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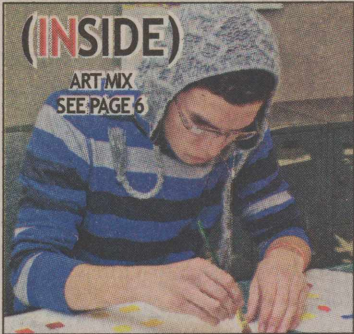
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STATE

State unemployment fund strapped for cash

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas employers probably will pay more taxes next year thanks to an overloaded state unemployment fund, officials said. The state paid \$64 million in unemployment benefits last week, more than twice as much as in the same week last year, Texas Workforce Commission administrators told a special House panel studying the federal stimulus package Tuesday. Larry Temple, the commission's executive director, testified that the unemployment insurance trust fund is expected to have just \$48 million Oct. 1 when it is required by law to have \$860 million.

NATION

Freddie Mac seeks \$30.8B in aid after 4 Q

WASHINGTON (AP) — Freddie Mac, facing mounting damage from the U.S. housing crisis, said Wednesday it will ask the government for nearly \$31 billion in additional aid after posting a gargantuan loss of more than \$50 billion last year. The report comes just weeks after Fannie Mae said it would need more than \$15 billion in government assistance after losing almost \$60 billion last year. The two companies, which were seized by the government last fall, are critical to the health of the U.S. real estate market. Together, Fannie and Freddie own or guarantee more than half of all U.S. home loans.

WORLD

NATO commander: drug raids imminent

WINNENDEN, Germany (AP) — A 17-year-old wielding a Beretta 9 mm pistol burst into classrooms at his former high school Wednesday and gunned down students — some of whom died with their pencils still in hand — in a rampage that ended with 15 dead before he took his own life, authorities said. There was no immediate indication of motive, but the gunman's victims were primarily female: eight of nine students killed were girls, and all three teachers were women. Three men were killed later as the suspect fled.

DEATH TOLL

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U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

SOURCE: Associated Press, confirmed by the Department of Defense

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Up, up and away

Marine pilot guides students during flight orientation program

By **TINA L. ARONS**
FEATURES EDITOR

U.S. Marine Corps Capt. Rick Birt had no qualms about giving control of his aircraft to several people who had no prior flight training, including himself. Michael Radford, a sophomore business major at Texas Tech, participated in the Marine Corps Flight Orientation Program with several others on Wednesday morning to further explore his interest in becoming a Marine Corps pilot. "I recently served four years of active duty in the Marines, and I want to go back as an officer," said the U.S. citizen who grew up in Russia. "I've wanted to be a pilot since I was a kid. I built plane models and went to museums. It fascinated me." College students and those who express interest in the program have the opportunity to participate in the flight orientation program once per semester, said Capt. Josh Zaffos, a Marine recruiter for West Texas and New Mexico. They have several opportunities during a two- to three-day window when a Marine pilot flies into Lubbock for the event. "It's a really great recruiting tool," he said. "A lot of people don't realize the Marine Corps has pilots." Although I tagged along during the 9 a.m. flight with Radford and three other participants, I did not jump in the cockpit. I had my chance to try my hand at aviation the day before. I arrived at Lubbock Aero, a private and civil aviation service, for a 1 p.m. flight Tuesday accompanied by a photographer. We pulled into the parking lot moments before Birt and Zaffos arrived. The sun had emerged from the clouds, which bumped the temperature up to about 60 or 70 degrees. The warmer temperatures meant an increase in turbulence, Birt said, because different areas of ground — paved areas, neighborhoods or fields — heated at different rates, creating more lift. I found the prospect of flying a plane for 10 minutes during



PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Treador

CLIFTON JONES, A senior mechanical engineering major from Roseville Calif., flies a King Air 200 aircraft from the co-pilot seat over the Lubbock area under the direction of Capt. Rick Birt during the Marine Corps Flight Orientation Program designed to inform potential recruits of the aviation component of the Marine Corps.

slight turbulence exciting. Because the other three participants canceled before the first afternoon flight, the photographer and I were the only students to climb aboard the King Air 200 and give it a go. The flight orientation program uses the King Air 200, an aircraft with twin turboprop engines, because it is a reliable aircraft, Birt said. The King Air 200 was first built in the 1980s, and a new one costs nearly \$2 million, depending on the technology included, such as GPS. **FLIGHT** continued on page 7 ➤

Local hospitals not affected by stem cell policy reversal

By **KENDYL SEBESTA**
STAFF WRITER

President Barack Obama signed an executive order Monday lifting an eight-year federal funding ban on embryonic stem cell research, but two Lubbock health systems will not immediately take advantage of the new funding. According to the National Institutes of Health Web site, the initial federal funding ban created by former President George W. Bush disallowed federal funding for embryonic stem cell research if the cells were created after Aug. 9, 2001. Under Obama's reversal, federal funding will support research of human embryonic stem cells donated with the consent of the patient from in vitro fertilization clinics and that have an excess and created for the sole purpose of fertility treatment, according to the White House Web site.

Simon Williams, associate professor of the Tech Health Sciences Center Department of Cell Biology and Biochemistry, said he does not expect any immediate or obvious change at the HSC because of Obama's reversal. "At the moment, embryonic stem cell research is extremely complicated for a lot of reasons," Williams said. "The potentials at universities and institutions really only exist at the minor level when compared to companies and other departments with unlimited amounts of funding. So, collaboration might be possible in the future

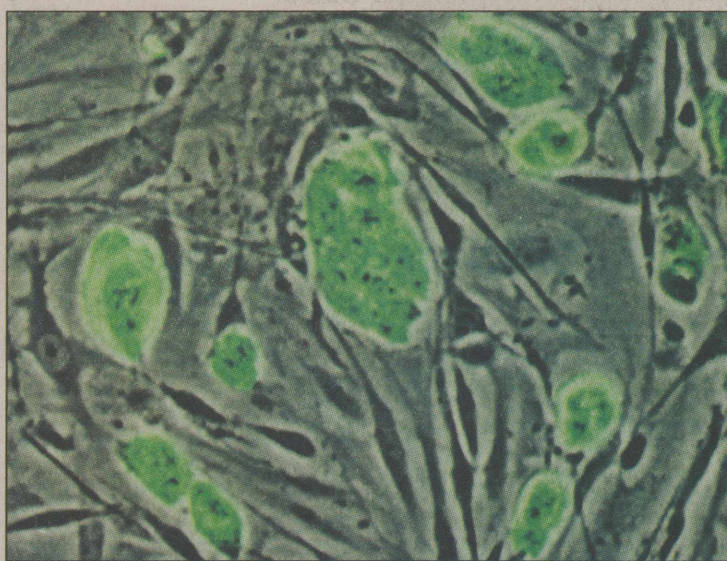


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MOUSE EMBRYONIC STEM cells stained with a fluorescent green marker for embryonic germ cells.

between universities, but at this stage I doubt the university is even thinking of it yet." Williams said an interest in embryonic stem cell research likely will come soon, but because of ethical and moral issues, public discourse must be encouraged. "We're in an interesting stage right now," Williams said. "Other countries have already begun doing this sort of research and have made those funds available, but I think in this country the next step will be to begin a public discussion that helps to balance both the ethical and moral issues of the research to make a decision." He said if the HSC was going to institute embryonic stem cell research, it most likely would find out what the public thinks about the issue before

making a decision. Covenant Health System spokeswoman Michelle Stephens said Covenant will not make changes after Obama's embryonic stem cell policy reversal. "We don't do anything like that at Covenant," Stephens said. "We are a Catholic- and Methodist-based hospital, and while we use adult stem cells for cancer research, we choose not to do anything involving embryonic stem cells." According to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops Web site, the Catholic faith argues for the respect of human life from the moment of conception, which includes the embryonic state. **STEM CELL** continued on page 2 ➤

Despite earmarks, Obama signs \$410B spending bill

By **CHARLES BABINGTON**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama, sounding weary of criticism over federal earmarks, defended Congress' pet projects Wednesday as he signed an "imperfect" \$410 billion measure with thousands of examples. But he said the spending does need tighter restraint and listed guidelines to do it. Obama, accused of hypocrisy by Republicans for embracing billions of dollars of earmarks in the legislation, said they can be useful and noted that he has promised to curb, not eliminate them. On another potentially controversial matter, the president also issued a "signing statement" with the bill, saying several of its provisions raised constitutional concerns and would be taken merely as suggestions. He has criticized President George W. Bush for often using such statements to claim the right to ignore portions of new laws, and on Monday he said his administration wouldn't follow those issued by Bush unless authorized by the new attorney general. White House officials have accused Bush of using the statements to get around Congress in pursuing anti-terror tactics. Obama signed the bill in private, unlike a number of recent signings that took place with fanfare, but he raised the issue of earmarks in public remarks playing down their scope and possible harm in the measure. They

comprise about 1 percent of the spending package, which will keep the government running through September, he told reporters. "Done right, earmarks have given legislators the opportunity to direct federal money to worthy projects that benefit people in their districts. And that's why I've opposed their outright elimination," he said. Still, the president acknowledged the storm of criticism from watchdog groups, talk show hosts and many Republican lawmakers — including some who have obtained earmarks — who call them wasteful and politically motivated. They are special provisions earmarking money in spending bills for specific projects. Obama, too, has criticized them as overused and subject to abuse. Proposing new safeguards, he asked Congress to require that any earmark for a for-profit company be subject to competitive bids. He also said he would work with Congress to eliminate earmarks or other specific items in spending bills that he believes serve no legitimate purpose. But he did not specify how. Critics were unmoved. Obama "naively asked earmark addicts to police themselves," said Sen. Jim DeMint, R-S.C. Lawmakers "trumpet their pork on their Web sites," he said, "and nobody believes we will have public hearings on pet projects." Presidents can ask Congress to rescind various spending items. But the authority has little bite because lawmakers tend to ignore requests to undo their work.

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SGA announces runoff results

By CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech's Election Commission announced the unofficial results of the 2009-2010 Student Government Association's runoff elections Wednesday in the courtyard of Student Union Building.

Drew Canham, elections commissioner and ombudsman for students, announced Sarah Saunders was elected internal vice president and Rahul Kanungoe was elected vice president of graduate and professional affairs.

A nearly-speechless Saunders, current Arts and Sciences senator, said she could not believe the results.

"I've played this out in my mind, and I didn't expect to win," she said.

The first thing on her agenda to do as internal vice president is to assign senators to represent student organizations to increase communication between students and the SGA, Saunders said.

"I want to start senator assignments and assign every senator to organizations that they have some affiliation with to make sure there's better communication between students and student government," she said.

