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STATENEWS —

Festivities to accompany reopening of UT tower

AUSTIN (AP) - After being closed to the public for more than two decades, the observation deck of the University of Texas tower will be reopened to the public tonight.

A series of suicides forced school officials to close the observation deck in 1975. It had been closed earlier following the infamous shooting spree in which Charles Whitman killed 16 people and wounded scores of others before he was shot to death in 1966.

Festive ceremonies will mark the reopening of the observation deck and will be part of a day of events marking the university's

The events include free birthday cake, a State of the University Address by UT President Larry Faulkner, a symposium about the tower and a concert featuring a trumpet fanfare with musicians from 21 Austin area high

Faulkner, who became president in 1997, agreed with students who wanted the deck open. Regents decided last November to open it to visitors.

NATIONALNEWS

Hatch, shooting survivor back enforcement, not new laws

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Senate Judiciary Committee chairman released a staff report Wednesday indicating a steep decline of federal firearm prosecutions during the Clinton administration.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, the Utah Republican who is running for president, said the figures show President Clinton is "soft on crime." He urged stricter enforcement of current gun laws rather than new restrictions.

But a Justice Department official said federal prosecutors are focusing on the most dangerous armed criminals. The combined number of state and federal gun prosecutions is up, said Bea Witzleben, a top official on gun

Hatch's committee staff report showed federal gun prosecutions dropped from 7,048 in 1992, when George Bush was president, to 3,807 last year.

"It's nice to mouth off about gun control, but we've got lots of laws on the books that aren't being enforced," Hatch said at a news conference that also included one of the students injured during the Columbine High School shootings in Littleton, Colo.

WORLDNEWS -

Council approves Timor mission to bring peace

UNITED NATIONS (AP) - Hoping to avert a humanitarian disaster in East Timor and salvage a U.N.-organized vote on its independence, the Security Council authorized an international peacekeeping force Wednesday to move into the territory and use all force needed to reign in rampaging militias.

The council voted unanimously to adopt the resolution only 15 hours after it was introduced, underscoring the widespread conviction among council members that peace will only come with international forces.

'It's not often that the U.N. works as quickly as this," said British Ambassador Jeremy Greenstock, who introduced the draft.

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Long distance relationship

Tech cross country runners experience international flavor

by Jeff Keller

Staff Writer

The Texas Tech men's cross country squad will try to improve this season with the aid of a Kenyan connection.

Junior Boniface Ndungu and senior Samson Ngetich both hail from Kenya, a country with a rich tradition in running.

Tech cross country coach David Smith said the Kenyan runners are world-famous, and they take the

"They've got a great history there," Smith said. "They are real proud of running there. They take a lot of pride in track and field. They have sort of a world domination of the sport, which really started in the '60s with Kip Keino. Since him, they really have had a good tradition in distance runners."

Ngetich took up running at his high school, Kaplong Boys School, in Kapsabet, Kenya.

After graduating high school in 1994, Ngetich attended Jomo Kenyatta University before transferring to Tech in spring 1997.

Ngetich raced cross country for Tech last year and was Tech's top finisher in two meets.

Lubbock's distance from Kenya makes it difficult to go home, and Ngetich said he has not been back since coming to Tech.

"I don't get to go home often," Ngetich said.

"I have been here for three years, and I've never gone home. But I don't get homesick that much.' Ngetich said he enjoys running cross country but

prefers running track. Smith said Ngetich's strength is really in running short and middle distances on the track, but he also

is a strong cross country runner.

Smith said. "He ended up being our No. 2 guy at the confer-

"This year, he had a tough day at our first race where he was our seventh finisher. But that wasn't too

Ndungu came to Tech from Kansas' Dodge City Community College in the spring of 1999 and raced

in the outdoor season for the Red Raiders. Ndungu already has made his presence felt on the cross country squad, winning his first race at the Red

Raider Invitational. Ndungu said he has not been running as long as

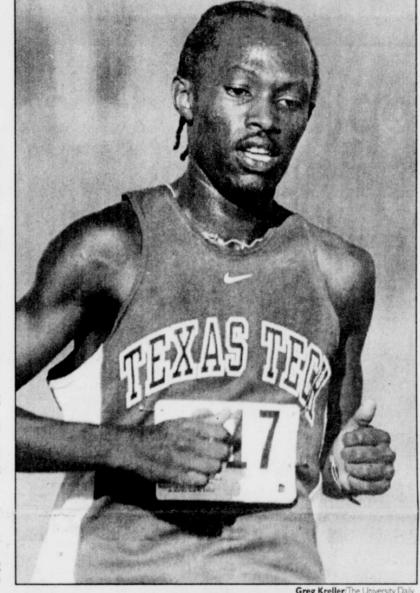
the other racers that he competes against. "Actually, I haven't been running for long," Ndungu said. "I just started running in 1996. My coach back home in Kenya was like our neighbor, and he just told us to start running with him one day. It kind of just started like that. He told me that I was pretty good

Ndungu first set foot on American soil when he began his career at Dodge City Community College. Ndungu said he likes Kenya better than the United States but added he has more opportunities in

and that I should try to come to the United States and

America. "I like my home in Kenya the best," Ndungu said. 'But America has more opportunities school-wise. I like the schools here better. There are more educational facilities here. In Kenya, we don't have as many schools as there are here. The schools are harder in Kenya, but school here is much better."

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Greg Kreller/The University Daily



Senior Samson **Ngetich was Tech's** No. 1 runner for much of last season and is primed for another strong indoor and outdoor year in 1999. Greg Kreller/The University

Ndungu transferred

to Tech last spring

at the Red Raider

Invitational.

and won his first race

TABC to keep tight rein on alcohol possession during football games

Staff Writer

Students headed to the Red Raider's first home football game against the University of North Texas will want to think twice about smuggling alcohol into Jones Stadium.

Capt. Dan Cullers of the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission said all minors caught with alcohol at football games will be cited or arrested.

"There is zero tolerance for minors in possession," Cullers Minors who are found to be in possession of alcohol face a \$500 fine, a mandatory driver's license suspension and alcohol

awareness counseling. It is against the law for people to bring alcohol into Jones Stadium, and officers will be present at both the gates and in

the stands to monitor the crowd. Cullers said people over the age of 21 should still be concerned about receiving a citation for public intoxication.

