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### Board sides with evolution in curriculum debate

AUSTIN (AP) — The State Board of Education tentatively decided to amend school science curriculum standards Thursday, dropping a 20-year-old requirement that critics say is used to undermine the theory of evolu-

The change in curriculum drops the mandate that science teachers address both "strengths and weaknesses" of scientific theory. It would be in place for the next decade.

A panel of science teachers had recommended that the language be dropped.

### NATION

### Ill. governor's lawyer: I might sue to stop trial

CHICAGO (AP) — Facing almost certain defeat in a Senate impeachment trial, Gov. Rod Blagojevich might ask the courts to step in and block a proceeding that he considers "a sham," a lawyer for the Democratic governor said Thursday.

Attorney Samuel E. Adam told The Associated Press on Thursday that a lawsuit challenging what he called "completely unfair" Senate trial rules is being prepared and could be filed to the state Supreme Court within days, pending a final decision on whether to move forward.

### WORLD

### Fidel Castro suggests his health is failing

HAVANA (AP) — Fidel Castro suggested Thursday that his health is failing, saying that four years from now he doesn't expect to be following current events.

In an online column titled "Reflections of Comrade Fidel," the 82-year-old Cuban leader appeared to be pondering his own mortality, saying Cuban officials "shouldn't feel bound by my occasional Reflections, my state of health or my death."

"I have had the rare privilege of observing events over such a long time. I receive information and meditate calmly on those events," he wrote. "I expect I won't enjoy that privilege in four years, when Obama's first presidential term has ended."

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### US envoy in Iraq warns against hasty withdrawal

By ROBERT H. REID ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD (AP) — A hasty departure of U.S. troops from Iraq would carry severe risks, including bolstering al-Qaida and threatening Iraqi progress toward a functioning society, the outgoing U.S. ambassador said Thursday.

Ambassador Ryan Crocker spoke to reporters a day after he and the top U.S. commander in Iraq briefed President Barack Obama on the situation here.

promise to end the war, asked the Pentagon to do whatever additional planning was necessary to "execute a responsible military drawdown from Iraq," the White House said Wednesday.

a 30-year diplomatic career, de-

the president was committed to a set aside.' responsible pullout of the more than 140,000-strong U.S. force.

said, including a possible revival of influence events in Iraq.

He said al-Qaida had been "much by 2012. weakened" due to setbacks on the Obama, who campaigned on a the Sunni Arab community.

"But as long as they can cling to some handhold here, they are going to keep trying to literally fight their way back," Crocker said.

"And perhaps most important

Odierno told the president during on institutional development — all withdrawal. the video hookup. But he noted that of that would run the risk of getting

the new administration will stick by taking office. "A precipitous withdrawal runs the timeline set down in the U.S.some very severe risks," Crocker Iraq security agreement that took effect this month. The deal provides al-Qaida and encouraging "neighbors for U.S. combat troops to leave the with less than benign intentions" to cities by the end of June, with all U.S. troops gone from the country Mujahedeen Army, said Obama's

battlefield and a loss of support within possibilities," Defense Minister Ab- W. Bush and urged him to remove draw or not. We have plans for the messages. worst possibilities and we mean it."

it would have a chilling effect on tary defense committee, Abbas al-Crocker, who is retiring after Iraqis," he said of a quick U.S. de- Bayati, said Wednesday that Iraq by Bush, "take your soldiers, all your area's ethnic groups could not agree parture. "I think the spirit of com- has drawn up contingency plans in soldiers, and (those) who came with on a power-sharing formula.

Obama called during the campaign for a pullout of all U.S. combat Iraqi officials have said they hope troops from within 16 months of

Although Crocker spoke of the risks of a "precipitous withdrawal," he said that "it's clear that's not the direction in which this is trending."

A Sunni insurgent group, the plans don't seem much different from "We are prepared for the worst those of former President George dul-Qader al-Obeidi told reporters all U.S. troops, according to the Thursday. "We cannot leave our Washington-based SITE Intelligence country whether these forces with- Group, which monitors terrorism

In a statement posted on Islamic The chairman of the parliamen- extremist Web sites, the group said if Obama wants to resolve problems left

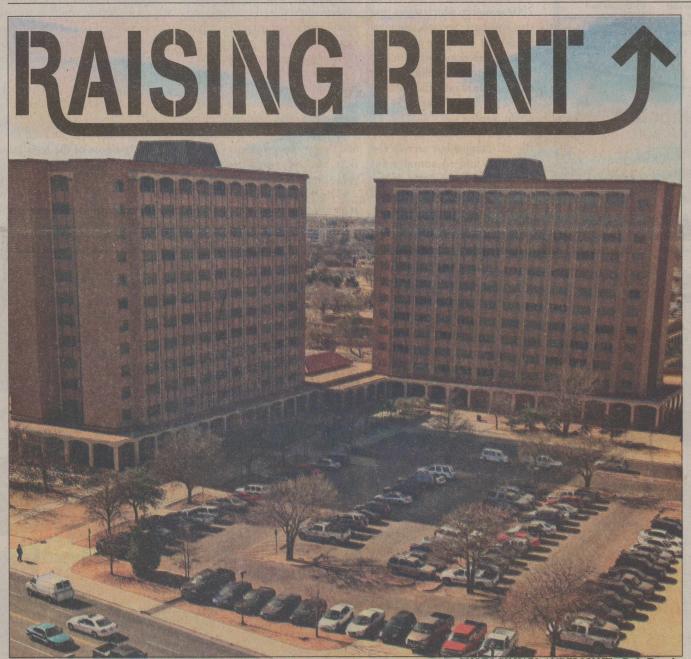
clined to say what he and Gen. Ray promise, of accommodation, of focus case Obama orders a speeded-up them as agents, and fully withdraw

Crocker said security and political progress in Iraq "has been significant" but "we can't underestimate the challenges and the time it will take to work through those."

U.S. officials are closely watching a series of elections this year as an indicator whether Iraq has turned the corner and is on the way to lasting stability.

Voters in most of the country will choose ruling provincial councils Jan. 31, with parliamentary balloting expected by the end of the year.

Provincial balloting will not be held in the three Kurdish self-ruled provinces until the regional legislature approves an election law. Voting was postponed indefinitely in the province around Kirkuk because the



HOUSING COSTS WILL increase in on-campus housing such as the pictured Chitwood/Weymouth Residence Hall.

### Housing cost increases may worsen financial burden on students

### By HANNAH BOEN

STAFF WRITER

With housing costs on the rise, some students may look for a cheaper place to rest their heads at night.

Students living on campus or in apartment communities such as The Gateway at Lubbock or University Fountains can expect to see increased rates for the 2009 Fall semester.

"We thought it might hurt us," said Nick Cooke, a community assistant at Gateway, "but honestly, we're way ahead of schedule in filling up our units."

Cooke said monthly rent prices have for the increase is the higher rent prices increased a minimal amount for the fall of the newer properties opening next sesemester, and he expects the increase to be mester. significant enough to force students living in any apartment to adjust their spending.

Cooke, a sophomore international business and Spanish major, said he believes the students have help from their parents to other housing complex that will be availnew apartments being built in the city allow older apartments to raise rates and still attract the increase. residents.

pay a higher rate, but new residents should opening for the upcoming fall semester, be prepared to adjust their spending to ac- two of which belong to McDougal Propercommodate an increase in housing costs ties of Lubbock. throughout the city.

Bexy Villanueva said apartment rent will increases across the board for apartment increase at their property, too, even for properties. their existing residents.

"I don't think it will hurt our business at all," she said, "because all the other apartments are increasing also."

Villanueva, like Cooke, said the reason

Antonio said the increase may affect some of their residents financially, but most

Employees at both Gateway and Uni-Thanks to a price lock, the Austin native versity Fountains said the rent increase was

said existing residents will not be asked to caused by new apartment communities

Mike McDougal, president of the com-University Fountains Leasing Agent pany, said it has not instituted any rent

> "If somebody is raising rent," he said, "it is probably because they are currently under the market, and newer properties are giving them a better idea of market prices."

McDougal said the two properties under construction, The Edge and The Suites, will be fully complete for the fall semester The senior social work major from San and will provide approximately 500 units to the Lubbock community.

McDougal said he only knew of one pay rent. So, they will not be affected by able for the fall semester. A less than normal amount of new properties, he said

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### Stocks drop with news of earnings

By TIM PARADIS ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street has again succumbed to a disheartening reality - the recession is taking a heavy toll on U.S. companies.

Stocks closed sharply lower Thursday on more bad news about earnings and everincreasing worries about the banking industry. The major indexes, which plunged and then soared the first two trading days of the week, ratcheted up and down during the course of the session; the Dow Jones industrial average fell as much 271 points, came close to breaking even and then slumped before closing down 105.