Saunders also said she would

be in charge of making sure senators are listening to the students.

"I'm holding senators accountable," Saunders said. "I want to make sure they're asking the students what they want changed and making sure that they follow through."

Rahul Kanungoe said his experience in student government in India has prepared him for a position as vice president of graduate and professional affairs.

"In India, I worked with student government three years during my bachelor's and two years during my master's," he said.

Kanungoe said as the new vice president he would like to increase research travel funding and grants for graduate students.

"The graduate school currently provides (funding for) one (trip) per year," he said. "If you're a multidisciplinary student, you don't get funding for the second trip."

Kanungoe also said he would like to reevaluate the health insurance policy for international students at Tech.

"My next step would be to



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reevaluate the health insurance plans, and my focus would be to find a balance between the most beneficial plan and the best price," he said.

Canham, who announced last week that runoff elections would take place, said 2,009 students voted in the runoff elections.

The runoff elections took place because there was no majority winner in the first election for the two positions.

The distribution of students who voted showed the college of Arts and Sciences had the most students vote with almost 27 percent of the total votes. The college also voted in a runoff election for the senator from that college.

The College of Business Administration contributed about 16 percent of votes, and the graduate school voted at almost 15 percent.

Canham said after the candidates have turned in their financial disclosures and have filed any complaints on campaigning, the Election Commission has 14 school days to file the official results.

"It is certainly helpful to get that filed before the next senate meeting and it is our goal to meet these requirements," he said.

Should any students file complaints, they have one day after the announcement of the unofficial results to do so in writing at the SGA office.

The elections commission announced Suzanne Williams as the new president and Dee Jay Wilde as the new external vice president March 4.

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Stocks extend gains into second day

NEW YORK (AP) — It took some work, but investors managed to turn Wall Street's best performance this year into a two-day advance.

Stocks ended with modest gains Wednesday but the Dow Jones industrial average still recorded its first two-day climb since Feb. 5-6. The buying was far more subdued than on Tuesday when Citigroup Inc.'s upbeat assessment of its business sent investors rushing into the market, in part to cover bets that stocks would continue to slide. The Dow on Wednesday ended up nearly 4 points after jumping 379 the day before.

The session's mood was more tentative than some investors might have hoped for, but given the market's dismal performance for much of 2009, just holding on to gains from the rally was a victory.

Financial stocks that led the market's huge rally Tuesday continued to pull ahead Wednesday. Tech stocks rose after an analyst raised Hewlett-Packard Co.'s rating.

But analysts again cautioned that

the market remains deeply troubled by the problems in the banking industry and the impact of the recession on companies in all industries. And, they noted that there was little conviction behind Tuesday's buying.

Investors nervous about the economy likely will need more good news to keep buying.

"People are looking past the sizzle and saying 'where's the steak?'" said Doug Roberts, chief investment strategist for ChannelCapitalResearch.com.

Much of Tuesday's buying came from short covering, which occurs when investors need to buy stock to replace shares that were borrowed and then sold on expectations of a market decline.

On Wednesday, the head of the Securities and Exchange Commission said the agency "hopefully" will propose next month the reinstatement of the uptick rule, which aims to prevent a massive plunge in stock price fueled by short selling. The SEC eliminated the rule in 2007 and supporters say its absence has

added to the market's volatility.

For there to be a sustained advance, there has to be "many, many days of positive tone and the market interpreting data and news as more positive than negative," said Roman Dubczak, head of equity capital markets at CIBC World Markets.

Many analysts are calling the market's advance this week a bear market rally. A bear market is defined as a drop of 20 percent from a market peak; rallies during bear markets tend to disappear quickly as investors remain pessimistic. Both the Dow and Standard & Poor's 500 index are at levels less than half the record highs they reached in October 2007.

Bear market rallies can last longer than a single day, said Mike Stanfield, chief executive of VSR Financial Services.

"If you go back a year and a half, every single rally has turned out to be a bear market rally," he said. "So I think you'd have to guess that this is another (one)."

Stem Cell

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While Covenant does not conduct embryonic stem cell research, the system does offer adult bone marrow stem cell treatments, adult blood stem cell treatments, and umbilical cord blood stem cell treatments similar to most major hospitals throughout the United States.

Stephens said the stem cells Covenant uses for research are unrelated to the embryonic stem cells in Obama's reversal because they are adult stem cells.

Embryonic stem cells are derived from embryos that develop from eggs fertilized in vitro and are then donated for research purposes with the consent of the donor, according to the National

Institutes of Health Web site.

However, embryonic stem cells are not derived from eggs fertilized in a woman's body, the Web site reported, and differ from adult stem cells in that adult stem cells may only become limited types of cells in the human body, while embryonic stem cells may become virtually any cell types in the human body.

Nathan Collie, a Tech associate professor of biological sciences, said Obama's embryonic stem cell research reversal could create change in Texas as federal funding flows to labs and institutions throughout the state.

"Before the reversal researchers could only work on certain embryonic stem cell lines," Collie said. "This wasn't very effective because the lines were usually contaminated by other stem cells and were older because of increased cell division."

According to the International Society for Stem Cell Research Web site, a stem cell line represents a population of cells that can replicate for long periods of time outside the body.

Collie said reversal of the ban could allow researchers to use more effective embryonic stem cells to make or replace certain cells in the human body that are affected by disease.

"Embryonic stem cells actually share a lot of properties with cancer cells in that they divide very quickly like cancer cells do," Collie said. "This could make a big difference in certain areas of research, and it could make it possible for more research to happen in the future."

According to the National Institutes of Health Web site, potential applications of human embryonic stem cells include the generation of cells and tissues used in cell-based therapies, the testing of new drugs, and the discovery of information related to human development.

Any condition involving tissue degeneration also could potentially be treated through stem cell therapy, according to the International Society for Stem Cell Research Web site, including Parkinson's disease, spinal cord injury, stroke, heart disease

"This could make a big difference in certain areas of research..."

NATHAN COLLIE
TECH ASSOCIATE
PROFESSOR OF
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

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would like to congratulate the following faculty members for receiving promotion, tenure or both at the March 6, 2009 Board of Regents meeting:

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Promoted to Associate Professor

Department of Industrial Engineering, Timothy Matis

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Received Tenure

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Promoted from associate archivist to archivist, Library, David Marshall • Promoted from assistant librarian to associate librarian and granted tenure, Christopher Starcher • Tenure granted to Associate Librarian, Sheila Hoover • The Institute for Modern Conflict, Diplomacy and Reconciliation, Stephen Maxner and Mary Saffell

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WORLD EVENTS IN BRIEF

Italy's high court sinks CIA rendition case

ROME (AP) — Italy's highest court on Wednesday dealt a potentially fatal blow to the trial against 26 Americans accused of involvement in the alleged CIA kidnapping of an Egyptian terror suspect in Milan in 2003.

The Constitutional Court sided with the Italian government in saying that prosecutors used classified information to build the case and threw out some key evidence on which the

indictments were based.

Though the judges did not formally throw out the indictments, lawyers said the ruling would at least set the case back.

State lawyer Massimo Giannuzzi said prosecutors would have to seek new indictments based on the remaining evidence or reopen the investigation altogether.

"We are quite satisfied," Giannuzzi said. "There will have to be a

new preliminary hearing to decide if the remaining evidence is enough for new charges."

The American suspects — all but one identified by prosecutors as CIA agents — were accused along with seven Italian agents of kidnapping an Egyptian terror suspect from a Milan street on Feb. 17, 2003, in an "extraordinary rendition" operation coordinated by the CIA and Italy's SISMI military intelligence.

Alleged Nazi camp guard charged 29,000 times

BERLIN (AP) — Retired Ohio auto worker John Demjanjuk was charged Wednesday with 29,000 counts of acting as an accessory to murder while working as a guard at a Nazi death camp in occupied Poland. The arrest warrant could move the 30-year global legal battle over his fate closer to conclusion.

The warrant by a Munich court seeks the deportation or extradition

of Demjanjuk, who lives in a Cleveland suburb and denies involvement in the deaths at Sobibor. His family says he is too sick to travel.

The U.S. Justice Department says Demjanjuk, 88, was a Nazi guard and can be deported for falsifying information on his entry and citizenship applications in the 1950s.

The U.S. Supreme Court chose last year not to consider Demjanjuk's

appeal against deportation, clearing the way for his removal. But it had been unclear until Wednesday which country would take him — his native Ukraine, Poland or Germany.

German Justice Ministry spokeswoman Eva Schmierer said it was not clear if the U.S. would automatically deport Demjanjuk, or whether Germany would have to formally seek his extradition.

France puts a cork in alcohol sales to youth

PARIS (AP) — A spot of Calvados, the apple brandy, in the bottle to help baby sleep. Champagne for all at the family fete. And wine anytime, well, because we're French.

All this tipping has given authorities pause as studies show that a surprising number of young teenagers are knocking it back in a serious way, often legally. France's conservative government now wants to wean the country's youth off the

bottle with a ban on under-18 drinking.

Lawmakers in the National Assembly, the lower house, adopted an amendment Monday that would ban the sale of alcohol to teens under the age of 18 and fine the vendors up to \$9,400. They also voted to forbid the overnight sale of alcohol at gas stations, thought to be a prime source of booze for the young. The amended bill still requires approval by the Assembly and the upper house of

parliament, the Senate.

In a double-whammy, legislators voted to ban the sale of tobacco for those under 18, the latest step in a progressive crackdown on smoking.

The new measures come three days after Assembly lawmakers voted to ban all-you-can-drink events in open bars popular with young people — while exempting wine tastings so important to the wine industry.

NKorea accuses Obama's government of interference

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea took its first swipe at President Barack Obama on Wednesday, accusing his administration of meddling, though the communist country somewhat toned down its recent harsh, military rhetoric.

North Korea has been highly critical of the United States in recent weeks, accusing it of using annual military exercises with South Korea

to prepare for an invasion, a claim Washington denies.

Also stoking tensions has been the North's intention to fire a rocket, which it says will be a satellite but that South Korea and other governments believe will be a test of a long-range missile capable of striking U.S. territory.

"The new administration of the U.S. is now working hard to

infringe upon the sovereignty" of North Korea "by force of arms," the North's Foreign Ministry said in a statement that also accused Obama's government of "seriously interfering in its internal affairs" in both "words and deeds."

Wednesday's statement was significant in that it was the Foreign Ministry's first on the U.S. since Obama's inauguration, an analyst said.

Tariq Aziz, Saddam-era official, gets 15-year term

BAGHDAD (AP) — For years he was the urbane, cigar-smoking face of Saddam Hussein's regime, who argued his boss' case in the international corridors of power.

