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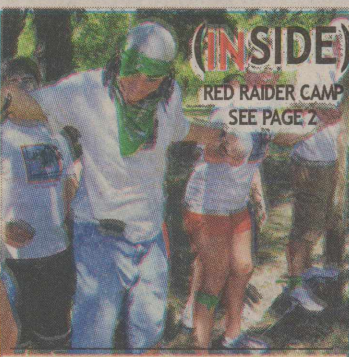
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STATE

College student arrested in UT throat slashing

RICHARDSON, Texas (AP) — University of Texas at Dallas police have arrested a man in an on-campus attack on a woman whose throat was cut.

The victim was attacked on Friday evening as she was working in the Engineering South building. Before she was taken to the hospital, she was able to describe her attacker. A campuswide search was launched.

University officials said that about 45 minutes later, a man called police to say he was the attacker.

NATION

Citigroup, Morgan Stanley discuss merger

NEW YORK (AP) — A deal to combine the brokerages of Citigroup and Morgan Stanley — which would give Citi more cash, and Morgan Stanley more manpower — appears just days away.

Morgan Stanley is likely to pay Citigroup between \$2 billion and \$3 billion for a 51 percent stake in the brokerage Smith Barney, a person close to the negotiations said.

Morgan Stanley would then have the option to buy Smith Barney over the next three to five years, the person said. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to speak about the ongoing talks.

If negotiations proceed through the weekend as they have been, an announcement could come as early as Monday, the person said.

WORLD

Rights group: Israel uses white phosphorus in Gaza

JERUSALEM (AP) — Human Rights Watch said Sunday that Israel's military has fired artillery shells with the incendiary agent white phosphorus into Gaza and a doctor there said the chemical was suspected in the case of 10 burn victims who had skin peeling off their faces and bodies.

Researchers in Israel from the rights group witnessed hours of artillery bombardments that sent trails of burning smoke indicating white phosphorus over the Jebaliya refugee camp in northern Gaza. But they could not confirm injuries on the ground because they have been barred from entering the territory.

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Obama to propose bailout spending strategy

By PHILIP ELLIOTT
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Barack Obama wants to make it easier to monitor how the second \$350 billion installment of the financial bailout is spent and says homeowners and small businesses should get some help.

"We can regain the confidence of both Congress and the American people in that this is not just money that is being given to banks without any strings attached and nobody knows what happens, but rather that it is targeted very specifically

at getting credit flowing again to businesses and families," the president-elect said in an interview aired Sunday.

Obama's economic team has been talking with the Bush administration about having Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson ask Congress as early as this week for access to the rest of the bailout fund. If Congress rejected such a request, a presidential veto could still free up the money, unless Congress overrode the veto.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid indicated during a rare Senate session Sunday that Bush and Obama officials are near agreement on submitting notice to Congress about using the remaining

\$350 billion.

"We're waiting to hear from President Bush and or President-elect Obama as to what, if anything, they're going to do," said Reid, D-Nev., "and that's occurring as we speak."

The Congressional Oversight Panel raised detailed questions last week about how banks are spending the first \$350 billion, how the money will combat the rising tide of home foreclosures and Treasury's overall strategy for the rescue. In instance after instance, the panel said, the Treasury Department did not offer adequate responses.

In an interview aired Sunday on ABC's "This Week," Obama said he has asked his economic

team to develop a set of principles to ensure more openness about how the money is spent. Under consideration by Obama aides and congressional Democrats are proposals to limit executive pay at institutions that receive the money and to force such institutions to get rid of any private aircraft they may own or lease.

"I think that when you look at how we have handled the home foreclosure situation and whether we've done enough in terms of helping families on the ground who may have lost their homes because they lost their jobs or because they got sick, we haven't done enough there," he said.

By ADAM COLEMAN
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There may not be many times when an offensive foul is heralded as the game-winning play.

But in Texas Tech's 65-62 upset over No. 8 Texas Saturday in the United Spirit Arena, the Lady Raiders celebrated over an offensive foul more than some probably have in their careers.

Oddly enough, it wasn't the shot by Dominic Seals that put the Lady Raiders up 64-62 with seven seconds left, it was Jordan Murphree drawing an offensive foul on Texas' Kathleen Nash when the Longhorns had a chance to steal a win or take the game to overtime that gave Tech the win.

"It is unusual," Murphree said. "I missed the block out earlier on a free throw and I knew I had to make up for it some how. So I started running."

Nash said the call came as a surprise to her as well.

"I was just watching (Murphree) run down the court, and the referee just looked at her fall and made the call," she said. "It was his decision. I was just running, and she might have been in front of me and fell."

It also helps that Murphree led the team with 19 points on 7-of-18 shooting. She tied her career-high with three 3-pointers and set a new career-high with eight attempts from beyond the arc.

Regardless of how the game was won, Tech coach Kristy Curry gained her first victory over a Top-10 team as the Lady Raiders' coach. The end of the first and second halves may have given Tech the win and sealed the Longhorn's fate.

Tech (10-4, 1-0 in Big 12 Conference play) started the game sporadically. All the Lady Raiders had to show for at the 11:56 mark was Seals' four points and a Kierra Mallard 3-pointer. Texas' defense smothered the Lady Raiders, forcing six turnovers by the 11-minute mark in

the first half.

The turnovers helped the Longhorns (12-3, 0-1) gain a 13-4 advantage early in the game, which marked their largest lead in the game. Brittainey Raven was a catalyst in the run, scoring seven of those 13 to put Texas on top. With a game-high 21 points, Raven became the 33rd player in school history to surpass 1,000 points in a career.

After the Longhorns had the 13-4 lead, Tech slowly climbed back into the game.

It was not until the end of the first half, when Tech had its own spark in Tiny Henderson and Tilmila Martin.

Down 24-29 and with Texas in foul trouble, Martin found a way to get to the free-throw line by drawing fouls on Ashleigh Fontenette and Raven. Fontenette's foul gave Martin a three-point play, making it a 29-27 lead for Texas. After Raven missed two free throws on Texas' next possession, Martin found her way to the line again, tying the game at 29. It was the first time the game was tied since 2-2 with 18:43 left in the half.

A Murphree 3-pointer gave Tech its second lead at 32-31 and Tiny Henderson's steal on Texas' next possession led to a layup to end the half.

The Lady Raiders finally had the momentum they had been working for throughout the first half.

The momentum proved to work in Tech's favor as they opened the second half with an 11-3 run to push the lead to 45-34.

Texas coach Gail Goestenkors said confidence was something she saw different in Tech during the second half.

The Lady Raiders did not extinguish their lead for all of the second half. However, they did allow Texas to make a push down the stretch, tying the game, 62-62 with a little over a minute left in the game.



PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH GUARD Tilmila Martin pushes past Texas guard Brittainey Raven during the Lady Raiders' 65-62 upset over the No. 8-Longhorns.

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Tech officials hope for large application pool

By LAURA LENZ
STAFF WRITER

After two years of increases in applications, Texas Tech administrators said the numbers are trending in the right direction.

Tech's fall 2008 population was not only the second largest in school history but also a continu-

ation of an increase in the diversity of students.

Ethan Logan, interim managing director for undergraduate recruitment and admissions, said Tech received 13,976 applications for the fall 2007 semester and 16,413 for fall 2008.

Logan said the university is in the middle of a recruitment cycle, and he expects to have about an equal

number of applicants as last year. He also said he would not be comfortable predicting total enrollment for fall 2009 because the university is about halfway through its application process.

As of Friday, Jim Burkhalter, vice president of student affairs, said Tech has received 9,331 applications for fall 2009. The goal is to reach 16,500 applications for that semester.

Tech President Guy Bailey said regaining accreditation might have some influence on the number of applicants.

"(Tech's) accreditation issues didn't have anything to do with educational quality and most people didn't make that connection," Bailey said.

Burkhalter said people were "definitely aware of us being on proba-

tion." Tech being considered for the third flagship school in Texas probably does not produce as much interest, he said, because many people do not know about it.

Bailey also said the publicity from the success of the football team definitely brought attention to Tech.

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Salmonella outbreak warning issued, peanut butter recalled

By JON VANDERLAAN
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The Center for Disease Control issued an outbreak warning Thursday for a disease from the bacteria salmonella typhimurium, with some states reporting more than 50 cases in the last three months.

Doug McBride, press officer for the Texas Department of State Health Services, said five cases of salmonella have been reported in Texas — discovered in Harris, Galveston, Tarrant, Travis and Willacy counties — and the department is trying to find a common

denominator to determine the source of the outbreak.

California had 55 reported cases and Ohio had 53 reported cases, with 40 other states ranging from one reported case to 39 reported cases, according to the Center for Disease Control Web site. Almost 400 cases nationally were reported as of Friday, 18 percent of which required hospitalization.

