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STATE

Texas receives \$517M in HUD stimulus money

FORT WORTH (AP) — The Department of Housing and Urban Development allocated more than \$500 million to Texas cities and counties Monday, part of a wave of stimulus money expected to flow into the state.

Federal officials released another \$14.4 million to support 12 Texas health centers, many of which provide care to people with no health insurance. The federal money is expected to create more than 400 jobs in the state, according to the Department of Health and Human Services.

NATION

Dow below 7,000 for first time since '97

NEW YORK (AP) — A relentless sell-off in the stock market Monday blew through barriers that would have been unthinkable just weeks ago, and investors warned there was no reason to believe buyers will return anytime soon.

The Dow Jones industrial average plummeted below 7,000 at the opening bell and kept driving lower all day, finishing at 6,763 — a loss of nearly 300 points. Each of the 30 stocks in the index lost value for the day.

And the Standard & Poor's 500 stock index, a much broader measure of the market's health, dipped below the psychologically important 700 level before closing just above it. It hadn't traded below 700 since October 1996.

WORLD

Donors pledge \$5B for Gaza, Abbas gov't

SHARM EL-SHEIK, Egypt (AP) — International donors pledged \$5.2 billion Monday to rebuild the devastated Gaza Strip and fund the Palestinian government, giving a powerful boost to Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas and putting new pressure on the rival Hamas militant group to moderate.

The pledges far surpassed the \$2.8 billion that Abbas' Palestinian Authority had set out to raise at the conference in this Egyptian Red Sea resort.

Hillary Rodham Clinton, attending the gathering on her first Mideast tour as U.S. secretary of state, told reporters the pledges showed the international community's "confidence" in Abbas, and his administration.

DEATH TOLL

4254

U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

SOURCE: Associated Press, confirmed by the Department of Defense

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PART THREE OF A THREE-PART SERIES

Highlighting outstanding members of the Texas Tech community

Communicating clearly



PHOTO COURTESY OF AMY PARKER
AMY PARKER, A Texas Tech doctoral candidate who works with children who have visual impairment plus another disability, shows her 3-year-old daughter Abby Parker the braille cue card for "window."

Graduate student teaches visually impaired children with additional disabilities to express feelings

By HANNAH BOEN
STAFF WRITER

Her students cannot see her or use words to communicate with her, but Amy Parker works every day to teach them to express their feelings.

The children Parker teaches have visual impairment and an additional disability that prevents them from employing commonly used methods of communication.

Parker, a doctoral candidate at Texas Tech, is conducting her dissertation research with four Lubbock children who have visual impairment plus another disability, such as autism.

Helen Keller was both deaf and blind, and Parker said her inspiration for working with her own students comes from Keller's story.

"The Helen Keller story is really the most profound story of our time," she said.

Keller's teacher, Annie Sullivan, used tactical sign language to enable her to communicate, Parker said, and she must

also find a bridge for her students to communicate.

Parker previously worked at the Helen Keller National Center after receiving graduate training in rehabilitation and deafness at the University of Tennessee. At the center, she helped aid deaf-blind adults.

Parker said she recently has focused her efforts on teaching children with visual impairment and another disability how to communicate and has devised a system to aid in her students' communication.

Before they can communicate, she said her students are passive, angry and frustrated. Their teachers and parents can be stressed and sometimes feel hopeless.

Parker said growing up with a sister who had special needs and hearing the story of Helen Keller taught her to have hope in the children she teaches.

"Helen Keller had a very gifted mind, but for so long, she just couldn't communicate," she said. "It took the patience of a teacher to help her learn to communicate."

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VP for Research candidate discusses research growth

By CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech vice president for research finalist Randy Avent discussed his strategic plan for increasing research in an open forum Monday in the Escondido Theatre of the Student Union Building.

Avent proposed he would increase faculty, develop research infrastructure and build relationships if chosen as the Tech vice president for research.

"Clearly, if we want to achieve both (goals of reaching 40,000 students and increasing research funding), we must increase the faculty body significantly," Avent said.

He would publicize faculty accomplishments, proactively recruiting new faculty members, and increasing endowment packages to expand faculty numbers without detracting from their time spent researching, he said.

To develop research infrastructure, Avent said he would grow basic research roles in all colleges and build nationally important research centers on campus to secure and improve information technology services for the university.

"My goal is to develop and implement a strategic research plan and foster a research culture at Texas Tech," he said.



PHOTO BY RUBEN CASTILLO/The Daily Toreador

RANDY AVENT, ASSOCIATE chief technology officer at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Lincon Laboratory, speaks to a crowd about why he is best fit for the vice president of research position at Texas Tech Monday in the Escondido Theatre. Avent is the last of four candidates who came to Tech to speak about their qualifications and goals for the the position of vice president of research.

By encouraging Interagency Personnel Agreements with Washington, D.C., and building relationships within the academic community, he said, faculty research opportunities and travel funding will increase.

"I want to promote an internal and external collaboration and promote the spirit of entrepreneurship," Avent said. "Innovation is much better when we have a diverse set of people."

Bob Stafford, member of the Tech Board of Regents and chairman for the search for the vice

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Health-care infections prevalent in hospitals

By KENDYL SEBESTA
STAFF WRITER

An estimated 1.7 million health care-associated infections and 99,000 associated deaths occur in American hospitals each year, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site.

Of the health care-associated infections, 32 percent are comprised of urinary tract infections, 22 percent of surgical site infections, 15 percent of lung infections and 14 percent of blood stream infections, according to the Web site.

Renaee Yates, Covenant infection control and prevention specialist, said while she could not offer specific numbers related to health care-associated infections at Covenant, the rate of surgical site infections at Covenant remains below the Centers for Disease Control national benchmark.

"We run surgical site infection rates and compare them against the national benchmark and the Centers for Disease Control rates," Yates said. "Our rates were well below the CDC benchmark. We've used this sort of comparison for years, in fact."

According to a report filed by the United States Government Accountability Office in September 2008, health care-associated infections are contracted by patients during medical treatment in health care facilities due to patient exposure to diversified pathogens through open wounds during or after surgery.

Twenty-two out of 23 U.S. states offer health care-associated infection public reporting records allowing



PHOTO BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Toreador

TREVOR DALTON, A graduate student at the Health Sciences Center studying microbiology and immunology from Lubbock, places bacteria in a vortexer to make the sample of bacteria infected mice tissue all the same gradient Monday in Dr. Kendra Rumbaugh's lab inside the HSC. The bacteria is being studied to see if bacteria of a lower concentration will take over the higher concentrated bacteria.

patients to compare infection rates at various hospitals in their state, according to the report. Texas, the 23rd state listed, does not provide such statistics.

Yates said Covenant uses a Surgical Care Implementation Program to protect patients against bacterial infections by ensuring appropriate pre- and post-operational antibacterial products are used. Covenant also provides surgical checklists to patients.

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	TODAY Sunny	High 84	Low 45		Wednesday Partly Cloudy	High 87	Low 49		Thursday Partly Cloudy	High 89	Low 48		Friday Partly Cloudy	High 88	Low 48		Saturday Partly Cloudy	High 73	Low 41
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Laptops reported stolen in residence halls

Laptop computers were stolen from three rooms in Chitwood Residence Hall Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday evening.

Col. Gordon Hoffman, deputy chief of the Texas Tech Police Department said the burglaries still are being investigated. He said an investigator has been assigned to the case and is interviewing roommates, neighbors and other possible witnesses. He said no suspects have been identified to his knowledge and the department is not yet sure if the burglaries are connected.

Hoffman said one room was left unsecured, another door was propped open and the form of entry from the other case is still unknown. Hoffman said there

were no pry marks on the door to indicate a forced entry. He said the student may have left the door slightly open.

"We encourage people to be sure the door is secured when they leave," Hoffman said.

Computers and iPods are "hot items" that are stolen quite often on campus, he said.

It is important to make sure items of value are not left in sight of those outside, Hoffman said, even in cars. He said in the current state of the economy, people are desperate.

He said one way to prevent burglaries in residence halls is to make sure others cannot "tailgate," or follow students with TechID cards into the residence halls, past

security doors.

Individuals who do not have identification cards to get past security should not be let in, Hoffman said, and that could be a link to the burglaries.

Hoffman said the police department will attempt to gather serial numbers from the owners of the computers and will attempt to find and seize the property.

D'aun Green, unit associate director for University Student Housing, said she spoke with Tech Police Monday morning and did not discover any new information. She said she is unsure of the status of the case and is not aware of any suspects in the case.

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Nuke inspector chides Iran, Syria

VIENNA (AP) — The U.N. nuclear monitoring agency cannot exclude the possibility that Iran may be hiding atomic activities, the agency's head said Monday.

Mohamed ElBaradei also acknowledged deadlock in a probe of alleged attempts by Tehran to make nuclear arms.

On Syria, which is also the focus of a nuclear investigation, ElBaradei suggested that Damascus seemed to be stonewalling efforts by his International Atomic Energy Agency to establish whether it tried to secretly build a plutonium producing reactor.

Neither observation was new but were noteworthy in reflecting how the IAEA was being stymied in its investigations of the two countries.

Iran is under U.N. Security Council sanctions for refusing to freeze uranium enrichment, which can be used both to make nuclear fuel or the fissile core of warheads. It additionally is suspected of at least planning to make nuclear weapons, according to intelligence supplied by the United States, Israel and other IAEA member nations.

Iran on Monday said it did not plan to develop a nuclear bomb. Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Hasan Qashqavi told reporters in Tehran, "We have said many times that a nuclear weapon has no place in Iran's defense doctrine."

Syria came into the nuclear spotlight in 2007 after Israeli jets bombed a site that Washington says was a nearly built nuclear reactor. Samples taken from the targeted

building have revealed traces of man-made uranium, and the agency is also following up on suspected Syrian purchases of materials that could be used for nuclear purposes.

ElBaradei urged both nations to show increased cooperation, in comments to the opening session of the IAEA's 35-nation board.

Unless Iran opens up its nuclear activities to greater agency examination, the IAEA "will not be in a position to provide credible assurances about the absence of undeclared nuclear material and activities," he said.

Additionally, the agency "was unable to make any progress on ... concerns about possible military dimensions of Iran's nuclear program because of lack of cooperation by Iran," he said.

Trade nominee 4th Obama pick to owe back taxes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Another Obama administration nominee has tax troubles. This time, it's Ron Kirk, the president's choice to be U.S. trade representative.

Kirk owes an estimated \$10,000 in back taxes from earlier in the decade and has agreed to pay them, the Senate Finance Committee said Monday. The committee said the taxes arise from Kirk's handling of speaking fees he donated to a scholarship fund that he set up at his alma mater, and for his deduction of the full cost of season tickets to the Dallas Mavericks professional basketball team.

