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FEMA sends \$60 million for Ike response

AUSTIN (AP) — The Governor's Division of Emergency Management is getting \$60 million from FEMA for costs incurred during Hurricane Ike, money Gov. Rick Perry's office has said delayed payments to companies around the country for transportation, portable toilets, shelters and other services.

The grants from the Federal Emergency Management Agency are to help pay for 600 evacuee shelters, ambulance staging areas, the National Guard, equipment, buses, food, water, ice and generators, according to U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison's office, which announced the FEMA grants Thursday.

NATION

GM posts \$30.9B loss, keeps spending billions

DETROIT (AP) — For General Motors Corp. nothing has stopped the bleeding. Not cutting 50,000 jobs in the U.S. Not closing 11 factories. Not \$13.4 billion in government loans.

The teetering company, once the symbol of American industrial might, revealed Thursday that it burned through \$19.2 billion in cash last year on its way to a \$30.9 billion loss. The century-old automaker said its only hope of living another year is more aid from the government.

GM has continued to spend on a company too big for the market, paying workers when plants are closed and covering other costs such as machinery, marketing, pensions and health care.

WORLD

NKorea lashes out over missile-test warnings

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea lashed out at critics warning it not to test a long-range missile, saying Thursday that it would punish those trying to disrupt its plan to send what it calls a satellite into orbit.

The latest harsh words from Pyongyang came as U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton announced plans to send her new envoy on North Korea to meet with negotiators in Asia trying to revive stalled nuclear disarmament talks.

DEATH TOLL

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U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

SOURCE: Associated Press, confirmed by the Department of Defense

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Eibeck named University of the Pacific president

By JON VANDERLAAN
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A Texas Tech administrator was named president at the University of the Pacific Thursday, according to a news release from the university.

Pamela Eibeck, dean of the Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering, was named by the Board of Regents for the University of the Pacific as 24th president of the university, and the first woman president in the 158-year history of the school.

Eibeck, who will begin her tenure as president July 1 after she served five years as the dean of the engineering college, said she became aware of the job when searching for universities for her son, who is a senior in high school.

When she came across the University of the Pacific, she said she noticed the presidential position was open, and she applied.

Although she has enjoyed her time as the dean of the engineer-

ing college at Tech, Eibeck said, she is looking forward to having a role in all aspects of the university.



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"I'm looking forward to being able to lead a breadth of programs at the university," she said.

Despite having a desire to become a president of a university, Eibeck said she did not expect the move to happen so quickly, but she could not resist sending in an application when the opportunity

presented itself.

She also said the opportunity to fill her position is great for any incoming dean, and with a large amount of growth in the last five years from the college, it will be a desirable position.

Eibeck said she is excited and confident about the new position, and although she knows it will be difficult, she is not intimidated.

Tom Zuckerman, chairman of the University of the Pacific Board of Regents, said the board selected Eibeck because of her energy, enthusiasm, spark and other personal qualities.

Donald DeRosa was selected the president of the university 14 years ago, and Zuckerman said the board chose to pick a candidate that was not in the same mold as DeRosa because the issues facing the university are different than they were when DeRosa was selected president.

The challenges Eibeck is expected to face include building a close relationship between the university and the community, he said.

Eibeck also should be some-

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PART ONE OF A THREE-PART SERIES

Highlighting outstanding members of the Texas Tech community

Helping Hands

Students encourage healthy living in Lubbock community

By HANNAH BOEN
STAFF WRITER

While some college students find sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll appealing, other students get a thrill from helping others.

Double T Health Service Corps takes every opportunity to encourage healthy living within the Lubbock and Texas Tech communities and instill confidence and passion for health care within the organization.

Because of the group's dedication and hard work, it has been recognized by the Center for Campus Life as Raiders Who Rock, a program that highlights students, faculty and organizations who practice selfless and outstanding behavior on campus and throughout Lubbock.

"The point of this program is to recognize those doing good and share their stories with others," said Adrian Sinnacher, a Center for Campus Life graduate assistant, "and also highlight them to let others know the good that is happening."

Ryan Fleischmann, president of the Double T Health Service Corps, said he learned a lot from being part of the group, including how to be a better speaker and leader.

"I've gained a lot of confidence," the Houston native said, "and I've learned that what keeps you happy and alive through all of this is the thrill you get from helping others."



PHOTO COURTESY OF DOUBLE T HEALTH SERVICES CORPS

DOUBLE T HEALTH SERVICE Corps member Melissa Ames, top left going clockwise, corps adviser Loni Maire Flores, corps president Ryan Fleischmann and corps member Morgan Vocke paint a sign to promote their organization.

The senior biochemistry major said he acquired his thrill for helping others through his time providing service to the community through the organization.

There is not a set list of requirements to be recognized as a Raider Who Rocks, Sinnacher said, but people are nominated based on the 52 values of the Foundation for a Better Life.

Although there are many people on campus who practice commendable values, she said many people hear more about the negative actions of college students than positive behavior.

Candice Laster, unit coordinator for the Division of Student Affairs, said people typically hear "college town" and have negative thoughts, but the idea behind Raiders

Who Rock is to let people know that Tech students are doing good things.

"Hopefully people are receptive and inspired," Laster said. "We want to encourage people who are doing good to continue and inspire others to start doing good."

Although Fleischmann is passionate about service, he said he also enjoys the learning opportunity the group provides by integrating undergraduate and medical students into a single organization.

"It's nice to see people interact," he said, "and express their joy for health."

Fleischmann said he is passionate about the services the

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Obama's \$3.6 trillion budget to push federal deficit more than \$1.75 trillion

WASHINGTON (AP) — Trillion is the new billion.

No longer is it a billion here and a billion there that add up to real money. Swap a "t" for the "b" if you want a measure of what's at stake under President Obama's first spending plan.

Obama charted a dramatic new course for the nation Thursday with a bold but contentious budget proposing higher taxes for the wealthy and the first steps toward guaranteed health care for all — accompanied by an astonishing \$1.75 trillion federal deficit that would be nearly four times the highest in history.

Denouncing what he called the "dishonest accounting" of recent federal budgets, Obama unveiled his own \$3.6 trillion blueprint for next

year, a bold proposal that would transfer wealth from rich taxpayers to the middle class and the poor.

Congressional approval without major change is anything but sure. The plan is filled with political land mines including an initiative to combat global warming that would hit consumers with considerably higher utility bills. Other proposals would take on entrenched interests such as big farming, insurance companies and drug makers.

Obama blamed the expected federal deficit explosion on a "deep and destructive" recession and recent efforts to battle it including the Wall Street bailout and the just-passed \$787 billion stimulus plan. The \$1.75 trillion deficit estimate for this year is \$250 billion more than projected just days ago because of proposed new spending for a fresh bailout for

banks and other financial institutions.

As the nation digs out of the most serious economic crisis in decades, Obama said, "We will, each and every one of us, have to compromise on certain things we care about but which we simply cannot afford right now."

Signaling budget battles to come, Republicans were skeptical Obama was doing without much at all.

"We can't tax and spend our way to prosperity," said House GOP leader John Boehner of Ohio. "The era of big government is back, and Democrats are asking you to pay for it."

Obama plans to move aggressively toward rebalancing the tax system, extending a \$400 tax credit for most workers — \$800 for couples — while letting expire President George W. Bush's tax cuts for couples making more than

\$250,000 a year. That would raise the top income tax bracket from 35 percent to 39.6 percent for those taxpayers and raise their capital gains rate from 15 percent to 20 percent as well.

Thursday's 134-page budget submission, a nonbinding recommendation to Congress, says the plan would close the deficit to a more reasonable — but still eye-popping — \$533 billion after five years. That would still be higher than last year's record \$455 billion deficit.

And the national debt would more than double by the end of the upcoming decade, raising worries that so much federal borrowing could drive up interest rates and erode the value of the dollar.

Also, to narrow the budget gap, Obama relies on rosier predictions of economic growth — including a 3.2 percent boost in the economy next year

— than most private sector economists foresee.

There is already resistance from Democrats who are upset with the budget's plan to curb the ability of wealthier people to reduce their tax bills through deductions for mortgage interest, charitable contributions and state and local taxes.

That tax hike would raise \$318 billion over the upcoming decade toward a down payment on Obama's high-priority universal health care plan. Cuts to the Medicare and Medicaid federal health programs would supply an additional \$316 billion, but that still wouldn't provide enough money to guarantee coverage for all, and Obama wants Congress to come up with hundreds of billions of dollars in additional hard-to-raise revenues to pay for the rest.

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HSC researchers to launch SeLECT Defense in April

By KENDYL SEBESTA
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Texas Tech Health Sciences Center researchers and ClassOne Orthodontics of Lubbock will begin worldwide distribution of SeLECT Defense, an orthodontic selenium-based product line in April.

According to Ted Reid, a Tech Health Sciences Center ophthalmology professor and researcher, SeLECT Defense is a selenium-based orthodontic treatment used to coat brackets, ligature ties and closing chains in patients with braces in order to reduce plaque build-up and the appearance of white spots.

"The biggest problem for teeth is decay," Reid said. "We've developed a selenium coating that can be used in patients with braces that can help with that, is natural and doesn't wear down."