The department is working with the CDC, the Food and Drug Administration and the U.S. Department of Agriculture to find the source, although they could not find any connection in Texas, McBride said.

The five cases were reported between October and November, he said, and the most recent national case was reported Dec. 29. However, more reports could surface when the word of an outbreak reaches the public.

While the bacteria was not found to be directly related to the outbreak, the Minnesota Department of Health issued an advisory Friday after finding salmonella in a container of King Nut peanut butter. According to a news release by the department, the initial testing did not show a connection to the national outbreak, but the "genetic fingerprint" of the disease in Minnesota was the same

as the other cases nation-wide.

Additional testing results will be released next week.

Salmonella generally is a food-borne bacteria, he said, and normally does not spread from person to person.

People infected with salmonella show symptoms between 12 and 72 hours after infection, according to a news release by the CDC, including diarrhea, fever and abdominal cramps. Illness from the salmonella bacteria lasts about four to seven days.

In a severe infection, salmonella could spread from the intestines to the bloodstream and to other parts of the

body if not treated by antibiotics. This type of spreading of the disease can cause death.

Judy Davis, communicable disease investigator for the City of Lubbock Health Department, said cases of salmonella that have been analyzed in Lubbock were not the same type as the salmonella listed in the outbreak.

"We closely monitor any cases that come in," she said. "I don't think we have anything right now."

Two cases of salmonella still were being analyzed Friday in Austin. Because Lubbock does not have the equipment to analyze the bacteria, the sample must be

sent to Austin and analyzed there. The process takes about two to three weeks.

The department mainly is in charge of monitoring the trends in the city and reporting them to the state department, Davis said.

One of the best ways to avoid catching the salmonella bacteria is for a person to regularly wash their hands and use sanitizer, as well as make sure meats are cooked thoroughly, she said, especially microwaveable chicken products.

The city health department was not notified Friday of the other five Texas cases.

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Red Raider Camp discontinued, merging with New Student Orientation

By MATT COBB
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Texas Tech will no longer host Red Raider Camp at the university's satellite campus in Junction and will merge the program with New Student Orientation.

The new program, which officially was named Red Raider Orientation, will be hosted this summer at Tech's campus in Lubbock, said Tara Miller, assistant dean of students and senior associate director of the Center for Campus Life. The new program will combine components of both the camp and traditional orientation.

The new orientation will give more students an opportunity to benefit from both of the elder programs because they will be combined at one location, she said. This should help students save money by cutting down on costs including lodging, food and travel expenses.

"The idea is that students were paying two fees to go to two programs," Miller said, "while we could combine them together and make one program, where we take the elements of both."

The orientation will include a \$150 fee and attendance is mandatory for all new and transfer students, she said. Last summer, New Student Orientation had a \$50 orientation fee and about \$80 for housing. Red Raider Camp included a \$150 fee for last summer.

The fee for the new orientation will cover costs for housing, meals, t-shirts, giveaways and the programming elements of the event, Miller said.

Tech's Junction campus hosted eight, three-day Red Raider Camp sessions last summer, she said. The

purpose of the camp was to teach students about Tech's spirit and traditions and participate in activities including leadership development groups and a ropes course.

The same types of events, as well as standard orientation activities, will be done on Tech's main campus through this program, Miller said.

In addition to cutting down on student costs, Tech decided to merge the two programs because the Junction campus did not have enough space to accommodate the amount of students who wanted to participate in the camp, she said.

"We'd reached our capacity and couldn't accept any more students at the camp," Miller said.

Bob Hickerson, chief operating officer for Tech's off-campus sites, said the faculty and staff at Tech's Junction campus were saddened the camp no longer will be hosted at their facilities, but they feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to host the event in prior summers.

"I think everyone is disappointed that the camp is not coming back to Junction," he said, "but we understand the rationale for why they shifted."

The Junction campus had to shorten the length of its summer sessions to have enough space in its facilities to conduct the program, he said. This summer they intend on expanding the summer sessions to match those of Tech's main campus, and they will make more summer courses available to students.

"We are pleased that people have had the chance to see what the Junction campus has to offer," Hickerson said. "Sometimes we just feel a little isolated being this far away from the main campus."

The new orientation will give

students an opportunity to learn and get excited about Tech, said Zach Manning, the coordinator for the Center for Campus Life. New students will also have the opportunity to sign up for classes and meet with their advisers.

"(New students) are going to be involved in more small group conversations and discussions to really find out what to expect when they're living on the Tech campus," he said. "We're also going to have some team building and leadership development initiatives."

Manning said he believes the new program will be very advantageous to incoming Red Raiders.

"More students will be able to benefit from both programs," he said.

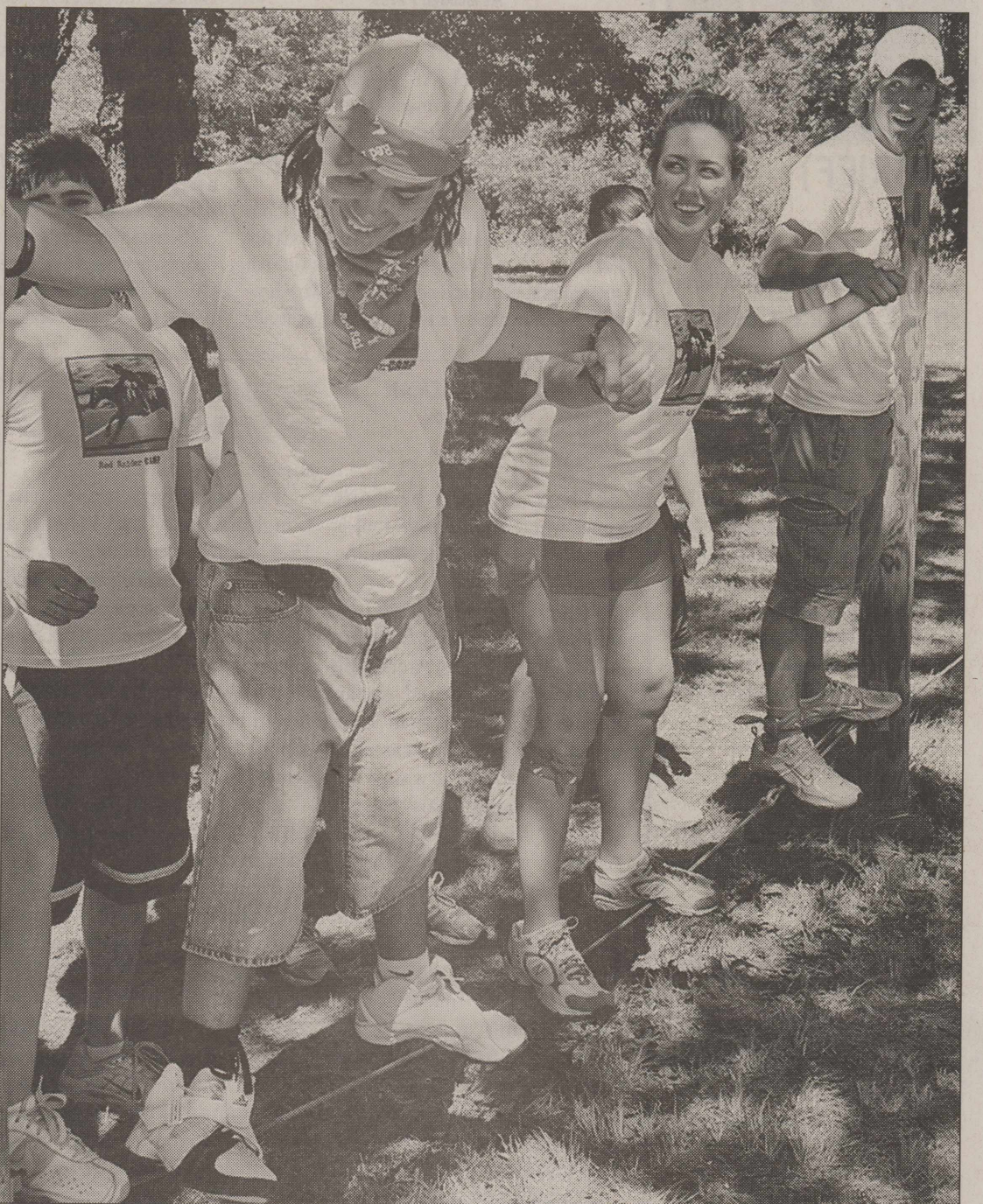
Miller said one of the main benefits of Red Raider Orientation is that it is a student-led program. Incoming students will have the opportunity to learn about the university from students who have had first-hand experience.

"I think the biggest key to the program is it's a student-run, student-led program," she said. "We're there to serve as advisers for those students, but this is their show."