Kirk also agreed to make changes

in his accounting of charitable deductions, including reducing the claimed value of a donated television from \$3,000 to \$1,500.

The former Dallas mayor is the fourth nominee by President Barack Obama to run into tax problems.

A third of the Senate voted against Tim Geithner's confirmation as treasury secretary after it was disclosed that he had to pay more than \$34,000 in back taxes and interest on income he made while working for the International Monetary Fund.

Former Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle then withdrew as a nominee to become Health and Hu-

man Services after it was disclosed that he failed to pay \$128,000 in taxes. Nancy Killefer, Obama's pick for chief performance officer, also bowed out amid tax problems.

White House spokesman Ben LaBolt said Kirk was working to clear up "a few minor issues" uncovered by the Senate committee. LaBolt expressed confidence that Kirk would be confirmed by the Senate.

Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus, D-Mont., called Kirk "the right person for this job" and said in a statement he will try to have the nomination move through his panel quickly.

Soldiers assassinate Guinea-Bissau president

BISSAU, Guinea-Bissau (AP) — Soldiers assassinated the president of Guinea-Bissau in his palace Monday hours after a bomb blast killed the army chief who had been his political rival for decades.

A military statement broadcast on state radio attributed President Joao Bernardo "Nino" Vieira's death to an "isolated" group of unidentified soldiers whom the armed forces said they were now hunting down. It said the military was not planning a coup in the West Africa nation, which has been a transit point for the cocaine trade to Europe.

The capital, Bissau, was calm

despite the pre-dawn gunfight at the palace, which erupted hours after armed forces chief of staff Gen. Batista Tagme na Waie — a longtime rival of the president — was killed by a bomb blast at his headquarters.

The former Portuguese colony has suffered multiple coups and attempted coups since 1980, when Vieira himself first took power in one.

Following an emergency Cabinet meeting on Monday, military spokesman Zamora Induta said top military brass told government officials "this was not a coup d'etat."

"We reaffirmed our intention to respect the democratically elected power

and the constitution of the republic," Induta said. "The people who killed President Vieira have not been arrested, but we are pursuing them. They are an isolated group. The situation is under control."

The constitution calls for parliament chief Raimundo Pereira to succeed the president in the event of his death.

Prime Minister Carlos Gomes Jr. said the fact that the military did not go through with a coup deserves praise. "The military showed their patriotism by not seizing power," he said, adding that both Vieira and Waie will receive state funerals in the coming days.

Infections

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"We ask patients to do things before surgery like keep their nails short, wash their hands well with soap and water, try to quit smoking before surgery and let their surgeons know of any infections they already have," she said. "They should also keep all incisions clean."

Patients also should not use a razor to shave prior to surgery, Yates said, because it creates small incisions in the skin that bacteria can enter into.

Kendra Rumbaugh, Texas Tech Health Sciences Center Department of Surgery researcher, said bacterial infections also can be found in post-surgical wounds and chronic wounds.

"MRSA is the major bacteria that people come into contact with because it's found frequently in hospital settings," Rumbaugh said. "It's a bacteria that healthy people come into

contact with all the time, but once people are in the hospital the immune system usually has been knocked down and it becomes a problem."

Rumbaugh said bacterial infections in patients with diabetes also have become a large problem due to the patient's tendency to develop non-healing chronic wounds resistant to antibiotics.

"It's a double edged sword," she said. "We want to be very careful of overusing anti-microbials because if we use them all the time it can lead to an antibiotic resistance. This can become a very serious problem for patients, especially for those with diabetes."

Rumbaugh said MRSA, along with many other bacterial strains, are resistant to virtually everything, causing patients and physicians to rely on the ability of the immune system to protect the patients, or patients face more serious consequences such as death.

Ted Reid, a Tech Department of

Ophthalmology professor, said exposing internal organs to bacteria during surgery also can create problems, as resistant strains of bacteria begin to spread beyond hospitals.

"There are all kinds of nasty bacteria out there," Reid said. "Normally they don't have a way to get into our bodies, but when surgeons put anything inside us bacteria can attach itself there and our white blood cells won't be able to protect us."

Reid said many patients also do not follow their doctor's instructions when taking antibiotics.

"Even though the doctor may tell their patient to keep taking antibiotics, many people stop when they feel better, and because they stopped early they kill all the bacteria but the resistant ones," Reid said. "So the next time they need it they have created even more resistant bacteria and it doesn't work as well."

According to the Texas Department of State Health Services Web site, MRSA skin infections often are misdiagnosed as a spider bite, and can begin with injury to the skin that results in warmth, redness, swelling, tenderness, and boils or blisters.

Methods of preventing an MRSA

skin infection include washing hands often with warm water and soap and consulting a health care physician if concerned an infection may exist, according to the Web site.

Yates said MRSA is a common problem in hospital settings and has been an issue for many years.

"Although we don't track MRSA specifically," she said, "we do see a lot of people in the emergency room who come in thinking they have a spider bite and actually have MRSA when we look at the cultures."

Yates said hand cleanliness is by far the best method for stopping or preventing bacterial infections.

"Bacteria is everywhere and on all surfaces," she said. "The best way to combat that is through hand cleanliness. We offer alcohol hand sanitizers at Covenant in all patient rooms and patients even have the right to ask doctors or caregivers to wash their hands before helping them."

According to the Centers for Disease Control Web site, health care providers can prevent health care-associated infections by following recommended infection control practices including standard, droplet, contact and airborne precautions.

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Gov't extends new aid package to AIG

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government on Monday unveiled a revamped rescue package to insurance giant American International Group and will provide the troubled company with another \$30 billion in taxpayer money on an "as needed" basis.

The new package comes as AIG has burned through cash and been unable to find buyers for pieces of its company that it hoped to sell to repay the government on its existing aid package, which totals some \$150 billion.

In an interview on NBC's "Today" show Monday morning, AIG Chairman and Chief Executive Edward Liddy said: "We're going to be able to pay back the Federal Reserve. The new \$30 billion is a standby line. It's not necessarily something that we think we'll have to draw on right away."

But Liddy backed off earlier statements about paying back taxpayers in full within two years.

"It is clearly our goal. But we need some help from the financial marketplace," he said. "The Federal Reserve debt we'll pay back clearly

in two years. And we'd like to make meaningful progress, paying back the original (government) investment."

The announcement came as AIG, once the world's largest insurer, reported Monday it lost \$61.7 billion in the fourth quarter, the biggest quarterly loss in U.S. corporate history.

Under the new package, the Fed will take up to a \$26 billion stake in two international units — Asia-based American International Assurance Co. and American Life Insurance Co., which operates in 50 countries. The Fed also will make \$8.5 billion in new loans to benefit the domestic life insurance subsidiaries of AIG.

It marked the fourth time the government has stepped in to help AIG. Its initial lifeline came in September, when the government effectively seized control of the company, taking a nearly 80 percent ownership stake and replacing top management.

The new package is designed to enhance the company's capital and liquidity to facilitate the "orderly completion of the company's global divestiture program," the Treasury Department and the Fed said in a joint announcement early Monday.

Storm dumps heavy snow on East Coast

NEW YORK (AP) — A ferocious storm packing freezing rain, heavy snow and furious wind gusts paralyzed most of the East Coast on Monday, sending dozens of cars careening into ditches, grounding hundreds of flights and closing school for millions of kids.

The devastating effects of the storm were seen up and down the coast. A crash caused a 15-mile traffic jam in North Carolina, forcing police and the Red Cross to go car-to-car to check on stranded drivers. The storm was blamed for more than 500 crashes in New Jersey, and a Maryland official counted about 50 cars in the ditch on one stretch of highway.

By Monday, the storm had moved north into New England, and most areas in the storm's wake expected to see at least 8 to 12 inches of snow. The weather contributed to four deaths on roads in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and on Long Island.

Diane Lugo, of Yonkers, N.Y., got a ride with her husband to avoid walking

10 minutes in the slush to her bus stop. "Getting out of the driveway was pure hell," Lugo said. "He got to work late. I'm obviously late."

The South was especially hard hit, dealing with record snowfalls, thick ice and hundreds of thousands of power outages in a region not accustomed to such vicious weather.

In North Carolina, Raleigh got more than 3 inches of snow; the March snowfall for the city has exceeded 3 inches only 11 times in the last 122 years. The Weather Service said parts of Tennessee received the biggest snowfall since 1968.

The 15-mile traffic jam in North Carolina caused no serious problems and authorities were able to get traffic moving again.

Travelers were stranded everywhere, with about 950 flights canceled at the three main airports in the New York area and nearly 300 flights canceled in Philadelphia. Boston's Logan International Airport had to shut down for about 40 minutes to clear a runway, and hundreds of flights were canceled there.

Research

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According to a previous article in *The Daily Treador*, Tech administrators added a fourth candidate to the search for vice president for research on Feb. 25, Stafford said Tech President Guy Bailey's reason for adding a fourth candidate was to provide a more complete search.

Given Avent's background in research, Stafford said, Bailey's request was not intended to be reflective of the other

three candidates.

Avent, associate chief technology officer at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Lincoln Laboratory, was the final candidate to visit campus while interviewing for the vice president for research position.

Colin Scanes, of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Taylor Eighmy, of the University of New Hampshire, and Thomas Farris of Purdue University, visited Tech Feb. 16, 19, and 23, respectively.

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SGA ELECTION COVERAGE

Student Government Association elections for the executive positions will begin at 9 a.m. today and will close at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

The elections, which include the positions of president, external vice president, internal vice president, and vice president for graduate and professional affairs are hosted once per year to determine the executive officers for the following fall semester. The results will be announced at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Union Building basement.

Candidates include Kyle Crowl and Suzanne Williams for president; Dee Jay Wilde and Trey Horkey for external vice president; Amelia Martin, Paige Smith and Sarah Saunders for internal vice president; and Jacie Hood, Jennifer Stout and Rahul Kanungoe for vice president for graduate and professional affairs.

Students may vote online at www.sga.ttu.edu.