Both minor in possession and public intoxication are Class C misdemeanors," Cullers said.

People cited for public intoxication face a mandatory fine of

Students cited for either of these offenses on Tech property could also face disciplinary action from the Dean of Students Of-

Cullers said the TTPD will handle all security issues at the games, but the TABC will offer their assistance if it becomes nec-

"If it becomes a big problem, we will come out there," Cullers said.

Hale said the game is expected to go smoothly for police. Dan Hale, public information officer for the TTPD, said officers

will be looking for spectators trying to take alcohol into the game. "We will have officers assigned to the gates looking for people who are trying to smuggle in contraband," Hale said. "We don't anticipate having any problems, but we try to be prepared for any-

The TTPD also announced their security plans for the game. Hale said the plans are consistent with those made in previous

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Researchers shadow hurricane

by Adrienne Gaviglio

As the busy hurricane season is underway, a team of Texas Tech researchers are in South Carolina to get a close look at the progression of Hurri-

"We have sent 10 people to investigate the hurricane," said April McDowell, coordinator for civil engineering.

They are all students of either civil engineering, atmospheric science or mathematics.

The team this year has also been in Florida to study Hurricane Dennis

Hurricane Floyd and Tropical Storm Char-The Wind Engineer-

ing Mobile Instrumented Tower Experiments team set up towers in front of the projected path the hurricane, McDowell

The towers are designed and built by Tech students and staff. "The team has two

towers which are both 30 feet tall which are held standing by anchors," McDowell said.

"Each tower is equipped with a water-tight box that is supplied with a computer inside that records all the data. The WEMITE towers process information regarding the wind speed, wind direction, relative

humidity and pressure.' McDowell said specially designed planes flying over the storm was the previous method of gath-

"We have hurricane hunters that fly above the hurricanes each year to track data, but because of the elevation they maintain, there is substantial amount of information not obtained," she said.

"This year we are using a wind generator located centrally in the tower which powers the en tire system. Because of the excessive amount of

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President search yet to begin

by Andrew Thompson

With the announcement of Texas Tech President Donald Haragan's resignation last month, a new search committee has yet to be formed to name a replacement.

Chancellor John Montford issued a request to deans across campus, as well as to Student Government Association President Douglas Jeffrey, asking for input into what kind of search the Chancellor's Office should put together.

Haragan announced his resignation Aug. 31. He said his reason for the announcement was his desire to return to the classroom. He will remain as president until Aug. 31, 2000,

but will leave his post if a replacement is found before then.

Haragan began his employment at Tech in 1969 as an assistant professor of geosciences. He has been president of Tech since August 1996.

Jeffrey said he is concerned about letting students have input into the matter. "We need all the input we can about this," he

"There has to be student input, especially on an issue as important as this."

Jeffrey mentioned the Chancellor's Roundtable as one of the ways students can have their say about the search. The group is comprised of six Tech students who meet with the chancellor to discuss different issues across campus.

Two days after Haragan announced his resignation, Robert Ewalt, vice president for Student Affairs, followed suit.

Ewalt said he will step down from his position effective Jan. 31. Ewalt will turn 65 in November. Haragan said it will be up to the new president

to find a replacement for Ewalt's position.

"I'll appoint an interim vice president, but I'd rather leave that job to the next president," he said. Jeffrey said the search for a new president will not be easy or swift.

"To find someone of President Haragan's caliber won't be easy," he said.

"I expect the entire process will take a while."

Several shot in church sanctuary

FORT WORTH (AP) — Seven extremely critical, Ellis said. people died and eight others were injured after a man dressed in black walked into a church service filled with teen-agers Wednesday night, pulled a gun and began shooting, police said.

Fort Worth police Lt. David Ellis said three teen-agers and three adults were shot to death inside the church in the city's southwest corner. The shooter appears to have been in his 30s.

Eight others went to hospitals

No victim names were available. A pipe bomb exploded on a balcony inside the sanctuary after the 7 p.m. shooting and a bomb squad was inspecting several suspicious packages found at the church, Ellis

reporters and bystanders to get inside an elementary school across the street from the church because of the explosives.

with injuries, some of which appear Peter Smith Hospital, one to Harris The Pole" ceremony.

Methodist Hospital and one 12vear-old went to Cook Childrens' Medical Center, fire officials said.

"He was very calm and looked normal and was smoking a cigarette," witness Christy Martin, 17, told KDFW-TV.

The man walked into the sanctu-Shortly after 8 p.m., police told ary, pulled a gun and began firing," she said. "I just saw him point the gun and shoot," she said.

Scores of teen-agers attended Wednesday night's weekly service Five wounded were taken to John because of the annual "See You At

Dax Hughes, the church's college minister, said at least 150 young people were inside the sanctuary when the gunman arrived.

"He hits the door real hard to make his presence known and he just immediately started firing,' Hughes said.

When the gunfire was over, Hughes said, the man "sat in the back pew and put a gun (to his head) and shot himself and fell over."

Chris Applegate, a seventh grader, said he was in choir practice when the gunman burst into the

"We were singing a song and then in the middle of the song this guy opened the door and fired one shot," he said. "He just kept telling us to

"We all just jumped under the benches and he fired about 10 more shots. ... Somebody said, 'Run, run,' and we all started running."

The man reloaded several times during the rampage, which some first thought was a skit or prank.

"I was wondering ... whether it was real or not," Chris said.

Federal judge delays Waco lawsuit; evidence might take longer to find

Wednesday delayed next month's Davidians have sued the govern-

WACO (AP) — A federal judge on ment for wrongful death, saying it will take longer for federal officials to trial in which surviving Branch produce the evidence he has de-

U.S. District Judge Walter Smith, who has battled the Justice Department in recent weeks over the scope of his demand, acknowledged that

the department intends to comply with his order to transfer to his court all documents and evidence related to the 1993 siege.

the court," the order states.

"However, the physical transfer of control of all of this evidence will take longer than originally anticipated by

ALCOHOL,

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"This is a pretty routine plan for the opening game of the season," Hale said.

A number of officers will also be assigned to traffic direction and control.

