Stand-alone finalist named for TTUHSC presidency

By DEREK MOY STAFF WRITER

of the Texas Tech Health Sciences thrilled to join them.

21 days to pass before final action future generations." is taken.

of the Texas Tech University group of candidates.

Health Sciences Center team," named Friday to become president ans are rightfully proud of, and I'm president of his class at medical the university.

"I look forward to working with Dr. Tedd Mitchell, who is the Chancellor Hance, the Board of president and chief executive offi- Regents, administration, faculty, "I personally know him. I have portunity to see that what we cer of the Cooper Clinic in Dallas, staff and students in maintaining has to be approved by the Tech the high standards of excellence University Board of Regents. No the Health Sciences Center has standing hands-on leadership type get more research. We want to said the choice of president for the timetable was given on how long established over the past 40 years person.' the approval process will take, but while moving forward to address once approved, state law requires the changing health care needs of as June or May, Hance said. If he sionals in the area where we're schools," he said. "The president

"I am honored to become part chose Mitchell from a competitive ing staff and faculty through an column about health issues with

Hance said Mitchell stood

is approved for the position, he teaching.' Tech Chancellor Kent Hance immediately would begin meetintroduction process.

Mitchell said in a news release. out from the others because of aligned with Hance's during the Tech would be a great way to get director of the Cooper Clinic "The Health Sciences Center's his leadership skills, which he interview, such as increasing fund-national attention to the HSC. A stand-alone finalist was rich history is something all Tex- has demonstrated since being raising and research and growing

"He's always been a leader things we did is talk to him about Sciences Center president, rather wherever he goes," Hance said. his vision, and it gave us an opa lot of confidence in him, and wanted to do was what he wants grow the university. We want to HSC is vital for his school. Mitchell could start as soon continue to turn out great profes-

a readership of 49 million people,

Hance said Mitchell's goals Hance said. Attaching his name to

becomes viable," Hance said, "it'll ficer in 2006. "In interviewing, one of the say Texas Tech University Health than president of Cooper Clinic, so I think it would be great."

Dr. Steven Berk, dean of the I think he will really be an out- to do," Hance said. "We want to School of Medicine at the HSC,

> "The president leads all of the works with all of the deans. He Mitchell also has a weekly sets the tone. He sets the mission. He makes the Health Sciences Center what it needs to be."

since 1991 and recently became "His name in the future, once it president and chief executive of-

> The HSC has been without a permanent president since Dr. John Baldwin announced he was stepping down from the position Sept. 18. Although he is no longer president at the university, he retains a faculty position and is an adviser to the chancellor.

> Elmo Cavin, interim president of the HSC, will return to his position as executive vice president for Finance and Administration.

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SARAH ADLIS, A junior history and anthropology duel major from Houston, throws colored powder on Hannah Porter, a junior history major from Lubbock, during a celebration for Holi, an annual festival celebrated the day after the full moon in the Hindu month of Phalguna (early March), Saturday at the soccer fields at 18th Street and Boston Avenue on campus.

Organizations honor Holi with weekend of events

CCAAC.

By HALLIE DAVIS STAFF WRITER

The air filled with red, green and purple within minutes as students threw Holi-colored powders at friends and strangers alike.

It was all part of the South Asian Student Association and the Cross Cultural Academic Association's Festival of Colors, which is part of the Holi celebration.

Jobi Martinez, the director of the CCAAC, said the holiday celebrates the coming of spring and is based in Hindu myths.

"There was an evil goddess trying to dictate India," said Martinez, who is also associated with the SASA. "When she was captured she

was burned at the stake and it threw off sparks of many colors." After six months of planning, the celebration of Holi started Friday in the Escondido Theatre with free food and a Power-Point on the history of the festival hosted by the SASA and the

Sonya Nikam, a graduate student from India, said there were a lot of stories to explain the reasoning behind the festival, but it was mostly about good conquering evil and the arrival of spring. Nikam said it was important to have celebrations on the Texas Tech campus.

"We are all suppressed with our studies." she said. "We need some change."

That change was The Festival of Colors, which took place on Saturday at the soccer field at 18th Street and Boston Avenue.

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Administrators lobby for Tech in Washington, DC

By JETT THOMPSON STAFF WRITER

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A delegation of Texas Tech administrators met with about 20 senators and members of Congress this week during what has become an annual Tech legislative conference on Capitol Hill.

Tech President Guy Bailey and Chancellor Kent Hance, along with Vice President for Research Taylor Eighmy, led the discussions with federal legislators on ing. research funding as well as the university's Tier One ambitions.

The group began meeting with members of Congress in their offices Tuesday and hosted a dinner for members of the Texas congressional delegation later that night.

The group resumed talks with legislators Wednesday and also met with several representatives from the National Science Foundation, the National Defense University and the Chronicle of Higher Education in discussing how Tech can work alongside each group in research.

Hance said his prior experience as a congressman helped him in setting up meetings, communicating the Tech message and understanding the significance of legislation.

"I know all of the members that I've either served with or I know them from elsewhere," he said. "We also meet with some of the ones from other states that maybe I've had a relationship with like John McCain."

For the past several years Tech also has been working alongside a consulting and advocacy firm, RH Strategies, to help lobby the federal government throughout the year. Bailey said the approach of RH Strategies was to align the research goals of Tech with the needs of the federal government in areas such as defense, agriculture and science.

One of the major needs the federal government has is research in defense technologies - espe-



novation that has been worked on at Tech using federal fund-

"Pulsed power is a mechanism for exploding these IED's before they blow up our troops," he said. "Something like that really aligns a national need with something

we do here at Texas Tech."

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Hance said the group also met with Sen. Byron Dorgan (D-ND)to discuss wind energy research



and the possible establishment of a national lab administered by Tech near Lubbock.

"We're trying to become the premier wind energy university in the world," he said.

The long-term plan Hance discussed with Dorgan and others would be to establish a national lab through Tech that could research emerging methods of harnessing wind energy and put them into practical application.

Hance said the project is a long-term goal for him but could possibly be implemented over the next several years.

Tech could receive multiple grants from the federal government this year, Bailey said, but the specific details will not be fully known for several

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Former head of Johnson Space Center dies in Texas

HOUSTON (AP) — Aaron Cohen, the former director of NASA's Johnson Space Center who helped create the space shuttle program, has died in College Station after a long fight with cancer. He was 79.

Cohen was named director of the Johnson Space Center in 1986 after the space shuttle Challenger exploded, killing teacher Christa McAuliffe and six astronauts. He told the Associated Press then that flying the shuttle safely would depend on "paying attention to detail" and he would encourage those who worked for him to do so.

Cohen was at the helm when

shuttle flights resumed nearly three years later and continued to lead the center until 1993. He resigned from NASA to teach at Texas A&M University, his alma mater.

"His engineering expertise and rigor were tremendous assets to our nation and NASA," NASA Administrator Charles Bolden said in statement. "Aaron provided the critical and calm guidance needed at the Johnson Space Center to successfully recover from the Challenger accident and return the space shuttle to flight. We will miss him as a colleague, mentor and a friend.

NATION

Va. AG: College can't ban gay discrimination

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) - Virginia's attorney general has advised the state's public colleges that they don't have the authority to ban discrimination based on sexual orientation, saying only the General Assembly has that power.

The letter sent by Attorney General Kenneth Cuccinelli to state college presidents and other officials Thursday drew swift criticism from Democrats and gay rights activists.

Cuccinelli said the legislature has repeatedly refused to exercise its authority. As recently as Tuesday, a subcommittee killed legislation that would have banned job discrimination against gay state employees.

"It is my advice that the law and public policy of the Commonwealth of Virginia prohibit a college or university from including 'sexual orientation,' 'gender identity,' 'gender expression,' or like classification, as a protected class within its nondiscrimination policy, absent specific authorization from the General Assembly," Cuccinelli wrote.

WORLD

Sarkozy to 'speculators': Lay off Greece

PARIS (AP) — Speculators beware: The euro zone's biggest powers will back Greece through the debt crisis that has jeopardized all 16 nations in the common currency, French President Nicolas Sarkozy said Sunday.