Tariq Aziz, 72, now faces 15 years in prison for crimes against humanity in the 1992 execution of Iraqi merchants — his first conviction for his role in the ousted regime. The verdict came just over a week after Aziz was acquitted in

a separate case.

The silver-haired former foreign minister, deputy prime minister and Saddam insider blinked frequently Wednesday as the judge read the verdict — guilty on four counts of crimes against humanity including complicity in murder and torture.

Aziz, wearing a blue jacket, black shirt and his trademark thick, black-rimmed glasses, stood

silently. When the judge finished, Aziz quietly asked if he could sit down. The request was granted.

He sat with his eyes shut as other defendants rose to hear their sentences.

Two of Saddam's half brothers, former Interior Minister Watban Ibrahim al-Hassan and director of public security Sabawi Ibrahim, were sentenced to death in the merchants' case.

Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iran join in narcotics crackdown

VIENNA (AP) — Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan carried out their first joint counter-narcotics operation this week, pooling intelligence to arrest suspects and seize drugs in an unprecedented show of cooperation, U.N. officials disclosed Wednesday.

Officials at the Vienna-based U.N. Office on Drugs and Crime told The Associated Press the operation was conducted Sunday at undisclosed locations along Iran's borders with the two other countries.

Narcotics were seized and suspected traffickers arrested, the agency said, adding that it expected Iranian authorities to provide details.

Iran lies on a major drug route between Afghanistan and Europe.

"We are waiting anxiously for the results in terms of arrests and seizures," said Antonio Maria Costa, the U.N.'s chief anti-drugs official, hailing the joint operation for sending "a very important political message" to drug traffickers across the region.

Costa's office said the operation

was part of a U.N. initiative aimed at getting the three countries to carry out joint patrols and share intelligence on the criminal gangs that process opium poppy into heroin and smuggle the drug to lucrative markets in Europe.

Walter Kemp, a spokesman for the U.N. drugs office, told the AP that Sunday's operation ran from morning to mid-afternoon in the target areas. He said it came more than a year after the agency first tried to persuade all three countries to work together on the narcotics scourge.

U.S. officials also have been working to foster greater cooperation. Last week, the Obama administration said Iran would be invited to a high-level conference on Afghanistan's future.

Washington is trying to find new ways to lessen the influence of the Taliban in Afghanistan and get neighboring Pakistan to ease the threat of terrorism and extremism.

On Tuesday, the presidents of all three nations said they agreed that their foreign ministers would meet once a month to discuss common concerns.

Afghanistan is the world's largest

opium producer, and it came under renewed scrutiny this week at an international conference in Vienna, where representatives from 130 countries were reviewing setbacks and successes in the global war on drugs.

"On the narcotics front in particular, I think that Afghanistan's neighbors bear both a particular risk and also have particular opportunities to be of assistance in dealing with what is indeed a challenging problem," said David Johnson, U.S. assistant secretary of state for international narcotics and law enforcement, on the sidelines of the conference.

At the meeting, Russia planned to press for changes in the way the world cracks down on the drug trade in Afghanistan, Russian media reports said.

Meanwhile, Bolivian President Evo Morales told reporters he was in Vienna to seek the removal of the coca leaf from the U.N.'s list of prohibited drugs.

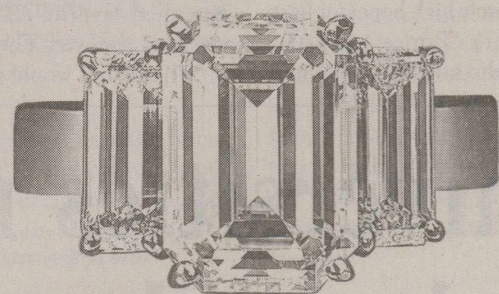
While coca can be turned into cocaine, Bolivians use the small green leaf in its less-potent natural form for chewing or as a traditional tea.

Biden names Seattle police chief drug czar

WASHINGTON (AP) — Seattle Police Chief Gil Kerlikowske will face a daunting set of challenges as the next drug czar, particularly in the Southwest, where violence involving Mexican drug gangs is spilling into the U.S., Vice President Joe Biden said Wednesday.

As director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy, Kerlikowske will help develop and put in place a strategy to stem the Southwest border violence, Biden said in introducing the man President Barack Obama wants to coordinate the nation's drug policy.

"Gil Kerlikowske has the expertise, experience and the sound judgment to lead our national efforts against drug trafficking and use, and he will make an excellent addition to my administration," Obama said in a statement.

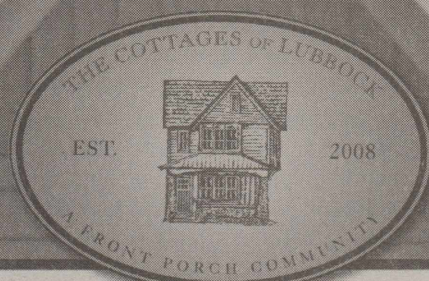


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Gas leak postpones space shuttle launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA postponed the launch of space shuttle Discovery just hours before it was to head to the international space station Wednesday because of a hydrogen gas leak that could have been catastrophic at liftoff.

The leak was in a different part of the system that already has caused a vexing one-month delay.

Shuttle managers put off the launch until Monday but left open the possibility that the repair work might allow for an attempt Sunday.

The latest delay means Discovery's two-week flight must be shortened and some spacewalks cut out of the mission. That's because Discovery needs to be gone from the space station before a Russian Soyuz rocket blasts off March 26 with a fresh station crew.

If Discovery isn't flying by Monday — possibly Tuesday, stretching it — then it will have to wait until April.

Mission Control radioed the news to the three space station residents Tuesday evening. Commander Mike Fincke took it in stride, saying he'd rather see the shuttle this month than next.

"But more importantly, we'd rather see it up safely, so we understand," he said.

The gaseous hydrogen began leaking just as the launch team was close to wrapping up the loading of Discovery's external fuel tank for a late night liftoff. The seven astronauts had yet to board the spaceship.

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Don't hate movie adaptations unjustly

It doesn't seem as if a work of fiction can be even moderately popular these days without having a movie (if not games and other products) adapted from it.

It makes sense for the studios. Take a story that already is loved by many, have someone rewrite it — making moderate changes for the screen version — and put it on film.

Sometimes this is hugely successful, either critically, commercially, or both. From "The Princess Bride" to "Silence of the Lambs" to my personal favorite, "Lord of the Rings," there have been some huge blockbusters that were once books.

Likewise, there are some adaptations most people agree were less than great — or outright sucked. Movies such as "Eragon" and "The Seeker: The Dark is Rising" seemed to disappoint everyone, not just the diehard fans.

Video games also have seen many film adaptations lately. While I may have moderately high hopes for Jerry Bruckheimer's "Prince of Persia" film, I pity who saw "Street Fighter:

Britton Peele



The Legend of Chun-Li" recently.

But whether they're good or bad, there's one thing that bugs me about the concept of an adaptation: Most people just don't seem to get them.

You see it all the time. Those diehard fans of a certain property who simply will never be pleased with an adaptation of their obsession. They're enraged at any and every tiny change made for film and hold a personal vendetta against movie studios for not being faithful to the "author's intent."

You would think they wrote the source material themselves.

Funny thing is I think some of these people do feel as if it's their baby being butchered on screen when their favorite character has some lines removed. They scoff and say, "The author would never have

approved of that change!"

I heard that a lot with the 2005 adaptation of "Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy." Whether you think it was a good film or not, many people said Douglas Adams was surely rolling in his grave because of changes made to the story.

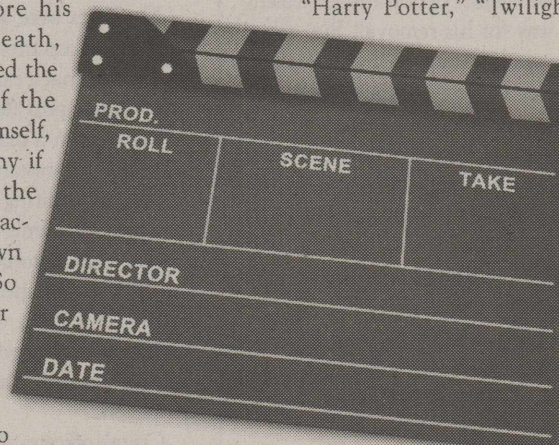
What most of them fail to realize is before his untimely death, Adams penned the first draft of the film script himself, meaning many if not most of the changes were actually his own invention. So was the author unfaithful to his own intent? Did he somehow go against his own wishes for how he wanted the screenplay to be written?

Like many other young males out there, I saw "Watchmen" during the weekend. As a huge fan of the

graphic novel, I found the film to be a stunningly faithful adaptation and a darn good flick. Not without its flaws, sure, but you could say that about any work.

But yet again you find that special little cluster of fanboys who are simply up in arms about the film, hating every frame of it.

"Harry Potter," "Twilight,"



"Narnia ..." I greatly applaud fans for being so reverent to their favorite works, but there's something they all need to get into their heads:

Film is not paper. Nor is it a video game, nor is it a comic book.

There's a reason we have a variety of different storytelling methods. Each has something different it can offer and should be treated as an entirely different beast.

As someone who wants to make a living writing fantasy fiction, I personally see some of the highest storytelling potential with the written word. But I also desperately want to be involved in writing for TV, film and video games. If, say, I'm fortunate enough to ever have the film rights to one of my stories purchased, I want to write the first draft of the script.

This isn't because I want to be a dictator and make sure everything is word-for-word what the book was, but rather because I understand how different the story would need to be.

What works well in a novel often does not work half as well on the screen. Long conversations, internal monologues, pages of description, etc. all need to be handled a very different way. Trust me, a film ver-

sion of "New Moon" where every line is word-for-word like the book is not what "Twilight" fans want to see. It needs to change and evolve in order to work well in a different medium.

Sure, sometimes the changes needed are small and subtle — such as changing the ending of "Watchmen" a bit or giving Neville some of Dobby's role in "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" — but sometimes they're more major.

Fans just need to remember, believe it or not, that the scriptwriters and directors are just doing their best to make a movie enjoyable, both for you and non-fans. Often people who sign on to these sorts of projects have the same reverence for the source material as you do. Cut them a little slack.

Enjoy film adaptations for what they are, and if you don't like them, it's not as if the book isn't there waiting for you anymore.

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Universities need fewer students, lower budgets

By DANIEL MORGAN
THE DAILY REVELLE (LSU)

The threat of budget cuts has brought home the drama of the recent fiscal feeding frenzy to students. These retrenches are almost as universally opposed as not "supporting the troops."