"Access to the areas around Jones Stadium will be restricted three hours prior to the kick-off," Hale said.

After 3 p.m., there will be restricted access at the intersections of Eight Street and Akron Avenue, Red Raider Avenue and Fourth Street, and the Drive of Champions and Flint Avenue.

Hale said the traffic barriers should not affect students who wish to access other areas of the campus.

"This won't impact people going to the UC, residence halls or library," Hale said.

The TTPD also will be patrolling the new Frazier Pavilion, which will be used by the Ex-Students Association for the first time this year.

Alcohol will be sold inside the pavilion, but people are prohibited by law from taking

alcohol outside the property. "It is a situation that we will monitor closely because of this situation," Hale said.

School to receive gift from UT alum

An Austin attorney will to donate \$5,000 to the Texas Tech law school for its pursuit in encouraging professional and ethical behavior in its stu-

Broadus Spivey, a recipient of the State Bar of Texas Professionalism Award and a graduate of the University of Texas law school, chose Tech's law program to receive the cash award in his name. His donation breaks a tradition where the winner usually gives the award to his alma mater.

Spivey wrote to the deans of law schools in Texas asking what their schools do in the area of professionalism before making his decision.

He said Tech's response was "head and shoulders above the rest" and decided to make the gift.

Students of the Tech law school must take an orientation session that discusses professionalism. Other basic courses involve various topics dealing with the subject.

The donation will be used to fund workshops and speakers addressing professional-

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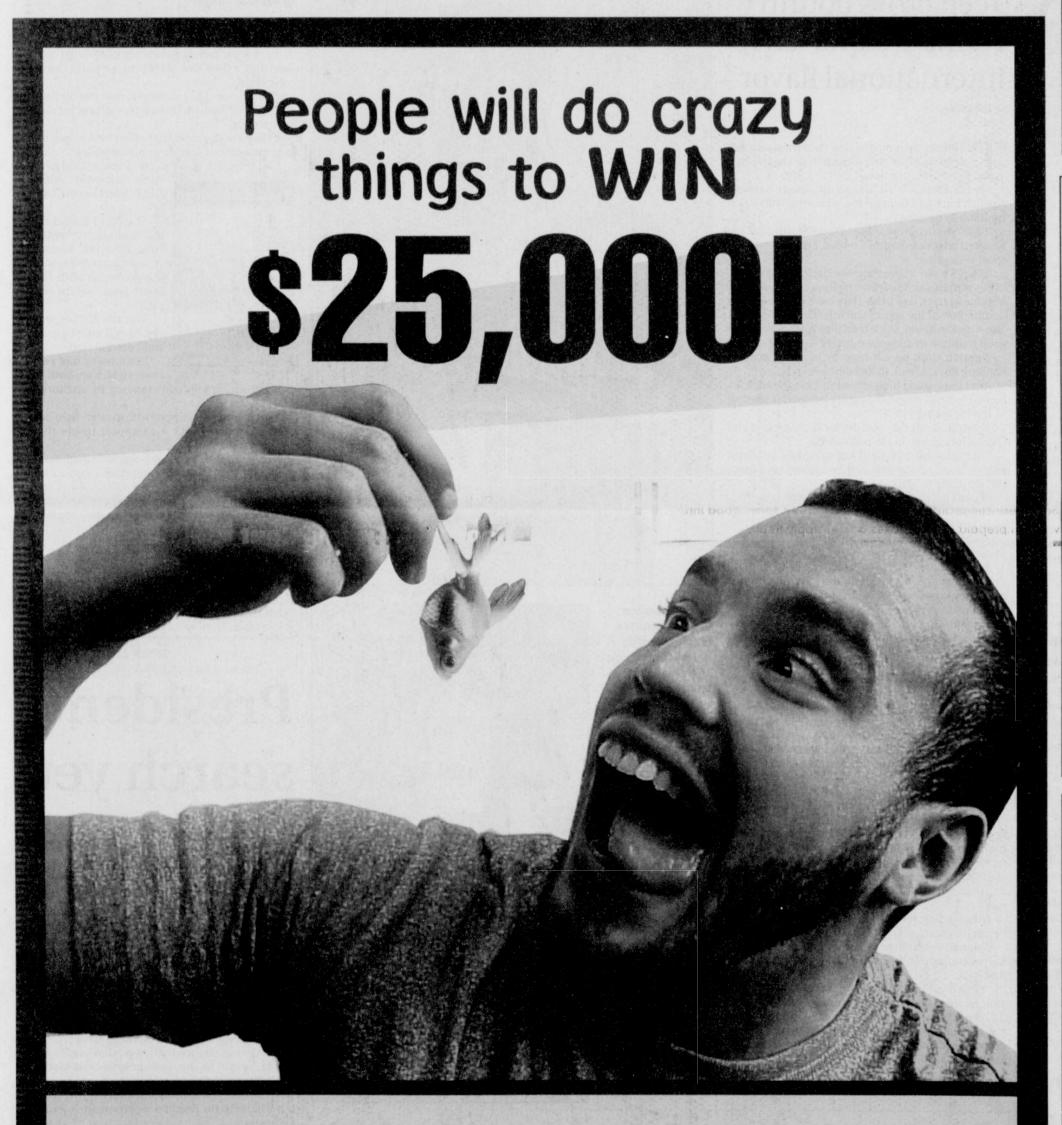
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wind that a hurricane produces, the generator has proven very effective."

The information gained from the tower is then processed, which takes months to acquire, she said.

There is a car with instruments attached used to track data outside of the storm, she said.

"The vehicle has been designed with devices to measure the wind for us while driving it around the hurricane," McDowell said.

A team of forecasters from Tech are on call 24 hours a day to provide the team with the latest upto-date forecast of the storm, said

Tim Doggett, professor of atmospheric science.

'There is a group of six of us who try to forecast the upcoming weather for the team in South Carolina," Doggett said. "We provide them with the latest information through satellites as to where the storm is moving so that they will be sure to set the towers up in the path of the hurricane.

"We hope to be able to go above and beyond our goals to better understand hurricanes," he said. "We hope to someday build buildings that can withstand excessive wind, and through our research so far many of our deployments have been very successfully bringing us closer to our goal."