"We're seeing a little bit of increase in volatility because things have not gotten much better," said Scott Fullman, director of derivatives investment strategy for WJB

Capital Group. Microsoft Corp. set the tone for the day and made clear more pain was to come before an elusive economic recovery would emerge. The company surprised investors Thursday morning by reporting its fiscal

second-quarter earnings early — and the news was not good. The software giant posted an 11 percent drop in profit and said it will slash 5,000 jobs over the next 18 months. Microsoft said deteriorating global economic conditions and lower revenue

from PC software forced it to cut back. The company also said it is unable to provide any profit and revenue forecasts for the rest of the year because of the market Uneasiness about financial companies

still plagues investors, and many bank stocks took another beating Thursday. Quarterly financial reports showing steep profit declines and big loan losses have investors worried that the financial crisis is far from over, and that the government's efforts to prop up banks might not be enough to prevent a major failure.

Bank of America Corp. said former Merrill Lynch & Co. Chief Executive John Thain resigned. The company didn't offer a reason for Thain's departure, but it follows news that Merrill Lynch had moved up its year-end bonuses, handing out payments just days before it was officially acquired by Bank of America on Jan. 1. Moreover, some analysts expected that Thain would leave; it's almost inevitable that in the marriage of two big companies, one of the former CEOs leaves soon after the deal is closed. Bank of America fell 15 percent.

More downbeat economic readings, including an increase in the number of weekly jobless benefit claims and a sharp drop in home construction activity, added to the day's gloom.



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### Kennedy's withdrawal creates political mystery

Kennedy's mysteriously abrupt deci- ing she was withdrawing for what she sion to abandon her Senate bid gave described only as personal reasons. rise to an ugly swirl of accusations over whether she jumped or was

seat until she sent a midnight e-mail to as a candidate.

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ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Caroline reporters and Gov. David Paterson say-

Even though many Democrats had Thursday and feverish speculation thought Paterson was going to appoint Kennedy any day now, a person close to the governor said Thursday that The 51-year-old daughter of Presi- Paterson had no intention of picking dent John F. Kennedy was widely con- her because he believed she handled sidered a front-runner for the Senate herself poorly in introducing herself



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### Va. Tech tragedy exhibits need for awareness

By LAURA LENZ STAFF WRITER

struck the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University campus Wednesday with the death of a graduate student.

A Chinese graduate exchange student allegedly fatally stabbed a lutely devastating.' female graduate student on the first restaurant, according to a Virginia 12 seconds later. Tech news release.

on campus from Beijing Jan. 8 and cording to the news release. Haiyang contacts. Zhu, 25, an agriculture and applied economics major from Ningbo, China, was her alleged attacker. He has been charged with first-degree

Witnesses said no argument occurred between the two.

According to the Associated Press, Yang was decapitated in the attack. Police also have not established sent at about 7:44 p.m. a motive for the attack.

"This community has been through The second tragedy in two years a whole lot and that's a gross understatement. The scenario brings back very difficult memories for a lot of people," said Mark Owczarski, director of news and information at Virginia Tech.

He said this incident was "abso-

Police received an emergency call floor of the university's Graduate at about 7 p.m., Owczarski said, and Life Center in the Au Bon Pain they arrived at the scene one minute,

According to the news release, the The victim, Xin Yang, 22, arrived victim and suspect knew each other. Xin Yang, the victim, reportedly listed

> The alert system for the campus, "VT Alerts," was not activated until almost 45 minutes after the emergency call was received.

Owczarski said because police knew the person responsible for the murder was in the building, they did not believe

Virginia Tech students are not required to sign up for "VT Alerts," he said, but they are required to ac- an incident occur. cept or decline the service at class registration.

Chief Ron Seacrist, of the Texas on Texas Tech's campus. Tech Police Department, said he understands the possible dangers of violent said Donovan Hunt, a freshman public acts to the students of the university.

'We're realistic enough to know times these things do happen," he said. "I wouldn't say it's preventable (but tecting the campus. we are) extremely prepared and we'll respond accordingly."

Because they are unpredictable, he prevented is if someone is at the scene for anyone who needs assistance. and in a position to stop the act.

AJ Travis, a sophomore political science major from Harker Heights, said to take this one more time." they are aware of the reality of campus tragedies.

"The thought's there in the back any threat to the university community of my mind," Travis said. "They seem killing 32 before killing himself. was present. Alerts to students were to happen sporadically. I'm not really

worried, but it's possible."

He also said that he feels the campus police would be prepared should such

While students are aware of the possibilities, they seem to be comfortable

"I don't think it would happen," relations major from Rowlett.

Megan Jares, a freshman geophysthat we're a part of society and some- ics major from Austin, said she thinks Texas Tech police do a good job pro-

"There are always cars patrolling or policemen walking around," she said.

Owczarski said counselors at Virplanned to study accounting, ac- Haiyang Zhu as one of her emergency said, the only way these acts can be ginia Tech have been made available

> "Today was a very somber day," Students at Texas Tech, including Owczarski said. "Given what we've been through in recent years, it's hard

This is the second violent event at Virginia Tech since a gunman, Seung-Hui Cho, opened fire April 16, 2007,

### SGA passes resolution to increase transportation fee

By MATT COBB STATE WOITED

The Texas Tech Student provide a Government Association Stu- cushion to dent Senate passed a resolution the transpor-Thursday that will increase tation departstudent transportation fees to ment, pendkeep off-campus busing.

The SGA passed Senate of gas price Resolution 44.32 during the second meeting of the spring 2009 semester, which states that the Student Senate supports hour of the transportation fee, according to the resolution. The change would raise the fee from \$3.50 per credit hour to \$4 per credit hour.

"That will allow us to keep the off-campus bus service the way it is and to actually put some money into some of our said other (transportation) prothe external vice president of

resolution is meant to ing the cost PENNINGTON

increases to levels comparable to last summer, he said. If the cost of gas remains stable, the excess funds would be put toward other univera 50 cent increase per credit sity transportation programs and saved for emergency situations.

Other transportation programs that could benefit from this fee increase include the on-campus bus system, the Safe Ride Home Program, campus bicycle lanes, and the Outdoor Pursuits Center's

it states the SGA and the Trans- legislative liaison of the SGA. portation Advisory Committee

support its approval. Pen nington said he will present the

resolution to Michael Shonrock, the vice

president for student affairs and enrollment management at Tech, who will decide whether to pass the legislation to the Tech Board

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ing behind it, I feel confident that really raise the fee.' it will be recommended (to the Board of Regents)," he said.

One purpose of the legislation Bike Tech program, Pennington was to have the Student Senate

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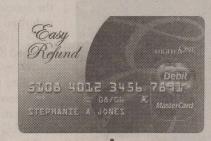
voted in a student referendum Nov. 13 on whether to raise the fee. He said while a majority of students were in favor of the fee increase, the SGA did not think that was an adequate amount of votes to represent the entire student body.

"We didn't feel comfortable presenting that — presenting our case — to raise the fee to the Board of Regents when only 596 students voted for it," Bellah said. "So, we wanted to again bring it before the of Regents. They have the final say senate — who, we are the voice of on whether the resolution will go the students, represent all of the students — and let all the senators With all of the student back- decide whether or not we should

> The fee would go into affect for the fall 2009 semester if it is passed by the Board of Regents, he said.

"It's going to do a lot of things," vote on the legislation before it Bellah said. "We're going to be The bill does not guarantee an was presented to the Board of able to keep our off-campus busing, grams," said Austin Pennington, increase to the fee, he said, but Regents, said Brad Bellah, the and it will also hopefully create a surplus fund for us.'

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### Business officials, students to take Lubbock to Austin

STAFF WRITER

A delegation of Lubbock business leaders. Lubbock Chamber of Commerce employees, students, and other members of the Lubbock community will visit Austin Monday and Tuesday for "Lubbock Day."

Norma Ritz Johnson, the chamber's vice-president of legislative affairs, said "Lubbock Day," an event that occurs once every two years, is a time for local residents to promote the interests of the Lubbock area.

"A great deal of members of the community will leave Monday mornat 5:30 with a reception at Stubbs will give us some feedback on the happenings in Austin, and the group will Austin. hear remarks from Texas Comptroller Susan Combs. All members of the Texas Legislature are invited to the reception on Monday as well as governor and lieutenant governor officials."