EXTERNAL VP CANDIDATES

Dee Jay Wilde

-College of Agriculture

Campaign

- Improving the campus bus system
- Making Tech safer for bike riders, vehicles and pedestrians, and expanding the number of bike racks around the Student Union and University Library
- Increasing the SafeRide program budget which will allow for a safe and reliable method of transportation
- Increasing student involvement with local city officials and foster a good relationship with the Lubbock community

Committees

-Vice chairman of the Budget and Finance committee

Legislation

- Funding Rules Bill
- Funding Cap Bill
- Funding Penalty Bill
- Individual Presentation Travel Funding Bill



WILDE

Trey Horkey

-Honors College senator

Platform

- Improving bicycle lanes on and around campus and educate students on bicycle safety and laws
- Analyzing the SafeRide program, monitoring its effectiveness and making it more accessible to students
- Maintaining off-campus busing and make sure on-campus busing is as effective as possible

Committees

- Transportation committee
- Rules and Administration committee

Legislation

- Off-campus busing Resolution
- Impeachment process Bill
- Two election code bills



HORKEY

GRADUATE VP CANDIDATES

Jacie Hood

Platform

- Making communication to graduate students more clear about what opportunities are afforded them at Texas Tech
- Meeting with graduate student organizations each semester to ensure they are informed of opportunities they have through SGA and SOAC
- Increasing awareness of STAGE (Step Toward Assisting Graduate Education) scholarships and working to increase funding for program
- Graduate research and its funding, support and publicity.

Rahul Kanungoe

Platform

- Re-evaluating health insurance for graduate and international students by comparative studies for other Big 12 schools
- Creating scholarships in each college for graduate students
- Increasing research and travel grants for graduates and graduating seniors to present and showcase work at national conferences

Jennifer Stout

-Graduate School senator

Platform

- Re-assessing the health insurance and waiver policy for international and graduate students
- Creating graduate student career fairs, bringing in companies geared toward graduate students
- Finding a solution to a fee waiver policy for graduate assistants and research assistants that does not allow them to use the amenities for which their fees are waived

Committees

- Student Union Building Advisory Fee committee
- Graduate Affairs committee
- Rules and Administration committee
- Transportation Fee committee

Legislation

- Medical Insurance Resolution (in progress)
- Teaching Assistant Training Resolution
- Textbook Listings Resolution

Suzanne Williams

- Journal clerk
- President pro tem
- Mass Communications senator

Platform

- Focusing on retention with students already at Tech and making freshmen feel like they have a role in the university
- Developing leadership councils at individual academic colleges so students can better be represented.
- Increasing student involvement with organizations through a push to make the organizations more accessible online

Committees

- Co-chair of Rules and Administration committee
- Sponsor of Freshman Involvement committee
- Spirit committee
- Masked Rider committee
- Medical Service Fee committee

Legislation

- Election Code Bill
- Mandatory Retreat Attendance Bill
- Child Care Liaison on Campus Resolution
- Child Care Center on Capital Campaign Resolution
- Higher One Refund Program Resolution



WILLIAMS

Kyle Crowl

- Senator-at-Large
- Sergeant at arms of Senate

Campaign

- Forming college councils as a way to allocate information from the administration directly to the students
- Revamping Budget and Finance system for how organizations get money from the university
- Setting a precedent of strength that shows Student Government Association is going to fight for the students and not always agree with administration

Committees

-Chairman of Budget and Finance committee

Legislation

- Communication Bill
- Funding Rules Bill
- Funding Cap Bill
- Funding Penalty Bill
- Individual Presentation Travel Funding Bill



CROWL

Student Government Association candidates for president, Kyle Crowl and Suzanne Williams, discussed with *The Daily Toreador* the significance of their role on campus and how they will impact the student body.

Crowl, senator-at-large and chairman of the Budget and Finance committee at Tech, said he will spend the majority of his time listening to students' concerns and voicing them.

"I heard a guy once say, 'When you get into a new job, hit the ground listening,' but I think it also takes ac-

tion," Crowl said.

If elected president, Crowl said he will carry the students' message to administration.

"The president is the voice of the students. I want (students) to know it's not Kyle Crowl's voice that I say is the voice of the students, I'm just the message carrier," Crowl said.

Crowl, a third-year member of Student Government, is passionate about being a figure of strength for the student body.

"No one would take the time out

of their schedule to run for this position if they weren't passionate about Tech and what's going on. I think the president needs to be a strong figure for the students," Crowl said.

Williams, journal clerk and president pro tem of the Student Senate, said through watching President Lee Bobbitt, she has learned the president must be the face of the students, and it is not something she will do for herself.

"I definitely think that my main role of president, or what I will spend

most of my time doing, is serving the students," said Williams, who has been a member of the SGA since she joined Freshman Council.

Among her main responsibilities, Williams said she would like to keep her energy and enthusiasm high to have her focus always on students.

She also said she will push and strive for what students want because she will be the voice of the students and have students' perspectives when in meetings with administrators.

FOR EXCLUSIVE ONE-ON-ONE INTERVIEWS WITH THE TWO PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES, CHECK OUT:

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INTERNAL VP CANDIDATES

Amelia Martin

-Arts and Sciences senator

Campaign

- Increasing freshmen involvement on campus
- Holding senators accountable for contacting campus organizations
- Increasing organization contact in order to get information to and from the students effectively

Committees

- Chairwoman of the Academics committee
- College Ambassadors Program committee

Legislation

- Funding Penalty Bill
- Individual Presentation Travel Funding Bill



MARTIN

Paige Smith

-Human Sciences senator

Campaign

- Expanding communication between senators and student body
- Increasing awareness of involvement of opportunities on campus
- Keeping senators accountable and ensure they are representing the student body
- Promoting spirit and pride on campus

Committees

- Rules and Administration committee
- Freshman Council
- Athletic Fee committee
- ID Maintenance Fee committee

Legislation

- Two election code Bills
- Increased Bike Racks on Campus Resolution



SMITH

Sarah Saunders

-Arts and Sciences senator

Platform

- Get senators talking to students by becoming involved in organizations they already are affiliated with
- Making senators accountable to legislation by offering incentives to follow up on the legislation
- Building on programs for freshmen. Wants to elevate the Freshman Leadership Association to the level of President's Select

Committees

- Rules and Administration committee
- Library Fee committee
- IT Fee committee
- Southwest Collections Fee committee

Legislation

- IT Fee Resolution
- Arts and Sciences Career Fair Resolution
- Bicycle Racks Resolution
- Arts and Sciences Ambassadors Resolution
- Rules of SGA Bill



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Puzzles by PageFiller

In Sudoku, all the numbers 1 to 9 must be in every row, column and 3 x 3 box. Use logic to define the answers.

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Teachers deserve more

While this column could be seen as either beating a dead horse or trying to drag a dead horse a few more yards, I have two far more deserving points:

First, this "horse" should have never died. Second, it wouldn't have died if it had been addressed years ago.

The horse I am speaking of is the issue of paying teachers more, and while I wish that this issue had come to my attention as a result of something abstract, the origins of this article are right here in the United States.

I think you would be hard-pressed to find someone who would argue teachers need to be paid less. On the same note, I believe you would be hard-pressed to find a politician who would state teachers are overpaid and need to be paid less.

There are reasons people feel this way. Part of the reason is teachers touch our lives. They inspire us to be better people and encourage the dreams that often go unattended out of fear.

The other part of teacher's respect comes from pure economics. Few people want to be teachers and many of those who decide to become teachers quit because of the low pay they receive.

In a poll conducted among recent college graduates conducted by the Public Agenda journal in 2000, 89 percent

Ryan Thorpe



stated teachers have to constantly worry about their personal safety. Another 78 percent expressed concerns that teachers are seriously underpaid.

In 2004, the New York City public school system was looking at 8,000 vacant positions. These positions were mostly filled with foreign teachers who were unaware of how difficult it was to survive in one of the U.S.'s most expensive cities on \$2,200 a month.

Teachers also face the problem of pay caps. Many public school districts insist on capping a teacher's pay after so many years of pay increases. In Huntsville, Ala., a teacher with a master's degree in a relevant field caps out his or her pay at \$53,000.

While these statistics are scary, there is certainly good news. In the same Public Agenda poll of graduating seniors, 51 percent said they would consider teaching. Another 20 percent said they would seriously consider teaching. Sadly, this is the same pool of graduating seniors who said there wasn't enough money, safety or respect in public schools for them to work there.

The teachers are out there. We just have to pay for them.

Right now the state of the American education system is scary. In a 2006, an International Mathematics and Science

study showed at the age of 15, American students rank 25th in standardized tests. Poland, Denmark, Hungary and Australia are all killing us. Korea is 23 spots higher. Finland tops out the list; however, they pay more in income tax than almost any other country.

A study published by the Congressional Budget Office in 2006 showed public schools spend \$10,000 on average per kid per year, which is certainly way up from 1971 when the government spent an average of \$4,500 per child per year (adjusted for inflation). This data makes me scratch my head and wonder where the money is going. If more money is being spent each year, then teachers should be paid more. But they aren't.

This isn't to say solutions are not out there. Incentive based pay is certainly an option. Bonuses for teachers at the end of the year would certainly improve their situation, but the primary point is teachers cannot remain quiet about their salary. They deserve to be paid more.

The issue of education is huge. Every student is promised a quality education, but the money isn't going to the oil in the engine — teachers. Teachers are the ones interacting with the students and while the affect they have on the youth of the nation may be priceless, teachers need more money.

And while teacher pay is ultimately a financial issue, it begins with ideology. In my undergraduate graduation ceremony, the keynote speaker asked anyone in the audience to stand if their life had been positively affected by a teacher. Not a single person was sitting. The question is simple: Would you have stood?

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When means obscure the ends

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Are protests always justifiable?

Protests on college campuses reached the height of their popularity in the 1960s, with the prominence of the Students for a Democratic Society and Black Power groups. However, they still maintain an almost-mythical status for many students and for this university in particular.

Indeed, had you walked into the Tatkon Center a few months ago, you would have seen a picture of a black militant brandishing a gun in front of The Straight. Above the picture was a sign that read "Celebrate Diversity."

And celebrate it we do: the 1969 takeover of The Straight lives on as an act of "civil disobedience" that was successful in achieving all of the protesters' demands. Thus the rebuke of NYU for not similarly providing their protesters with "discourse and a table full of administrators."

However, it is unclear why "disobedience" merits formal recognition and respect, especially when it involves the usurpation of university property. One would expect that violating the university's stated terms effectively abrogates one's rights to its resources.

Furthermore, it is unclear how either of these two protests could be deemed "civil."

On the contrary: the takeover of The Straight was an affront to civility. According to a contemporary report in Newsweek, The Straight was first seized when 100 students ran down the halls at

3 a.m. shouting "fire" and forcibly evicting 30 parents and 40 university employees. When one woman did not move out fast enough, the students "ripped open her door with a crowbar."

After a scuffle with some Delta Upsilon brothers, a leader of the protest proclaimed from a window that "another raid like we just had is going to be dealt with in a way which is going to hurt a lot of innocent people." That night, protesters brought guns, ammunition and hatchets into The Straight.

If this behavior is "civil," one indeed wonders what would constitute "churlishness."