The university needs 25 more students to work in counselor positions for the camp, Miller said, and the counselors will lead group sessions and work directly with the incoming students. The positions are paid, and there is no classification requirement to participate.

Students who are interested in working at Red Raider Orientation can find out more information by going to www.redraiderorientation.ttu.edu or by contacting the Center for Campus Life.

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STUDENTS WHO HOPED to attend Red Raider Camp and New Student Orientation will be able to do both, at the same location with the combination of the two events. The new program, Red Raider Orientation, will be hosted at the Texas Tech Lubbock campus.

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"How many people have seen that pass Graham Harrell made to Michael Crabtree?" he said.

Bailey said he would like to see a 3 to 5 percent increase in students enrolled for the fall 2009 semester.

Burkhalter said the number of inquiries — students who contact the university for information but don't necessarily apply — has increased and may be attributed to the football team's accomplishments.

Logan also said he does not know if economic influence would help or hinder the total number of applicants for fall 2009.

The Lubbock county economy is driven by agriculture, medicine

and education, he said, all three of which always will be necessary to the community.

"Locally, I feel very comfortable saying that Lubbock is not adversely affected," Logan said, but added that it may be "too idealistic" to expect Lubbock county never will be affected.

Burkhalter said some in-state and out-of-state students may be influenced by the current economic situation and therefore start off at a community college.

However, Bailey said incoming freshmen from high school are not the sole focus of recruitment, and Tech has new scholarship programs for community college students with many accomplishments.

Burkhalter said the university

also focuses on recruiting graduate students and transfer students and believes that retention is "probably more critical than growing the freshman class."

The student body is not only growing, but also becoming more diverse.

Logan said that the two most prominent minority groups are Hispanics and African-Americans, and 27 percent of applicants self-identified into one of those two groups.

Tech's student body becoming consistently more diverse over the past few years is a trend Special Assistant for Institutional Diversity Juan Muñoz would like to continue. Muñoz said he believes that with programs like Pegasus, an organization for first generation college students,

and the Cross-Cultural Academic Advancement Center, Tech will continue to attract more Texan, national and international students to its campus.

"Some campuses experience decreases in diversity," he said.

Although it is part of the process, Muñoz said applications and acceptance were not the biggest problems to student enrollment.

"The challenge becomes enrolling, retaining and graduating (the students who bring) diverse backgrounds and insights (to the university)," he said. "Diversity contributes to Tech's increased stature and excellence."

Since fall 2005, the black, Asian, and Hispanic populations at Tech have increased by 287, 179 and 595 students, respectively, while the white population decreased by 784 students.

"(The) increases aren't staggering and maybe aren't exactly what we would like," Muñoz said, "but they're moving in the right direction. As long as you're not losing ground, you're moving in the right direction."

He said he hopes people's perception of what diversity entails changes, emphasizing that diversity is not solely ethnic background, but also culture, experiences and even economics.

To attract more diverse students, the university is holding a scholarship dinner in February called "Celebrating Diversity" which will have in attendance actor, director and producer Edward James Olmos. Muñoz also proposed that the university look for more outreach activities to create a connection to Tech from other parts of the state.

"We want to attract diverse students from Dallas, Houston, San Antonio," Muñoz said, but added that students from small towns like La Mesa, Midland and Odessa should not be of less importance.

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Drought study warns West Texas farmers

By **CHRISTOPHER ARNOLD**
STAFF WRITER

Early results from a research study about drought headed by a Texas Tech associate professor show Lubbock farmers and ranchers are fairly well prepared for a drought, but El Paso farmers are not.

The study is about the farmers, ranchers and agricultural installations in and near the Lubbock and El Paso areas and the preparations they have made to protect themselves from potential droughts.

Michael Farmer, associate professor and head of the study, said Lubbock looks well prepared, whereas El Paso's readiness and water reserves leave something to be desired.

The research is being conducted through the use of numerical data which is used to produce estimates of the severity of droughts in the next 50 years.

Farmer said he estimates there is a 25 to 50 percent chance of a drought that farmers and ranchers will not be able to handle.

"The study is still in its beginning stages," he said.

Steve Verett, executive vice president of Plains Cotton Growers Inc., a Lubbock-owned cotton-producing company, said it is "hard to take precautions, but you do what you can to minimize the effects."

"In the end, it's something you have to live with."

STEVE VERETT
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Farmers can offset the negative effects of droughts if their fields are well irrigated, Verett said, though this generally is an expensive upgrade.

It is more of a problem with cattle that are dependent on water for their survival, he said, but crop farmers are affected as well.

"In the end, it's something you have to live with," Verett said.

John Welch, CEO of Spade Ranches, said both ranchers and farmers will say a drought affects them more.

"I don't know one could say one is worse than the other," he said, "though it affects dry land ranchers more than irrigated farmers."

Welch said ranchers can prepare for a drought by stocking ranches with cattle that are easily marketable.

Aside from effects such as damaging some plant and animal species because of sudden changes in their habitat, severe droughts also can ruin farmers' crops and cause a lack of available water for livestock, according to the National Drought Mitigation Center's Web site.

This leads to "high livestock mortality rates" and an increase in food prices in the affected area due to an increased need for the importation of food, negatively affecting everyone in the area, including the consumer.

Farmer said the results of the study are intended to raise awareness among farmers and ranchers in the area and make sure they have a management plan in order to protect themselves from potential severe droughts.

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Gaza war extends into psychological realm

JERUSALEM (AP) — At first it didn't seem unusual when the faces of the Hamas leadership turned up on the group's TV network. But then they were shot down, one by one, while a message warned that Hamas' time was running out.

Even as Israel's armor and foot soldiers push into the Gaza Strip in an effort to stop militants from launching rockets into Israel, the war is also being waged with psychological operations designed to sap morale on both sides.

Over at Islamic Jihad's Voice of Jerusalem radio station in Gaza City, broadcaster Kamal Abu Nasser said that at least once an hour, the Israeli military also breaks into his signal and broadcasts messages blaming Hamas for everyone's problems.

Hamas, for its part, said it has broadcast messages on Israeli military walkie talkies threatening to kidnap and kill Israeli soldiers. The army said it had no information on such transmissions.

The fate of Sgt. Gilad Schalit, who was captured by Hamas-linked militants in 2006 and whose whereabouts remain unknown, is repeatedly evoked in broadcasts and statements by Hamas, which has several times threatened to nab more Israeli soldiers. Hamas tried to spread rumors that it had

captured several. At least one actual attempt failed, the military said.

Israeli military spokesman Brig. Gen. Ilan Tal said he would not comment on Israel's psychological operations.

"If we're talking about psychological warfare, we have to learn from what Hamas is doing," he said. "We expect Hamas to intensify and increase those sort of rumors (of kidnappings) as the situation gets more critical."

Hamas' ruses extend into the battlefield as they try to combat Israel's overwhelming military advantage.

Military spokesman Maj. Avital Leibovich told The Associated Press that Israel's forces have found Gaza's neighborhoods to be riddled with booby traps, including mannequins placed at apartment entrances and rigged to explode when the soldiers approach.

Israel's army formed a psychological operations unit three years ago, though its initial efforts in the 2006 Lebanon war were largely restricted to drawing satirical cartoons of Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah and dropping them as leaflets over southern Lebanon.

More chilling at the time for Beirut residents, however, were the strange phone calls they received during the war telling them that their woes were due to Hezbollah and they should turn against the guerrillas.

That particular technique has reappeared in the current Gaza onslaught, with phone calls and leaflets telling Gazans that their problems were due to Hamas. The leaflets include a phone number and e-mail address to call in tips about the whereabouts of militant leaders and weapons caches.

Ephraim Kam, the deputy director of Tel Aviv University's Institute of National Security Studies, said the role of psychological operations loomed large in this offensive, more so than in the past.

"I think we did this in former wars, but in this case we had a lot of time, relatively speaking, and so much more emphasis was given to psychological warfare," Kam said.

Lacking resources, Hamas' psychological efforts have been largely restricted to the propaganda broadcasts on its own Al Aqsa TV channel, including Hebrew language messages asking Israelis to "choose between a peace that gives us back our rights or a war that will smash you down."

There have also been reports of threatening text messages sent to the inhabitants of Israel's southern towns telling them to hide underground because Hamas is coming for them.

The biggest weapon in Hamas' psychological arsenal is also its best known actual weapon — the home-made rockets it sends on erratic paths into southern Israeli towns.

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- Hazing is not limited to physical activity, but includes activities that could adversely affect the mental health or dignity of a student.
- Failing to report hazing to Student Judicial Programs violates the *Code of Student Conduct*.
- Students and student organizations who commit hazing offenses are subject to legal action and/or prosecution.
- Students and student organizations are required to comply with the regulations and/or standards set forth in the *Student Handbook*, and are subject to university disciplinary action accordingly.

