience toward educational purposes by teaching lifeguards and children about proper sunscreen use.

With her personal experiences, she said she wanted to become more

involved with Relay for Life by joining the planning committee and the survivorship committee.

"I am empathetic to (survivors)," Novak said. "I have a side that someone else doesn't have."

The relay provides support for cancer survivors and people affected by the disease, she said, and "we want them to know that they have our support, 100 percent."

The events — such as walking, running and awarding prizes — will take place all night, she said. The more people that participate, the more fun it will be.

For one student organization, participating in Relay for Life is an opportunity for Tech students to show their support.

Beth Doty, a junior restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from Richardson and member of Eta Sigma Delta, said the event is an opportunity for her fraternity — an international hospitality management honor society at Tech — to show that it cares about "what's going on around the world."

Doty said she attended the event last year, and "everyone was in good spirits and positive."

"I have had many friends and family members who have had cancer," she said. "Not just one person is affected, everyone is."

Tech's Relay for Life is scheduled for March 28, 2009 at the R.P. Fuller Track Stadium.

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Humanitarian to raise awareness of African children affected by wars

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The battlefields may be thousands of miles away, but the fight will be brought to West Texas.

ChildVoice International, an organization that helps children ravished by the civil war in Uganda, will host an informational seminar at 3 p.m. today in Room 001 of the Education building.

The organization strives to establish a network of student activists at college campuses across the United States to

bring awareness and to help children in the war-torn African nation, said Amy Parker, a professor at Texas Tech's College of Education and a long-time friend of the organization who will speak at the lecture, D'Andrea Weeks.

Weeks will provide insight from her personal experiences to raise awareness of the plight of children affected by the Ugandan struggle, Parker said.

"It's less about the dollars and cents for this visit and more about building a relationship with this college and this community at large," Parker said. "(Weeks)' goal in coming to Texas Tech is not necessarily to raise funds. Her goal is to establish relationships with schools in the United States."

ChildVoice International established a community in Northern Uganda to provide a rehabilitation center for children abducted by the rebel group known as the Lord's Resistance Army, Parker said. The group abducts boys from their homes and families, forcing them to become rebel soldiers.

But the rebel army abducts girls, too, she said, and forces them to become soldiers' "wives," which is essentially another way of saying they are sex slaves.

Often many of the girls give birth to children and lack the means to take

care of them.

The rehabilitation center provides refuge for abducted individuals who escape or otherwise leave the clutches of the rebel group, she said.

"It's more like a vocational program," Parker said. "They teach them to be bakers, seamstresses — any way to make a living. Many of these girls come in and have been through extreme violence, so it also deals with mental health issues."

Parker said Weeks will provide students with information about how to get involved, including internship opportunities in Uganda. Regardless of a students' majors or areas of interest, she said, ChildVoice could use their help.

"If anybody came to this lecture from any discipline on this campus, they could contribute to this school," Parker said. "There's no stopping what could happen if everyone got involved in this work."

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- 1 Took wing
- 5 Poor-box contribution
- 9 Smug look
- 14 Burt's ex
- 15 Ancient mariner
- 16 Vietnam's capital
- 17 Asian inland sea
- 18 Embellished on a hill?
- 20 Jet parked on a boat
- 22 Proportion
- 23 Comic strip cry
- 24 Unrefined
- 27 Escargot
- 30 Fragment
- 32 Back of the boat
- 35 Genoa-based ship?
- 38 Relevant
- 41 Frankie's beach blanket partner
- 42 Regu on rails?
- 44 Sun. homily
- 45 Non-studio film
- 46 Family of Indy winners
- 49 Vane dir.
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- 52 Weighty volumes
- 56 Bus on a bumpy road?
- 61 Vamp's accessory
- 63 Go it alone
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- 65 Shady stand
- 66 Golf hazard
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- 68 1963 hit
- 69 Cry out loud
- 82 Takes a chair

DOWN

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- 7 South African statesman
- 8 Contour
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- 10 Jazz flautist
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- 21 Charged particle
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- 32 Texas A&M student
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Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

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Puzzles by PageFlier

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Solution to yesterday's puzzle

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Republican party needs restructuring, rebuilding

In the two weeks since the election, I have seen more articles about Sarah Palin than I have about John McCain. Heck, I think I've seen almost as much about Sarah Palin as I have about Barack Obama.

All this does is confirm to me what I had suspected: It was really more of a Palin-McCain ticket than vice versa for many conservative voters. So the inevitable question that has been popping up these past two weeks is: Will she make her own bid in 2012?

Judging by my Facebook circle of friends, plenty of people hope so. I've seen quite a few people update their statuses expressing their hope for a 2012 run, or joining groups with names such as "Sarah Palin for President 2012."

