

## Students begin studying for finals

## by Lauren glover Staff Werter

Jade Bradley, a sophomore double major in computer science and math from Austin, said she already has been studying for
the last week and a half for her five finals.
"For most of my classes I re view my tests and homework, and I figure out how to do anything I got wrong," Bradley said. David Lamp, a physics professor, said students should begin
preparing for their finals on the preparing for their
first day of class.
"People don't learn anything fast; they learn slow," Lamp said. "Students have to practice concepts over and over again until they can fully understand a concept."
Lamp also said students should study with a group to prepare for finals.
from getting together with stu- with sleeping bags and pillows drink during late-night study dents of different abilities," Lamp and make the library their home sessions. said. "Its amazing what students
can learn form explaining somecan learn form explaining some thing to someone else.
Do nald Donald,
Dyal, dean of Libraries, said the Univer-
sity Library provides more tables and
seating for group study sessions.
"We see "We see
an increase in an increase in
student traffic during finals week partially because more students are

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Students will also benefit from getting together with students of different abilities.

DAVID LAMP said. "I have difference studying for finals, survices to "I am really looking forward because we are open 24/7," he students can get food in the li- said. "I want to see how I have said. "In previous years I have brary because currently students improved from last semester." seen students come to the library have no place to go for food or mauren.gloverettuedu

HSC receives accreditation

| Health Sciences Center received a renewal of accreditation from the Commission on Colleges with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. <br> Rial Rolfe, the senior vice president for Academic Affairs at the HSC, said this is the first time the university earned the full 10 -year accreditation after it was awarded an initial five-year accreditation in 2004. <br> "It really shows the outside world that as far as student outcomes and what we're doing with student education, we're excelling at it," he said. <br> According to a news release from the HSC, the announcement was made during the December 2009 meeting of the commission after approving compliance documentation and accepting the Quality Enhancement Plan with few recommendations in May. <br> Rolfe said one of the main qualms the commission had with the documentation and plan was the HSC needed to develop further how the assessment plan would affect student learning. <br> Despite fixing the recommendations the commission had, he said, HSC administrators were not sure how the vote would turn out. But university officials felt good about the possible outcome going into the meeting. <br> Although the HSC will not <br> be due for accreditation again <br> Rolfe said the university will be preparing for it and making sure everything is in place. <br> HSC Interim President Elmo Cavin said in a news release the university used the process to reflect and solidify future direction. <br> "Our reaffirmation is the result of the hard work and dedication of our faculty, staff, administration and students, and would not have been possible without each group's unique contribution," he said in the release. "Our has met the standards of quality and effectiveness, and we are proud of these accomplishments. SACS representatives visited the HSC campus in April to conduct an on- site review for the first time in the university's history. The HSC originally was accredited with Tech but chose to seek its own accreditation after being recognized as a separate institution in 2004. <br> The Commission on College is the regional body for accrediting degree-granting higher education institutions in Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, Virginia and Florida. <br> -jon.vanderlaan@ttu.edu |  |
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Students, militia clash in 2nd day of Iran anti-gov't protest

By LEE KEATH \& NASSER KARIMI ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) - Hard line militiamen firing tear gas and throwing stones stormed a crowd of thousands of university students protesting for a second day Tues-
day, as Iran threatened day, as Iran threatened a tougher crackdown on the opposition after
the biggest anti-government demonstrations in months.
onstrations in months.
More than 200 people were arrested in Tehran on Monday during protests by tens of thousands at universities nationwide, and Iran's top prosecutor warned further unrest
would not be tolerated. He hinted would not be tolerated. He hinted
authorities could even pursue the top opposition leader, Mir Hossein Mousavi, an escalation the government has so far balked at in Iran's postelection turmoil. Masked motorcyclists - likely hard-line militiamen - harassed Mousavi at his Tehran office on
Tuesday. An angry Mousavi confronted them, daring them, "Kill fronted them, daring them, "Kill
me!" before being hustled away by
aides, accord
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Authorities appear concerned hat the protest movement could pick up new steam after Monday's emonstrations, in which students clashed with police and militiamen in the streets of Tehran. Ammer crushed the mass pete the summer crushed the mass protests presidential election. But Monday's inrest showed how students have revitalized the movement. They howed an increased boldness, penly breaking the biggest taboo in Iran, burning pictures of Supreme chanting slogans against him. The protests spilled over into a second day Tuesday. Several housand students rallied in Tehran University, chanting slogans and waving Iranian flags in front of the Engineering College when they were assaulted by hard-line Basi
militiamen, witnesses said. At least one student was dragged away, the one student wases
witnesses said.