Greek Prime Minister George Papandreou, in Paris as part of a four-city tour seeking firmer EU and U.S. support for new austerity measures to rein in its massive budget gap, received from Sarkozy the most outspoken support for his plans yet.

chance to play the statesman with regional French elections to begin next Sunday, issued a warning to traders who would bet against the euro zone's willingness to defend a member state. And in a show of high-stakes poker with speculators, he purposely didn't detail what measures the bloc might take.

Papandreou's government has committed to a severe austerity plan to reduce Greece's massive 12.7 percent budget deficit, and has warned that going to the International Monetary Fund is an option The French leader, coveting the if a European solution is not found.

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HSC doctor earns military, pediatrics award

By DEREK MOY STAFF WRITER

A professor at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine received the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Uniformed Services 2010 Outstanding Service Award on March 7.

Dr. Richard Lampe, chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at the TTUHSC School of Medicine, was recognized for his service in the Army and for his work in pediatrics.

"I know some of the people who have received it before, and those are people who were real important to me early in my career," Lampe said. "And to be fathered in the same way as them, that's a real honor."

He was with the Army from 1968 through 1992 and left the military as a colonel to join the HSC as chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at the School of Medicine.

"Very few of us are blessed to have the opportunity to have

two careers, to have one in the School of Medicine, said the consequences for us." military and to be recognized for that," Lampe said. "And then to have an equally rewarding

a Texas medical school has been a real honor, too."

Medical students are any important part of Lampe's career, he said. He hopes to encourage students to become professors and keep a lifelong educa-

tion in the field of medicine.

"I think the best part of my job is I get to work with medical students and pediatric residents," Lampe said. "I get to practice pediatrics and pediatric infectious disease, and get to do both jobs at Texas Tech."

Dr. Steven Berk, dean of the

award honors the combination of academics and military service. Almost all facets of pediatric career in academic pediatrics at care in Lubbock rely on Lampe,

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important to this community," Berk said. "And it's also been great because he leads such a good educational department that so many of our medical students decide to go into pediatrics, and then after they do their residency many of them stay on our faculty. His leadership has

Dr. Surendra Varma, vice chairman of the Department of Pediatrics, said he has known Lampe for 17 years and an award given by Lampe's peers is an "It's parachievement.

However, Varma said Lampe is a very humble man.

"I would say we are very proud of him and enjoy working with him," he said.

A pediatrician is able to make department a child smile, Varma said, and that only occurs when he or she is truly happy, which makes it gratifying. He said pediatricians have a special responsibility to the parents and children they care for.

In 2004 Lampe voluntarily deployed to Germany for Operation Enduring Freedom as a pediatrician for three months and in 2007 went to Baghdad for Operation Iraqi Freedom as a field surgeon for three months. He has maintained work as a pediatrician as well as working for the Army.

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Chileans reject post-earthquake looters, speculators

CONCEPCION, Chile (AP) — The officers came with bullhorns to impoverished neighborhoods near the epicenter of Chile's devastating earthquake, warning looters to return what they stole or face police raids.

And so they did, depositing everything from mattresses to refrigerators and flat-screen TVs. It took 35 truckloads to recover it all. Together with looted merchandise recovered by police, the material is worth nearly \$2 million, officers said.

Touring a police gymnasium full of the recovered goods on Sunday, President Michelle Bachelet called the looting one of "the other aftershocks of this tragic earthquake," and vowed that those responsible would feel the full weight of the law: prison terms of two to five years.

"These are items that have nothing to do with survival — they reflect the moral damage of the people, some of whom came just to find things they could make money from," she said, adding that the government also will prosecute anyone responsible for price speculation in

Thousands of quake survivors participated in the looting, which began only hours after the devastating earthquake and grew to include grandmothers and small children. Outnumbered police could only stand and watch, urging people to take only the food they needed, until soldiers arrived and restored order.

The looting hampered rescue and recovery efforts by distracting firefighters and police and deeply wounded the national pride of Chileans who yearn to be considered part of the first world.

"The damage it caused (to Chile's international image) is lamentable. Now they'll throw all of us in the same bag," said Juan Lagos Rosales, a construction worker forced to sleep in a tent with his wife and infant daughter outside their fallen house.

Some excuse the looting as a natural result of the yawning wealth gap in Chile, where the poor are exposed to expensive consumer goods without any ability to buy them. The top 20 percent of wage earners

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make an average of \$3,200 a month. compared to \$340 a month for the bottom 20 percent, according to the national statistics institute.

When the earthquake shattered store windows, the temptation was too great, said the Rev. Luis Figueroa Vinet of the Our Lady of the Snows cathedral in Concepcion. "The pig isn't guilty for what poverty brings," he said, invoking a colorful Chilean adage about inequality.

But a poll Sunday suggests 85 percent of Chileans want the looters prosecuted — a view shared by city worker Aran Fuentes, who said the looting let all Chileans down: "After all that we've done for other countries, to present ourselves to the rest of the world as looters really

Police Lt. Oscar Llanten credited bers of the looters' own communities, who tipped off officers. The items included dozens of stoves, refrigerators, soft chairs and sofas, now-soiled mattresses, bicycles, plastic toys, televisions and a copying machine.

Many Chileans squarely blame Bachelet for failing to stop the looting before it spread throughout the disaster area.

The poll sponsored by the daily newspaper El Mercurio found 72 percent believe the government responded late and inefficiently to re-establish order after the earthquake, and 48 percent believe it was because Bachelet did not want to end her term sending soldiers into the streets.

Sixty percent also believe aid delivery has been too slow and inefficient according to the survey of 600 adults in Santiago, which had a margin of error of plus or minus 4 percentage points.

Bachelet did wait 33 hours after declaring a "state of catastrophe" the return of more than 950 items to before putting the military in charge teamwork between police and mem- of the disaster response, and significant aid didn't reach some hard-hit communities for two or three days after the 8.8-magnitude earthquake and tsunami killed more than 450

Obama: Iraq vote 'important milestone'

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama praised the Iraqi people for passing "an important milestone" Sunday, when millions turned out for national elections despite insurgent attacks that killed more than 30 people.

No doubt relieved that violence was not worse, Obama said Iraqi security forces showed maturing capabilities as they protected the nation through a day that was ripe for attacks by Sunni Muslim insurgents and al-Qaida in Iraq.

'Today's voting makes it clear that the future of Iraq belongs to the people of Iraq," the president

The vote was Iraq's second national election since the U.S.-led invasion in 2003. The big turnout and limited violence were seen as key to the planned withdrawal of American combat forces by Aug.

Obama again vowed to meet that deadline and to carry through with the subsequent removal of all the remaining 50,000 U.S. troops by the end of next year. There are now fewer than 100,000 American forces in the country, the smallest number since the overthrow of Saddam Hussein.

In the last election, in 2005, Sunnis largely boycotted the vote. Before a new government could be formed, an important Shiite mosque was bombed in Samara, setting in motion two years of sectarian bloodshed that took the country to the verge of civil war. "By any measure this was an im-

portant milestone in Iraqi history," Obama said. "In a strong turnout, millions of Iragis exercised their right to vote with enthusiasm and optimism."

Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton said Sunday's voting was a "rebuke to the violent extremists who seek to derail Iraq's progress."

"Our thoughts and prayers are with the families who lost friends and loved ones, and we salute the determination of the Iraqi people to reaffirm their commitment to democracy," she said in a state-

U.S. Iraq commander Gen. Ray Odierno discounted the violence. In an unclassified report obtained by The Associated Press, he said "I believe we had only 3-4 significant events" countrywide.

He said security measures had forced insurgents to switch tactics, forgoing car and suicide bombings

Odierno had high praise for Iraqi forces, saying they "performed superbly today. They passed this test with flying colors and provided a security environment in which Iraqis could safely cast their votes."

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"We've been telling them what our priorities are, asking them to help us in certain areas and where we are trying to get additional research money," Hance said. "We ask them to help us in that regard.'

Rep. Pete Olson (R-TX) and Rep. Randy Neugebauer (R-TX) also were in attendance at Wednesday evening's reception and said they were both very sup-

portive of what Tech is doing. "My role here is to do what wiett.thompson@ttu.edu

Tech wants," Olson said. "I'm great friends with Chancellor Hance, and I have no doubt that when he's got a plan and there's something I can do to help Tech. He can give me a call and I'd be happy to help him."

Neugebauer said he also is excited to see what Tech has been working on during the past year.