According to the *Code of Student Conduct* and the Texas Education Code, hazing is defined as follows:

Hazing is any intentional, knowing or reckless act, directed against a student by one person alone or by more than one person occurring on or off the premises that endangers the mental, physical health or safety of a student for the purposes of associating with, being initiated into, affiliating with, holding office in, seeking and/or maintaining membership in any organizations whose members are or include students. For complete hazing definitions please refer to the Texas Education Code website at <http://www.legis.state.tx.us> and Part IX of the *Code of Student Conduct*.

Don't Be Confused: If you have to ask if it's hazing, then it probably is!

Have questions? Want to find out more? We can help!

Texas Tech University is required to distribute a summary of the Texas Education Code hazing provisions (Subchapter F, Chapter 37) and provide a list of organizations that have been disciplined or convicted of hazing on- or off-campus during the last three years.

The following registered student organizations have been found responsible for hazing within the last three years:

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Resolutely resolving your resolutions

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So here we are, just about two weeks into 2009. Feels about the same, right? Gas is still ridiculously cheap. You're back in the swing of classes. That initial buzz has sort of worn off, and you're settling into familiar routines.

And how about those resolutions? Did you "get fit?" Have you started being "a better person?" Have you actually stopped procrastinating about that "big

Stephen Torrence



thing?" If you find yourself unsure how to even go about answering these, welcome to the club.

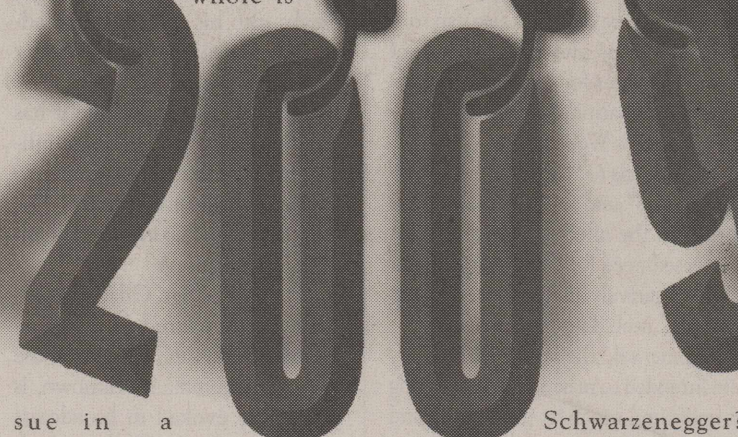
There was a time when I believed that New Year's resolutions were noble, admirable things. You make a covenant with yourself to affect some sort of fundamental change for the better.

Unfortunately, the more I made such resolutions and found myself failing later on, coming up short, or even not quite sure if I was being faithful to the initial promise, I started to question their value.

I went through a period where

I shunned New Year's resolutions as silly things. I figured that without setting any expectations, it would be hard for me to disappoint myself. However, I found that this makes for a pretty dull life all around.

Lately I've come to see the whole is-



sue in a different light. The problem with most New Year's resolutions is not that we make

them, but rather that we make them in the wrong way.

For instance, take the age-old "I resolve to get fit this year." What does that even mean? Do you want to look like Michael Phelps or Arnold

Schwarzenegger? Do you want to lose five pounds or 50? Do you want a six-pack or a twelve?

If the Iraq War has taught us anything, it's that you can never know when you've won if you don't define some clear victory conditions. Resolve to lose 20 pounds of fat or resolve to work up to running three miles a day and you'll know precisely when you've achieved your goal.

Make your resolutions realistic too. If you resolve to visit five foreign countries this year, start with Canada.

It's affordable, it's beautiful, and it's just different enough to give you that traveler's high. Slovenia can wait until number three or four.

Also, why limit resolutions to New Year's? Make self-evaluation and goal setting a regular habit. Make micro-resolutions every morning that fit into your more general ones — "New Day's resolutions"

if you will.

If you resolve to "become a better person" during the year, start by resolving to compliment five random strangers a day throughout the week. Resolve to chat with that quiet guy in the back row. Make little steps every day, and pretty soon you'll be there.

Above all, don't be afraid to fail. If you don't succeed at a resolution, it doesn't automatically make you a horrible person. Just do some fine-tuning and give it another go.

New Year's resolutions will be as life changing as you decide. Make them specific, make them realistic, and make new ones all the time. This is your year. Use well-crafted resolutions to make it your most bodacious yet.

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First impressions of classes, professors highly important

As the first week of the spring semester ends and we look to the weekend, so ends the most important and influential week of the entire semester.

While some students will start slow and catch up at the end, others will get burnt out halfway through the semester and fall of the wagon. For the majority of students, how well we do in our classes has been decided. Though we don't realize it, our first impressions of our classes play a leading role in the formation of our attitudes towards our classes and how much work we are willing to put in to them.

Everything affects us — from the layout of the classroom itself and its condition, to the attire of the instructor or professor and what he or she does on the first day of lecture. While we really shouldn't know how a class or professor will be over the course of the semester after only one lecture, first impressions mean everything and you never get a second chance to set the stage for a good class.

Even before we get a chance to make an impression on a class, we come in with preconceived notions of what the class will be like. We ask our friends and acquaintances who have taken our classes before for their opinion of the course or a particular professor or instructor.

Consequently, some of us come into a class with the understanding that the professor is a pushover or a taskmaster, fair or unfair. Inevitably we begin our interactions with that teacher looking for confirmation of our beliefs about their personality or teaching style.

Regardless of how the teacher behaves, it will be the moments that confirm our preconceived notions that will stick out in our minds.

Also some of us sign up for courses, especially core curriculum courses that have nothing to do with our majors, based upon what we've heard about the course from others. It's no secret which classes have a reputation for being blow-off classes geared entirely for students to get their credit and get out without much strain on their GPA. So we walk in to these "blow-off" courses with the

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mindset that we'll not even show up. We won't have to read the book. We just think, "I'll just show up for the exams and get three credit hours."

So, preconceived notions in hand, we enter the classroom and before we even take a seat, we are already forming our opinion about the class. Picture, if you will, two classrooms:

The first is filled with bright white fluorescent light. Those chair/desk contraptions that are far too small to get any real work (or sleep) done on them are scattered about in formations that slightly resemble rows on that cold, dirty linoleum floor. There is a dirty dry erase board on the wall, and a broken overhead projector is sitting in the corner.

The second is the same size, but with some major differences. It is well-lit but dimmer than the first room. Instead of the little desks, there are long tables in rows with simple, cushioned office chairs lined up in well spaced-out rows on a nice carpeted floor instead of the cold linoleum. At each chair, there are power outlets and Ethernet connections for students' laptops. At the front of the class there is a raised platform for the instructor to lecture from with a large screen for a digital projector.

So what are your impressions as you enter both of these classrooms? In my opinion, when I enter a classroom that looks like the second room I described, I think to myself, "This is what a college classroom is supposed to look like." I feel compelled to work harder in the course because simply taking a class in this room makes me feel smarter.

When I take a class in the room like the first one described, the mood is uncomfortable. Students squeeze into those little desks and dread having to stay in them for an hour or an hour and twenty minutes.

So no syllabus has been passed out, the instructor has not uttered a single

word to the class, and already we are starting to form our attitudes as to how we are going to treat the class.

In spite of our preconceived notions about the class and the impression left on us by the classroom itself, the final impression and the most important one lies in the hands of the instructor. As you all know, we shell out thousands of dollars a year for the sole purpose of hearing what the instructor has to say on a subject. This first interaction between the instructor and the class is where we form our opinion as to whether or not we feel the investment was well spent.

I know that deep down inside, we all love the thought of coming in on the first day of class, getting the syllabus, and walking out without a second thought. We'd all like to hold on the lingering feel of the summer or winter break, but the reality is that teachers who do that on the first day are really not worth the money we paid for the course.

I know there are extenuating circumstances. Instructors' and especially professors' workloads do not revolve around teaching undergraduate courses. Sometimes that first week can be pretty hectic, but if an instructor does not take the time on the first day to make it clear that he has expectations of the course and its students, then that leaves a lasting impression on the students that is hard to overcome.

It is the instructor who begins to lecture on the material the first day of class who makes it obvious that his or her course should be taken seriously and that first impression is one that pushes students to work harder in a course.

So as we look back at the past week and look forward to an entire semester ahead, we should keep in mind that we have these first impressions of our classes without letting them dictate how we perform in our classes. Because at the end of the day, our transcripts do not reflect the room in which we were taught or the instructor who taught us, but the work we put into these classes.