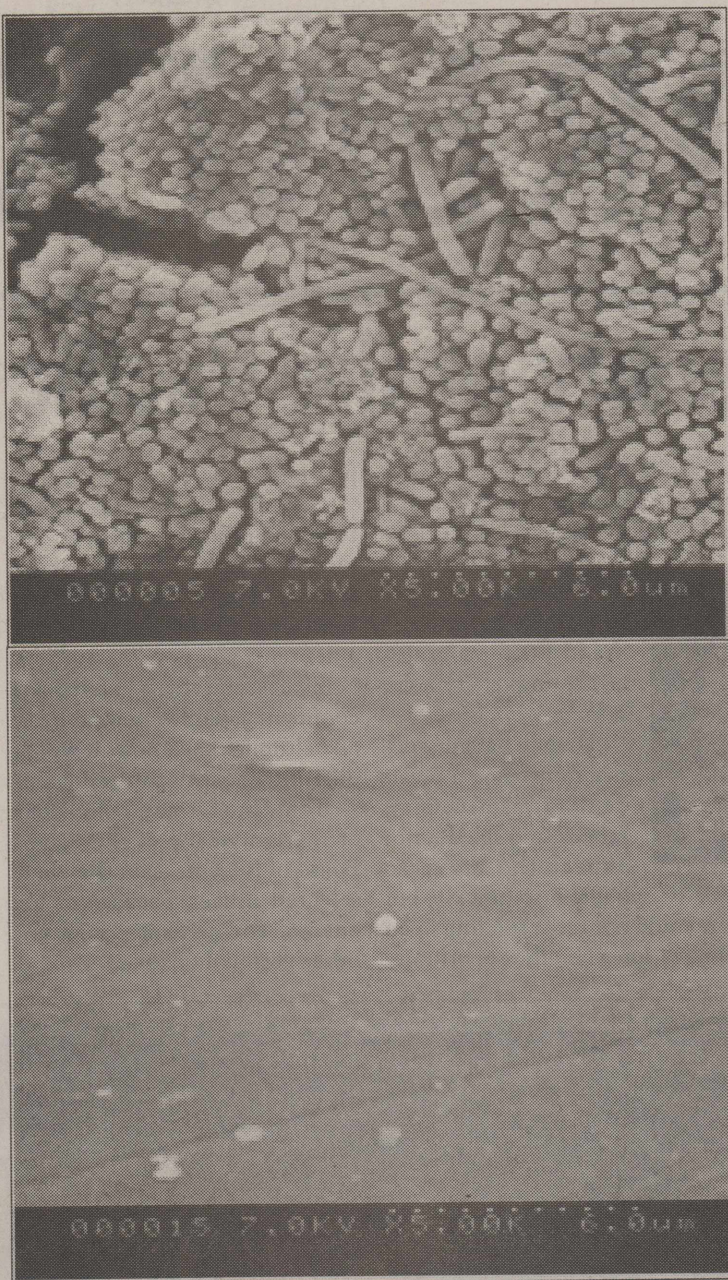
The selenium coating used in the product line will work by creating a radical barrier that can only kill bacteria if it tries to attach itself to the teeth, hopefully doing away with tooth decay in the long run, he said.

"Ultimately we'd like to market this to everyone with teeth," Reid said. "The orthodontists I've spoken with all say it would help them and ultimately selenium can be used for a lot of things apart from teeth like contact lenses, catheters and bacterial infections."

According to the Tech Health Sciences Center Web site, Tech Department of Food and Nutrition researcher Julian Spallholz also is involved with the creation and patenting of SeLECT Defense. Spallholz is working with Tech faculty researcher Mallory Boylan to expand the uses of selenium, particularly in areas of avian flu, the Web site reported.

Jan Codding, ClassOne director of marketing, said clinical trials produced an 80 percent success rate in decreasing plaque build up and a 100 percent reduction in visible white spots in patients with braces.

"It's a unique solution to an industry-wide problem," Codding said. "All the doctors I've spoken with are 100 percent for it, and because selenium is a natural element it's quite safe. In fact there is more selenium in a garden salad



PHOTOS COURTESY OF TECH HEALTH SCIENCES CENTER
ABOVE, A 5,000X magnification photograph showing an untreated ligature that is highly colonized with various strains of staph, which cause plaque and in many cases permanent decalcification. Below, a 5,000X magnification photograph showing a SeLECT Defense treated ligature, which is noticeably cleaner and smoother than the untreated ligature pictured above.

than there is in the product." Codding said the orthodontic selenium-based product line is in its first phase, with plans being made to expand the selenium treatment to other areas of medicine.

"The patients and orthodontists won't have to do anything special in terms of the coating," he said. "We got approval from the FDA back in July of last year and will be ready to ship in April."

Researchers at the University of Texas Health Sciences Center in San Antonio conducted a 28 day mouth-simulation study of the SeLECT Defense product line to determine the ability of the product to prevent plaque formation, Codding said in a news release. The study determined SeLECT Defense was capable of reducing plaque and white spots in patients with braces.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site, 86 percent of American adults age 20 to 34 will face tooth decay while Americans in general will face increased rates of tooth decay over their life span.

Tooth decay can be prevented through regular personal oral care, water fluoridation and orthodontic visits, according to the CDC Web site.

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Unmarked police cars not intended for traffic stops

By SARAH REIMAN
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Unmarked police vehicles seen driving around the Texas Tech campus and Lubbock are not intended for traffic stops, but instead are used for narcotics, detective and undercover work, according to local police departments.

Capt. Greg Stevens, public information officer for the Lubbock Police Department, said in a situation where an officer is undercover, traffic stops will not be made. Critical situations are the only exception and another marked car would be called by the undercover officer.

Executing the proper approach is difficult because the goal of having unmarked cars is to "hide your identity to some degree, yet be noticeable when needed," Stevens said.

He has seen and heard stories on news programs about people posing as officers, he said, and officers are sympathetic to this. Usually a driver is aware if they have made a flagrant traffic violation and deserve to be stopped by an officer.

Col. Gordon Hoffman, deputy chief of the Tech Police Department, said the department does not believe it is good idea to pull students over in unmarked police vehicles because it could be difficult to decipher a real officer from an impersonator and could cause a collisions during traffic stops if the driver is scared or uncertain of the officer's identity.

Stevens said police officers understand there is a chance for confusion when an unmarked car makes a stop, but it will not be accepted as an excuse to refuse to heed the officer's command.

He said anyone who feels uneasy in such a situation should proceed to a well-lit nearby area when asked to pull over or drive to a public area. Any officer making a traffic stop must identify themselves when asked.



PHOTO BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreador

ALTHOUGH THE TEXAS Tech Police Department has unmarked police vehicles with the authority to make routine traffic stops, the department does not encourage officers driving those cars to make routine stops.

Another alternative is to call the police as you are pulled over if you are uneasy, Stevens said.

However, all police cars, marked or unmarked, have radios and can confirm locations. Stevens said in most situations if a car does not pull over quickly, another marked car will be called to the scene.

All police cars must have mounted equipment, Stevens said, that identify it as a police car, including permanent red and blue alternating emergency lighting.

He said no car will ever have a separate extension of lights that could easily be added to the car. Instead, lighting is behind the grill of the car or built into the inside of the front windshield.

Generally, officers in unmarked cars are not trying to stop anyone for minor traffic violations, Stevens said, and may not even have a ticket book on hand.

"That is not the intended purpose for that piece of equipment," he said.

Only flagrant traffic violations warrant attention from these officers. If the driver of a vehicle has not broken a law, they may have reason to be suspicious, he said.

Stevens said he has been in his unmarked car and has seen drivers exceeding the speed limit and stopped them.

He did not issue a ticket, and said he did not have a ticket book with him.

Hoffman said Tech police unmarked cars primarily are used for investigations and transports. Unmarked cars are not equipped to make stops, he said, and cars used as transports are typically used to transport officials safely.

The differences in the makeup of the undercover cars also causes them to be unequipped for high-speed pursuits. While these automobiles are unmarked, he said, they still are hard to miss in many ways.

He said one benefit of the department buying unmarked cars is they are cost effective because they do not have some of the features of the marked police cars.

Unlike marked cars, the unmarked cars have smaller engines and lack a light bar on top of the cars, spotlights, computer and prisoner shields, Stevens said.

Some unmarked cars are intended for staff members at the police department and are built differently, he said. The staff cars do not have the same suspension a normal police car has and the seats, tires and wheels are less durable.

"It cuts the price of the car almost in half," Stevens said.

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what comfortable with the university because the enrollment of 6,200 students at the university is close to the 4,400 students she worked with in her college, Zuckerman said, and the geographical demographics of the students also are similar.

Rob Stewart, interim senior vice provost at Tech, said when a dean of a college leaves, it somewhat interrupts the progress of the college.

However, the college may see it as an opportunity to have a new perspective, he said.

"She has always struck me as

very enthusiastic and focused," he said, "and someone with a vision of where she wants to take the entity that she leads."

Eibeck also has leadership qualities that helped achieve this position, Stewart said.

Eibeck said she would miss the students, faculty, staff and dedicated alumni from Tech.

"I'm also going to miss the Texas spirit," she said.

The university's search for a new

president began in summer 2008 and candidates visited the university in January and February.

Eibeck will begin her new position July 1 and will remain the dean of the college of engineering for the rest of the spring semester.

The main University of the Pacific campus is located in Stockton, Calif., and is the state's oldest private university.

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Gamers who love strategy should consider 'Dawn of War II'

When you buy Relic's "Warhammer 40,000: Dawn of War II," it almost feels like you're getting two games for the price of one.

On one hand you have an intense, action-packed and very RPG-feeling strategy campaign for one or two players. On the other hand, you have a slightly more traditional real-time strategy game experience that's a multiplayer blast for up to six players.

Let's back up a bit. For the uninitiated, "Warhammer" began as a table-top fantasy war game way back in 1983. Since then, it has been the subject of many video game adaptations—most recently, "Warhammer Online," challenging "World of Warcraft" in the massively multiplayer online RPG space.

In 1987 Games Workshop released "Warhammer 40,000," a science fiction spin-off. The 40k series has since taken a life of its own, and like "Warhammer" proper, has seen its share of video game adaptations.

Britton Peele



The biggest of these games would probably be "Dawn of War," which was released for PC in 2005. Despite doing several new things as well as being an extremely polished and entertaining game, it felt quite a bit like other games in its genre, namely Blizzard's "Warcraft III."

The sequel, "Dawn of War II," changes that.

The quality hasn't been changed, that's for sure. "Dawn of War II" has just as high production values as its predecessor, but the game play isn't much like the original's at all. Whether you're playing alone or online makes a difference in the game play too.