Many communities and representatives of industries organize events in Austin with state representatives to

rested two men during a traffic stop

A Lubbock police officer ar- department.

sion of multiple illegal drugs, drug possession of a firearm by a felon, pos-

of a firearm, and possession of a large of persons in a correction faculty, posses-

camcorder found in the floorboard one gram of the substance; possession of the car as well as \$57,915 in cash, of a controlled substance belonging according to a news release by the to penalty group 2, one to four grams;

The drugs were hidden in a as a penalty group 1 offense, less than

respective communities and business interests, Johnson said.

"I think it's always important to remind legislature of the opportunities and challenges the Lubbock area has," she will spend time touring Austin landsaid. "There are a number of communi-marks in addition to attending some ties who do this. I know the Amarillo of the activities planned out by the Chamber of Commerce has a similar Chamber and business officials. 'Panhandle Day' in Austin."

spend Tuesday at the Capitol and will attend a legislative briefing. A proclamation of "Lubbock Day" also will be announced in the senate and house

ing," she said. "Events start that evening going on the trip will travel by air. The we'll be at the Capitol. We'll hear travelers are responsible for their own from several government leaders, (restaurant). Our local legislative group travel expenses, but local businesses take some tours and meet with contributed to some of the costs in politicians."

the trip to Austin in conjunction with should be more exciting.

in part by the chamber, is a leadership an added bonus that we will be in organization for college students in attendance for the proclamations of the Lubbock area, according to the 'Lubbock Day." Texas Tech Center for Campus Life's >> michael.graham@ttu.edu

Drugs and \$57,915 confiscated by police

paraphernalia, unlawful possession session of dangerous drugs, harassment from the department, officers

sion of a controlled substance qualifying

Wednesday afternoon for posses- Austin Artmann, 45, were arrested for group 3, 28 to 400 grams.

Johnson said a similar group Leadership Lubbock exists for local business professionals. Both Focus Lubbock and Leadership Lubbock

Michael Harrington, an assistant Johnson said the delegation will director for the Center of Campus Life who is going on the trip, said Focus Lubbock makes a yearly trip to Austin in January.

"What we'll do Monday is spend part of the first day at the LBJ Presi-Johnson said most of the individuals dential Library," he said. "Tuesday,

Harrington said with legislature College students also will make being in session this year, the trip

"This year it's nice because the Focus Lubbock, which is sponsored Capitol is in session," he said. "It's

and possession of a controlled

According to the release

The case still is under inves-

suspect one of the drugs is crack

cocaine among other drugs,

pending further investigation.

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Eddie Dean Ware, 59, and Robert substance belonging to penalty

### Appeal stalls sale of Tara West building

**By MIKE GRAHAM** STAFF WRITER

The Tara West building was not sold to a bidder today as expected because a local attorney filed an appeal on the sale.

Lubbock Mayor Tom Martin said a Lubbock citizen filed an appeal for the building is Tara Swift building, located at 5204 Fourth St. near the intersection of Slide Road and Fourth Street, under the city's historic preservation ordinance.

identified himself as the citizen who

filed the appeal. "I filed a notice of appeal on Tuesday," Whiteside said. "I was appealing the city's determination to have the building be removed or destroyed. The city has an ordinance that buildings can be registered as local historical landmarks, but only the exterior of the building has to be

preserved."

Design and Preservation Commission at 9:30 a.m. Monday. The commission whether or not a historical

building.

previously determined this is not a Tom Whiteside, a Lubbock attorney, historical building," Martin said. "There is a big burden

I'm probably person to show it is historic." going to lose. But the Urban Design and Preservamy interests are

historic building Lubbock:

preserving the

TOM WHITESIDE ATTORNEY

whether to uphold or override the Commission's decision.

Whiteside Hypothetically, the city could gut the said his decision to appeal was inspired building but the exterior must be kept, by preserving the historic landmark in Lubbock in addition to his home in Martin said the appeal has been the Whisperwood subdivision near the scheduled to be heard by the Urban Tara West building being disturbed by

an increased traffic flow on a potentially expanded Slide Road.

"I'm probably going to lose," he said. But my interests are preserving the historic building for Lubbock."

The city finalized the purchase of the Tara Swift building in October for \$1.9 million. Initially, the city wanted to move the building to Buddy Holly Avenue to serve as the city's visitor center. After consultants looked at the building, the plan was deemed economically unfeasible.

The City Council's agenda for of proof on the Thursday indicated the council was supposed to authorize Martin to execute a contract to sell the building to Martin said if a Mike L. Haggard, but vote the never occurred due to Whiteside's appeal.

The City of Lubbock designated the Tara West Building a Lubbock tion Commission Historic Landmark on Feb. 14, 1980, determines the according to a the historical informabuilding is historition section of the building's Request cal, the decision For Proposal. It was built in 1941 and ultimately rests with the Lubconstructed to resemble the "Tara" home from the movie "Gone With bock City Council to determine the Wind.'

The building stands in the way of widening Slide Road to five lanes and extending the road from its present end to Loop 289. City officials said the building must be physically moved or demolished.

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### Lubbock Police officer struck by own motorcycle

by his own motorcycle in a multiple window. vehicle crash Tuesday, but only suf-

fered minor injuries. cal treatment at the scene.

Lewis signaled for a woman car, bringing his car to a stop. to pull onto the shoulder of 3600 a traffic stop, according to the ac- woman's driver-side window. cident report. The officer then left

A Lubbock police officer was hit tivated as he advanced to the woman's of the Texas Transportation

out of the nearest lane or slowed to 20 mph below the speed limit Officer Jason Lewis of the Lub- down, one driver swerved away from when the speed limit is 25 mph bock Police Department returned traffic on the loop and onto the or greater. If the speed limit is 25 to work Thursday despite receiving shoulder, according to the report. The mph or less, drivers must reduce minor injuries. Lewis refused mediativer struck the officer's motorcycle their speed by 5 mph. and proceeded to strike the woman's

The motorcycle then hit the of-punishable by a fine of \$500 if block of the South Loop 289 for ficer, who was standing beside the the violation results in prop-

Traffic must vacate the lane closest meanor if the violation results his motorcycle unattended with to a stationary authorized emergency in bodily injury.

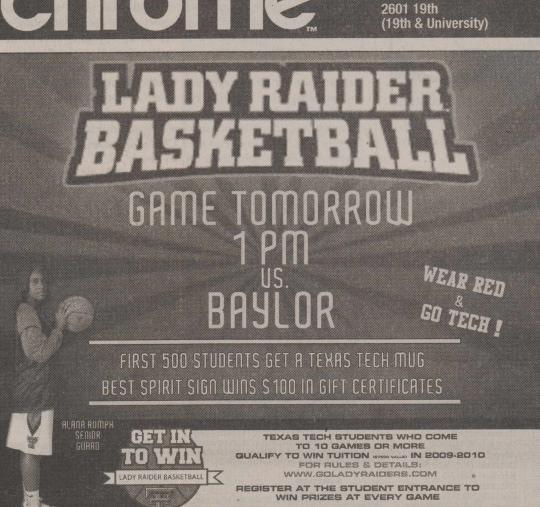
Code. If that is not possible, While most passing vehicles pulled drivers must reduce their speed

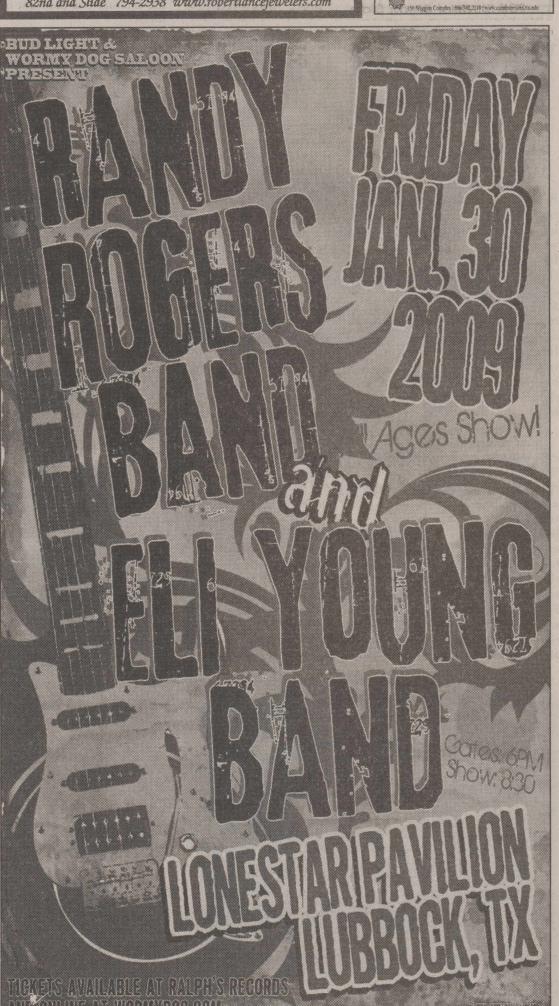
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## Fighting against cynicism

veryone knows the ad-◀ vantages of being the underdog. The underdog has nothing to lose; his opponent has everything to lose. The underdog is up against long odds. This is why people cheer for him.

