

# **Proposition 4 passes with 56 percent in favor**

By JON VANDERLAAN AND EDMUND ROSTRAN THE DAILY TOREADOR

Texas Tech and six other emerging research universities in Texas are one step closer to achieving the goal of tier-one status after voters approved Proposition 4 on Nov. 3 with 56.6 percent of the vote in favor and 98.5 percent of precincts reported as of press time.

The proposition creates the National Research University Fund, or NRUF, and re-appropriates \$500 million from the Higher Education Fund to the NRUF. The universities that will be able to draw from the fund are Tech, the University of Texas-Arlington, UT-Dallas, UT-El Paso, UT-San Antonio, the University of North Texas and the University of Houston.

The fund was made possible by House Bill 51, which passed during the 2009 Texas Legislative Session. The bill created criteria for required universities to draw from the fund and created various incentives to help the universities reach the goals.

Rep. Dan Branch, R-Dallas, said the fund will perpetuate similarly to an endowment fund, raising money with the interest earned from the fund. Because of this, the state will not need to raise taxes to keep money in the fund.

"It's a huge affirmation by Texans of our legislative agenda to create more tier-one universities," said Branch, one of the co-authors of House Bill 51 and chairman of the House Higher Education Committee.

Sandra Torres, a resident of Lubbock who voted for Proposition 4 on Tuesday, said she thinks the proposition is important for the university in terms of research and attracting better faculty and students.

"More research is better, not less," Torres said. "So whatever would attract better-quality faculty and would give the university more grant money to do more research and draw more attention to the area, that would be fantastic."

Tech Chancellor Kent Hance said the university will continue to secure funding and to fill five of the seven requirements to draw from the fund.

"Texas Tech is a tier-one university when it comes to teaching," he said. "What we're working on is tier-on e as far as research is concerned.'

Hance said the vote is probably the most important statewide election the university has been part of and one of the most important days in the history of Tech.

Kendre Parker, a senior psychology major from Fort Worth, said she voted for the proposition because she wants Tech to become one of the few tier-one schools in Texas

"I definitely see degrees becoming more promising," Parker said. "They are definitely going to mean a lot more when you go to apply for a job, and I also think that we are going to make a lot of advances within the university."

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PHOTO BY KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreador

THE ROBERT H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center hosted a polling station for Election Day on Tuesday for registered voters from Lubbock to come and cast their ballot on city and state propositions.

# Tech officials unsure when H1N1 vaccine will arrive **By KELSEY HECKEL**

### STAFF WRITER

The Student Wellness Center is still waiting for shipments of 35,000 H1N1 flu vaccinations expected to be delivered and available to students in mid-October.

"Part of the problem is we don't have any information on when we will receive the vacwhen they arrive and nothing spokeswoman said. before."

areas that we are trying to target first."

According to the Department of State Health Services, the H1N1 vaccine is arriving in low quantities initially and is being targeted to children and pregnant women. As the weekly supply increases, more priority groups will be targeted, followed by availability for non-priority groups.

'This week more vaccines cines," said Tech spokeswoman should be coming in, but they are Sally Post. "We will apparently not available in mass numbers in know when we get the vaccines the Lubbock area yet," a DSHS

Lubbock has received vaccines Arleen Porcell-Pharr, of the for some local clinics, but in small

# FIDEGUP

# Twitter provides students more than updates

### **By EMILY MOSER** STAFF WRITER

Some people use social networking sites to meet new people; for Twitter users these meetings are called Tweetups.



Students from the campus of about 30,000 students at Texas Tech meet fellow Twitter users through Lubbock's Tweetup group every Sunday.

Simon Ponder, a Tech alumnus from San Antonio and a regular at Lubbock Tweetups, said Tweetups began in cities where people met face to face after online interactions through Twitter, freeing themselves of the 140-character constraint.

"(A Tweetup is) a group of people that meet to discuss things and take it out of the restriction that Twitter puts on you," he said.

Ponder said he originally used Twitter for news but has found a job possibility through the Web site.

The first Tweetup Ponder said he attended was in San Antonio, which had about 30 to 40 people. He said locations of the Tweetups, but coffee shops are usually chosen because they have wireless Internet.

"The one I went to in San Antonio was in a bar, and I didn't feel comfortable taking out my laptop," he said.

Ponder said he began to become interested in establishing a Tweetup group for the Lubbock community. He contacted Jed Cummins, a Tech mer, but the official Tweetup began graduate student in higher education in February. and administration from Evergreen, Colo., in February and he said Lub- mostly takes place at the Starbucks by bock's Tweetup group grew from campus, where people meet to discuss there.

I think it was just Jed and others who typically consists of certain people, were already friends," he said.

PHOTO BY EMILY MOSER/The Daily Toreador

there are sometimes variations to the FROM LEFT: JED Cummins, a Tech graduate student in higher education and administration from Evergreen, Colo.; Simon Ponder, a Tech alumnus from San Antonio; Bryan Mitchell, a sophomore computer science major from Amarillo; Danielle Stolley, a senior electronic media and communication major from Granbury; Stephen Torrence, a senior philosophy and general studies dual major from Georgetown; and Shawn Brackett, visiting from Colorado Springs, Colo., meet at Starbucks Coffee by campus for a weekly Tweetup group.

> Tweetups in Lubbock before the Lubbock Tweetup group officially began. Cummins said he created Lubbock Tweetup account during the sum-

Cummins said Lubbock Tweetup various topics related to technology "We combined our efforts to build or YouTube, such as "Auto-tune the it to something more because before News." He said Lubbock Tweetup but he always finds it interesting who Cummins said he has been having shows up on any given night.

"If we wanted more people, we could do more," Cummins said. "I appreciate the kind of intimacy or camaraderie."

He began using Twitter in July 2008 because he wanted to keep in touch with a friend after his move to Texas for graduate school. Cummins said he believes Twitter has gained popularity especially after seeing an advertisement for the Ashton Kutcher vs. CNN Twitter challenge in April on a billboard at the intersection of 19th Street and University Avenue.

"Well, now it's mainstream," Cummins said, "when it's on a billboard in Lubbock, Texas."

Danielle Stolley, a regular at Lubbock Tweetup and a senior electronic media and communications major from Granbury, said she feels the activity of students using Twitter has died down since the summer.

"I think it's going to go through waves," Stolley said. "I can tell people don't use it as much as they did in the summer."

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Centers for Disease Control, were shipped to Texas on Oct. any vaccines. 30, but not all have been distributed yet. Texas had one of the largest amounts of vaccines shipped, second only to Cali-

million. "The vaccine is available is still mostly state and locally more information." run," she said. "We have project >>> kelsey.heckel@ttu.edu

fornia, which received about 2

numbers. Until the major shipsaid about 1.2 million vaccines ments arrive, Tech will not receive

"We are still waiting on information from the Health Department," said Juli McCauley, Student Health Services Clinical Department administrator. "We will post the update when we get one on the Tech Web site. There through the government but is a link box on the main page with

Murray named Big 12 Coach of the Year for second straight season

### **By ZANE TURNER** STAFF WRITER

country team has to be proud of. on top.

Big 12 coaches around the coach in the conference.

tive year Tuesday.

"It's very nice, but it goes Murray, who in five years has led was not a fluke. Tech to two Big 12 titles and two top-10 finishes at the NCAA

Championships. "So I think it's an honor for them as much as me."

While it may be easy to give Winning a second consecu- credit to the likes of Lillian Badaru tive Big 12 Conference title isn't and Gladys Kipsang, Murray is the only thing the women's cross keeping an already solid program

The Lady Raiders have domiconference agree: Tech coach Jon nated their season up to this point, Murray tops the list when it comes winning every race they have run as to the best women's cross country a team. Their latest win was at the Big 12 Championships, clinching Murray was named Big 12 the conference title for the second Women's Cross Country Coach of consecutive year in a row — this the Year for the second consecu- after the departure of All-American Sally Kipyego.