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Hackers vandalize Internet sites

vandalized the Internet sites Wednesday for Nasdaq and the American Stock Exchange, but there was no evidence they manipulated financial data during the electronic affront to the world's markets.

A group calling itself "United Loan Gunmen" infiltrated the computer running the Web sites for Nasdaq and Amex just after mid-

The hackers left a taunting message — the high-tech equivalent of spray-painting graffiti — and also claimed to have briefly created for itself an e-mail account on Nasdaq's computer system, suggesting a

broader breach in security. That's a pretty serious allegation," said Christopher Rouland, director of a team of computer security engineers, called X-force, for At-

WASHINGTON (AP) - Hackers lanta-based Internet Security Systems Inc. "It's difficult to say if it's accurate, but once you breach the perimeter, it certainly is easier to get into the infrastructure.'

> Nasdaq Spokesman Scott Peterson said later Wednesday it was the exchange's policy not to discuss security issues but added, "the Nasdaq Web site is operational and secure. We will continue to monitor our sites to maintain their integrity."

> 'What we've been talking about concerns our Internet sites and has nothing to do with our trading network," Peterson said.

Nasdaq recently acquired the American Stock Exchange.

The hacker group left a message saying it intended to "make stocks rise drastically, thus making all investors happy, hopefully ending with the investors putting bumper stickers on their Mercedez' that say 'Thanks ULG!'

"Meanwhile, ULG members go back to flipping burgers at Mc onalds.

Christopher Ullman, a spokesman for the Securities and Exchange Commission, which oversees the nation's stock exchanges, declined

Rouland said the attacks on Nasdaq and Amex were likely to cause anxiety among computer professionals on Wall Street.

"It certainly will in the financial communities," he said.

"People will notice, and it will cause a buzz. This is going to cause more people to pay attention to security.'

Nasdaq's Web site runs software from Microsoft Corp., called Internet Information Server, that has suffered several serious security problems during the past year.

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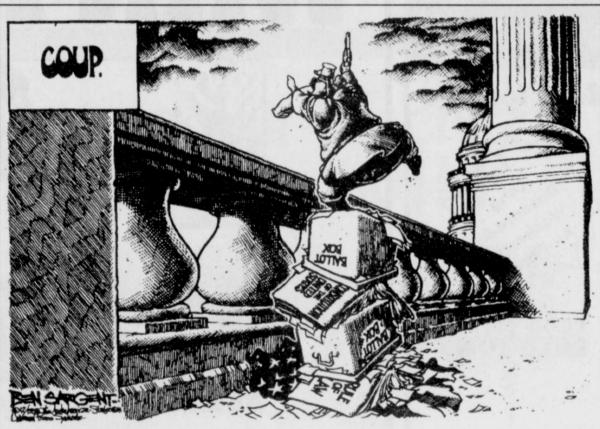
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OK, let's all play 'hunt the hypocrites game'

a good time, you can start tracking this one yourself. The game is called "Hunt the Hypocrites," or "What's Wrong with This Picture?' A few weeks



Molly **lvins** Columnist

The story, in case missed it (and you may well have), is that former speaker of the

ago, I kept run-

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had the same

question: Why

isn't this Newt

Gingrich story a

bigger deal?

House is getting a divorce because he has been having an affair with a much younger woman. I think that story got exactly the play it deserved almost none.

Gingrich seems to be a spent cartridge as a politician. All that speculation about whether he would run for president is long gone — no more Time magazine Man of the Year, no more "defender of civilization" or lectures on how liberal policies cause moral decay in America.

However, Gingrich still is huge on the fund-raising circuit. Since he left office in January, he has raised \$1.3 million for his new political action committee. So he still is a public figure to some extent, and under the new rules of journalism, his private life is a story.

Of course, there is the oddball angle to the story. It turns out that Gingrich was having this long-running affair with the much younger woman all during the time the government of the United States all but came to a crashing halt over Monica Lewinsky.

This is the man who promised that Republican leadership would "improve the moral climate of the country." So this presents us with an epochal moment in the history of hypocrisy. As Gingrich led the Republicans in full hue and cry concerning the moral sleaze, the sordid

happening right in front of our was having something more than a ... muted. Gone are the full-scale and if you want to have flingette himself. We could be look- scrums of yesteryear, when packs of ing at a new world record for being two-faced.

But note the deafening silence from the media. It's the same problem they have dealing with George W. Bush and drugs (I am proceeding on the new media premise that he must have done coke because he sure as hell would have denied it by now if he hadn't. I like these new journalism rules - it's so much easier than having to go dig up evidence).

Bush got into the Texas Air National Guard instead of having to go to Vietnam because of who his father was. How bright do you have to be to figure that out? As cartoonist Ben Sargent put it: "Find me a rich, Yale-educated congressman's son in 1968 who DIDN'T get help staying out of the

And of course,

THAT would be a story."

Note the astounding difference between the way the media covered Hillary Clinton's interview in Talk magazine — the one in which she did NOT excuse her husband's infidelity - and a far more interesting piece in the same issue of the same magazine about Bush, in which he cruelly mimics an imaginary plea for life from the executed Karla Faye Tucker.

Acres of air time on Mrs. Clinton's supposed effort to excuse her husband, hours of tutting and judgmental commentary and psychological parsing of the Clinton marriage; almost nothing (honorable exception to George Will) on the appalling vulgarity of W. Bush.

And then there is the even messier problem of Dubya's business deal-

You thought Whitewater was a story? Wait'll you read this one. Where's Kenneth Starr now that we tawdriness, the unbearable, brazen, need him? And yet, you notice, the

here's a beaut of a media story shameless conduct of Bill Clinton, he media reaction to all this is curiously baying reporters surrounded Bill Clinton, the badgering about the draft, the screaming front-page tabloid headlines, the saturation television coverage. So what's the deal?

Two things.

One, the media have been so hideously unfair to Clinton that they now are in an incredible box. They can't savage this nice, young Bush boy the way they did Clinton, or the sheer ugliness and unfairness of it will turn every-

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nating study in the spring issue of The Public Eye, put out by Political Research Associates in Boston, of the right-wing media chain that often starts with some story or non-story dug up by an outfit funded by Richard Mellon Scaife.

