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## Three U.S. soldiers presumed captured

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three U.S. Army soldiers were missing in Macedonia near the Yugoslav border Wednesday night after possibly being captured by members of the Serb military or police while on a reconnaissance mission, the Pentagon and NATO officials

An immediate search and rescue mission was launched, involving ground and helicopter teams from several NATO countries and the Allied Rapid Reaction Corps based in the Macedonian capital of Skopje, U.S. officials said. Searchers included 80 to 90 soldiers on U.S. Blackhawk and British helicopters.



team had been on a daytime reconnaissance mission in the Macedonia

southern Yu-

goslavia border when they reported "they received small arms fire and said they were surrounded," according to NATO.

"No more was heard from the patrol," a NATO statement said.

NATO officials didn't say who had the soldiers surrounded, but a Pentagon spokesman said it was presumed to be Serb Army, paramilitary units or perhaps special police

"We believe they have possibly been abducted," said Col. Richard Bridges, a Pentagon spokesman. "Right now there's a search and rescue effort on."

The missing team was one of several Army units guarding the Yugoslav-Macedonia border during the ongoing NATO airstrikes against the Serb military in Yugoslavia.

Several of the teams had been out on a reconnaissance mission Wednesday afternoon together, but had split up to engage in some rough terrain training, the Pentagon said. The urgent radio cries for help came between 2:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. Macedonia time (7:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. EST), the Pentagon said. When the other reconnaissance teams from the Army's 1st Infantry Division failed to find their colleagues, they radioed their com-

manders for help, according to the Pentagon. At the White House, National Security Adviser Sandy Berger advised President Clinton

of the missing soldiers "and will keep him informed as the information becomes available," said NSC spokesman David Leavy.

"We're still determined to push forward on our sustained air campaign and the operation will continue" against military targets in Yugoslavia, Leavy said.

Leavy declined to provide further details "that could potentially jeopardize the safety or well being of these guys.'

NATO forces, including ground and helicopter teams, and Macedonian police immediately launched an immediate search for the missing team, U.S. officials said.

## Audit finds woeful federal bookkeeping

WASHINGTON (AP) - From \$12.6 billion in improper Medicare payments to unaccounted-for bullets and bombs, the federal government still does a woeful job of keeping its financial books, according to an audit released Wednesday.

Surprisingly, the second government-wide audit by the congressional General Accounting Office was praised as good news because at least things weren't as bad in fiscal 1998 as they were the year before.

"Progress is coming, but we've sure got a lot to do," said Rep. Steve Horn, R-Calif., chairman of the House Government Reform Committee's panel on management.

Comptroller General David Walker, who heads the GAO, told the panel that 24 major federal agencies don't properly account for "a majority" of the \$466 billion in assets they hold. These range from buildings to heavy equipment to ammunition.

It doesn't necessarily mean the assets are missing, although some are. But it shows most government agencies don't have the basic financial controls that are commonplace

in any private business. The government's financial statements, Walker said, "do not provide a reliable source of information for decision-making by the government or the public."

Rep. Pete Sessions, R-Dallas, said poor record-keeping potentially is costing taxpayers billions of dollars annually.

"In my view, these revelations make it imperative that the federal government begin to conform to standard business practices, without which the government is widely susceptible to waste, fraud and abuse," Sessions said.

The audit revealed numerous other problems, including inadequate data on loans and liabilities such as veterans' benefits, poor computer security, vast underestimates for costs such as environmental and nuclear cleanups and even lack of documentation to support the costs of many day-to-day government operations.

While the full extent of improper payments made by government agencies is unknown, the Health and Human Services Department estimated that \$12.6 billion of its fee-forservice Medicare payments — about 7 percent — should not have been made in 1998.

Yet that's down from \$23.2 billion in 1996, which Walker cited as an example of why accurate accounting matters. When the problem can be measured and analyzed, he said, government managers can better focus on finding solutions.

Separately, Horn released his own "report card" that graded federal agencies in three financial categories: reliable information, effective internal controls and compliance with laws and regulations. Horn gave only NASA and the National Science Foundation an "A", while 12 agencies either got an "F" or hadn't submitted their statements as required by Tues-

"If these were my kids and their report cards, they'd be grounded," said Rep. Tom Davis, R-Va. "This is just unacceptable."

Despite all these problems, the Clinton administration's Office of Management and Budget expects 13 of the 24 agencies to receive "clean" audits of their financial statements in fiscal 1998. That compares with only one in 1993.

## If You Build It, It Could Float

### Group to take concrete canoe to competition

By Greg Okuhara

ot many things that are made of concrete float. However, the Texas Tech student chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineering has built a canoe made of concrete.

The canoe will weigh an estimated 400 pounds and will float according to Kyle Preston, a junior civil engineering major from Sugar Land and vice president of the Tech chapter of ASCE.

"It's a simple application of Archimedes' Principle," Preston said. "My

The canoe is built for an upcoming competition between schools from Texas and New Mexico.

Among the competitors are the University of Texas, Texas A&M, New Mexico, University of Texas-San Antonio and Prairie View A&M.

The contest consists of four, graded portions on both performance of the canoe and presentations made by each

"You get graded on the looks of the canoe, and you get graded on a written report. There are several races you get graded on, and there's an oral report," Preston said. "They'll have academic awards and an overall final award."

In addition to the contest, the ASCE sponsors a conference to introduce students with the professional world.

"There also is an ASCE conference down there, so we'll get to mingle with professionals and learn something about the business. So, that's an added attraction," Preston said. In the past, Tech has fared well in the

competition.

"Last year, we won second place in the technical report and fourth overall," Preston said.

Tech plans on faring better at this year's competition since the canoe design



Sticks and Stones: Members of Texas Tech's American Society of Civil Engineers begin applying concrete to their canoe. The team formulated an ultra-light concrete mix consisting of stuffing from bean bags and plastic foam.

"Last year, it weighed 600 to 800 pounds," Preston said. "This year, it's more aerodynamic. We took some shape off the form, the mix is lighter and it's thinner."

The canoe was built from scratch with materials donated from local companies. Also, the concrete could not be a ready-made mix. The mix the Tech chapter of ASCE was designed to be lighter than conventional concrete.

"We designed our own mix, and we used a lot of Styrofoam additives," Preston said. The students have been working on the canoe

since January.

"We probably put 300 to 400 man-hours into the project," Preston said.

Kenneth Rainwater, a professor of civil engi-

neering and adviser to the Tech chapter of ASCE, said the contest serves as a learning experience for the stu-

"I think they're having fun," Rainwater said. They're learning the things the contest has in mind, the things they don't learn in the classroom. I think they'll represent Texas Tech well."

Preston described the building process as going "extremely smoothly" despite the long hours put into the project.

"Our main problem was getting materials for the concrete mix," Preston said.

"We ended up flying in some (mix) from Washington just because we couldn't find anywhere closer. That was the only thing that really set us back on the project."

The competition be place April 17 in Longview.

### Committee names Sanders as 75th La Ventana editor

**By Christi Biddy** 

Texas Tech's Student Publications Committee named Aimee Sanders La Ventana editor for 1999-2000 Wednesday.

Sanders has had several years of experience on a yearbook staff. She currently is the managing editor of La Ventana and has served on yearbook staffs since the eighth grade.

Sanders, a junior advertising major from Odessa, said she was excited about the position.

"It's been my goal since I came to Tech," Sanders said.

Sanders said her position as managing editor has prepared her to be the editor for Tech's year-

"It gave me a lot of leadership skills," Sanders said. "I'm in charge of all section editors. If they need



that helps them." Tyson Seibly, current La Ventana edi-

help, I'm the one

tor, said Sanders has been a key asset for La Ventana this year. "She knows the

job and what it en-

tails," Seibly said. "She's been sort of the middleman between the section editors and myself." Seibly also said her previous work

at yearbooks will be an asset to Sanders's ability to be editor. "She's had a lot of experience deal-

ing with publications all the way back to high school and middle school,"

"She's been the editor of publications before coming to Tech, and that experience will help her even more."

Jan Childress, director for Student Publications, said Sanders's experience as managing editor and her past experience have greatly prepared her to take over the reins as

"It really has prepared her for the position of editor of her college yearbook," Childress said.

Sanders said she has many new ideas for changing the yearbook next year to a more classic

This will be the millennium book, the 75th La Ventana," Sanders said. "I want to make it very traditional.

Gwen Sorell, chairwoman of the Student Publications Committee and coordinator of Tech's women's studies program, said the committee was impressed with Sanders and voted unanimously for her to be the new editor.

'She put a great deal of thought into this," Sorell said. "She'll be an excellent editor."