In purely political terms, Barack damn it, people liked him.

when he selected Sarah Palin as with terrorists," after all. his running mate, it appeared he In some ways, Palin, as a woman battle, cynicism lost. and a political outsider, was the of the GOP, her novelty could best media, removed Texas Tech's Obama's novelty.

But this was a cynical view of FM, from the air. things. Obama, it turns out, was only an underdog in the eyes of of cynicism. The shutdown happeople who saw his age and his pened without warning, on a didn't care about the color of his town and The Daily Toreador had skin, and some of them — and per- stopped printing for the break. haps Obama himself — may be a African-American president."

matter — intelligence and under- Peterson said. standing, for instance — Obama rewarded. It was in their context, on their terms, that Obama seemed the underdog.

Republican strategists cyni- job seriously, even without pay, instructors will rise. As Tech in- eric.braden@ttu.edu.



Obama was the underdog of the cally saw Obama's popularity as recent presidential election. Not nothing more than novelty, but to say that he didn't have the cre- Americans (their eyes opened by dentials to win — he did — but his an illustrative economic collapse)

But on Nov. 4, the people word used a lot — an oasis. was seeking his own underdog. spoke. And on that day, in that

student-run radio station, KTXT-

little frustrated with the old guard about the closure, Peterson attrib- lectual rigor. With this cynical doubt. media's prattling on about the "first uted the short notice to a fear of mindset, a non-mainstream radio profanity. "We didn't want to risk station might appear superflu- who espouses optimism, tolerance If commentators had analyzed the FCC license and thousands of ous. the race based on the things that dollars in fines to the university,"

In other words, she was afraid pertise has been distrusted, while have resorted to spouting vulgari- so as to keep in line with the busilovalty above all else has been ties on the air. This illustrates a ness model, cynical and unfounded view of

simply because they had passion creasingly espouses the idea that intellectual exploration?

and distracting argument. KTXT will win, unless we fight it. was diverse. There was a sports "otherness" (that is, the very things voted, mostly, with intelligence show, a heavy metal show, a hip-tory speech, Obama said, "This is that the Republicans tried to use and pragmatism in mind. And in hop show, a world music show, a our time ... to reaffirm that fundaagainst him during the election) the post-election light of day, "the current events talk show and even mental truth — that out of many, helped him. He was young, he was Palin maneuver" could be viewed a comic book show. The music on we are one; that while we breathe, black, he represented change, and objectively as the disgusting nadir KTXT was often different from we hope, and where we are met of GOP last-gasp cynicism. Palin mainstream radio. But in a town with cynicism, and doubt, and John McCain saw this, and accused Obama of "palling around in which so little is different, those who tell us that we can't,

For 47 years KTXT brought people: Yes we can.' together a close-knit group of Cut to Dec. 10, when Susan independent-minded individu- and are frustrated with the lack ultimate "little guy." In the eyes Peterson, director of student als. Their views were myriad, of understanding and communicatheir backgrounds dissimilar, and tion the Tech administration is in many cases, they would never currently displaying, these words Everything about it reeked sifying nature of working for the They mean something to me. same radio station.

race as hindrances. Young people day when most students had left creasingly seems to think our community who want KTXT back school should be run purely as if As quoted in an AP piece valued more highly than intel- a glass darkly, with cynicism and

students by 2020. It is already administration, and indeed, the would not have seemed like an that if the KTXT disc jockeys becoming clear that the Tech Susan Petersons of the world, are, underdog at all. But in politics, knew that the station was about administration will do everything in the long run, the true underat least since Ronald Reagan, ex- to be shut down, the DJs would in its power to make that happen, dogs.

for it. They spent countless hours people go to college to receive seeking out new and exciting information - rather than to music. If it was unusual, if it was learn how to think - we will different, so what? Are universi- see less and less interest in the ties no longer in the business of unique ideas and insights that rigorous classroom discussions en-The cynical view is that KTXT gender. Professors will be seen as was a fringe group, and thus, was salespeople; students will be seen not pro-Tech. It's an erroneous merely as customers. Cynicism

At the end of his Nov. 4 vic-KTXT was — and you hear this we will respond with that timeless creed that sums up the spirit of a

For those who loved KTXT have met if it weren't for the os- should mean something to you.

We — the students, profes-The Tech administration in- sors, alumni, and members of the — may appear to be the underdog, it were a business, with efficiency if you look at the world through

But if you're the type of person and a stubborn refusal to give in But if this stands, what is next? to those who would write you off, The big goal for Tech is 40,000 it isn't hard to see that the Tech

Braden is a senior natural That means that expensive, history and humanities tenured professors will decline, major from Katy and was a The ones I knew took their while the proportion of adjunct KTXT DJ. E-mail him at

### Online TV bound to get messy soon

By CORY BARKER INDIANA DAILY STUDENT (INDIANA U.)

TV shows online nowadays.

and NBC Universal, are bring- over copyright issues. ing more and more content to the Web.

tures help us find more in just

rienced more than 5 million emphasizing its own content. unique viewers each month. ABC's video pages.

issues that have complicated they'll fight over in 2009.

and will continue to complicate the online video sector.

First of all, the major legal Spoiler alert: People watch issues between the competing factions will continue to disrupt free Each major network's Web video-watching use for everyone. site includes a substantial video When each major network or facand episode gallery, and co-op tion (YouTube is owned by Google) Web sites, such as Hulu, a joint owns a major video-hosting Web venture between News Corp. site, there are going to be battles

Good luck searching for an "SNL" clip on YouTube. If you do Up until now, viewers and find something a few hours after users have seen this democratiz- the broadcast, be certain that ing of content as nothing but a the video will soon "no longer great change with the technol- be available due to a copyright ogy. Clearly there are benefits infringement claim by NBC Uniwhen the networks provide full versal." It's understandable for episodes online. We don't have Hulu to protect its content, but to watch the program live or what about those people outside worry about setting the DVR, the United States who can only and the "related content" fea- access YouTube?

Second, Hulu's success is going to make the content division even We've all been able to em- larger. CBS recently purchased brace this move toward more former TV info headquarters online TV, because the networks TV.com and hopes to turn it into behind them see great visitor its own version of Hulu. It's smart ratings and ad revenue. During for CBS to set itself up to compete Gov. Sarah Palin's stint as the with Hulu, but purchasing a news Republican vice presidential portal and slowly turning it into its candidate and the subsequent own hub isn't the way to do it. It parodies by Tina Fey and "Sat- wouldn't surprise me if CBS keeps urday Night Live," Hulu expe- the news of TV.com while slowly

Moves like this signal that the Hulu's online ad sales for the Web video market will eventually fourth quarter in 2008 were up be just like network TV with each compared to 2007, and the same section clearly divided and conresults were seen by CBS and tinuous battles over content and ad revenue. That's not necessarily But as the market for online a bad thing, but it's sad to see the video gets more competitive and networks use the same business the money gets tighter, things model on the Internet so quickly. are going to become very in- And when ad revenues look to be teresting. There are quite a few down this year, who knows what

### Why Warren, Obama's controversial pick, resonates with call for unity

By SAM BAGG YALE DAILY NEWS (YALE U.)

bic, anti-abortion evangelical denying they have a stake in

who doesn't believe in evolution. As a progay, pro-choice atheist who believes that doubting evolution is akin to doubting we have hands, I should be outraged.

Or should I? Most Ameri-Warren's belief that Creation is a better explanation for human

life than Darwinism. And, as we his people behind him for truly saw in November, even in Cali- national progress, rather than fornia most share his conviction a divisive swing of the partisan that gays shouldn't be allowed pendulum. to marry. Warren's book, "The Purpose Driven Life," is the best- Barack Obama. He understands selling nonfiction hardback of all that scoring points and racking time because it has helped liter- up favors may be the way to run ally millions of Americans find a business, but it's not the way

meaning in their lives.

Warren's followers and admirers are my countrymen, and t perhaps the most while we shouldn't follow Sarah important national Palin in referring to theirs as the ceremony in years, "real" or "pro-America" parts of Barack Obama picked as the na- the country, neither should we tion's spiritual guide a homopho- commit the same sin in reverse,

> this country's future. Many of "these" people [Obama] even voted for our own lord and understands that savior, Barack Obama. scoring points and A politician

racking up favors isn't heroic because he rams may be the way to through as much of his agenda as run a business, but he can before his party gets cans share Rick it's not the way to voted out of office. Rather, he lead a nation. deserves honor and respect only when he can get

That is the true genius of

to lead a nation.

community feel it is a painful Proposition 8, and Rick War-

slap in the face. Understand-Many are offended by War- ably, they are reeling from ren's selection; some in the gay their defeat on California's



"O.K., we need to somehow get this guy into either a giant microwave oven or a cup of hot chocolate."