It's easy to imagine a world where none go to college. Without four years of general training, many companies would have to absorb the additional cost of training their employees. Many professional careers in engineering, medicine and law would face deficits, and many would miss out on a well-rounded liberal arts education.

But it's also easy to imagine a world where almost all go to college. In more subtle ways, this would be just as corrosive to the standard of living.

As college degrees became more pervasive, individual degrees would no longer function as career signals. Because very few jobs require four years of general training, universities would have to offer majors unrelated to their students' future.

As the number of teachers and students increased, public universities would suck up more and more of the country's resources. All else held equal, an investment in human capital is a good thing.

However, because the federal government is relying on deficit financing, all new government expenses come at the direct expense of private investment. Every dollar spent in a university is a dollar not spent on infrastructure, new technology or rehabilitating the broken "rust belt."

Somewhere in the middle of

these two extremes lies a socially optimal level of college attendance. Anywhere to the left or right of this inverted-U would represent a waste of resources. It certainly appears as though we are to the right of the optimal enrollment level.

Think about your personal experiences.

Students, I am sure you're ambitious, hard-working and making the most of your liberal college curriculum. But you've probably noticed many of your classmates lack drive, motivation or a meaningful major. It should be no surprise grade inflation is the norm in nontechnical fields.

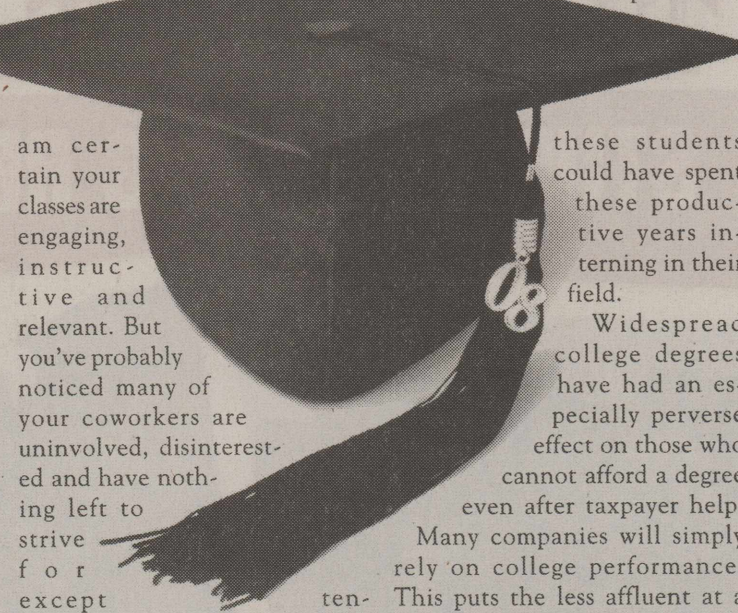
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this 18th century critique doesn't apply to the modern university.

For students seeking technical jobs, investing in a college degree is worth the corresponding debt. But for others, a college degree is only worth its cost after government scholarships and federal student loans.

Rather than seeking knowledge, most university students are merely seeking a credential. Only 55 percent of the fall 2008 graduating class at LSU found a job in a field directly related to their major, according to Career Services. The national figures probably aren't that different.

Instead of wasting time in an unproductive college experience,



am certain your classes are engaging, instructive and relevant. But you've probably noticed many of your coworkers are uninvolved, disinterested and have nothing left to strive for except tenure. And you can probably think of at least one redundant administrator.

After examining the incentives in education, Adam Smith, the father of modern economics, wrote, "In the university at Oxford, the greater part of the public professors have, for these many years, given up altogether even the pretense of teaching." I hope

these students could have spent these productive years interning in their field.

Widespread college degrees have had an especially perverse effect on those who cannot afford a degree even after taxpayer help.

Many companies will simply rely on college performance. This puts the less affluent at a significant disadvantage.

In *Griggs v. Duke Power Co.*, the Supreme Court made many uses of aptitude tests illegal. This made college credentials an attractive alternative, according to economist Lowell Gallaway.

Contrary to the consensus, the world might be a better place if universities were less well-funded.

In God we trust, America is not, has never been a secular nation

By NAFEEES A. SYED
HARVARD CRIMSON (HARVARD)

In 2007, then-presidential hopeful Barack Obama told a crowd of church members that religious good works make up "a thread that runs through our politics since the very beginning. And it puts the lie to the notion that separation of church and state in America means somehow that faith should have no role in public life."

Obama's statement was met with much criticism — people complained that he was compromising the constitutional separation of religion and political action in an attempt to cater to the Christian right.

Religion is no stranger to the political realm, nor is this inherently a bad thing. For better or worse, the two are constantly intertwined. America is not a purely secular democracy, and this is something we need to acknowledge.

From its very beginnings, America has been rooted in religion. Though the Founding Fathers instituted a "wall of separation" between church and state, they are also known to have used religious rhetoric in documents as fundamental to our understanding of nationhood as the Declaration of Independence.

Indeed, what is so striking about the Declaration of Independence is that the objective source from which human equality and the listed inalienable rights are derived is a Supreme Being, "the Creator."

The origin of our nation in religion is also manifest in many of the objects and traditions we today take for granted, like the motto on dollar bills and our celebration of Thanksgiving.

But religious sentiment persists even today, as the political

arena makes abundantly clear. Our President and government officials swear their oaths on the Bible or other religious books, we have a National Prayer Day, and evangelical lobbying groups regularly make their way into the newspapers.

In addition, the invocation of "faith" and "God" by political candidates is an everyday occurrence

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on the campaign trail, for reasons as much political as religious — a 2007 Gallup poll reports that less than half our nation would vote an atheist into the presidency. It is obvious that religion matters when the American public chooses its leaders.

For now, willfully maintaining that our nation is above religion can lead to dangerous results. Our nation is unhealthily divided over the issue, with some Americans frustrated by what they see as one particular religious group gaining dominance and others reacting to what they see as a secular onslaught on their faith.

Some argue that, if we ac-

knowledge our less-than-secular state, powerful religious groups in America might use this as an excuse to dominate American politics. It is apparent, however, that they do this anyway.

Freedom lovers worldwide who look on American secularism with adoration would be repulsed by the revelation of how great an influence religious and pseudo-religious parties have in the United States. Failing to acknowledge this relationship will prove detrimental to our domestic as well as our foreign policy.

Under the charade that we ourselves are a secular democracy, we condemn groups that adhere to a brand of democracy that — like ours — is not quite "secular." And, in order to prevent religious parties from coming to power, we enable far greater evils, such as sustaining dictators like Egypt's Hosni Mubarak.

The result is that we fail both to suppress religious groups and to promote democracy; religious groups merely become more popular, and Mubarak tightens his restrictions on freedoms. Yet our narrow mindset leads us to continue supporting the secular party even when indications that the religious party is more democratic come to light.

By shedding the pretense that we are secular, perhaps we can rid our foreign policy of one of its greatest hypocrisies. Furthermore, if we stop fervently brandishing secular democracy abroad, we can make more friends and fewer foes. Resentment of American foreign dominance will be tempered if we do not try to export, or impose, what we do not have ourselves — a strictly secular democracy.

It is time to recognize the importance that many people, including Americans, place on religion, even in government. Only an acceptance of our non-secular past will be able to define America in this way to itself and others.

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Students learn culture behind henna tattoos

By GARRETT SALZMAN
STAFF WRITER

Students were given traditional henna tattoos Wednesday in the basement of the Student Union Building and provided with an opportunity to learn about the cultures and traditions that utilize the temporary body art.

Samantha Jacoby, a freshman theater major from Flower Mound, said although she was aware of the cultural aspect of henna, she had other motives for attending the event.

"Now I can tell my mom and watch her freak out," she said. "I wanted a tattoo before spring break, and I'm somewhat aware of the cultural background

of it, but really I've just always wanted to tell my mom I got a tattoo."

Aspen Teague, the daytime events coordinator for the Tech Activities Board, said the activities board, which hosted the event, originally planned to have it as an opportunity for students to get the tattoos before spring break.

The sophomore restaurant, hotel and institutional major from Keller said as planning for the event progressed, they decided to invite student organizations representing the cultures who traditionally use henna body art in their ceremonies and festivals.

"We wanted to do something fun where we could also tie in cultural awareness," Teague said. "That's why we invited the South Asian student organizations to provide information

on the culture and tradition of henna from students who are actually familiar with it."

Many students stopped by to get a henna tattoo, she said, but not everyone had the opportunity. The high demand prevented the artist from being able to create her art on all the students who came.

Teague said the artist informed TAB she could complete about 120 tattoos in the four hours of the event, and she had to cut the line after 70 students.

Sheeva Chopra, a senior psychology major from Dallas, said as a Hindu, she wanted to provide other students with information about an important cultural tradition.

Chopra, a TAB member, said henna is traditionally used for weddings and festivals, with brides often having their entire arms and legs covered in the tattoos and family wearing smaller bands and designs.

"Henna stands for a lot of things," Chopra said. "It's supposed to bring you luck, wealth and prosperity. Also, the darker it shows, the more your husband loves you."

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This is a great opportunity to teach people about an interesting part of our culture like henna."

Sirisha Reddy, the social chair of the South Asian Student Association, said the artist creating the henna tattoos used traditional methods to create contemporary designs based on students' requests.