### State House Appropriations approves \$97 million budget

AUSTIN (AP) - The House Appropriations Committee approved a \$97 billion budget for the next two fiscal years Wednesday that includes a 13.4 percent increase in spending for public education.

The budget, which was approved 25-0, represents a 9.6 percent — or \$8.5 billion — overall increase in spending from the \$88.5 billion allocated for 1998-1999.

The largest increase would be for public education where funding would rise from \$26.7 billion during the 1998-1999 budget years to \$30 billion for 2000 and 2001.

That includes \$3 billion for teacher pay raises, school financing and — one of Gov. George W. Bush's top priorities - property tax relief. How that would break down will be decided by the House Public Education Committee.

The Appropriations Committee, which had a \$5.6 billion surplus to work with, left \$772 million unspent and Committee Chairman Robert

Junell, D-San Angelo, said \$500 million of that could go toward tax cuts. A surplus can make the budget

process harder in some aspects said House Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale

"It's a lot easier when you don't have the money to decide who's going to get it than it is when you got

Responding to concerns about funding levels at Child Protective Services, the bill would add nearly 190 full-time employees at a cost of \$2.7 million in general revenue funds and \$13 million from other sources. Bush has already signed an emergency appropriations bill funding those

new employees through Aug. 31. The bill also calls for \$172.3 million to fund Bush's Student Success Initiative, part of his social promotion package to improve third grad-

ers' reading skills. It's "a priority Governor Bush campaigned on and was re-elected on because it's an important initiative for children and the future of Texas," said spokeswoman Linda Edwards.

Of the \$95 billion in the budget, \$53.6 billion comes from the general revenue fund and the rest comes from federal matching dollars and other sources.

The bill also includes \$1.8 billion in funds from the state's tobacco settlement. That money is expected to be dedicated primarily towards health-care programs.

The full House will vote on the budget plan April 13, Junell said. After leading the budget-writing committee for four terms, he said, "This is the best product that we've ever had.'

The Senate Finance Committee is drawing up its own budget proposal that could be meshed with the House version later in the session.

Junell said there is still some work to be done on the budget, including ways to clamp down on out-of-state travel for some state agencies.

## Merchandising program more than just clothing

Each class involves

some type of career

Shelley Harp

Tech associate professor

development."

By Melody Ragland

The merchandising program in Texas Tech's College of Human Sciences dates back to the early 1970s, but has evolved with the times.

Shelley Harp, associate professor, said the merchandising curriculum used to be narrow with a focus and now has widened, but still has a fo-

"There are more opportunities for students," Harp said.

The word merchandising has a stigma of being a part of fashion, Harp said, but there are more job options other than the fashion indus-

"Most students do not go to the

"They enter jobs at stores like Office Depot.'

Students in Tech's merchandising program are encouraged to enter the job market as early as they can. Harp said students normally have had one or two non-credit internships before they begin their senior internship. The senior internship is completed for course credit.

Harp said students entering as freshmen begin professional development, which carries throughout their time at Tech.

"Each class involves some type of career development," she said.

As freshmen, students write their personal profile. Sophomores are required to research the merchandis-

clothing apparel market," she said. ing industry. Juniors are encouraged ing the resumes from online. to work or complete an internship and fine tune their resumes and in-

> As seniors, students identify eight to 12 companies where they will pursue a job and work on

> > their intern-

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ship. Students

are required to have a hard copy of their resume as well as one online. Harp said most retailers are now us-

"We've had really good luck with interviews," Harp said.

> Generally students receive two to five offers for a senior internship. Harp credits this to the students' understanding of the industry, a strong work ethic and students not limiting

their options. Tommy Lowack, manager of college relations at Zale

Corporation, said when hiring employees they look at the person's background and retail experience.

"The reason we like Tech students as well as we do, is the program is set up where they can do class work as

well as their internship," Lowack said. He also said many of the students can prove they worked and went to

school, not just attended school. "We have a number of companies that do and don't come to Tech, that consistently hire Tech students," Harp said. "This year three new companies have shown an interest in Tech students."

The students also are given details of the industry from a retail lecture series that the program offers students. Guest speakers will talk to students about the industry and the career opportunities open for the students. There are five to seven speakers a year for each year of the program. Harp said they try to bring different speakers for each class.

Students are successful, she said. because the students are taught the

contemporary issues. Debbie Herd, college relations manager at JCPenney, is a graduate of the Tech merchandising program. She said the program prepared her

for any job in which she was offered. "The keys to the program are the faculty and the mandatory internships," she said.

Also, all three merchandising faculty, which is made up of Harp, Kathy Payne and Becky Kirkman, have had experience in the field. They are currently looking to hire a fourth faculty member.

### Students still can be part of ceremony

Students wanting to participate in Texas Tech's first-ever class ring presentation ceremony must order an official class ring by April 6.

The ring, adopted earlier this year by the Ex-Students Association, is Tech's first official class ring, and only students with more than 60 hours at Tech may order it.

"The initial cut-off date was in March, but we received such an overwhelming response. So, I called the company and arranged a later deadline for students that haven't gotten a chance to order theirs yet," said Curt Langford, director of marketing for the Ex-Students Association.

Students can order the ring throughout the year but must order by April 6 in order to take part in the ceremony.

The ceremony consists of the presentation of the ring in a cherrywood box by President Donald Haragan and will be at 7 p.m. April 27 at the Merket Alumni Center.

Students can view and order the ring at Varsity Bookstore, Texas Tech Bookstore and the Ex-Students Asso-

Langford said students with questions about the ring can contact him or Mandy Wiley at the Ex-Students Association at 742-3641.

Langford said the ring has been a big success thus far.

"I think this is going to be the start of something special," Langford said. "It's very evident that some students that would not have ordered rings normally have because of this pro-

More than 300 rings have already been ordered, Langford said.

### Pharmacy school creates new tradition

With the creation of a new school comes the chance to begin new traditions that will live with the school and its students for years to come.

So is the case with the new School of Pharmacy at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center in

Scott Kohnhorst, a third-year harmacy student who was one of the first students to attend the school which was created in 1996,

helped design the ring and the ceremony. He said he wanted to leave a tradition students could use to unify them with the school and each other. Kohnhorst said he borrowed the

tradition from Texas A&M. Tech will have their own ring ceremony for the new uniform class ring

April 27. "Since the pharmacy school is brand new, there is the potential to start a new tradition," Kohnhorst

"I wanted to leave a gift to all the other graduating classes from here on out."

The school sponsored its firstever ring ceremony yesterday in the student lounge to present the rings to graduating students.

Student response has been overwhelming, Kohnhorst said.

"It's great. People are really liking it," Kohnhorst said.

They're all pretty stoked about it. Everyone is pretty excited."

### Bush, Dole would beat Gore in N.H., poll finds

Correction: In Wednesday's University Daily, the fee source for the

University Center was misidentified. The Senate considered increasing the

Hampshire voters put Texas Gov. George Bush far ahead in the 2000 presidential race, even though he's not officially in it.

Suffolk University in Boston interviewed 442 New Hampshire Democrats, Republicans and undeclared voters and found Bush leads Elizabeth Dole among Republicans and Gore leads Bill Bradley among

But if the general election were held today, Bush or Dole or minus 4 percentage points.

University Center fee.

(AP) A new poll shows New would beat Gore, the poll

In the general election campaign, respondents picked Bush 53 percent to 30 percent over Gore, with 17 percent undecided.

The pollsters interviewed the likely voters in the days before the NATO raids began in Kosovo and found President Clinton very unpopular. Sixty percent

gave him an unfavorable rating. The margin of error was plus Appeals court rejects pleas from 'natural born killer' AUSTIN (AP) - The Court of daughter, Reba, 4; and Tassy Boone, The multiple murder case was 14. One of the victims was shot, two moved to neighboring Atascosa

Criminal Appeals on Wednesday affirmed capital murder convictions and death sentences in four cases, including one in which prosecutors described the defendant as a "natural born killer.'

Dennis Bagwell, 32, was condemned by an Atascosa County jury for the Sept. 20, 1995, murder of his mother, Leona McBee, 47, and three other people in a mobile home in Wilson County.

Also killed were Leona McBee's niece, Libby Best, 24; Leona Best's were strangled and one was bludgeoned, authorities said.

Bagwell raised 23 points of trial error in his appeal, including claims that the evidence in the case did not support his conviction. The appeals court rejected each claim.

When he was arrested, Bagwell was on parole for attempted capital murder in Hidalgo County. He was convicted in 1982 of robbing and slitting the throat of an undocumented County because of pretrial news cov-Other appeals rejected by the

Shannon Carl Thomas, who was

convicted and condemned for the 1993 Christmas Eve murder of a marijuana dealer and the executionstyle slavings of the dealer's two chil-

Relatives discovered the bodies on Christmas Eve 1993 when they went to the family's Baytown home to celebrate the holiday and deliver presents. Rios and his children, 11-yearold Victor and 10-year-old Maria, all were shot in the head. A knife was also found stuck in the neck of Roberto Rios' body.