"This has been a great opportunity to sit down face to face and see what's going on with Texas Tech," he said. "I have found that Tech is a worthy recipient of many of these expenditures and research dollars."



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'Vagina Monologues' shed light on taboo topic

By HALLIE DAVIS STAFF WRITER

In the foyer of Human Sciences building Room 169, attendants chatted, laughed and generally socialized like any crowd of people would, or at least like any crowd that went "vagina diving" and got condoms in goody bags.

For what could have been an incredibly awkward event, Saturday night's performance of "The Vagina Monologues" went off smoothly and achieved many of its goals.

"It's a new way of thinking about women's relationships with their bodies," said Larry Carter, a counselor with the Texas Tech Counseling Center. "It's about empowerment."

The title itself was awkward and confusing, and many audience members said they came in with no idea what to expect.

"I didn't know what to think, but the title caught my attention" said Tyrone Sonier, a junior education major from Houston.

Sonier, who attended for extra credit in his gender roles class, said he enjoyed the mono-

"I've always had an open the event — a growing trend in Monologues" since her under-

touched on a lot of things people are uncomfortable with.

It touched on women of all different races and walks of life from birth to 72 years old and their relationships with their vaginas, through rape, child birth and many other things society considers inappropriate to even talk about, which was another purpose of the show: to bring up women's issues most people ignore.

"It's difficult, because we've been taught it's a horrible thing," said Linda Larrabee, a sociology professor who performed one of the monologues. "When we want to insult a male, we call them a female body part."

Larrabee's monologue was trying to change that by making the audience feel more comfortable with words that society has deemed inappropriate. After having the audience scream a four-letter word for vagina at the stage, Larrabee said she wanted the audience to see it's not such a bad thing.

Larrabee said the audience got very involved with her monologue; however, it wasn't all women. Many men attended

mind," he said. "The play recent years, Preston said. The graduate days at the University goals of the show applied to of North Texas, this year Presmales as well.

> "Girls will be more empowered, and guys will take women more seriously," said Mariana Garcia, a junior community and family sciences major from Corpus Christi.

Garcia performed one of the most serious monologues, one about teen girls in sex slavery.

"We build awareness; it's a big issue that people joke about, but it shouldn't be taken lightly," Garcia said.

Her monologue brought chills and tears to many audience members, and Garcia said she was surprised she didn't cry. Though many monologues were funny, there were serious issues discussed as well.

"I hope (the audience leaves) with a sense of our purpose," said Sarah Preston, a student at the law school from Kingwood. "The whole message is about putting a stop to violence.

"It makes me proud when women get involved when we have an open audience to see what it's about and understand our message,"

Involved with "The Vagina

ton performed what she called a "kind of outrageous mono-

'The people acting were so open; we were able to relate because it was funny," said Mollie Heath, a sophomore education major from Austin.

Heath didn't know what to expect when she arrived, but she was excited for whatever the evening would present. By the end, she said she understood what Preston meant about the

"It's sad to hear about rape," Heath said. "You know it's out there, but it's good to be more aware. You don't hear about it very much."

The performance of "The Vagina Monologues" is the main event hosted by the Lubbock V-Day Coalition, an organization dedicated to bringing an end to domestic violence and rape. All proceeds went to non-profit organizations like Victim's Voice and Women's Protective Services. "The Vagina Monologues" will be performed again at 7 p.m. Sciences building Room 169. >>> hallie.davis@ttu.edu



PHOTO BY MATT MOFFAT/The Daily Toreador PEGGY SEELEY, DIRECTOR of "The Vagina Monologues" performance, delivers a monologue about a sexual encounter titled "The Flood" Saturday March 27 and April 3 in Human in the Human Sciences building. "The Vagina Monologues", hosted by the V-Day organization, are performed on college campuses to promote anti-violence awareness and support anti-violence charities.

Einstein's relativity manuscript goes on display

manuscript of Albert Einstein's ground- archives." breaking theory of relativity, which helps its entirety for the first time.

Einstein's 46-page handwritten man himself. explanation of his general theory of relativity, in which he demonstrates Gutfreund, muan expanding universe and shows how seums around the gravity can bend space and time, is being world have been shown at the Israel Academy of Sciences content to display and Humanities in Jerusalem as part the only a few pages scholarly association's 50th anniversary of the manuscript

"We wanted something unique that of larger features ould have global significance, and on the personal fortunately we could have access to a and professional manuscript that has never been seen in accomplishments its entirety before," said the academy's of perhaps the president, Menahem Yaari.

Einstein was one of the founders of most influential the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

He contributed the manuscript to the university when it was founded in 1925, four years after he was awarded the Nobel Prize in physics. His will in the original German, remain a bit bequeathed the rest of his papers to the university upon his death in 1955.

The university is lending the manuscript to the academy for the anniversary celebration.

First published in 1916, the general theory of relativity remains a pivotal breakthrough in modern physics.

"It changed our understanding of space, time, gravitation, and really the entire universe," said Hanoch Gutfreund, former president of the Hebrew University and current chair of its academic committee for the Albert Einstein Archives, a complete collection of Einstein's papers.

"I refer to it as the Magna Carta of physics," Gutfreund said. "It's the most

JERUSALEM (AP) — The original important manuscript in the entire famed equation EMC2 (squared) — to

Despite its central place in the explain everything from black holes to canon of Einstein's work, the original the Big Bang, went on display Sunday in manuscript has never attracted as much understanding basic forces of physics attention as the

> According to I refer to it as the Magna Carta of physics. It's the most important at a time, as part manuscript in the entire archives. modern era's

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That is partly because the contents of the general theory, especially obscure for nonscientists.

scientist.

It took Einstein eight years after publishing his theory of special relativity — in which he came up with the

expand that into his theory of general relativity, in which he showed that gravity can affect space and time, a key to

and natural phenomena, including the origin of the universe. But exhibit organizers say the significance of

Einstein's pages of careful script, diagrams, and perfectionist's scratches will not be lost on casual viewers. They say the display will present the manuscript in the context of the theory's legacy which includes

everything from modern space exploration to commercial satellite and GPS technology and present-day attempts to create a universal explanation of the forces of nature, a quest that started decades ago and stymied even Einstein himself.

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Air Force veteran seeks memorial to war dogs

FULTON, Texas (AP) — A former Air Force sentry dog handler in Vietnam has one last mission.

He's working with others to honor military canines with a national monu-

"Our war dogs deserve recognition for the lives they saved," said Larry Chilcoat, who patrolled the combat perimeter of Camp Cameron, Vietnam,

throughout 1969 with a German shepherd named Geisha.

"It's been 40 years, and I have a beautiful wife and granddaughter, but I don't carry their pictures," said Chilcoat, 62. "But I still carry a photo of Geisha; she changed my life."

"I love my family," Chilcoat said, "but Geisha was my lifeblood in a jungle nightmare, and we both relied on

each other day and night to survive. "She heard things I didn't and let me know, and I knew she would die to protect me.'

Military dogs saved more than 10,000 lives in Vietnam, according to the U.S. War Dog Association. More than 200 of about 4,000 dogs that served in Vietnam, died while on duty, the Fulton retiree said.

The City of Lubbock wants to remind Tech students that if you are going to party, please do so responsibly...

Be a Good Neighbor...

Be courteous of others.

Keep the noise level down.

Give your neighbors a heads up that you will be hosting a party.

Let your neighbors know when the party will end.

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Keep the party indoors.

Be Responsible...

Go to the party with someone you know.

Drink on a full stomach.

Avoid drinks of an unknown mixture.

Avoid letting others handle your drink.

Never continue drinking if you have thrown up.

Do not drink to excess.

Make sure you have a safe ride home.

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Life and death of the Chatroulette novelty

very once in a while, something d comes along on the Internet that offers us a glimpse into that dystopian future sci-fi authors always dread will come upon us. Chatroulette is one such instance.

It is essentially a video chatting service without any names or structure. Upon chat with them via webcam and text.

As legend has it, Charoulette.com started in Russia back in November and gained popularity in the United States world-flattening effect. among bored teenagers and hipsters. It hit viral status last month when "Good lette is far darker. Morning America" and The New York craze.

entering the Web site, Chatroulette conpremise. It reminded me of the Web site nects you to a stranger and allows you to Omegle, which performs a similar function without the webcam bit. Instantly connecting to someone anywhere in the

world hits at the root of the Internet's

Times featured it as the next "Internet investigate the Web site informally a couple of weeks ago. He found that at the I was initially intrigued with the site's time Chatroulette consisted of about 71 I only ran across one pervert in the half untimely end. I wish I had discovered the

percent "perverts."