I even have one friend who has joined separate groups devoted to 2012 runs for Bobby Jindal, Mitt Romney and Jon Huntsman in addition to Sarah Palin. Who does he want to win the most? I doubt he actually cares in the end, as long as it's a Republican.

So as the GOP spends the next four years working to re-brand itself, will we see some familiar faces return in 2012 to haunt us? I hope not. Imagine the theocratic nightmare that a Huckabee-Palin

Shane Nassiri



ticket would be.

As someone who does not feel represented by either mainstream party, but who once leaned toward the GOP because of its small-government rhetoric, I hope they take some time to step back and really assess where and when they lost. It was before Palin — or even McCain for that matter — got the nomination.

I've been pretty politically minded for a good part of my life. My first political memory was cheering for Dukakis against Bush in 1988. Later as I developed capability for more independent thinking, instead of just listening to my

grandfather's view, I was drawn to the small-government message of the Republican Party.

In true anti-authoritarian teenage fashion, I decried government interference in markets and in the states' affairs. Never mind the obvious faux pas in adopting the view of a major political establishment.

At any rate, Bush Jr. came along and the whole small government thing turned out to be a farce. Now we had a choice of what kind of authoritarianism we wanted.

So when primary season began for the 2008 election, it seemed pretty clear to me that there was no GOP candidate to represent the small-government platform, save for a certain Congressman from Texas.

Indeed, most of the candidates were trying to out-Bush each other — Romney said he wanted to double the size of Guantanamo in one debate! All talk designed to get

the GOP faithful on their side, but a recipe for disaster in the General Election.

This is when the election was lost for the Republicans. It is commendable that McCain was able to do as well as he did, but he was walking a fine line by trying to appeal to Bush voters and still distance himself from the unpopular president.

Has the lesson been learned? Will the GOP recognize that there is still a large chunk of the population that does not believe that the federal government is the first and last solution for every challenge we face?

If not, what chance do they have? The Democrats are much better at pitching populism than the Republicans.

If they can rebuild their platform, base it on reason and sound economic principles, and tone down the disparate pandering to the Religious Right, then maybe they can win back some of the disaffected voters like myself.

Until then, I'm on the outside looking in, with no Facebook group to join.

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Space projects, exploration yield few worthwhile results

By **MUNIM DEEN**
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The so-called space race first started in the 1950s as a pitched competition between the United States and the Soviet Union. As in all things during the Cold War, each superpower tried to outdo the other.

By the 1960s, the United States was a bona fide space power, along with Russia.

The space race instilled and embodied immense national pride in both nations and sometimes even global pride among mankind. The 1969 lunar landing was indeed a giant leap for humanity.

But what good did it really do?

Not that much, honestly. The six NASA moon landings between 1969 and 1972 didn't directly improve anything tangibly.

No magic source of perpetual energy was found. The lunar rocks did not yield the cure for the common cold or for any other earthly ailment. There was no breakthrough of any kind on earth that came from the moon landings.

To be fair, some of the research and developmental work that went into making the moon landings happen did have some benefit in the real world.

However, the most lasting and most recognized example of this has been a pen that can write upside down and under water. Infomercials and magazine ads still tout them as having flown into space.

Can you think of anything else useful that we use regularly that came from the moon missions? I can't. The very fact that the moon missions were stopped after 1972 shows that there were little long-term benefits to be had from these missions.

After the moon was conquered, attention turned to living in space. With this came the concept of the space station, in which astronauts could live for extended periods of time. Astronauts generally conducted scientific studies during their time up there. Scientific study is always good as long as it produces valid results, positive or negative.

However, because of the particular environment of the space station, studies conducted in space are valid only in space.

An experiment conducted in zero-gravity conditions produces results that are only applicable in zero-gravity conditions and therefore not valid on Earth. Considering that's pretty much the only place humans can live, the experiments, and therefore the missions, and the space stations themselves, are really of no direct benefit to earthlings.

In today's world, there are not just two space powers.

Several countries have conducted missions into space. The European Space Agency, Japan,

India and China all have built up a long record of space missions.

In addition, almost a dozen other smaller national agencies conduct minor space-related operations.

Combined, the world's space agencies have approved budgets of about \$50 billion. NASA alone spends about \$17 billion annually.

While some of these missions involve launching or repairing useful technology such as communications and weather satellites or pertinent atmospheric and weather conditions, the majority of the missions involve scientific experiments whose results have little bearing on earth because the experiments are conducted in environments that are nothing like earth.

Some defend space experiments as being necessary precursors to man's eventual colonization of other planets. I don't buy it.