But in our society, we can't me, and many others. deny that homophobia exists, and we can't censor it because about national unity, which Bawe find it unpalatable — that's rack Obama is encouraging today, a recipe for resentment, back- is a kind of unity that isn't based lash and, ultimately, a divisive on a sugar-coated assumption politics lacking any measurable that everyone believes the same progress. Instead, we must let things and feels the same way, but everyone have their voice and rather one that acknowledges our trust that the better argument differences and challenges us to will win the day.

Humans are evolved, and ho- the true diversity of our nation mosexuals deserve rights - we and of human experience, even shouldn't compromise those if that means accepting an antibeliefs for any reason. But that science homophobe. doesn't mean other beliefs don't deserve to be heard, or that the Obama is challenging us to do. people who hold them should be Why else would he put Rick barred from speaking.

fewest Americans. But there is to heart.

ren is the last person they want no preacher who will offend no to see celebrated as a national one - anyone who mentions God, for example, will exclude

The second way of thinking respect and admire each other in Ours is the better argument. spite of them. We must celebrate

This is exactly what Barack Warren and Gene Robinson -There are two ways to think the first openly gay Episcopal about national unity and the bishop — on the same stage? political alliances that must be President-elect Obama is saying forged in a diverse, pluralistic to us all that unity isn't about democracy like our own. The agreeing on matters of policy, or first is what many presidents censoring opposing viewpoints have done in the past: espouse in the hope that they'll just go the sentiments shared by the away. It's about something more largest number of Americans fundamental to our politics than and hope the rest won't make that - it's about respecting a fuss. This politically correct your opponent, no matter how option would involve choosing wrong you think he is. Let's take the preacher likely to offend the Obama's first lesson as president

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### Saddle Tramps attempts to create Guiness record for largest streamer ball

**By CASANDRA BLUDORN** STAFF WRITER

organization based on tradition, and one competition. of its best known traditions is wrapping the campus in streamers the day before Book of a home football game.

"I takes about six hours just to wrap cords," Perea the statue of Will Rogers," said Brentus said, "but Perea, as senior exercise and sports at the same science major from Lovington, N.M., time, by diswho organized the exhibit. "And it playing it in takes 40 to 100 guys to wrap the entire the Library, we tried to campus.' Recently, the organization decided spread the

to collect the streamers after each game word about and put them to use by creating what other tradiit hoped would be the world's largest tions we are streamer ball.

The group wraps the statue of Will Rogers, the Coaches Bridge, the the streamer Business Administration building, and ball is a poster several light poles around campus.

Members used more than 150 miles plaining sevseveral weeks.

On Wednesday the organization moved it from the Library, Perea said.

The organization has applied for the

Guinness Book of World Records, but effective in letting people know has not received a response yet. There about traditions at Tech because is no previous record for a streamer ball. "even if people only look at the poster The Saddle Tramps is a Texas Tech So, the Saddle Tramps don't have any for a minute, they'll pick something

"It was a fun project for the Guiness

World Re-

involved in."

board ex-

These traditions have been around for a very long time, and it feels great to be a part of that

**BRENTUS PEREA** 

Next to SENIOR EXERCISE AND SPORTS SCIENCE MAJOR

of streamers to make a ball that is 21 feet eral other traditions the Saddle Tramp something else. in circumference. The streamer ball has members are involved in, including the been on display in the library at Tech for homecoming bon fire, the bell circle and "Banging Bertha."

"These traditions have been around a worthy effort. They may try to do took the streamer ball apart and refor a very long time," Perea said, "and it something with the streamers next feels great to be a part of that."

Perea believes the exhibit was very >>> casandra.bludorn@ttu.edu

Perea says being involved in all

these traditions is "a lot of work, but it's all dedicated to the school, and it's all worth it."

He said he believes traditions like these help bring school spirit to Tech.

Because of the huge amounts of time and manpower involved in creating the streamer ball, Perea says next year the organization will focus on

In the past the Saddle Tramps have just thrown away the streamers, but Perea said they felt like this was year, but it won't be the same thing.

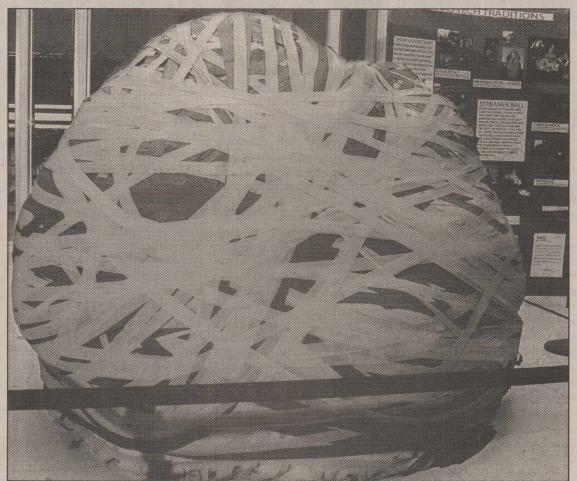


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THE SADDLE TRAMPS streamer ball was displayed near the entrance to the Texas Tech University Library.

to write Asian calligraphy them-

especially calligraphy.

good luck.'

Mei-Chun Kuo, an adviser for

"For the New Year, red is consid-

and her family share time together

with dinner and other things.

### Artist creates silhouettes for students

By HANNAH BOEN STAFF WRITER

Students lined up at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Student Union Building to receive a piece of personal art.

Silhouette artist Kathryn Flocken cut silhouettes for about 100 students in four hours. This unique art form requires a pair of scissors, a black piece of paper, and about 90 seconds of cutting.

"I just think it's a very sweet art form," she said, "and I like to bring it to schools where I can expose students to this form of art that is almost lost."

Flocken, who has been cutting silhouettes for 20 years, said she is one of less than 100 working silhouette artists in the world today.

Although Flocken lives in Orlando and spends most of the year cutting silhouettes at Disney World, she visited Texas Tech on Thursday to practice her

silhouette artistry with students. Silhouette artistry was popular during the 18th and 19th centuries, but the arrival of photography put a halt to the art form. However, Flocken said she is determined to carry the historical artistry into the 21st century.

ald said she had always wanted to have her you get older." silhouette cut and was excited to have the opportunity to see Flocken in action.

she saw the event, which was hosted by such a small amount of time. Tech Activities Board, as a way to receive a timeless piece of art.

PHOTO BY SAM GRENADIER/The Daily Toreador

SHA'TIA SAFFORD, AN anthropology major from Austin, has her portrait made by silhouette artist, Kathryn K. Flocken, Thursday in the Student Union Building.

Anthropology senior Chrissy McDon- cause your silhouette doesn't change as

McDonald, as well as other students, McDonald, who is from Lubbock, said Flocken could make the silhouettes in

the daytime coordinator for TAB, said the >>> hannah.boen@ttu.edu

"I always wanted one," she said, "be-event is something the activities board has been looking forward to because it is different from any other event it has hosted.

"It's so different from other types of said she was impressed to see how detailed art," said Teague, a sophomore restaurant, hotel and institution management major, "and hopefully after today people will Aspen Teague, a Keller native and know more about this art form."

demic Advancement Center.

behind it.

set up in the room represented dif-Korean, Chinese or Japanese.

She said the turnout was better than the Wish Tree event major with a minor in Asian studies, massierthornton@ttuedil Wednesday, and she believes more students attended because of the location the familiarity students have with the art of cal-

Asian cuisine and music vid-

### Lunar New Year celebration continues with calligraphy workshop Wednesday

By CARRIE THORNTON STAFF WRITER

Students were able to have their name written in three Asian

languages Thursday afternoon. The Chinese Student Association continued its celebration of selves. the Lunar New Year with a calligraphy workshop in the Student the Chinese Language Associa-

Union Building. "Whenever you think about Asian culture, you usually think about calligraphy," said Martha Mouret-Sanders, a graduate assistant at the Cross Cultural Aca-

conle to be a part of the culture other tables by experiencing calligraphy as an

Mouret-Sanders said the tables ferent Asian cultures; students could choose to get their name in

eos were available for the interna- presented Japanese culture with her tional and American students who Japanese language teacher.

Boardman said she learned callig-At one table, which stood apart raphy because part of learning a lanfrom the rest, students could learn guage is learning how to write it.