That last percentage has grown not doing something R-rated.

themselves for any hapless stranger to see. for whatever reason, you aren't into what and thus more perverts. they're doing.

Unfortunately, the reality of Chatrouare mechanisms for reporting and banning such users from Chatroulette, the verted men in the world. Who knew?

When I first tried out Chatroulette,

almost impossible to find someone who's versation with someone on there, with a bourne, Australia.

Many have speculated the media's By "perverts" Neistat refers to men focus on what was initially the perverted who log onto Chatroulette and pleasure minority drew new users to the site eager to stroke their stuff for the majority. In Thankfully the Web site has a feature the ensuing vicious cycle, regular users called "nexting" which allows you to dropped off and perverts became the quickly move on to the next stranger if, majority, attracting more media attention likely will become at most a footnote in offer the world.

This feature rarely works fast enough scathing segment about Chatroulette last For the brief time that it wasn't a sea of little of the best and a lot of the worst when you need it, and even though there week, which in Mashable's terms turned iniquity though, it offered us a glimpse at it "dead as a doornail." Just like that, the latest Internet novelty became little more Blogger Casey Neistat decided to problem persists. There are a lot of per-than a sticky, blistered wasteland to the public at large.

I'm a little sad about Chatroulette's

man from Atlanta, Ga., who hooked me with the sign he held up to his camera respective states.

There were no names.

the Internet's history books, right next "The Daily Show" finally aired a to "Chocolate Rain" and Susan Boyle. something frightening but grand.

> One literally could talk to anyone, anywhere in the world, in an instant. A Portuguese student in Iceland. A dock major from Georgetown. worker in the Bronx could strike up a >>> stephen.torrence@ttu.edu

percent males, 15 percent females and 14 hour I spent on the Web site. Now it's site sooner. I only had one decent con-

Through Chatroulette we could appreciate the multitude of diversity in when I first connected. We talked about the world in an engaging and exciting technology and dispelled myths about our medium. Granted, even without the perverts it likely wouldn't have lasted much longer than any other novelty, At the end of the day, Chatroulette but I believe it still had a lot of good to

> It seems to be the nature of such anonymous social tools to bring out a within us. At last we have the Ring of Gyges, and unfortunately Plato was dead right.

banker in Brazil could connect with a Torrence is a senior philosophy

Health care iron triangle must end

Tf there's one thing Democrats and Republicans agree on: Our health Leare system is in shambles.

It's the laughingstock of the civilized world. The World Health Organization, part of the United Nations, ranks the United States 37th overall, just ahead of Slovenia and Cuba, and right behind Dominica and Costa Rica. That's right, top. The biggest loser: anyone concerned ladies and gentlemen. The World Health about their health. Organization ranks the mighty United States just above communist Cuba.

In political science, there is a term called the iron triangle. The best example is the defense setup in the United States. The three players are the defense contractors, the Department of Defense a public option, one provided by the and U.S. Senators on defense spending

to the contractors as a whole saying they need a new model airplane. This spending has to be approved by a Senate committee. So, these contractors, to get the absurdly big contracts, work with spending. The biggest loser: taxpayers.

The health care industry is eerily your end. similar. The three major players are pharmeanwhile, broker deals with these same our fuel resources. companies for appropriate rates. The insurance companies then raise their rates everyone an option. Essentially, it would in accordance, but add a bit more to the be a system allowing the government to

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Do you want your health in the middle of that triangle?

The current proposal by President Barack Obama does not go far enough in addressing the shortfalls of our system. The new proposal must include government.

Fear not, Conservatives. The imple-The Department of Defense goes mentation of the public option will not involve a mandate to use the program. When you get sick, which is inevitable given the amount of yelling you do, you won't have to wait in line behind the other 6 million sick Americans to kiss senators in back door deals to create jobs the president's ring to get your antibiotin their states in exchange for passing the ics. In fact, if implemented properly, international community, it is massive. aware of the facts. it won't change much of anything on The United Kingdom, an easy target for

maceutical companies, hospitals and in- ers for health insurance in the United surance companies. The pharmaceutical States, with many areas having only one companies charge insanely high prices option. Blue Cross Blue Shield, Cigna, on their drugs so they can make more Humana and UnitedHealth are some of money. This price, however, largely is the largest in the country, and much like sort of government insurance program, covered by your insurance. Hospitals, the gasoline companies, control most of

offer a health insurance program, not Medicine in 2003, the VA was rated limiting access based on pre-existing conditions or current job. Implementing a government-run system would drive prices down, as providers would have to Index rated the VA 10 points higher bring their prices to a reasonable level. This would largely happen because they could simply not afford to operate without the support of large providers.

This would benefit the American public regardless of enrollment. Your insurance prices will be driven down by the oh-so-mighty free market. It would provide the private insurers a reason to improve their services and lower costs. There is no current incentive to do so. This year alone, The Los Angeles Times reported Anthem Blue Cross will raise rates up to 39 percent.

According to the Department of Health and Human Services, each person in the United States spent \$7,681 in 2008. As a nation, 16.2 percent of our GDP went toward health care. government already does a very good Although it may not seem like a lot, job at it. And those who claim it will given the service, compared to the cause massive spending are also not the anti-government crowd because of Congressional Budget Office, a robust Right now, there are very few providits mandatory National Health Service, plan including the public option will spent only 8.3 percent of its GDP in actually cut the deficit. 2008 according to NPR.

It's not the only one. France, Germany and the Netherlands all have some and their care costs less and has equal or better care than the United States. The public option is designed to give This is absolutely unacceptable. We are the only country to ever put a man on the moon, but we cannot control health \$550 million per year. care costs here at home.

backed health care in three forms: system this country can have. For Veteran's Administration, the Military now, however, a public option will suf-Health System and Medicare. Actually, four, if you count Medicaid, which is a joint operation between state and federal

The VA is a system for veterans of the military that provides them health care as they age. According to studies published in the New England Journal of

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Medicare is much the same way. It is looked upon highly by those that have it, and politicians dare not cut its funding with a 50-foot bargepole. Medicare, however, is only for those older than 65. A study done by the Commonwealth Fund and published in Health Affairs rated Medicare above private insurance in three key areas: quality of care, access to care and general overall rating. The study also came to the conclusion the public program has widened the gap significantly since 2001.

Those doubters who claim the government cannot manage health care are a bit off their facts. The

According to the non-partisan

I'm not alone. In fact, Reuters released a poll in December with a startling fact: 60 percent of Americans want a public option. The problem: Most Democrats on the Hill don't believe the numbers. Why? Because their campaigns are funded by these health care companies to the tune of

Personally, I think a single-payer In fact, we already have government- system would be the best health care fice. It's not perfect. But it's far better than the current proposal and miles better than what we have now.

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Despite trend, not everybody getting married at young age

ver heard of that little tale about the girl who's had her wedding planned since she knew what weddings were? Well technically it's not a tall tale — it is a dark, little secret most of us girls keep to ourselves.

Maybe that's why around our 20s we get a little frustrated when it seems that every update on Facebook is about someone getting engaged or posting wedding pictures. Maybe it's a bit of jealousy or maybe it's our biological clock freaking out, but either way marriage is an issue that creeps up on us after being tucked away in the darkest of corners.

Surprisingly, though, according to the U.S. Census Bureau the median age for marriage is actually 26 for women and 28 for men. So why then does it seem most of our friends who are in their early 20s unmarried and single folk, missing out by waiting? When is the right time?

Truthfully, love and marriage is a matter of the heart, but there is a point in time when our marriage sensors start charging adult lives. Usually we (women more than men) set up an age, or an expiration date of "the single life" at an early age in hopes the right person comes along just in time. But when we are young, single and busy with work and college, we easily can stray

And then there are those that in the middle of this journey find someone, and that someone turns into "the one" and, judging by the trend, marriage ensues.

Not that there is anything wrong with getting married in your early 20s. As a matter of fact I have friends who are part of this crowd and are completely sane and happy people. I think people who are lucky enough to discover their match so early benefit a great deal from taking the big step into marriage.