The senior psychology major from Fort Worth said henna tattoos are created by grinding leaves into a paste,

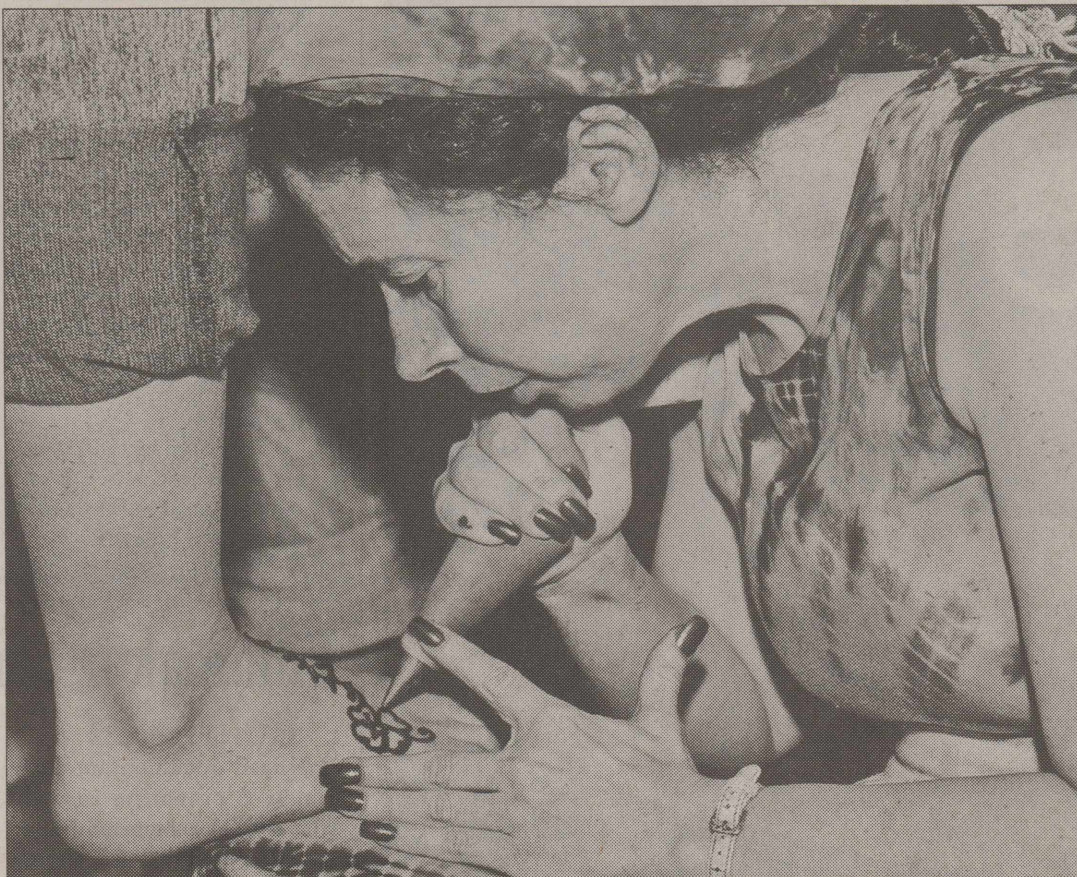


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PROFESSIONAL HENNA ARTIST Michelle Feigenbaum applies henna tattoos to Texas Tech students Wednesday in the Student Union Building.

applying the paste to the skin with a cone, and staining the skin cells.

She said the effect varies from a yellow to a dark red tone and usually lasts about two weeks, depending on the skin

color it is placed on.

"Henna is something that is traditionally done in South Asian countries, and we're glad to provide our wisdom on the subject," Reddy said. "Although it's an

opportunity to get a fun tattoo before spring break, it's also something that's important to us culturally and hopefully students can take that away."

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Lack of vitamin D linked to teen health problems

DALLAS (AP) — New research in teenagers links low levels of vitamin D to high blood pressure and high blood sugar, which can lead to ominous early health problems.

The "sunshine" vitamin is needed to keep bones strong, but recent research has linked vitamin D to other possible health benefits. The teen study confirms results seen in adults, linking low levels with risk factors for heart disease, the researchers said.

Teens in the study with the lowest vitamin D levels were more than twice as likely to have high blood pressure and high blood sugar. They were also four times more likely to have metabolic syndrome, defined as have three of more conditions that contribute to heart disease and diabetes — including high blood pressure, high blood sugar, big waists and high cholesterol.

The study's leader, Jared Reis of Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, said more research will be needed to determine if vitamin D is really behind the health problems and whether getting more would make a difference.

"We're showing strong associations that need to be followed up," he said.

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DAMIAN MADRID, A freshmen general studies in visual and performing arts from Lubbock, works on his color mixing project for his Design 1 Introduction class in the Architecture building Wednesday morning.

Lunafest to celebrate women's history in Lubbock

A one-night film festival celebrating Women's History Month will be hosted Thursday evening at the Louise Hopkins Underwood Center for the Arts Firehouse Theater in Lubbock.

Lunafest, organized by Texas Tech's Women's Studies Program, will feature nine short films for, by and about women.

Coordinator of the Women's Studies Program, Tricia Earl, said the purpose of the event is to recognize how women have impacted history and give people an opportunity to see what women are doing in the film industry.

"It would be a great opportunity for students to see up and coming filmmakers that happen to be women," she said.

The films are an extension of discussions about women on campus, Earl said, making the short film festival educational as well as entertaining.

From animated films to documentaries, the Lunafest Web site said the films cover a variety of subject matter.

Earl was approached by the Flatland Film Festival organizers from the Louise Hopkins Underwood Center for the Arts, she said, and asked to host the event.

Chris Caddel, program director for Flatland Films at the center, said it was important to bring an event to Lubbock as part of Women's History Month.

"We wanted to bring something new and important," he said, "and Lunafest fit the bill. We felt like this was a great time to showcase film and

highlight female artists."

Caddel said he hopes students and community members will be inspired by the short films, which portray new and interesting female experiences in an entertaining art form.

Earl and Caddel will begin the event with a panel discussion about Women's History Month and female artists. Flatland Film host Rob Weiner will moderate the discussion, Caddel said.

The event will begin with a reception at 6 p.m. followed by the panel discussion at 6:30 p.m. The film screening will begin at 7 p.m.

Student tickets are \$7 and general admission tickets are \$10. Tickets may be purchased at the door or by calling 806-762-8606.

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Filmmaker conceals camera in prosthetic eye

BRUSSELS (AP) — A one-eyed documentary filmmaker is preparing to work with a video camera concealed inside a prosthetic eye, hoping to secretly record people for a project commenting on the global spread of surveillance cameras.

Canadian Rob Spence's eye was damaged in a childhood shooting accident and it was removed three years ago. Now, he

is in the final stages of developing a camera to turn the handicap into an advantage.

A fan of the 1970s television series "The Six Million Dollar Man," Spence said he had an epiphany when looking at his cell phone camera and realizing something that small could fit into his empty eye socket.

With the camera tucked inside a prosthetic eye, he hopes to be able to record the same things he sees

with his working eye, his muscles moving the camera eye just like his real one.

Spence said he plans to become a "human surveillance machine" to explore privacy issues and whether people are "sleepwalking into an Orwellian society."

He said his subjects won't know he's filming until afterward but he will have to receive permission from them before including them in his film.

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Job discrimination complaints hit record

WASHINGTON (AP) — A record number of workers filed federal job discrimination complaints last year, with claims of unfair treatment by older employees seeing the largest increase.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission said Wednesday it received more than 95,000 discrimination claims during the 2008 fiscal year, a 15 percent increase over the previous year.

Charges of age discrimination

jumped by 28.7 percent — with 24,582 claims — while allegations based on race, sex and retaliation also surged to record highs.

"The EEOC has not seen an increase of this magnitude in charges filed for many years," said the commission's acting chairman, Stuart J. Ishimaru. "While we do not know if it signifies a trend, it is clear that employment discrimination remains a persistent problem."

New bill takes aim at puppy mills

AUSTIN, (AP) — Breeders who keep hundreds of cats and dogs in cramped, squalid surroundings are the target of a bill filed Wednesday that would regulate the housing of large numbers of animals.

The bill would require those with more than 11 unneutered female animals to submit to licensing, annual inspections, background checks and penalties as high as \$5,000 per animal if they violate minimum care standards.

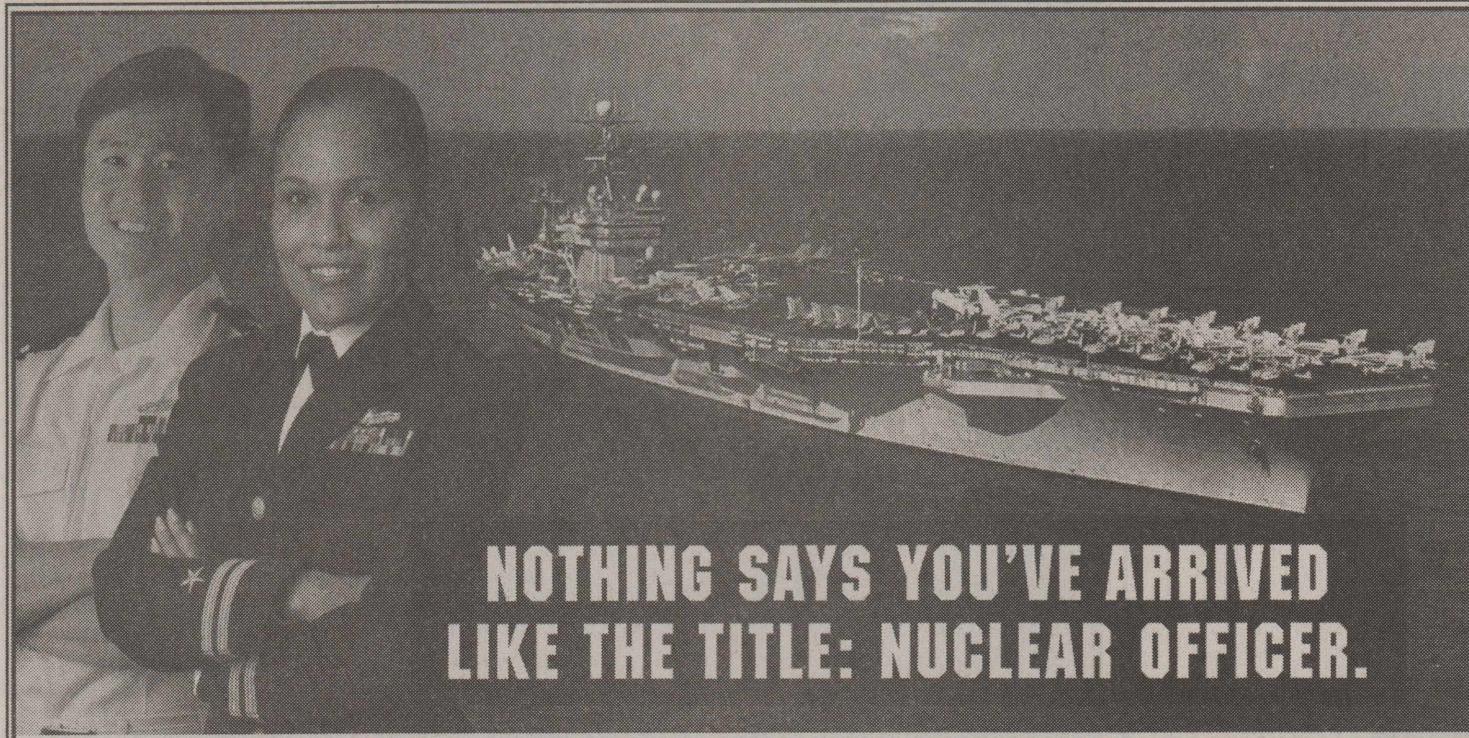
Advocates say the legislation will allow the state to regulate breeders and prevent animal cruelty in so-called puppy mills. Opponents say the bill puts unnecessary strain on small breeders and could put them out of business.