Beginning the season ranked No. back to the athletes. They're the 30, Tech has proven to the rest of ones that made it possible," said the nation last season's Big 12 title

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# BRIEF

# STATE

### Houston voters picking new mayor

HOUSTON (AP) - City con- with 25 percent, led architect and troller Annise Parker claimed one of two runoff spots Tuesday in the race to become mayor of America's fourth-biggest city.

Parker, 52, who would be the first openly gay mayor of Houston and the second woman to lead the city, had almost 31 percent of the vote with 90 percent of the precincts counted.

Former city attorney Gene Locke,

NATION

WORLD

Gay marriage put to a vote in Maine

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) -Gay marriage was put to a vote a petition drive by conservatives. in Maine on Tuesday in a closely watched referendum that gay-rights mark the first time that the electoractivists across the country hoped would prove that public opinion is turning in their favor.

Voters had to decide whether to repeal or affirm a state law that would allow gay couples to wed. The law was passed by the Legislature last

May but never took effect because of A vote to uphold the law would

urban planner Peter Brown, with 23

percent, in trying to qualify for the

second spot in a likely runoff next

month. Locke claimed the runner-up

spot, but Brown had not conceded.

Locke and Brown were separated by

A fourth major candidate, county

school trustee Roy Morales, had more

about 3,500 votes.

than 20 percent.

ate in any state endorsed gay marriage. That could energize activists nationwide and blunt conservative claims that same-sex marriage is being foisted on states by judges or lawmakers over the will of the public.

## Iran warns opposition before anti-US rally

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — The head of Tehran's anti-riot police threatened opposition protesters Tuesday with a full-scale assault if they return to the streets during government-backed events marking the takeover of the U.S. Embassy.

have shown no sign of backing off of the Islamic Revolution three their calls for marches to compete decades ago.

with Wednesday's state-sanctioned gatherings — which include an annual anti-American rally outside the brick walls of the former embassy compound.

Both sides have much on the line for an anniversary that is Reformist leaders, however, among the most potent symbols

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# House Republicans pen 230-page health bill draft

months spent criticizing Democrats' legislation, such as new requirements health overhaul plans, House Republicans for employers to insure their employees have produced a draft proposal of their and for nearly all Americans to purchase own. It's much shorter and focuses on insurance. It also doesn't block insurers bringing down costs rather than extending from denying coverage to people with precoverage to nearly all Americans.

WASHINGTON (AP) — After key features of the Democrats' 1,990-page existing health conditions, as Democraty

# SGA meets in School of Law, discusses campus improvements

### **By JETT THOMPSON** STAFF WRITER

The Student Government Association Senate met in a different location Tuesday night at the Lanier Auditorium of the Texas Tech School of Law.

Sarah Saunders, president of the Student Senate, said the SGA' meeting was hosted at the law school to promote friendly relations between the Tech SGA and the Tech Student Bar Association.

The SGA will visit the location for Student Senate meetings once per year with the passage of Senate Bill 45.09. The bill is intended to help continue to foster relations between the two associations.

Senate Resolution 45.20, authored by Sen. Tyler Patton, will put several new trash cans around the south side of Memorial Circle.

Several students came to him to discuss the increasing amounts of litter around the Administration building and proposed putting in the new trash receptacles, he said. No trash cans are located in close proximity of the sidewalks south side of Memorial Circle.

The resolution passed, but the SGA Campus Infrastructure Committee will need to host several meetings with Tech administrators before the trash cans are implemented. Patton said he expects to see the new trash cans in place soon.

authored by Patton, requires all

locations.

garding a semester report to be distributed to all SGA members.

Patton said the maps are two to three years old and do not reflect all emergency blue phone locations on campus. The new maps would be distributed to new students at the beginning of each school year.

Senate Resolution 45.17, which was sent to the Transportation Com-Senate Resolution 45.24, also mittee last week for further discussion, experienced a setback. Sen. emergency blue phone locations Olivia Chriss, the author of the on campus to be included on the resolution, said the section of road latest campus transportation maps in which a crosswalk was supposed

frequented by students around the to increase student awareness of the to be created is property of the city student governments of Big 12 Conof Lubbock.

> The crosswalk would be located between Boston Avenue and Canton Avenue, adjacent from the bus stop on Drive of Champions Avenue. Chriss said the crosswalk can still be established but will need city approval in conjunction with SGA approval.

She said she is hopeful the crosswalk will be put in place before the end of the spring semester.

This weekend the Tech SGA will be hosting a conference for the *might*.thompson@ttu.edu

ference schools.

Sen. Mac Smith said the group of associations will discuss state legislation in support of higher education and encourage growth of the Big 12.

Each school in the Big 12 usually sends the executive board and several additional representatives to the conference, he said. The conference will be hosted on campus at the Student Union Building and representatives of other universities will be hosted at the Overton Hotel.

# **Reid indicates timetable for health care may slip**

WASHINGTON (AP) — In percent of eligible Americans. a blow to the White House, the to meet a year-end deadline for put pressure on private firms. passing health care legislation, leaving the measure's fate to the Speaker Nancy uncertainties of the 2010 election

The measure includes an option Senate's top Democrat signaled for consumers to purchase a govern- revised his remarks. "Our goals passing meaningful reform by Christ-Tuesday that Congress may fail ment insurance plan, an attempt to remain unchanged. We want to mas and will be moving swiftly once

While

file Democrats.

get health insurance reform done the Senate hears back from CBO,"

Senator Reid said today, he shares A few hours later, Reid's office the White House's commitment to this year, and he said.

> The Congressional Budget Office we have unprecedented is preparing cost estimates of a draft momentum to bill Reid completed last week. achieve that. Any delay past Obama's oft-There is no repeated year-end timetable would reason why put the issue off until the 2010 we can't have election year and inevitably raise a transpar- doubts about Democrats' ability

> ent and thor- to deliver on behalf of the Obama



A 230-page draft was obtained Tuesday would do.

by The Associated Press. A spokeswoman the end of this week.

Instead, the Republican plan increases for Minority Leader John Boehner, R- incentives for people to use health savings Ohio, said changes were still being made accounts, caps non-economic jury awards before the bill would be finalized in time in medical malpractice cases at \$250,000, to offer as an alternative when Democrats provides various incentives to states with begin floor debate on their bill, possibly at the aim of driving down premium costs and allows health insurance to be sold

Pelosi, D-Calif., and House season.

Majority Leader Harry Reid, leaders weighed D-Nev., spoke as Democratic officials said it could be December before Senate debate begins in the bill, Reid earnest on the issue atop President for the first time Barack Obama's domestic agenda, publicly raised months after senior lawmakers and the possibility the White House had hoped. The that lawmakdrive to pass legislation has been ers would not plagued for months by divisions be able to meet within the party's rank and file.

House leaders, on a somewhat Obama's faster track, pointed toward a vote self-imposed this weekend on a bill to extend deadline of coverage to tens of millions who completing lack it, ban insurance industry work on health practices such as denying coverage care by year's because of pre-existing medical end. conditions and generally slow the rate of growth of medical spending nationwide. The 10-year, \$1.2

We're not going to be bound by final changes to their version of SENATE

If the rules are not consistent and

ough debate - administration. Despite the late-afternoon statein the Senate and still send ment, numerous other officials said a bill to the it could be early December before president by the Senate begins work in earnest on Christmas," long-delayed health care legislation, said spokes- making it a virtual impossibility for man Jim Man- lawmakers to send a compromise to Obama's desk by the end of the year.

It has long been obvious that Reid White House, would need 60 votes to overcome a spokesman threatened Republican filibuster. As

versities that draw more research and allow universities to draw from the not doing well in terms of national research universities," Branch said.

