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A LONE RED tulip sits among feld of yellow tulips outsid dustrial Engineering building.


## Weatherbox guitarist, vocalist talks about plans for Lubbock



## Philadelphia police chief defends officer who Tasered field-rusher

## PHILADELPHIA (AP) - City Frank Vanore. The department's the grass and stayed down for about olice are considering whether internal affairs unit is investigating, 30 seconds before standing up and olice are considering whether internal affairs unit is investigating, 30 seconds before standing up and The team said the policere

 unruly but nonthreatening fans The department is now review- "From the preliminary look at it, lies whether using the stun gun was sprint onto the field during sport- ing whether its officers should be it appears that the officer was within appropriate.ing events, a review begun after a on the field wrangling runaway fans the policy," said Vanore, adding that Vanore said it was the first time teenager was subdued with a Taser who aren't threatening anyone, he did not know what may have he knew of that a Philadelphia ofat a Phillies game. Vanore said. A police officer used his stun "Should we be on the field at all? "He was attempting to make an ar- the field. There have been instances
gun Monday night on 17 -year-old I think that's what's being looked rest and the male was attempting in other cities of police using stun gun Monday night on 17 -year-old I think that's what's being looked rest and the male was attempting in other cities of police using stun
Steve Consalvi, who jumped onto
at," Vanore said. "I'm not sure we to flee." unruly fans in the stands,
 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { with defiant trespass, disorderly in Oakland, Calif. } \\ \text { Play field." } & \text { Players didn't think the officer's } \\ \text { Consalvi, a high school senior } & \text { conduct and resisting arrest. }\end{array}$ Consalvi, a high school senior $\begin{aligned} & \text { conduct and resisting arrest. } \\ & \text { from Boyertown, leapt onto the field } \\ & \text { Consalvi's mother, Amy Ziegler, action was excessive. }\end{aligned}$ didn't think at the top of the eighth inning dur- apologized for his actions and said he "If you're on the streets running ing Monday night's game against St. regrets running onto the field. away from a cop, doesn't that cop
Louis. He ran around in the outfield, "It was stupid. It was just abso- have a right to Tase you because your
 two security officers. The police officer chased him The Philadelphia Inquirer that his Shane Victorino said. for about 30 seconds before the stun son called him from the ballpark Cardinals manager Tony La gun probe hit the teenager, who to tell him about the stunt. Wayne Russa agreed the use of a Taser was stumbled forward, slid face-first on Consalvi said he told him not to appropriate

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## Perry defends description of Gulf oil spill

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his point is "tobody fnows what hap- told reporters outside the Texas Capitol.
pened" at the oil rig off the Louisiana "Nobody knows what happened and I
Undie Run attracts college, secondary students

| By ALEXANDRA PEDRINI Staff Writer <br> The first Texas Tech Undie Run kicked off at 6 p.m. Tuesday in Urbanosky Park, having students stripping down to as few clothes as they wanted - within dress code - to raise money for the Sean Kimerling Testicular Cancer Foundation and clothes for Goodwill Industries International, Inc. <br> After hearing the idea from other college campuses, Stephanie Foster, a senior advertising major from College Station said she and a group of students thought this could be a fun and different way to support a charity. <br> This also gave students a chance to celebrate and have fun in a safe way before the individual study day, Foster said. Since alcohol was prohibited at the event, it was a way for students to "let go in a fun way" without getting in trouble. <br> Creators of the run originally planned to break a world record for the largest gathering of people in underpants, but decided against the plan due to the high cost of breaking a world record. Instead, all proceeds were donated to the foundation, she said. <br> "We want to get as much money to the foundation as possible and we kind of thought it wasn't in our best interest to do the world record so we could give them more," she said. |
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| PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSO |
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| RUNNERS IN THEIR underwear ran to benefit the cause Tuesday in Urbanovsky Park. |