She wrote names in katakana, which is the Japanese way of writing foreign words and phrases.

Boardman said students should tion, wrote names in Chinese for attend events such as the calligraphy workshop because "getting to know Kuo said many people are fas- the people we share the planet with cinated with the Chinese culture, is a big deal."

Mouret-Sanders said the associa-At the Chinese table, names tion would have preferred to have and phrases were written on red the Thai culture represented at the She said she wants other strips of paper, not white like the event, but the Thai student organization was not able to attend

She said this is the first time art and appreciating the meaning ered lucky," Kuo, said, "so I write it the Lunar New Year has received on red paper and hope it brings them a week's worth of celebration at Tech, compared to previous years She said the New Year is an when it was reduced to one night equivalent of Christmas because she of festivity.

> "The students thought they deserved a week's worth of activities," Rebecca Boardman, a history Mouret-Sanders said, "and they

### 'Benjamin Button' vs. 'Dark Knight'

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button" is the Academy Awards heavyweight with 13 nominations, yet the shadow of Batman loomed large with the absence of "The Dark Knight" in the best-picture race.

An epic romance that earned a best-actor nomination for Brad Pitt and a directing spot for David Fincher, "Benjamin Button" was joined in the best-picture category Thursday by the Richard Nixon tale "Frost/Nixon," the chronicle of gay-rights leader Harvey Milk in "Milk," the Holocaust-themed drama "The Reader" and the ragsto-riches crowd-pleaser "Slumdog Millionaire."

The Batman blockbuster "The Dark Knight" had picked up so much momentum from honors by Hollywood trade unions that awards watchers generally thought it would land a best-picture nomination.

"Benjamin Button" producer Frank Marshall said "it was a bit of a surprise" that his movie would not be competing with "The Dark Knight" for the top prize.

"The fact that 'The Dark Knight' did so well at the box office was probably a good thing and maybe a not-so-good thing," Marshall said. "People tend to think films as successful as that are not well made, but certainly, 'Dark Knight' is exceptionally well made."



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### FITNESS FRIDAY

### Creating a workout routine

The first weeks of the semester are undeniably the most difficult period of time during the school year to fit in a good workout — so come prepared.

Set a realistic goal for yourself, and have a well established plan of attack before you hit the gym. Setting a reasonable goal may be one of the most difficult steps, even for the wellseasoned gym veteran.

three parts: preparation, conditioning to place on them. and recovery.

You should set goals based on about 10 minutes. During a warm up,

what you hope to achieve. Weight loss? One to two Remember to mix pounds a week is safe. Have I up workouts so seen people lose more? Absolutethey don't get ly, but people put themselves boring and it won't at risk for a nasty relapse where all feel like just that weight, and often times more, 'checking the boxes' comes back at them. every time you step The Ameri-

can Council on Exercise recommends the SMART principle when creating a goal:

specific, measurable, attainable, realis- doing with a lower weight setting, or a tic and timely.

Most importantly, be true to yourlook good for spring break, Jeff should are only cheating yourself if you are do-



always begin with a warm up. Dur-Once a goal is established, build ing this warm up phase, the muscle your workout in accordance with your groups you intend to target during desired end results. The physical time your workout are being prepared for spent in the gym should consist of the increased workload you are about

Generally, a warm up will last

you should increase your heart rate, as well as increase blood flow to muscles, which is a good control measure for injury prevention.

If you intend to do a set of sprints, warming up may come in the form of a fast paced walk or jogging. If you plan on working out your upper body, a warm up may consist of the exercises you

are planning on few light sets of push-ups.

During the conditioning phase, you self when setting a goal. For example, are in the "meat and potatoes" portion if Jeff wants to get in better shape to of your workout, so remember that you keep that in mind when figuring out ing a few less reps every set because you don't have your old high school coach The time spent in a gym should watching you anymore.

On average, conditioning lasts about 20 to 40 minutes. An important consideration for conditioning is that recovery times match up with the work. If you are working for endurance, you should be doing sets of 12 or more at 66 percent or less of your maximum effort, with no more than 30 seconds of recovery time between sets.

If you are building for strength, you should be doing about 70 to 80 percent of your maximum effort for sets of 8 to 12 with 30 seconds to 2 minutes of

For power training, you should be using a weight that is at least 80 percent of your maximum effort for sets of 1 to 8 with 2 to 5 minutes of recovery time.

Remember, for lean muscle, train with lighter sets for more reps, and for bulk muscle, train with heavier weights for less reps but more sets.

One of the main purposes of recovery is to bring a heart rate down to normal, safely. Recovery is also a good time to get a good static stretch for muscle groups and improve flexibility.

So walk a few laps, bring the heart rate down, then stretch the muscle groups just exercised for approximately 20 seconds each. You will be more flexible and at less risk of injury by not neglecting your cool down. Recovery should last about 10 minutes.

Using this template, you can fit in a safe and effective fat burning, muscle building workout into your schedule in an hour or less. Remember to mix up workouts so they don't get boring and it won't feel like just "checking the boxes" every time you step into the

So get out there and hit it hard. Good luck, Jeff.

Have a fitness related question? John Miller is an ACE certified personal trainer and graduate of the U.S. Army Ranger School. E-mail him at john.j.miller@ttu.

### Reverend Deadeye showcases 'hell-billy' music in performance at Bash Riprock's

Reverend Deadeye lost the sight in one of his eyes from a rattlesnake bite, and he's been traveling the world with a rusty beer can for a microphone, helping people find the Lord where he found Him — "in the bottom of a bottle."

Cowboy hats, leather jackets and bands heckling each other were all scenes at Bash Riprock's on Wednesday night. Traveling one-man band Reverend Deadeye headlined the evening of loud Southern country and "hell-billy" music with support from local favorites the Dirty Charley Band and the Annihilators.

with a diverse set of originals and styles reminiscent of funk, punk, country, doo-wop, Latin music, hip-hop and

Leader Charlie Moore, sporting an "I Love Lubbock" T-shirt, had plenty to say in between songs and paused to playfully argue with the always-vocal Dirty Charley in the crowd.

Moore's lyrics dealt with everyone's favorite topic (that would be sex), and the band closed with a new rockabilly song and the fan favorite "All Hail West Texas."

the aforementioned notorious Dirty Charley. Lubbock's Man in Black came prepared to spew venom into the PA, giving the crowd his prime anecdotes about killing cheating girlfriends and worshipping the Dark Prince.

The supporting ensemble behind him The latter band opened the night didn't miss a note, hammering out their unique brand of metal-country for the diehard fans up front.

As they usually do, the Dirty Charley appropriately ended their set with a cover of the AC/DC hit "Whole Lotta Woman.'

Reverend Deadeve closed the night with an energetic performance that lasted well after 1 a.m., and he musically warning the crowd of their eternal fate. Homemade cardboard signs surrounded his set, with messages like "Bless Your Sinning Ass Soul" and "Drink Ye Damn Sinners."

The set itself was just as DIY and The amps were cranked to eleven comprised of prosthetic hands, drumsticks for the Dirty Charley band, featuring attached to foot pedals, and a little alien

sitting on top of a big bass drum in front.

Stomping the percussion parts with foot pedals and violently slide-picking his beat-up guitar, the Reverend shouted into his famous beer-can microphone spiritually-influenced tunes, turning the bar into a location for an unconventional religious revival of some sort.

Reverend Deadeye wore a white blindfold for part of the set, and screamed at the top of his lungs with the fury of a fire-andbrimstone Southern Baptist preacher.

Deadeye's bluesy hooks meshed well with hillbilly rock and traditional country Hank Williams might have enjoyed, and the "preacher's" raspy, echoing vocals were reminiscent of Tom Waits and the Black Keys' Dan Auerbach.

Barhoppers who stuck around were treated to loud, rocking country in the east corner of the legendary Hub City

It's safe to say that after the diverse sounds of the Annihilators, the evil riffs of Dirty Charley, and the spectacle that is Reverend Deadeye, no one left disap-

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### **Housing Costs**←

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 generally means students should expect to pay more for housing.

"There's been a lot less construction than what we've seen in the past 10 years," he said, "and as occupancy moves up because of the lack of new construction, we will see a lot fewer move-in specials that people have been ment rent would enjoying over the past few years."

Sean Duggan, director of University Student Housing, said on-campus housing costs also are rising 2.9 percent there are several for the fall semester, which ends up at perks to living on about \$70 per year.