The process will take time, he the board finds problems with them, said, but he feels the rules will be in Higher Education Coordinating he said, they can make changes to place by the time any universities correct misunderstandings and any are nearing the benchmarks set by the bill.

> Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, by the legislature from the beginning, and the higher education community was a huge supporter of it.

"We want those (seven) universities to be on an even par with universities around the nation," he said.

Despite a need to increase the \$500 million in the fund to support all seven universities, Duncan said, the state will find other sources of revenue rather than increase taxes for Texas residents.

Because the fund is an endowment, he said, only the return from the fund will be used, not the principal.

"I'm very satisfied and very pleased for the future of higher education in Texas," he said.

Each of the 11 constitutional amendments on the ballot passed Tuesday. To view a complete list of the amendments and the margin by which they passed, visit The Daily Toreador Web site.

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The next step in the process for the universities, Branch said, is to draw from upcoming incentives provided by HB 51, including a

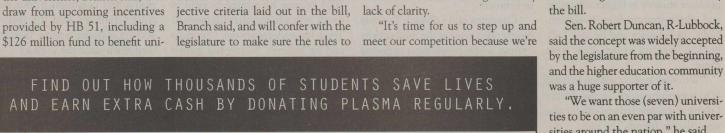
a \$80 million fund to benefit universities for improving graduation rates.

Board will meet to discuss the sub-

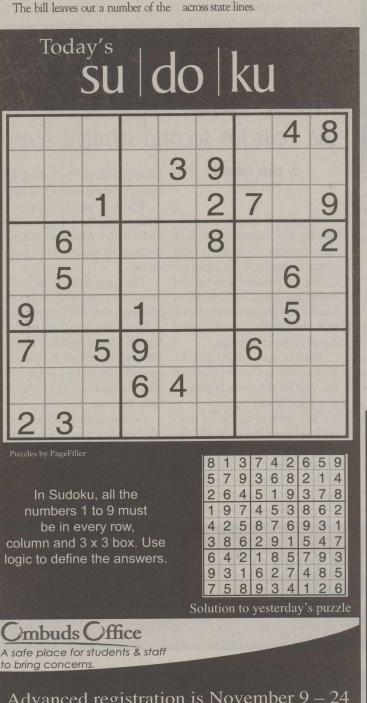
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# any timelines. We need to do the best job we can for the American people. )) **HARRY REID**

"We're not going to be bound by Reid Cherlin sought to put the best late as last week, when he announced any timelines. We need to do the face on the developments. "We're his intention to include a governbest job we can for the American moving on the same timeline. The ment insurance option in the bill, people," he said after the weekly House plans to vote on the health he avoided saying he had enough closed-door meeting of rank-and- reform bill within days, and as support to prevail.

their — and



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# **Clarkson leads A-list performers in ticket sales**

### **By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI** STAFF WRITER

a cast of A-list celebrities during its community and Tech students. Fall 2009 season.

as much anticipation and success in ticket sales as Kelly Clarkson.

varies," said Cindy Harper, associate fully we're bringing diverse enough

director of the USA. "One of our challenges is that we are a secondary market, so it is a little bit harder to persuade artists to come here, especially if it is a big headline act, where they can go to a bigger town and a bigger venue."

The Kelly

7:30 p.m., differs from the major- not have come to the USA. ity of shows coming to the USA

think it's sold out, but it isn't. There economy.' are still a few weeks left before his show, so it will hopefully continue ous regions has an obvious effect on Harper said. "We've never had a from 200 towels to soccer balls and either someone on tour with them >>>alexandra.pedrini@ttu.edu

to grow."

The arena, built in 1996 and The United Spirit Arena hosts focuses on serving the Lubbock

"The support from the students Performers including Gary Al- and community for these shows is len, Jeff Dunham, Jay-Z, the Trans- huge," said Kent Meredith, director a Wednesday night is because it's Siberian Orchestra and the Harlem of the USA. "I think it's always im- probably playing a bigger market on Globetrotters have been in the portant to bring someone in who's the weekend," Meredith said. lineup for the arena, but none with commonly known by everyone. In there's nothing to do in Lubbock, "There can be anywhere be- but we do our part by bringing all tween six to 10 artists in a year, it these big names to the USA. Hope-

everyone."

The support from the students and community for these shows is huge. **KENT MEREDITH** DIRECTOR UNITED SPIRIT ARENA

bids to perform-Clarkson show, which will begin at ers, without whom big names may

"It's been really good for the because of the physical size of the Lubbock community because it Lubbock into the spotlight for show and number of tickets that draws fans from New Mexico, can be sold. The show is only a half Amarillo, Midland, and we've even house, limiting the number of tick- had someone come in from England ets available for purchase to 5,400. to see a show," Harper said. "It's "Right now Jay-Z's ticket sales really amazing with the draw that are a little bit lower than Kelly's, we have and the economic impact which is weird because we've heard that it has on the hotels at night, more buzz about his show than the restaurants and the shopping hers," Harper said. "We've heard that happens when folks come close before she hits the big stage from so many people that they into town. It helps stimulate the in front of thousands of fans.

the local economy, said Meredith. But because the show hits the stage voted on and paid for by students, on a Wednesday night, the impact is lessened because people are less likely to come in from out of town for a show during the week.

"One reason why this show is on

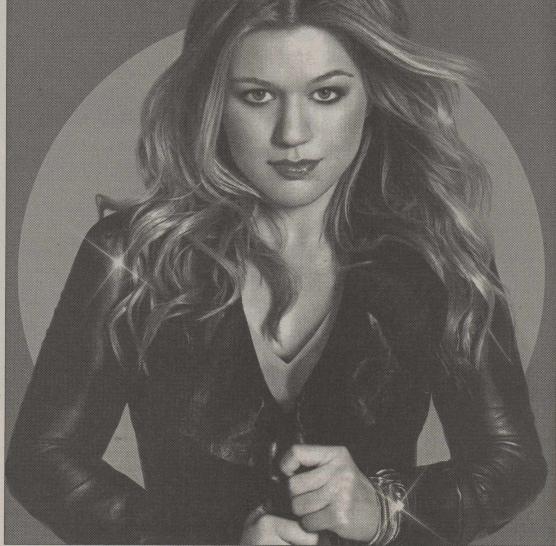
Since Lubbock is a secondary years past, people have said that market, due to it's population size, performers tend to forget about this smaller city. Even though the smaller size of population hinders the number of big names wanting to groups to town perform in the USA, the arena staff this semester keeps trying to get Lubbock known that there's by promoters.

something for "I think that the arena has helped the market, we've been

Booking able to bring in stars like the Dixie Chicks, Elton John and George these artists re-Straight, but at the same time proquires the arena to plan months moters have asked why they'd bring in advance. in big names to Lubbock when they The arena does only play in huge venues," Meredith not make any said. "We still try and we don't give direct offers up. People still have the mentality to artists, but of 'where's Lubbock?' so we still goes through have to remind people of how sucpromoters who cessful we were, how many tickets were sold and the support that the make offers and groups received, but people have a short-term memory as far as what Lubbock has done.'

The Clarkson show helps bring the support it has for the music industry. Before the show, Harper said, Clarkson will put on a preparty for VIP ticket holders, where she will perform songs a capella, a commemorative gift and souvenir lanyard. This pre-party will give fans a chance to see Clarkson up don't usually see."

Drawing in audiences from vari- , this show more unique than others,"



AMERICAN IDOL WINNER Kelly Clarkson will perform at 7:30 p.m. today in the United Spirit Arena in front of more than 5,000 fans.

before; it's really unique and should out facilities. The USA has seen add an interesting dimension to it. and accommodated them all. It should all go really smoothly and be great. It is just something that we dressing rooms, rehearsal rooms or

said performers ask for anything where a good route is to go run for in the box office at the arena.

pre-party or an open sound check from special dietary needs to work or even the artist. It's kind of interesting when we get those requests, but there hasn't been anything too "All of the writers will ask for terribly crazy for this concert."