The Democratic group Lone Star those who died and the victims of the
Project criticized Perry's remarks as environmental damage deserve a full
coast. The undersea well has been spe
ing 200,000 gallons of oil a dav ing 200,000 gallons of oil a day.
The giant oil slick is threatening the Gulf Coast from southeastern Louisiana to Florida. Rig operator BP PLC has been trying unsuccessfully to cap the leak, which began April 20.
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## y ALEXANDRA PEDRINI Staff Writer

 Since a young age, the stage has been home to Virginia Stille, a sophomore broadcast journalism With a dance, pageant background, Stille sai pageant background, stille saicshe has always enjoyed and been comfortable performing for an audience. In the sixth grade, after being in a pageant, she begged her parents to get vocal lessons, said
her mother, Mayra Stille. her mother, Mayra Stille.
After her first visit to a vocal
oach, Mayra said she remembers their eyes getting large and asking "Do you know what voice this girl has!" "She
"She said all she had to do was bring it out and keep singing,"
Mayra said. "But that her voice Mayra said. "But that her voice
was a very big voice and once she was a very big voice and once she
trained it, she was going to be amazing. She hasn't stopped singing since."
After watching Estrella T.V. one day, her dad saw the show
"Tengo Talento, Mucho Talento" "Tengo Talento, Mucho Talento" was casting people for their next
season and encouraged Stille to season and encouraged Stille to
audition.
"My family was always behind
me 100 percent so my family was like "Come on, just do it. Before you go, see what happens,
ferent landmarks in the city, Smith by Tech alumnus and world-famous said. Unlike last year, two of the main composer David Kneupper, who has artists involved are Tech graduates. I think it's interesting to have well-known Tech grads and be able to come back and do this," Smith said. The guests will be divided into small groups and will tour two homes,
belonging to Robert and Louise Arbelonging to Robert and Louise Ar-
nold and Bob and Sue Weninger. Both homes were designed by Tech alumnu Danny Nowak and are home to exten--sive art coltections, Driskill said. While viewing the two homes guests will listen to original pieces

Architecture is about bringing the arts together and is more than just a arts together and The art shown. from the homeowners' personal collections. Sue Weninger, one of the homeowners, is a regional artist whose work will be shown in her home next region, Driskill said.
$\qquad$ "Fusion is experiencing the houses, come together for the first and only time," he said.
Smith said then Smith said the art, music and
ents wanted to have an event to bring these three have an event to bring these three
entities together. Students and or ganizations will host the event and ge able to mingle with patrons at the reception along with Kneupper and Nowak. The reception will have hor playing for guests. Tickets are mus playing for guests. Tickets are aval Tech faculty, staff and students or by contacting Smith in the College of Architecture.

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Tech student takes the stage in LA talent competition