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## INBRIEF

## STATE

State unemployment tax on businesses to triple AUSTIN (AP) - Two
thirds of Texas businesses wil see the unemployment taxes they pay per employee per year nearly triple from $\$ 23.40$ to $\$ 64.80$ under rates announced Tuesday by the Texas Workforce The minim The minimum tax is paid by
nearly 255,000 employers, or 67 percent of those who have been in business for at least a year, ac cording to the commission. The taxes feed the state's un employment trust fund, which has been depleted by a high
number of jobless claims. The state already has borrowed about $\$ 1$ billion interest-free from the

## NATION

'Upset student' opens fire in class; no injuries

## woodbridge, Va. (AP

 - Authorities say a 20 -year-old student is in custody after pointing a rifle at a teacher and fring shots college in Virginia. No injuries are reported.The shooting happened Tuesday afternoon at Northern Virginia Community College's campus in Woodbridge, about 25 miles south of Washington, D.C. Hamilton of Manassas is charsed

## WORLD

Toll in Baghdad blasts rises to at least 118 dead BAGHDAD (AP) - Iraqi police
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## Holiday traditions

"This year we are going to Ruidoso, N.M. I am going to celebrate Christmas first and then I will leave with my family. It's a tradition to go and stay in a cabin there.

\author{

- CASSIE NOLAND
}
major from Lubbock

> "I go home and have the traditional family dinner and presents. We normally stay home for Christmas and travel for Thanksgiving."

## - KIRAN JOSEPH <br> ociology maj Kinney


"This year I'm going to go home and hang out with family and old high school friends. Now that we are finally all 21, we might go visit some of the bars around town.

## - BEN CIRKSENA <br> Junior marketing major from

"First this year I am going to go shopping and to visit my grandparents in Irving. We always open presents there on Christmas Eve. Also, every year we go look at Christmas lights and me and my mom makes deviled eggs. After that I am going to Las Vegas over

- SASHA MAYKUS education major from Southlake New Years. I'm really excited because I've never been." COMPILED BY KELSEY HECKEL/The Daily Toreador


Senate blocks tough abortion limits in health bill

WASHINGTON (AP) - Abortion opponents failed to inject tougher restrictions into sweeping Senate Democratic leaders labored to make Democratic leaders labored to make
sure fallout from the controversy wouldn't hinder the drive to pass President Barack Obama's top domes tic priority. The public clash over abortion ook place as Democrats, in daylong peared ready to scuttle plans for government-run insurance option that
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personal funds to pay for abortion
services - the point on which the two services - the point on which the two sides in the dispute part company.
"Segregation of funds is an counting gimmick," said Sen. Ben Nelson, D-Neb., the chief Democratic supporter of tightened restrictions. "The reality is federal funds would help buy coverage that includes abor-
Abortion rights supporters, Senate countered heatedly.
Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif, arand
said abortion opponents were driven by ideology, and Sen. Jeanne Shaheen, D.N.H., called the proposed changes
"a very far-reaching intusion into the lives of women."
The amendment that Nelson, Sen. Robert Casey, D-Pa, Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, and numerous Republicans proposed would also have barred insurance plans from covering abortions except in the three categories if any of their policyholders received federal
subsidies. It also would have required subsidies. It also would have required
insurance companies that offer noabortion plans to make available a policy that offers such services.