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Cabinet picks not indicative of 'change'

By **JESSE HATHAWAY**
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The calendar may say 2009, but there are people wondering if President-elect Barack Obama is partying like it's 1999, if his picks for Cabinet positions are any indication.

I thought the point of "change" was to bring in fresh blood, fresh ideas and fresh faces. However, it seems that Obama is breaking his New Year's resolutions early, and is instead opting to bring in old hands to help steer the ship of state. It's giving a lot of people an eerie feeling of déjà vu when we hear names like Clinton, Panetta or Holder. I thought that America just elected Barack H. Obama, not William J. Clinton!

All these reheated Clinton leftovers have me wondering, what's happening? Eric Holder, Deputy Attorney General un-

der Bill Clinton, is Obama's pick for Attorney General. Holder helped criminal financier Marc Rich get a pardon from Clinton, hours before the clock ran out. In 2000, Holder had a role in the controversial at-gunpoint seizure of six-year-old Cuban immigrant Elian Gonzales from his great-uncle's Miami home.

Lately, President-elect Obama has been doing more back-flips than an underage Chinese gymnast in an Olympic competition. After spending time in the spring mocking her for claiming she had foreign policy experience, Obama picked Hillary Clinton for Secretary of State.

Obama made enough political hay to fill a barn by reminding us that he opposed the Iraq war (as a lowly state Senator), but now turned around and told Secretary of Defense Robert Gates — a holdover from the Bush administration no less — that he's got a job after January 20.

Tom "Puff" Daschle, the new

Secretary of Health and Human Services and former Senate Minority and Majority Leader under Bill Clinton's reign, has experience in the lobbying field, but zero experience in the medical field. The closest he's ever come to being a doctor is lobbying Congress on behalf of big pharmaceutical companies.

The same goes for Obama's recent choice for head of the Central Intelligence Agency, Leon Panetta. Panetta spent most of the 1990s trying to micromanage and cut funding to the CIA, and now he's the one put in charge of the agency? Am I missing something here?

Let's just think that maybe Panetta is the best man for the job in spite of his love of cutting intelligence funding, even arch-Democrat Dianne Feinstein, head of the Senate Intelligence Committee, was upset by the choice, saying that her "position has consistently been that I believe the agency is best served by having an intelligence professional" run the CIA.

Obama's Department of Homeland Security head, Janet Napolitano, appears to subscribe to the Tina Fey School of Political Experience: she can see Mexico from her window; therefore she's qualified for the job. Being a governor of a border state with immigration problems isn't anything to sneeze at, but is she the best person for the job? Doubtful. Not surprisingly, Napolitano is another Clintonite: in 1993, Bill Clinton appointed her to be Arizona's U.S. district attorney.

I'm finding myself unimpressed by his picks, because I've seen most of them already, and they're typical Democrats, excepting Robert Gates, of course. But I am left wondering if all those liberals out there who voted for Obama — hoping that he would bring something new to the table and take America in a new direction — want a refund on all that "change."



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Students create free wax hand molds

By **CRYSTAL GRANT**
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Students lined up Friday afternoon to create a personalized wax souvenir.

The event, hosted by the Tech Activities Board and Student Union and Activities, allowed students to get a free wax mold of their hand.

"We wanted to do something different for students to take home and remember forever," Aspen Teague, a TAB Coordinator, said.

Students may keep the wax hand longer than other souvenirs they get in college because it's unique, the sophomore restaurant hotel and institutional management major from Forth Worth, said. Her sister's wax hand, which has been on display in the Student Union Building, has been there for 10 years.

Students were able to choose both the design and color of their waxed hands.

J.C. Plator, a sophomore mechanical engineering major from Austin, said he heard about the event through TechAnnounce and thought it would be fun.

"My hand represents I love you in sign language," Plator said. "I'm going to give it to my girlfriend as a gift."

Students who made wax models dipped their hands in ice and then into the hot wax to create the mold.

"The ice was cold, but after dipping my hand in the wax it felt really good," said Emma Dawson, a sophomore public relations major from Carrollton.

Many students formed their wax hands in the shape of the Red Raider guns up symbol.

"I love my Red Raiders," Dawson said. "I really enjoy TAB events. I like to show my support plus it's free and something I can keep to remember college forever."

The wax-hand event was part of the Winter Raider Welcome, Teague said. The welcome included other activities



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EMMA DAWSON SOPHOMORE, a public relations major from Carrollton, is assisted by Eric Brown from All for Fun Friday in the courtyard of the Student Union Building for Tech Activities Board's event.

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such as the Student Organizational Fair and a concert by John Clay.

Rhiannon McClure, a sophomore pre-nursing major from Dallas and TAB member, said the activities board origi-

nally schedule the event for the previous fall, but the wax was not ready.

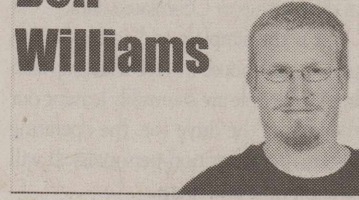
She said she was glad the activities board was able to do it this semester.

"It's just a good way for Tech students to socialize, get dirty and have fun on a Friday," McClure said.

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Touring musician Cory Brannan performs with Hub City bands

Ben Williams



If friends say the Lubbock music scene is boring, take them to a show featuring the Daniels.

Whether it is Daniel Markham from One Wolf or Daniel Fluit from Thrift Store Cowboys, plenty of fun can be had in the Hub City.

More than a hundred eager bar-hoppers gathered Saturday night at Jakes' Back Room for an evening of local alt-country and weekend singer-songwriter fun.

Along with the aforementioned local favorites, acoustic virtuoso Cory Brannan riled the crowd with poignant, and sometimes humorous, melodic anecdotes about life and love.

The show opened with One Wolf, a well-established Lubbock act that can best be described as a cross between Neil Young and R.E.M. with a shot of Whiskeytown.

Daniel Markham, the soft-spoken, long-haired leader of the group, blared fan favorites on his pearly-white Jaguar guitar such as "Figure This One Out" and "Don't Take It Personal," but also treated the dedicated crowd with new tracks like "Everything's On Fire" and "Across the Water."

Markham, sporting a leather jacket, crooned while fans cheered and clapped, treating this opening like the band was closing the bar.

The highlight, as always, was the hit "Streetsigns in a Junkyard," a southern rocker with a twist on the Cars, "Just What

I Needed." And Markham yelled for the girl of his dreams to "take it easy, baby," because he wasn't going anywhere.

By the time One Wolf left the stage, the people in Jakes' Back Room were ready for a dance party.

Cory Brannan stormed the stage next with an uproarious acoustic set that would make James Taylor cry from embarrassment. It was obvious from the beginning that Brannan knew what he was doing, telling hilarious anecdotes between songs and strumming his guitar with the ferocity of a broken-hearted rebel searching for his better half.

Occasionally, Brannan would roam around the stage mumbling the lyrics, like he didn't realize (or care) that a microphone had been provided for his necessary amplification. But it didn't matter. The crowd in front of the stage knew the lyrics and were there to pick up where he left off.

Brannan's energetic performance was parts Bob Dylan and Jason Anderson, and he swayed and spoke to the rhythm of the thirsty West Texas crowd. He name-dropped the Thrift Store Cowboys and mentioned girls with "KTX tube tops," referencing the

former Texas Tech radio station.

Brannan concluded the night by inviting the cowboys on the stage for a couple of original numbers, still strumming and plucking with passion comparable to the piano playing of Ben Folds' early works.

Thrift Store Cowboys, the band the room had been waiting for, closed the night with a set of familiar originals and some surprise requests.

The quintet didn't let up until the bartender yelled last call. They shuffled through new and old staples of the band's repertoire. Frontman Daniel Fluit, sported the finest moustache in Lubbock County and introduced each song with a quick, lively comment.

The two-stepping commenced as the night wound down, and the cowboys decided to end the night with an appropriate cover: Brooks and Dunn's "Neon Moon." The song succumbed to the wishes of erratic, drunken fans (including yours truly).

The vibrant pulse of the Hub City's live music scene should be obvious to anyone who attended Saturday's show at the Back Room. Performances One Wolf, Thrift Store Cowboys, and touring musician Cory Brannan show skeptics what this city has to offer.

Hopefully this energy and crowd participation will continue, and the musical and artistic pride of Lubbock will live on.

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Japan keeps eating whale despite environmental groups, international government protests

TOKYO (AP) — As diners sit down to lunches of whale meat in Tokyo and elsewhere across the nation, Japan's whaling fleet is on its annual hunt in the Antarctic, drawing protests from environmental groups, international governments and whale-lovers worldwide. So why does Tokyo persist?

Why shouldn't it, many Japanese say.