Let's start with the campaign. "Dawn of War II" doesn't make you

fret about base-building or resources. You don't have to worry about trading gold for wood or "teching up" to heavy tanks and the advanced power plant.

Instead, "Dawn of War II" says, "Here are some badass units. Go."

The key is these units are mostly squad commanders, making one unit really three or four. More importantly, though, is that these units level up much like in an RPG.

As you mow down hundreds of enemy units on the battlefield, you gain experience points to level up your squads however you see fit. Each level you earn gives you points with which to upgrade melee power, health, ranged power, etc.

You also earn new abilities this way, which could be extremely influential during a battle.

Your units will also collect "war gear," which is new equipment that upgrades your stats.

All of this combines to make you feel almost as if you're controlling several

"Diablo" characters at a time rather than playing an RTS. The "strategy" in real-time strategy plays a much lighter role here than you might expect.

However, the results from this more RPG-like gameplay make for a campaign that's a blast to play.

You can also tackle the entire campaign in cooperative mode online with a friend, which should be a major draw for some.

The campaign has its setbacks, however.

For one, the only race you play as is the Space Marines, leaving the stories of the Orks, Eldar and Tyranids untold. It would have been interesting to see campaigns from

their point of view. Hopefully, this will be fixed via expansion packs.

Furthermore, bits of the campaign feel like a missed opportunity. The game often gives a strong impression of non-linear, strategic mission selection. But the end result is unfortunately traditional and fairly linear.

Multiplayer is an entirely different beast. Here, all of the races in the game are playable. So, fans of the green-skinned Orks can rejoice.

There's still no base-building, but you do manage some resources to pump units out of your single base structure. There's more

freedom (and a great deal more strategy involved) here with unit selection.

There are only seven maps currently, but they are well-designed and well-sized for the one-on-one or three-versus-three matches you will be playing.

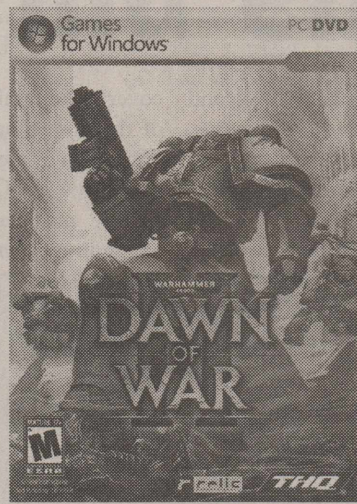
As expected, these multiplayer skirmishes are best played online, but the AI in the game is also an enjoyable enemy if you're somehow without an Internet connection.

Although the single-player portion of the game is fantastic, it's likely the multiplayer component will be what keeps you coming back.

With both sides of the game combined, "Dawn of War II" is a fantastic game strategy fans should highly consider picking up and action-RPG fans might want to at least consider.

"Dawn of War II" is available now on the PC, either as a retail box or downloadable through Steam.

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Women's studies film series addresses eating disorders

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Mirror, mirror on the wall—the glass reflects millions of men and women who are unsatisfied with their looks.

Texas Tech professors discussed the prevalence of eating disorders after watching the film "Disfigured" on Wednesday night as a part of the Tech Women's Studies Program event for Feed Your Body and Soul Week.

Dr. Lisa Viator, a psychologist for the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management at Tech, said it hurt her to see the two women in the film judged by perfect strangers solely due to their body image.

The film took a look at the lives of two women battling different eating disorders. Darcy, who struggles with anorexia, wants to join a fat acceptance group in which Lydia, an obese woman, is a member. Although Lydia believes she is fat, she is not allowed into the club and loses her opportunity for an outlet.

"My body is part of me," said Viator, who helped lead the film discussion, "but not me completely."

Despite the challenges the two women face in the film, they manage to find strength in the companionship they provide one another.

"We're all programmed to have a specific body, and it's not necessarily an anorexic model," Viator said. "About 99 percent of women don't have the anorexic model body."

She said her own personal advice is to eat intuitively, exercise regularly, eat a variety of foods, and not to diet.

Viator said if someone lives this lifestyle for a couple years his or her body would naturally be the way it is supposed to be.

Amanda Eldredge, health educator for Student Health Services at Tech, said it is always important to recognize someone with an eating disorder in a delicate manner.

"Don't judge or point fingers," said Eldredge who helped lead the discussion. "They might shut down. So, think when helping a friend."

Eldredge said she wanted to stress the importance of understanding the available resources offered to people with eating disorders and

to have a plan to help a find in need.

One audience member, Dr. Juliann Scholl, said the film provided a good medium for audiences to experience the difficulty of having an eating disorder.

Scholl, a communication studies associate professor at Tech, said she came to the film series because she has body issues and wanted to see what people had to say about the topic.

"(The film) forced us to deal with issues that make us feel uncomfortable," Scholl said. "We just saw things that we wouldn't normally see in mainstream movies, which is a little disturbing."

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College of Education to host 5th Annual Literature Festival

The Language and Literacy Program of the Texas Tech College of Education will host its 5th Annual Literature Festival beginning 8:45 a.m. Friday in the Student Union Building's Allen Theater.

The festival will feature three authors who have used literature to celebrate global cultures.

"This gives students the opportunity to meet the authors of the books they will share with their students when they're teachers," said Katie Button, an associate education professor.

Authors Monica Brown, Amjed Qamar and Dana Reinhardt will be featured at this year's event, Button said. Brown, a bilingual writer, has written several children's books in multiple languages.

There are several students in the College of Education pursuing degrees in bilingual education, Button said, and Brown will give them a chance to see the benefits of using multicultural literature in the classroom.

Qamar, the author of "Beneath My Mother's Feet," was inspired by her travels to Pakistan, where she lived for several years and continues to visit, according to her Web site.

Button said her books tell a story of

a Pakistani girl's experiences growing up and sheds light on a culture many people are unfamiliar with.

Reinhardt writes books for young adults, Button said, and many students in the College of Education who have read them. The author's visit will give these students the opportunity to ask questions about a character they already know.

The first annual festival featured one author, Button said, and she is excited to have the opportunity to bring more authors to campus.

"We think by getting inside the head of an author," she said, "they are much more appreciative of author's experiences and will be able to share the experience with their future students."

Button said the goal of the festival is to allow students and faculty to spend an entire day immersed in conversation with authors.

"It's just almost too good to be true," she said, "thinking you can spend one whole day just immersed in children's literature."

Registration for the event begins at 8:00 a.m. Friday outside Allen Theater and breakout sessions last until 2:45 p.m.

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Check out the DT's bloggers online

LIVIN' LA VIDA:
Going green when going to the bathroom
By Tina L. Arons, features editor

Going green means more than switching to Clorox Green Works and taking empty soda cans to the recycling drop-off center outside of the grocery store.

What you choose to wipe your derriere with has an environmental impact too.

Greenpeace issued its first national tissue and toilet paper guide Monday and rated the environmental quality of toilet tissue brands to fight what The New York Times called the "Charmin effect."

According to marketing research firm Information Resources, Inc., brands like Cottonelle Ultra, Quilted Northern Ultra and Charmin Ultra increased sales in some markets by 40 percent in 2008.

The problem? Millions of trees harvested in North America and in Latin American countries, including some trees from rare old-growth forests in Canada, make up the majority of ultra soft, ultra fluffy toilet tissue, according to the article.

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Helping Hands

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group has done in the past and is excited about the new services the group is planning to provide, including a spring health fair on campus to raise awareness of the general health concerns of college students.

Loni Marie Flores, the organization's adviser, said the group has the ability to inspire and encourage and is unique because it is registered on the main Tech campus as well as the Health Sciences Center, allowing both undergraduate students and medical students to participate.

The group has exemplified its heart for health care in more than 100 hours of community service conducted by the group last year, Flores said. The community involvement has not only benefited those receiving service, but the members of the group who have opportunities to learn through service.

"There's a wide variety of community service that we do," she said. "The reason for doing it all is that just because you're a doctor doesn't mean you can communicate effectively. It's beneficial for them and for their profession in the long run."

Flores said the group has the opportunity to not only reach out to the community, but to offer mentorships to the younger students in the group because the medical students are a step ahead of the undergraduates in their

education.

She said the organization, which has more than 100 members, helps the community in a variety of ways, from hosting a teddy bear drive for the Children's Advocacy Center to hosting health fairs in rural communities to educating people on healthy eating a living habits.

In addition to contributing to charities, Flores said the group focuses on encouraging others to get involved in community service and to become aware of the needs of the people around them.

"Giving others the opportunity to get involved," she said, "is something we strive to do."

Flores said she is proud the group has created community awareness about several issues people don't always like to talk about, such as youth hunger.

"There are topics that people don't think exist and don't want to talk about," she said, "but 25 percent of students go to bed at night hungry. We want people to know what's happening and how they can help."

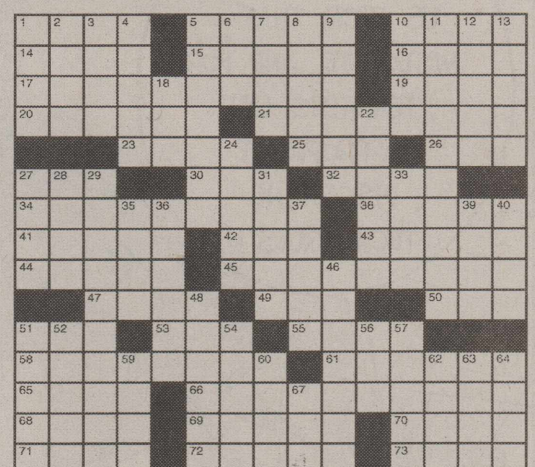
Flores has been working with student organizations for the past four or five years, she said, but she has been especially impressed with Double T Health Service Corps.

"They have such a passion to serve the community," she said of the members. "They'll be outstanding health care professionals and I just can't wait to see what they become."