We have yet to find a planet remotely capable of sustaining humanity. Even the vaunted efforts to find evidence of life and water on Mars have come up short.

The best evidence of life put

forth thus far were fossilized remains of what could be bacteria. Most scientists, particularly bacterial microbiologists, describe this evidence as shaky at best.

Mars has no magnetic field. This means that Martian atmosphere is unable to stop solar wind and radiation from interacting directly with surface soil. This would make life as we know it on Earth impossible.

NASA's earliest projections put a manned Mars mission no earlier than 2037. Because of Martian conditions, the mission would essentially be akin to an extended stay on a space station, but with gravity. A fully contained inside and outside on any structure on Mars would be absolutely necessary.

That would be true of any attempts to live on Mars, as well.

So, in 40 years, astronauts may set foot on another planet.

But they'll have to wear spacesuits wherever they go. Their base will have to be artificially maintained to simulate Earth because the planet they'll be on is by most estimates incapable of supporting life.

And any attempt to build civilization there will have to start from the ground up. There is nothing there. Imagine the most desolate desert on Earth, make

it very cold, take away all the oxygen, and make it impossible to leave without rockets. That's what Mars is like right now.

Even with all of Earth's problems, who would seriously want to go to Mars? You can't live there, you can't make a living there, and if something goes wrong, you probably wouldn't be able to leave there in time.

Thus, justifying space experiments as leading the way to Martian colonization does not sway me because the entire premise of Martian colonization is flawed.

Aside from satellites that actually have some benefit to Earth and humans, what good is space exploration really doing? It's eating up money in the billions while not really yielding anything of solid value.

We're in the middle of global recession right now. There are millions of people starving to death on Earth.

Millions more barely make a living due to abject poverty. People die of curable diseases every day.

Even factoring out the costs associated with maintaining useful satellites, ending space exploration would save billions of dollars that could be used to improve life on Earth. What good was a man taking a step on the moon when millions of malnourished children die before taking their first step on Earth?

Instead of throwing money at outer space, let's make use of it on Earth, where it can actually do good for the people who live here.

Don't take meaning out of our holidays

By **KIM FORTSON**
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This Christmas, God's getting the boot.

For years, atheists, agnostics and non-theists have been left out of traditional religious practices intertwined with the holiday season.

December after December they have walked past life-sized nativity scenes cluttering lawns and churches everywhere. They have listened to rosy-cheeked carolers and suffered through talk of manglers, miracles, stars, babies and all that jazz.

This problem is easily mended — take the Christ out of Christmas.

That's right. From now on, Dec. 25 will be the day people of all belief systems celebrate "Mas."

The first thing to go will be nativity scenes. Anyone caught with one on display will be thrown in jail for the night. Same for snow angels. Bah, humbug.

Mas pageants will replace Christmas pageants. They'll be held in nightclubs, spiked eggnog on the house.

Mas carols will be censored of any religious content. "O Holy Night" will become "O Ragin' Night." Techno beats will be superimposed over all the songs for optimal dancing opportunities at Mas parties.

Of course, the birth of the baby Jesus can no longer be celebrated. The Christ child will be ousted by the Mas man: a big yellow smiley face always ready to party.

If only. The American Humanism Association has finally addressed the cause of the inclusion of non-theists during this year's holiday season. It is dropping \$40,000 for an advertising campaign that began Nov. 11 and will run through December.

The ads pronounce: "Why believe in a god? Just be good for goodness' sake."

That's the spirit. Demoting the foundation of another belief system during the holiday that celebrates it is the first step to getting on Santa's nice list.

Spokesmen for the AHA explain

that the ad campaign is not meant to offend Christians. The AHA is taking a minimalist approach. The ads will only be plastered on Washington, D.C., buses and printed in prominent newspapers such as The New York Times and the Washington Post.

Plus, these ads are simply the only way to reach the AHA's intended audience. Oh, and also they might "plant a seed of rational thought and critical thinking and questioning in people's minds," AHA spokesman Fred Edwords told The Associated Press. But that's just an added benefit.

Other commemorations should follow suit. Celebrations without core meanings would be much less offensive to everyone involved. Let's remove the American flag from the 4th of July to accommodate visitors from abroad. The fireworks are the best part anyway. Modeling after the AHA's clever theme for its campaign, an ideal slogan would be: "Why celebrate America's independence? Just light fireworks to blow things up."