It's almost as if they are a step ahead of the rest of us. While most of us are living freely, learning independence and trying to "find ourselves," they are on track to the house and kids and income stability.

They also are finding themselves, but unlike the rest of us they decided to do it together. They still are adventurous and learning about life but they are sharing every step of the way with their best friend, the love of their life.

There are some of us out there who

have been in long five, eight- and even 10-year relationships and still haven't come close to the idea of marriage, and compared to those who get married after a year of dating people may think something is wrong. But the difference between wasting your time and taking it slow is that when we take our time, we are building

Marcia

are getting something from it. As for the rest of us, maybe it's just that are getting married all of the sudden? Do we aren't ready for the commitment or just they know something we don't? Are we, simply haven't found that person to share such a great experience with.

something we know is a sure thing. It's a

process with a goal, and we continually

When I first thought about marriage, I decided age 25 was a good fit for me. I wanted to be financially independent with a solid career before the prospect of up in preparation for the next step in our marriage. As 25 gets closer and closer I feel the need to analyze this whole marriage issue. What exactly do we want from marriage? Sometimes we get too excited for the wedding part that the marriage aspect isn't even thought of until it's too late.

This is not to say if I'm not married in three years I'll jump ship and abandon the idea forever. But I definitely believe marriage shouldn't be looked at as a fairy-tale wedding-dress and tropical honeymoon, but as a bonding of two individuals who have made themselves happy first before they take on the role of making someone else happy for the rest of their life. After all, if you can't be happy with yourself how can you be happy with anyone else,

Perhaps that's the answer. Maybe those who get married haven't only had the chance to find their life partners, but they were also able to let go of their selfish needs and were happy and independent individuals who knew what they wanted out of life and love. So when that person came along there wasn't any cloud of doubt holding them back. We can only hope to be so lucky.

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2nd Museum Art Cycle sale draws enthusiasts

By BROOKE BELLOMY STAFF WRITER

Art enthusiasts throughout Lubbock and Texas visited the Museum of Texas Tech this weekend to browse and shop a collection of donated artwork at the Museum Associations annual Art Cycle sale.

This was the second year for the

Bonnie Aycock, 2009 president of the Museum Association, said this year's donations were of better quality than last year's donations.

One piece of particular significance at the sale was a Salvador Dali print on sale for \$1,750, well below the market retail value, according to an art appraiser for the Museum Association who helped the Association price the art.

Aycock said everything was priced at the low end of what it would sell for at galleries or auction houses.

The Museum Association collected donations from its members for Art Cycle since last fall, she said.

"We ask members to donate original work of art or other unique items collected during travels that they no longer want, display or have room for," she said.

Members also were given a private, first showing of the collection before it was open to the public.

Art Cycle generated about \$5,600 last year. Aycock said she hopes even more money will be earned from this year's sale, although a final total was not available at press time.

Revenues from the sale go to the general operating fund of the Museum Association to support activities at the museum like educational programs, receptions and lecture series.

"The Museum Association is important because as a non-profit organization, it can apply for grants and expedite a lot of the things the museum, as a state entity and part of the university, cannot,"

would happen. Some of the art will go on sale at Art Fest at the Civic Center ested in studying history and museum lection for a birthday gift for a friend She said last year's unsold items were next year. among some of the first things sold

Ruth Field, an incoming freshman said Field. from Magnolia, stopped by Art Cycle after taking a tour of the campus. Inter- Magnolia, browsed the Art Cycle col-



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For the pieces that did not sell this LAURIE AGUILAR FROM Roswell, N.M., browses through recycled weekend, she said one of three things art pieces Saturday at the Museum of Texas Tech University.

will go on sale at an upcoming First museum to see the regular collection ness of the collection as well. Friday Art Trail sale. The remaining and discovered the Art Cycle sale. She works will be put into storage and said she found some interesting items go on sale at next year's Art Cycle. at the sale and she plans to return

here that you can't find in a store,"

April 15 to April 17. Some of the art science at Tech, Field came to the and said she appreciated the unique-

Aycock said she enjoys seeing the new donations each year.

"We never know what will be donated," she said. "It is fun to see "I like that there are unique items what comes in and the unique, one of a kind pieces make for an interesting sale. Even for people not interested in Her mother, Beth Field, also of buying art, it is fun to look around." >>> brooke.bellomy@ttu.edu

'Alice' opens with \$116.3 million, a 3-D record

NEW YORK (AP) — Tim Burton best picture. and Johnny Depp's trip down the rabbit hole drew huge crowds, as "Alice in morrow morning with exhibition, the Wonderland" earned a whopping \$116.3 million in its opening weekend — a record for a 3-D film.

films in release and gave Walt Disney gritty police thriller. It earned \$13.5 and you could tell from the size of the Studios an even bigger opening than million in its first weekend of release, that of the hugely popular 3-D film according to studio estimates. "Avatar." It also marked the biggest opening weekend for a non-sequel.

"This is just one of those cultural phenomenons that has caught everybody's interest," said Chuck Viane, Disney's president of distribution. "They don't come like this very often."

The enormous early success of the \$32.4 million. film — which beat forecasts — came on Oscar Sunday, adding to the intrigue. Before the weekend, Disney and 20th Century Fox competed over the available 3-D ready screens; screens outfitted for 3-D are rapidly rising, but quarter of the year, typically a time classic. Though at times dark, it gained still number less than 4,000 in the U.S. and Canada.

screens were still dedicated to Fox's Mel Gibson's "Passion of the Christ," of kids could attend. box-office behemoth, "Avatar," which is up for nine Academy Awards on Sunday, including best picture.

In its 12th week of release, "Avatar" earned \$7.7 million over the weekend. bringing its cumulative domestic total to \$720.2 million.

Asked whether the diminishment of 3-D and IMAX screens hurt "Avatar," Chris Aronson, head of distribution for Fox, said, "No question."

"Are we disappointed? Sure," said Aronson. "But there are certain market forces that are beyond anything we can do. To have an 11-week window is pretty much unheard of. It certainly allowed this movie to be discovered and witnessed by so many people."

"Avatar" isn't disappearing, though, and it can be expected to regain 3-D and IMAX screens, especially if it wins

"We'll have that negotiation towithout a doubt," said Aronson.

The weekend's second best performer at the box-office was Overture's That total easily surpassed all other "Brooklyn's Finest," Antoine Fuqua's

> Martin Scorsese's "Shutter Island" for Paramount followed closely with \$13.3 million in its third week of release, bringing its cumulative total to \$95.8 million. Warner Bros.'s comedy "Cop Out" came in fourth, adding ticipated," said Viane. \$9.1 million for a two-week total of

the weekend, surprising even Disney. The film was expected to open closer to \$65-75 million.

of lower box-office expectations and a PG rating from the MPAA (for, critically acclaimed Oscar contenders. among other things, "a smoking cater-Before "Alice," many of those The previous first quarter record was pillar"), which meant a large number

which opened with \$83.8 million in Feb. 2004.

'We went into Friday thinking that we really had a big hit with us, and then all of a sudden the numbers started to roll in," said Viane. "They started to roll in from midnight Friday morning crowd. We did \$4 million that day at midnight. You could tell the broad interest in the movie."

"Alice" went on to make \$41 million just on Friday.

"We said, 'Oh my gosh. This is bigger than any of us could have an-

Though reviews were mostly respectfully negative, much of the film's But "Alice" thoroughly dominated draw was surely in teaming director Burton and his frequent collaborator, Depp, who plays the Mad Hatter. It also presented moviegoers with a 3-D It was a record release for the first updating of Lewis Carroll's beloved





JORDAN COE, A sophomore biochemistry major from Lubbock and Kappa Sigma member, stands atop a seesaw holding a sign that reads, "Stand up for kids," as members of Kappa Delta and Kappa Sigma participate in the 48-hour Kappa Delta See-Saw-Athon Sunday outside Market Street at 50th Street and Indiana.

Sorority, fraternity see-saw for child abuse awareness

By DEVIN SANCHEZ STAFF WRITER

Imagine a young, helpless child, who is being abused, and is in dire need of help. Many people would imagine this child being in a far-off place, anywhere but here in Lubbock, but that is not necessarily the case.

Lubbock and the South Plains have a record, but it's not a record to be proud of.