McChrystal: new strategy achievable

WASHINGTON (AP) - The general in charge of the war in Atghanistan said Tuesday there are "no silver bullets" for succeas there but that he expects to know by this time next year whether the troop build up is reversing the Taliban momentum.
Gen. Stanley McChrystal, appearing before the House Armed Services Committee a week after President Barack Obama announced his new surge-and exit strategy, said he supports the plan. Ambassador Karl Eikenberry, who had
voiced misgivins previously also endorsed the new approach at the Capitol Hill hearing.
The new battle plan includes an 18 -month timeline before the first U.S troops would begin to come home. "Results may come more quickly," McChrystal told lawmakers. "But the
soberfact is that there are o osiver bullets. Ultimate success will be the cumulative effect of sustained pressure."
Eikenberry said the course outlined last week by Obama "offers the best path to stabilize Afghanistan and to ensure al-Qaida and other terrorist groups cannot regain a foothold to plan new at
against our country or our allies." against our country or our alies.
Rep. Ike Skelton, D-Mo mittee's chairman, said at the outset of the hearing that he differs with statements comparing the Afghan surge with the U.S surge in Ira, saying that as a percentage of the total number of forces, the 30,000 or so authorized by Obama last week was
a much higher proportion of deployment a much higher proportion of deployment ordered a surge in Iraq.
"What risk are we accepting in the next 18 months and how can we mitigate it." he asked. He said he believes that "ultimately, we are protecting the America
people" from al-Oaida.

Heritage center to display visions of holidays past
The National Ranching Heri
tage Center will tage Center will offer a alimpse
into the past with Candlelight at the Ranch 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 11 and Dec. 12 free of charge. Luminarias will light the paths around the heritage center historic structures where volunteers, dressed according to the
appropriate time period, will be appropriate time period, will be
reenacting holiday scenes from more than 100 years ago. "It's educational but also to see how other people would have celebrated the holidays, said Emily Arellano, manager of education at the heritage Such
Such holiday scenes include ing them with homemade decorations and listening to traditional music sung by students from the Texas Tech School of Music. Oh the cencer' 38 historical anching structures, 15 will be lit

## App finds birds in bushes

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) - When Jory Langner finds time for a feld trip
during an upcoming visit to Washingduring an upcoming visit to Washing-
ton, he won't have to ask local birders ton, he won thave to ask local birders
where to find candidates to add to his where to ind candidates
life list of birds sighted.
All he'll have to do to is pull out his iPhone and fire up BirdsEye, a new bird-finding application that gives users instant access to recent repos us ers instant access to recent reports of
birds spotted near their location, tells them where to look for specific birds and keeps track of their lists of all the birds they've ever seen.
The application makes its debut just ahead of the National Audubon Society's annual Christmas Bird Count, an effort that enlists as many
as 55,000 bird watchers around the as 55,000 bird watchers around the crowd to slog-through-the-woods diehards - who report back the kinds and numbers of birds they spot. The count, which runs from Dec. 14 through Jan. 5 , collects data used to track the health of bird populations,

Lesbian bishop calls election liberating NEW YORK (AP) — The lesbian priest who was elected assistant bishop geles said Tuesday that she Los Anby claims that her role in the church is divisive.
The Rev. Mary Glasspool said that she was aware her win troubles some people, but that she believes her election last weekend was mostly "liberating" for the denomination. "I've had hundreds, probably a
thousand, e-mails from people all over thousand, e -mails from people all over
the world who don't know me but the world who don't know me but
who are expressing through the fact of my election a pride in the Episcopal Church," Glasppool said in a phone interview with The Associated Press. "'ve committed my life as a life of
service to the poople of Jessus Chist service to the people of Jesus Christ,
and what hurts is the sense that anyand what hurts is the sense that any-
body might have that my name or body might have that my name or
my servanthood could be perceived as divisive."
Glasspool is the second openly gay
bishor bishop in the Episcopal Church and the world Anglican fellowship. The first was New Hampshire Bishop V. Gene
Robinson, whose 2003 consecration Robinson, whose 2003 consecration
caused an uproar and widened longdeveloping fifts over what Anglicans developing rifts
should believe.
Just hours after Glasspool's election, Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams, the Anglican spiritual leader, said in a statement that the vote raised
"very serious questions" for the divided "very serious questions" for the divided
church, and he urged restraint in moving forward with her consecration. Glaspool needs the consent of a majority of Episcopal dioceses before she can take the job of bishop suffragan. The 55 -year-old clergywoman, who has been with her female partner
since 1988 , said she read the since 1988, said she read the arch-
bishop's comments on her laptop in her California hotel Sunday and found the statement "a tiny bit absurd" because he doesn't know her.
"Our Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori does have a personal
relationship with the archbishop of relationship with the archbishop of
Canterbury, and I need to let them work that out," Glasspool said. work that out, 'lasspool said.
On Tuesday, the Inter-Angli Standing Commission on Unity, Faith and Order, issued a statement from England echoing Williams' request for restraint. Jefferts Schori is expected to travel to London next week for a pre
ously scheduled Anglican meeting.