The NYU protest, though less extreme in its tactics, similarly betrayed the "civility" attributed to it by The Sun. After reserving the Kimmel Lounge for a dance party, members of Take Back NYU barricaded the third floor exits to the Market Place cafeteria with chairs and tables.

The barricade lasted from Wednesday night until Friday afternoon, effectively disrupting all business from the Market Place and thus risking the chance that the employees lose their daily pay. This was certainly ironic, in light of TBNU's demand that all NYU employees be given a "living wage."

To paraphrase Orwell, it has become increasingly difficult to distinguish the pigs from the men and the men from the pigs.

Such, however, is the all-too-common end of protest: the desire to make loud proclamations overwhelms the original message. The cause is swallowed up by the barbaric yawp and is thus rendered unintelligible. And indeed, The Straight takeover is too often remembered by

its means, not by its purpose.

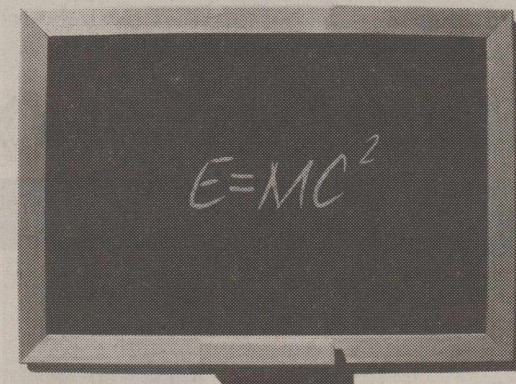
This is not to say there are no situations that warrant serious protest. Truly, the evils of Jim Crow and segregation called for "moral grandeur and spiritual audacity," in the apt words of Civil Rights demonstrator Abraham Joshua Heschel.

Indeed, the Civil Rights Movement was distinct from the previously mentioned protests in that it derived legitimacy not from tuggish high-handedness but by its transcendent urgency. The reliance on ideas, rather than violent proclamations, made the movement's disobedience "civil." However, this is not to preclude ardor. King's methods may have been civil, but he most certainly was outraged.

We must therefore be wary of making militants and protesters our icons of free speech. To do so would be a glorification of crudeness over complexity, of brutish assertions over reasoned ideas. Certainly there comes a time to voice one's complaints about perceived injustice. But it is possible to do so without worshipping at the altar of vulgarity. Just listen to King's "I Have a Dream" or Gandhi's "Quit India." There was no sacrifice of forcefulness for thoughtfulness.

And seldom does vulgarity have any lasting effect. An NYU undergrad related to me that after TBNU took over the much-beloved Market Place cafeteria, a mass of students entered the Longue and, contrary to the pleas of the protesters, began chanting, "We want quesadillas!"

The Civil Rights movement inspired a generation to make a great effort at the risk of humiliation and physical abuse. For TBNU, the students were not even willing to give up their Tex-Mex.



Remember to give power to the states, not just federal government

By **GREG DEMERS**
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Echoing Nietzsche's famous proclamation, several states are now declaring, in effect, "Federalism is dead."

For Americans, whose nation was founded on a belief in separate spheres of government power, this pronouncement may appear equally blasphemous. Unlike Nietzsche, though, these states believe in resurrection and hope to revive the once-sacred concept that is becoming increasingly obsolete.

In legislatures across the country, state representatives have introduced bills demanding that the federal government abide by a frequently overlooked Constitutional provision: the Tenth Amendment.

The Tenth Amendment reads: "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the People."

Receiving shockingly little attention by mainstream media, at least 11 states have introduced legislation specifically demanding that the federal government live up to the dictates of this language: Arizona, Hawaii, Montana, Michigan, Missouri, New Hampshire, Oklahoma, Washington, Georgia, South Carolina and Texas.

On Feb. 18, the Oklahoma House of Representatives became the first legislative body to pass just

such a resolution. The immensely popular House Joint Resolution 1003 won by a margin of 83 to 13 and states "that the State of Oklahoma hereby claims sovereignty under the Tenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States over all powers not otherwise enumerated and granted to the federal government by the Constitution of the United States." Some analysts predict that approximately 20 other states will introduce similar measures during the next year.

I guess the situation is pretty abysmal when states feel compelled to say: "Umm, excuse me, Mr. President. Sorry to bother you. Just wanted to let you know that there's still a large and important sphere of power that you can't enter. No, really, there is! Please don't laugh. It says so right here."

These proposals come on the heels of the President's \$1 trillion economic stimulus package, which requires states to use the money for policy initiatives approved by the federal government. A particularly troublesome provision in the stimulus package creates a significant change in state unemployment requirements and repeals many of the welfare reform measures established in the 1990s.

States fear that, once in place, these changes will remain years after the recession ends and after federal funding dries up. At that point, the provisions would

fall under the even less popular category of unfunded mandates, which do exactly what the name suggests — they force the states to implement certain federal policies without providing the requisite funding.

This criticism applies to Republicans and Democrats alike. In fact, a recent focal point of critics' ire was the No Child Left Behind Act, pushed through by the Bush administration. More importantly, federal spending ballooned to new heights over the last eight years, and undoubtedly the failure to tame the Leviathan that is the U.S. federal government can be attributed to both political parties.

Now it is clear that President Obama's unprecedented \$3.55 trillion budget proposal promises more of the same. Much more. Of course, the economy is not the only area in which the federal government asserted the newfound authority that magically appeared in the latter half of the twentieth century. Far from it. Through strained readings of the Commerce Clause and other constitutional provisions, the U.S. government was able to justify new intrusions into every realm of American life.

Proponents of "big government" often rely on the increasingly popular argument in constitutional debates that the times they are a-changin', and as a "living" document, the Constitution stands for something completely

different today than what it stood for in 1787. For anyone subscribing to the latter view, the following sentences will appear comically outdated: "The powers delegated to the federal government are few and defined. Those which are to remain in the state governments are numerous and indefinite."

James Madison uttered those words many decades ago, but I would argue that they hold no less relevance today. Indeed, his conception of federalism deserves even greater attention in a society that requires legislation from the states to remind the federal government that the Tenth Amendment still exists.

The important question now is whether the burgeoning reform measures will have any impact whatsoever. If history has any predictive value, the federal government will ignore this movement and continue to grow unabated. Given the popularity of these measures, though, it is not too far-fetched to think that three-quarters of the states will join together in opposing the expansion of the federal government.

At that point, they would have enough power to amend the Constitution. But what would that amendment say — "Please, please, please take the rest of the Constitution seriously"?

If it does get to that point,

you can expect to hear a few brazen dissidents begin to throw around the "s" word, which, as it just so happens, rhymes with "recession." The media will dismiss these individuals as radicals and fear-mongers, and admittedly, such a suggestion is better suited as a wake-up call than an actual

policy proposal.

But ask yourself: Is it really that radical to oppose a government regime which has no practical limits on its power and no longer concerns itself with the one document that purports to create such limits? Maybe it is. The Framers, after all, were a radical bunch.



"Perhaps we should have given away toilets..."

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Willis attorney calls lawsuit 'without merit'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — An attorney for Bruce Willis says a lawsuit against his client alleging breach of contract and seeking \$4 million is without merit. Attorney Marty Singer said

Monday that three production companies suing Willis alleging he failed to fulfill contractual duties on the proposed film "Three Stories About Joan" didn't fulfill their own responsibilities.

Singer says the companies failed to put money into an escrow account for Willis before film production started. He says Willis will file his own action against the producers soon.

Oprah receives leadership award from Columbia U

NEW YORK (AP) — Media mogul Oprah Winfrey has received a leadership award from Columbia University.

University officials say the talk show host received the 2009 Klingenstein Leadership Award Friday for her philanthropy in

education and promotion of reading.

The award is given by The Klingenstein Center for Independent School Leadership.

The center says Oprah's Angel Network has helped open 60 schools in 13 countries while her founda-

tion has awarded hundreds of grants and scholarships. In 2007, Winfrey opened the Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy for Girls in South Africa.

The center says its director presented the award to Winfrey in Chicago.

Gloria Estefan announces South American hits tour

MIAMI (AP) — Seven-time Grammy winner Gloria Estefan has performed to many packed arenas worldwide in a career spanning more than two decades. But for the first time she is taking her greatest hits tour to South America.

Estefan announce plans Monday to open in Uruguay on April 9 as she embarks on a tour with stops in Chile, Argentina, Peru and Ecuador. The

Cuba native told a news conference that getting back to Latin America brings her "full circle."

"After so many years of planning to perform there, but because of logistics, you know, and a lot of political upheaval in Latin America ... being available to do it was just too difficult," Estefan explained. "I spent 15 years of my life traveling and we've been

trying to get to Latin America forever."

Estefan said she will include older hits such as "Conga" and "Rhythm is Gonna Get You" as well as newer ballads including "Anything For You" and "Coming Out of the Dark."

The show comes less than a year after her European tour to promote 90 Millas, a Spanish-language album of original songs inspired by Cuba.

Tax trial opens for 'Dancing with the Stars' champ

MIAMI (AP) — On top of the world a few months ago, Brazilian race car driver and "Dancing with the Stars" champ Helio Castroneves faces possible prison time if convicted at a tax evasion trial that began Monday with selection of a jury.

An ethnically diverse panel of five men and seven women was chosen to hear the case, with attorneys' opening statements set for Tuesday.

Castroneves, a two-time winner of the Indianapolis 500, smiled broadly as he entered Miami's downtown federal courthouse. Prosecutors say

Castroneves, his business-manager sister Katiucia and Michigan attorney Alan R. Miller conspired to hide about \$5.5 million in income from the Internal Revenue Service using offshore accounts.

Castroneves claims he relied on experts to advise him on handling finances. He also says his father controlled a Panamanian entity called Seven Promotions at the heart of the prosecution's case.

Castroneves claims the money Seven Promotions received wasn't his tax liability because the income

was for his father, who had financed and promoted his son's career for over 10 years.

Castroneves, his sister and Miller also deny acting "willfully" to evade taxes and that they took improper deductions.

Under federal sentencing guidelines, Castroneves, 33, could get more than six years in prison if convicted of conspiracy and tax evasion from 1999 to 2004. That would short-circuit a brilliant racing career that began in Sao Paulo, Brazil, where a youthful Castroneves broke into the sport by driving go-carts.

Top chefs take note: Michelin says cuts needed

PARIS (AP) — The coveted Michelin stars can make or break a restaurant. But so can an economic crisis.

"It's not caviar every day," the Michelin guide's director said Monday as he urged France's great chefs to invent new ways of keeping customers.

Some of the world's best restaurants are losing business, particularly from corporate clients, and are having to offer cheaper menus, even at the top end, Jean-Luc Naret told The Associated Press.

The Michelin guide celebrated its 100th French edition Monday.