Thomas admitted being present but denied killing anyone. The jury found him guilty despite defense contentions that co-defendant Keith Bernard Clay was the real culprit.

Jasen Shane Busby, who was convicted by a Cherokee County jury of the April 1995 shooting deaths of Tennille Thompson and Brandy Gray.

### Board changes deadline for clemency filings

AUSTIN (AP) - Death row inmates will have to file a request for clemency 16 days sooner under a rule change adopted Wednesday by the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles.

The new rules require that petitions for reprieve or to commute a death sentence to a lesser penalty be moved from five days to 21 days before a scheduled execution.

Defense lawyers say the earlier filing date is a problem because some executions are set only 30 days in advance and court appeals are usually still pending at that

"It's going to blow up on them the first time some lawyer can't make (the filing)," said Bill Habern, cochairman of the parole and conviction committee for the Texas Crimi-

nal Defense Lawyers Association. Sometimes it takes days before a defense lawyer even knows that an execution date has been set, op-

'The court sometimes will notify the trial lawyer who hasn't been involved in 15 years," said lawyer Rita Radostitz, who has defended eight death penalty cases.

"I've had clients hear about it through the newspaper before they get it in the mail," defense lawyer Maurie Levin said.



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## Schools given professional twist

We are teaching

students for the

future we can't

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By Melody Ragiand

Texas Tech's College of Education has joined forces with several of the schools in the Lubbock Inpendent School District to help build public schools into Professional Development Schools.

Peggy Johnson, acting associate dean of undergraduate studs, said the idea came from the Holmes Group, which is a group of administrators and professors at research universities and public schools. She said they were under the assumption that chal-lenges facing public schools need to be met by universities and pub-

"We are teaching students for the future we can't predict," Johnson said. "And, we're teaching teachers for schools we can't pre-

Tech has been collaborating with several elementary schools in Lubbock and has just added another school to be a part of PDS. Posey Elementary school is the newest PDS, but Tech also is working with Lubbock-Cooper and Ramirez elementary

schools. The involvement between Tech and the schools is an important one, Johnson said.

Tech students are receiving field-based experience before they step into a classroom student-teach.

"Students are out there (in the classrooms) two semesters before student-teaching,'

College of Education students who are in the certified teacher program are required to complete field work at the school before they student-teach. The students plan les-

sons with the elementary school teacher and then teach their lesson.

"At Ramirez Elementary, the teachers and faculty have really

worked gether," Johnson said. "There have been real improvement stories on both sides."

Lucy Brown, the principal of Ramirez, said the school has gone through several Peggy Johnson changes for the acting associate dean

"This is the

best program we've ever entered into," Brown said. Brown said the children who attend Ramirez enjoy having the Tech students in their classes

Even though Tech has been working with PDS since 1991, they have never had a "real collaboration,"

She said Tech students, along with Posey teachers, will build a new Posey Elementary. The two groups will look at new programs, how the school day is conducted and the parental involvement.

Johnson said for the next decade, there is an estimated teacher shortage of two million. She said it is not a question of will a student receive a job, but if they will stay. The Tech students rarely decide, after working at a school, they no longer want to be teachers, Johnson said.

"This is good work," she said. "This is work that really does

The cost of the program has normally been paid for by grants.

She said at this time they are looking for more grant opportu-

She said the program is more labor intensive, but outside funding is helpful.

The Tech students are not paid for their work.

### Celebrations begin for new territory

IOALUIT, Nunavut (AP) - Dignitaries and foreign TV crews crowded into this small Baffin Island town Wednesday, and Inuit chefs prepared a huge feast featuring caribou, musk ox and raw seal to celebrate the creation of Nunavut, Canada's newest territory.

Stretching deep into the Arctic, with only 25,000 residents in an area as large as Western Europe, Nunavut (pronounced Noo-nah-voot), is the product of the largest land-claims settlement in Canada's history and gives its Inuit majority their longsought chance at self-government.

"This is proof that we are committed to reconciling aboriginal rights in Canada," Indian Affairs Minister Jane Stewart told reporters. "We aren't stuck in the past, we are prepared to evolve ... I can't tell you the sense of pride this gives me as a Canadian."

The new capital, Igaluit (pronounced Eee-kah-loo-eet), is normally home to 4,500 people. More than 1,000 visitors were expected for ceremonies starting with a midnight fireworks show to mark Nunavut's official birth. The festivities run through the day Thursday with speeches, a traditional drum dance, the community feast and an evening rock concert.

With only 150 hotel beds in town, visitors were advised to bring sleeping bags and were being housed in a community college, at military barracks, in private homes, even a drug-

and-alcohol treatment center. Nunavut is being created out of the eastern 60 percent of the Northwest Territories, culminating more than 20 years of lobbying by Inuit leaders. About 85 percent of Nunavut's 25,000 people are Inuit, as are 15 of the 19 candidates elected in February to the territorial legislature.

The main ceremony, to be attended by Prime Minister Jean Chretien, will be at midday Thursday in a complex of hangers designed to deploy jet fighters in the event of a Soviet military threat during the Cold War. Inuit performers will present a drum dance, and Nunavut's flag will be raised for the first time.

Over the past few days, several preliminary ceremonies have taken place, including the presentation of a new Canadian 25 cent coin designed by Inuit artists and engraved with an owl and bear. Nunavut's new ceremonial mace also was unveiled made of the tusk of a narwhal, a walrus-like creature. The mace is encrusted with jewels and tiny figures of seals. On Tuesday, the still-unfinished legislative building was dedicated at a ceremony attended by many Igaluit residents.

"This building is for you as you take the dream and vision into the next millennium, with pride in who you are, where you live and what you will accomplish," said Tagak Curley, president of the company that constructed the building.

Curley was one of the Inuit activists who began lobbying for an Inuitgoverned territory back in the 1970s.

"Our forefathers dreamed of one day regaining responsibility, ownership and accountability," he said.

### Nation of Islam leader remains hospitalized

WASHINGTON (AP) - Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan continued to receive treatment Wednesday at Howard University Hospital, but neither Nation of Islam officials nor the hospital would say much about his condition.

A statement sent to news organizations from the Nation of Islam newspaper, The Final Call, said day afternoon.

Farrakhan's treatment 'continues to be successful and his prognosis is excellent.'

Farrakhan, who was treated for prostate cancer several years ago, has been ill since early January with an undiagnosed condition, according to a Final Call article last month.

Farrakhan, 65, was admitted Tues-

At a March 19 press conference in Chicago, Nation of Islam Minister of Health Abdul Alim Muhammad said Farrakhan was being treated in Chicago, where he lives, for complications stemming from treatment of his

Alim said Farrakhan was not in any imminent danger and would rest for four months to recuperate from

prostate cancer.

A source within the Nation of Islam said Farrakhan, his family and an entourage flew here Tuesday from Chicago, where Farrakhan lives.

Farrakhan had been treated at Howard University Hospital in the early 1990s for the prostate condition, the source said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

### NATO airstrikes against Kosovo likely to cost United States billions

WASHINGTON (AP) - Prolonged and intense NATO airstrikes in Yugoslavia could cost the United States billions of dollars, putting more pressure on a \$270 billion Pentagon budget already stretched thin unless Congress provides new money.

Using the four-day Operation Desert Fox in December in Iraq as a guide, congressional and outside economists estimate the Pentagon could spend several hundred million dollars a week over regular U.S. de-

NATO has said airstrikes could continue for weeks to degrade the Yugoslav military's ability to attack independence-minded ethnic Albanians in Kosovo.

"The longer it goes on and as more aircraft are destroyed and as more munitions are consumed, the costs are going to come up," said Steven Kosiak of the Center for Strategic and **Budgetary Assessments.** 

Most extra defense costs will come from replacing missiles launched and bombs dropped on

Serb military targets. The 7,300 U.S. troops and 210 warplanes there already are paid for.

Aircraft refueling and maintenance also drive costs above peacetime training levels. In the cases of Iraq and Yugosla-

via, most airstrikes are conducted by U.S. troops and aircraft already in the region with only some added airpower, so potential transportation costs for ships, troops, military gear and weapons are not a big ad-

"The real budget question in the wake of an operation is how much do you need to rebuild your stock of munitions," said Steve Daggett of the Congressional Research Service.

Precision bombs come fairly cheap - about \$40,000 each. mostly for the laser guidance system attached to 500- to 2,000pound iron "dumb bombs," Daggett said.