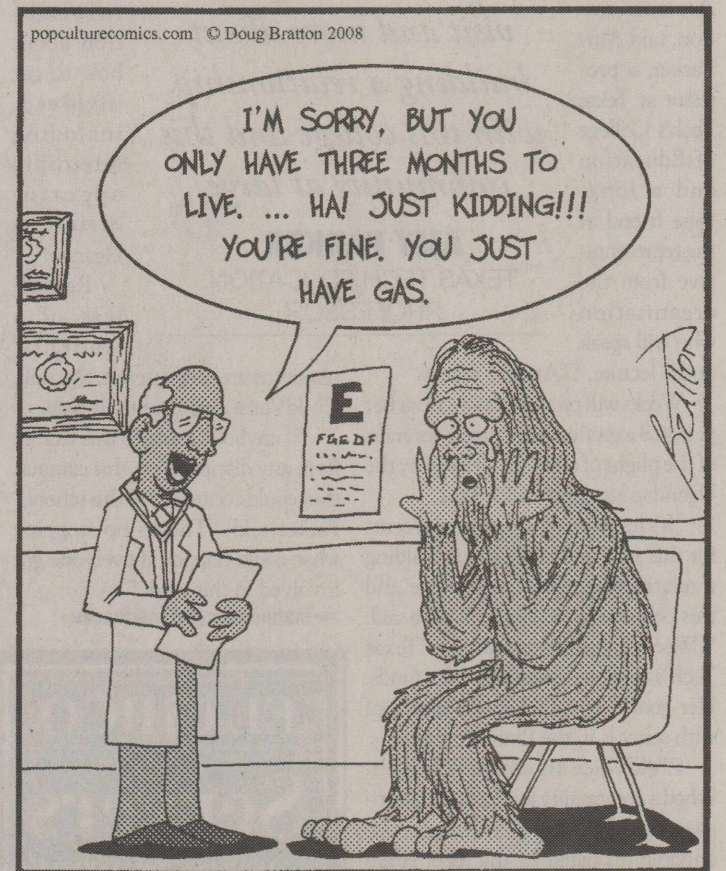
Hearts, roses and love shouldn't symbolize Valentine's Day — single people are lonely enough. Slogan: "Why believe in love? Just procreate!"

President's Day shouldn't involve the presidents. No president has ever been elected by a unanimous vote: Many people could take offense to honoring leaders they do not support. Slogan: "Who needs a president? We're all born leaders."

Other organizations have to take initiative and follow the AHA's breakthrough campaign tactics to accomplish these secular, non-cultural, non-invasive, non-exclusive, non-traditional holidays.

If it wants to be successful, the AHA needs to extend its campaign. Its slogans should decorate every mode of public transportation for every major city in the United States, starting in July so non-theists don't feel left out during Christmas in July sales. Hopefully AHA campaign managers have already started planning for Lent. And Easter. Peeps need to be the first thing banned.

Ideally all holidays need to be replaced by seasonal parties, just for goodness' sake. Meanings complicate things. Merry Mas.



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McCready not proud of Clemens ties

NEW YORK (AP) — Country singer Mindy McCready claims she broke off her relationship with Roger Clemens when the former baseball star wouldn't marry her, according to an interview to be broadcast Monday by the syndicated show "Inside Edition."

McCready, however, was quoted on the Web site of the New York Daily News on Monday as saying she didn't want to marry Clemens.

McCready told "Inside Edition" she met Clemens when she was 16, not 15, as reported by the New York Daily News last April. She told the news magazine they met in a karaoke bar, that her relationship with the pitcher didn't turn sexual until several years later and the relationship lasted for a decade.

"Carrying on a relationship with him is not something I'm proud of," she said, according to a partial transcript released by the show. "Roger Clemens is one of the most

wonderful men I've ever known. ... He treated me like a princess."

Clemens in May denied having an affair with a 15-year-old but didn't specifically address whether he had a romance with McCready. He issued a statement that "I have made mistakes in my personal life for which I am sorry."

Clemens' lawyer, Rusty Hardin, did not respond to an e-mail for comment Monday.

"We never had a meeting in secret. We went on vacations together. We went to Palm Springs. We went to Las Vegas, New York City," told "Inside Edition." "I wanted him to do right by me ... and when he wouldn't, I broke it off."

But McCready was quoted by the Daily News as saying: "I didn't want to get married to him and I don't want to get married now. He should have done right by his family — a person is unhappy in their marriage and spending all their personal time

with someone else, you need to do right by your marriage. He should have just told Debbie and been honest with her. If he didn't want to be with her and wanted to be with me, he should have told her."

McCready regrets any hurt inflicted on Debbie Clemens' the pitcher's wife.

"I have nothing but remorse and nothing but sympathy for what she's had to go through with this situation, and she has my utmost apology," she told "Inside Edition."

McCready released from jail in Tennessee on Oct. 31 after serving about 30 days for violating probation on a 2004 drug charge. She only had to serve about half of her 60-day sentence because of credits she received for good behavior and doing janitorial work in the jail, the Williamson County Sheriff's Department said.