Clarkson will perform one of rooms for promoters, production the biggest concerts to play in the Something else the audience or different people that will travel USA this year. Even with the highdoesn't usually see - the list of re- with the tour," Harper said. "In the est tickets sales yet, tickets are still "The VIP package is what makes quests from the performers. Harper past, we've had tour managers ask available ranging from \$41 to \$81

17,000 species threatened by extinction

GENEVA (AP) — A rare Pana- The Rabb's fringe-limbed tree frog,

manian tree frog, a rodent from only discovered four years ago, is one

**IMPORTANT THINGS TO KNOW\*** 

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# fresh paint coat

Berlin Wall gets

BERLIN (AP) - Stroke by stroke, Gerhard Kriedner applied pink acrylic paint with a small brush on a 14-yard stretch of the Berlin Wall, recreating the mural he first painted months after the Berlin Wall came down on Nov. 9, 1989.

Kriedner and 90 artists from around the world have gathered again to repaint their original creations on the concrete slabs, bringing new life to images that have been eroded by the elements over the last two decades, on the longest remaining length of the wall that once split Germany's capital.

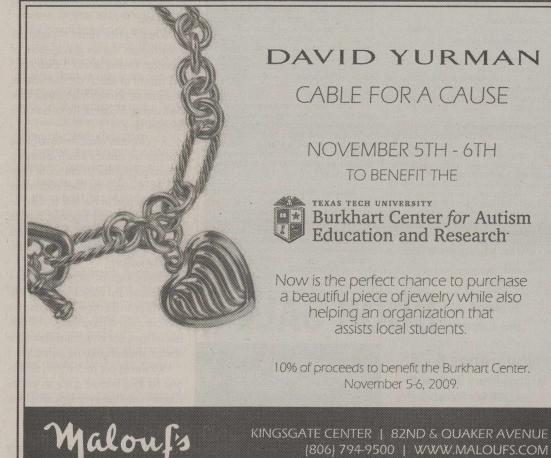
"This is a very emotional thing for me," Kriedner, 69, said, adding that he escaped from communist East Germany to the West himself as a young man. "The Berlin Wall stands for the total lack of freedom we had at the time."

While Berliners were initially eager to tear down the city's most detested symbol, in recent months there has been a major effort to restore the 3/4 mile-long (1.3-kilometer) dilapidated East Side Gallery-a major tourist attraction with 106 different paintings and graffiti.

Madagascar and two lizards found of 1,895 amphibian species that could group said Tuesday.

only in the Philippines are among soon disappear from the wild because over 17,000 species threatened with of deforestation and infection, the extinction, a leading environmental International Union for Conservation of Nature said.





Lesson Seven:

# **ON TAKING A BREAK**

By now, you're in it. You've gone down a few paths, pieced together a thing or two, made something of it. We hope that's a good thing, of course we do. But if it's getting away from you, even just a little, say when. Or mother. Or mercy. Whatever. Take a break. A breath. A nap. Then come on back. It'll all still be there, and you'll be better for it. Because learning to say when is a lesson in itself.

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# **STAFF EDITORIAL** Students need to care about the SGA

tor?

SGA senator either will be running for also does not replace debates during into office because he or she was the best office again or will be replaced by another student. While The Daily Toreador always publishes a story the day after a Student Senate meeting, students can't truly know how senators are representing them without attending the meetings. Seeing how vocal the senator is, how much legislation they introduce and what legislation they are supporting are some of the benefits that can be gained from attending the meetings.

represented are completely absent the issue instead of hearing the next day from every Student Senate meeting, which are open to all. SGA President Suzanne Williams told me several ways program called Step Up or Step Down, can keep these senators accountable and the association can affect students: in the which is a way the SGA began internally transportation system on campus, recycling programs, budget and allocations equately performing their duties. This for organizations, RaiderGate, student program is a step in the right direction to fees, scholarships, and other wants and prevent serving senators who do not care needs of students, such as the Student about their job, but students also must be Leisure Pool.

each of those issues, but I believe each student has an opinion about at least one of them — either in favor or against the issue. By not attending the meetings, students will not know the pros and cons who you elect (or in some cases, who is will carry into life after college and of the issues and thus will not be able to elected for you) at an early time. tell their senator how to best represent them. It is the job of the SGA senators to take care of the students and convey the student body's wishes to the rest of the association.

ow well do you know your tive Council also is a way for students Williams said the Tech administration Texas Tech Student Gov- to become involved in the SGA. The takes everything the SGA passes seriernment Association sena- council gives them a way to be more ously because they are considered the vocal without having to adhere to rules voice of the students. In just more than three months, your of the Student Senate meetings, but meetings.

Last year, during the debate about whether the SGA should support a fall break for students, it was difficult to determine at times whether it was the wishes of the students and organizations being represented or if it was the wishes this debate, I wish students would have been present to tell their senators before Despite this, the students being or after the meeting how they felt about about the resolution that was passed.

Williams also told me about a new reviewing senators who may not be advigilant in making sure they don't elect I'm sure not every student cares about those senators in the first place.

> In local, state and federal government, it is much more difficult to remove an elected official from office. This is why

SGA makes decisions do not go into don't care. effect as soon as the association votes on them — they are passed to the Tech 🔳 News Editor Jon Vanderlaan administration and reviewed, at which for the editorial board. Student Organization Representa- time the administration can take action. »» jon.vanderlaan@ttu.edu

However, if a student senator is voted at recruiting friends or fellow organization members to vote for them, how well do they truly represent the Tech student body? And in that case, how well do the resolutions passed in the Student Senate represent the Tech student body?

I know from attending Student of the senators and the organizations to Senate meetings that several senators which they belonged. Especially during care deeply about the students they represent and work hard to represent them correctly. I also have seen some who seemingly do not care much about what happens after they can put the title "Senator" on their resume.

By going to the meetings, students show their like or dislike for the senators on the ballot. Don't allow the SGA election in the spring semester to be a popularity contest. Instead, be proactive in determining for whom to vote. Attend the meetings at 7 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of every month in the Senate Room at the Student Union Building.

Don't let feelings of apathy about government become a habit while in it is so important to begin caring about college, because they most certainly make everything true what is being said Those main issues on which the about the younger generations: We just

# Obama's college plan not foolproof

Tn July President Barack Obama announced his plan to expand Lethe amount of federal funding provided to community colleges across the nation. The program would provide \$12 billion to community colleges over 10 years. The administration sees this program as a way to increase the number of college graduates by about influx of students. 5 million by 2020.

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increase the number of college gradufunds come from? How will the funds be distributed? How will community colleges cope with the drastic increase in the student population?

A Wall Street Journal article reported community college was 29. To me, this indicates the majority of community college students have been members of the workforce at some point in their job market is bad, but wouldn't the students leaving their jobs find it even more difficult to find jobs once they graduate? Of course, this will depend from the recession.

Increasing the number of colmay not be able to cope with the large per college or \$2,400 for each of the an-



Many community colleges pride them-Although this plan may potentially selves on their small classroom setting, and with more students already attending ates and aid in healing the job market, community colleges because of the lower there are some problems that need to tuition, increasing the student population or will they be left to survive without the be examined further: Where will the even further would make it difficult for extra help? What about when an associate these smaller colleges to cope.

With the government providing more than \$100 billion on corporate bailouts, another \$10 billion makes Congress look like it's swimming in cash. But since the the average age of a student attending a federal government is trillions of dollars in extra \$10 billion going to come from?

lives. Now, I'll be the first to admit the dollars the federal government would save through the proposed Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act. According to an announcement on the House Committee on Education & Labor Web site, the act doubt extra community college funding on how fast our economy can recover would save the government about \$87 billion in 10 years.

lege students is excellent; I believe funding to community colleges is how to be taken lightly, especially when our everyone should receive some sort of the funds will be distributed. Sunday's higher education, whether it's from a Associated Press article addressing the community college or an Ivy League issue reported there were about 1,200 university. However, considering the community colleges in the U.S. When size of many community colleges, some you do the math, that's \$1 million a year

ticipated 5 million graduates (and that's not including the students who won't graduate).