When you least expect it is when
something great is going to come someth
along."
The ica's Got Talent" in the "Amerworks with contestants the way it she said. For the first few weeks, she said. For the first few weeks,
Virginia and the other contestants Virginia and the other contestants
flew to Los Angeles to continue flew to Los An
The first round of call-back au-
ditions in LA required contestants ditions in LA required contestants
to get themselves to California at their own expense except for the few who were lucky enough to win
the few tickets given away by the show, Virginia said.
With the help of her friends and family, Virginia was able to raise the $\$ 900$ needed for her trip. But getting the money for the trip wasn't the only problem Virginia VIRGINIA STILLE, A sophomore broadcast journalism major from faced on her first trip to LA; she Houston, performs for an audience with musical accompaniment. Stille is
had to deal with the snowstorms competing on the Tengo Talento, Mucho Talento show in Los Angeles. that closed the Lubbock International Airport for days, she said. Once she had left Lubbock and began her 26 -hour day, Virginia went around the city shooting footage for the show. Because traveling to LA was such a challenge, she said
she was in constant communicaio she was in constant communication
with the producers of the show. with the producers of the show.
Each time she called, she would explain her situation and who she
is, eventually causing the majority of them to recognize her. "It takes a lot for someone working in something that big to
try to get you to go over there and all they saw is 30 seconds of you
singing and they're really really singing and they're really, really interested in you," she said. "In a
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Virginia is full forming for the judges on the st.
Virginia is a full-time student. At a young age, her parents taught her that school is more
important than her singing Mayra important than her singing, Mayra
 ing is giving her this opportunity who know music and have been "We've never taken comes first. around it for a very long time and We ve never taken away from you know they know what you're er practicing her music and being doing. They know when you's kept up with school," Mayra said, they know if you mess up sharp, "Once you have your education you're a little bit nervous. So fo and your career you will always somebody who's been around have it and it's a net you can always for so long to give you a standing
fall back ont" Virginia said her professors a pretty amazing feeling." have been very understanding to-
ward with her gift of singing wards her situation, working with there is more to Virginia than her
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The real purpose of the event was not to run around in underwear or break a world record
a cause, Foster said.
The group of students chose to donate to the Kimerling Foundation because it goes with the theme of unadvertising major from Houston. Supporting the cause really w the reason why some students wanted to attend the run. said Laura Sobotik, a sophomore psychology major from San Antonio. Two of her grandmoth ers had cancer so she tries helping any cause related
disease, she said. "I think cancer research is really important,", she said. "I think any
type of cancer research is really important because it's something that
not enough people pay attention
But the run wasn't only for Tech students; Students from South Plains College, local middle schoois and support the cause.
After hearing about the event on Facebook, middle schooler Jacob Sheehan said he was interested in doing the run.
This kind of event was unusua but somerhing fun to do, he said.
Hearing of her son's interest in attending the event, Jacob's mother DeAnn Sheehan said she was in terested in bringing her children to
participate after contacting Tech participate after contacting Tech be appropriate for them. be appropriate for hem.
Although Jacob said it little awkward to be the only middle
schooler at the run, it was still a cool schooler at the run, it was still a coo
experience and for a good cause. $\rightarrow$ alexandra.pedriniettu.edu

RELIGIOUS ROCK


GREG JEFFERYS, A freshman undecided major from Sugarland, and Cameron Hodge, a freshman mass comunications major from Fort Worth,
lead the Saltshakers, a student worship group associated with the Wesley Forundation, in
Despite murder case, Virginia lacrosse teams play on
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team was charged with killing her, the the death of Love, also 22. Both were teams decided to play on in tribute. Virginia athletic director Craig Littlepage said in a statement late Tuesday that the men's and women's teams "will represent the University
of Virginia as they always have" if of Virginia as they always have
selected for the NCAA tournament, as expected, and play to honor the memory of Yeardley Love.
The announcement came at the end of a dark two days for Virginia lacrosse.
Describing a scene of violent rage, Describing a scene of violent rage,
court documents revealed that George Huguely, a senior on the men's team, told police he kicked in Love's bed room door, shook her, and that her room door, shook her, and that her
head repeatedly hit the wall. Love was

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Men's tennis team earns top NCAA seed

| JOSHUA KOC <br> Staff Writer | Sooners advance, OU will square this season - Te |
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| I think it's just because of location | know the coach very well," he |
| We're not by anybody, we're not near anyone. I'm not shocked, I'm just disappointed." | "We're not going to take them granted, we know that they can they won their conference." |
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## Tech refuses Leach lawsuit