Navy Tomahawk and Air Force cruise missiles can average \$1 million apiece, which can raise the

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The Pentagon has put the extra side analysts estimate the pricetag

cost of the cruise-missile strikes in is closer to \$500 million.

Steve Daggett

Congressional Research Service

Iraq at \$260 million, although out-

### Tech cheer squads on national TV

The Texas Tech cheerleaders and pom pon squad will compete in the National Cheerleading Association's cheerleading competition Friday in

Daytona Beach, Fla. The competition will be aired at noon April 17 on CBS and also at 8 a.m. May 29 on the USA

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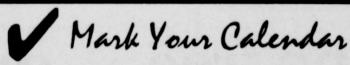
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## VIEWPOINTS



#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Americans interfering in other country's problems

To the editor: On the editorial page in The University Daily on Friday, Julie Mitchell says "And if we don't fix the problems who will?". The answer is more complicated than she thinks.

Yugoslavia is an independent country, and, as many other countries in the world, it has internal problems that end up with the murder of innocent people. It is sad, but that is the way it is. There are conflicts where the two parties involved are willing to die in order to reach their goal. Ms. Mitchell asks "What more do we need to know?"

There is much more to be known and understood about the Balkans; most Americans do not know where Kosovo is. They do not know the nature of the conflict, and they do not know the difference between Serbs and Albanians. The truth is most Americans do not know nothing about Yugoslavia. I do not know anything about you either, would you like me to intervene in your personal affairs?

Americans argue about the humanitarian reasons to intervene in the Balkans; the only thing that the Serbs are doing is fighting against a guerrilla army of Kosovar Albanians who want independence. They are probably violating human rights, but that is the way in which repression-to-independence movements have always been

The systematic violation of human rights was one of the key elements in the United States involvement in Central America countries in the early '80s, fighting against communist guerrillas. Now that the same methods of repression are used by a different country, they are not as good as they were before.

Just imagine what would happen if, for any reason, one of the states wanted its independence using terrorist acts, like those used by the Albanian guerrillas. The

U.S. government promptly would intervene with all its strength to eliminate the rebel forces, and it is probable that innocent people would die in the conflict. Would you accept foreign intervention against your government to solve a local conflict? How would you like if the Soviet Union intervened against your army favoring the rebels?

The column Friday ends saying "They're (NATO troops I guess) giving hope to people that otherwise have none," and it could be right. The only problem is they can be giving hope to other nationalist movements in eastern Europe to fight against their governments using terrorists acts. The United States supported, under different circumstances, Bosnia's independence.

I come from a country were human rights are being violated every day. There are massacres done by the guerrillas, and there also are violations by the national forces. It is a war and people die, but the last thing we need is the intervention of a foreign country, and in some way I understand the Serb Nationalists from Yugoslavia.

> Mauricio Soto graduate student

### Tech faculty should not spoon feed students

To the editor: The student's letter complaining about faculty disinterest that was published last week expresses a very strange view of a university. It appears that he has confused the community college with the university, which are completely different institutions.

For university faculty, teaching students is only one of our jobs. Just as important is mastery and safeguarding of existing knowledge, as well as pursuit of new knowledge — otherwise we will have nothing of value to teach students. We also have to participate in self-governance, which means serving on committees to carry out func-

tions that in a business enterprise would be done by the chief executive. We are expected to serve our professional organizations; this means reviewing and editing publications as well as publishing in journals. We must establish and maintain a career-long research program that includes managing one or more research laboratories, training graduate students, supervising post-doctoral staff and obtaining funding to support them over decades of long-term effort.

Faculty are dismayed by attitudes of students - especially graduate students — who object to unwanted incursions of course assignments into their "busy schedules." Want to be impressed? Look up the publications of the faculty who teach you, or check them out in "Men and Women of Science." Find out who serves on the committee that makes sure the books you need are available in the library and the computer services you use for course work are tailored to those requirements. Want to really learn a subject? Ask to work with the professor on a research project.

Great universities are distinguished by three things: great libraries, great laboratories and faculty who ask great questions - not who give a lot of A's.

The world-class university that Texas Tech aims to become is for those who want to equip themselves to compete with graduates of European and South American universities whose standards are much higher than ours. One of the most important distinguishing characteristics of college graduates is that they are capable of learning for themselves. For those students who are unable to learn on a self-directed basis but rather have to rely on step-by-step explanation and assistance by instructors and are confused by material that is not covered in the textbook, there are continuing education programs taught at a high school level at community colleges.

> Kathleen Hennessey professor information systems

# Speaking leads to change

f college students were randomly interviewed about their financial situation in a straw poll, the majority would probably utter the word broke somewhere in the first five or six words.

Some people might be exaggerating just a bit when they say they're broke, but others really do mean that the only thing they can find in their pockets when digging

for change is pocket lint. It's no wonder college students frequent places like Ci-Ci's and Mr. Gatti's for their pizza buffets, or Zookini's and Souper Salad for their all-you-can-eat salad, soup and po-

College students seem to be all about getting their money's worth out of things.

In fact, getting the most out of every dollar is probably one of the main reasons why people are drawn to Texas Tech and is certainly something students consider when they choose to purchase meal plans of-

fered by Housing and Dining. For a college student on a limited budget, the prospect of eating as much as you want from a variety of dining options is very appealing.

Other universities, such as TCU, don't have the all-youcan-eat option like we do here at Tech. This can make for some awfully expensive meals for really hungry students.

Andrew

Schoppe

Columnist

At the start of this semester, Housing and Dining opened up The Market at Stangel/Murdough to offer students a pay-as-you-eat dining option. This plan is geared to benefit those students who only

want to eat a few items that, if bought individually, wouldn't cost as much as the price of an all-you-can-eat No one knows for sure how this new dining option will

be received in the long run, but so far it seems to be wellreceived by many students.

If everything works out for the best, the combination of the two dining plans will meet the needs of all students living on campus.

What students need to ensure is that the pay-as-youeat dining option doesn't completely replace the all-youcan-eat dining option in all the residence halls on cam-

James Burkhalter, director of Housing and Dining, has said there is no intention to switch exclusively to an a la carte (pay-as-you-eat) dining plan.

Depending on the success of The Market, it's possible that within two to three years, other residence halls could soon offer a la carte dining as well.

One obvious way Housing and Dining will know whether it's worthwhile to expand the a la carte dining plan to other facilities is by seeing how many people visit The Market for meals during its first year.

Yet, it's also important that students pursue other ways to share their thoughts with Housing and Dining officials about any issues related to the dining halls students feel

Last semester was the first time in a long while that cartoons were not shown in the dining halls during fi-

In semesters past, many students enjoyed watching old re-runs of the Pink Panther, Bugs Bunny and all their friends during finals week to escape from exam pressures. Why were the cartoons removed?

As is often the case, the voice of a few student complaints was the culprit.

More often than not, people don't speak up if something's going good.

They speak up if they don't agree with something. Fortunately, after the cartoons were removed, it seems that several students posted petitions in various dining

halls asking the cartoons be brought back. The response in favor of bringing back the cartoons

was overwhelming. If we want to be sure things are the way we want them, we need to let the appropriate people know our thoughts. In the case of Housing and Dining's meal plans, we need to be alert to possible future trends toward a la carte din-

If you want to make sure that all-you-can-eat dining plans are still available in Tech dining halls, you need to

make yourselves heard. Ultimately, if we speak up, our voices will be heard.

> Andrew Schoppe is a junior broadcast journalism and business management major from Houston.

Write a letter today.

## America, land of the free — or not



Tucker Columnist

t is pointless for people to say "this great land of ours" anymore. It is not a great land, and furthermore it is not ours. The people have no power, and we are not free. We are prisoners of our own politico-administrative hybrid en-When is the last time kids in

school could freely suggest their own opinions? If a person in a college course expresses an opinion contrary to that of the instructor, oftentimes they are reprimanded, or they are failed. If a high school student tries to do the same thing, they are often sent to the principal for misbehavior, reprimanded or failed. Even in the business world, if an employee tries to do the same thing, similar consequences of being reprimanded or laid-off result. So, the question is: "Where is the freedom?" The fact is simple. In America,

there is no true freedom. The reason behind this is the system of government we live under is a republic, but under its umbrella, there are thousands of dictatorships and fascist regimes. School is fascist because there is no individual right to speech, dress, assembly or opinion. These days, it is not even kosher to have a religion while attending school. There should be a sign at the door with a bucket that says: "Please leave your individuality and all human rights here." The same can be said for businesses where employees are required to dress a certain way, talk only about business-related things and sit in their cubicles being good little

Our society is designed to make the individual stop thinking.