"We really want to clean up this industry because we think

the animals deserve better," said Houston Democrat Rep. Senfronia Thompson, who filed the legislation. "I think that most persons who love animals and who want to take care of them want them to be in that type of environment."

The legislation would create a commercial breeder license and an advisory council that would set minimum standards for staffing, cages, food and socialization of animals.

Mass seizures of dogs and cats from breeders around the country have shown animals malnourished, kept in a continuous breeding cycles and with injuries or illnesses from being kept in small, unclean cages. They flood shelters with hundreds of animals who usually have health and behavior problems, and a low probability of adoption.



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Tyra Banks takes on issue of teen dating violence

NEW YORK (AP) — In the wake of pop star Rihanna's alleged beating by singer boyfriend Chris Brown, Tyra Banks is devoting an episode of her talk show to the issue of teen dating abuse.

It's a subject close to her heart. In the segment airing Thursday on

"The Tyra Banks Show," the super model shares her experience dating a man who emotionally abused her. Banks says the man chipped away at her, trying to break her down so he could be in control. One day, she woke up and decided to end the relationship because

"when you're done, you know you're done."

Banks will be a guest on the live Thursday edition of "The Oprah Winfrey Show," which Winfrey has dedicated to dating violence in response to the alleged assault of Rihanna.

Publicist: Mandy Moore weds Ryan Adams in Georgia

NEW YORK (AP) — Mandy Moore is a married woman.

Publicist Jillian Fowkes confirms the actress-singer and her fiancé, rock musician Ryan Adams, quietly tied the knot Tuesday in Savannah, Ga. No further details were provided.

The 24-year-old Moore confirmed her engagement to Adams last month.

Moore started out as a squeaky-clean teen singer and later crossed into movies with featured roles in such films as "License to Wed," "A Walk to Remember," "Saved" and

"American Dreamz."

Adams, who played in the band Whiskeytown during the 1990s before beginning his prolific solo career, is known for his song "New York, New York," which appeared on his album "Gold," released in 2001.

Chris Brown removes name from Kids Choice Awards

NEW YORK (AP) — There won't be any awkward Chris Brown moment at the Kids' Choice Awards — the embattled pop star has withdrawn his name from the ballot.

Brown had been nominated for favorite male singer and favorite song for "Kiss Kiss" at the March 28 awards

show on Nickelodeon. The nominations came shortly before his arrest for allegedly attacking girlfriend and fellow pop star Rihanna.

A petition had been circulated to take his name off the ballot, but Nickelodeon said yesterday he was still on. On Wednesday, Brown

decided to take his name out of consideration.

In a statement, his representatives said while Brown would like to speak directly to his fans, he can't because of his criminal case.

He thanked his fans for their support.

Jada Pinkett Smith adds 'schoolmaster' to resume

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jada Pinkett Smith is adding another title to her resume: schoolmaster.

The 37-year-old actress-producer-musician and her husband, Will Smith, opened the New Village

Leadership Academy last fall. The private school, for pre-kindergarten through sixth grade, has 60 students, according to the Web site.

Pinkett Smith hopes to open a companion campus for upper

grades.

"My plan is to eventually have a high school," Pinkett Smith said. "I'm keeping my fingers crossed. I'm just trying to make it through this year."

Hulk Hogan asks Fla court for funds to pay bills

CLEARWATER, Fla. (AP) — Hulk Hogan's lawyers have asked a judge to grant the former professional wrestler access to some of his funds that were frozen while his pending divorce is resolved.

Attorneys for Hogan, whose

real name is Terry Bollea, filed documents Monday asking that he be given \$300,000 from the frozen assets. In December, Linda Bollea was granted \$400,000 to pay attorneys' fees.

Hogan claims back surgery he

had last month will keep him from working for a time. The motion said he has nearly \$411,000 in his bank account and his bills top \$312,000.

A hearing is scheduled Thursday on the issue.

Leno to give free show for Michigan's unemployed

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — Michigan's high unemployment is no laughing matter, but Jay Leno will offer a little comic relief with a free show next month at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

The "Tonight" host said on his Monday show that the April 7 performance will be for "anybody out

of work in Detroit."

Refreshments and parking also will be free.

People only have to say they are unemployed to get tickets to the event. Tickets will be available starting Monday at the Palace box office. Four tickets will be allowed per person.

Some on the Detroit City Council on Tuesday questioned why Leno's show was in the suburbs. They want him to move it into the city.

Michigan's unemployment rate has been among the highest in the nation. It was at 11.6 percent in January.

Flight

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It comfortably seats about seven people, he said, and the military often uses it to transport a small number of passengers from one base to another.

The first order of business before starting up the King Air 200 was to acquaint the photographer and I with the location of the Ziplock bags and how to properly seal one if motion sickness got the best of us and we had to use one.

"Blue and red make purple," Birt said, demonstrating with the plastic bag. "And then you can freeze it and keep it for a souvenir."

After Birt and I had climbed into the cockpit, buckled our seatbelts, and adjusted our headsets, we were ready to depart.

Birt, who has been a pilot for six years, guided the plane to the designated runway and took off.

Although he can fly other aircrafts, he said the main one he flies is the A6B Prowler, which is used for electronic warfare.

"Two guys sit in front. Two guys sit in back and jam the enemy radar," he said. "It's a protection type force. No one goes into enemy territory unless we're in the sky."

Once we had been in the air for several minutes and the plane was stable, Birt began to tell me about steering.

The steering wheel, which looks like the letter "W," is sensitive, he said. Only a small amount of pressure is needed to guide the plane left or right and up and down.

One of the many dials on the dashboard measured the tilt of the plane, allowing the pilot or co-pilot to align the plane's wings with the horizon. Another dial measured the altitude.

"It's just like driving down a dirt road," Birt said, grinning.

Under his guidance, I used my index fingers to pull the steering wheel backward and the plane gained altitude. Holding the steering wheel with my thumbs and index fingers, I guided the plane to the left and then back to the right.

After I had a few minutes of flying the plane, Birt stuck his head into the passenger area and asked if anyone felt nauseated. No one did. So, he maneuvered the plane into a barrel roll.

It was the first of several barrel rolls I experienced this week. When I went up for the second time Wednesday morning, I sat in the passenger area and chatted

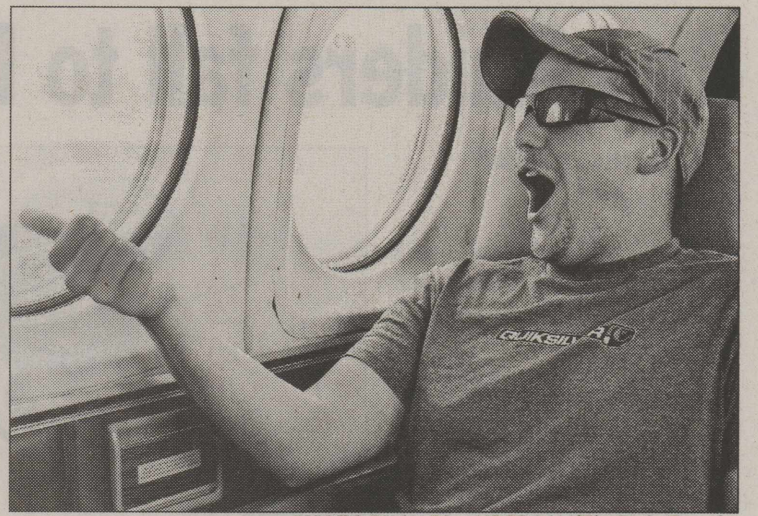


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JOSH MEAD, A freshman restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from Kingwood, experiences nearly two times the force of gravity during a barrel roll in a King Air 200 aircraft piloted by Capt. Richard Birt during the Marine Corps Flight Orientation Program. The program is designed to inform potential recruits of the aviation component of the Marine Corps.

with the four participants who took turns flying the plane.

Travis Doshier, a 24-year-old who drove two and a half hours from Vega to take part in the experience, went first.

"It was amazing and different," he said, taking a seat in the back after his turn.

Doshier said he worked for an investment company for a few weeks after he graduated Stephen F. Austin State University in 2005 with a degree in business, but found he was not satisfied with his career choice. So, he moved back home to work on his family's ranch.

His roommate in college became a Marine pilot and he recently began to think about becoming one himself, he said. Participating in the flight was a way for him to find out more information.

When Birt took the plane for the first barrel roll Wednesday, I glanced out the window and saw the ground directly below the tip of the wing — an unnerving and unforgettable sight.

Tyler Harden, a freshman Tech student from Pflugerville, said he has passed the requirements and assessment tests and will be guaranteed a spot at flight school.

Although he has flown a plane before, he said, participating in the flight orientation program Wednesday further acquainted him with what he will do when he attends flight school after completing the training to become a Marine Corps officer.

Harden said he has wanted to become a pilot since he was a child.

"My dad wanted to become a pilot, but life got in the way," he said. "He kind of

passed on the dream to me."

Sgt. Juan Ruiz, a recruiter for West Texas and New Mexico, said almost 35 students participated during the flight orientation program this semester — an increase from the fall semester which had about 10 participants.

By allowing students to get some hands-on experience in an aircraft, Zaffos said, the flight orientation program generates more interest in available options, such as flight school, for those who want to become a Marine Corps officer.

Birt, who has guided flights in Lubbock for several years, said about half of Marine officers are involved in aviation. From start to finish, the military spends about \$1 million on each Marine who earns his or her wings.

Becoming a pilot involves hard work, he said, despite the amount of fun it seems pilots have.

"If you do something you have fun doing, it doesn't seem like you're working," he said. "And that's how a lot of pilots feel."

The Marine Corps pilot program offers several opportunities not available through other military services such as a guaranteed spot, Birt said. Those who qualify can become guaranteed a spot at flight school before they make a commitment to the Marine Corps.

"It's the easiest way to get your foot in the door," he said. "It's the easiest to get a spot, but not the easiest to get your wings. The training is the same, if not better than other programs."

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Red Raiders fall to Dallas Baptist 11-2

By MIKE GRAHAM
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech baseball team's misfortunes followed it home after returning from a disappointing 1-7 California road trip.

The Red Raiders (6-9) dropped another game with an 11-2 loss to Dallas Baptist (10-3) Wednesday at Dan Law Field.

Tech now has lost eight of its last nine games.