 LUBBOCK (AP) - Attorneyspresident Guy Bailey, athletic director
or Texas Tech said in documents filed
Gerald Myers and a Tech attorney Tuesday that they want four school em- dismissed from the case. The fling did ployees dismissed from former football not seek to remove Craig James or two coach Mike Leach's lawsuit over his regents, all of whom were named as fring and argued again that the school defendants by Leach's legal team. Leach attorney Paul Dobrowsky
is imune from the suit.
It was the final day court filings said only some of the claims against It was the final day court filings said only some of the claims against
could be made before a May 14 hearing the individuals could be stricken from could be made before a May 14 hearing the individuals could be stricken from
on Tech's claim of sovereign immunity, the suit by the judge. Others, like libel, which means a state agency or entity slander and conspiracy "are still viable can't be sued without permission from as to the individuals",
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duct. "I feel we are on solid legislative his deposition in the case, also made a ground on sovereign immunity", Tech sworn statement. Cantu, a Boston neurosurveon whohas Leach was fred Dec. 30, two days served on the NFL's concussion comafter he was suspended following a mittee. In his sworn statement, Cantu claim from the family of receiver Adam says Leach should not have placed ames that the coach mistreated the Adam James in a darkened space. Adam James, the son of former NFL not be harmfull, standing in a totally player and ESPN analyst Craig James, darkened environment with symptoms has said his coach twice ordered him of dizziness and difficulty with balance to stand for hours while confined in a placed Adam at risk of falling," he said. dark place during practice. "Balance can be dramatically worsened Leach, who is now living in Key by losing visual orientation, such as

West, Fla., has denied that he mis- by closing one's eyes or by being in West, Fla., has denied that he mis- by closing one's eyes or by being in reated James and has said he suspects the dark. received Dec. 31 was the reason he was His affidavit also states that Leach's | fired one day earlier. |  |
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| Leach's lawsuit includes allega- | $\begin{array}{c}\text { scionable." } \\ \text { Dobrowsky said it was "exactly }\end{array}$ | tions of libel and slander and breach wrong" that Leach treated Adam James of contract. It also accuses several top as if he did not have a concussion. school administrators and members of Leach didn't want the player to "exert the board of regents of conspiring to himself and be exposed to other poten-

have Leach dismised.
tial harm," the Houston lawyer said have Leach dismissed.
The school is seking to have Tech "Aal harm," the Houston lawyer said.
"All times Mike treated it as a Chancellor Kent Hance, university concussion," Dobrowsky said


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a Saturday at the throwing fields.

## NCAA approves tournament expansion

## By MICHAEL RIETMULDER <br> Minessora Dail (U. Minvesota)



Big Ten expansion could affect rest of NCAA

By MICHAEL RIETMULDER Minnesota Daly (U. Minesoota)

While the Big Ten is unlikely announce any decision on confe ence expansion in the near future
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ing new teams, it is internally
the the pros and cons of expansion
month that that effect is one of the in the event of a "significant shift in many considerations for the conferRumored paradigm." ence before it reaches a decision on nclude Big East targets of the Big Ten expansion. include Big East schools Rutgers U., "Others might [be] concerned Pittsburgh, as well as several Big 12 . [with] what we're doing, if we're going Pittsburgh, as well as several Big 12 to take a team from their conference,
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Missouri.
tively impacts the whole climate U. Minnesota Athletics Director invely impacts the whole climate of
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ing. | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Lord Jesus and with your mouth in } \\ \text { heart that God has raised your } \\ \text { the dead, you will be saved. }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{c}\text { Former Southwest Conference } \\ \text { the demmissioner Kyle Kallander had }\end{array}$ |
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Reflections on my life in Red and Black

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thousands of reading pages, two sleeples nights, three laptop batteries, dozens parties, thousands of clasmates, a few lovers, a couple dozen close friends and tens of thousand
have a diploma.
that period of time, I switched majors once, took on a second degree dropped the first and took on anothe second, tackled three minors and averged 14 hours a semester.
There is much $\mathrm{Y} l \mathrm{ll}$ miss about Texas ${ }_{\text {Illl }}$ mish. IIl miss the enthralling camaraderie of class, the City of Lubbock, calm summer night walks on campus, the end of semester with the anticipation of the next, random outings with good friends, singing the Fight Song, running int acquaintances berw
other little things.
her little things.
much I won't miss. every assignment, the process of regittering for classes, the slightly subtler but nnoyingly pervasive high school dram he flooding streets, the dust storms and hat wonderful Lubbock smell.
All in all, I'd say I got a pretty well at Texas Tech. Idid just about everything that one is supposed to do (and not supposed to do) during his or her time at a niversity.
You'd think ater all his in Youd think after all this, I would ass on to you freshman who are hitting your second (or even first) round of finals his week. I might even have some grear pointers for you juniors who aren't quite done but can just about see the end off in he distance.
The truth is, I have nothing revolu observations that you may or may not have already made. For those of you who haven't heard what I'm about to say, I hope it resonates with you. And for hose of you who have, please feel free to confirm or deny any of