TV, radio, newspapers and magazines constantly feed the populous meaningless muck to further encourage people to fill their brains with triviality and never second guess their surroundings. There is a mission of the media to entertain the viewer. This is known as passive entertainment. The viewer is required to do nothing. There is no thought involved in watching TV or listening to the radio. And guess what? That is the whole purpose.

Look, the government wants people to be confused by politics. The government makes it hard for people to understand the system. There is a purpose behind the media keeping your brain in hibernation all hours of the day. This is so people do not question their lives. People never dream it could be any different.

The next time you go out to eat and wonder why someone is waiting tables at the age of 45, think to yourself whether or not that person thinks they can get a better job. All of the

people who work on construction lines, all the people who are janitors, they all think they are not good enough to do anything else or that no one else will hire them.

Well, forget that crap. People are good enough, and people are smart enough to understand the system. People are smart enough to use it for their own benefit, and those are the people who are convincing you that you can't do it.

Enough fooling around, and enough thinking that something is beyond your capabilities. Get out and get the better job. Get up and run for mayor, city council or president. Because God knows we could use some more qualified people in those posi-

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## National Poetry Month highlights area poets



Bucky Nance/The University Daily

Rhyme and Reason: William Wenthe, assistant English professor at Texas Tech, recites some of his poetry to an audience at the First Unitarian Church of Lubbock on March 25 Currently, he is working on his manuscript, "Convincing Blood."

By Tara Nishimura Staff Writer

April is National Poetry Month and poets from Texas Tech and Lubbock have several events showcasing their poetry.

Walt McDonald, a Horn professor in the English department, said West Texas has greatly influenced his life and consequentially, his work.

He has published 16 collections of

"I was born and raised in Lubbock and I went to school at Tech,' McDonald said. "I never set out to write a poem about Lubbock, but it's one of my regions. West Texas is the land that feeds my poems.

McDonald will read from his most recently published book, "Blessings the Body Gave," April 24 at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 6707 Slide Road.

He and Janet Neugebauer, an archivist at Tech's Southwest Collections Library signed a contract last month to print "Whatever the Wind Delivers: Celebrating West Texas and the near Southwest in Photographs and Poems.

"Without being open to my regions — Colorado, the war I was in, flying, my family and West Texas - I wouldn't have many poems at all,"

McDonald said. "It's not a matter of writing about it, I've been doing that all along. We're a part of all we've met." William

Wenthe, a professor in the English department, has published one collection of poetry, "Birds of Hoboken."

He is working on his manuscript, "Convincing Blood."

"When I read a poem and someone likes it, it's gratifying just like playing music for someone," Wenthe

He said reading poetry out loud is important because poets write with the sound of their words.

"It's very helpful for me to read my poems out loud," Wenthe said.

"It's sort of like a test flight for a

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> Janice Whittington English teacher and poet

> > in West Texas and struggles,"

Whittington said. Whittington's first book, "Into a Thousand Mouths," will come out

within the next week. She will have a book signing in April, but the time and location are

The book has about 60 poems, printed by Texas Tech University Press, and is a part of the Walt McDonald First Book Series.

McDonald served as poetry editor for the press for several years.

"I'm delighted to be in the Walt

McDonald series," Whittington said. "I am forever amazed by Walt McDonald, I think he's incredibly brilliant. So many of his poems make me weep and others are so joyful."

Whittington's "Does my Father Dream of Sons?," was published after she won a national chat book contest in 1991.

"I like playing with words," Whittington said. "I like putting down images that someone might be able to connect with."

Wenthe said not all poets are known or published.

"Many people write poetry, just as many people play music, but not everyone gets up on stage to perform," Wenthe said.

### Fans still mourn death of Tejano singer

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Fans are still mourning Selena four years after her death at the hands of her fan club's former president.

Michael Place of San Antonio made his first trip to a Corpus Christi Tuesday, the eve of the fourth anni-

"It brought tears to my eyes," he said.

"I really miss her."

Selena Quintanilla-Perez was shot to death on March 31, 1995, by Yolanda Saldivar in a Corpus Christi motel room. Saldivar, who had been president of Selena's fan club, is serv-

CLEBURNE (AP) — American

Home Products Corp. hid evidence

that half of the popular diet-drug

combination fen-phen caused seri-

ous heart problems, lawyers for a

woman suing the giant drug maker

said if you put a black box warning

on this product you are going to see

sales of the product cut in half,"

Michael McGartland said during

opening statements of the civil trial.

to figure out what the motivation

American Home Products, the parent

of pharmaceutical company Wyeth-

Ayerst Laboratories, is believed to be

the first to reach a courtroom over

the issue of heart valve damage

money," he said.

"They were making a lot of

'It doesn't take a rocket scientist

Sandra Moore's lawsuit against

"The sales and marketing people

for \$110 million said Wednesday.

ing a life sentence for the murder.

Selena, 23 at the time of her death, inspired a feature film, documentaries, books, dolls and a clothing line.

Some of her stage clothes and memorabilia are in the Smithsonian

fans visited her life-size memorial, took pictures and read messages scrawled on bricks at the base of the

During one 15-minute period, visitors from Michigan, Idaho, Arizona, Mexico and various Texas cities all stopped by to pay their re-

fenfluramine, marketed by Wyeth-

dexfenfluramine, a similar drug sold

Ayerst as Pondimin,

by the company as Redux.

Fenfluramine

makes up half of

the "fen-phen"

combination pre-

scribed to thou-

sands of patients

to promote weight

The other half,

phentermine, has

not been linked to

heart problems

when taken alone

and is still on the

Doctors found mild heart valve

damage after Moore, 52, took fen-

phen for 10 months in 1995 and 1996.

loss.

market.

Times reported.

"I liked it," said Kristian Sotelo, a 7-year-old from Idaho who was wear-

"I like all of her songs."

"She was a very good role model," said Saldivar, who is no relation to

At the singer's grave, adorned with

taking the pills," McGartland said.

Moore could prove key to other cases.

Experts said a victory for Ms.

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spects, the Corpus Christi Caller- fans Carlos Deavila and Pablo Cervantez took photographs before setting out to visit the statue for the first time.

> "I think she made a big impression on our people," Cervantez said.

For some fans, all the attention surrounding Selena makes the singer's death more difficult to ac-

"It was evil, what (Saldivar) did," Teri Place said as she and her husband read inscriptions at the memorial. "Now, Selena is gone. Why not just let the poor child rest?"

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my family, life

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#### **THURSDAY**

David Trout's Rock & Roll Comedy Karaoke—Chelsea Street Pub, South Plains Mall, 9 p.m., through Saturday, no cover

Swing Night—Clousseau's, 1802 Buddy Holly Avenue, 8 p.m., lessons - \$5

ABC Rodeo-Municipal Coliseum, Friday and Saturday, \$8, \$12, \$15

Lubbock Cork and Fork Dinner and Wine Tasting-Civic Center, 1501 6th St., 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., \$25

#### **FRIDAY**

Light Bright Highway & The Third Second—Renaissance Coffee House, 2420 19th St., 9 p.m., \$3

Boogiemen-Clousseau's, 1802 Buddy Holly Avenue, 10 p.m., no cover

Wade Parks and Brian Findley—Hub City Brewery.

1807 Buddy Holly Avenue, 10 p.m., no cover

Briggs Brother Band-Bash Riprocks, 2419 Main St., 10 p.m., \$3

#### **SATURDAY**

Kyle Abernathie's Sing-A-Long-Bleachers, 1719 Buddy Holly Avenue, 9 p.m.,

The Toon & Ingreid Kaiter Band-Hub City Brewery, 1807 Buddy Holly Avenue, 10 p.m., no cover

Jim Morse-Clousseau's, 1802 Buddy Holly Avenue, 10 p.m., \$3

### SUNDAY

Easter Bash with Tripping Daisy, Bowling for Soup, Spilling Poetry & more-Golf Station, 115th Street & Indiana Avenue, 1 p.m., \$9, \$12

#### bayfront statue of the Tejano star on Institution and a musical about her David Saldivar didn't realize it was "I think it's important that we relife is in the works. the anniversary of Selena's death, but member her. versary of her death. On Tuesday, a steady stream of decided to stop at the memorial with

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his two daughters after having driven by it several times in the past two

Yolanda Saldivar.

white flowers and a candle, El Paso

Fen-phen drug linked to heart disease why they were voluntarily withdrawn from the market," he said.

> "We are going to tell it like it is." Fenfluramine carried labels starting in 1988 warning that in rare instances it caused primary pulmonary hypertension, a potentially fatal disorder.

Wyeth-Ayerst has been hit with hundreds of lawsuits since it pulled fenfluramine and Redux off the market in 1997 at the Food and Drug Administration's request.