These numbers may seem large, but when one considers how much money it takes to run a college, it's not very big at all. The Associated Press reported in California alone, there were \$840 million in community college budget cuts.

What will happen after 2020 when the \$10 billion is depleted? Will the federal government continue to promote community colleges so enthusiastically, degree isn't enough anymore?

During the last decade, many jobs have started requiring a college degree. In an article on the CNN Web site, Obama is quoted saying, "... jobs requiring at least an associate degree are projected to grow debt, that's not the case. So where is this twice as fast as jobs requiring no college experience." What will happen when The Wall Street Journal reported those jobs start requiring a bachelor's funding would come from the billions of degree and then a master's degree and so on?

Many things sound good in the present, but seem to lose their excellence when thought about in the long run. I have no would benefit many Americans, but I'm afraid of what might accompany those Another concern of providing more benefits. Federal funding isn't something national debt is in the trillions of dollars.

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# Obama shouldn't be silencing opposition

mong the many volatile threads common in the current administration, there is one that is especially troubling. That is the repetition of the attacks our president and his media representatives have repeatedly made against any voice that dares counter his own.

We saw this when they set up a tive vehicle program drew in purchases during the summer. We saw it when for daring to criticize President Barack Obama. And we saw it when the administration decided to let loose another attack. This time it battled Edmunds.com over its criticism of the cash for clunkers program. To sum up the squabble quickly, Edmunds claims the administration failed to deliver the facts about each "clunker," costing taxpayers \$24,000, and although it boosted third-quarter sales, the fourth. quarter, which is traditionally the worst season for car dealerships, will report making these attacks. Or, if it is not him, abysmal numbers at best.



White House Web site for citizens that previously would not have happened. to report any suspicious or contrary What they fail to say is this is highly uninformation about health insurance likely for those who did not qualify, which citizens to have reluctant feelings about our

the White House releases and each of these are meditated attempts at undermining opposition to his philosophical and political aspirations.

Such a defamation is troubling because it is not traditional practice for a U.S. president to be so abusive in his relations with media. It was especially not the practice of this administration's favorite punching bag, former President George W. Bush.

These actions should incline American president. Not only are the attacks contrary they unleashed havoc on Fox News tially think and during the CFC program, to typical practice, they are blatantly opposite every promise for non-divisive and non-sectionalized politics under the Obama White House. If the solution to party politics is wiping out the opposition, then the United States had better wake up to the reality of our leader. There ought to be no greater worry will take a greater hit, largely because the than too much power accumulated in recent upward trend is propped up by used the wrong hands at the moment. And I can without reservation say there is too Reasonable minds must then inquire much control being freely offered our president. Obama is running out of time to make up for his being derelict in promises and in service. He received raucous applause when, in every speech, he spoke of a utopian situation in which Americans may practice and exercise freely their rights. But no action taken since he was elected provides for this. In fact, many of his actions have been contrary to the fundamental rights provided in our Constitution. The First Amendment states American citizens have liberty in the areas of the free exercise of religion, of speech, of the press, of assembly and to redress grievances before government. This is a statement that ought to take primacy in the lives of our leaders. When Patrick Henry thought the Constitution was an abridgement of American freedom he said, "I smell a rat," and refused to attend the convention. Now that we apparently are casting aside this founding document, the rat has taken on a new form. A multiplicity of actions taken by our president has caused a stench of divisive, partisan politics that should not be tolerated. He slammed the Cambridge officer for right action in the line of duty, he upholds unnecessary fear over a swine flu "epidemic" and he abuses presidential power by staging photo-ops with the fallen from the military. Obama slammed his predecessor for a self-righteous and elitist attitude, for failing to listen to the opposition. So far, the only one guilty of those things is himself. Each of these actions in sum make for one obscene abuse of executive authority. We should not pardon such foolishness for long because doing so will be contrary to the history he apparently loves to despise.

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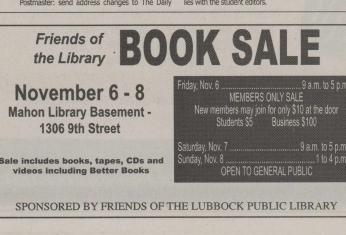
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# Obama's half brother recalls abusive father

autobiographical story of an abusive first visit to China on Nov. 15-18. parent patterned on their late father, about in his own memoir.

In his first interview, Mark Ndesandjo told The Associated Press that dent's mother, Obama Sr. met Nidehe wrote "Nairobi to Shenzhen" in sand while studying as a graduate part to raise awareness of domestic student at Harvard University. Nideviolence.

my father beat me, and you don't do and his brother David were born and

that," said Ndesandjo, whose mother, Ruth Nidesand, was Barack Obama Sr.'s third wife. "It's something which I think affected me for a long time, and it's something that I've just recently come to terms with."

Like his novel's main character, Ndesandjo had an American mother who is Jewish and who divorced his Kenyan father. The

the self-publishing company Aventine surname Mark Ndesandjo took. Press, is one of several books in the works by relatives of the president.

President Obama's parents separated two years after he was born in Hawaii in only once after his parents' divorce, 1961. The senior Obama, a Kenyan exchange student, divorced the president's mother, Stanley Ann Dunham, in 1964 and had at least six other children in his fatherless upbringing and search for native Kenva.

For the past seven years, Ndesandjo has been living in the booming southern Kenya to meet his half siblings and Chinese city of Shenzhen, near Hong learn more about his father. While Kong, and has refused all interview requests until now.

Obama's inauguration as a family guest, intellectual promise or his family declined to discuss his earliest memories responsibilities.

GUANGZHOU, China (AP) of the president or describe their rela-- President Barack Obama's half tionship over the years. However, he brother has broken his media silence said he plans to meet his brother in to discuss his new novel — the semi- Beijing when the president makes his "My plan is to introduce my the mostly absent figure Obama wrote wife to him. She is his biggest fan," he said

Shortly after divorcing the presisand returned with Obama Sr. to his "My father beat my mother and native Kenya in 1965, where Mark

grewup. David

later died in

a motorcycle

In Ke-

nya, Obama

Sr. also had

four children

with his first

wife, Kezia,

some of them

while he was

still married

to Nidesand.

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Obama Sr. eventually di-

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MARK NDESANDJO PRESIDENT OBAMA'S HALF BROTHER

sand returned to the United novel, which goes on sale Wednesday by States and later married a man whose

> Obama Sr. died in an automobile accident in 1982 at age 46.

President Obama saw his father when he was 10 years old. In a bestselling memoir, "Dreams from My Father," Obama wrote about his identity.

In it, Obama described a visit to painting his father as abusive, he called Obama Sr. a gifted but erratic Ndesandjo, who said he attended alcoholic who never lived up to his



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CLOCKWISE FROM THE bottom left, Hannah Mclean, a freshman social work major from Waco; Amanda Moss, a junior speech language and hearing sciences major from Midland; Caleb Hill, a freshman zoology major from Abilene; J.R. Oliver, a senior music education major from San Antonio; and Zaneta Loh, a staff member with Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, tell their friend Sarah Scher, a graduate student at Wheaton College, "Hello" and that they miss her Tuesday during the Flip Book event sponsored by TAB in the Student Union west basement.

# Program will monitor Md. doctors' hand-washing

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creating teams of staff members importance of keeping hands clean at hospitals around the state to while dealing with patients secretly monitor their colleagues' federal stimulus money.

individuals who are lax on scrubbing awareness."