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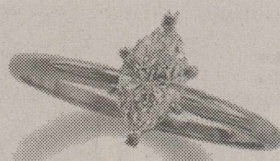
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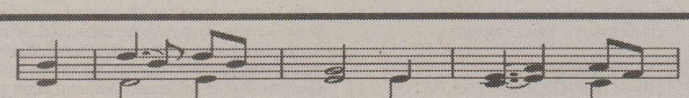
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Gov. Perry's opposition to stimulus bill appalling

By **JADE ORTEGO**
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Many Republican governors have vocally opposed the stimulus package that was passed by legislators last week, calling it costly and wasteful.

Texas governor Rick Perry has expressed opposition to the plan, and is now playing coy. He has accepted the \$16.9 billion allotted for Texas and approved the use of money intended to fund Texas infrastructure. However, he says he is going through the package line by line in an effort to reject any money with federal strings attached or that would ultimately cost Texas money.

One aspect of the package that Perry and his staff have expressed concern over is the expansion of unemployment benefits, which would be paid for by Texas tax dollars when federal funding is depleted.

Perry hasn't, however, actually named the programs he would nix.

In a letter to President Barack Obama, Perry wrote, "I remain op-

posed to using these funds to expand existing government programs, burdening the state with ongoing expenditures long after the funding has dried up."

The Houston Chronicle reported that Waco Rep. Jim Dunham criticized the governor for his ambivalence. He said, while he understood concern over the one-time nature of the grant, not accepting it would be like "not sending his daughter to college for two years if that's all he could afford."

If Perry is going to reject any stimulus money, it will be part or all of the \$5.8 billion allotted for health and human services. Now more than ever Texans need assistance with Medicaid, unemployment insurance and health care, but Perry has put this money on the cutting board.

Texas ranks last when it comes to children's access to health care, and only one state, Mississippi, has more children living in poverty.

Earlier this month, Perry rejected legislation that would allow states to extend Children's Health Insurance Program, or CHIP, to

cover more families. A spokesman of the governor told the Austin-American Statesman that he saw the move as "Congress ... trying to lure cash-strapped states into expanding programs they can't afford." Clearly, "health and human services" are not a priority for our governor.

Perry also thinks additional funds for unemployment insurance is excessive.

"People living in Texas are a heck of a lot better off than the vast majority of the other ones," Perry has said. "My instinct is they'd ... rather have a good-paying job than they would unemployment insurance."

He's right about Texas being better off — Texas is at 6 percent unemployment compared to the national average of 7.2 percent — but unemployment in Texas gradually rose through 2008, with massive job loss in December.

We may have reasonable questions about the appropriateness of social programs in a package intended to stimulate the economy. We know, however, that healthy, fed

children do better in school, and are therefore more likely to grow up, go to college and contribute to the economy with innovation and by purchasing things. Even if they didn't, though, wouldn't their health still be a priority? As much as, say, highway construction? Perry's professed dedication to a child's right to life shouldn't end with their birth.

At a press conference Obama chastised Republican governors who have criticized the bill and called their more or less genuine threats to reject the money as political posturing. "There's going to be ample time for campaigns down the road," Obama said. He's right. There's no time now for weak or non-serious conflict and procrastination when the employment rate is soaring.

There is a difference between standing by one's principles and playing politics. Expanding existing federal social programs could do nothing but help Texas. Perry is only hurting his state by rejecting any of the stimulus money, and his ideologies shouldn't be allowed to dictate the health of Texas citizens.

Rejecting fate, Oscar choices

Sunday evening I engaged in the time-honored American tradition of watching the Academy Awards, known colloquially as the Oscars.

Say what you will about what they are — Hollywood snobs getting together to pat each other on the back, a showcase for the latest multi-million dollar fashion designs, boring political diatribes, whatever — I happen to enjoy the spectacle, and it didn't hurt it was broadcast in crystal-clear HD.

This time I also had more reason than usual to watch the Oscars, having intentionally watched the majority of the nominated films. Usually I find myself sorely unprepared for the Academy's choices, so I care very little about the unfamiliar winners and tend to reserve judgment.

Not this year. This year I can objectively say that the Academy unjustifiably singled out one particular film.

I noticed before watching the Oscars that Danny Boyle's "Slumdog Millionaire"

— a fairy tale epic about an uneducated boy from the slums of Mumbai (Bombay) whose extraordinary life gives him just the right knowledge to win the Indian version of "Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?" — had garnered an impressive 10 nominations from the Academy.

By the end of the night, "Slumdog" had walked away with eight Oscars, including Best Director and Best Picture. It was a touching moment at the conclusion when pretty much the entire cast and crew crowded onto the stage with smiles and hugs all around.

I want to make it clear that initially I enjoyed "Slumdog." It is a well-composed, well-edited, well-written and well-executed bit of cinema. Dev Patel plays a convincing part as the oldest version of Jamal, Irfan Khan's police inspector puts a face on the skeptic in all of us, and Anil Kapoor portrays a menacing two-faced game show host.

However, I have a rather fundamental problem with the central tenet of the film: "All is written." It is Jamal's destiny to win the game show, to end up with his girl Latika and to live happily ever after. His hardships along the way all build toward the greater good waiting for him in the hot seat.

On the surface, this seems to be an uplifting message: even a slumdog from the depths of Mumbai can rise to riches and happiness. It's the American dream played out on the streets, along the train tracks, and in the buildings of India.

The more I pondered the message, however, the more I realized its starkly deterministic implications. Jamal may be destined for greatness in the film, but the

Stephen Torrence



majority of his Indian countrymen certainly aren't. His unique success may bring them a transient sense of hope for the possibility of economic and social salvation, yet at the end of the day it leaves them no better off than before.

The idea that "it is written," that our fate is set, that our future is predetermined by something (or someone), strikes at our common modern notion of free will. Jamal submits to his apparent volitional impotence with the final question, when he simply guesses and comes up correct. His "choice" is meaningless, having been written along with everything else.

I believe strongly in free will, based not only on intuition but also on the insights of modern philosophy and quantum mechanics. Determinism is dead. Our free agency is precisely the means by which we can better ourselves. I find it callous for this film to assert otherwise and sell it as something wholesome or desirable.

Perhaps it was fate that led "Slumdog" to its eight-Oscar triumph. Perhaps the selections of the Academy members had been determined long ago. A friend of mine suggested it might have even

been a sort of affirmative action. I wouldn't go quite that far, but I would definitely say that the Academy could have chosen (at least for Best Picture) a far timelier and worthier film.

For instance, "Milk" reveals an enlightening correlation between the tribulations faced by the gay rights movement today and in the 1970s. "Frost/Nixon" features a superb performance by Frank Langella that lets us peer into the mind of Richard Nixon during his darkest days. "Benjamin Button" turns the love narrative on end and offers a plethora of insights into life, significance and humanity.

The glimmer of superficial hope and entertaining distraction afforded by "Slumdog" can hardly stand when matched against any of these far superior films. Its naivety is endearing but ultimately unsatisfying.

History will likely remember the other nominees as exceptional films nonetheless. Unfortunately an Oscar still carries significant prestige to be bestowed only on the most enduringly great films. The Academy's shortsighted fixation with "Slumdog" and its Cinderella narrative is unfortunate. I can only hope that they realize they are not bound by some mythical destiny when they convene again in 2010.

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How to deal with your super psychotic ex-lover

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Love is undoubtedly the most powerful force on Earth. Lovers have been known to schlep all the way from East Buffalo Street to Balch just to swap bodily drippings and infect each other with whatever microorganisms they might be carrying.

Love compels otherwise logical and intelligent women to trample each other to death outside of bargain bin wedding dress sales, stuff themselves into Wonderbras, and deny the existence of farts.

Even more remarkable is love's ability to transform the most rugged of men into eager lapdogs whose sole

purpose for existence is to debate whether or not Jay is being faithful to Whitney on The City. By the way, if you ask me, Jay is totes playing Whitney and is going to hook up with Danielle next week.

But what happens when you fall out of love? Is there such a thing as a civil, mutual breakup where both parties part on good terms and remain friends?

No. Without fail, the Breakup-ees almost instinctively lose their grip on reality, become Dementors from Harry Potter and siphon the happiness and soul out of the Breakup-er's tired and withered shell of a body.

Breakup-ees were neither born psychopaths, nor are they consciously acting out of spite. They are merely

obeying the Law of Conservation of Energy, which states that energy can neither be created nor destroyed — it may only change forms. Physically speaking, the Love Energy expended during a relationship must equal the Spite Energy expended during a breakup. Other energy expenditures, such as going to therapy, exercising or acquiring hobbies, won't suffice because they do not equal the initial Love Energy.

For example, the energy that Breakup-ees invest into memorizing a Breakup-er's birthday, favorite songs and childhood vacations may be reallocated into memorizing their daily schedule and trailing the Breakup-er at all times, laughing maniacally and muttering barely audible curses all the while.

Notice that the Breakup-er was trying to rid his life of the Breakup-ee, much as an Amazon River swimmer tries to rid himself of blood sucking leeches. Ironically, the Breakup-ers have effectively cemented themselves at the center of a Breakup-ee's thoughts, plots and musings by ending the relationship.

Sometimes, revenge can get slightly out of hand. In 1993, Lorena Bobbitt used a carving knife to cut off her adulterous, sleeping husband's penis. After driving away from the apartment, she proceeded to throw the penis out of the car window into a field. Fortunately, authorities were able to locate the penis and reattach it to the husband, who later became the star of such acclaimed adult films as John Wayne Bobbitt: Uncut and Frankenpenis.

Lorena Bobbitt got off scot-free due to — you guessed it — insanity, proving that actions and consequences are two entirely different entities. Mandatory Public Service Announcement: No matter how hilariously appropriately this punishment fits the crime, domestic violence isn't cool, especially when one's junk

is on the line.

If we can't go around lopping off penises, what can we do to obey the Breakup Law of Conservation of Energy? The solution is Glow Power.

Glow Power is the revolutionary social movement by which passive aggression and cynical thought mentality are utilized to change the world in a negative way. Benefits of Glow Power include personal entertainment, boosted mood relative to others and a smug sense of superiority.