A Mayo Clinic study linked the drugs to potentially fatal heart valve

Prospective jurors were asked about their knowledge of the drugs, and nearly everyone knew about fen-

They were also questioned about the role of heredity in medical conditions, whether they had participated in a doctor-supervised weightloss program and whether wealthy drug companies should pay anyone who suffers a side effect.

Cleburne is 30 miles south of Fort

#### Defense lawyer Bill Sims said he caused by fen-phen or Redux. Now on medication for her con-Moore, a former Alvarado resident dition, she seeks damages up to \$110 looks forward to putting the facts who now lives in Missoula, Mont., before the jury. claims she and her physician weren't 'She has congestive heart failure "There's a lot of misinformation circulating about these drugs and warned about the risks of taking and heart valve disease as a result of

Clowns, cowboys to benefit Boys, Girls Club The 57th Annual ABC Rodeo

weekend. The annual event highlights professional rodeo participants from across the nation in traditional ro-

deo events.

The rodeo will have four perfor-

will feature three days of broncs, at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum. There also will be performances at bulls, clowns and cowboys this 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Sat-

> A special matinee performance will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

All proceeds from the rodeo will benefit the Lubbock Boys and Girls

mances beginning at 7:30 p.m today

Tickets cost \$8, \$12, \$15 and are available at the door and at Dollar Western Wear, 5007 Brownfield Highway; Boot City, 6645 19th St.; Cavenders, 5620 W. Loop 289; and Luskey's at 5034 Frankford Avenue.

For more information, call 793-



2412 Broadway 744-HOPS

#### Taxi dancing bill approved by Texas Senate In addition, their license to sell

AUSTIN (AP) — Taxi dancing — in which men pay women to dance with them — could mean jail time, a fine and ultimately the loss of a liquor license for nightclub owners who allow the practice by girls younger than 18 under a bill approved by the Texas

In touting the need to crack down on taxi dancing by minors, Sen. Mario Gallegos Jr. said it may lead to danger for the young women.

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semesters.

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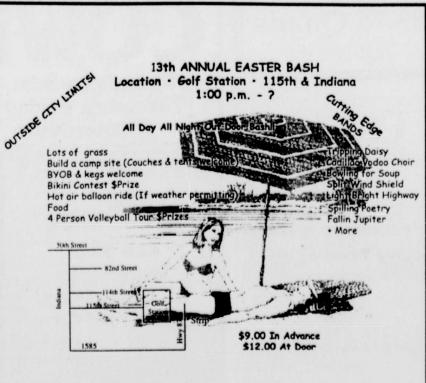
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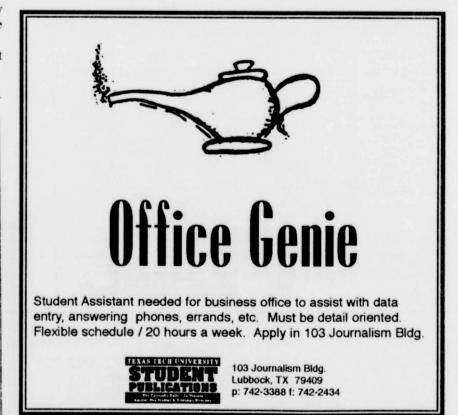
His bill was passed Wednesday and goes to the House for consideration. Gallegos' bill would make the offense of taxi-dancing by minors a Class A misdemeanor, punishable by up to a year in jail and a \$4,000 fine.

The practice of taxi dancing has come under scrutiny in Houston, where a nightclub owner was arrested last October for allegedly allowing eight underage girls to dance with men for tips.

alcoholic beverages would be suspended for five days on a first offense, sixty days on a second offense and canceled on a third offense.









## Four NYPD officers indicted on murder charges

NEW YORK (AP) — Four white police officers were charged with murder Wednesday for killing an unarmed African immigrant in a hail of 41 bullets — a shooting that has led to months of protests and a painful examination of police tactics and race relations.

Officers Kenneth Boss, Sean Carroll, Edward McMellon and Richard Murphy pleaded innocent in a Bronx courtroom to second-degree murder. They could get 25 years to life in prison on the murder charges.

Amadou Diallo, a 22-year-old street vendor from Guinea with no criminal record, was shot 19 times Feb. 4 in his vestibule by members of an elite street-crime unit looking for a rape suspect. Through their lawyers, the officers have said they thought Diallo had a gun.

The slaying has frayed Mayor Rudolph Giuliani's already strained

relationship with the black community, and many have accused him of failing to understand the depth of New Yorkers' anger.

Giuliani said Wednesday: "We should allow the criminal justice system to now operate."

Judge John Collins set bail at \$100,000 for each officer, even though District Attorney Robert Johnson had asked that they be held without bail. The officers left the courthouse together shortly after the arraignment.

Johnson told the judge: "On Feb. 4 in the vestibule in his own building, Amadou Diallo stood blameless, unarmed and defenseless when 19 of 41 shots were fired at him, struck him and killed him. ... These four defendants intended to take his life."

After leaving court, one of the officers, Carroll, shook hands with supporters and said in a quivering voice, "I want to thank the New York City police officers and the Street Crime Unit for their undaunted support."

The officers were immediately suspended from their jobs.

Marvyn Kornberg, Carroll's lawyer, called the intentional murder count "ludicrous."

"What's the district attorney saying? That they had nothing to do that night but roll up on an individual and attempt to kill him because he's black?" the lawyer asked.

Steven Brounstein, Boss's attorney, said in court that Johnson had "succumbed to a political agenda. My client is innocent of all charges. There was no crime on Feb. 4.'

In the two months since Diallo was killed, 1,203 people have been arrested in demonstrations over Diallo's death, the alleged police torture of Haitian immigrant Abner Louima in 1997 and the perception

that law-abiding minorities are routinely humiliated by police stop-and-search tactics.

Off-duty police officers and more than 25 of Diallo's friends and relatives packed the small courtroom for the 45-minute arraignment. About 1,000 demonstrators stood outside the courthouse.

Since the slaying, the streetcrime unit has been ordered to wear uniforms instead of plainclothes, and 50 slots at the predominantly white division will be reassigned to minority police of-

The case also reflects tension over police attitudes and tactics nationally. Earlier this month, President Clinton said he was worried that recent charges of police misconduct could undermine the fight against crime.

The officers in the Diallo case

before the grand jury.

Brounstein and Culleton both said their clients began firing because they saw one officer on the ground. McMellon

supposedly

slipped and fell as he and the other officers confronted Diallo.

James Culleton, Murphy's lawyer, said his client "had a sick feeling inside of him, believing that he was going to be shot, and he reacted.'

Earlier Wednesday, Giuliani and Police Commissioner Howard Safir

I want to thank the New York City police officers and the Street Crime Unit for their undaunted support."

Sean Carroll officer

attended a tribute to a police officer killed in the line of duty in 1996. Safir called Diallo's death a tragedy but urgd critics of the Police Department to "acknowledge the tragedies

that befall our family." "We grieve for Amadou Diallo and the four officers involved and pray they get a fair trial," Safir said.

### Taxpayers filing taxes electronically, slowly

WASHINGTON (AP) Drawn by the promise of swifter refunds and reduced chances of error, Americans are warming up to electronic tax filing — but paper still rules.

The number of people doing their taxes on computers and filing electronically has shot up 156 percent compared to last year. But the 1.7 million returns prepared at home on computers through March 26 represent a tiny fraction of the total of 63.1 million returns filed so far.

Counting returns prepared by professionals and simple returns filed over the telephone, total electronic returns have reached 24 million, up more than 16 percent from last year, according to Internal Revenue Service figures released Wednes-

One major reason people are turning to electronic filing is the quick turnaround time for a refund, an average of 15 days compared to a minimum of 35 days for a paper return. And "e-filed"

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returns are easier to screen for simple math or processing errors, which can then be sent back to the taxpayer and corrected without major IRS

"There are certain problems we can identify, send the return back to you and that way you can correct it up front," said Terry Lutes, director of IRS electronic program operations.

The IRS has aggressively marketed e-filing, including a mailing to taxpayers who used computers last year that had a new personal identification number to be used in place of a paper "signature" form.

But most of the estimated 126 million returns the IRS expects to get this year still will be on paper, despite these ad-

"Some people are just technophobes," said Eddie Feinstein, director of electronic commerce at H&R

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Kernel reveals history of New World humans BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — A tiny corn kernel is rewriting human his-

tory in the New World. The kernel — from a cob about the size of a child's finger - was discovered by University of California, Berkeley archaeologist M. Steven Shackley and two University of New Mexico colleagues last summer in a

cave in Arizona. Radiocarbon analysis at the Center for Accelerator Mass Spectrometry at Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory shows the kernel is 3,690 years old. That makes it the oldest corn ever discovered in the United States and the oldest ever found anywhere outside central Mexico, where corn has been dated back 4,700 years.