Lawyer: Jackson may be too sick to travel

LONDON (AP) — Michael Jackson might be too sick to travel to London to testify in a suit claiming he owes an Arab sheik \$7 million, the pop star's attorney said Tuesday.

Jackson is seeking to give his testimony by video link from the United States.

"It would be unwise for him to travel, given what's he's got now," lawyer Robert Englehart said, declining to elaborate "for the obvious reasons."

A lawyer for Sheik Abdulla bin Hamad Al Khalifa said the medical evidence presented by Jackson's legal team was unsatisfactory.

"It's not the first time a sick note has been presented by Mr. Jackson," the lawyer, Bankim Thanki said. He gave no precise indication of what the illness might be, but told the court that Jackson's condition could be treated with a bandage "if the diagnosis is positive."

Jackson has often been seen wearing a surgical mask in public. In one infamous court appearance in California, he appeared to have a bandage hanging from his hollowed-out nose.

Despite much speculation about his radically changed appearance over the years, he has denied having had any alterations to his face other than two operations on his nose to help him breathe better to hit higher notes.

The judge in the current case, Nigel Sweeney, said he would decide the question of Jackson's travel on Thursday to allow time for medical experts on both legal teams to talk.

Al Khalifa, the second son of the king of Bahrain, claims that Jackson reneged on a contract for an album, a candid autobiography and a stage play, after accepting millions from the sheik.

Al Khalifa was in court Tuesday for the second day of arguments and testimony.

The case is being tried in London by mutual agreement, Al Khalifa's representatives have said, and it is expected to close by the end of the month.

Jackson, 50, and the Bahraini royal first made contact when Jackson was fending off accusations of child molesta-

tion in California. Once Jackson was cleared of the charges, Al Khalifa, an amateur songwriter, invited him to the small, oil-rich Gulf state to escape the media spotlight.

Thanki said that the pair even moved in to the same palace to work on music together.

However, Jackson dropped the project in 2006, leaving Bahrain and pulling out of the contract, a move Al Khalifa considered a slap in the face, Thanki said.

"It's fair to say my client felt a considerable sense of betrayal by someone he thought was a close friend," he said. Thanki said Al Khalifa suffered financially too: Jackson's autobiography, intended to be "a frank and personal account" of the singer's life, was alone expected to rack up \$24 million.

In the meanwhile, Al Khalifa had given Jackson millions of dollars to help shore up his finances and subsidize Jackson's lifestyle in the small Gulf state — including more than \$300,000 for a "motivational guru."

HEAVY METAL



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ANGELA TROIA, A senior studio art major from Allen, makes metal art made of copper Monday in the 3D Art Studio.

Fmr. Gov. Spitzer prostitute sits down for TV interview

NEW YORK (AP) — The prostitute at the center of the salacious scandal that brought down former New York Gov. Eliot Spitzer and generated national headlines is going to dish on her life as a pricey escort.

ABC says Ashley Alexandra Dupre sat down with Diane Sawyer

on the program "20/20." Dupre reveals how an "upper middle-class, girl next door got into the profession and the psychological journey she continues to experience."

Spitzer resigned March 12 after it was disclosed he had used Emperors Club VIP. Dupre worked for the

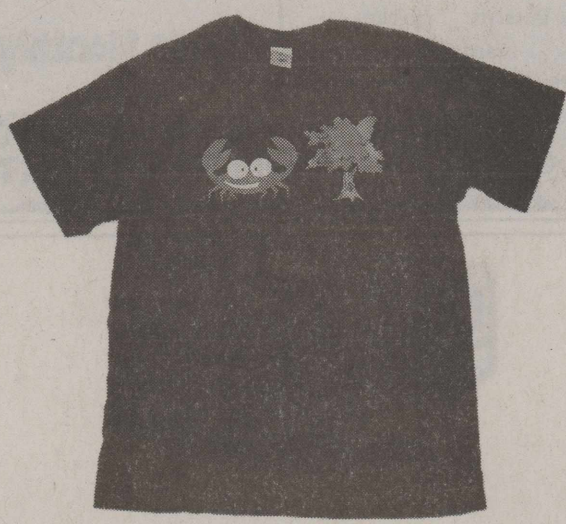
escort service. On Thursday, federal prosecutors said they wouldn't bring criminal charges against Spitzer, marking the end of the saga.