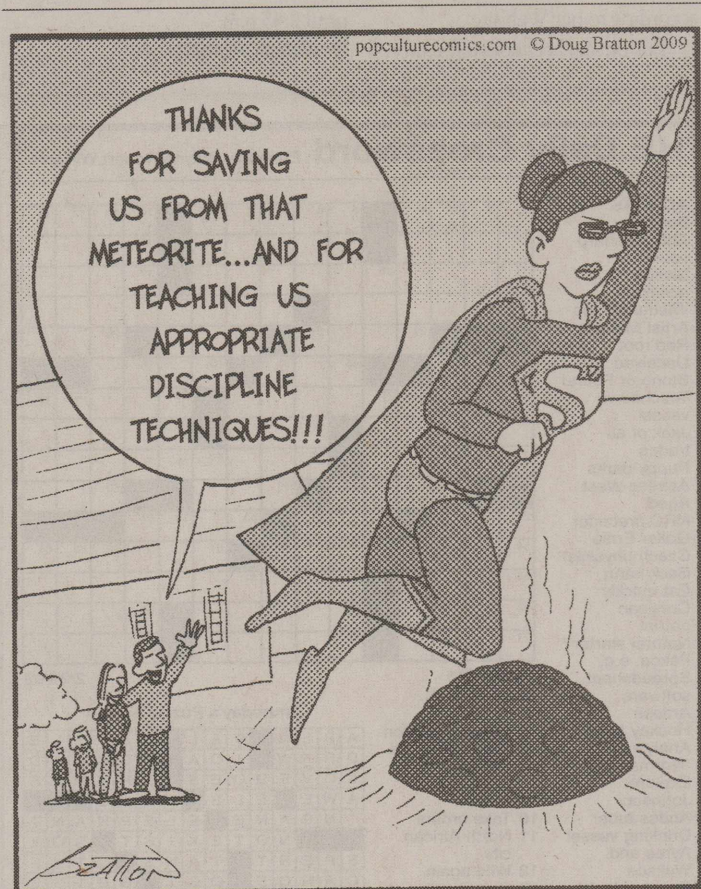
Some of you may be asking yourselves, "How can I make Glow Power a part of my life?" It's simple. Creating an atmosphere of unfriendliness and conflict can be achieved through Random Acts of Malice.

RAMs are small, unpredictable actions that disrupt the life of another person, yet result in no actual benefit to the RAMer other than fulfilling one's innate destructive urges. The best RAMs require a minimum of effort and consequence on the part of the RAMer, yet inflict maximum damage to the person who gets RAMed.

Here are some ideas to help get you get started RAMing the person you once loved. Has your honey been peddling her wares all over campus with that slutty halter top? Put that "secret" homemade sex video you filmed that one night when you were drunk on YouTube. Actually, maybe that's not mean enough, as it did wonders for Paris Hilton's career. On second thought, just sprinkle red pepper flakes in her panties.

Has your man been scamming on you with your best friend? Take a pin and make tiny holes in his condoms. Important note: Now is probably a good idea to either stop sleeping with him or take birth control.

Each and every one of us has a whole mess of crazy deep within. If someone breaks up with you, don't let it go to waste by moving on. Show how much you care by ruining their life.



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Study of fossils shows prehistoric fish had sex

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — The fossilized remains of two pregnant fish indicate that sex as we know it — fertilization of eggs inside a female — took place as much as 30 million years earlier than previously thought, researchers said Thursday.

Scientists from Australia and Britain studying 380 million-year-old fossils of the armored placoderm fish, or *Incisoscutum richiei*, said they were initially confused when they realized that the two fish were carrying embryos. They originally thought the fish laid their eggs before fertilization.

"Once we found embryos in this group, we knew they had internal fertilization. But how the hell are they doing it?" said John Long, the head of sciences at the Museum Victoria in Melbourne who wrote a paper on the

discovery that appeared in Thursday's issue of the journal *Nature*.

The answer came when the scientists re-examined the pelvis of the male placoderm, armed with the new information about fertilization. After looking at specimens at the Natural History Museum in London and the Museum Victoria, they realized the pelvis had a fin not seen on the female fish, and surmised it was likely used to grip its mate during fertilization, much as sharks do.

"These fish have an extra large bone that attaches to the pelvic bone," he said. "It had been overlooked and hadn't been identified. So in a nutshell, we have reinterpreted the structure of the pelvic bone in these placoderms to show they had a method for copulation."

Zerina Johanson, a paleontologist at the Natural History Museum who also took part in the study along with the University of Western Australia's Kate Trinajstic, said findings of internal fertilization showed that "sex started a lot sooner than we thought."

"We expected these early fishes would show a more primitive type of reproduction, where sperm and eggs combine in the water and embryos develop outside fish," Johanson said in a statement.

Per Ahlberg, a professor of evolutionary organismal biology at Uppsala University in Sweden who did not take part in the study, said the discovery "may prove to have far-reaching implications for our understanding of early vertebrate evolution."

Jerry Seinfeld bringing reality series to NBC

NEW YORK (AP) — Jerry Seinfeld is returning to NBC as producer of a comic reality series where celebrities and a referee try to help squabbling couples make peace.

That's the good news for Seinfeld's fans.

The bad news? Seinfeld said he has no plans to step in front of the cameras for "The Marriage Ref" or, for that matter, to ever star in a television series again.

"It's a young man's game," said Seinfeld, 54. "Nothing could surpass the experience I had."

That would be "Seinfeld," of course, the sitcom that ended its nine-year run in 1998, a big part of NBC's golden era. The fourth-place network has since fallen on hard times, and jumped at the chance to

welcome back one of its top names.

The idea came from personal experience.

Seinfeld and his wife, Jessica, were arguing one day — he doesn't remember the topic — while a friend was visiting. The friend became uncomfortable and wondered if she should leave.

"I said, 'You know what, I need some help to settle this right here. I need a marriage ref,'" he said, and the friend obliged.

Seinfeld helped develop the idea with a friend, Ellen Rakieten, who had just left Oprah Winfrey's production company after working there for 23 years.

She brought the problem-solving experience and Seinfeld added the comic sensibility. They don't intend

to delve into serious stuff, but smaller things like leaving the bathroom messy. Even, perhaps, about nothing, really.


"I've been married for nine years," Seinfeld said in a phone interview. "One of my favorite things is talking to guys about their marriage. It's so funny because it's not your problem."

Indeed, Rakieten said, "we all fight about the same stuff. When you can look at it in a funny way and realize you're not alone, it takes some of the edge off it."

The hour-long episodes will introduce the couples through filmed reports and show them fighting. A panel of celebrity guests will weigh in to offer advice and observations before the final arbiter, a "ref" who hasn't been selected yet, will settle things.

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Utilizing both free, machine weights benefits gym goers

If you're looking to tone your muscles or bulk up, spend time in the weight room.

A lot of bad information and myths surround the use of machine and free weights. As a personal trainer, I've seen the benefits of using a well-established program utilizing the use of both machine and free weights.

The key to success with strength training is a proper balance of effort and recovery time, along with a warm up and cool down.

When warming up for strength training, it is important to remember to warm up the specific muscles you intend to work.

For example, it doesn't make sense to go run a few laps before you do a set of bench press (other than to raise your core body temperature).

By targeting the muscles you are about to work out, you decrease the chance of injury and raise your body's aptitude to lift heavier loads.

A warm up may consist of doing the same exercise you are about to do but with a significantly lighter load for no more than three sets of 12.

One of the most common inquiries I get regarding strength training and condition is comparing the purposes of machine and free weights.

Both have their purposes and downsides, and your personal use of either system depends on your physical fitness level and knowledge of proper technique.

Machine weights are extremely useful for a beginner in the sense that they isolate the target muscle groups and restrict range of motion to prevent injury.

John Miller



Free weights are a very useful tool in any workout routine, as long as you have mastered proper form and technique, because the safeguards put in place by machine weights are not present.

When working with free weights, you not only work with target muscle groups, but also any other muscles that will stabilize the aforementioned muscles throughout the entire movement.

This is not to say machine weights are more for beginners and free weights only benefit more experienced gym goers, because a lack of a spotting partner or a multitude of other reasons may prompt even the most seasoned gym veteran to use a machine weight system.

In regards to recovery time, it is important to let your body rest between sets as well as between workout days. During exercise recruiting maximal effort from your muscles, it takes about two to five minutes of rest to restore your body's energy, or ATP stores.

If you are training for explosive power using between 70 percent and 85 percent of your body's maximum effort, you should have between one and two minutes of recovery time.

If you are training for endurance at a level less than two thirds of your maximum effort, you should

rest for no more than 30 seconds between sets.

After you have completed your workout, it is important to allow your body time to recover from your workout. You should give muscles 48 hours to fully recover from strenuous exercise.

So, before Amanda takes four days off between working out, she should know only two days are really necessary and going to the gym to get her blood moving to those sore muscles is actually beneficial.

Cooling down is important after weight training, because it lowers your heart rate in a safe manner and allows you to recover properly.

By stretching after you work out, you increase your flexibility, which will ultimately aid in increasing your range of motion and injury prevention. When stretching after exercise, hold your stretches static (without bouncing) for 20 to 30 seconds.

Strength training with machine and free weights, when done correctly, is a very good method for toning and strengthening muscles.

Be sure to use a spotter when necessary, take proper rest times between sets, and let your body recover properly.

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

MC Hammer to focus on family, business in show

WISCONSIN DELLS, Wis. (AP) — Viewers of MC Hammer's new reality TV show shouldn't expect to see him lounging around the house in baggy pants.

The 1990s rap music sensation says "Hammertime" will give viewers a glimpse of his 16-hour days as a businessman, computer geek, proud father and husband. The show will air on cable's A&E, starting as early as May.

The show will follow Hammer, his wife of 23 years, five children and two nephews — aged 3 to 21 — who live in their Oakland, Calif., area home.