The discovery — along with other new archaeological evidence of 3,000-year-old human villages and irrigation canals near Tucson uncovered during construction of Interstate 10 - have switched archaeology's focus from New Mexico and the Colorado plateau to

southern Arizona as the cradle of early farming in the Southwest.

'The Southwest has been continuously inhabited at least 12,000 years, but these discoveries are pushing back in time the transition to agriculture and village life," said Jonathan

Mabry, a Tucson archaeologist who made some of the village discover-

"These finds have made a lot of textbooks obsolete," added.

The discoveries also pro-

vide clues to the origin of the people the Navajos call the Anasazi, who created the cliff dwellings of Mesa Verde in Colorado and the pueblos in Chaco Canyon, N.M.

Archaeologists are beginning to believe the Anasazi may have been the descendants of those early farmers around Tucson and their ancestors who farmed in canyons of the Southwest and Northern Mexico, Shackley said.

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miles northeast of Tucson. Corn residue has been found in Panama roughly dated from 5,000 to 6,000

years old, and experts believe corn probably originated as a tropical grass somewhere in Central America.

"The McEuen Cave discovery is another piece of information that indicates that maize arrived in the Southwest much earlier than we used to think - now obviously at least 4,000 years ago - and that brought rapid changes in the way people lived," Shackley said.

"We now know that by 3,000 years ago, these hunter gatherers settled down and lived in farming villages," he said. "That's a very new idea."

Their discovery also brings smiles to the Hopi, whose language traces back to Uto-Aztecan and who are among the most likely descendants of the ancient farmers.

"To the Hopi, in our belief system, corn is very, very old. Now science is proving it to be as old as we have always believed," says Leigh J. Kuwanwisiwma, director of the Hopi Cultural Preservation office in Kykotsmovi, Ariz.

### Baptist leader sentenced to 5 1/2 years in prison "It stinks in God's nostrils and I

LARGO, Fla. (AP) — Sobbing and pleading for mercy, the Rev. Henry more than \$4 million while president of one of the nation's largest and most

influential black denominations. The 57-year-old minister was also ordered to repay almost \$2.5 million.

"I cannot shake the feeling that I have let so many people down," Lyons told Circuit Judge Susan Schaeffer. "I've asked God every single night and day to forgive me."

Lyons was convicted Feb. 27 of bilking companies wanting to sell cemetery products, life insurance policies and credit cards to members of the National Baptist Convention USA. He was also found guilty of stealing money donated to rebuild burned Southern black churches.

Lyons and his alleged mistress, jewelry and travel.

The judge ordered him to prison immediately, rather than allowing him to remain free until his sentencing in federal court in June on related charges of fraud and tax evasion. "The jury has said you're a rack-

eteer and they said you're a thief," Schaeffer said. "It's time to pay the piper, Dr. Lyons."

Lyons could have gotten up to eight years in prison under state sentencing guidelines.

A weeping Lyons apologized particularly for the theft of almost \$250,000 from the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, money intended to rebuild burned churches.

black people to forgive me because I believe that it will haunt me the rest of my life. I really do.'

"I ask for mercy," Lyons said, breaking into sobs.

Among those who spoke on Lyons' behalf was his wife, Deborah.

"I love my husband very much. We have been through some rough times together," she told the judge, "If you can find it in your heart, look not at Dr. Lyons in the last three or four years but look at the good he brings."

Lyons' troubles began in 1997 when his wife set fire to a \$700,000 waterfront home he owned with Edwards. The fire led to closer scrutiny of Lyons' lavish spending.

Lyons, pastor of a St. Petersburg convention publicist Bernice knowit stinks in the law's nostrils and church, served as president of the Lyons was sentenced to 5 1/2 years Edwards, were accused of spending it stinks to me," he said. "I ask the National Baptist Convention from in prison Wednesday for swindling the money on luxury homes, cars, court and I ask America and I ask 1994 until he tearfully resigned that post on March 16, a few weeks after he was convicted.

The next day, he avoided a second

trial by pleading guilty in federal court to evading taxes, engaging in fraudulent activities and lying to officials - charges that also grew out of convention business dealings. Edwards went on trial with Lyons

but was acquitted. However, she pleaded guilty in federal court to tax evasion and is awaiting sentencing

Lyons' sentencing in federal court is set for June 18. His lawyers said that under sentencing guidelines, he will probably serve a little more than 7 vears at the most.

### Couple sentenced for selling disease fighters

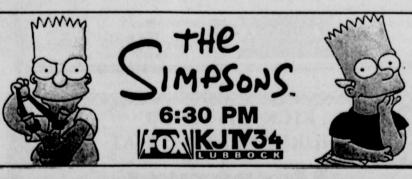
FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — An Idaho couple were sentenced to prison for selling ozone-generating machines they claimed could cure AIDS and cancer. Kenneth Thiefault,

58, and his wife, Mardel Barber, 52, of harm people," prosecutor Rolando Kooskia, Idaho, sold the machines for about \$4,800 each to customers across the United States, prosecutors said.

"These machines can actually

Garcia said Wednesday. A biology professor who testified at the couple's fraud trial said inhaling ozone in high concentrations can cause cancer, he

Thiefault was sentenced Monday to more than six years in prison and fined \$100,000. His wife got nearly three years and a \$60,000 fine.



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## TPC worthy of major recognition

f ever there was going to be a fifth major added to the Professional Golf Association's tour, the TPC at Sawgrass made a strong case for being it this past weekend. It was like



Jeff Keller Staff Writer watching a United States Open.

The rough was deep, the greens were fast as lightning and the scores were high. Only two players finished the tournament under par. That says it all right there.

The whole course is de-

manding, but two holes make the TPC at Sawgrass one of the toughest courses anywhere.

The first is No. 17, possibly the toughest par-3 in golf today. The island green was the deciding factor in this year's tournament.

Davis Love III's shot at winning

### New weight rooms on tap for Tech athletes

Texas Tech athletes will have a new weight room to exercise in next

The Tech athletic department announced plans to complete a 5,500square-foot weight room in the Athletic Training Center.

The project, scheduled to be completed by mid-July, is estimated to cost \$250,000. The new weight room will be a result of renovations to the existing weight area in the ATC.

Beginning in the fall, the football squad will use the new facility while the volleyball and basketball teams will move their workouts to the United Spirit Arena. The newly remodeled weight room will be used by the baseball, softball, soccer and men's and women's track teams.

diminished at 17 on Saturday, and Payne Stewart completely fell apart at 17 on Sunday. We're talking about two players who have won major's and are regarded as two of the best players in the game today. No. 17 has made even the best of players look

The other hole is No. 18, which is guarded from tee-to-green by water on the left side and deep rough on the right side of the fairway. The deep pits that guard the right side of the green are troublesome to say the least. It takes a perfect tee shot to have a shot at par on 18. No. 17 and 18 are the perfect close to the TPC at Sawgrass. They would make a nice closing stretch for any major tournament.

Over the past three years, the TPC at Sawgrass has played tougher than Augusta, the site of the Masters. The average winning score at the Masters over the past three years is 13-underpar. The average winning score at Sawgrass the past three years is 10under. You do the math. Which one is tougher? Well for the past three years the TPC at Sawgrass has been

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The only thing keeping the TPC at Sawgrass from being a major is its lack of tradition. It has only been around since 1974. The Masters has a great tradition with the green jacket and all of the great players that have played in and won the tournament.

But as the game has evolved, the players are now able to hit the ball farther than they could when Robert Trent Jones designed Augusta in the early part of this century. Augusta's lack of rough means players like Tiger Woods and David Duval can hit a driver off of every par-4 and par-5 that they need to, and not worry about hitting into deep rough.

Sure, the Masters has the famed "Amen Corner," which is nothing to joke about. But the players can build up their scores on other holes on the course before playing those holes. The greens at Augusta are traditionally the fastest around. But they will have to be unusually fast this year to top the speed of the greens at the TPC Sawgrass this season.

So, no longer having the fastest Cloudcroft, N.M.

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greens around and no thick gnarly rough to line the fairways, does Augusta still have the prestige that it is used to?

Of course it does, it's Augusta. Am I trying to say that the Masters shouldn't be a major anymore?

What I am saying is that there are newer courses and tournaments that are challenging the players more than Augusta. It may just be a fluke, but as the years pass, it seems that longer players are dominating the Masters and scores are getting lower and lower at Augusta. So if courses like the TPC at Sawgrass keep posing more of a challenge to the players than Augusta does, is it right to keep them just regular tour stops and not majors?

The PGA should give the TPC at Sawgrass the recognition it deserves at make it the fifth major tournament.