## College sucks. That's one thing noody ever told me before so thing no

 one ever warns you about the crushing unending stress. They neglect to mention the downright crappy people you the existential puzzle of carving out ique identity amonosst tens of fhousand f peers.
## On the other hand, college downrigh

 ocks. With great stress comes great relief. way, you meet three cool others and a life-long friend. Bad grades stop stinging sooner than you'd think. And thatidentity crisisN News fahh no identity crisis? News flash: no one else at college eeally kno
are yet either.

## are yet either.

I'm not saying these observations gen-
eralize to all of you, all colleges or all the eraize to all of you, all colleges or all the I've realized; there is no "typical" college experience. You write your own story while you're here. You have some fantastic times and some crappy times, but the
all part of your unique journey. 0 part of your unique journey. 0 time at Tech with nostalgia, others of you with absolute hate and regret. Either way, you will remember these days more vividly than possibly any period of time in your life.
'Ive kept a detailed daily journal most of the time I've been here. I suggest you
do the same (if yourent already) While do the same (ifyou aren't already). While your memories may seem unshakably
vividnow, they fade all too quickly. Don't let the richness of yourstory diminish into the gray ambiguity of the past. At the same time, recognize that there is a life for you beyond college. Your story
does not end when you don your regalia does not end when you don your regalia
and walk up to shake the Chancellor's and walk up to shake the Chancellor's the beginning of the rest of your life. Most of this is starting to sound a bit corny, I know. Its important to kee
things in perspective, though. Part of the
stress that many of usfeel here stems from
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tseeing only the here and now.
"seeing only the here and now.
That final youve got coming up? won't remember a darn thing about it a year from now, much less ten or 20 years fromnow. The same goes for the argument you just had with your boyfriend or the C you just made on that history paper.
As important as these things may seem As important as these things may seem
to you right now, you will not remember to you right now, you
them in the long run. You will, however, remember going You will, however, remember going
to IHOP at 4 a.m. on Tuesday night with your closest friends "just because." You will remember watching that one
crazy professor who sat on the table crazy professor who sat on the table and threw chalk at the wall to make a point.
You will remember rushing the field after You will remember rush
a breathaking victory.

## College is what you

same time, you are and forever will be what college makes you. Take the paper and che ink that comes your way and write a chapter in your life's story you'll be proud to tell for decades to come

Thanks for everything, Texas Tech! From you I take away with me someching
greater than the sum total of all the parts greater than the sum total of all the parts
Ive touched on here. Though I may leave Texas Tech, it will never really leave me. The scarlet and the black will forever highlight the strokes of my pen.
I leave you all with my best wishes I leave you all with my best wishes
and sincere thanks for an unforgettable and sincere thanks for an unforgettable
chapter. Strive on, Red Raiders! chapter. Strive on, Red Raider!.
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Glenn Beck should be a college professor By THOMAS QUELLETTE Dall Northwestern (Nootthwestenn $\mathrm{U}_{\text {. }}$ )

Glenn Beck is more in You can learn about youth culture teresting than my col- from "Jersey Shore." You can learn lege professors. They ing commercials for diet pill Yatchoperate in much the same way: can learn about sunburns from delivering hour long sermons in
front of a chalkboard, citing history, making inferences, theorizing and pontificating. But when Beck lectures, I can't change the chan nel, and when my professors lec ture, it's a struggle to stay focised. m not the only one. I see countless students looking at pictures
of themselves on Facebook in the middle of class-narcissism for the 21st century.
Mostly I don't blame the stupeWified among us. It's not their fault that lectures are often dry
I've heard countless professors I've heard countless professors today." Beck, on the other hand never starts a show by apologizing for its content, but he launches into his lesson as if it is the mos important of the semester.