"You're going to see an American family in the current environment of America," Hammer told The Associ-

ated Press on Thursday before giving a private concert at a resort. "College. High school. Junior high school. All the things that come along with family in day-to-day life, with the caveat that their dad is also a world-renowned recording artist."

He said the show would have many funny moments but wouldn't be scripted, "which actually makes it a better show."

Hammer, 46, said viewers might be surprised to learn about his business and technological savvy, including his attempts to build what he calls a social media empire. He helped found the media Web site dancejam.com, has unveiled a new iPhone application and frequently tweets

on Twitter.

"I'm a 2010 dad. I'm a real techie. I'm a geek on that side," he said. "This is a dad who is connected beyond any kid's wildest dreams when it comes down to the places they'd like to navigate on the Internet."

Hammer, who was born Stanley Burrell, said his children have their own talents that will be showcased. That includes Stanley Jr., a 13-year-old dancer who shares his father's affinity for technology.

He said his wife, Stephanie, and the children were more excited about opening their home to camera crews than he was.

FREE-FOOD FRENZY



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CHRISTINE THROWER, DRESSED as a chicken, and Arielle Freeling, dressed as a gorilla, from the Louisiana State University chapter of Chi Alpha Campus Ministries fight over a sign for "Free Food Friday" Tuesday outside the Student Union Building. Chi Alpha will give out free food this Friday in the Toreador Room in the Student Union Building.

Colleges warn students about Mexico travel

PHOENIX (AP) — The U.S. State Department and universities around the country are warning college students headed for Mexico for some spring-break partying of a surge in drug-related murder and mayhem south of the border.

"We're not necessarily telling students not to go, but we're going to certainly alert them," said Tom Dougan, vice president for student affairs at the University of Rhode Island. "There have been Americans kidnapped, and if you go you need to be very aware and very alert to this fact."

More than 100,000 high school- and college-age Americans travel to Mexican resort areas during spring break each year. Much of the drug violence is happening in border towns, and tourists have generally not been targeted, though there have

been killings in the big spring-break resorts of Acapulco and Cancun, well away from the border.

Campuses in Texas and around the country are urging caution.

In the Texas A&M University System, the main campus in College Station is informing students and parents about the State Department's travel advisory to Mexico. The main University of Texas campus in Austin isn't issuing a specific Mexico advisory but refers students to the State Department Web site for all international travel.

Three UT campuses are on the border, including UT-Pan American in Edinburg, where the school and police are both planning travel advisories. UT-El Paso, across the Rio Grande from crime-ravaged Ciudad Juarez, is discussing what kind of warning to issue.

At Texas A&M International in Laredo, the university regularly advises students starting at orientation not to travel into Mexico, and how they can stay safe when they do. They pass along official warnings in emails, but aren't planning any advisories on recent events.

"As the bulk of our population lives here in Laredo, they are already well aware of that sort of thing," said Steve Harmon, director of public relations for the school.

The University of Arizona in Tucson is urging its approximately 37,000 students not to go to Mexico. Other universities — in the Southwest and far beyond, including Penn State, Notre Dame, the University of Colorado and the University at Buffalo — said they would call students' attention to the travel warning issued Feb. 20 by the State Department.

Finding genes that make teeth grow all in a row

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ever wonder why sharks get several rows of teeth and people only get one? Some geneticists did, and their discovery could spur work to help adults one day grow new teeth when their own wear out.

A single gene appears to be in charge, preventing additional tooth formation in species destined for a limited set. When the scientists bred mice that lacked that gene, the rodents developed extra teeth next to their first molars — backups like sharks and other non-mammals grow, University of Rochester scientists reported Thursday.

If wondering about shark teeth

seems rather wonky, consider: Tooth loss from gum disease is a major problem, here and abroad, and dentures or dental implants are far from perfect treatments. If scientists knew exactly what triggers a new tooth to grow in the first place, it's possible they could switch that early-in-life process on again during adulthood to regenerate teeth.

"It's exciting. We've got a clue what to do," said Dr. Songtao Shi of the University of Southern California School of Dentistry, who said the Rochester discovery will help his own research into how to grow a new tooth from scratch.

Also intriguing: All the mice born

without this gene, called *Osr2*, had cleft palates severe enough to kill. So better understanding of this gene might play a role in efforts to prevent that birth defect, the Rochester team reported in the journal *Science*.

Teeth may not be visible until long after birth, but they start to form early in embryo development. Teeth ultimately erupt from a thickened band of tissue along the jaw line called the dental lamina, a band that forms in a top layer of the gum called the epithelium. Scientists have long thought the signals for tooth formation must lie in that tissue layer as well.

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — A jury awarded nearly \$7 million to a 56-year-old woman who said she was unknowingly infected with herpes by the 77-year-old founder of a hair-care company.

The lawsuit alleged that Thomas Redmond knew he had genital herpes for more than 25 years but did not disclose it before his sexual relationship began with Patricia Behr, and did not use a condom.

The Riverside County jury awarded Behr \$4. million in compensa-

tory damages and \$2.75 million in punitive damages. She was also awarded a 2004 BMW car that Redmond had originally given her as a gift.

Redmond, of Las Vegas, is the founder of Redmond Products Inc., which was the maker of the Aussie line of hair-care products. The company was sold in 1997 to Bristol-Myers Squibb Co. and became part of Clairol, which was sold to Procter & Gamble Co. in 2001.

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Shantytown welcomes 'Slumdog' kids

MUMBAI, India (AP) — From the shantytown's corrugated tin roofs to its squalid streets, proud relatives and neighbors cheered, celebrated and warmly embraced the two child stars of the Oscar-winning "Slumdog Millionaire" who returned home Thursday.

Azharuddin Mohammed Ismail, who portrays Salim, the hero's brother, displayed some fancy Bollywood moves as he danced to the throbbing music from the movie, embodying the exuberant spirit of its popular song, "Jai Ho" — "Be Victorious."

His father, Mohammed Ismail, wore a spotless white shirt and trousers and looked on in pride as the 10-year-old entertained the crowd in the Bandra slum, north of Mumbai.

Young Azharuddin — Azhar to his friends — did some more dancing after arriving at his lean-to of plastic tarpaulins and moldy blankets.

Rubina Ali, 9, who plays the film's heroine, Latika, as a child, was carried on her father's shoulders, waving at people who gathered on the rickety roofs and on balconies draped with rugs and filthy plastic sheets.

The pair and other child actors from the film traveled to Los Angeles for Sunday's Academy Awards ceremony, where the rags-to-riches tale won eight Oscars, including best picture.

Rubina, who less than a week ago walked the red carpet at the Kodak Theater in Los Angeles and romped through Disneyland, came back to her home that sits above a sea of trash.

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Tech baseball heads west; takes on Cal State-Northridge

By **MIKE GRAHAM**
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech baseball's next challenge: getting quality wins on the West Coast.

The Red Raiders hit the road for the first time for a weekend series against Cal State-Northridge that begins at 4 p.m. today in Northridge, Calif.

Tech coach Dan Spencer said the road trip is a business trip, not a Pacific vacation.

"To get guys out there and to see something different is part of the college experience," he said. "It's different. All those clubs out there have won some games and played good people. There's no gimmes out there."

Offensively, Cal State-Northridge (1-3) has been unimpressive.

While two players have very high batting averages, the rest of their lineup is batting below a .300.

Infielder Ryan Pineda is batting .538 with seven hits, two doubles and a home run despite the tough competition the Matadors have played thus far. Cal State-Northridge faced Pepperdine, a traditional baseball powerhouse, in a

three-game series and one game against Loyola Marymount. A 6-2 victory over Pepperdine serves as the lone win for the Matadors.

Catcher John Parham also is hitting well, touching base on seven of 16 at-bat opportunities, one double and one for a homer.

Tech (5-1) matches up favorably against Cal State-Northridge in batting. Cal State-Northridge is batting a .268 average while Tech has three players in the projected starting lineup batting above .400.

Chris Richburg leads the team with a .450 average, three homers and 12 runs. Kellen Monreal and Scott LeJune round out the plus .400 hitters. Tech also has three hitters who are above .300 in Joey Kenworthy, Justin Berry and Taylor Ashby.

Strong pitching from the Matador starters kept Cal State-Northridge in its narrowly lost ballgames — all three of the games it has lost have come down to one run, despite poor offensive numbers.

As hitting lags, pitching thrives for the Matadors

Cal State-Northridge's starting pitch-

ers have a combined ERA of 2.12 and an opposing batting average of .255 through about 6 1/3 innings of work.

Opposing hitters are batting a cumulative .286 average against the Matadors, but wins against Cal State-Northridge have come from relievers who have not sealed the deal. In all of Cal State-Northridge's losses this season, the game-winning runs have crossed the plate in the ninth inning.

"It's not about finishing," Matador coach Steve Rousey said. "Right now we're just failing to execute, not taking the outs opponents are giving us by errors."

Cal State-Northridge last played Tech during the 2007 season in Lubbock. Tech won that series two games to one.

Tech enters the weekend after splitting a mid-week series with New Mexico in Lubbock.

The West Coast boasts some of the best NCAA Division I baseball teams in the nation. Three teams from California have won the College World Series in the past 10 seasons and the state has boasted three runner-ups during that time frame. Fresno State won the College World Series last season and Oregon State has



PHOTO BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Treador
CHRIS RICHBURG AND the Red Raiders begin a West Coast road trip against Cal State-Northridge at 4 p.m. today in Northridge, Calif.

two titles of its own.

The Cal State-Northridge series begins what is an eight-game, 11-day road trip. After Cal State-Northridge, Tech will take on Cal-Riverside for one game in Riverside, Calif., and then again as part

of the Palm Springs Tournament in Palm Springs, Calif.

Tech also will face San Francisco, Gonzaga and Oregon State, respectively in Palm Springs before returning to Lubbock.

"You can't be too disappointed with having to go to California to play baseball," Richburg said. "Everybody's really fired up and we're excited to go on the road."