The South Plains region has the a junior early childhood education masecond-highest per capita rate of child abuse in the state. Child abuse awareness is something members of Texas Tech sorority Kappa Delta say they take very seriously. In fact, mem- our biggest fundraiser." bers take the subject so seriously they raise money and awareness for Prevent Child Abuse America and the event, the See-Saw-A-Thon.

The members of Kappa Delta raise money for child abuse awareness. Along with Kappa Sigma, the KD's were outside Market Street on

50th street and Indiana from Thursday to Sunday, see-sawing continuously in relations major from Houston, experihopes of getting donations and letting enced her first See-Saw-A-Thon this the community of Lubbock know weekend, and said she believed the the county's child abuse record is not event was necessary to bring awareness something to take lightly. While some to the Lubbock community. members were busy see-sawing, other members stood at the entrances of she said, "and I think it's a great cause, Market Street taking donations and especially considering that Lubbock has providing information about child

jor from Katy, said this is the sorority's biggest philanthropy event. 'This year is our 23rd year to have this event," she said. "This is definitely

Custard said many of the advocacy volunteer to see-saw for 48 hours to center's board members attended the event, and a few of Kappa Delta's members actually work at the center. Custard Advocacy Center. Children's Advocacy Center of Lubbelieves one of the main reasons the bock at their annual philanthropy event is so successful is the members requires much planning and attention, really enjoy hosting the event.

"Each girl works four hours at the worked throughout the weekend to event, and is responsible for raising \$80 from businesses or family members," she said. "They really enjoy it. They have fun with it.'

Molly Hagens, a freshman public

"The event has really been fun," such a problem with this."

At 2009's See-Saw-A-Thon, Kappa Kappa Delta's Vice President of Delta raised almost \$22,000, and this Community Service Amanda Custard, year, Custard hoped to surpass that

"We did such a good job last year, and I would really like to see us do even better this year," she said.

Twenty percent of the proceeds raised at the event will go to the national Prevent Child Abuse America, while the other 80 percent will remain in Lubbock and aid the Children's Custard said although the event

it always is exciting when the group sees just how much they have helped. "It is just such a good cause," she

said. "Who doesn't want to help children who really need it?"

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Participants enjoy 3-on-3 **Midnight Madness Tourney**

STAFF WRITER

The Resident Hall Association's Midnight Madness 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament at the Robert H. Ewalt Stu-

dent Recreation Center on Friday night drew a smaller-than-expected crowd, but members of the organization and tournament participants said a great time was had by all.

Nick Lamy, a RHA intern and Weymouth Residence Hall senator, said the group planned and advertised the event for two months.

Originally only two teams signed up to participate in the tourna-

ment, said the freshman accounting major from Dallas, but in the last week six additional teams signed up to play. Until the final six teams signed up, the tournament was nearing cancellation.

There was no entry fee for the tournament, which lasted from 7 p.m. until midnight. Teams, which were co-ed,

consisted of a captain, two additional players and two substitute players.

Megan Forney, the RHA vice president of programming and a sophomore early childhood education major from Wichita Falls, said this year's turnout was

about the same as last year's, but they would like to see more participants at next year's tourna-

"For next year's tournament we are going to start advertising earlier than we did this year," she said, "and we will advertise at the rec more, too."

She said since people go to the rec to play basketball, it would be an ideal place to find more

Although the turnout for the tournament was small, she said all the players

were enthusiastic. Doug Cooper, a freshman electrical engineering major from Austin, said he played in the tournament because it

"I like playing basketball, and this seemed like a good opportunity to play and to meet new people," he said.

Cooper's team came in last place this year, but he said his team still had a great time and would play again in next year's tournament "in a heartbeat."

He said the tournament brought together some tough competition, and his team should have prepared better. Cooper said his team should have practiced before the tournament.

The first-place team, The Good Guys, were given basketballs.spray-painted gold as a trophy. Cooper said he wanted a gold basketball trophy, and this will motivate him to play again and win next year's

Lamy, Forney and Cooper all agreed the event ran smoothly.

Forney said the staff at the rec center was helpful in organizing the event and they created the tournament playing

Despite the low turnout, Forney said she had a great time at the tournament and she hopes more people come next year because they surely will have a

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Top home-school texts dismiss Darwin

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Homeschool mom Susan Mule wishes she hadn't taken a friend's advice and tried a textbook from a popular Christian publisher for her 10-year-old's biology

Mule's precocious daughter Elizabeth excels at science and has been studying tarantulas since she was 5. But she watched Elizabeth's excitement turn to confusion when they reached the evolution section of the book from Apologia Educational Ministries, which disputed Charles Darwin's theory.

"I thought she was going to have a

coronary," Mule said of her daughter, who is now 16 and taking college courses in Houston. "She's like, 'This is not true!"

Christian-based materials dominate a growing home-school education market that encompasses more than 1.5 million students in the U.S. And for most home-school parents, a Bible-based version of the Earth's creation is exactly what they want. Federal statistics from 2007 show 83 percent of home-schooling parents want to give their children "religious or moral instruction."

"The majority of home-schoolers

self-identify as evangelical Christians," said Ian Slatter, a spokesman for the Home School Legal Defense Association. "Most home-schoolers will definitely have a sort of creationist component to their home-school program.

Those who don't, however, often feel isolated and frustrated from trying to find a textbook that fits their

Two of the best-selling biology textbooks stack the deck against evolution, said some science educators who reviewed sections of the books at the request of The Associated Press.

Bullock, 'Transformers' make worst list

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Sandra Bullock warmed up for the Academy Awards with a stop at the Razzies to collect a dubious honor: a worstactress prize for her romantic comedy flop "All About Steve."

Bullock swung by the Razzies on the eve of her expected triumph at Sunday's Oscars, where she is considered the favorite to win best actress for "The Blind Side." If she wins Sunday, Bullock will be the first person to win an Oscar and a Razzie over the same weekend.

"I think this is an extraordinary award," said Bullock, who had promised throughout awards season that if she won the Razzie, she would accept it in person. "And I didn't realize that, in Hollywood, all you had to do was say you'd show up, and then you'd get the award. If I'd known that, I would have said I was appearing at the Oscars a long time ago."

"Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen" was picked as last year's worst picture and won two other Razzies, worst director for Michael Bay and worst screenplay for Ehren Kruger,

Roberto Orci and Alex Kurtzman. Bay and his team probably will not lose any asleep over it. Though reviled by critics, "Transformers" took in \$402.1 million domestically, No. 2 on the 2009 box-office chart behind "Avatar."

Bullock, who also shared the Razzie for worst screen couple with "All About Steve" co-star Bradley Cooper, was the first acting winner to show up at the Razzies since Halle Berry won worst-actress for "Catwoman" five years ago.

As she took the stage, Bullock pulled a little red wagon filled with DVDs of "All About Steve," saying she was giving a copy to everyone in the audience of about 300.

Griffin takes aim at Palin

I like playing

basketball, and

this seemed like a

good opportunity

to play and to

meet new people.

DOUG COOPER

FRESHMAN ELECTRICAL

ENGINEERING MAJOR

Comedian Kathy Griffin has brought old Levi's friend brought along a her "Life on the D-List" show to camera — but only to photograph Sarah Palin's home state, skewer- the fish they caught. ing the former Alaska governor at a raucous show in Anchorage.

on Friday by Playgirl model Levi her date. While in Wasilla, Griffin Johnston, who fathered a child with said she also went to Palin's home. Palin's oldest daughter and is in- There she left a note, inviting Pavolved in a child support battle with lin to Friday's performance. Bristol Palin.

fishing with Johnston in Wasilla, a pageant wave.

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — and was surprised when 19-year-

Griffin helped Johnston's celebrity star to rise, taking the aspiring Griffin was escorted on stage actor to an awards show last year as

She asked the crowd to look Griffin said she spent a day ice around and see if anyone was doing

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After the SASA passed out free T-shirts, participants watched a performance by a Raas dance troupe from the University of Texas. Raas dancing is a type of Indian dance done in bright, colorful costumes with special dance sticks.

Next came the highlight of the entire Holi festival. Members of the SASA passed out packets of colored powder for crowd members to throw at each other. Within 30 minutes, people were unrecognizable and covered in green, purple and red. The powders were traditional Holi powders and had come all the way from India, Martinez said.

Greg Roberts, who works in IT at the Law school, brought his two children for the festivities for the second consecu-

"It's awesome, the kids have a blast," he said, "They get to make a mess and not get in trouble. They love the colors. It's very kid friendly."