"Why do people say we can't eat the things we've eaten since the end of World War II?" asked Koji Shingu, the proprietor of a whale eatery called

Yushin in Tokyo, a few blocks from the city's oldest temple, a popular tourist draw.

His feelings echo those of many older Japanese.

The country has hunted whales for hundreds of years, and the meat is a sentimental favorite of people who lived through the lean postwar years, when whale was the chief source of protein because Japan couldn't afford pork or beef. Whale was a common family dish, and many schoolchildren ate it every day.

Whale meat is still easily found

in restaurants and canned in supermarkets, but is not a part of a typical home-cooked meal.

Shingu says most of his customers are in their 40s or older, while younger diners come mainly for the novelty. At the tail end of lunch hour, his clients included several older men eating alone and a pair of younger girls at a corner table.

The calm in the restaurant belied the battle it took to bring in the whale meat it serves.

The Japanese fleet, now somewhere between New Zealand and

Chile, catches mostly minke whales, which at about 25 feet (7.6 meters) long and 5 tons are smaller than many other species.

It's dangerous work — the current expedition has lost a crew member, who fell overboard and is presumed dead.

The task is made more difficult by environmentalists who relentlessly pursue the hunters.

This year the conservationist group Sea Shepherd has chased Japan's whaling ships for thousands of miles and thrown bottles of rancid

butter to disrupt operations. In late December the group's ship and a whaling boat collided at sea.

Commercial whaling is banned internationally, but the six-vessel Japanese fleet operates under permission from the International Whaling Commission, which allows hunting for research purposes. Japan plans to take up to 935 minke whales and 50 fin whales this year, and says it sells most of the meat for food only after conducting its research.

Minke whales are not endangered, and few dispute that there are

hundreds of thousands in the wild. But many feel that Tokyo's research operation is thinly veiled commercial hunting, and that harpooning whales at sea is a brutal way to kill them.

"We deal with a ruthless and cruel enemy whose very reason for being here is to inflict agonizing suffering and to deliver cruel death to gentle, sensitive, intelligent and socially complex sentient beings," the founder of Sea Shepherd and captain of its ship, Paul Watson, wrote from the Antarctic last week after clashing with whalers.

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Puzzles by PageFiller

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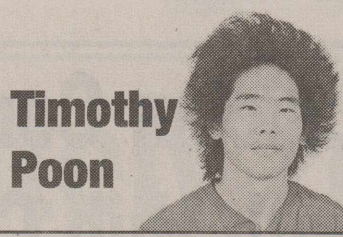
Backing up hard drive saves users from annoyance of losing data

Regardless of nostalgia or sentimental views on all electronic things, your hard drive is probably full of files you would loathe to lose — from pictures and songs to e-memoirs and expensive software you contemplated purchasing at some point but (one way or another) found it installed and running on your computer for the amazingly low price of, um, committing Internet piracy.

There are few things people can do short of a fresh reformatted start if they accidentally erased their entire drive, downloaded some unfortunate malware they just can't seem to remove, or if God forsook their whole existence and killed the drive.

The best solution, other than giving up technology all together, is to regularly backup data.

There are essentially two options to this. The first one is file-based backup, which stores individual files and data to



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an external storage device or medium. This is for people who want to keep the files and folders on their drive but not any of the settings or OS-related data.

It is the simplest and easiest option people can choose when backing up data because people are ostensibly leaving out the bulk of the drive (i.e. the operating system and other non-personals). It will save on time and space.

In fact, it doesn't get much easier or more basic than DIY-ing a file-based backup. All anyone really needs is an external storage device like an external

hard drive or a medium such as a whole crapload of DVDs or a small trash can of USB drives.

Personally, I'd choose the hard drive because discs have a much shorter lifespan and are much more susceptible to damage, and flash drives can be misplaced or eaten by pets (don't ask). Whatever someone chooses, it's as simple as copying whatever he or she desires onto a backup device from his or her old behemoth.

Done and done? Now store your backup somewhere offsite, like three states away in a nuclear fallout shelter.

What? Too much work? Well, there are automated solutions from online vendors.

There's one in particular I've heard good things about called Carbonite.com. Simply pay \$49.95 a year, install the software, and let it run in the background of your Windows machine (read: no

Mac or Linux version) checking for file changes and waiting for your computer to go idle to upload to Carbonite's secure and encrypted servers.

That's data backup made easy, unless they go under, in which case you're on your own.

In the image-based backup camp things get slightly less easy, but incredibly more comprehensive and exhaustive. With disk images you get a complete image of a drive, which includes all of a person's files, applications, settings, drivers and whatever else someone could have on his or her computer.

If someone feels like paying for this, then give Acronis True Image or ShadowProtect Desktop for Windows and SuperDuper! for Macs a whirl, but none of these will come cheap. Well, SuperDuper! is only \$27.95, but True Image is \$49.99 while Desktop comes in at a whopping \$79.99 — a small

price for peace of mind, right? Freebies include DriveImage XML for Windows, a program definitely not for the wary or inexperienced and Carbon Copy Cloner for Mac.

Little known fact, though, is that both Windows and Mac machines come with their own backup utilities.

Vista imaging is easy but comes at a hefty price of memory. Vista is only capable of complete PC backups, which means every time someone has a backup scheduled his or her entire drive is backed up. Its Automatic Backup option will only backup files and data and does not differentiate changed files from static files. So, once again, space is wasted.

It is free and works like a charm, although neither can be found on Vista Starter. A similar utility can also be found on all XP installs, but Home users will have to dig into their XP CD to find it. Mac users are laughing right now,

basking in the glory of Leopard's Time Machine. All a Mac user has to do is choose what he or she wants to back up and where to put it, and he or she is set. Time Machine recognizes files that haven't been changed since the last backup, which saves an incredible amount of memory. Plus, a Mac user gets to watch a sweet swirling nebula suck up all his or her files.

Both Microsoft and Apple support pages have more information on its capabilities. Linux users, however, have the world's largest standing online army full of helpful knowledge and advice as well as Tux. So, they can go do what they want. And, if someone uses Linux, I seriously doubt he or she needs to be told how to do most things computer-related.

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Conflict hits home for Indiana U. student

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Indiana University junior Eric Goode currently is studying abroad in Be'er Sheva, Israel at Ben-Gurion University, which he said is in the "danger zone" of rockets launched by the militant organization Hamas.

A Hamas rocket landed 20 yards behind Goode's dorm Wednesday in an area where he said students at the university often stop and relax at the pubs.

For the past few weeks Hamas has been targeting Israel with rockets. Israel's recent response has been to prepare a ground invasion in Gaza in order to control Hamas and its actions against Israel.

Goode said in an e-mail interview that no buildings were destroyed, but he is still shaken about how close he was to the rockets.

"I spent a lot of time at those pubs and am shocked at how close

it has come to what I have called my home," he said in the e-mail.

Goode has also heard Israel's red-alert test sirens, which he said give Israeli civilians 45 seconds to take cover if a rocket were to hit. He expresses the difficulties Israeli civilians face living day by day with the threat of rockets aimed at them.

"People are trying to live their lives as normally as possible," Goode said. "But it's been nerve-racking."

The Israeli-Hamas conflict has also sparked debate on IU's campus between those who support Israel and those who believe Israel has stepped over its boundaries.

IU Hillel Center's Rabbi Sue Shifron said she fully supports Israel in its fight with Hamas and said any other country would attack back if daily rockets were aimed at it.

"Israel has a right to protect herself," she said. "Hamas is a terrorist organization. Any country

being bombed on a daily basis has a right to protect herself."

Goode said he also supports Israel in its fight against Hamas. He has read news reports that say Israeli forces warn Gaza civilians to get out of harm's way, but Hamas encourages them to stay, according to the English language Israeli news site ynetnews.com, which also reports that Hamas has been hijacking humanitarian aid trucks going into Gaza.

Indianapolis Chapter of Amnesty International member Tom Benner said Hamas isn't the only side guilty of human rights violations. He said both Israeli forces and Hamas forces are to blame, with more than 500 Palestinians dead because of the conflict.

Benner added the U.S. response to the conflict favors Israel.

"The government seems to be more concerned about Israeli losses than Palestinian losses," he said. "All civilians need to be treated equally."

Researchers measure quantum repulsive force, could be used to levitate objects

By ALISSA M. D'GAMA
HARVARD CRIMSON (HARVARD)

Large-scale levitation may only be possible using smoke and mirrors, but researchers at Harvard University's School of Engineering and Applied Sciences have measured a repulsive force resulting from quantum fluctuations that could be used to levitate objects on the nanometer scale.

It is common knowledge that like charges repel and unlike charges attract, but it is less obvious that even charge-neutral objects have fluctuating charges.

The charges result from shifting electromagnetic fields that are always present, even in a vacuum, said Jeremy N. Munday, one of the study's authors.