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Women's tennis grabs two victories against Midwestern State, No. 21 TCU

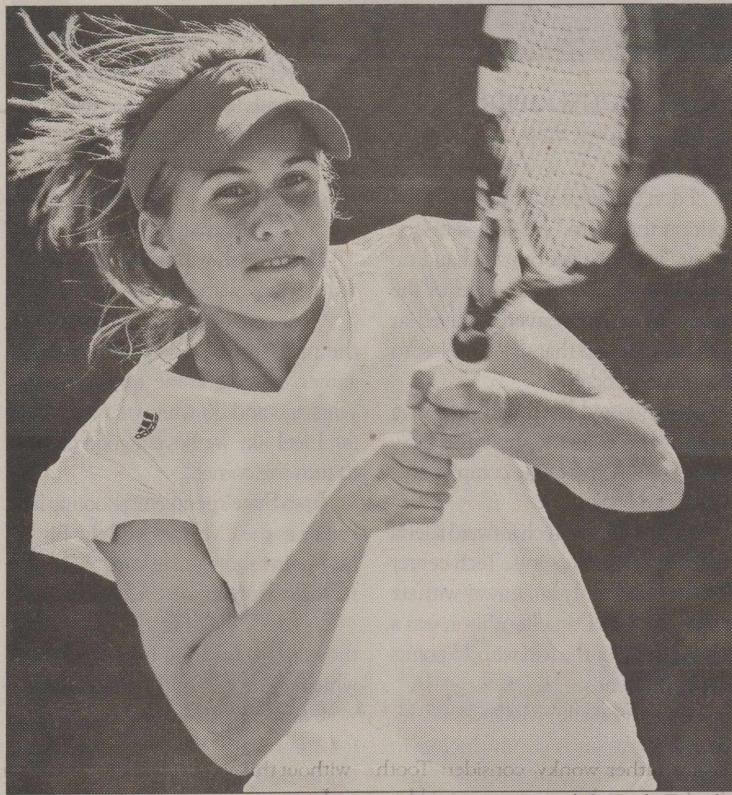


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TEXAS TECH'S SAMANTHA van der Drift plays against Midwestern State Thursday at the McLeod Tennis Center.

By **ZANE TURNER**
STAFF WRITER

Thursday's matches for the Texas Tech women's tennis team did a little more than just get the Lady Raiders back to .500.

Tech (4-4) defeated Midwestern State (1-3) 6-1 and upset No. 21 TCU (4-4) 4-3 Thursday — two wins that have the Lady Raiders back on the right track.

"We definitely came into the first match going after them," Kerryn Potgieter said. "In the locker room before the TCU match we were so pumped up to play we just knew we had to keep the ball rolling."

The win against TCU came down to one match and one player.

Winning singles matches for the Lady Raiders at No. 2, Kelsy Garland defeated TCU's Katarina Tuohimaa in three sets, 2-6, 7-5, 6-4, and in the No. 4 spot, Natalie Leitch disposed of TCU's Anna Sydorska in straight sets, 6-2, 7-6.

With the score tied at three

all, Potgieter came through in the clutch by defeating TCU's Maria Babanova in a thrilling three-set tiebreaker, 6-4, 6-7, 7-6 (7-5).

"We've been waiting for somebody to step up and finish one," Tech coach Todd Petty said. "We've been so close and I thought Kerryn did an exceptional job at just hanging in there and then at the end kinda showing no nerves and playing fearless tennis to close it down. I know one win isn't gonna get you into the NCAA Tournament and that is the ultimate goal. I think this is a program-changing win for us because it shows that the mindset and attitude has changed."

Potgieter said she went into the match looking to play strong and had to fight through some tough points in the match.

"I went into it aggressive," she said. "After winning the first set I kinda came out slow in the second and just decided I needed to go after it. Then towards the end made some silly mistakes, it was mentally

tough."

Tech had no problems with Midwestern State in the morning match, as the Lady Raiders dominated their match from start to finish.

Tech won each of the three doubles matches clinching the doubles point.

The No. 1 duo of Samantha van der Drift and Garland and No. 3 team of Potgieter and Lindsey Holcombe defeated Midwestern State's Alex Odell-Michels and Collean Kinser and Tonya Blair and Mica Vinson each 8-2, respectively.

The Lady Raiders took five of the six singles matches with Holcombe earning her first career victory in her first start against the Mustang's Vinson in straight sets, 6-3, 7-5.

At the No. 3 position, Simone Templeton won every set against Midwestern State's Kaja Banas, 6-0, 6-0.

However, the Lady Raiders surrendered one point on No. 1 van der Drift's loss to Midwestern

State's Odell-Michels in a three-set tiebreaker, 6-7, 6-3, 9-11.

The Lady Raiders were scheduled to play SMU Sunday at the McLeod Tennis Complex, but Petty said the match now is cancelled.

The Texas Tech men's tennis team hosts their first two home matches this weekend at 1 p.m. Saturday against No. 39 TCU and 10 a.m. Sunday against New Mexico State at the McLeod Tennis Complex. The New Mexico match was originally scheduled for March 29.

Last year Tech lost to TCU 4-3 and were given a run last year by an underrated New Mexico State team winning 6-1.

"We're looking forward to being at home," Tech men's tennis coach Tim Siegel said. "We didn't lose a match last year at home, I don't think we lost one the year before. TCU is very similar to us in ranking and we know them very well. I think they are going to be hard fought and evenly matched contests."

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THE GOLD STOP

Red Raiders with shot to upset Griffin-less Sooners

By ALEX YBARRA
MANAGING EDITOR

Even though Oklahoma forward Blake Griffin's phenomenal stat line against Texas Tech earlier this month earned him the nickname "Terminator" from Tech coach Pat Knight, guard John Roberson would rather see Griffin suit up after a recent concussion sidelined him for the past two games.

"I want him to play because I would hate to end up actually winning the game that he didn't play," said Roberson, whose Red Raiders play No. 3 OU at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in the United Spirit Arena. "Then everybody will say, 'Oh, Blake Griffin didn't play.' I wanna play them 100 percent."

That's exactly what happened when Oklahoma (25-3, 11-2 in Big 12 Conference play) lost to No. 25 Texas on Feb. 21 and at home against No. 15 Kansas on Monday. Both losses came after Griffin suffered a concussion midway through the first half against the Longhorns. While the Sooners still make up a strong team without him, they obviously were not as dominant as before.

Prior to the Texas game, Griffin had 40 points and 23 rebounds in a 95-74 win against Tech (12-16, 2-11) on Feb. 14. That kind of production has been missed greatly by the Sooners, who were on the verge of their first No. 1 ranking since 1990.

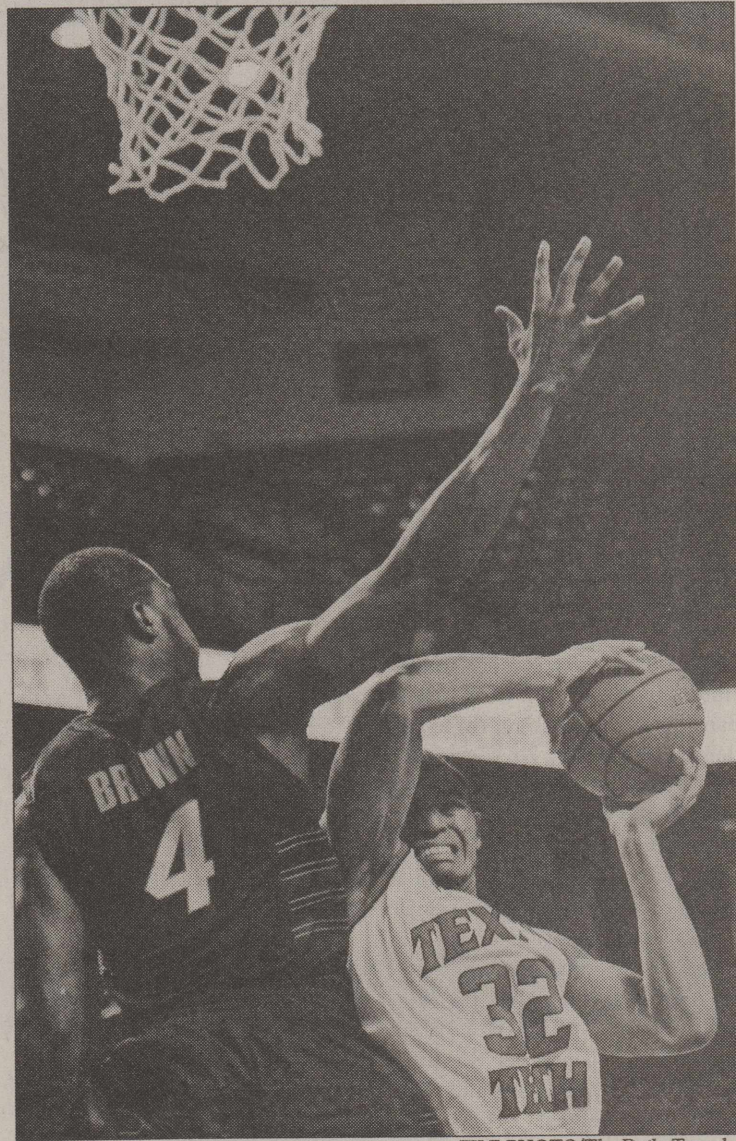
Reports from the Associated Press on Thursday indicated that Griffin's return for Saturday's game remains uncertain, but Roberson said the Red Raiders have anticipated the possible rise of the "Terminator" in practices this week.

"We're preparing that he will play, and if he doesn't then we'll adjust," he said. "Right now, we're preparing that he is gonna play and he's gonna be going 100 percent."

For Tech, a team struggling to nab a satisfying victory, a Griffin-less Oklahoma team may be a blessing in disguise. An upset victory against the Sooners could serve as a great confidence booster for Wednesday's meeting with Kansas. For those who don't know, Tech upset the Jayhawks in Lubbock in 2005 and 2007.

Plus, beating the Sooners could be somewhat of a season-saving win for Tech, who has lost five straight games and 11 of its last 13.