The celebration also served to proote diversity, harmony and citizenship, Martinez said.

"It's great exposure to our culture in they show in 'Slumdog Millionaire." a fun setting." Martinez said, "It's something new and different to be a part of."

Binit Singh Bhatia, a graduate stuprobably the most exciting Indian festival of the year and was a good choice for Tech from Houston. Raizada invited his par-



PHOTO BY MATT MOFFATT/The Daily Toreador

IN A CELEBRATION to promote diversity, harmony and citizenship, Holi celebration participants throw colored powder on one another at the soccer fields. tendees. As for the Festival of Colors,

to host as a major event.

"People get to know the culture," having fun, (the culture) isn't only what

The celebration of Holi was good for for students who celebrated the holiday dent from India, said he thought Holi was regularly before coming to Tech, said

ents to come to the festival.

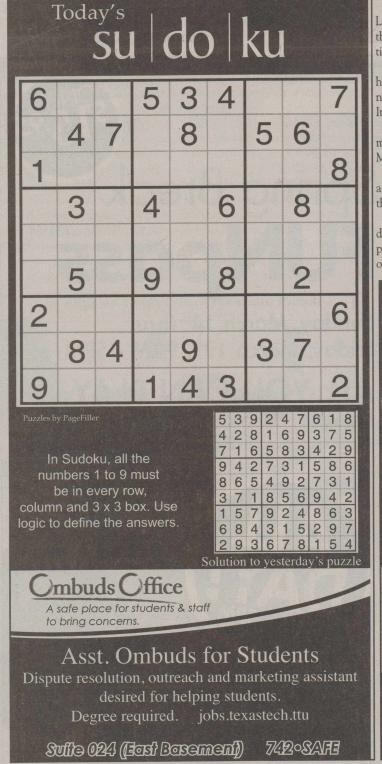
Bhatia said. "It's people from everywhere some of our cultural identity," he said, 300 people. "We bring these events so people don't forget where they came from."

diversity, but it had a special importance SASA. He said partnering with the CCAAC helped the event to be a success. Whereas the kickoff last year said he was ready to start planning next Miles Raizada, a senior business major had about 30 people, he said this year's year's Holi celebration. opening event had more than 100 at- » hallie.davis@ttu.edu

"When we move to college, we lose the SASA and CCS planned for about

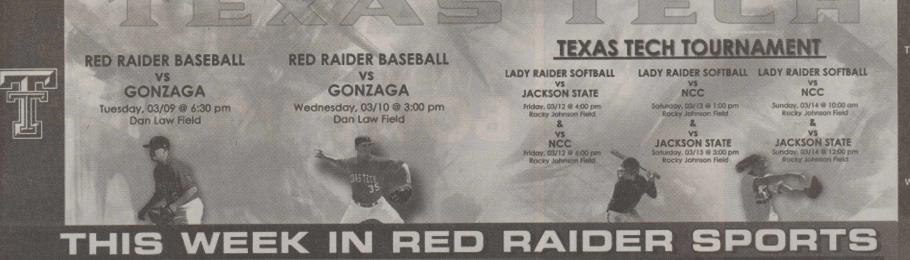
"We weren't expecting as many people, and we ran out of shirts and Raizada is also the president of the color and food, but it shows growth," Raizada said.

Excited by the day's events, Raizada









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Wednesday.

Tech coach JoJo Robertson said Raiders anxious to get back on the own conference. course. Their last tourney was the

coach said. "We had some things that pionship roll around in April. we had to take care of from Puerto they all needed to work on. We had seen," Robertson said of facing the ments to play in," Robertson said. plenty of time to do that."

The course — at par-72 and 6,246 vards - is not new to the Lady Raid-

After almost a month away from ers either. Tech played at the Boulder home course." competition, the Texas Tech women's Creek Golf Club course in the fall. golf team is back on the course today That tourney was the 2009 Las Vegas clude No. 34 Tulsa, No. 47 Idaho, for the UNLV Spring Invitational in Showdown, where the Lady Raiders No. 48 Campbell and No. 50 finished in 11th place. On the final The tourney begins today at the day of that tournament, Tech shot a Boulder Creek Golf Club and ends 305 as a team and finished the tourbreak is finished, this tournament nev 48-over.

the long break should have the Lady for Tech to make some noise in its rest of the season.

Lady Puerto Rico Classic back in today, giving the No. 46 Lady Raid- the Big 12 Championship. ers an opportunity to face a Big 12 "It should," the first-year Tech Conference foe before Big 12 Cham- who believes this point in the

"It's going to be good for us to momentum. Rico in some areas of their game that play with teams that we haven't Longhorns. "UNLV, who's hosting the tournament, has had a good spring. helpful to us to have so many tour-They'll be tough to beat too on their >>> adam.coleman@ttu.edu

Other squads in the field in-

Now that the month-long also begins a stretch that should This tournament also is a chance keep the Lady Raiders busy for the

Tech has two more tourneys Tech is paired with No. 38 Texas this month and one in April before

> It's good news to Robertson, season is an opportunity to gain

> "We'll have plenty of tourna-"We should be ready to go. It's

Singletary, Roberson earn All-Big 12 Honorable Mention selections

Texas Tech basketball did not best turnovercollect any of the six 2009-2010 to-assist ratio. season Big 12 Conference awards. which were announced Sunday, son also was and no Red Raiders were named among the top to the three All-Big 12 teams 10 in the con-

However, Tech guard John free throw Roberson and forward Mike and 3-point Singletary earned All-Big 12 percentages. Honorable Mention selections He played the among the likes of Kansas' Xavier second-most minutes in the con- was named Rookie of the Year. Henry and Oklahoma's Willie ference behind Carter during the

Singletary and Roberson wrapped up their junior seasons, career point during the season and award and coach Frank Martin averaging more than 14 points was a staple in two of the Big 12's won Coach of the Year. each, and were ranked 12th and rebounding categories, includthe Big 12.

reer assist leader in its win against most minutes played. Oklahoma State and was second

ference's best

regular season.

ROBERSON

Singletary reached his 1,000th Jamar Samuels won the sixth man

behind Baylor's Tweety Carter for derson was named Big 12 Player 11:30 a.m. in the first round of most assists this season in the Big of the Year. Kansas' Cole Aldrich the Big 12 Championship in 12 with 161. Carter had 164. He was named Defensive Player of Kansas City, Mo.

Baylor's

Ekpe Udoh was named the Big 12's top newcomer, and Colorado's Alec Burks, who scored 24 against Tech

SINGLETARY

on Saturday, Kansas State picked up the conference's final two awards.

While the regular season is 14th, respectively, in scoring in ing 10th in overall rebounding, in the books, the Red Raiders' seventh in defensive rebounding. season is not finished. After a Roberson became Tech's ca- Singletary also ranked eighth in 101-90 loss Saturday in Boulder, Colo., they will square off with Oklahoma State's James An- Colorado again Wednesday at

also had the conference's fourth the Year for the second consecu- michael.graham@ttu.edu

No. 1 UConn ties record with rout of Orange

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) - Connecticut won its 70th consecutive game, routing Syracuse 77-41 in the Big East quarterfinals on Sunday to tie its own record for the longest winning streak in women's college basketball.

Tina Charles tied a career high with 34 points and Maya Moore added 16 points, 14 rebounds and seven assists for top-ranked UConn (31-0), which has won each game in its streak by at least 10 points and an average of more than 32.

Moore came into the game needing 13 points to reach 2,000 for her career. She reached that with 18:39 to play on a steal and layup that made it 48-17.

Kayla Alexander scored 11 to lead the Orange (22-10).

The win puts UConn in the Moore and Charles.

conference semifinals for the 22nd straight year, where the Huskies will face Notre Dame. The Irish beat St. John's 75-67 in Sunday's first quarterfinal.

Connecticut is looking for its 16th conference tournament title and its third in a row. The 36-point margin of victory was the largest for UConn since it beat Louisville by 46 on Feb. 7.

Charles hit 16 of her 19 shots, setting a record for the most field goals in a Big East tournament

UConn showed a hint of jitters when Moore opened the game with a shot from the corner that missed everything, but the Huskies then reeled off seven points and went on a 17-2 run over the first 6 minutes, getting six each from

Syracuse hit just four of its first 20 shots, and two of them layups by Kayla Alexander, and trailed 31-11 with more than 6 minutes left in the half. During the same period of time, Charles had hit six of her first seven shots.