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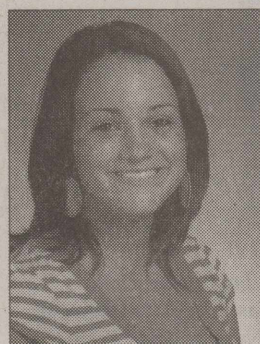
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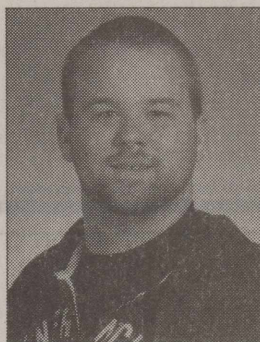
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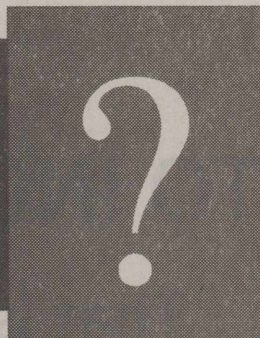
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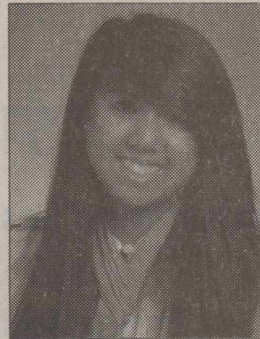


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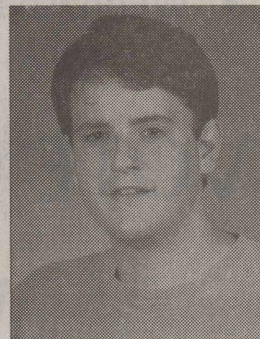
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Round 2: Tech expects more experienced Bradford

By ALEX YBARRA
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech safety Darcel McBath does not remember any specifics in last year's win against Oklahoma, when Tech shoved the Sooners out of the national championship picture.

"Getting the 'W,' that's all I remember really," McBath said. "I don't remember much of too many plays or anything in particular but just us winning the game."

What about OU's freshman quarterback Sam Bradford, the nations leader in passing efficiency at the time, going down with a concussion in the first quarter?

Back-up quarterback Joey Halzle stepped in for Bradford and OU's offense sputtered as Tech's Graham Harrell manufactured 24-straight points in the first of five-straight wins over ranked opponents for the Red Raiders.

"Oh yeah that did happen," said McBath, whose No. 2 Red Raiders collide with No. 5 OU at 7 p.m. Saturday in Norman, Okla. "It's all a blur. When we're so focused, I don't even think about all the stuff."

If McBath cannot remember it, Bradford probably does not either.

Now the 6-foot-4, 218-pound Bradford is a year older, and he has

been playing like it all season. The sophomore is second in the nation with a 188.94 passer rating, fourth in total offense with 343 yards per game and first in touchdown passes with 38.

In OU's last three games, its offense gradually increased its scoring from 58 against Kansas State to 62 against Nebraska and 66 at Texas A&M, so it's no surprise the Sooners rank first in the nation in scoring offense with 51.4 points per game. No other team is averaging more than 50 points a game.

Tech safety Daniel Charbonnet acknowledged Bradford as "the best professional quarterback that we'll face," putting Bradford ahead of Kansas State's Josh Freeman, Kansas' Todd Reesing, Texas' Colt McCoy and Oklahoma State's Zac Robinson. Charbonnet did not specify if he was including practicing against Harrell in his assessment of Bradford.

With his statement, it is clear Charbonnet understands this year's game against OU will have a higher degree of difficulty than 2007.

"Not only because we didn't play against him last year but also because he has a whole 'nother year under his belt," Charbonnet said. "That makes a big difference for a quarterback.

Last year he was a freshman. This year he's sophomore with a lot of



PHOTO COURTESY OF OKLAHOMA ATHLETICS
OKLAHOMA QUARTERBACK SAM Bradford, who suffered a concussion in last season's game against Texas Tech, will get the opportunity to avenge the 34-27 loss.

experience. I think that's what makes the biggest difference."

Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops said, although installing the hurry-up of

fense has helped him, Bradford is running the offense equally as strong as former quarterback Jason White did in 2003 when he won the Heisman Trophy and 2004 when he led OU to the national championship game.

"Jason was pretty remarkable in those years in our production and moving the ball," Stoops said. "Now that we've kind of no huddled it and just increased it a little bit more, we're a little more productive now."

In light of Bradford getting another shot at playing Tech, the Oklahoma City native was recruited by Tech coach Mike Leach in 2006, but the signing of quarterback Taylor Potts compensated for Bradford going to OU.

According to the Web site www.scout.com, Bradford was the 17th best quarterback in the 2006 recruiting class, which consisted of Florida's Tim Tebow, Georgia's Matthew Stafford and USC's Mitch Mustain, among others.

"(Bradford's success) doesn't

surprise me," Leach said. "After we offered, a bunch of people jumped on board, and he was a really nice individual that I was impressed with. It's good to see him do well."