## COLUMN

We are the Texas Tech Red Raiders

##  Amane Irby presence at all that finalized this decision,

 because as a non-Texan, sadly, many of us have these expectations. As unfortunate as it is ${ }^{\text {I }}$ ' I only surprised dhat itfor an "inciden"" to ccuir for an "inciden"" to occur.
But if it wan't the evil presencee campus hhar caunhtme off-gurd youmigh be wondering, "Ok, so what couldve been more shocking to a black kid from the city than the Klan?"' Good question. I'm still debating myself. I'm not sure which was most disheartening: the comment indicating that the KKK i s not a threat tostudents
on campus or hefact on campus or he fact that my inbox has yet president.
 I wasn'tquite sure whattosay: Following hast week'sand several other incidents that have taken place on this campus, I didn't think I had much left, but I was wrong. Anyone is a wishest todeny others certain freedoms Yes, their objectives are very Hitler-like, but remember, initially no one thought he was a threat either. We see how that turned out. Still, considering the fact that we're overseen by individuals who supposedly
desire a diverse univesity one midht have desire a diverse univerity, one might have
expected memo, bulletin or even afrakk ing texts simply stating that our university in no way condones the actions or ideologies of his group. It would $\mathbf{v e}$ b been nice to feel supported by those who have urged us to Wheir shool, its ous.

eeturn our census forms so that we can help
 hut we want a litile support and they've yet to utter a word. Of all the things 'lve come ardice hasn't been one, but I guess that's a At thirist wasticked off Myoring At firstI wasticked off. My original thought was tolet President Guy Baile know just what
thought of how hed handled the sintarion I thought of how he'd handled the situation,
but on second though, I figured receiving my but on second thought, 1 tigured receiving my
diploma would be far moreadvantageousto my fiploma would be far more advantageous tomy was pretty upset, but then it hit me: This inn't
Weare Tech, now and forever. Asl prepare to leave Lubbock, I realire that despite the negative stereoctypes that have been confirmed,
ive encountered a lot of positive that has ve encountered a lot of positive that has
shaped me as a person and prepared me for son that quiting in't an option. Somehow
Martha Smithey saw the e eader in metrent Martha Smithey saw whe
never hought I could be. Hilary Sanders taught me that through Hilary Sanders taught me that through
our differences we can find so many similari ties, and Alana Rumph taught me the value of tuve friendhhip. Strangely, throughout all of hhis, I think I leamed the most from my public peaking clas this semester.
voud drobabably never guess that I'm deathly shy thought publicspeaking would be the deatho me and certainly my GPA, until one by one, rembles ow wall stood in front of the class and nndless our way through what seemed like thers trembled uncone roke intos weats while part of itall is thar we wrot herow, but the ber and that's my fnal message to oyuall. There will be much that we face in our unures that will frighten or threaten us, but never back cown. There will be those who re, but never bock wont tunderstand whow horidicule back down. There will be those whoridicule, manipu
 We are Red Raiders, whecher here in Lub world. If we lead, others will follow. So when faced with opposition, pain, fru tration, or disappointment, don't back down. Instead continue to strive for honor evermore. Thanks for being my family away foom family, my home away from home. It's hard to say
goodbe, so Ill just say so long, and long live the Matadors. Thank You.

Irby is a senior general studies major from St. Louis. $\Rightarrow$ major from St. Louis.