Tech forward Mike Singletary said he and his teammates have talked about



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MIKE SINGLETARY AND Texas Tech face No. 3 Oklahoma at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in the United Spirit Arena. It is still uncertain if OU standout Blake Griffin will play.

what it would mean to knock off OU.

"This is a big time opportunity for us," he said. "Right now we're at the bottom and they're up at the top. We feel like if we get this win, that could salvage the season a little bit. At the same time, we want to end the season on a high note with wins and that's just one step towards that goal."

"If (Griffin) doesn't play, that'll be a little bit better for us. If he does play, we'll still be ready for him."

If he doesn't play, Tech will need to be ready for guard Willie Warren.

In Griffin's absence, the freshman from Fort Worth has 50 points and has made 9-of-18 from 3-point range.

Roberson, who played Warren in high school, said Warren is a "big power guard," that has shouldered the offensive responsibility Griffin normally handles.

"The last two games that Blake Griffin didn't play," Roberson said, "(Warren) was real aggressive to score and if Blake Griffin doesn't play we're probably gonna tune up our defense to stop him."

Tech is coming off Wednesday's 87-81 loss at Texas, in which the Red Raiders led by as much as nine points. It was another game that Knight's squad could have won, but fouls and costly plays let one slip away again.

It's a theme that has plagued the Red Raiders ever since Big 12 play started.

"It's rough," Singletary said. "It's just we've been going through that all year. We've been trying to get over the hump and trying out new things, but we're just gonna keep playing our hardest, keep trying to get the win."

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Tech prepares for No. 25 Iowa St. after Baylor loss

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Iowa State women's basketball coach Bill Fennelly realizes it's crunch time as Big 12 Conference teams approach the final games of the regular season.

Texas Tech (15-12, 5-8 in Big 12 play) and No. 25 Iowa State (20-7, 8-5), who face each other at 8 p.m. Saturday in the United Spirit Arena, are fighting for NCAA Tournament spots as the season winds down.

Although ISU's path to a tourney bid is almost a definite with a few games left, Fennelly said he believes the Cyclones will face a hungry Tech team.

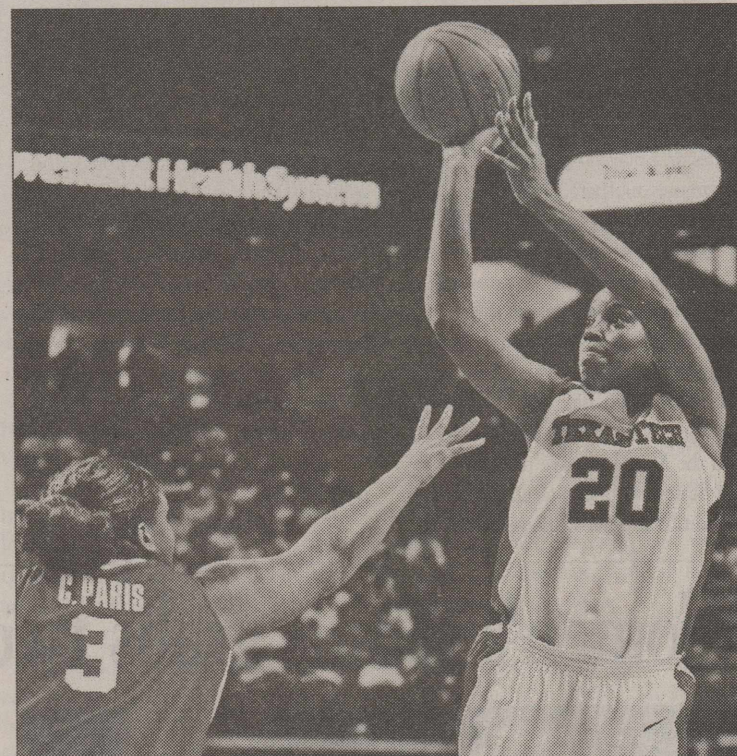
"When you play in a league like the Big 12, where in the past, we've had some 7-9 teams get in the tournament," he said, "I'm sure Texas Tech is looking at this as one of those huge games. They have five wins. I'm sure their looking at their schedule saying, 'Hey we get to 7-9; and they're hosting. They got a great shot and I think they deserve to be in.'"

Iowa State grabbed a 76-63 win against Colorado Wednesday, helping the Cyclones stay afloat after a 58-47 loss to Kansas on Feb. 22.

On the other hand, Tech is coming off an 83-53 loss to No. 6 Baylor Wednesday — the worst loss of the season for the Lady Raiders. The loss came after a 74-70 win at Oklahoma State Feb. 21, which seemed to give the Lady Raiders the momentum they needed to pick up a few wins at the right time.

Before the game against Baylor, Tech coach Kristy Curry said seven wins could get a Big 12 team in the NCAA Tournament.

Fennelly agreed, as he said he is not expecting the Baylor loss to set the Lady Raiders back.



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH'S KIERRA Mallard and the Lady Raiders hope to knock off No. 25 Iowa State at 8 p.m. Saturday in the United Spirit Arena.

"I don't think it really changes the position they're in," he said. "I'm sure no one wants to get beat bad and no one wants to play at this level of the season when you haven't played at your best. We did that when we lost to Kansas on Sunday."

Fennelly said Tech will present a challenge, considering how the Lady Raiders' strong post play compliments a balanced backcourt.

Against Baylor, Tech forward Kierra Mallard scored 18 points. Tech center Dominic Seals only came away with six points. Baylor's Danielle Wilson was a driving force for the win with 13 points and 13 rebounds.

After the game, Mallard said rebounding was an issue in the loss to Baylor.

"We just didn't box out," she said,

"and you need five players to box out and Baylor did that."

But if seven wins is the key, Tech's tourney hopes are not yet diminished.

"Our goal now is to get two out of the next three," Curry said after the game. "Having come to Tech three years ago and do what we've done so far, I feel like we have a good chance to turn the corner."

Iowa State's perimeter shooting will be key as the Cyclones lead the Big 12 in 3-point shots made with 207. The next closest team — Oklahoma State — has 163. Heather Ezell has 68 of those 207 shots from beyond the arc, which also is best in the conference.

Curry and players were unavailable for comment Thursday, with Friday being the day for interviews.

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Track team travels to Big 12 Championships

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Everything the Texas Tech track team has done this season has been in preparation for this weekend.

The Red Raiders begin competition at the Big 12 Conference Championships at 11 a.m. today in College Station.

With nine Big 12 teams in the Top 25 on the men's side and six on the women's side, the conference championship could be a good preview of the teams they will see at nationals.

The Tech men are ranked No. 10 and the women are No. 17.

"I'm excited," Tech coach Wes Kitley said. "I feel like the women have a great chance to win. I think we've got to go into the meet and have a great meet to do that."

Besides Tech, Kitley also said he thought Texas A&M, Nebraska and Baylor are other teams that should challenge for the title on the women's side.

The Lady Raiders are led by eight-time national champion Sally Kipyego and All-American Patience Knight.

Kipyego is in her final season of eligibility and has a chance

to either tie or beat former Wisconsin standout Suzy Favor's record of most NCAA track and field championships by a female with nine.

"It's my last Big 12 (Championship) as a Red Raider," she said, "so I want to go there and represent the school well."

Kipyego already is automatically qualified for nationals in the 5,000-meter race and the mile. She holds the collegiate record in the 3,000-meter race from her performance at the Boston Indoor Games, however, that meet did not count as an NCAA qualifier.

This weekend at A&M, Kipyego will run the 3,000-meter and the 5,000-meter. A qualification in the 3,000-meter would give her a chance to compete in three separate events at nationals.

Knight, a Tech shot-putter, looks to defend her title and leads the Big 12 field by more than two feet.

Tech sophomore Kelsey Lloyd said she is as prepared for this meet as she can be.

Lloyd holds the fourth-highest mark in the Big 12 in the high jump going into the meet.

"I hope to go ahead and place where I am placed right now in the Big 12," she said, "but I also hope to jump six foot."

The men's team is led by sophomore Gil Roberts and junior Omoghan Osaghae.

Roberts held the fastest 400-meter time in the world this year at 46.17 seconds. However, Washington's Jordan Boase beat his time in another meet a few hours later. Roberts still holds the school record and the fastest time in the Big 12.

Osaghae's converted 60-meter hurdles time of 7.72 leads the conference.

Kitley said the men's team still is young so it will be difficult for them to finish ahead of more experienced teams such as A&M and Texas, but he hopes for a top-four finish.

"If we can just be up there and be real competitive," he said, "and have some Big 12 champions and do well, then I'm going to be real pleased. But anything can happen."

The team left for College Station Thursday and are preparing for the competition to start.

The men's heptathlon and the women's pentathlon begin the event at 11 a.m. Running events begin at 2 p.m. and field events get started at 4 p.m.

The remainder of the events begin at 3 p.m. Saturday. All event results, as well as streaming video from the competition, can be found at www.big12sports.com.

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OU coach Capel: Blake Griffin still recovering

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma standout Blake Griffin is still recovering from a concussion and Sooners coach Jeff Capel said Thursday he isn't sure when the preseason All-American will be healthy enough to play.

Griffin has been out since sustaining the concussion during the first half of a loss at Texas on Saturday. The 6-foot-10 sophomore sat out as No. 3 Oklahoma (25-3, 11-2 Big 12)

lost 87-78 at home to No. 15 Kansas on Monday.

The Sooners visit Texas Tech on Saturday. Griffin will not be allowed to play unless he clears a battery of medical tests.

"He has to be able to do things," Capel said. "First of all, he's got to be able to not have headaches, not have nausea. We aren't going to do anything until we know he's fine and those symptoms have cleared. Then we'll be

able to determine better whether he'll be available to play on Saturday."

Griffin did shoot a little during the Sooners' practice Wednesday, Capel said, but was not involved in any contact drills.

"That kid's health is more important than any win or loss that we have for the rest of the season, so for me, it's not frustrating," Capel said. "For our team, it shouldn't be. Our main concern is his health."

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