Naret said some restaurants will be forced to explore "new concepts," pointing to New York's upscale Jean Georges restaurant, which is offering 3-star lunchtime cuisine for \$28.

"Those who are too expensive will be forced to reinvent themselves," he said.

Obama kicks up White House entertaining

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House is the place to be on Wednesdays.

Since the presidency changed hands less than six weeks ago, a burst of entertaining has taken hold of the iconic, white-columned home of America's head of state. Much of it comes on Wednesdays.

The stately East Room, where portraits of George and Martha Washington adorn the walls, was transformed into a concert hall as President Barack Obama presented Stevie Wonder with the nation's highest award for pop music on Wednesday.

A week before that, the foot-stomping sounds of Sweet Honey in

the Rock, a female cappella group, filled the East Room for a Black History Month program first lady Michelle Obama held for nearly 200 sixth- and seventh-graders from around the city.

Cocktails were sipped during at least three such receptions to date, all held on Wednesdays.

Program allows students to fly plane with Marines

By TINA L. ARONS
FEATURES EDITOR

Putting an untrained, inexperienced pilot in the cockpit doesn't sound like a good idea.

But, for the U.S. Marines, it is.

The Marine Corps Flight Orientation Program will allow Texas Tech students to experience flying a plane — with an experienced pilot close by, of course — during scheduled flights from March 9 to March 11.

Capt. Josh Zaffos, a Marine recruiter for West Texas and New Mexico, said the flight orientation program helps generate more interest in available options for those interested in becoming a Marine Corps officer.

"A lot of people don't realize the program is available," he said. "The Marine Corps pays people to go through flight school training."

Zaffos said the process begins with training to become a Marine Corps officer and ends with flight school, which costs the Marine Corps about half a million dollars per student.

Capt. Rick Birt, a Marine pilot who will guide the student flights in Lubbock later this month, said many people associate flight school with the U.S. Air Force, not the Marine Corps.

However, he said, about half of

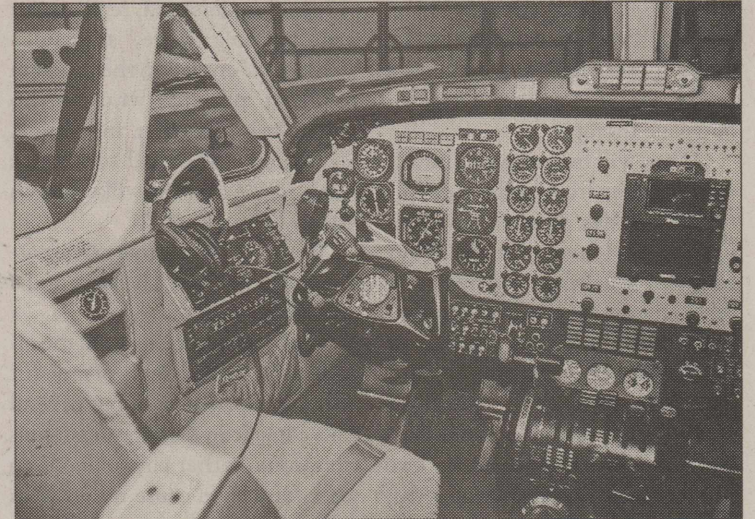


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THE PILOT'S SIDE of a King Air 200 cockpit sits in one of Lubbock-Aero's hangers Thursday afternoon.

Marines are involved in aviation.

The flight orientation program has had much success, Birt said, and many students he has taken up come down "excited and eager to call their parents, girlfriends or friends to tell them about one of the best experiences they've had."

Students who take advantage of the free opportunity will be allowed about 10 minutes in the cockpit and will participate in one of the nine scheduled flights in March, he said.

"There are controls on both sides," Birt said, "so I can grab control at any time."

The flight orientation program

will use a King Air 200, he said, which is an aircraft with twin turbo-prop engines.

The military often uses the King Air 200 to transport passengers, Birt said. It is used in Iraq to fly generals from one base to another.

"The King Air is a very reliable aircraft," he said. "That's why we use it."

Birt, who has been a pilot for six years, said no problems should occur with inexperienced pilots as long as students follow his two main rules.

"Don't hit the ground," he said, "and don't try to scare me."

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Publicist: Ousted Illinois governor to write book

CHICAGO (AP) — Rod Blagojevich, the first U.S. governor in more than 20 years to be removed from office by impeachment, signed a deal Monday to write a book "exposing the dark side of politics," his publicist said.

Blagojevich signed a "six-figure" deal to write a book for Phoenix Books, to be released in October, publicist Glenn Selig said in a news release.

Selig said the former governor "plans on exposing the dark side of politics that he witnessed in both the state and national level."

Blagojevich "does not intend to pull any punches and will reveal information and provide insights that will at times be embarrassing to himself as well as to others," according to Selig's release.

Blagojevich was ousted in January after his Dec. 9 arrest by federal authorities on corruption charges that include allegations he

tried to sell President Barack Obama's vacant U.S. Senate seat. He denies any wrongdoing.

The former governor will write about his rise in politics, including his election to Congress and his election and re-election as governor, Selig said. The former governor also promises to detail discussions and other factors that ultimately led him — three weeks after his arrest — to name Roland Burris to the Senate seat.

Blagojevich was the first governor removed from office in Illinois history and the first in the U.S. since Arizona's Evan Mecham in 1988.

He said in a radio interview last month that he wanted to write about "the phoniness and hypocrisy" of the politicians who run state government, but he didn't allege the sort of pay-to-play crimes he is accused of committing.

"A bunch of them are cheating on their spouses, a lot of them drink

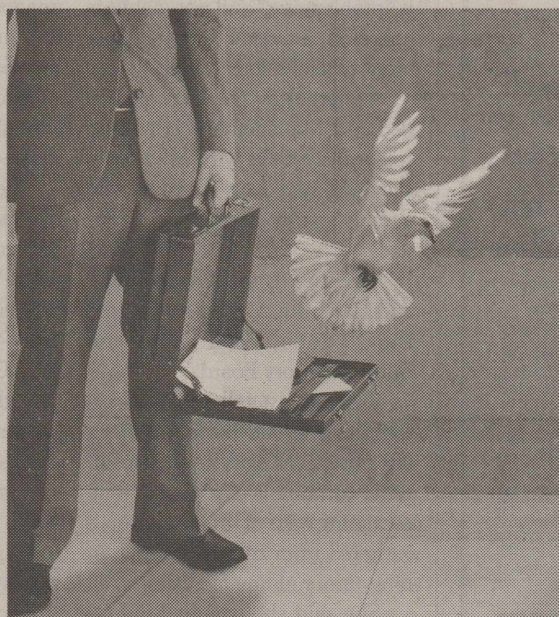
in excess, very few of them know what's going on, they just take their marching orders from legislative leaders," he said.

Steven Miller, former chief of special prosecutions in the U.S. attorney's office, said that any defendant who writes a book "would be well advised to have his attorney screen the book to make sure there were no admissions that could be used against him at a trial."

Told the book was touted as containing embarrassing material, Miller noted that "being embarrassed and being incriminated are two different concepts. There can be material that is embarrassing but not incriminating."

Miller said he "would not automatically say no" if one of his own clients announced plans to write a book, adding that the upsides could include improving Blagojevich's image and raising money he might need for his defense.

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Tech Engineering students prepare to get hands dirty

By CARRIE THORNTON
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech members of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers will host a workday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.

The proceeds will be donated to the Health Sciences Center Stroke Recovery/Aphasia Group Therapy Program at Tech, which helps those who have suffered a stroke and are in need of speech-language therapy.

"They will be doing all kinds of work ranging from helping people to move boxes, flower bed clean-up, raking leaves, lifting heavy objects, washing clothes, and repairing water sprinkler systems," said Melinda Corwin, clinical supervisor for the program.

Tech's chapter of American Institute of Chemical Engineers began the biannual work day two years ago, Corwin said, and this year the group received a large number of requests. So many, in fact, they had to turn down almost as many as they accepted.

"It's a great problem to have," the HSC associate professor said.

The stroke recovery program involves 19 graduate students majoring in speech-language pathology (speech therapy), Corwin said. The students provide therapy for the 35 to 40 patients with aphasia as well as maintain a group for the patient's wives and family members.

"Aphasia is a loss of the ability to speak, understand, read and/or write due to a stroke," she said.

Money donated to the program will help patients who can no longer rely on their insurance, Medicare or Medicaid to finance much needed services like speech therapy, Corwin said.

There are 50 students participating in the workday, she said, and a total of 32 requests.

Most requests come from the elderly who are incapable of any sort of labor, Corwin said, but several calls came from busy professionals who would rather pay someone to work for a good cause rather than call a lawn service.

There is no fee involved, she said, and only donations are accepted.

"We hope people will acknowledge the good cause," Corwin said.

AICHE President, Brittani Francke, said the organization hosts one workday per semester.

The organization began the event as part of a philanthropy event, the senior chemical engineering major said.

"There are other things we could have chosen, but aphasia group was overlooked by all sororities and fraternities and they didn't have another source of income," she said.

It is good for the students to help out the program because there are several who have been affected by aphasia, whether it has been a parent, friend or other family member who has suffered from it, the Hobbs, N.M., native said.

"It's a more meaningful way to raise money for students," Francke said. "It's just nice to help out because they really appreciate it."

To donate to the Department of Speech Language and Hearing Sciences, contact the office at 806-743-5660 ext. 223.