It was already known that when the two neutral materials are brought into contact, the fluctuating charges can interact and cause an attractive force—the Casimir-Lifshitz force.

However, this was the first study to measure a repulsive force between two charge-neutral ob-

jects. When Munday was a graduate student at SEAS, he set out to measure this repulsive force with V. Adrian Parsegian, a senior investigator at the National Institutes of Health, and Federico Capasso, a professor of applied physics at SEAS.

"What we did was measure the Casimir-Lifshitz force between a metal and an insulator submerged in a fluid and found that a repulsive force can be obtained between particular materials," Munday said.

When he measured the force between a gold sphere and a gold plate in bromobenzene, he found that there was an attractive force, as expected.

"If you have two similar objects, like two dancers following steps, they tend to attract each other," said Parsegian. "But with two unlike objects there is the possibility that they repel."

Indeed, when Munday replaced the gold plate with a silicon dioxide plate, the force became repulsive.

"This is very exciting," Munday said. "Now we have shown that we can change this force in a dramatic

way—from attractive to repulsive." Capasso said he hopes that these repulsive forces can be used with microelectromechanical systems (MEMS).

"MEMS are gizmos—for example, they can be used in cars to release the airbag," Capasso said.

When MEMS are built on the nanometer scale, the Casimir-Lifshitz force becomes dominant and can cause the metallic parts to stick together.

This is known as "stiction," and prevents the device from working properly.

"By learning how to modify this force, it can be incorporated into the design of the devices rather than just being a hindrance," Munday said.

If certain properties of the two materials and liquid are chosen appropriately, the liquid will insert itself between the two solids, Capasso said, and this could help reduce stiction.

Munday added that in future experiments they hope to levitate small spherical particles in fluid above a plate, but that the force "cannot be used to levitate trains or frogs or anything like that."

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- Small matter?
- Laminated rock
- Berg opera
- Focal points
- "Rodeo" composer Copland
- Genesis character
- Tolkien creatures
- Convection appliances
- Scoff
- Gounod opera
- Dollar bill
- Jinxed
- Sovereign pang
- Bizet opera
- Most remote, briefly
- Makes sense
- G.I. no-show
- Trying to outrun
- Ottoman official
- Puccini opera
- Signed off on
- Strongly opposed
- Stangy greetings
- Big Bird's street
- Fish story
- Strauss opera
- Essence of roses
- Wet sprays
- Shakespearean curse
- Belini opera
- Egyptian cross
- Letter flourish
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- Clean the slate
- Run in neutral
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- High in the sky
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- Inflated
- Paulo, Brazil
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- Scene of action
- Solitary one
- USNA grads
- Popularized myth
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- Ear flap
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- Out of danger
- Unaesthetic
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- More than enough
- Time charges
- First name in spies
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- Lose traction
- Stitch up
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9 PM	Story of India (HD)	Worst Wk.	Wanna's Boys (HD)	CSI: Miami (HD)	Jim (HD)	Style	True Beauty	
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Basketball

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Needing a plan to prevent the comeback, Curry said she wanted the ball in Martin's hands on the next possession because the junior guard is tough to defend off the dribble.

However, Martin did not take the shot. Instead, she dumped it off to Seals for a layup and the lead with seven seconds left.

Murphree drawing the offensive foul on Nash on Texas' final possession prevented any last-second shot the Longhorns could get to win the game.

Curry said the win will be short-lived considering Tech visits No. 3 Texas A&M at 7 p.m. Tuesday in College Station.

"I think we're ready to go," she said. "We'll get on the plane right now and fly down there and be ready to go."

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PHOTO BY SAM GRENAIER/The Daily Toreador

LADY RAIDERS COACH Kristy Curry celebrates with fans after the Lady Raider's 65-62 upset of No. 8 Texas. The win was Curry's first win against a Top 10 opponent.

Florida's Tebow returning for senior season

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Tim Tebow is coming back.

The Florida quarterback told a crowd celebrating the school's latest national title Sunday he wants to lead the Gators to another championship.

Tebow thrilled the 40,000 fans by saying: "Oh, by the way, let's do

it again. I'm coming back."

In 2007, Tebow became the first sophomore to win the Heisman Trophy. In the Gators' 24-14 win over Oklahoma on Thursday night, Tebow completed 18 of 30 passes for 231 yards and two touchdowns. He also ran for 109 yards.

"Overall, I just felt loyal to this place," Tebow said after the celebration. "I feel like I'm a role model and a lot of times people start things and don't finish them. I didn't want to be like that. I wanted to be loyal to the university. I wanted to finish what I started and play another year."

McNabb, Eagles beat Giants

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Donovan McNabb and his Philadelphia Eagles get another week to keep chasing that elusive Super Bowl crown. Eli Manning and the New York Giants get a whole offseason to wonder what went wrong.

McNabb made all the big plays that Manning did not, and the Eagles eliminated the Super Bowl champions 23-11 Sunday to reach the NFC title game for the fifth time in eight seasons.

Throw in Philadelphia's hard-hitting, ball-hawking defense, and these NFL playoffs are now for the Birds — the underdog Eagles, Cardinals and Ravens all won on the road this weekend.

McNabb lunged for one touchdown, threw for another and converted several key third downs to move the sixth-seeded Eagles (11-6-1) into next Sunday's title game at Arizona (11-7). Philadelphia beat the Cardinals 48-20 on Thanksgiving night.

A year after road success fueled the Giants' route, the Eagles are taking the same path. They opened the postseason by winning at Minnesota and, after their sixth victory in seven tries, look nothing like a team that needed several breaks on the final day simply to make the playoffs.

David Akers added three field goals — extending his NFL record to 18 straight in the postseason — to fend off the top-seeded Giants (12-5).

Cowboys stun Aggies with 72-61 win

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Marshall Moses' path to being productive for Oklahoma State started out having nothing to do with how he was playing on the basketball court.

When coach Travis Ford called him aside, he wanted to talk about something entirely different.

"It started with a little small talk about my locker," Moses said. "It was the junkiest locker ever, and actually it just got cleaned. He took that and just took everything in my life from school to how I was

living and just said, 'It's time to grow up. You're 20 years old and everybody else on this team is being a man, and it's time for you to.'

"I took it to heart."

Moses' change in attitude finally came through on the court Saturday night when he set career highs with 15 points and 13 rebounds to lead the Cowboys to a 72-61 defeat of Texas A&M in Ford's Big 12 debut.

Moses called it a "maturity talk" that he had with Ford about two months ago.

"I respect coach Ford, so I was

definitely going to take heed to anything he said, too," Moses said. "I just transferred it over to basketball, and I've been playing better ever since."

The breakthrough for Moses could be a pivotal moment for Oklahoma State (12-3, 1-0 Big 12), which has been lacking an inside presence since Ford kicked starting forward Ibrahim Thomas off the team Dec. 8. Moses has split time with Malcolm Kirkland and Anthony Brown since then, and he came through with the Cowboys' most productive post game since Thomas' departure.

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Crabtree will address future in Tuesday press conference

By ADAM COLEMAN
SPORTS EDITOR

Texas Tech receiver Michael Crabtree is expected to announce his entry into the NFL Draft at a 3 p.m. news conference Tuesday, according to ESPN.

The report stated that two people close to Crabtree said he will run his own pro day and attend the NFL Combine Feb. 20-26.

He also had a specialist diagnose the high-ankle sprain he suffered against Baylor on Nov. 29 to make sure it has been treated well, according to the report.

Tech coach Mike Leach said he has no knowledge of Crabtree's news conference, stating "that's all his deal and I don't deal into that."

Leach declined to reveal if he tried to convince Crabtree to stay. He said he did talk to Crabtree after the Cotton Bowl and left the decision to stay or leave for the NFL up to the redshirt sophomore.

"I just told him to make the best decision he can," he said. "I think it strengthens his position by staying in school, but he needs to make his decision."

Tech defensive coordinator Ruffin McNeill said either way Crabtree decides to go, it will be the best decision for the people closest to him.

"Mike's gotta do what's best for his family," he said. "Michael's a very intelligent, not just football player, but intelligent person. He'll make the best decision for his family."

Other Big 12 Conference underclassmen declaring for the 2009 NFL Draft include quarterback Josh Freeman from Kansas State and receiver Jeremy Maclin from Missouri.

As far as some of Tech's seniors are concerned, Graham Harrell, Eric Morris and Daniel Charbonnet are preparing



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TEXAS TECH COACH Mike Leach said he hopes the best for Michael Crabtree and whatever he decides to do with his future.

for Pro Day and the NFL Combine by training with Competitive Edge Sports, based in Atlanta.