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FLASH DANCE


CLOCKWISE FROM TOP left, Sarah Scroggins, a freshman journalism major from Garland, Abby Bertrand, a freshman dance major from Dallarge group of people performing a choreographed dance in a group of unsuspecting bystanders, Tuesday outside the Student Union Building.

BUT SHE'S NOT \& ROBert Lance Jewn sznd and Slide in Rockridge Plaza 794-2938 -

Sex education should start with parents, not schools



## high school - it's easy to feel like

 you're completely in love, you want to stick with your boyfriend orgirlfriend and believe you can trust girlfriend and believe you can trust
them completely. But too many them completely. But too many
cases have proven otherwise.
If you're going to do something If you're going to do something
like sexting, it would be better to wait until you're absolutely sure the content isn't going to leak or be shared - and that's difficult to be
sure of before marriage, at least. sure of before marriage, at least.
Parents need to start educating their children better on all of these issues, rather than complaining the school systems aren't doing their job for them.

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 | What betere way to say goodbye |
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| to a riveting sesoson than to | welcome in another which is already promising to be quite eventful?

Between the disappointing Florida-'Bama game and the championship game, I was able to sneak a peek at what the '09.'10 basketball season has
in store. Youthful Kentucky was dazzling, Texas contributed another notch on the Big 12
belt in its win over a Pac-10 Conference opponent, and our
very own Red Raiders proved rankings mean next to nothing in this game.


The crossovers, the dunks
nd those precision, blink-and ou'll-miss-'em passes all add the magic. You can feel it in ir. The cameras are flashing and he buzzer beaters are a big part of what we live for in this game.
For a moment, I was beginning For a moment, I was beginning
to think that's all we were coming to value about the game of baskerball. This was all up until why I fell in love with the game in the first place.
I'd be lying if I said I wasn't I'd be lying if I said I wasn't
attracted to the sport at least in part due to the Lebron-like slams, the Ray Allen style 3 -point facials and the ankle-breaking Chris
Paul handles, there's more to the Paul handles, there's more to the
game than the fancy moves and game than the fancy moves
bad boy swagger that sometimes results.
For me, loving the game also means enjoying the unspoken respect that exists between two
teams following a hard fought teams
game. game. Often that respect is accompaintegrity. Unfortunately, in some places the class that once seemed to come so effortlessly has taken a
backseat to the glitz and glam of backseat to the glitz and glam of
the new age of sports. Fortunately the new age of sports. Fortunately,
Texas Tech. Texas Tech.
Sensing a victory Thursday,
Texas Tech students found their excitement to be too much to contain until the final buzzer.
Out of the roar of cheers, one was Out of the roar of cheers, one was
soon heard clearer than the wit soon heard clearer than the rest:
"Overrated." Initially it didn"t "Overrated." Initially it dian seem like a big deal to most; after
all, this is a common chant in the sports world. Nevertheless,
Knight quieted the crowd almost as quickly as they had begun the

aunting expressio Wianting expression.
With all of the criticism our student body receives as a result of our sportsmanship and lack of
respect for our own school song respect for our own school song
I was glad to see Knight take was glad to see Knight take a
tand and move to show sports fans everywhere that Tech is an institution that values class and 1 know some will say that Knight's demonstration was just hat, his demonstration and not indicative of our students. fact Knight cared enough to ask cudents to end that specific and that which he tris character within his athletes. But keep in nind the crowd ended the chant. believe that is indicative not
of Knight's character, but of the character of our students. Once coach Bobby Knight decided to pass the torch, some o fill his father's shoes. Being compared to a legend is neve lieve Pat Knt I'm inclined to be eaving his own trail, one marked by leadership, teamwork, dignity Admitting ave all, class. Admitting again that the
chant "Overrated" has been present in sports for as long as ve been alive, I will also admit don't fully understand why. Of purpose, but when you really team rated?
If Washington is overrated If Washington is overrated they don't deserve to be the No
10 team, which may in fact be the case, but what then does that ay about us? Wouldn't we rather eat the legitimately ranked No. 10 Washington than the over
rated No." 10 Washington? Jus thought.
major a senior general studies $\Rightarrow$ shay.irby@etu.edu