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BLOWING BANNERS


THE TEXAS TECH, United States and Texas flags move with the wind Tuesday at the Pfluger Fountain in Memorial Circle.
Visitation rights to same-sex couples step in right direction


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 For when it's time Bomb cherk out our GMETARI DU DIGESS
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 Just outside the S. Loop on University| gain one privilege after another I see gay visitation rights as a step in the right direction. <br> I'm sure there are some of you who question my logic about how always people who would rathe ignore the fact that the gay com munity exists or see the granting engage in same-sex activity. Yes, government decisions like this do affect societal views, particularly of the next generation. However gering the issue does not solv he issue. <br> not just an everyday is and gay individuals who die every day with no friends or family at their side. Is that what we really want for the sick and dying? Do we want them to be all alone in cor or heed. No. Have some compassion. Rules preventing the loving care and support of a loved one are in no way healthy for either the patient or his or her loved one. If someone's only support lifeline is a gay partner so be it. <br> Of course, there is the gay com munity, which can interpret these new visitation rights more like granting of "special privileges" While I cannot share the pain that the gay community has in its in ability to marry one another, I can share the pain of not being able to be at a loved one's side during his or her final moments. <br> I also don't want to say, "Take what you can get" because I fee obligation to thank society for a right it should have had in the first place. However, in the spirit of gradual progress, this should be stone. Even if it is not perfect it signifies more "official" rights than before. <br> Some newspapers call Obama's not a huge surprise to see this start to be implemented since many of be an essential, basic right. Still, it has taken this long for the gay community to actually gain that right. <br> It is 2010, if that means anything to anyone, and I feel as though gay rights have had an uphill battle over the last severa decades due to the strong polarizamoves this country. As society gay community will continue to keep up with that pace in some way, shape or form <br> Gartner is a senior business major from The Woodlands. |
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## Two Arizona cities vote to sue the state over 'tough' immigration law

Dallas swears in new police chief



 $\begin{array}{ll}\text { came police chief of one of the } \\ \text { nation's most crime-ridden } & \text { cut down on property crime. } \\ \text { big cities during a Tuesday } & \text { Kunkle announced his }\end{array}$ big cities during a Tuesday Kunkle announced his afternoon ceremony at police retirement in November. | $\begin{array}{l}\text { headquarters. } \\ \text { Brown, who was named to } \\ \text { City officials say that dur- } \\ \text { ing Kunkle's tenure, Dallas' }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | the post last week, was the violent crime rate fell by 32 top deputy to outgoing Chief percent and the department top deputy to outgoing Chief

David Kunkle for the last five added 700 officer

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## POLICE BLOTTER

'Suspicious activity' reported at the Student Recreation Center

April 28

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the Student Union Building. 1:45 p.m., medical call in the
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.
1:45 p.m., investigation of suspicious activity at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation
Center. Center.
$5: 10$ $5: 10$ p.m., accident without
injuries in the D3 parking injuries in the D3 parking lot. the Z5-C parking lot. 7:49 p.m., harassment in Horn Residence Hall.
1.38 May 4

1:38 a.m., code of student conduct violation (excessive noise) in Weymouth Residence Hall.
6:20 a.m., medical call in Murray Residence Hall.
10 a.m., accident without injuries in the C 1 parking lot. $1: 20$ p.m., theft of a key to a
computer lab at the Masher computer lab at the Marsha Sharp Center for Student Athletics.
2:33 p.m., accident without 2:33 p.m., accident without
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injuries in the R3 parking lot. injuries in the R3 parking lot.
May 5 2:33 a.m., driving under the influence of alcohol in the $\mathrm{Z5}-\mathrm{C}$ influence of
Convicted killer of Dallas police officer loses appeal
HOUSTON (AP) - The Texas fic
Court of Criminal Appeals Wednesday Court of Criminal Appeals Wednesday
upheld the conviction of a Mexican man sent to death row for killing a Lizano's death sentence, saying they Dallas police officer more than four didn't believe his Dallas County jury
tutional standard for mental impairment should have been left to the jury. Testimony at his trial showed Lizcano, now 33 , had the communication
skills of a 8 -to 10 -year-old and was about 16 when he left school in the 6 th grade The state's highest criminal court mine whether his mental impairment still unable to read. rejected claims from condemned was sufficient enough to keep him off "I can only conclude that is finding inmate Juan Lizcano that questioned inmate Juan Lizcano that questioned
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fatal shooting of 28 -year-old Dallas Of the question of determining the consti- another punishment proceding."