Last week, in an exclusive interview with ESPN's "College GameDay," — which will be present in Norman for Saturday's game — Bradford was interviewed via telephone, and he said revisiting last year's loss gives him "a little extra motivation" this time around.

"Last year he was a freshman. This year he's a sophomore with a lot of experience."

DANIEL CHARBONNET
TEXAS TECH
SENIOR SAFETY

"In the film room, coach (Josh) Heupel turned on that game, sitting there having to watch that game and watch the first couple plays, me (playing), then all of a sudden I'm not in there," Bradford said to host Chris Fowler. "Knowing that I wasn't able to be out there just competing with all my teammates and wasn't able to finish the game, it's just really frustrating and kind of puts a sour taste in my mouth."

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Hello! Does anyone want to win the ACC?

ATLANTA (AP) — What's up with the Atlantic Coast Conference?

Maybe the players and coaches were caught up in the presidential election. Perhaps they're all trying to lose enough games to get in on the federal bailout, figuring that

would be more profitable than the BCS. Or this might be a ploy to keep everyone interested now that it's basketball season.

Whatever the case, it must be asked: Does anyone want to win this conference?

With just two weekends left

in the regular season, nine teams — count em, nine! — are still in contention for two spots in the ACC championship game in Tampa, Fla.

Over nearly three months of football, Clemson, North Carolina State and Duke were the only teams that managed to eliminate themselves from the divisional races, and one must presume they all had other plans on Dec. 6.

"It's really kind of unique," Georgia Tech coach Paul Johnson said. "There isn't one team that is leaps and bounds better than anybody else in the conference."

Every team in the ACC has lost at least three games, but no one has more than six defeats. Heck, not even the NFL has this much parity. There's still a chance that as many as three teams could wind up tied for first in the Atlantic Division, while the Coastal side faces the very real possibility of a four-team deadlock.

"There's no way to predict how this thing will turn out because all the teams are so competitive," Wake Forest coach Jim Grobe said. "If I was just a fan, I think it'd be a lot of fun. As a coach, I think it's miserable."

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7:00 AM	Cartoon	Today Schedule	The Early Show	Copeland	(5:00) Daily Buzz	Good Morning America (HD)	(6:00) Good Day Lubbock	
7:30 AM	Sci (HD)	Today Goes to the Ends of the Earth		Believer's	Steve Wilkos			
8:00 AM	Super Why			J. Hanna				
8:30 AM	Cillford							
9:00 AM	Sesame Street	Bruno performs (HD)	The 700 Club	Divorce	Payne	Regis & Kelly	Martha Stewart	
9:30 AM	Dragon			Divorce	Payne			
10:00 AM	Word		Price Is Right (HD)	The Morning Show	Bernie Cops	The View (HD)	Bonnie Hunt Show	
10:30 AM	Martha	Jeopardy	Festless (HD)	Alex	Paid Prog.	Church	Tyrs	
11:00 AM	Barney	Trivial		Cristina	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.		
11:30 AM	Quilt Day	News	News	The People's Court	Roseanne	All My Children	Paid Prog.	
12:00 PM	Painting	Days of Our Lives	Beautiful	As the World	Paid Prog.	Fam Court	One Life to Live	
1:00 PM	Woodlum	The Doctors	Guiding Light	Maury	Judge Jeanine	General Hospital	Judge Mathis	
2:00 PM	Batw. Lion	Inside		Extra	J. Fox	No Deal	Elen DeGeneres	
2:30 PM	Arthur	Oprah Winfrey	Brown	Access	Wayans	No Deal		
3:00 PM	WordGirl			Maury	Standing	Rachael Ray	News	
4:00 PM	FETCH#	Dr. Phil	Judy		Standing			
4:30 PM	Cyber	News	News	Fam. Feud	Queens	News	Lopez	
5:00 PM	Maya	News	News	Fam. Feud	Queens	News	Simpsons	
5:30 PM	Bus. Rpt	News	News	Law Order (HD)	70s	News	Family	
6:00 PM	NewsHour (HD)	Wheel	Millonra.		70s	ET	Two & 1/2	
6:30 PM	Monarchy: Royal Family (HD)	Knight Ride (HD)	Christine	Funniest Moment	Top Model (HD)	Pushing Daisies	Bones (HD)	
7:00 PM		Life "Badge Bunny"	Criminal Minds	Shaken Not Stirred	Stylista	Private Practice	House (HD)	
8:00 PM	Monarchy (HD)	Law & Order (HD)	CSI: NY (HD)	Jim (HD)	Sax City	Dry State	News	
8:30 PM	Bus. Rpt	News	News	King	Will (HD)	News	Two & 1/2	
9:00 PM	Charlie Rose	The Tonight Show	(11:35) Late Show	TMZ	Will (HD)	Nightline	Sainfield	
9:30 PM	News	(11:35) Late Show	Late Late Show	Wife	Cosby	Jimmy Kimmel	Raymond	
10:00 AM	Dastinos	Night	Paid Prog.	Punk'D	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Frasier	
10:30 AM	Geography	Last Call	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Insider	Paid Prog.	