## Tech debate team argues way into rankings

By EMILY MOSER
In 2004, Texas Tecc' debate team attended the Colorado College tournament
and won two out of 24 debates. The team and won two out of 2 debates. The team in November and won it all. Soon after its success at the tournament in Colorado this year, the National
Partiamentary Debate Association ranked Tech's debate team as the best in the nation.
Joe Gantt, the debate team's coach and director of forensics, said the debate program always has been strong in its
almost 70 years at Tech, but the team has almost 70 years at Tech, but the team has
hit is stride with the overall membership heing exemplary.
being exemplary.
"It is at the strongest point that it has ever been, winning tournaments and reccuiting on a more consistent basis," he said.
The debate team held the top rank in the nation for a few weeks before moving
down to its current ranking as eighth in down to its current ranking as eighth in
the nation due to following tournaments the team was not able to attend. Gantr said the team travels as often as posible to compete in tournaments acros the nation. He believes Tech's team is
strong as any team in the country strong as any team in the country.
In 2008 a pair of sudents from the

## Professor co-authors science of jealousy

 book, conducts research on behavior
## By CAYLOR BALLINGER

 Sybil Hart surrounds herself with green-eyed people, and thathas nothing to do with the color of has nothing
their irises. Hart, a professor of Human De-
velopment and Family Studies, has spent the past few years research-
ing jealous behaviors for her book, "Handbook of Jealousy," which be released in the next year. Her interest in jealously research
began when she noticed the lack of began when she noticed the lack of
information available on the topic, she said.
"There is a surprising absence
an real scientific information about of real scientific information about
jealousy," Hart said. "It's all over the TV, newspapers and magazines; however, it's oddly absent in sci-
ence." The basic science of jealousy is
missing, Hart said, and so began the first research of jealousy in infants.
Hart teamed up with Kazuko Behrens, an assistant professor of Human Development and Family
Studies, to help validate her new Studies, to help validate he
research of infancy jealousy. "For her to prove that jealousy is norrmann procedure to associate
well-known her new study with," Behrens said. is an experiment that begins with a mother and her baby in a room
full of toys. The mother leaves the baby alone with a stranger to test the attachment the baby has to the mother and the reaction of the baby
during the reunion at the end of the procedure. In the research, Behrens tested
about 74 mothers and babies in the about 74 mothers and babies in the
strange situation procedure first strange situation then Sybil tested her jealousy
and then research on the same people.
Behrens said she and Sybil compared the research from the babies in the strange situation procedure to the research from babies who were
jealous of the attention their mothjealous of the attention their moth-
ers gave another child procedure. ers gave another child procedure.
"She had no way of proving her data until my lab," Behrens said. "It was modeled after a parallel procedure, which is not a new process. Researchers often use an additional amount of well-"
validate theirs.
Behrens said professors in the department often collaborate on
research, but her work with Hart is where it all began.
"When studies get published in research articles, we do it by standing on the shoulders of others, Har
said. "And sifting through a needed said. "And sifting through a
body of articles to stand on." The book came after detailed
research, and his main emphasi is the theory, research and mult
 won the Debare Association's be involved with the team. However, he outtef for him and challenges him in way

said what a person gains from debate can
be used atfer graduation and in a career.
"The argument skills you can learn,

 FROM LEFT, BRIAN Horton, a senior political science, geography and French major from San Angelo; Adam
Testerman, a junior mass communications major from Springfield, Mo.; Nicole Brown, a senior political science Testerman, a junior mass communications major from Springfield, Mo.; Nicole Brown, a senior political science
major from San Angelo; and Paul Williamson, a senior mass commnications major from Houston, are members of Texas Tech's debate team, which was recently ranked No. 1 in the nation. his clases do not. However, he atributes reason to transfer to Tech was the debate Gantrt oted che difficiulvy in coaching his classes do not. However, he atrributes reason to tansfer to Tech was the debate Horton and Testerman because there is the teams success to the underclasmen. team and ins not much more to teach them. He said posible without the younger members," Testerman said sinccetransferring, Hor- as a whole though, every student on the Horton said. "I see potential in them." ton and himself naturally paired up and team makes his job as their coa The team is preparing for nationals, have been working hard with the goal of being devoted to improving.
"Each student we have are commit
something Hortons said only stops in April continuing the team's staus excellence. something Horton stournament. "We certainly have one of the goals ted individuals who work beyond what atter the national tournament. This is Testerman's, ajunior mass com-
munications major from Springfield, Mo, munications major from Springtele, Mo.,
first year on the team. He said his only
"We certainly have one of the gools ted individuals who work beyond what
obe the best in the nation," Testerman we ask them," Gantt said. "They make said. "We expect to do something special my job fun."
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Quick start boosts Tech to win