The Orange hit just 14 of its 66 shots from the field (21.2 percent) overall, while the Huskies were hitting on 51.6 percent of their shots. Syracuse was even worse in the first half, shooting just over 18 percent from the floor.

The Huskies' winning streak ties one the program set from Nov. 9, 2001, to March 11, 2003, when it lost in the Big East semifinals to Villanova. UConn is 57-12 in conference tournament games, and the Huskies have now won 135 straight against unranked

Higgins helps surging Colorado beat Tech 101-90

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — The in the Big 12 Tournament where it Colorado Buffaloes are surging as they head into the Big 12 Tourna-

The catch? They'll need to find a way to beat the same team twice in five days to be postseason eligible.

Cory Higgins scored 30 points, Alec Burks added 24 and nine rebounds and Colorado beat Texas Tech 101-90 on Saturday in the Big 12 regular season final for both

The win was Colorado's third straight and clinched the No. 8 seed will face the ninth seed on Wednesday — Texas Tech. The Buffaloes (15-15, 6-10).

need to win at least one game in the tournament to be considered for the NIT, so coach Jeff Bzdelik is leaning on his professional experience to get ready for the Red Raiders.

"It reminds me of the NBA playoffs," said Bzdelik, a longtime NBA assistant and the former head coach of the Denver Nuggets. "Immediately after the game I'll watch this Texas Tech game and

vou make adjustments. You just evaluate the film and see what you can do better.'

Offensively, the Buffaloes shouldn't need to adjust anything. They shot 58.8 percent and scored 100 points for the first time in four years.

"We just came out not focused," said Nick Okorie, who led Texas Tech with a career-high 34 points. "They were back cutting us the whole game. "We were picking up petty fouls, not staying down. It just killed us in the end."

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Tech softball bounces back after snapped win streak

By TOMMY MAGELSSEN STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech softball trailed Wichita State by five runs in the bottom of the third Sunday when sophomore third baseman Emily Bledsoe got her team back in the game with one swing of the bat.

With the bases loaded, Bledsoe smashed a two-out, 1-0 pitch over the right field wall for her first career grand slam.

"I was just zoning in on the ball, I was looking for a pitch I wanted," Bledsoe said. "The bases were loaded and the pitcher didn't have anywhere to put me, you know. So she had to throw a good pitch, and I knew she was going to give me something. So I was just trying to be aggressive and look for my pitch."

The Red Raiders came back to beat the Shockers 11-6, and Bledsoe had a school-record eight RBIs in the contest.

But Bledsoe's record came without coach Shanon Hays started. It was definitely a team watching from the dugout.

Hays was ejected in the top of third after arguing balls and strikes with the home-plate um- and three pire. The Red Raiders responded by scoring 11 unanswered runs to close out the game.

Hays said maybe he should finishing 4-1 start jokingly each game by eject- to improve its ing himself, but he doesn't know overall record if his ejection had too much of to 19-2. an impact on his team.

"I think the main thing is we ning games finally honed in and got a couple against Boise of hits and got a little momentum State 9-0 and and confidence," he said. "And then of course what can you say about Emily Bledsoe — what a great day. But you know, there's other girls in there that had some really key hits. Raven (Richard- ning streak Tongate had a huge hit to get it 5-2 loss Saturday afternoon.



PHOTO BY RIANNON ROWLEY/The Daily Toreador

HOLLEY GENTSCH GETS hit with the ball while batting Saturday against Boise State at Rocky Johnson Field. Texas Tech won 4-1.

Wichita State games against Boise State this weekend,

After win-4-1 Friday and Saturday, Tech had a program best

Weather also was an issue

aggressive everyday

in practice, because

pretty much you

play like you

LOGAN HALL

SECOND BASEMAN

practice.

on fly balls. ter to us." We make sure we're

Tech pitchers

Leah Legler will be losses pursue runs. no matter

streak being broken.

"You can't really focus on that at times in that loss, with wind too much," she said. "It was a Tech played two games against blowing in from center and hav- good run I guess, statistics wise, ing an affect but that stuff doesn't really mat-

Legler said as long as the team ing to deal can keep its batting, pitching with a tight and fielding at a high level of strike zone consistency then they are going all weekend, to be a hard team to beat.

In the Red Raiders' 9-0 win walked five against the Broncos, they did batters in the not record a single extra base hit. However, second baseman Hall Senior said she does not necessarily see shortstop that as a bad thing.

said in soft- on miscues by the Broncos to run So we work hard on being ag- against the Broncos. ball, there the bases well and aggressively gressive in practice and taking

"We're just aggressive, we're mistakes." what, so she a very fast team," Hall said. "We son) and Logan (Hall) - Randi snapped by the Shockers with a was not too upset about the win make sure we're aggressive every State 8-0 in five innings in the Carolina Central. day in practice, because pretty final game of the tournament, > thomas.magelssen@ttu.edu

PHOTO BY RIANNON ROWLEY/The Daily Toreador

ASHLY JACOBS PITCHES the ball on Saturday during the game against

Wichita State at Rocky Johnson Field. Texas Tech lost 5-2.

The Red Raiders capitalized much you play like you practice. earning a three-game sweep advantage of other people's final Texas Tech Tournament

Tech will host the third and this weekend with six games The Red Raiders beat Boise against Jackson State and North





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Tech baseball drops two in Houston College Classic

The Texas Tech baseball team Spencer said. ran into a few tough matchups this "When you weekend in the Houston College make good Classic at Minute Maid Park in pitches, you

Tech dropped a game against a bunch of TCU 11-2 in the opening game them in Friday and lost a close 3-2 game six innings

The Red Raiders were scheduled work. to play Houston at 2:30 p.m. Sunwas not finished.

allowing seven runs and 11 hits game." in six innings for his first loss of the year.

"I think they did a good job eight innings. every time and I thought Chad had good stuff," Tech coach Dan positive for Tech.

struck out worth of

"But every time he missed, they day, but as of press time, the game were on it. They did a good job with that. We left some runners. Chad Bettis took the mound We hit some balls hard early that Friday against the Horned Frogs, they caught, but that's part of the

Tech opened up with a 2-0 lead in the first, but once the Horned There were positives for Bet- Frogs scored, they didn't stop. Tech tis — he had nine strikeouts on was blanked after the first and TCU

The Rice game was a little more Wednesday at Dan Law Field.

Bobby Doran went for seven innings, giving up seven hits and two runs. The performance allowed Tech to climb back in the game with a two-run home run from Bonham Hough in the bottom of the seventh. It tied the game at two heading into the late innings, but Rice scored in the ninth for

> "It's a tough game to lose," Spencer said. "We got back in the game. Had a runner on third in the eighth with less than two outs. We had the guy we wanted hitting and their guy made a pitch and our guy struck out. We didn't get a lot of hits."

The TCU and Rice games were the first consecutive losses for Tech this season. The Red Raiders return went on to score in six of the next home for a two-game mid-week series against Gonzaga, which begins >>> adam.coleman@ttu.edu

Rangers at Indians exhibition canceled by rain

the Cleveland Indians.

The right-hander's scheduled The Rangers did not even make starts in 2008. the short bus trip from their train-

"I was ready to go," said West- everyday dentist visit these days.

GOODYEAR, Ariz. (AP) — brook, now scheduled to start at least another day to make his Arizona Diamondbacks. "I've him to be good," Acta added. much-anticipated spring debut for waited 23 months, so what's another day?"

ing camp in Surprise, Ariz., as a he was before he got hurt," mansteady rain fell throughout the ager Manny Acta said. "Tommy John surgery is as common as an

"Jake is throwing pain free. I Jake Westbrook will have to wait Monday in Tucson against the can't read the future, but I expect

Westbrook worked 14 innings in the Puerto Rican Winter League Westbrook missed the entire and says he feels as strong as he start against the Texas Rangers 2009 season after having Tommy ever has during his career. In was canceled by rain on Sunday. John surgery after making only five three seasons beginning in 2004, he won a total of 44 games. He "I expect Jake to be as good as has a 63-62 record and 4.25 ERA overall in 200 career games, all but three with Cleveland since being acquired from the New York Yankees in July 2000.