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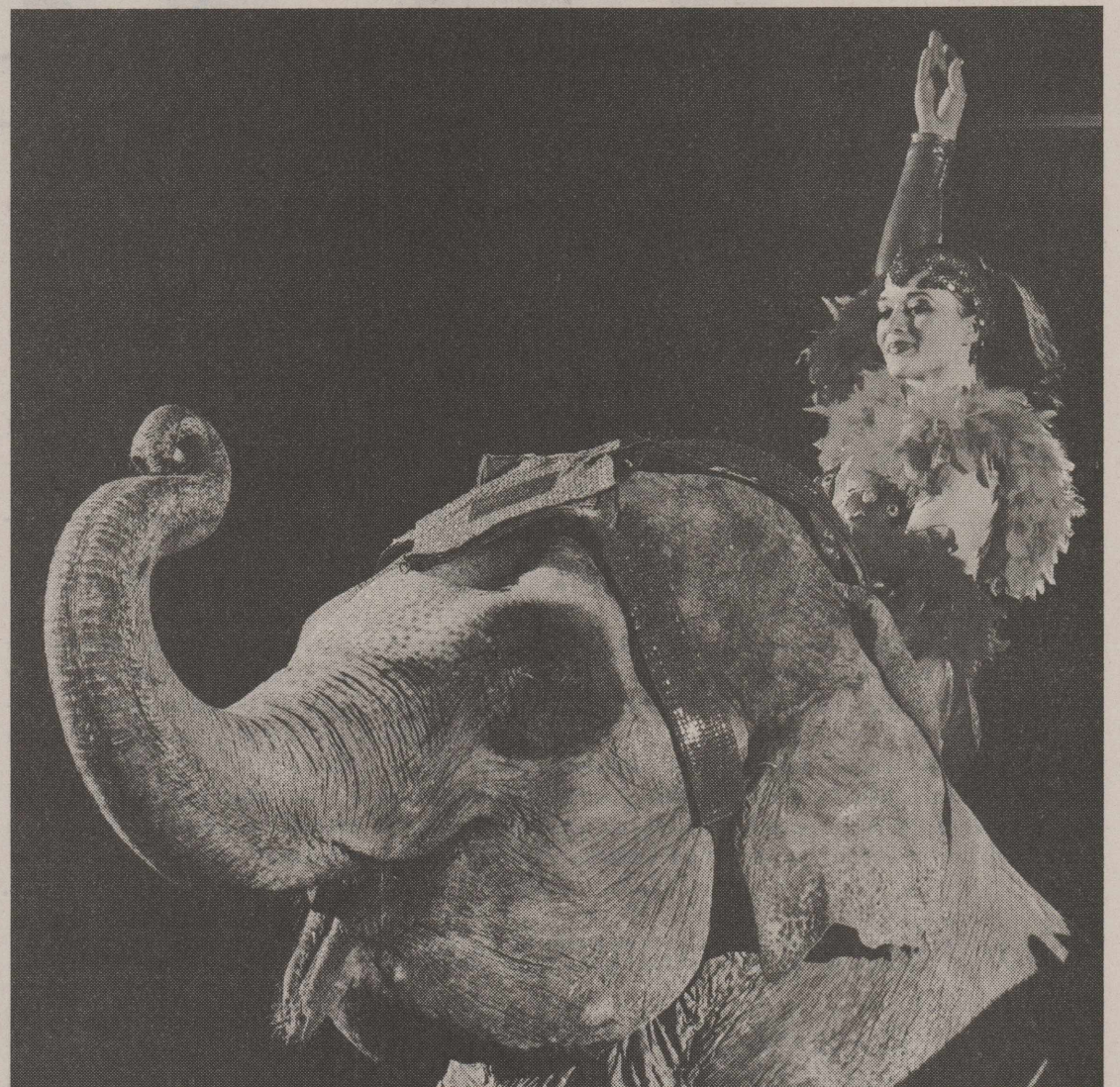


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A CIRCUS GATTI acrobat rides an elephant during a performance Saturday in the City Bank Coliseum.

Communication

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Parker's teaching techniques have eliminated a lot of frustration from the children she works with, because she said she is providing a bridge for them to express themselves.

She credits a lot of her success in teaching the children communication skills to the parents and the teachers she works with.

When she sees a child start to learn to communicate, she said she feels overjoyed.

"I feel alive myself. Everything gets put into perspective and I can see what's really important," she said. "When I see they have a way to tell me what they want, what's really important gets put into focus."

Although Keller's story is inspiring to Parker, she realizes not all her students may be able to display the same level of giftedness.

"Some of the kids I work with," she said, "if they're given a way to communicate, they may do great things. I have high hopes for all the kids I'm working with now, and I hope they have a sense of confidence because they can understand and communicate."

Parker has been recognized by the Center for Campus Life as a Raider Who Rocks for her success in aiding the visually impaired and lobbying for

policy change in their favor.

"Her energy is boundless her expectations of others are extremely high because she also has expectations for herself," said Nora Griffin-Shirley, Ph.D., who nominated Parker for the award. "She makes a big impact on others lives. That's why I nominated her."

Griffin-Shirley, the director of the Virginia Murray Sowell Center for Research and Education in Visual Impairment, has seen firsthand the success Parker has had with those she teaches.

Nominations for Raiders Who Rock are based on the 52 values of the Foundation for a Better Life, and Griffin-Shirley said she gave the values a lot of thought with her nomination.

"She is one of those individuals who exemplifies most of the values," she said. "She is somehow able to

balance all the different aspects of her life, and she is an amazing individual who is so inspirational."

Griffin-Shirley said she has seen Parker use her time and energy to better the lives of those with deaf-blindness and also be active on the legislative level to appropriate money for those who are deaf-blind.

Parker is one of four fellow-student students at Tech who have been nationally recognized by the National Center for Leadership in Visual Impairment.

Eric Grimmett, Griffin-Shirley's research assistant, is also a fellow of the National Center for Leadership in

Visual Impairment.

Grimmett said Parker is a special person who has total dedication to the students she serves.

"She has a passion," he said, "and she just seems tireless in her pursuits."

Parker is dedicated to ensuring everyone has the opportunity to achieve and live up to their full potential, Grimmett said, and if more people practiced that, they would be

stronger and more willing to accept differences.

"Everyone has a purpose," he said. "Everyone has something to contribute to the world. We're all here for a reason. We just have to find out what that is and support those who need a little help along the way."

With teachers and parents in the Lubbock area, Parker is working to support those who need extra help, and she said she receives a lot of joy when she sees her hard work has benefited someone else's life.

"It makes me hopeful about our future," she said. "If we can teach these children how to communicate, there are no excuses for not reaching someone with education. All they need is a way and people to recognize they can learn."

Many people feel these children are hopeless, which is discouraging for Parker, who has seen many children's lives changed by the ability to communicate. She said some teachers, parents and politicians feel the children aren't worth the effort it takes to teach them something.

"These children have a lot to teach us if we're willing to learn," she said. "They teach us about hope, perseverance and what the human mind is capable of."

Parker said everyone who is willing to pay attention to what special needs can do will get to see a hidden universe.

"My goal is to produce research for teachers and parents that will help them communicate with these kids," she said, "and show legislation that these kids are worth it."

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AMY PARKER
TEXAS TECH
DOCTORAL CANDIDATE

Polygamist sect teen refuses baby's testing

SAN ANTONIO (AP)—Texas child welfare authorities have asked a judge to order a 17-year-old mother from a polygamist sect to submit to a psychological evaluation after she showed up to an appointment with Child Protective Services claiming someone else's child was hers.

The teen had previously refused to disclose the whereabouts of her infant born in June, when she was 16 and shortly after she and the other 437 children taken from the Yearning For Zion Ranch in Eldorado were returned to their parents from foster care.

The teen produced a baby purported to be her biological child for an appointment with CPS, but DNA tests taken during the appointment revealed she is not the infant's biological mother, said CPS attorney John Dolezal in a court filing on Thursday.

State officials believe the girl was married to a man in the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints when she was 14. In Texas, someone younger than 17 generally cannot consent to sex with an adult, and The Associated Press is withholding her name because it generally does not name possible victims of sex crimes.

"It appears that (the girl) has been separated from her child,"

Dolezal said in the filing.

The agency is also concerned the girl is "being improperly influenced, against her best interest, into making choices to not produce her child and to produce another individual's child," he wrote.

CPS officials have said they want to ensure the infant is safe and are not seeking custody.

The girl's attorney, Kelly Ellis, is on maternity leave and couldn't immediately be reached for comment on Monday.

FLDS spokesman Willie Jessop said that while he was unfamiliar with the latest dispute in the case, the girl previously said she feared the agency would try to take the infant if she allowed officials to examine the baby.

"The department has reaffirmed that they're not trustworthy. She was concerned that they would take the baby," Jessop said.

A hearing in the teen's case is scheduled for Friday.

Her case is one of just two remaining cases in what was initially one of the largest custody cases in U.S. history.

In April, the state swept all the children from their West Texas ranch, claiming the children were being abused or were at risk for abuse because of alleged underage marriages within the sect.

BLM says T. Boone Pickens deal for wild horses flawed

RENO, Nev. (AP)—An offer from the wife of Texas billionaire T. Boone Pickens to establish a sanctuary for 30,000 wild horses is "problematic" and not viable as proposed, a federal land management official said Monday.

Nonetheless, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management is willing to continue talks with Madeleine Pickens, said Ron Wenker, the agency's state director for Nevada.

"We tried to thank her politely" and leave the door open, he told the National Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board.

Pickens last fall proposed establishing a wild horse sanctuary after the BLM said it was considering euthanasia as a way to stem escalating costs of keeping animals gathered from the open range in long-term holding facilities.

She said she was looking for about 1 million acres, or 1,500 square miles, to establish the refuge.

About 33,000 wild horses roam in 10 Western states, about half in Nevada. The horses and burros are managed by the BLM and protected under a 1971 law enacted by Congress.

The agency, which set a target "appropriate management level" of 27,000 horses in the wild to

protect the herd, the range and other foraging animals, rounds up excess horses and offers them for adoption. Those that are too old or considered unadoptable are sent to long-term holding facilities, where they can live for decades.

There are now about as many animals in long-term care as remain in the wild.

Wenker, who recently served two months as acting national BLM director, said there are two problems with Pickens' offer.

One is the \$500 per head, per year — or \$15 million annually for 30,000 horses — she was asking to take the animals now in long-term holding facilities off the government's hands.

Pickens last week told The Associated Press the stipend would be used to finance a nonprofit foundation that would care for the animals.

"You've got to get some kind of break from the government," she said. "We need help from them." She estimated her plan would save the government as much as \$700 million in costs otherwise spent for long-term holding by 2020.

BLM officials project holding costs in 2009 at \$10.3 million for horses in long-term care and \$22.6 million for those in short-term facilities, where they are readied and made available for adoption.

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Search narrows for NFL players in Fla. Gulf Coast

CLEARWATER, Fla. (AP)—The Coast Guard on Monday narrowed the search area for two NFL players and a third man missing since a weekend fishing trip off the Florida Gulf Coast after crews rescued a fourth man clinging to their capsized boat.

Survivor Nick Schuyler, a former University of South Florida player, told rescuers that the boat the four friends were aboard was anchored when it flipped Saturday evening in rough seas, said Coast Guard Capt. Timothy M. Close. Since then, Schuyler, who was wearing a life vest, had been hanging onto the boat found by a Coast Guard cutter 35 miles off Clearwater.

Schuyler said the other three men got separated from the boat. The 21-footer belongs to Oakland Raiders linebacker Marquis Cooper, who, along with free-agent defensive lineman Corey Smith and former South Florida player William Bleakley, remained missing.

Schuyler was conscious but appeared weak as he was being taken off a helicopter at Tampa General Hospital and placed on a stretcher. His father said his son was in serious but stable condition and that he "looks OK."