By ADAM COLEMAN Spopis Eorror The Lady Raiders didn't ha

any trouble closing this one out Texas Tech's matchup against Lamar on Tuesday in the United Spirit Arena already was sens
up, considering the start the L
Raiders had to the game Raiders had to the game.
Tech defeated the C seven games before the Lady Raid ers head back out on the road.
Tech jumped out to a 25-9 le in the first half, which proved
to be too steep of a lead for the
Cardinals to This run to start the game wa
Ther fueled by Kierra Mallard, who has
come up big recently for the Lady Raiders. While she kept hitting
ball over. Mallard finished the first half of Tech's first 13 points, hitting shots in the paint and knocking
down jumpers. She finished with 21 points.
At the $11: 52$ mark in the first At the $11: 52$ mark in the first field on 9 -of-12 shooting. The defense wasn't lacking
either at the beginning of this game.
The Lady Raiders ( $8-1$ ) got seven steals in the first half, fuel-
ing the 11 turnovers the Cardinals (7-3) had at that point in the
game. Three of those steals begame. Three of those steals be-
onged to Ashlee Roberson, while freshman guard Monique Smalls grabbed two.
It seemed like Lamar couldn't get much to fall, even with sharp.
hooters such as Jenna Plumley. shooters such as Jenna Plumley
The junior transfer from Oklahona led her team with eight points


TEXAS TECH FORWARD Kierra Mallard shoots over Lamar forward Brittney Williams during the Lady Raiders' $70-56$ victory against the Lady
Cardinals Tuesday in the United Spirit Aren. Cardinals Tuesday in the United Spirit Arena.

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\text { rom the field, good for } 31 \text { per- phree's } 12 \text { points. Tilmila } \mathrm{N}
$$ ent in the first half, which ul- chipped in 11 points. Martin mately sealed their fate. Lamar had a busy night on the board 36.1 with 11 rebounds. She also had Turnovers continued to be an had consecutive double-doubles issue for Lamar. The Cardinals in the last two games for the Lady

inished with 23. Tech also had problems with turnovers, with 26 Tech has 10 days until its next on the night, but the bulk of those game - a matchup against UCLA Those Tech turnovers allowed ${ }^{9}$ p.m. Dec. 18 in Los Angeles amar to have a second chance at long break will help players get the end of the game. $\quad$ rest and concentrate on school beLamar cut the lead to $65-56$ Games against Mercer an
left in the game, but the Lady North Dakota also loom for the Raiders' start to the game set Lady Raiders.
them up with the win. Tech never them up with the win.
relinquished the lead. Smalls continued to make her resence felt on defense, finishing Mallard's three steals.