But before we get ourselves off into "vast right-wing conspiracy" territory, may I make a suggestion? Both the media and the nation will be spared enormous travail if we stop pretending that politicians are here to provide moral leadership.

That way, we won't have to listen to little Georgie Bush, the frat boy, lecture us all about responsibility and purpose and family values and moral uplift and chastity and abstinence and all the rest of it.

Instead, we can sit down and try to figure out whether he's smart enough to run the country.

You want moral leadership? Try the clergy. It's their job.

Molly Ivins is a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

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Class policy evokes rights

ection I of the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution reads, "All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and the state wherein they reside. No state

> shall make or enforce any law

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Andrew Schoppe Columnist

deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws."

This amendment was made a part of our nation's laws in 1868 following the end of the Civil War, to ensure that people who were formerly treated as slaves would be treated equally as U.S. citizens. Amendments 15 and 19 furthered the promise of equal rights. More specifically, at the time of ratification these amendments sought to ensure voting rights for African Americans and women.

The passage of the 19th Amendment was considered a landmark accomplishment for the women's suffrage movement and paved the way for the further developments in the women's movement.

Mary Daly, a noted champion of the feminist cause, who until this past summer taught at Boston College, would undoubtedly support this statement.

Daly has been noted in prior years for the creation of works such as "Gyn/Ecology: The Metaethics of Feminism" "Outercourse," and has been no stranger to controversy at Boston College during her 33-year career at the university.

Her most recent controversy stemming from her refusal to allow a male student to enroll in her feminism class, which she wanted to teach only to women, may have led to her exit from Boston College.

One issue here is whether Daly retired from Boston College or was gently nudged out by the university following the latest incident. However, another issue is related to whether Daly or any professor has the right to restrict a class to only female students.

Most certainly, private universities who choose to have an all-male or all-female student body can keep students of a certain gender from enrolling in their classes. The gender hurdle in situations like these is overcome when a student decides to attend a single-gender university rather than a coed university. The circumstances change, however, when you try to have a singlegender policy in a class at a coed university.

Introducing males into the realm of a previously all-female class certainly alters the dynamics of the course and any discussions, especially in a course on feminism, despite what any critic may argue. For the sake of a course on feminism, maybe women could gain more by being in a class without

Nevertheless, men at a coed university have the same right as women to choose to enroll in any classes offered by the university, whether the class topic is architecture, math, business, music or feminism.

Take a second and substitute "all-white" for "all-female" in this situation. If this was the real case, the policy would quickly be struck down as it rightfully should be.

The same would hold true if any other race, gender or other characteristic was put in place of all-female. So why is it that an all-female policy should be treated any differ-Any movement to correct per-

ceived wrongs against a particular group always should bear in mind that equality for all can only exist when there are no groups seeking special treatment. Only then would there be abso-

lute truth in the words of the Declaration of Independence that promise, "All men are created equal ... are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights ... (and) among those are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness."

Holding steadfast to an all-female policy in Daly's class sets a double standard that needs to be examined if we ultimately seek equality for all people.

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Get it together

To the editor: In response to Cameron Graham's column on financial aid in Friday's edition - I completely understand. I was in that same line when the security officer failed to do anything about the man not waiting his turn, and I too dealt with that office for two hours that day. My problem, to make a long

story short, was the fact that the Financial Aid office doubleposted my loan, and I ended up receiving twice as much money. Sure, that might sound great, but I was expected to immediately pay it all back in the period of two weeks. Better yet, not one person contacted me to inform me of their mistake. After dealing with several people in the office, I ended up in the associate director's office explaining my understanding of what happened to my records at the end of the summer session and the beginning of fall semester. It seemed everyone I talked with would not listen to anything I said. They completely ignored me. To make matters worse, they were not being clear when they spoke to me and became rude and condescending when I tried to understand. It was very unfortunate that a resolution was not reached until harsh words were exchanged in frustration.

The Financial Aid office needs to be reminded that they work for and with the students of this university. The majority of us here are on financial aid because we realize the importance of higher education, even if it sends us into years of enormous debt after we graduate. Therefore, money is an extremely important and very sensitive topic. We, as smart young adults, are going to keep track of what is going on with our

future debt. I demand, as we all do, to be treated as equals with knowledge about our individual financial situations. It also goes without saying that office personnel should follow the basic rules of customer service when dealing with students. So, I can be patient waiting in the lengthy lines, and I can be calm in trying to explain what I think and likewise in hearing what the financial aid personnel have to say. But when they become inconsiderate, rude and authoritative, I will not stand by and be pushed around when it is my money we're talking about.

As much as I know something needs to be done, I have little faith that the university will take action. Students must demand fair treatment and respect.

I've added my voice to the many that protest the ridiculous system of financial aid at this university, and I call on all of you to do the same.

> Elizabeth Cooper sophomore business management

Cutter, Cutter

To the editor: This is for all the college students who still act like they're in first grade by intentionally cutting in line. You do it at registration, when buying books and even at the dreadful line at the Financial Aid office. It's bad enough you do it at Midnight Rodeo but doing it at Tech is just a little more irritating. I'm usually the one who keeps my mouth shut while watching you worm your way in front of me, but I feel I speak for many by saying, "enough is enough." My time means just as much to me as yours does to you. So the next time you see a long line ahead of you, pull up a curb and take your place at the end of

Crystal Wood family studies

Brain protein may cause addiction

(AP) — Cocaine may be one of the toughest addictions to cure because it triggers a buildup of a protein that persists in the brain and stimulates genes that intensify the craving for the drug, new research suggests.

Scientists at the Yale School of Medicine were able to isolate the long-lived protein, called Delta-FosB, and show that it triggered addiction when released to a specific area of the brains of genetically engineered

The protein isn't produced in the brain until addicts have used cocaine several times, or even for several years. But once the buildup begins, the need for the drug becomes overpowering and the user's behavior becomes increasingly compulsive.

'It's almost like a molecular switch," said Eric Nestler, who led the research. "Once it's flipped on, it stays on, and doesn't go away easily."

The findings, to be published Thursday in the journal Nature, were called "elegant" and "brilliant" by other researchers who said it offered the first concrete proof that drug use triggers a specific long-term change in brain chemistry.