"He's got some cuts and bruises. He's dehydrated," said Stuart Schuyler. Schuyler's mother, Marsha Schuyler, said her son told her that he survived by thinking about how he didn't want her to go to his funeral.

The family's joy at him being found alive was tempered by the search for his friends.

"We still have three men missing, and we're not going to talk too much until we find these guys," said his father, Stuart Schuyler. "We're all praying for them. These guys are all very close friends."

Coast Guard photos showed Schuyler wearing a yellow jacket and orange life vest and sitting on the hull of the capsized boat as a rescue cutter approached. A helicopter lowered a basket to haul him aboard. The search area is now "substantially smaller," based on where they found the boat and Schuyler, Close said. Searchers had previously covered 16,000 square miles of ocean.

Smith's family planned to drive to Florida from Richmond, Va., Tuesday, after the snowy weather in the East made getting a flight impossible, said Yolanda Newbill, one of Smith's sisters.

She said they have been in contact with the Coast Guard every few hours since the search began.

"We have never lost hope," Newbill said. "We have total faith that (he) will be coming home."

Ray Sanchez of Tampa, a cousin of Cooper, said he was told the men were together "for a good period of time" after the boat flipped. He said the family was confident the Coast Guard would find them.

"My cousin's a powerful swimmer," he said.

The water temperature in the area was 68 degrees. After 18 hours in 64-degree water, hypothermia will set in, said Coast Guard Petty Officer 2nd Class James Harless. How long someone can survive depends on how big the person is, he said. Cooper is 6-foot-3, 230 pounds, and Smith, 6-foot-2, 250 pounds.

The four friends left Clearwater Pass early Saturday in calm weather, but heavy winds picked up through the day and the seas got heavy, with waves of 7 feet and higher, peaking at 15 feet on Sunday. A relative alerted the Coast Guard early Sunday after the men did not return as expected.

Not much should change in National League this season

It is that time of year again. The time of year when everyone hopes this could be their team's year. Cubs fans across the world are all too familiar with this sentiment, and fans in Kansas City and Pittsburgh hope the Royals and Pirates are this year's Tampa Bay Rays.

That said, let's take a look at the National League and see who has realistic hopes and dreams and who will see world championships only in their dreams. Each team will be listed by division and in order according to its 2009 predicted finish along with a brief breakdown.



Brett Talley

National League East
Philadelphia Phillies: NL East Champ in 2008.

-Yes, the defending champs do not have a lot of depth in their starting rotation, but they make up for it with plenty of options in the bullpen. Throw in one of the two or three best lineups in the NL and you get another division crown in Philly.

New York Mets: Second in NL East in 2008.

Washington Nationals: Fifth in NL East in 2008.

-This column only has so much space allotted to it. Why waste words on the always-in-the-cellar Nationals?

National League Central
Chicago Cubs: NL Central Champs in 2008.

-They have a loaded rotation, an excellent lineup and a solid bullpen. The Cubs are almost a virtual lock to win this average division.

Houston Astros: Third in NL Central in 2008.

-You cannot enter the season pinning your hopes on a healthy Mike Hampton and a miraculous turn around for Brandon Backe. Unfortunately, they just did not have the money to sign the help they need in the rotation to take the next step into the playoffs.

"The Cubs are almost a virtual lock to win (the National League Central)."

Milwaukee Brewers: NL Wild Card in 2008.

-This team has a lot of good, underrated players like Ryan Braun and Corey Hart, but you cannot lose C.C. Sabathia and Ben Sheets and expect to be as good as you were last season.

Cincinnati Reds: Fifth in NL Central in 2008.

-If you put a gun to my head and made me pick this year's Tampa Bay Rays, the Reds would be my pick. Aaron Harang is much better than he looked in 2008, and Edinson Volquez and Johnny Cueto, along with an improved Harang, could legitimize their rotation. Plus, Jay Bruce, Brandon Phillips and Joey

Votto have the potential to be a very solid core of that lineup for years.

Pittsburgh Pirates: Sixth in NL Central in 2008.

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National League West:
Los Angeles Dodgers: NL West Champs in 2008.

-Whenever you lose Derek Lowe and Brad Penny you are, quite simply, not as good as you were. But, assuming Manny Ramirez ends up back in Los Angeles, the Dodger lineup will not have a hole in it. Top to bottom, this is the best lineup in the NL, which should offset the lesser starting rotation.

Arizona Diamondbacks: Second in NL West in 2008.

-Sadly, the D-Backs are the only competition L.A. has in the West and they should not be too competitive to begin with. The only hope in the desert is for Brandon Webb and Dan Haren to win 20-plus games each and finish one-two in the Cy Young voting. If that does not happen—and it will not—the Dodgers will run away with the West.

San Francisco Giants: Fourth in NL West in 2008.

-The Giants have less talent and even less of a chance than Arizona does, but if Tim Lincecum and Matt Cain turn out to be a better one-two punch than Webb and Haren, then they could challenge for second in the division and a plus-.500 record.

Colorado Rockies: Third in NL West in 2008.

-The Rockies are just not that good. In fact, only the Nationals may have a worse pitching staff. In retrospect, they probably were not that good in 2007 either when they made that unbelievable push to get into the playoffs on the last day of the season.

San Diego Padres: Fifth in NL West in 2008.

"Cut the payroll as much as possible" is never a championship strategy.

So there you have it. Three repeat division winners and a fairly common wild card pick. Really went out on a limb there, huh?

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Kurt Busch not bothered by brother's fame

LAS VEGAS (AP)—Few would have blamed Kurt Busch if he had skipped Victory Lane. After all, drivers who finish 23rd at their home track don't have much to celebrate.

Yet with a heartfelt smile, he stopped by the party Sunday night to briefly congratulate his kid brother.

If he had even one twinge of jealousy, he didn't show it.

Maybe he saved that emotion for later, for a personal moment away from all the cameras when Busch might have griped, "That should have been me."

No one would think anything less of Busch if he's had those thoughts in the year since his little brother suddenly emerged as NASCAR's newest superstar and knocked him from his reign as the family's top race car driver.

Since moving to Joe Gibbs Racing last season, Kyle Busch has wracked up win after win. He's cemented himself as a serious championship contender and put his career on the fast track to fame and fortune. His name was even mentioned last week as a possible candidate for a planned U.S.-based

Formula One team—a nod that signifies the driver is considered one of the best in the world.

Kurt Busch, meanwhile, has been seemingly stuck in neutral.

His cars aren't as good, his trips to Victory Lane few and far between. Kyle Busch earned 21 trips to the winner's circle last season.

Kurt? Just one.

Still, he's weathered the shifting spotlight with grace, and that didn't change Sunday when a Busch finally won at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

Wang pitches two scoreless innings in return

KISSIMMEE, Fla. (AP)—Chien-Ming Wang made his first appearance since partially tearing a tendon in his foot running the bases against Houston in June, pitching two scoreless innings for the Yankees in a 5-5 tie with the Astros on Monday.

"I feel good," Wang said. "Nothing wrong."

On Tuesday, the Yankees will face their captain, Derek Jeter, when they play Team USA in a World Baseball Classic warmup at George M. Steinbrenner Field.

"We're going to drill him," Yankees catcher Jorge Posada joked. "It's the first time we've played against each other. It will be fun."

Wang was tested when he chased down a bun in front of home plate and when he ran to cover the base on a groundball to the first baseman.

He threw 23 pitches, 12 for strikes, and allowed two singles, which both came on his trademark pitch, the sinker.

"A few times the sinker was not sinking down enough," Wang said. "It

was flat. That's normal for this time of year."

Wang said he felt "about the same" as he has in previous seasons, including when he won 19 games in both 2006 and 2007.

"I think when you have an injury like that, you watch how they push off and he looked the same as before he got hurt," Yankees manager Joe Girardi said. "That means he's comfortable with the way he feels. If he's comfortable with the way he feels, we're obviously a lot more comfortable."

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Tech baseball hopes to turn it around against Cal-Riverside

By **MIKE GRAHAM**
STAFF WRITER

After being swept by Cal State-Northridge, the Red Raider baseball team is looking for a fresh start as an eight-game, 11-day California road trip continues.

Texas Tech will get its chance at 8 p.m. CT today in Riverside, Calif., when the team takes on the California-Riverside Highlanders for the first of two games.

The Highlanders (6-2) have an impressive record so far this season. The team won two of three games against Cal, has a win over UCLA, and took three of four games from San Francisco — a team Tech (5-4) will take on this Saturday in Palm Springs, Calif.

Tech started a series against UCR last season, winning two games to one. However, UCR coach Doug Smith is not only familiar with Tech baseball because of last year's series, but also because of Tech coach Dan Spencer's days at Oregon State.

"I've known Spencer for a long time," Smith said. "He's a first-class guy and it's because of Dan that we got to play Tech last season. It'll be great to see what he can do with Texas Tech."

Spencer described UCR as a team that does not allow many hits.

UCR's Ryan Platt (1-0) is expected to take the mound for the Highlanders. Platt has pitched six innings this season allowing three hits — none for extra bases — and three walks. He also has eight strikeouts.

Platt most likely will face at least five Tech batters with a batting average over .300.

Junior transfer Kellen Monreal leads the team with a .364 average with freshman designated hitter Scott Lejeune nipping at his heels with a .360 average.

Joey Kenworthy, Justin Berry and alternating catchers Kevin Whitehead and Jeremy Mayo round out the plus .300 group.

"They've got a good club," Spencer said. "Strong, veteran pitching. It's going to be all we can handle."

Tech is on a three-game losing streak after dropping games to CSUN 8-4, 7-3 and 3-2, respectively, this past weekend.

Sunday's game against CSUN ended in dramatic fashion for the Red Raiders.

Tech was clinging to a 2-1 lead with two outs in the bottom of the ninth with one man on first base, CSUN's Jeff Pruitt. The game's winning run, John Parham, reached base on an error. On the next at bat, CSUN's Richard Cates doubled to right field driving in Pruitt and pushing Parham at third. On the next at bat, Ryan Pineda hit a walk-off single that drove Parham in for

the CSUN win.

Tech's Brian Cloud (1-2) was saddled with the loss after giving up three unearned runs in his 3 1/3 innings of relief work.

The good news for Red Raider fans was AJ Ramos who was injured last season. The Tech coaching staff raised Ramos' pitch count from 50 pitches in his last start to 65 pitches this time around. He pitched four innings while allowing six hits but no runs. He also threw for six strikeouts on the day.