CLARKSVILLE, Md. (AP) - Be up won't be penalized. Rather, the State officials said Tuesday they're ter job and raise awareness about the

hand-washing habits as part of a first- to do a gotcha," Brown said. "We're of-its-kind program. The monitors better off with providers actually component of this in every hospital Lt. Gov. Anthony Brown said will be that continual education and

sure to wash up, Maryland doctors idea is to gather information about state's 47 hospitals to monitor their health care providers to improve which hospital staffs need to do a bet- colleagues after they leave a patient. patient safety, will implement the The monitors will be given time program. separate from their regular duties to do the research, but they won't let state has used direct observation to "This certainly is not an effort the doctors and nurses know when compile hand-washing data on practhey're being watched.

will contribute to a systemwide report using proper hand hygiene than starting in January will be compiled Stallings, director of the Maryland on hand-washing, using \$100,000 in calling out those that don't, so a big into statistics on hand-washing across Health Quality and Cost Council. the hospital system and allow for No other state has used stimulus comparison between the facilities. money for a hand-washing study, The Maryland Patient Safety Cen- either, she said.

Teams will be formed at 45 of the ter, which works with hospitals and

The program is the first time a titioners across hospitals statewide The information being gathered to compare practices, said Nicole

# African kings, queens, chiefs to honor Mandela

JOHANNESBURG (AP) - model is anti-apartheid icon and and he spent part of his childhood



Africa to launch an institute they week. hope will expand their roles on the continent

new Institute of African Royalty as ship." part think-tank on democracy and development, part lobby group to royal chieftaincy of Mvezo, a vil- who wanted to speak did so. It was

Dancers clad in animal skins opened former President Nelson Mandela, in the court of a tribal regent being a royal ceremony Tuesday, a nod to and plan to honor the man referred groomed, like his father before him, tradition for the forward-thinking to during Tuesday's proceedings as to advise kings. kings, queens and chiefs who jet- "Prince Mandela" at a gala ceremony ted in to Johannesburg from across in Pretoria, the capital, later this were profoundly influenced by ob-

the anti-apartheid icon's office, describing meetings called to discuss The two dozen leaders from said Mandela "feels honored to be community matters such as coping Morocco to Swaziland describe their respected by the traditional leader- with droughts, managing cattle and

Mandela's family claims the the colonial government. "Everyone

a hour and a half," she said.

use it that much.

Tweet up 🚽 CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Stolley said she has been using Twitter since March after a friend convinced her to get one. She is maintain and update the unisites such as Myspace, Facebook and Twitter.

Another regular of the Tweetup, Stephen Torrence said he made a Twitter account in Spring 2008 but didn't begin using it until the fall of that year. Torrence, a senior philosophy and general studies dual major from Georgetown, said after getting involved with Lubbock Tweetup, he began learning more about Twitter and using the Web site more often.

Twitter has become a distraction for him, Torrence said, and he has to turn off TweetDeck to get anything done. He has gained more than knowledge of Twitter by being a regular of the Tweetup group — he has met new people.

"We've actually developed a relationship with the baristas," he said after two Starbucks employees came over to the group and gave out hugs.

Janelle Gillespie, shift manager at the Starbucks near campus, said she had seen the group meet in the Starbucks for some time and eventually became curious.

"One night last year, me and my friend asked Jed about the group at the counter, and we ended up talking there for about

"My later notions of leadership serving the regent and his court," Sello Hatang, a spokesman for Mandela wrote in his autobiography,

polish their image. They say their lage in southeastern South Africa, democracy in its purest form."

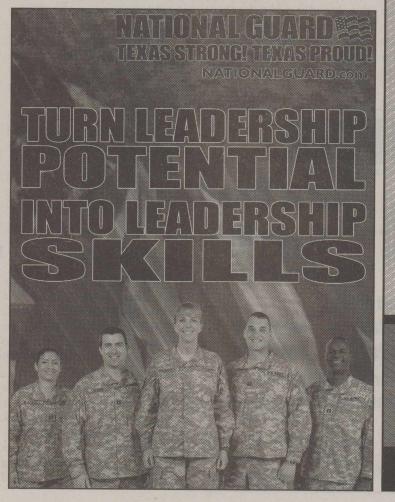
Twitter gaining popularity."

responding to new laws decreed by

Gillespie, a junior mechanical Ponder said although he too engineering major from Thunder- has seen Twitter gain popularbay, Ontario, said after meeting ity, he believes Twitter has not Jed she slowly began to meet reached the popularity of other social networking sites. the rest of the Tweetup group. She said a person from Lubbock "Facebook will still be the

Tweetup is the reason she has dominant social-networking sysalso one of two interns who help recently began a Twitter account. tem because it has already gained She said Twitter is somewhat con- popularity with the college-aged versity's social networking Web fusing to her because she doesn't and professional sector," Ponder said. "Twitter is a rising star, but "I'm more of a Facebook per- it still has a way to go."

son," Gillespie said, "but I can see >>> emo.moser@ttu.edu





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# SPORTS

Back to basics: Tech defense on track during bye week

### **By ALEX YBARRA** MANAGING EDITOR

When Jamar Wall slammed Kansas running back Jake Sharp into the turf, sending the crowd and teammates into a frenzy, defensive end Brandon Sharpe's thoughts became a reality.

"It started from the highlight film, when we see some good hits that we did during the season and stuff," said Sharpe, who had 2.5 sacks

in a 42-21 win against Kansas Saturday. "I was saying in my head, 'I wanted to convert some of those to the game.' I guess some of the guys heard me thinking. That hit was nice." And it show-

cased the defense's renewed confidence and swagger that disappeared in a 52-30 loss to Texas A&M two weeks ago. The

Jayhawks put up their lowest amount of offensive yardage all season, quarterback Todd Reesing was sacked six times and Kansas had three turnovers.

The rejuvenated effort from defensive coordinator Ruffin McNeill's group came on the heels of a nightmarish outing, in which the Red Raiders allowed more than 500 total yards to the Aggies - 321 on the ground.

Averaging only 2.2 yards per carry,

President George W. Bush

pitch before Game 3 of the

Japan Series between the Yo-

Bush, wearing a Yomiuri warmup jacket, took the mound

Fighters.

threw out the ceremonial first

Kansas amassed 71 rushing yards against Tech. The only bright spot for the Jayhawks was receiver Dezmon Briscoe, who had 110 yards and a touchdown on nine catches.

Tech middle linebacker Brian Duncan, who had a big hit of his own on Sharp, said the defensive unit made a conscious decision to play without disrespect — a problem against A&M. "I think we most definitely respect

these guys," he

Neither was a

He returned

a fumble 32 yards

said. "I don't think last week I don't think last we came out fully respecting. The fire in our hearts week we came out wasn't there last fully respecting. week. The fire in our defensive touchdown, but corhearts wasn't there nerback LaRon Moore took care last week. of that against Kansas.

### **BRIAN DUNCAN** TEXAS TECH MIDDLE LINEBACKER

Bush throws out first pitch in Japan

miuri Giants and Nippon Ham sion of the World Series.

TOKYO (AP) - Former king Sadaharu Oh and U.S.

for six points in the fourth quar-

ter, marking the second time it has happened this season. Defensive end Daniel Howard took one to the house from 82 yards out against Nebraska, which was the last time Tech's defense stepped up as the offense struggled.

"I believe we just gave back to fundamentals," Moore said. "We gave back with fire, but we went back to the basics, worked on tackling, worked on pad level. We went out there and played with a

Ambassador John Roos.

The Giants won the game

Dozens of demonstrators

7-4 to take a 2-1 lead in the

best-of-seven series, Japan's ver-

marched outside the stadium

protesting the wars in Afghani-

stan and Iraq that were launched

passion. That's what we lacked last week. We wanted to win the game, but we didn't want to play hard during the game."