The study indicates genetics is less a factor in addiction than pro-

longed drug use, said Alan Leshner, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, which funded part of the study.

"Your genes don't doom you to be an addict," Leshner said. "They just make you more, or less, susceptible. We've never found one gene that keeps you from being an addict, or one that dictates you're going to be an addict."

Nestler and his colleagues combined genetic and biochemical research to isolate the Delta-FosB protein and the area of the brain it affected, then did behavioral studies on the mice.

AIDS, not war, has become Africa's real killer

LUSAKA, Zambia (AP) — AIDS, not war, has turned Africa into a "killing field" and will wipe out enough adults to create 13 million orphans in the next 18 months, the United Nations children's agency said Wednesday.

Such cataclysmic statements at the 11th international AIDS in Africa conference were aimed at prodding African governments which spend more on defense than on health - to act against the scourge of the continent.

Africa is home to two-thirds of the world's 31 million HIV-infected people. Last year, AIDS killed 2 million Africans, outstripping deaths from armed conflicts on the continent 10-1, said the children's fund, called UNICEF.

In 15 years, AIDS has killed 11 million Africans, more than 80 percent of the world's AIDS deaths.

By any measure, the HIV-AIDS pandemic is the most terrible undeclared war in the world, with the whole of sub-Saharan Africa a killing field." UNICEF executive director Carol Bellamy said on the conference's third day.

Ninety percent of the world's AIDS orphans live in Africa, and most suffer "alarmingly higher rates of malnutrition, stunting and illiteracy", UNICEF said. They often die of neglect and are victimized by the stigma surrounding the disease.

The number of child-headed households is rising sharply, the UNICEF report said.

In many southern African nations up to 25 percent of adults are infected with the AIDS virus - the highest prevalence in the world. In Zambia alone, 90,000 AIDS orphans

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have been left to fend for themselves on the streets.

Bellamy said decades of gains for child survival and development are

being wiped out by the disease. Lack of AIDS education is part of the problem, the group said.

More than a quarter of adolescent women south of the Sahara the group most at risk from infection with the HIV virus that causes AIDS - were unaware of any effective way of avoiding the disease, research has shown. In southern Africa, more than 30 percent of young women felt a healthy-looking person could not be a carrier.

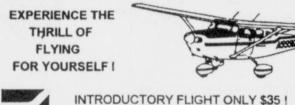
The threat has been worsened, Bellamy said, by the lack of commitment from political leaders to fight AIDS. It amounts to a "conspiracy of silence" to hide the seriousness of the crisis from ordinary people, she

The United States spends \$880 million fighting about 40,000 new AIDS cases a year. All of Africa spends about \$150 million fighting 4 million new cases a year, and only one-tenth of the expenditure comes from governments, Bellamy said.

She said African governments must mobilize community education as a top priority.

Wednesday's speakers also touched on a related topic: sexual exploitation of children.

A report earlier this week showed that young girls are at special risk for HIV infection partly because of the belief among many sexually active men that young girls are "safe," and even that sex with a virgin can cure AIDS.



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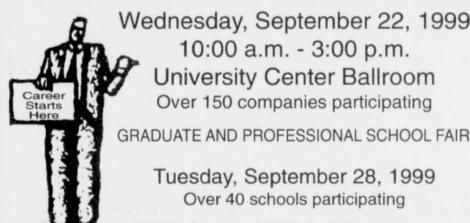
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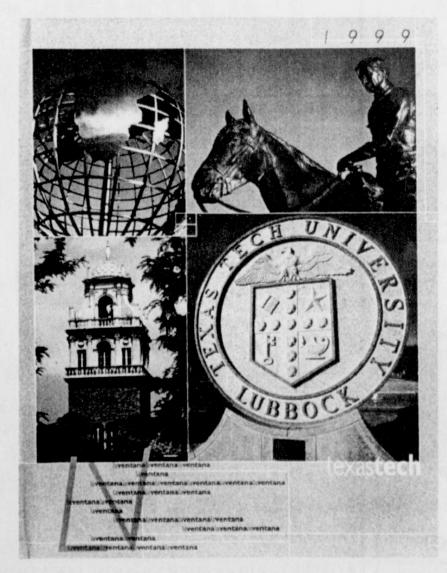
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Session to give gift of writing

by Angela Loston

Staff Writer

Creative writing is not a gift, but

something developed and practiced. That is why three professional writers at Texas Tech will share their ideas to help teach aspiring storytell-

ers the art of writing. Jill Patterson, associate professor of English, Laura Payne Butler, a graduate student in the English department, and Donald Rude, a professor of English, will give students insight on creative writing through

the Writers at Work session Friday. "There's a mystique to fine arts that people don't see behind closed doors," Patterson said. "But (writing) is not hard work. It's a learned skill that you just don't receive as a gift from somebody."

The program is the first session of the "In the Studio" series, which will

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continue throughout the year. The session will begin at 4 p.m. Friday in the Red Raider Lounge in the University Center.

"It's nice to go and see how artists work," Patterson said. "I feel there are lots of students who are interested in writing, and it's helpful for them to talk with someone who professionally writes.

To help students become more creative in their writing, Patterson said she and the other two featured writers will share with students their ways of brainstorming ideas for poems and stories.

Rude said he plans to explain to aspiring writers what motivates him to write his poetry. As a published poet, Rude said he typically expresses personal emotions in his poetry.

'We're trying to suggest how we work," Rude said. "We hope the creative writers that attend will follow

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the leads that we can give them. I hope that it will suggest ways that inspire them in everyday life.

When trying to find a particular idea to create her stories, Patterson said her story ideas stem from numerous resources. She refers to newspaper columns and observations from everyday life to create her literary work. In one situation, she said she used an article from the Fort-Worth Star Telegram for one of her

Through attending this writing session, Patterson said people who have an interest in creative writing can witness first-hand what a professional writer experiences when writing a story. Contrary to most people's beliefs, she said the skill of writing is not a gift. She said it takes practice to gain strong creative writing skills.