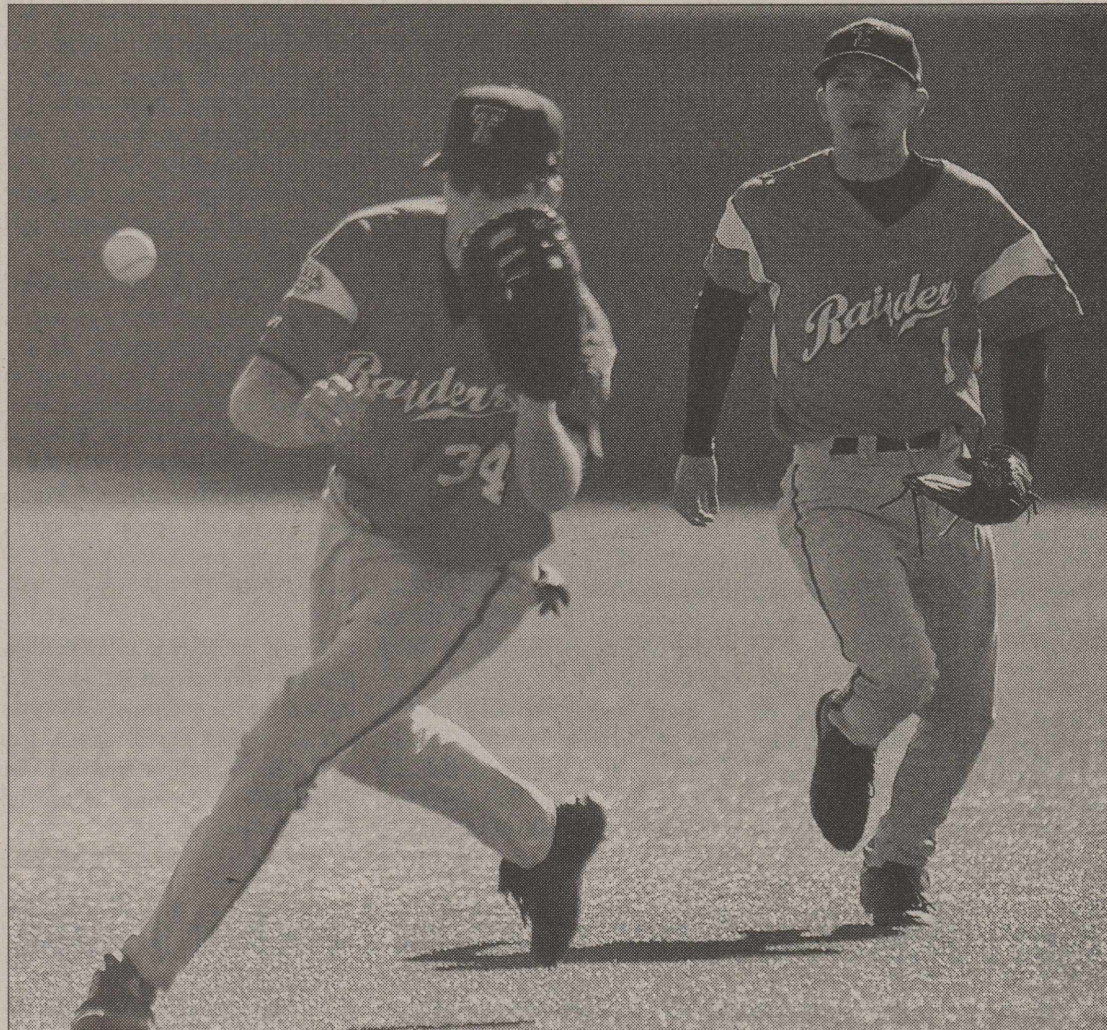
However, UCR has five batters hitting above a .300 average through its eight games.

Outfielder Tony Nix is hitting .435 with 10 hits, three doubles, a triple and five RBI. Robert Brantley and Carl Uhl are behind Nix with .357 and .353 averages, respectively.

Tech's Robert Kilcrease (1-0) will start against those hitters. Through two games, Kilcrease has worked 11 innings, allowing nine hits and three walks. Kilcrease's last outing contributed to a Tech victory against New Mexico.

After the game tonight, both Tech and UCR travel to Palm Springs, Calif., for the Palm Springs Tournament and will play against each other again Thursday.

Tech then will face San Francisco, Gonzaga and Oregon State, respectively, before returning to Lubbock.



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH'S LOGAN Leslie fields the ball in front of Willie Rueda. The Red Raiders start a series against California-Riverside at 8 p.m. today in Riverside, Calif.

Spencer said bouncing back from the Cal State-Northridge series is imperative to more success in the upcoming games.

"It's always important to win," Spencer said. "It's important for us to execute better. That leads to wins."

Tonight's game against UCR will be broadcast on the radio by 1340 AM, KKAM.
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UConn No. 1, Bowling Green No. 25 in women's basketball AP poll

(AP) — Bowling Green's 25-game winning streak lifted the school into the AP Top 25 women's college basketball poll Monday.

The Falcons (25-2) checked in at No. 25, while Connecticut remained a unanimous No. 1 for the 14th week in a row.

The Huskies are 29-0 and were to close out their regular season Monday night at Rutgers. UConn easily defeated Villanova and Seton Hall last week.

Stanford moved back into the No. 2 spot. The Cardinal were second in the preseason poll before losing to Baylor in the first week. Oklahoma dropped one place to No.

3 after losing to Texas A&M last Monday.

The Sooners had held the No. 2 spot the previous six weeks.

Maryland moved to No. 4 after clinching the ACC title, followed by Baylor, Auburn and Louisville. Duke moved up to No. 8 after its overtime win against North Carolina.

California took the biggest fall, dropping from fourth to ninth after losing at UCLA on Sunday. The loss knocked the Bears out of a first-place tie in the Pac-10. The Bears may have to play on without Alexis Gray-Lawson, who left the game with a sprained left knee.

AP men's basketball poll: UConn moves back to No. 1

(AP) — Connecticut returned to No. 1 in The Associated Press' college basketball poll Monday after one week out of the top spot.

The Huskies (27-2) had their three-week stint at No. 1 end with a loss to Pittsburgh that dropped them to second. But wins over Marquette and Notre Dame last week, along with the Panthers' loss to Providence, meant a runaway return to the top for Connecticut. The Huskies received 67 first-place votes from the 72-member national media panel.

North Carolina (25-3) moved from fourth to second and was No. 1 on three ballots. Pittsburgh (26-3), which lost 81-73 to Providence last week a day after returning to No. 1, fell to third and received one first-place vote.

Oklahoma, which lost to Kansas last week without preseason All-America Blake Griffin then beat Texas Tech with him back in the lineup, fell one place to fourth.

Memphis (26-3), which has the nation's longest winning streak at 20 games, received one first-place vote and remained fifth. Louisville and Duke stayed sixth and seventh while Michigan State advanced one spot to eighth.

Kansas, the defending national champion, used the win over Oklahoma and a 90-65 victory over Missouri to jump from 15th to ninth. Wake Forest moved from No. 13 to round out the top 10.

Villanova, which lost to Georgetown on Saturday, dropped

one place to 11th and was followed by LSU, Marquette, Gonzaga, Missouri, Washington, Xavier, Clemson, Purdue and UCLA.

The last five ranked teams were Arizona State, Butler, Illinois, Florida State and Syracuse, this week's only newcomers.

The Orange (21-8) dropped out last week after losing seven of 10 games to end a 12-week stretch in the rankings in which they reached as high as No. 8. They enjoyed convincing wins over St. John's and Cincinnati.

Texas (19-9) returned last week after being out of the rankings for two weeks, but the Longhorns lost 68-59 to Oklahoma State on Saturday and fell out from 25th.

LSU's jump from 18th to No. 12 matched Kansas for the biggest move of the week.

Arizona State, which lost overtime road games to Washington and Washington State by a total of five points last week, had the biggest drop, falling from No. 14 to No. 21. Clemson, which lost to Florida State and Virginia Tech, fell six places to No. 18. Marquette, which lost to Connecticut and Louisville, went from No. 8 to No. 13.

The week before the major conference tournaments get under way will feature eight matchups of ranked teams, including Connecticut at Pittsburgh on Saturday and Duke at North Carolina on Sunday.

Tech track not dwelling on performance at Big 12

By **ADAM WADSWORTH**
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech track team doesn't have much time to enjoy its success at the Big 12 Conference Championships.

With the Iowa State Last Chance this weekend in Ames, Iowa, and nationals on March 13 and 14, the Red Raiders can't slow down now.

"We've competed and now we're just going to pretty much rest these people up that are going to go to Iowa, get them fresh and try and get another person or two for the national meet," Tech coach Wes Kitley said. "The rest of the team will just kind of have a medium few days, then get back in the normal routine."

The No. 17 women's team finished second in the conference, falling only to the top-ranked Aggies of Texas A&M. It was the best finish at the conference championships in school history.

The Lady Raiders brought a total of four Big 12 championships back to Lubbock: 12-time conference champion Sally Kipyego won the 3,000-meter race, Lillian Badaru took first in the 5,000-meter, Patience Knight won her second-straight shot put title and the distance medley relay team won its event.

Kitley said he was proud of his team and if it were any other year, Tech probably would have taken first.

Although the face of the women's program probably is Kipyego, Knight is the more reserved leader.

Even though she has won four of the five events she has competed in this season, Knight was not satisfied with her performance until this weekend.

She said she has been working hard to find a technique that would increase her production, and everything finally came together for her.

She also said the relief that comes with already being qualified for nationals will help improve her performance.

"It's pretty relieving because now I don't have to worry about getting to nationals," Knight said. "I can just worry about competing and trying to do my best."

Her goal for practice these next two weeks is to get her throw up to 59 or 60 feet, which she said should be good enough for a first-place finish.

The No. 10 men's team also enters the next few weeks coming off a strong performance at the conference championships.

Tech junior Omoghan Osaghae became the third straight Red Raider to win the 60-meter hurdles. His 7.75 second time was good enough for an NCAA provisional time.

He was preceded by 2007 winner Marlon Odom and 2008 champion Shawon Harris.

Gil Roberts, whose collegiate 400-meter dash record was broken only a few hours after he set it two weeks ago, took his record back this weekend.

His time of 46.08 seconds is an NCAA automatic mark and was good enough for a conference championship.

The win also broke Baylor's five-year winning streak in the 400.

"I didn't even know that," Roberts said. "I just went out and executed what my coaches told me to do, and it went well."

He also said he believes he and Osaghae both have legitimate shots at taking home national championships in two weeks, but for now he is consistently working on his technique and trying to stay healthy.

Tech athletes that have not previously qualified for nationals, such as pole-vaulter Amanda Alley and the men's 4x400-meter relay team, travel to Iowa on Friday and Saturday for one last shot at a trip to nationals.

"We're not taking that many — a relay and a few individuals," Kitley said, "but I really feel like we'll get somebody out of there."

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