Tech coach Mike Leach was particularly impressed with how Reesing, who eventually got benched, was flustered all game. He said it was nice to witness his defense get back to form after being stunned by the Aggies last week.

"I think it's a big win," he said. "I was proud of the way our defense stepped it up. Our defense had played really well for two weeks, and they played as bad as you could play last week. Then they played good this week."

Especially Tech's secondary, considering Reesing's stature and the talent in receivers Kerry Meier and Briscoe. The Jayhawks punted five times and had 88 yards passing in the first half and 99 in the second, something Moore attributed to defensive changes that confused Reesing.

"I believe we just focused in on them and had different kind of coverages," Moore said. "Reesing didn't really know what we were doing. I believe we mixed it up a lot."

Sharpe said it was one of the best outings for the defense all season and pointed to a speech made by linebacker Bront Bird that resonated with the team.

"Bront had a speech on (Friday night) about fighting and don't be the one that's gonna say you're gonna fight and don't fight and run off," Sharpe said. "We all just stood in and fought with each other, had fun.

The Red Raiders face No. 19 Oklahoma State next week at Boone Pickens Stadium in Stillwater, Okla. »»daniel.ybarra@ttu.edu

# **Clippers owner Donal Sterling to** pay \$2.73 million in settlement

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Los Angeles Clippers owner and real estate and yet decades after passage of the mogul Donald Sterling has agreed to Fair Housing Act, far too many still pay a record \$2.73 million to settle encounter barriers like discriminaallegations by the government that tion," said Thomas Perez, assistant he refused to rent apartments to attorney general for the civil rights Hispanics, blacks and to families with division. children, the Justice Department announced Tuesday.

"Housing is a basic human need,

"The magnitude of this settlement should send a message to all



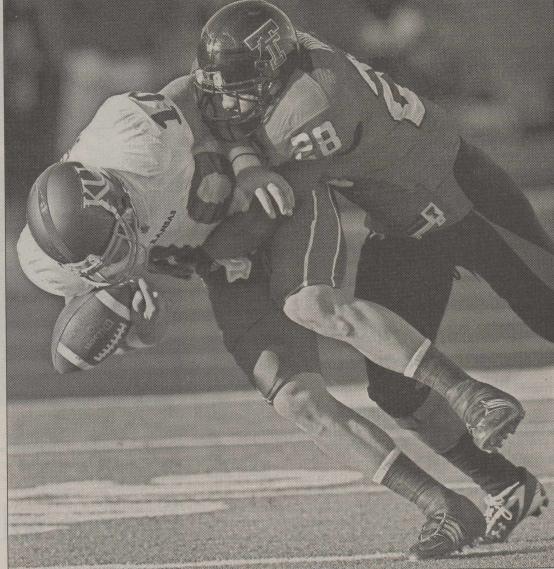


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TEXAS TECH CORNERBACK LaRon Moore tackles Kansas receiver Kerry Meier, who fumbled on the play, during the Red Raiders 42-21 win Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium. Tech has a bye this week before traveling to Stillwater, Okla., to play No. 19 Oklahoma State.

threw a pitch to Giants catcher Shinnosuke Abe that bounced once in the dirt before being caught.

Tuesday at Tokyo Dome and

Bush chatted briefly with several players after walking off the field and watched the game in a private box with former Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi. Also in the box were Japanese home run ence in December.

by the Bush administration. They carried signs saying, "Arrest Bush," "The King of War," and "Bush Go to Jail.'

One demonstrator threw his shoes at a photo of the former president, mimicking Iraqi journalist Muntadhar al-Zeidi, who launched his own footwear at Bush at a Baghdad news confer-



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ling in August 2006 for allegations of housing discrimination in the Koreatown area of Los Angeles. Other defendants were Sterling's wife, Rochelle, and the Sterling Family Trust.

The defendants allegedly made statements to employees indicating that African-Americans and Hispanics were not desirable tenants.

Court filings indicated that Sterling rented to fewer blacks and Hispanics in Koreatown than would be expected based on demographics, according to the Justice Department.

defendants denied any liability.

Robert Platt, an attorney for Sterling and the trust, issued a statement saying his clients denied any acts of monetary damages to tenants who discrimination.

"The fair housing attorneys could not identify a single individual who ous record settlement for discriminawas wrongfully denied the right to rent an apartment," he said. The trust has a zero-tolerance policy regarding housing discrimination, he said.

cided it was cheaper to settle the case to settle an unrelated 2003 lawsuit than to keep fighting, Platt said. Those that claimed he tried to drive noninsurers will cover the settlement.

and manages 119 apartment buildings with more than 5,000 apartment units ing Rights Center and 18 other in Los Angeles County.



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The Justice Department sued Ster- landlords that we will vigorously pursue violations of the Fair Housing Act," he said.

The settlement, which will be considered by a Los Angeles federal judge, also covers two related lawsuits by former tenants at one of the Sterling properties. In those cases, a black family and an interracial family with children contended that private yards that had been part of their apartment were demolished because of their race, the Justice Department said.

Under the settlement, Sterling In settling the lawsuit, however, the and the other defendants would pay a \$100,000 civil penalty to the government and would pay \$2.63 million into a fund to pay were harmed.

The Justice Department's prevition in the area of rental housing was \$2.2 million in a 1996 case.

Four years ago, Sterling agreed to pay an undisclosed sum and However, insurers for the trust de- nearly \$5 million in attorney fees Korean tenants out of apartments he Sterling owns the NBA's Clippers bought in Koreatown. The lawsuit was brought by the nonprofit Housplaintiffs.

COURTESY OF TEXAS TECH ATHLETICS

TEXAS TECH CROSS country coach Jon Murray was named the Big 12 Conference Women's Cross Country Coach of the Year on Tuesday. Last week, he led the Tech women's team to its second-consecutive conference title.

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Murray has said this year's Lady Raiders are deeper, and points are coming from a number of runners instead of a handful of points coming from Kipyego like last season.

Badaru, who is one of five All-Big 12 runners for the Tech women, has been this season's Kipyego with three first place finishes in five meets. Two of those are top five finishes.

Purity Biwott, twin sisters Caroline and Winrose Karunde and Kipsang joined Badaru on the All-Big 12 squad and have been the backbone for this year's squad.

The bulk of this group will be around for next season as well, with the Karunde sisters and runners such as Michelle Guz-

### man being juniors.

"For me, as a person professionally to be able to build tradition, help to create an attitude and an atmosphere of excellence, and I feel that this is just another step in that direction," Murray said. "To just bring great athletes together and be able to promote Texas Tech to them, we have an environment where they can be successful academically and athletically."

But before Murray can focus on what his achievement does for the team, the Lady Raiders still have a hill to climb.

The Tech cross country team continues its season in the Mountain Regional Championships on Saturday Nov. 14 in Albuquerque, N.M. The NCAA Championships on Nov. 23 in Terre Haute, Ind., follow as well.

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# 'Champagne goggles' make some fans groan

NEW YORK (AP) — When the the post-game revelry. New York Yankees clinched their wondered if they were about to go some die-hard fans aren't too happy. swim the 200-meter butterfly with Michael Phelps.

were, stars like CC Sabathia, Mark Teixeira and Johnny Damon, sporting swim goggles to protect their eyes from the victory Champagne being poured, squirted and sprayed amid

It's become a more familiar sight spot in the World Series last week, in the past few years in the locker the casual TV viewer might have rooms of baseball's top teams. And

Sure, they say, it's important to preserve those valuable eyes. But Call it a fashion statement for the the eyewear sure looks a little goofy, very rich and very happy: There they doesn't it? And more importantly, it suggests a broader problem, these fans say: Post-game celebrations have become too predictable, with all that unspontaneous Champagnepouring.