"I'm hoping that that's the rock bottom," Tech coach Dan Spencer said. "We had some non-competitive at bats. It's time to turn the page. It's not what we stand for at Texas Tech and we're going to make some adjustments."

Tech had no hits through the first four innings of play and only six at the end of the day compared to DBU's 11.

Tech pitcher Nathan Karns had a shaky first two innings on the mound, which set the Red Raiders back from the beginning.

Karns allowed four walks and three hits over the first two innings to allow DBU to get out to an early 4-0 lead.

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DAN SPENCER
TEXAS TECH
HEAD COACH

However, Karns pulled it together and shut down the Patriots for the next 3 1/3 innings, allowing just one hit and one walk during the rest of his time on the mound.

Offensively, Tech reeled itself back into the mix by scoring a run in both the sixth and the seventh inning to



PHOTO BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Toreador
TEXAS TECH'S MASON Macnoll swings at a pitch against Dallas Baptist Wednesday at the Dan Law Field. Tech lost to the Patriot's 11-2.

cut the DBU lead to 4-2.

However, another late-inning collapse allowed DBU to blow the game wide open.

Tech pitchers Lorenzo Douglas and Cory Large combined to allow six hits and four walks for seven runs through the final two innings. The Patriots took advantage of the mishaps and built the 11-2 lead.

Opponents have outscored Tech 38-18 in the seventh, eighth and

ninth innings combined this season.

The game against Dallas Baptist was reminiscent of the one against Oregon State. Tech had a 6-5 lead in the middle of the seventh inning, but a four-run outburst in the bottom of the inning set Tech up for the 9-6 loss.

"(The late inning collapses) reached their boiling points a long time ago," Spencer said. "It's beyond that now."

This also is the fourth time in six games the Red Raiders have allowed nine or more runs.

On the bright side for Tech, Willie Rueda, the team's lone Preseason All-Big 12 Conference selection saw his first action since suffering a hamstring injury on Feb. 21.

Rueda pinch hit for catcher Kevin

Whitehead in the seventh inning, but he struck out looking on a full count. Rueda was then subbed out by catcher Jeremy Mayo to start the eighth inning.

However, the road is getting steeper for Tech.

After a practice today, the Red Raiders begin conference play with a three-game weekend series against Nebraska in Lubbock.

The Cornhuskers are coming off a sweep of Cal State-Northridge.

"We're going to be amped up to play Nebraska," Tech infielder Joey Kenworthy said. "It's a conference game so we'll be excited. I think Rueda will start at some point. He's a guy we've really been missing. He always comes out here and sets the table, and he's going to help us get on a roll."

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Tech golf faces off with No. 1 Georgia

By ADAM WADSWORTH
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech men's golf team found out what it was made of Tuesday.

After winning their second-straight tournament last weekend at the South Florida Invitational, the No. 7 Red Raiders remained on the East Coast for a rare one-on-one showdown with No. 1 Georgia.

The Bulldogs, who have four players ranked in the Top 50 according to Golfweek compared to Tech's one, swept Tech in match play, although no groups were separated by more than two holes.

Tech coach Greg Sands said he was proud of the way his team played against such a strong opponent.

"Honestly as a team I think we probably played better (than at South Florida), it was a harder golf course," he said. "We probably played better in that match even though we lost all the matches. We had quite a few that went down to the wire and just went the other way."

In the top group, Georgia's No. 4 Hudson Swafford bested No. 46 Garrett Merrell 2-up. In the second pairing, Tech senior Santiago Rivas fell 2-and-3 to No. 8 Russell Henley. No. 19 Brian Harman beat Tech's Will Griffin 5-and-3 in the third group.

Tech freshman Nils Floren lost by a single hole to No. 29 Harris

English in group four. In the final pairing, Georgia's Adam Mitchell defeated sophomore Chris Ward 2-up.

As both teams are ranked in the Top 10, it is likely they will see each other again at nationals in May, where Sands said the match play practice could be useful.

The competition against Georgia was set up the same way as the NCAA Championship final round, where if either team sits in the top eight after the first round, it will be placed in a match play bracket to decide the champion.

Sands said there only is one other match play tournament the team will compete in before the championship, so the extra practice probably helped both teams.

The Lady Raiders also finished second at the UNLV Spring Rebel Invitational Wednesday in Las Vegas.

At the end of the second round, the team trailed leader UNLV by two strokes.

Tech senior Ulrika Van Niekerk was tied for first after shooting four birdies in the round, but she finished in a tie for sixth.

Overall, the team improved its round one score by 15 strokes to shoot a three-over 291.

Tech and UNLV tied in the third round, carding 289 apiece.

Results from Las Vegas are posted at www.golfstat.com.

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Texas hands Colorado 22nd loss of season

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — While sharpshooting star A.J. Abrams seems to be in constant motion running around the perimeter, Texas is developing a new game-changer who's an immovable

object inside. Dexter Pittman dominated inside with a career-high 26 points and 10 rebounds, leading the Longhorns past Colorado 67-56 Wednesday in the first round of the Big 12 tournament.

At 6-foot-10 and about 300 pounds, the oversized Pittman had his way against Colorado's interior defense. He started out 9-for-10 from the field with four dunks.

"Not too many people can stop him," said Abrams, a mere 161 pounds and just over half the size of a slimmed-down Pittman. "We're going to keep giving him the ball and playing through him because he's a dominant force inside."

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Lady Raiders start Big 12 Tournery

By ADAM COLEMAN
SPORTS EDITOR

Nebraska was the only unranked conference opponent Texas Tech lost to without having a chance to even the score during the season. It looked as if the Lady Raiders would get another shot with the way the Big 12 Tournament was set up before it was final.

"Sure it's in the back of our minds because of the way the bracket was set last week," Tech coach Kristy Curry said, "We would have loved to have another shot at our only unranked opponent, but we don't. So now it's more about just excitement of playing. It really doesn't matter to us who it is."

Another unranked conference opponent Tech lost to was Oklahoma State, but the Lady Raiders avenged that loss on Feb. 21.

So instead of evening a series against the Cornhuskers in hopes it would improve the Lady Raiders' tournament résumé a little, Tech has a chance to renew the rivalry against Andrea Riley and Oklahoma State.

With Tech (16-4, 6-10 in Big 12 play) having to string together a few more wins in order to earn an NCAA Tournament berth, the Lady Raiders are pitted in the No. 7-seed to face No. 10-seeded Oklahoma State at 7:30 p.m. today in the Cox Center in Oklahoma City, Okla.

Facing Nebraska would have given Tech a chance at redemption for dropping a game on the road to an unranked

conference opponent. Plus Nebraska is 2-4 against Big 12 South opponents — although the two wins came against Tech and OSU.

But the opportunity to face Oklahoma State (15-14, 4-12) may prove to be an advantage for Tech, considering the Lady Raiders have played OSU twice and have a win against the Cowgirls to learn from.

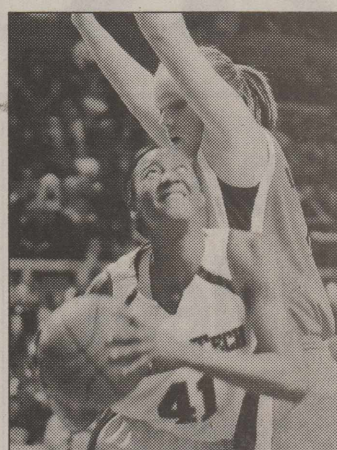
"Actually I think it's easier to have a team in your league on the South because most of the harder teams, I think, are the South teams," Tech guard Maria Moore said. "If you play them twice and you get them again, you already know what they like to do. I think it makes it easier for us instead of playing a team we only played one time and we don't know what we're gonna face the next time."

Tech took a 65-60 loss to Oklahoma State on Jan. 31 in Lubbock, but the Lady Raiders evened the score with a 74-70 win on Feb. 21 in Stillwater, Okla.

Curry said Tech has drawn from both games in order to prepare for the third one. But Tech center Dominic Seals said the urgency the Lady Raiders had to win the second game needs to show in today's match up.

But it seems the Cowgirls will always demand respect because of Riley.

The All-Big 12 First-Team selection finished the regular season scoring 25.4 points a game against conference opponents. In the first game against Tech, Riley put 33 points and in the second game she



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador
FORWARD DOMINIC SEALS leads Tech against Oklahoma State in the Big 12 Tournament at 7:30 p.m. today in Oklahoma City.

earned 29. But the Cowgirls and the Lady Raiders seem to have the same problem considering their respective seasons: the Big 12 South.

Eight of OSU's conference losses came to Big 12 South teams. Seven of Tech's 10 Big 12 losses came against division opponents as well.

But Riley's ability to take over a game continues to give the Cowgirls a chance against any opponent they face.

"You're not gonna be able to shut Riley down," Seals said. "Nobody have and I don't think nobody will unless you get to the WNBA."

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Kipyego's decorated Tech career comes to a close this weekend

By ADAM WADSWORTH
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It seemed like Sally Kipyego's dominance in the collegiate track world would never end.

But all good things come to an end eventually.

As an eight-time national and 12-time conference champion, Kipyego is preparing to end her career as a Red Raider at the NCAA Championships Friday and Saturday in College Station. Competing in the mile and the 5,000-meter race, Kipyego has a chance to win two more championships, bringing her total to 10 — which would be the most individual titles in NCAA track and field history.

Although the outdoor season is still to come, Kipyego's eligibility runs out after the indoor season.

"It feels good, but at the same time sad because I'm not going to be — I'm going to be a Red Raider of course — but I am not going to be competing for Tech anymore," she said. "It's something that I guess, you've got to move on and go to next level."

Kipyego said she did not expect the amount of success she has attained when she came to Lubbock, but she is grateful for the opportunities she has been given and would not trade her experiences for



KIPYEGO

anything.

As to why Kipyego has achieved so much, she gives most of the credit to the support she received at Tech.

Tech coach Wes Kittley said her success stems from her work ethic.

He said she came to Tech determined to be the best and worked harder than anyone he had ever seen.

Kittley said coming from Kenya and having very few physical possessions motivated Kipyego to make the most of her life with what she was given.

In addition to her dominance on the track, Kipyego also has excelled in the classroom and is preparing to graduate with a nursing degree in May.

She said balancing academics with athletics has added a lot of pressure because both demand a lot of commitment. During the last cross country season, Kipyego did not run the first four meets because of the demands nursing school brought.

"What I don't think people realize is that she's on her feet eight to 10 hours a day and she's setting collegiate records, and she's actually going for the all-time NCAA national championships (record),"

Kittley said. "I think it's very hard for her — I think it's been so hard on her that people don't realize how hard — and that's what makes it even more grand and more special."