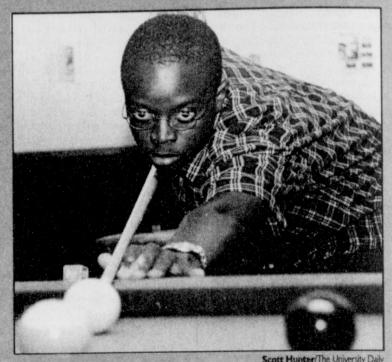
Mary Donahue, an associate director for Campus Activities and Involvement, was instrumental in organizing the "In the Studio" series. On Oct. 22, the series will include a jewelry design session, and on Nov. 4, there will be an open play-rehearsal of "Picasso at the Lapin Agile."

Donahue said all three of the fine arts-related sessions planned for this year will give people a chance to see an artist's inventive process unfold in front of their eyes.

"The idea of being invited to their studio is really intimate (with) being so close to the creation of their work, Donahue said.

The Writers at Work session will start at 4 p.m. Students who are interested in attending can sign up at the Campus Activities and Involvement Office in 228 of the UC, or email the Campus Activities and Involvement Office at bkmed@ttu.edu.

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On Gue: Joei Ebuh, a freshman premedical major from Agbor, Nigeria, relaxes after a long day of classes at the University Center Same Room by playing pool.

Nightlife Series to open with computer artist

by Sebastian Kitchen

Staff Writer

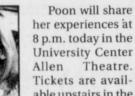
People are amazed at the visual effects in movies. "Oohhs" and "aahhs" usually fill a movie theater when giant dinosaurs come to life on screen, or spaceships zoom through the sky.

Ellen Poon uses a computer to create many amazing visuals such as dinosaurs, aliens and spaceships and make them realistic.

She has created that amazement as a computer-graphics artist at In-

dustrial Sound and Light. Poon has "built" spectacular scenes by using a computer in movies such as the recent installment of "Star Wars," "Wild Wild West," "Jurassic Park," "Jumanji," "The Mask," "MARS ATTACKS!" and "Men in

"You have something to do with it in a quiet way," Poon said. "Gratification comes to you because it is something spectacular you created to make the movie better."



University Center Allen Theatre. Tickets are available upstairs in the UC ticket office

and cost \$8 for students and \$16 for the general pub-

She said it is great to sit in a movie theater watching and to hear and see how people react to her work.

"You are part of the creative process," she said. "You have done something that looks great. You are proud of it and are happy other people are enjoying it as well."

After achieving a bachelor's degree in computer science at the University of Essex in England, Poon started work on her doctorate She then wrote two books on theoretical computer science.

While working on her doctorate at the University of London, Poon

Poon will share puter-generated art with students at her experiences at a neighboring prestigious art school.

"It is fascinating to me, when I was at the university, how much you could do with it," Poon said. "Low and behold, it started to expand. Now you can do anything with it."

She did not know her experimentation with computers and art would put her work before millions of people around the world.

At the time, visual graphics was young as a field.

"I started to look into it because it was new," she said.

Her roommate at the time was a very into computer-generated art. At home, that is all the two would talk about. The roommate was working at a movie company.

In 1986, Moving Picture Co. was looking for help, and Poon was offered the job.

"I was very fortunate," Poon said. There were not that many people doing it at the time.

Now, Poon makes a living spicing began experimenting with com- up blockbusters. She spends any-

where from four months to 18 months on a project.

Some directors are very specific about what they want in the film, and others let Poon and her creative mind run wild.

"The best ones are the ones that give you the idea and let you execute it," she said. "You have a lot of freedom, in that case, to do the ideas you have in your head."

She will give the directors suggestions, and they just go along with it.

"On the movie set, the director is the one who makes all the creative decisions," Poon said. "When they let you have some of it, it is very

The most recent project Poon has worked on will be released during the winter holidays.

Poon said she cannot talk much about it, but Tom Hanks stars in the movie based on a Stephen King

"The script is really, really good," she said. "I can't wait to see it on the big screen.'

Auditions for dance production today

Dance auditions will be at 7 p.m. today in Room 118 of the Women's Gym for "Rhythmic Flirtations: An Evening of Percussion and Dance."

Interested students are not required to be theater or dance majors, and no prior dance experience is re-

Undergraduate students must be registered for at least six hours, and

graduate students must be registered for at least three hours.

Auditioning students should bring ballet, pointe, jazz and character shoes or socks.

Auditions will include a warm-up follow by combinations of ballet, modern and jazz dance moves. Auditions are expected to last two hours.

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Texas Tech Department of Theatre and Dance, the School of Music and Ballet Lubbock will feature a variety of dance and percussion perfor-

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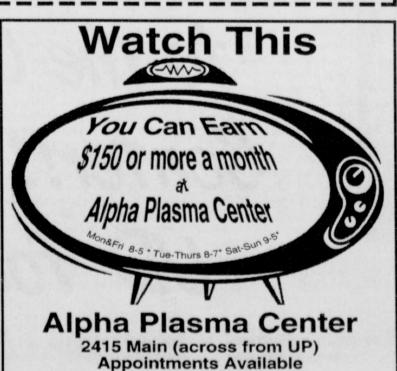


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Atlantic City casino workers strike

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) - Casino visitors found themselves without room service and other amenities Wednesday as thousands of workers went on strike, and Miss America Pageant organizers worried the weekend event could be disrupted.

Local 54 of the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees International Union walked off the job after their five-year contract expired at midnight Tuesday. Negotiators could not agree on provisions addressing the use of subcontractors by casinos. union employees to work in other

Gamblers could still try their luck, though. Dealers are not unionized and the games of chance remained

Local 54 represents about 14,000 casino hotel cooks, bartenders, maids, cocktail servers, bathroom attendants and car parkers.

Three casinos reached agreement with the union and were unaffected by the strike.

The other nine were forced to close restaurants, cut back on services and put managerial and nonLou Pane came with his wife for

the New Jersey State Funeral Directors Association's annual conference. Two days after arriving, what was supposed to be a three-day getaway was beginning to feel more like work.

"There's no chambermaids, nobody making up the beds, no room service. When you're used to the amenities, it's inconvenient," said Pane, 60, of White Plains, N.Y.

With umbrellas in one hand and picket signs ("Trump is a Bum," said one) in the other, groups of ponchoclad strikers stood in driving rain on the Boardwalk, along Pacific Avenue and at the entrances to casinos.