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Muschamp to take over Texas when Brown retires

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas defensive coordinator Will Muschamp has been designated as the head-coach-in-waiting by the university, expected to take over the Longhorns when Mack Brown retires.

Muschamp is in his first year with Texas, but athletic director DeLoss Dodds said Tuesday he and Brown know they want to keep him at Texas. To do that, they will more than double his salary from \$425,000 to \$900,000 in January. He will remain defensive coordinator.

Dodds said he wants the 57-year-old Brown to coach for a long time but said he wanted to line up Muschamp now to avoid the "trauma" of a coaching search

when the day comes that Brown steps down.

The No. 4 Longhorns (10-1) are preparing for their Thanksgiving night game against rival Texas A&M.

At a news conference attended by all three, Brown insisted he's not planning to retire anytime soon. He has eight years-left on his current contract.

"I don't want someone to think this is the twilight for me. It's not," Brown said. "I have had absolutely no thought of quitting, at all."

Muschamp, who is 37, says he's in no hurry to take over the job and will be patient. He insisted his role will not expand beyond defensive coordinator until the day

comes when he takes over.

Muschamp is known for his fiery sideline enthusiasm that has led some fans to post highlights of his antics on YouTube and earned him the nickname of "Coach Blood" because of a self-inflicted scratch on his face. He has been one of the names banded about as a potential candidate for jobs at Clemson, Tennessee and Washington.

"This is a special place. I think it is 'the' elite job in the country," Muschamp said of Texas. "I think from the Xs and Os and managing the team, I'm very comfortable. Coach Brown always seems to say the right thing at the right time in the

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MACK BROWN
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS
HEAD COACH

right way. I need to learn how to do that."

Brown said he raised the idea of Muschamp being signed to a long-term deal and designated as the future head coach and sought approval from President William Powers Jr., Dodds and the university regents. All approved, Dodds said.

Muschamp said he immediately accepted the offer.

"There was no thought process. I don't think coach Brown got it out of his mouth before I said yes," Muschamp said.

Dodds said he wanted Texas to be able to avoid a turbulent coaching search that can disrupt a program with divisions among

fans, recruits and alumni.

"Why go through the trauma by bringing in an outsider?" Dodds said. "We decided to build our future from the inside."

Brown was on outsider when he was hired away from North Carolina in a high-pressure coaching search in 1997.

Brown was peppered several times with questions probing for hints on whether Brown is thinking about retiring. He kept insisting he won't do it anytime soon and said he wants to chase another national championship.

"I'm having more fun than I've ever had," Brown said. "I'd sure like to win another one before I get out of the way."

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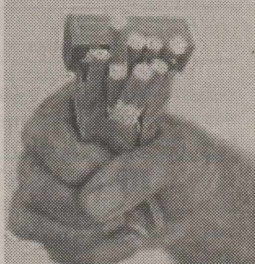
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November 20

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November 16

1:00 - 4:00pm

Intramural Sports



Results from Last Week's Intramural Swim Meet

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Event	Women's Open	Men's Open
200yd Medley Relay	N/A	Tri Team- Bold, Torres, Barrandey, Rudich
50yd Freestyle	Elysha Lunn	Paul Welge
100yd Individual Medley	Hillary Bourland	Kevin Bold
50yd Butterfly	Hillary Bourland	Diego Torres
100yd Freestyle	Elysha Lunn	John Paul Barrandey
50yd Backstroke	N/A	Greg Preston
50yd Breaststroke	Samantha Tudor	N/A
200yd Free Style Relay	N/A	Tri Team- Bold, Torres, Barrandey, Rudich

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Wednesday, November 19

Thursday, November 20

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Local Artist's Sale

Tuesday - Thursday, November 18-20
SUB Red Raider Ballroom | 10:00am - 6:00pm

Independent Movie -- Under the Influence

Wednesday, November 19
SUB Allen Theatre | 8:00pm

Independent Movie -- Under the Influence

Thursday, November 20
SUB Escondido Theatre | 3:00pm

RaiderGATE featuring Will Green and Southern Drive

Saturday, November 29
R-1 Parking Lot | 4 hours prior to Kickoff

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S.O. Registration Meeting

Tuesday, November 25
SUB Senate Room | 2 pm