Cody Davis ninth Tech player named freshman All-American

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believes Davis already has a to its 2009 All Freshing him Team on Tuesday.
Davis is the ninth freshman
All-American in Tech history.
He joins a long list of solid
players for the Red Raiders who
TEXAS TECH'S CODY Davis was named a freshman All-American by Phil Steele Publications on Tuesday. He becomes the ninth player in
earned the same honor. Brian ames this season. The tackles are for us and to the linebackers. You ad 80 this to Brian Duncan, who have to know what you're talking reputation for big hits. "For a guy that young, stepping ed are there, but Bird pointed out up the way he has been, he's had how Davis is waiting on his first
some electrifying hits this year, interception, where McBath and some electrifying hits this year, interception, where McBath and
pass breakups and everything like Daniel Charbonnet made their pass breakups and everything like Daniel Charbonnet made their
that," Tech linebacker Bront Bird mark at safety in 2008 . said. "If there was ever a guy could rely on, it's him." things he does well to help the Along with some big hits, Da - defense, but even he can't deny vis has had three games with eight that a pick is the only thing misssolo tackles and one with nine ing in his young career.
this year. On top of that, he and "Just flying out to the ball," this year. On top of that, he and "Just flying out to the ball,"
safety Franklin Mitchem bear the Davis said. "Being around the safety Franklin Mitchem bear the Davis said. "Being around the-
responsibility of calling coverages ball, just trying to make the secure tackle whenever it comes For Tech cornerback Jamar my way.
Wall, that's where Davis has made "But I'm still looking for my inhis impact. terception. I'm so hungry for it. "Him and Frank both man," he He still has a chance to get that
said. "Coming out as freshmen. pick. Tech plays Michigan State said. "Coming out as freshmen. pick. Tech plays Michigan State
Never had any game experience in the Valero Alamo Bowl 8 p.m. Never had any game experience in the Valero Alamo Bowl 8 p.m.
and to be performing like they are. Jan. 2 in the Alamodome in San Because safety is not an easy job Antonio.
to do. They're making the calls adam.coleman@tu.edu

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## MSU suspensions a non-factor in Tech's plans <br> by alex ybarra

they approach the game.
"This is a Division
"This is a Division I level, and the way we prepare for the game. We that's a big conference," linebacker got to go at it the
Bront Bird said. "The guy (who was were playing."
Texas Tech players aren't concerned with the recent suspensions In fact, some of them had just heard about it Tuesday, two days after it was announced the Red Raiders will play the Spartans in the Valero Antonio.
Spartans coach Mark Dantonio suspended eight players and kicked two others off the team for their involvement in an on-campus alterca-
tion Nov. 22 .
Three of the players are starters: defensive back Chris $L$. Rucker and receivers B.J. Cunningham and Mark Dell. The common responses from Tech players were along these lines: They
hadn't heard much about it, and if hadn't heard much about it, and if


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 their season," Bird said. "Obviously, I Whitlock swatted away any possible Yeah they can be tough, but if you're al mentally tough, I'm sure their group will push through it and they'll be just fine."
Contrary to what Tech players Contrary to what Tech players said they believe, and based on the
missing pieces, the Spartans could missing pieces, the Spartan with the Red Raiders.
Cunningham and Dell were second and third on the depth chart at receiver, respectively. Cunningham's 48 receptions, 641 yards and four
touchdowns are second on the team Dell had a solid season too record ing 26 catches for 449 yards and a touchdown. Without those two weapons, the top passing offense in the Big Ten Conference, led by quarterback Kirk Cousins, could have a hard time mak-
ing big plays. ing big plays.
However, Tech cornerback Jamar
"They're a Big Ten team, from what I understood they got a lot of big offensive linemen in there," he said Defensively, the suspension of
two-year starter Rucker, regarded wo-year starter Rucker, regarded as from the Big Ten Conference, which Yet they still averaged 135.9 rush.
Michigan State's best man-to Michigan State's best man-to-man he said plays a tough, hard-nosed ing yards per game en route to 14 Tefender, could allow quarterback brand of football, will be enough of rushing touchdowns.
Taylor Potts and the offense to have This seass This season Rucker led the team "If you don't have your big boy pads and had to live with that "bitter fourth with 58 rakups and ranked on and are ready to play it's gonna taste," as Bird put it, in their mouth the pass defense's task to control the be a physical ball game. If you're not the whole offseason, there's extra nation's No. 2 passing offense looks If you can't stop the run, it's hard to Spartans - regardless of the circummuch harder.
But But sticking to the script, Torres Bird has a point, considering the lay the gonna go our here and
wasn't hearing it. "We need to eliminate that and to the pass. They rushed the ball 387 tackle Marlon Winn said. "So right really just go out there and focus on times compared to 393 passing at- now we're preparing like we're gonna
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play a $12-0$ team. We're not planning | $\begin{array}{l}\text { ourselves rather than where they stand } \\ \text { and the defensive stats," he said. }\end{array} \begin{array}{l}\text { tempts, obviously with more success } \\ \text { through the air considering they're } 12.0 \text { team. We're not plan overloking them at all." }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | But for Bird, just having a team tops in the conference. $>$ daniel.ybarraettu.edu

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