Student housing costs were not increased last year, Duggan said, but the minimal increase could not be avoided

to consider liv-I do know that ing on campus. He said he did not know how students who live on significant the increase in apartcampus outperform those who live off be to students, but felt, besides being affordable,

rent too extreme

"I do know that students who live on campus

who live off campus," he said.

outperform those

Instead of stressing about making living arrangements in advance, Duggan said

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Duggan said he encouraged students students can sign up for campus housing who are finding the rise in apartment anytime by visiting the department's Web

> About 1,400 upperclassmen already have chosen to live on campus next semester, Duggan said, and he hopes more upperclassmen who find apartment living to be expensive will look into on-campus living. Student

> > housing will pro-

vide \$21,000 in

scholarships to up-

perclassmen who

**SEAN DUGGAN** UNIVERSITY STUDENT HOUSING DIRECTOR

campus.

live on campus.

Due to the rise in housing costs, students may be seeking out more loan money for the fall semester. Ellen Hein, CEO of Texas Tech's Federal Credit Union, said rhose students are in luck as loan amounts may increase with the new economic

Hein's advice to students who foresee an increase in housing costs is to plan ahead and explore all resources available from student loan programs.

"Students can always talk to the people in financial aid about the possibility of other types of student loans to help cover some of those expenses," she said. "Planning ahead and borrowing as much as they can in the student loan program is what I would advise them to do."

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SATURDAY 12:30PM

By ZANE TURNER STAFF WRITER

The fall tournaments are over, the lineups are set, and the Texas Tech women's tennis team finally can hit

The Lady Raiders start the 2009 season against North Texas at 5 p.m. today and Mississippi State at 9 a.m. Sunday at the McLeod Tennis Complex.

North Texas is a familiar opponent, as Tech took a 6-1 victory over the Mean Green last season.

"Last year it was 6-1 but the score does not reflect how close the match was," Tech coach Todd Petty said. "And I know they're much improved. They're gonna be tough. That's a team that's not ranked now but when we look back in April, May I would put my money that they're gonna be ranked."

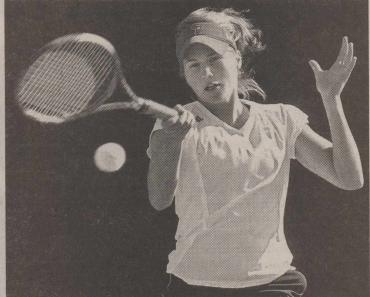
En route to the win, the Lady Raiders lost only one singles match while taking the doubles point. Samantha van der Drift fell to North Texas' No. Alabama, and also on Tech's schedule, think we're gonna see a little nerves 1 singles player, Madura Ranganathan No. 28 Denver. in three sets: 7-5, 3-6, 10-7.

shouldn't look back to last year's match ence, as well. because we're playing a different team this year."

1 player, Ranganathan, once again.

In the No. 1 slot for North Texas, a team.' Ranganathan earned a 9-5 record this doubles record with Irina Paraschiv.

tough Sun Belt Conference, which has challenge. three teams ranked in the preseason ITA top 75. The teams consist of No. hopefully prepared, I know they're gon-nothing to lose, everything to gain." 53 Florida International, No. 56 South na be prepared," Petty said. "Nerves, I



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH SENIOR Samantha van der Drift leads her team against North Texas at 5 p.m. today and Mississippi State at 9 a.m. Sunday at the McLeod Tennis Complex.

North Texas coach Sujay Lama, "North Texas is going to be a tough whose team also faces MSU on Saturthey'll start getting in the match, get match, they've improved a lot from last day, said the weekend match ups with their teeth in the match and show year," van der Drift said. "So, I think it's Tech and Mississippi State will be tough that fire that they've been showing all going to be a good starting match. We for his young team, but a great experi-year long."

"It's gonna be a tough challenge," Lama said. "Both teams are good, Tech North Texas comes into Lubbock a plays well at home, they have good team very similar to the Lady Raiders. support, play with a lot of energy, and The Mean Green have only one are good competitors. We have our senior on the roster and six underclass- work cut out for us. As a team we try 6 Kerryn Potgieter. men. However, they are led by their No. to enjoy the process, enjoy the journey, the camaraderie, have fun, and become these matches with the right attitude

While he knows quite a bit about right foot. fall in singles play and posted a 9-4 North Texas, Petty said Mississippi State from a tough Southeastern new team, we have great freshmen North Texas plays in the surprisingly Conference should give his team a coming in," redshirt senior Kyla Cole-

at the beginning, and then hopefully the competitive spirit will kick in, and

Petty said his singles line up for the weekend consists of No. 1 Samantha van der Drift, No. 2 Kelsy Garland, No. 3 Simone Templeton, No. 4 and 5 the two freshmen Stefanie Peana and Natalie Leitch, respectively and at No.

The Lady Raiders plan to approach in order to start the season off on the

"They're tough teams, we have a man said. "We're just gonna have to "I think we're gonna come out play our hardest and go out there with

### Indoor track competes in Texas Tech Invitational for second straight week

By ADAM WADSWORTH STAFF WRITER

Here we go again.

The Texas Tech track team enters the second Texas Tech Invitational at the Athletic Training Center Saturday, hoping to repeat its performance from last weekend.

Although the No. 19 UTEP women's team is the only nationally ranked squad attending this week, Tech coach Wes Kittley said he still was excited for the meet. The majority of the schools attending are Division I schools with a few junior colleges, including Barton County Community College, who Kittley said is a perennial power at the junior college level.

"There are several Division I schools that are coming in this weekend that can really challenge us," Kittley said. "So it's going to be another really, really good meet.'

The ATC will host teams from different areas of the state, such as UTEP, Texas Southern and Wichita State, in addition to Lubbock-area schools such as South Plains and Wayland Baptist.

be the first meet of the season for UTEP and coach Bob Kitchens.

"This is our first competition for be overlooked. the year so we're just trying to see and who's not."

heavy loss this year, he said, with the good for us." injury of former Nigerian Olympic medalist Blessing Okagbare.

triple and long jumps.

Although the teams coming this most of them are on the cusp of being we ran last week."



TEXAS TECH FRESHMAN Jamie Simanek clears a hurdle during the The Texas Tech Invitational will Texas Tech Invitational Jan. 17 in the Athletic Training Center.

ranked, so the competition should not to try out a few athletes in different events

"We just need to have a good week where we are," Kitchens said. "We're of training like we've been having so trying to see who's ready to compete far," Osaghae said. "We just need to practice through this week like coach The UTEP women were dealt a says and things should work out pretty

Kittley said the Red Raiders will use their second meet as a chance to rest a Okagbare, a two-time indoor few athletes and start a few people that All-American, holds the school and didn't compete last week, as well as Conference USA records in both the trying a few things to improve on their performance.

"Some of them ran out a little too fast weekend don't receive the national or went out a little too slow," Kittley said. attention that Baylor and TCU do, "I think they learned from last week so I'm Tech hurdler Omoghan Osaghae said hoping to improve on some of the things throw.

Kittley also said that the team planned to see if they could better help the team in a different position.

The team will continue its goal from last week of trying to stay healthy, Kittley said. It is only the second week of the season and since the outdoor competitions begin almost immediately following the indoor, he said the health of the team is extremely important.

"I know that sounds cliché," Kittley said. "In the early part of the year sometimes kids get a little too excited and go out a little too hard."

The Texas Tech Invitational gets underway Saturday at 10 a.m. in the ATC with the long jump and the weight

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### Tech travels to Mizzou, looks to halt road skid

By ALEX YBARRA MANAGING EDITOR

By escaping Stillwater, Okla., with a narrow win against Oklahoma State Wednesday, the Mis-victory despite having a 15-point on the road.

like, so he said he conducted some of the shots fell. scouting of his own while witnessing the Tigers fend off OSU.

where we can make layups and get Baylor, Texas and Colorado. wide open shots. When they're is being patient."

The Tigers hung on for a 97-95

Join the DT's sports editor as he blogs live from Missouri at 12:30 p.m. Saturday. www.dailytoreador.com

souri Tigers did something Texas lead with 4:10 remaining. The Tech has not accomplished in a Cowboys rallied back, holding long time: win a hard-fought game Missouri to no field goals and six free throws during a 19-6 run. All Watching the game probably the way to the final play, OSU made Tech forward Nick Okorie had plenty of opportunities to optimistic against Missouri. want a taste of what that would be complete the comeback, but none

"They pressure pretty hard, and p.m. Saturday in Mizzou Arena a good team, but we're also a good assists per game (19.8), second in they're a fast-paced team," he said. in Columbia, Mo. In order to do team, and we feel like if we go in scoring margin, second in assist-"But when people pressure it's easy that Tech will need an improved to get them out of the flow just 40 minutes of basketball than its know how to play, we can get it steals per game (10.8). by passing hard and getting them last few games, in which Tech had done.' out of position, giving us position sloppy performances against TCU,

"We just haven't shot well in pressuring hard, they're gambling. about four or five games," Tech When you gamble, you tend to coach Pat Knight said. "When make mistakes if the other team that happens, I think the offense is gonna be even better."