Former Tech receiver Danny Amendola trained with Chip Smith and Competitive Edge Sports when he was preparing for Pro Day and the NFL Combine last year.

On whether he believes his players can transition well to the next level, Leach said some draft prospects can surprise scouts no matter what criticisms come along with the players. He also said this is a time of year when he tries not to pay too much attention.

"I don't care about the NFL and I don't care about the draft," he said. "I never watch it. I read it in the newspaper, and I may not even do that if I don't have

any particular interest."

Crabtree finished the 2008 season with 97 catches for 1,165 yards and 19 touchdowns. He won the Fred Biletnikoff Award in his redshirt freshman and sophomore seasons, becoming the first player to win the award twice.

Harrell led Tech to an 11-win season while throwing the most touchdown passes in a career with 134. He also was named the AT&T All-America Player of the Year, an award based on fans' votes.

Morris finished the season with 64 catches for 682 yards and eight touchdowns. Charbonnet was tied for third in the Big 12 with five interceptions on the year.

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Dunn's late surge leads Baylor over Texas Tech

WACO (AP) — Baylor guard Lacearius Dunn got knocked to the floor, his 3-point shot fluttering out of bounds when the whistle finally blew.

Except Dunn wasn't going to the free-throw line. Instead of a foul, officials ruled that Dunn's shot had been deflected out of bounds by Texas Tech's D'wain Roberts. So Dunn found another way to extend his scoring streak.

Dunn quickly got the ball back, penetrated between two defenders and hit a short jumper. Then he made a 3-pointer on the next possession, capping his run of 11 consecutive points that pushed the No. 23 Bears ahead to stay in a 73-61 victory Saturday over the Red Raiders in the Big 12 opener for both teams.

"For a stretch, Lace just got hot, so we just gave him the ball," Curtis Jerrells said.

The Bears (13-2) never trailed after Dunn started his scoring spurt with consecutive 3-pointers, one from the left corner with 12:18 left and another from the right wing just more than a minute later after a Texas Tech free throw had tied the game at 45. Dunn finished with five 3-pointers and 20 points.

"Lace does a great job staying focused, doesn't get rattled," coach Scott Drew said.

Dunn looked hopelessly at the referee for the foul call that never

came. But when play resumed, he was ready to score again.

"They were giving me the ball and I was just taking advantage of it," Dunn said. "The hardest thing is trying not to get too pumped up. I was just trying to keep my composure and not let other players get to me."

It was another big bounce-back game for Dunn against the Red Raiders (10-6), coming eight days after he had only one field goal and a season-low nine points in the Bears' one-point home loss to South Carolina. Last season, Dunn followed a five-point game by scoring a career-best 38 against Texas Tech.

"He's just good," Red Raiders coach Pat Knight said. "We were deciding before the game if we should stick on somebody or not, but the problem with them, they've got three or four lethal guys out there at a time. So it's not a typical scout where you can just stay on a guy."

Dunn led five players scoring in double figures for Baylor, which opened conference play as a Top 25 team for the first time in school history. Kevin Rogers had 14 points and 14 rebounds, while Jerrells had 13 points, Tweety Carter 11 and Henry Dugat 10.

Alan Voskuil had 14 points for Texas Tech, which jumped out to a 7-0 lead less than 2 minutes into the game before Drew called timeout.

The combination of Jerrells and Dugat produced two quick baskets

with the first of Tech's 23 turnovers coming in between. Dugat penetrated for a basket after getting a pass from Jerrells, who then had a layup on a pass from Dugat.

But Baylor didn't go ahead until Rogers' inside basket made it 17-15 with 10:50 left in the first half. That was part of a 12-0 run in which Dunn had two 3-pointers and put Baylor in front until the second half.

"Experience definitely helps. You don't get rattled as easily," Drew said. "It's easier to overcome adversity when you've been through adversity. When we go into games, we won't sneak up on people. People are going to be excited to play us. We have to be ready."

Carter briefly lost the handle of the ball, but recovered and got it to Dunn at the top of the key to tie the game at 15. That duo worked again a couple of minutes later for another 3-pointer that made it 20-15.

Nick Okorie's 3-pointer punctuated a 11-6 spurt to start the second half that put Tech up 40-39 with 14:45 left. But Dunn took over after Voskuil's jumper that made it 44-42.

Okorie had 13 points for Texas Tech while Roberts and Robert Lewandowski had 10 points each.

"We competed really well for 35 minutes and then we had a couple of just bad mistakes," Knight said. "If we can sustain that effort and keep on going, I'll be pleased, but the outcome is not what you want."

Cardinals stun Panthers, win away from first SB

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — The Arizona Cardinals were considered the softest team in the playoffs, unable to win far from home and carrying the scars of years of ineptitude.

But behind their cagey quarterback, dynamic receiver, improved defense — and a big assist from Jake Delhomme's horrible night — the Cardinals are a win away from the unthinkable: a berth in the Super Bowl.

Kurt Warner threw two touchdown passes, Larry Fitzgerald had 166 yards receiving and the Cardinals pounced on Delhomme's six turnovers Saturday night in a 33-13 win over the stumbling Panthers.

A team that had won only two playoff games in their history before last week's win over Atlanta, the Cardinals became the last NFC team to reach the conference championship since the 1970 merger with a win few saw coming.

Entering as a 10-point underdog and ridiculed for their 0-5 record in the Eastern time zone this season, Arizona (11-7) raced to a 27-7 halftime lead and cruised past the mistake-prone Panthers (12-5), who were the league's only unbeaten team at home in the regular season.

"Not many people had very nice things to say about us and didn't give us a chance," said Ken Whisenand, the second-year coach who has helped shed the losing culture of the franchise. "I think we've showed we can come to the East Coast and win a game. ... We believe in ourselves. I like being the underdog, and we're going to continue to be the underdog."

Arizona will either play at the New York Giants or host Philadelphia in the NFC championship game Jan. 18.

"I'm putting on my Philly hat right now," said Fitzgerald, who had a 29-yard touchdown catch in a dominant first half. "We would love to have a home game."

While the Cardinals proved they're for real, they also must thank Delhomme, who threw five interceptions and lost a fumble on his 34th birthday.

Just one shy of the NFL playoff record for interceptions, Delhomme became the first player to have five picks in the playoffs since Oakland's Rich Gannon in the 2003 Super Bowl against Tampa Bay.

He completed only 17 of 34 passes for 205 yards and one touchdown. His woes made Steve Smith a non-factor. The Pro Bowl receiver didn't have his first catch until the final minute of the third quarter.

"I'm at a loss for words," Delhomme said. "Usually I'm not. For one reason or another, I didn't give us a chance tonight."

Smith caught a meaningless 8-yard touchdown pass from Delhomme with 50 seconds left, when the Cardinals were celebrating.

"It's a group of guys that put their mind to going out and playing great football," said Warner, who completed 21 of 32 passes for 220 yards and an interception. "Everybody that needed to step up, stepped up. Everybody that needed to make a play, made a play and that's what it's all about."

Arizona had been embarrassed when it ventured far from home, but the closest it came was a 27-23 loss here in October when the Cardinals blew a two-touchdown lead.

There would be no suspense this time.

While Pro Bowl receiver Anquan Boldin (hamstring) sat out, Fitzgerald more than made up for the loss. The 6-foot-3 receiver set a team playoff record for yards receiving while shred-

ding the Panthers' leaky secondary.

"We didn't do anything, and you know before you go on the field that if you don't play well, you are going home," said Panthers defensive end Julius Peppers, an unrestricted free agent who declined to say whether he wanted to return. "It didn't happen for us today and we've got a long time to think about it."

While Delhomme's struggles paralyzed the Carolina's offense, the Cardinals stopped the Panthers' potent running game, too. A week after shutting down Atlanta's Michael Turner, DeAngelo Williams was held to 63 yards in a crushing loss for the Panthers, the No. 2 seed in the NFC who had visions of reaching their third NFC title game in six years.

"We picked a bad day to have a bad day," coach John Fox said.

Instead, Warner stole the stage. A decade after his storybook MVP season in winning the Super Bowl with St. Louis a year after he was teammates with Delhomme in NFL Europe, the 37-year-old Warner has another team on the brink of a most unlikely title after being let go by the Rams five years ago.

And it was a stunningly ugly performance by Delhomme.

Entering with a 5-2 postseason record, Delhomme's 95.0 playoff passer rating coming in was better than any other quarterback in this season's playoffs.

But Delhomme threw two interceptions and lost a fumble in the first half, making poor reads, holding the ball too long and giving the Cardinals great field position.

Defensive end Antonio Smith stripped Delhomme and recovered the ball at the Carolina 13 late in the first quarter. Two plays later, Edgerrin James' 4-yard touchdown put the Cardinals ahead to stay 14-7.

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