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Tech athletes to get new weights facility see p. 7

# Swinging with success

Men's tennis adds momentum heading

The Texas Tech men's tennis team will try to use its solid performance last weekend as momentum when they travel to College Station and Austin this weekend for

We have no holes in

our singles lineup."

The Red Raiders (12-6 overall, 2-2 Big 12) will face the Aggies today and will battle the Longhorns

Saturday. Tech is coming off the UC-Santa Barbara Invitational where it posted a 3-1 mark in four

matches. The Red Raiders made it to the championship match of the tour-

nament where they lost to No. 5 SMU 4-0.

Prior the match with the Mustangs, Tech had not lost a singles match in the tournament.

Every player on the Red Raider squad has a winning singles record

this season, and Tech Director of matches." Tennis Tim Siegel said the team's singles play is solid right now.

"I think everybody is playing very well, and the guys feel good about

boost for the

ing the tournament. "Ryan Shupe

has been outstanding,' Siegel said. "He's playing

the weekend. He's just not lossingles ing

that now stands at No. 6 in the coun-

Tech has not beaten Texas A&M in two years and has not beaten Texas since the 1992 campaign.

Swinging With Vengeance: Senior Petar Danolic has helped the Red Raiders to their best start since 1993. Tech is 12-

Sophomore Borut Martincevic has compiled a 9-7 record at the No. 1 slot this season and said the Red Raiders will face a tough challenge this weekend from their conference

"I think we have a good chance against Texas and Texas A&M," Martincevic said.

"But, both are going to be tough

matches."

Tech is off to its best start since 1993, and Siegel said his team is playing with enough confidence to beat higher-ranked teams like the Aggies and the Longhorns.

'We believe now that we can win," Siegel said.

"In the past, maybe we didn't feel as confident playing these two schools. But, we do now. They are both very good teams, very strong. But, I am just looking forward to this weekend."

### Red Raider fastpitch enjoys win, suffers loss

LAS CRUCES, N.M. (Special) -Another bout of errors cost the Texas Tech fastpitch squad a doubleheader sweep of New Mexico State on Wednesday.

After winning the first game, the second game turned into a classic pitchers' duel.

For the Red Raiders (24-21 overall), pitcher Emily Hayes (9-8) was near perfect. The senior threw a onehitter and allowed no runs through seven innings, forcing extra innings.

While Hayes shut down the Aggies (11-27 overall), New Mexico State pitcher Kabrina Bates did the same to the Red Raiders. In the contest, Tech could only manage seven hits.

Hayes got through the eighth, but in the ninth, errors, which cost Tech a series against Baylor last weekend, cost the Red Raiders the opportunity for the victory.

After Tech collected one out, New Mexico State right fielder Melissa Briggs reached first on an error by Red Raider shortstop Paula Workman. Aggie Christine Stephens sacrificed bunted Briggs to second. But the next batter, Barbie Eitel, blasted a two-run home run off Hayes to pick up the win.

In the first game, the Red Raiders were able to find offense.

Off an Aggie error in the first inning, Kim Martinez doubled in Tech center fielder Sandy Butler to make the score 1-0. In the sixth, Tech scored twice more to put the contest

into weekend action against Texas, A&M By Jeff Keller

Big 12 conference matches.

"We have no holes in our singles lineup," Siegel said.

themselves.

Sophomore Ryan Shupe has won eight out of his last nine singles matches and has posted an 11-4 mark at the No. 2 position this sea-

Siegel said Shupe provided a Tech squad dur-

Tim Siegel

Director of Tennis

great tennis, and I think he was our MVP of

Shupe said the team is playing high-caliber tennis right now, and

"The Santa Barbara tournament is definitely a momentum-builder for

6 overall and 2-2 in Big 12 play heading into weekend action at Texas A&M and Texas.

this week," Shupe said. "We're all playing where we should be right now - we're peaking. None of us are injured. We're all healthy and in good shape. So, that is a definite plus.

the Red Raiders hope to play as well

against Texas A&M and Texas as they

did in the Santa Barbara tournament.

If Tech is to continue its winning ways, it will have to do it against an Aggies squad, which is ranked No. 21 in the nation and a Longhorns team

### Former Rice swimming coach sues student-athletes

University swimming coach is suing 14 student-athletes she blames for

until she lost her job. Kris Wingenroth, 45, coached men's and women's swimming teams

HOUSTON (AP) — A former Rice year" awards in the Southwest Con-

But Wingenroth claims students bad-mouthing her coaching ability went on a mission to oust her, complaining that she was too soft just before her contract wasn't renewed.

"There is not another single reat Rice for 15 years until her contract ported case in the world of a coach was not renewed last summer. Her suing the athletes who criticized the

by the school to represent the stu-not to renew the coach's contract afdents, told the Houston Chronicle in Wednesday editions.

'Rice's position is the students have to feel free to express their opin- · Adams, could not be reached for ions. If they can't do that, then the whole idea of a university as a place to freely exchange ideas will go down the tubes.

Hardin said the school decided

ter looking into the students' con-

comment Wingenroth, who Hardin said is

Wingenroth's attorney, James

now in Ecuador studying Spanish, initially sued two swimmers, Corv Teague and Christian SelchauHansen, in state court in December. She added 12 more to the list earlier this month.

The former coach is seeking unspecified actual and punitive damages for several legal claims, including defamation, conspiracy to interfere with her contract and intentional infliction of emotional distress.

On March 7, her attorney filed a

75-paragraph document outlining what the swimmers allegedly did to get her removed from the swimming

According to the lawsuit, Wingenroth's first confrontation with the swimmers occurred in March 1995, after she reported to university officials that several swimmers had used illegal drugs at a party.

### tenure included five "coach of the coach," attorney Rusty Hardin, hired anging face of baseball could mean pla

Mark McGwire walking to the plate the sleeves of their uniforms in the with a patch on his bulging biceps

advertising a burger joint. Or those famed New York Yankees pride by Ruth and Gehrig, DiMaggio and Mantle — pitching an ad for ba-

It could be coming to a ballpark near you.

Baseball, according to the Sports Business Journal, is considering al-

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NEW YORK (AP) — Imagine this: lowing its teams to sell advertising on be picked up in TV closeups and phonear future.

It's not unprecedented: Soccer teams around the world have ads on pinstripes — the ones worn with their shirts, selling everything from breweries to banks, often emblazoned in letters larger than those of the team name.

The ads could be on 1- to 1 1/2inch square patches - perhaps too small to be easily seen from the upper deck, but certainly big enough to

tographs. NASCAR drivers are walking, talk ing billboards when they wear their track outfits during each competi-

And tennis players and golfers frequently appear on the court and the course wearing caps with corporate

Although shoes and equipment such as bats and gloves carry brand names and logos, ads on uniforms apparently would be a first for the four major U.S. team sports.

Currently, the only corporate marking on baseball uniforms is an "R" for Russell Athletic, the manufacturer of the official jerseys used by the

"This is about trying to find creative ways to bring valuable partners into baseball," Tim Brosnan, baseball's senior vice president of domestic and international properties, said Wednesday.

Brosnan would not put a timetable on the discussions or when a final decision will be made on the issue, saying it is dependent "on when

things gel. Several officials speaking on the condition they not be identified said owners would have to give the final go-ahead and pointed out that commissioner Bud Selig moves slowly and carefully toward decisions, espe-

cially decisions of this magnitude. "There are active discussions about the issues that bring additional partners and additional sponsors into baseball," Brosnan said of the advertisement opoortunitites.

'We're kicking around a lot of Selig and chief operating officer

Paul Beeston did not respond to telephone calls seeking comment on the possibility of adding ads to major league players' uniforms. Baseball would prohibit uniform

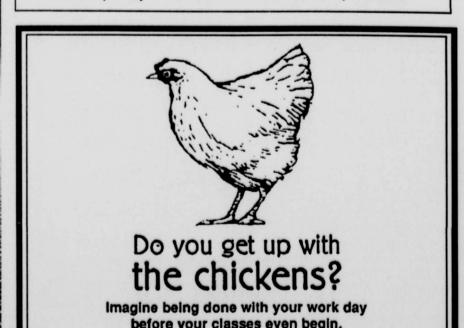
media companies. Broadcasters of games are unlikely to want to show closeups of players wearing ads for their com-

ads only from tobacco, alcohol and

petitors. In the scramble to find new revenue in the 1990s, often to cover players' escalating salaries, teams have dramatically increased ballpark advertising, plastering ads on fences and - for the first time - behind home plate, where they are visible behind the batter from the center field television camera during tele-

vised broadcasts. Teams have even sold the naming rights to stadiums - Banc One Corp. will spend more than \$66 million on the naming rights to the Arizona Diamondbacks' ballpark in the next 30 years.





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