Coming into the game against

—the Tigers, Tech (11-7, 1-2 in leader on his team, and Singletary Mizzou Arena record.

"We haven't gotten a win on

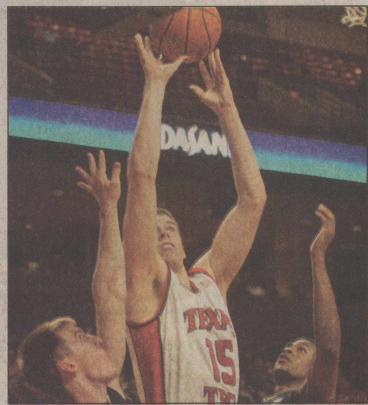
by Knight a few days earlier.

Knight said he wanted a vocal defaniel."ybarra@ttu.edu

Big 12 Conference play) has a must have heard, seeing as how the 1-14 record in true road games sophomore hoisted Tech on his dating back to last season, and shoulders to put Colorado away. the Tigers (16-3, 3-1) have won But Tech will need more than 13 consecutive home games — a just Singletary to steal a game in Mizzou Arena. The Tigers are led Despite the history, Tech for- by forward DeMarre Carroll's 15.7 ward Mike Singletary said a win and Leo Lyons 14.2 points per against Colorado Tuesday gave the game, while guard Zaire Taylor team enough confidence to feel ranks eighth in the nation with a 3.05 assist-to-turnover ratio.

The Tigers are as quick and efthe road this year yet, but we feel ficient as basketball teams come. The Red Raiders will try to like this could be the game for Nationally, Missouri is tied with slow down Missouri at 12:30 us," he said. "We feel like they're No. 5 North Carolina for first in there and just play the way we to-turnover ratio and third in

"Top to bottom, they're a good Singletary's presence in the team from the guys they bring off paint should be key against the the bench to the starting lineup," Tigers. He scored 20 points — Singletary said. "Their big guys are including 12 points in the wan-really good. They play inside-out ing minutes — against Colorado and create matchup problems so Tuesday after a surprising outburst we're gonna-have to buckle down, contain their guards and play good



TEXAS TECH CENTER Robert Lewandowski attempts a shot against

Colorado Tuesday in the United Spirit Arena.

### Lady Raiders want better offensive performance against No. 5 Baylor

By ADAM COLEMAN SPORTS EDITOR

Tech women's basketball coach thing we can on Saturday. Good or Kristy Curry tells her players about bad, then we're going to get ready for has never been more important.

Kansas State Wednesday, the Lady State." Raiders (11-6, 2-2 in Big 12 Conference) have no time to take a breather, overall victories in the conference so play by Danielle Wilson with 4.8 where they're at, it's a lot like Kansas as No. 5 Baylor (16-1, 4-0) visits at far this season with 16 apiece. 1 p.m. Saturday in the United Spirit

the Big 12 North, the Lady Raiders the field on 8-of-26 shooting. now have to face the top team in the

"The approach is going to be propelled K-State to the win. 'we've gotta get ready for Baylor," The short-term memory Texas Curry said. "We're going to do every-Colorado. Good or bad, then we're guably the best team in the nation. After a 60-48 loss to No. 18 going to get ready for Oklahoma

Baylor and K-State have the most

The Lady Raiders did not have a good showing on offense against the After facing the top team from Wildcats, shooting 32.2 percent from

Tech was down by two at the half, with a win.

but a 16-2 run in the second half

caliber of K-State.

The same might be said against ar-

The Bears are coming off a 64-A&M's Danielle Gant foul her. The and are seniors." converted free-throw was all Baylor

Curry said the offensive woes Baylor, which may explain why the and Oklahoma is second with 744. we just gotta learn from that and cannot happen against a team the two teams are atop the Big 12 so far this season.

"(Baylor is) a legitimate Top-10 team in the country," she said. 61 win against No. 9 Texas A&M Rachel Allison. When you start look-Wednesday thanks to a three-point ing at their team, the reason they're

> Tech will face the best offensive Baylor's conference-leading 45.6 a tration on ourself. We weren't going >>>adam.coleman@ttu.edu

bounding and scoring with 8.5 and Baylor." 15 points a game.

"They've got kids in Jhasmin Player, Player leads the team in steals with 31 on the year.

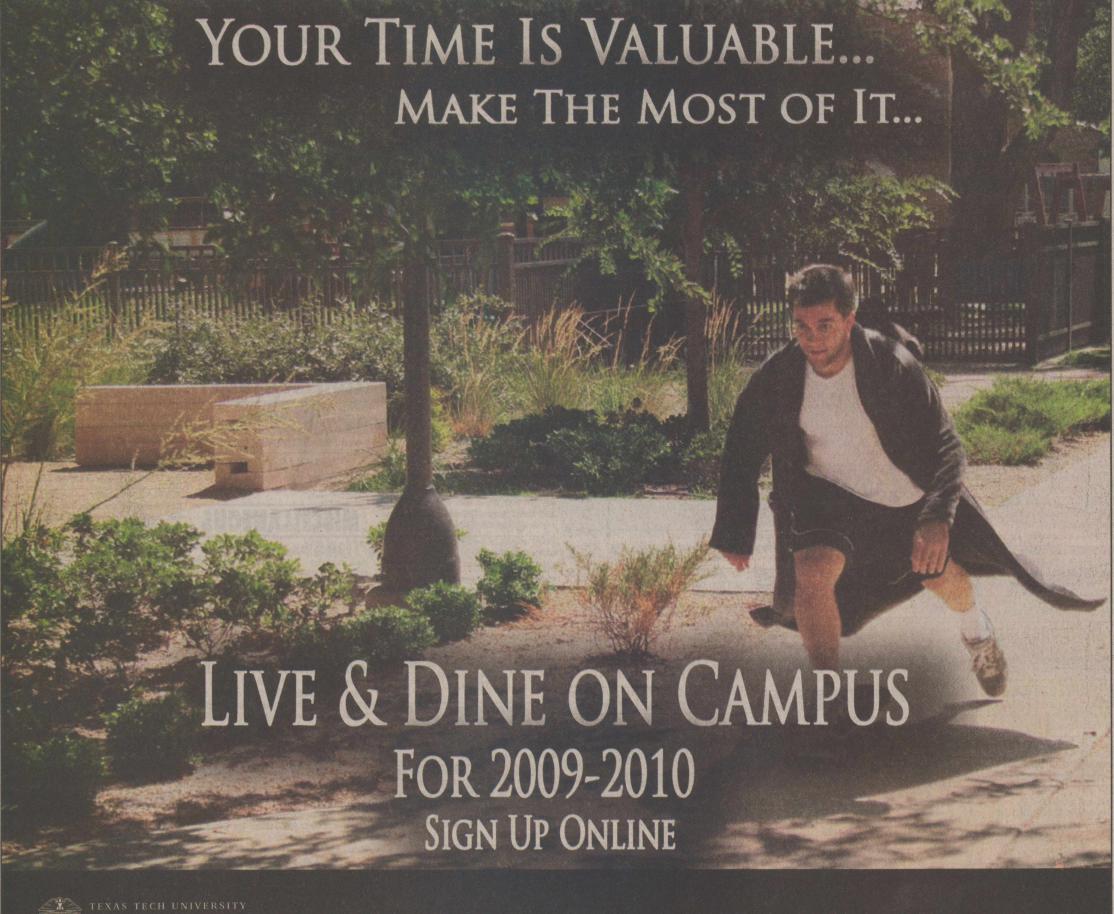
Having a hard time making a basket against K-State should prepare seconds left in the game. With the State, because they've got kids that the Lady Raiders against a team of a game tied, Wilson made a layup as have been in this league for four years higher caliber, Tech forward Jordan Murphree said.

needed to walk out of College Station rebounding team in the nation with said. "But I think we put that frus-second one."

But Curry said there are a lot game. No one has more rebounds through the things like we needed of similarities between K-State and than Baylor, as the Bears have 776 to. Our effort wasn't there. I think Wilson leads the team in re- we gotta come out strong against

> Although nights where the offense Allison scores 12.2 a game and is not productive can happen, Curry said the big accomplishment would be making sure Tech never runs into a night like it did Wednesday.

> "These kids are doing everything they can," she said. "We had a night we hoped we wouldn't have. The biggest thing that you could do as a "I think it was frustrating," she player is make sure you don't have a



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