However, Kipyego's academic career has not prevented her from etching her way into the record books.

In only two-and-a-half years of competition, she not only has won eight national championships and 12 conference championships, she also is a 10-time All-American and she holds NCAA records in two events and school records in three.

Even after all she has achieved, Kipyego is not done yet. She plans to run professionally after nationals.

Kittley said he is going to use this weekend to enjoy her performance one more time before figuring out what direction to take the program in the post-Kipyego era.

So that leaves the question: Will there ever be another Kipyego?

"People ask me all the time, you know, 'You got another Sally coming?' or, 'Is there another Sally?' and I tell them honestly, 'No, there will never be another Sally.'" Kittley said. "I believe once in the lifetime of my coaching those come along, so it's been fabulous."

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Leach hires new special teams coordinator

Texas Tech coach Mike Leach has added to his staff right before spring training starts.

Leach hired Louisiana Tech special teams coordinator Eric Russell for the same position Tuesday, according to a report from The Associated Press.

Before his tenure at Louisiana Tech, Russell spent 13 years at North Texas. For five of those 13 years, he served as special teams coordinator for the Mean Green.

When he was special teams coordina-

tor at North Texas, his unit blocked 14 punts.

Last season, the Bulldogs ranked 14th in the nation in punt return yards per game with 12.97.

While Russell will take control of the special teams at Tech, Clay McGuire — who was special teams coordinator for the Red Raiders last season — will move to running backs coach, according to the report.

Leach was unavailable for comment.

However, Tech defensive coordinator Ruffin McNeill said he is excited about the experience the new hire brings.

"Good coach," he said. "He's recruited in Texas. He's been at North Texas for 13 years and at (Louisiana Tech) for two. (He is an) Idaho Vandal graduate. Got an experienced coach and his special teams (have) done very well."

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Singletary's 43 helps Tech rally from 21 down

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Mike Singletary single-handedly led the biggest comeback in Big 12 tournament history, scoring all 29 of Texas Tech's points during a second-half surge that pushed the Red Raiders to a 88-83 win against Texas A&M on Wednesday night.

Singletary finished with 43 points to break the tournament scoring record of 38 set by Iowa State's Marcus Fizer in 2000 against Baylor.

The last basket in Singletary's amazing stretch was a driving layup

past Bryan Davis that put the Red Raiders (17-15) up 79-78 with 39.4 seconds left and erased the last part of a 21-point deficit. Alan Voskuil and John Roberson followed that with a pair of free throws apiece to push the lead to five.

Donald Sloan led the Aggies (23-9) with 22 points and Josh Carter added 15.

Davis opened the second half with a pair of free throws to put A&M ahead 50-29. Darko Cohadarevic hit back-to-back baskets to get Tech's of-

fense off to a better start than the first half, when the Red Raiders missed their first 10 shots to fall into a 15-2 hole.

But the rally really got started once Singletary — who didn't even start the game — got rolling.

He converted Michael Prince's steal into a right-handed jam that cut the deficit to 56-44 with 13:02 remaining and soon after added a driving layup that got Tech back within single digits for the first time since the opening drought.

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Tech's Pro Day allows NFL hopefuls second chance to showcase talent

By ADAM COLEMAN
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There's nothing better than a second chance.

So former Texas Tech football players fresh off the NFL Combine hope for better results in drills at Tech's Pro Day at 1 p.m. today at Jones AT&T Stadium.

Graham Harrell, Louis Vasquez, Darcel McBath, Brandon Williams and Michael Crabtree were the five former Red Raiders invited to the NFL Combine, which was from Feb. 18 to 24.

McBath, Williams and Vasquez are among those who will be working out for scouts at Pro Day.

Vasquez said the NFL Combine had its outlandish moments, but that did not stop him from making his mark.

Vasquez benched 225 pounds 39 times, which was the most for any lineman — defensive or offensive.

"The whole experience is a little hectic and crazy, but overall I felt pretty good about my results," he said.

The closest person to Vasquez's reps in the bench press was Michigan's Terrance Taylor with 37.

What Vasquez did not get a chance to do at the Combine were the running drills such as the 40-yard dash. So Pro Day will be the opportunity to make it up to the scouts who will be in attendance.

Vasquez said he will be aiming for the

best time possible for offensive linemen, which usually is 4.9 seconds.

But he also said from his experience at the Combine that scouts look at more than just results.

"There's a lot of things the scouts are looking at," Vasquez said. "How mentally strong is he, if he gets distracted easily by crowds."

It is not official how many former Tech players will participate for scouts at Pro Day. More possible athletes include Harrell, offensive lineman Stephen Hamby, safety Daniel Charbonnet and receiver Eric Morris.

Tech athletics officials are expecting more scouts than usual to attend this year's Pro Day.

Last year, two scouts — one from the Carolina Panthers and another from the Dallas Cowboys — attended Tech's Pro Day.

Athletes will be expected to do the same drills done at the Combine: the 40-yard dash, bench press, vertical jump, 3-Cone drill, broad jump and the 20 and 60-yard shuttles.

McBath said he plans on participating in the running drills as well as the bench press at Pro Day.

At the Combine, McBath ran a 4.57 in the 40-yard dash. He also maxed out at 14 reps in the bench press. Where he made his mark was the vertical jump, maxing out at 38 inches. Notre Dame's David Bruton and Marshall's C.J. Spillman both maxed



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreador

TEXAS TECH SAFETY Darcel McBath, who worked out at the NFL Combine, will get another chance to impress scouts at Tech's Pro Day today at Jones AT&T Stadium.

out at 41.5 inches, which were the only totals higher than McBath's — according to NFL.com.

McBath said he is thankful for another shot to impress NFL scouts.

"To have another opportunity is always good," he said. "Didn't get it right the first time now a second opportunity makes the first time not hurt as bad. Looking forward to it, been working my tail off. We'll see how well I do at Pro Day."

One of the main differences, however, is the players will participate in drills in front of former teammates and coaches.

Tech defensive coordinator Ruffin McNeill said he has had a chance to re-

connect with some of his former players since they've been back to Lubbock.

"I've seen a few of them," he said. "They're all excited, and I think they're looking forward to it. A lot of them have been by."

Vasquez and McBath both agreed Pro Day is an opportunity to come back to a place that is a second home, which makes it an enjoyable experience.

"It feels good to be back in Lubbock," McBath said. "It's home. Been home for the last five years. Feels good to see guys I hadn't seen in months."

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Men's tennis faces USC, women start Big 12 play

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The Texas Tech men's and women's tennis teams hope to continue on the right path by extending their winning streaks.

The No. 30 Red Raiders (7-3) are winners of six straight, which includes capturing the HEB Classic. But staying on the right path is a little harder now that they have a 10-day, six-match road-trip.

Tech will play three matches in three days in Los Angeles, San Diego and Montgomery, Ala., for the annual Blue-Gray Classic.

"From here now on we're just going to play great teams and have good opportunities to get big wins," said Michael Breler, who is 5-4 this season. "Coming off last weekend and winning the HEB Tournament, we're playing much better as a team and we can just feel the confidence."

The Red Raiders' road trip begins at 1 p.m. Thursday in Los Angeles against No. 13 USC (10-3), which is followed by a 4 p.m. match Friday against No. 44 San Diego State (5-5) before they conclude the California portion of their road-trip at 12:30 p.m. Saturday against No. 59 UNLV (9-5) at the Aztec Tennis Center.

USC is led by the No. 1 singles player in the nation, Robert Farah.

Farah holds a 9-1 record this season and is ranked No. 4 in the nation in doubles with teammate, No. 86 Steve Johnson — who is 10-2 in singles this season.

Along with Farah and Johnson, the Trojans have two other players who are ranked: No. 57 Abdullah Magdas and No. 102 Jaak Poldma.

"This stretch of the season is crucial for us," Tech men's tennis coach Tim Siegel said. "Everything we do we're trying to step closer towards gaining the NCAA Tournament. Right now I feel like we're playing as well as we've played all year, and we're healthy so we're confident and looking forward to this trip."



VAN DER DRIFT

The No. 62 Lady Raiders (4-4), coming off the best win in school history against then-No. 21 TCU, open Big 12 Conference play at 5 p.m. today against

No. 47 Texas A&M (4-6) in College Station. Tech continues conference play at 1:30 p.m. Friday against No. 5 Baylor (6-4) in Waco and concludes the weekend in Lubbock at 1 p.m. Sunday against No. 32 Texas (5-4).

Tech had a much-needed week off to heal injuries and come into Big 12 play at full strength.

Tech women's tennis coach Todd Petty said the success his team had in preseason play will benefit them in Big 12 play.

"It gives them confidence in the belief system that we can go out in the Big 12 and compete with anybody on any given day," he said. "I don't know if we warrant any kind of accolades at this point but it definitely gives the girls confidence in themselves."

The Lady Raiders have three players at 4-4 in singles: Samantha van der Drift, Simone Templeton and Kerry Potgieter.

The Aggies are led by Morgan Frank who has a 6-4 record this season.

The Longhorns are led by Sarah Lancaster, who is 8-1 on the year.

Baylor has three players ranked in the Top 50: No. 32 Taylor Ormund, who has posted a 4-6 record this season, No. 34 Jelena Stanivuk with an 8-2 record, and No. 46 Lenka Brosova with a 7-3 record.

The Lady Raiders will attempt to fare better than last year in the Big 12. Tech finished with a 4-7 record in conference play and did not record a win against Texas, Baylor or Texas A&M.

"Everyone is excited and very confident," Kyla Coleman said. "We gained a lot of confidence from the preseason, but we know we have a lot of work ahead of us."

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On Irvin's show, former college players aim to take TV route to NFL

DALLAS (AP)—Andrew Hawkins barely makes it to 5-foot-8 wearing cleats, so it's easy to see why NFL teams weren't too interested in him.

With his background as a two-way starter in college, 4.3 speed and a great smile, it's also easy to see why the little

guy earned a spot on Michael Irvin's reality TV show.

Filming of "Fourth and Long" began this week and Hawkins is typical of the 12 finalists: skilled, experienced, still in his 20s, just looking for his big chance.

And eager. Very, very eager.

"I'll play left tackle if they want me to," Hawkins said Wednesday. "If they want me to walk to Oklahoma and get them cheesecake, to get on the Dallas Cowboys, that's just what I have to do."

The winner of this show indeed will be on the Dallas Cowboys, well, among

the 80 guys on their training camp roster.

Landing on the final 53-man roster, or even making the practice squad, is pretty unlikely, acknowledges Joe Avezzano, one of the show's two coaches.

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