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# Lady Raiders give fans first look at open practice

**By ZANE TURNER** STAFF WRITER

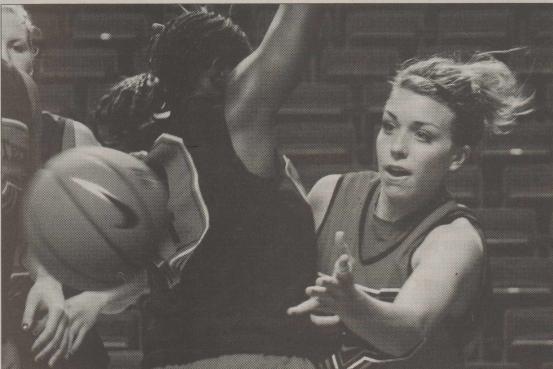
While the sun was rising, the Lady Raiders were on the court running drills during practice, already trying to shake the inexperience label before the season begins.

The Lady Raiders conducted the Rise and Shine open practice at 8 a.m. Tuesday in the United Spirit Arena, giving fans a first look at a team full of freshmen and underclassmen.

But Tech coach Kristy Curry hopes she showed fans Tuesday inexperience doesn't necessarily mean no talent.

"We feel like this is the best team we've had, obviously it's probably the youngest team we've had and the most inexperienced but the most talented," said Curry, who begins her fourth season at Tech and her 10th year as a head coach. "So, right now it's just about getting better every day and if you can focus on getting better themselves in the end.'

Fans were rewarded for showing up the first 200 fans as doors opened at 7 concluded around 10:30 a.m. The decorated high school careers. Lady Raiders debut a roster featuring five true freshmen along with redshirt the Big 12 Conference this season, but Kimbro. There are three seniors this on the court this spring. year — Jordan Murphree, Tilmila ACL tear has her sidelined.



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every day, then things can take care of TEXAS TECH GUARD Lindie Kimbro makes a pass during the Lady Raiders' Rise and Shine open practice Tuesday in the United Spirit Arena. It was the fans' first look at Kristy Curry's 2009-2010 squad.

Mary Bokenkamp have experience in and better than a year ago." a.m. Before practice started, the Lady the AAU circuits and Marissa Ashton

Tech may be the youngest team in Raiders success.

"I think the young freshmen are re-Martin and Ashlee Roberson. The ally going to help," said Jackie Daves, a Lady Raiders had 6-foot-3 freshman retired Lubbock resident who attended Shauntal Nobles coming in, but an the Rise and Shine open practice. "I

Raiders signed autographs. Practice and Monique Smalls are coming off perienced squad, Curry said senior Christian at 7 p.m. Monday in the leadership will be key to the Lady United Spirit Arena.

freshman and team captain Lindie fans don't seem to mind what will be with Kimbro, are team captains. A on the team but also showed the year ago, Roberson averaged 5.4 points inexperience Curry will have to coach a game and 6.4 rebounds. Murphree this season. averaged 11.3 points a contest and 3.6 rebounds per game.

Though young, the freshmen enter good. I think consistency is going to be but was 3-7 down the stretch, and the season with noteworthy credentials. key for them, but I think if they can get now look for a good start as the season

The Lady Raiders begin the season Despite what might be an inex- an exhibition game against Lubbock

The early morning practice re-Roberson and Murphree, along vealed the youth, energy and depth

Bokenkamp said the Lady Raiders have to remain positive and the team Tech was in a position to reach can be among the best in the Big 12, on the floor.

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TEXAS TECH'S JORDAN Barncastle looks to make a pass with Mary Bokenkamp defending during the Lady Raiders' Rise and Shine open practice Tuesday in the United Spirit Arena. Practice started at 8 a.m.

think they're going to be really, really the NCAA Tournament a year ago despite how many young players are fresh bodies and we're trying not to beauty and we're really trying to learn worry about age," she said. "Coach that and just play and play hard." "We have young talent, young always says age doesn't define your **>>> zane.turner@ttu.edu** 

# UConn's Moore leads AP preseason All-America team

ing up honors.

The UConn junior became just It's the third straight year a player 2000-01. has been a unanimous choice in the preseason.

(AP) — Preseason or postseason, ica Wright. It was the fifth time two career scoring record. Maya Moore is making a habit of rack- players from the same team made the All-America squad.

the seventh unanimous choice on other pairs of teammates on a pre- and going through the summer playing The Associated Press' preseason All- season team - Jen Rizzotti and with USA basketball," Connecticut America team Tuesday, garnering all Kara Wolters in 1995-96 and Shea coach Geno Auriemma said. "She saw 40 votes from a national media panel. Ralph and Svetlana Abrosimova in what she can do and now just needs to

Moore has already made the All-"It's a great honor to be mentioned and was the AP's player of the year with them," said Moore, who was one last season. She averaged 19.3 points Iowa State and followed up with a vote short of being an unanimous and 8.9 rebounds last season in help- 26-point effort in the national semifichoice last preseason. "I've been ing UConn to a 39-0 record. The nals loss to UConn. truly blessed to have such great team- Huskies are a unanimous No. 1 in the "It's a thrill to be an All-Ameri-

"Tina really has made huge strides in consistency over the last few months UConn also had two of the four starting with the NCAA tournament do it every game."

Appel also made a splash in the America team in her first two years NCAA tournament. She scored 46 points in the regional finals against

# Sportscaster must pay ex-wife \$916,000 a year

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — ing to the decree. CBS sportscaster Jim Nantz must and give up their Connecticut the judge concluded the marriage sued divorce decree.

Bridgeport Superior Court, disfault.

pay \$916,000 yearly in alimony edged he started dating a 29-year-old endeavors," the judge wrote in his and child support to his ex-wife woman before the divorce was final, decision. home under terms of a newly is- deteriorated years earlier and "this \$72,000 in alimony monthly until remote event in no way contributed he dies or his ex-wife remarries, and The ruling, made Monday in to the breakdown of the marriage." Owens noted that the couple port for the next two years.

solves the 26-year marriage of didn't share the same interests in Nantz and Ann-Lorraine "Lorrie" Nantz's television career, which of New Canaan, said Tuesday that Carlsen Nantz. It comes after both required frequent travel as the the famed sportscaster only wants testified about the breakdown network's primary commentator for what's best for his daughter and will of their marriage; Judge Howard college football, golf and basketball, not fight the terms of the divorce Owens concluded neither was at as well as appearances at charity decree. events.

the parties do not have the same Although Nantz, 50, acknowl- interest and ardor for their spouses'

> Under the ruling, Nantz must pay another \$1,000 weekly in child sup-

Nantz's attorney, Gaetano Ferro

"He always wanted a peaceful res-

mates.

Moore was joined on the preseason

preseason poll this year.

squad by teammate Tina Charles, the NCAA tournament, earning most among the 23 invitees to USA basket-Stanford's Javne Appel, Ohio State's outstanding player honors. The senior ball's national team training camp that Jantel Lavender, and Virginia's Mon- center is on pace to set the school took place at the end of September.

can," the Stanford senior said.

Charles stepped up her game in Moore, Charles, and Appel were

Nantz, described by Owens

of marriage counseling, accord- in marriages of lengthy duration, wants to put it behind him."

"In fairness, for most of the years olution of an unfortunate situation, as "our nation's most prominent he prioritized his family obliga- Ferro said. "He never wanted a trial, sportscaster," filed for divorce tion and put his wife and daughter never wanted it to come out this way, last year from his wife after years Caroline first. As frequently happens never wanted a public spectacle. He

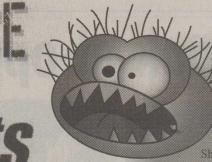
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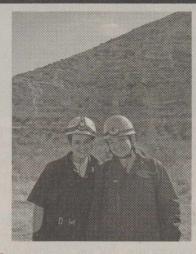
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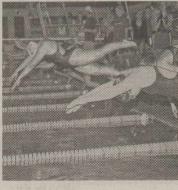
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