They chanted, discouraged people from entering the casinos and hooted when passing automobiles beeped their horns in assent. No new talks were scheduled.

Inside the casinos, it was dry. But service was slower than a broken roulette wheel - if it was available at all.

Some public restrooms were closed because there was no one to clean them. Drinks and food were also hard to come by.

Top celebrities hot for 'trashy' lingerie shop

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Where do L.A.'s most public personalities shop for their most private garments?

The Trashy Lingerie store, located on La Cienega Boulevard, is the preferred destination for stars seeking push-up bras, naughty nighties and scanty panties.

Celebrities and their go-fers have shopped for movie costumes for more than 500 films, the owners said. Other stars have relied on Trashy's togs for music videos or for roles on television's "Melrose Place," "Beverly Hills 90210," "Veronica's Closet" and "Suddenly Susan." Still others come in search of the perfect little something for

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Gwyneth Paltrow outfitted herself in a camisole with garters, G-string and marabou slippers, all in lipstick red. Liv Tyler. Winona Ryder and Drew Barrymore are "very, very good customers," said Shrier's daughterin-law Mary Shrier, who works in the store. The trio, she said, all swear by '50s-style undies with modest proportions.

Dolly Parton dropped \$8,000 in

one spree, snapping up corsets as well as dresses, jackets and shoes.

With about 8,000 items in stock, customers like Cher, Janet Jackson or Fran Drescher are certain to find something to their liking.

'When I decided to sell lingerie, instead of calling it The Best Lingerie Store in the World, I decided to go the has no fingerprints."

other way," said Shrier, a large, whitebearded man who favors Hawaiian shirts.

"You tell somebody 'Trashy Lingerie' and they never forget it."

What makes lingerie so hot? Shrier has this answer: "You can wear it for more than one person. It

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Jazz Quartet to play at museum

The Museum of Texas Tech will present an afternoon of live jazz music Saturday.

The performance will begin at 1 p.m. in the Main Gallery and will feature the Tech Jazz Quartet.

The show is in conjunction with the Smithsonian exhibit "The Jazz Age in Paris: 1914-1940" on display in Galleries 2 and 3. The concert is free and the museum is located at Fourth Street and Indiana Avenue.

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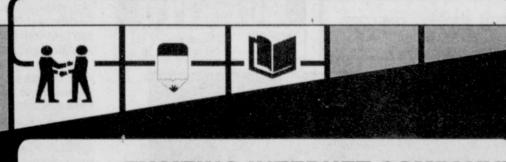
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Calloway severs contract with Daly

(AP) - John Daly walked out of alcohol rehabilitation two years ago and found a "father figure" in Ely Callaway, who offered Daly a second chance as long as he stayed away from the addictions that sabotaged his talented but troubled career.

Callaway severed his relationship with Daly on Wednesday, saying the former PGA and British Open champion reneged on his deal not to drink or gamble, and then turned down an offer for help.

"We care a great deal about John as a person, a golfer and a friend," the 80-year-old chairman of Callaway

"Regrettably, we cannot continue to have John as a company representative when he is not prepared to take the future steps that we feel are necessary to deal with the alcohol and gambling problems facing him."

where Daly started drinking again, only that it was confirmed by company employees.

Daly couldn't be reached for comment. His agent, John Mascatello, referred questions to a statement posted on Daly's Web site gripitandripit.com.

"My commitment to live a sober life remains strong," Daly said.

"Alcoholism is a disease which will continue to challenge me the rest of my life. I accept the difficulties presented and hope that I will overcome whatever obstacles I face."

So takes another sad turn in the career of Daly, one of golf's most exciting and volatile personalities since he came out of nowhere to win the PGA Championship at Crooked Stick in 1991, thrilling galleries with his "Grip It and Rip It" style that make

Callaway declined to say when or him the longest hitter in the game. But for every 350-yard drive, there

were incidents.

Daly trashed hotel rooms in a drunken rage and tanked rounds in tournaments in which he received appearance money.

"It's sad," Ernie Els said from Paris, where he is playing in the Lancome

'He's a great friend of mine, and hopefully he knows what he's doing. He's a hell of a talent, but he needs to be happy with himself.

One source said Daly first denied drinking when confronted by Callaway, his main sponsor. Callaway offered to pay for him to see a national expert on addictions.

Daly, who says he started drinking when he was 8, first went through alcohol rehab in Arizona at the end of the 1992.

He returned to win the British Open at St. Andrews in 1995.

Two years later, he trashed a hotel into a serious recovery program."

Players Championship, and it really cost him.

Wilson Sports canceled its contract and Daly's second wife filed for

In 19 events this year, Daly has missed the cut seven times, withdrawn four times and finished in the top 50 only four times.

He has shown glimpses of his skill, though. He had a 68 in the first round of the U.S. Open and was one off the

Daly had two years remaining on his contract with Callaway, which was loaded with incentives for the later years.

Callaway said there was an outside chance he could renew the contract with Daly if the golfer got help, but "with his present attitude, we're not very hopeful."

"We like him, we admire him," Callaway said.

"And we wish that he would get

Athletics' playoff drive stalled by Hurricane Floyd

BAITIMORE (AP) - Hurricane Oakland might have a tough time Floyd provided the Oakland Athletics with another obstacle in their bid to reach the playoffs for the first time since 1992

Steady rainfall forced the postponement of Wednesday's game between the Athletics and Baltimore Orioles, and the expected full-force arrival of the hurricane also caused Thursday's game to be called off.

There also was concern that

getting out of Baltimore on Thursday evening. The games probably will be made up as part of a doubleheader Sept. 23, an off-day for both clubs.

Oakland would have to fly in from the west coast after playing an afternoon game against Min-nesota, while Baltimore would arrive from Texas after facing the Rangers in a night game on the

Golfer makes move from Kenya to Texas

ing up in Kenya, Liza Mucheru had heard of Texas but wasn't exactly sure where it was in the United States.

A recruiting e-mail from Texas A&M-Corpus Christi golf coach Brian Loeffler sent her scrambling to the world atlas. It wasn't long before the 19-year-old was packing her bags to leave Africa.

"When I got the email, I thought 'Wow, a university,' " Mucheru said. "I didn't think it was far because I didn't know how big the states were. I was excited to come.

But it is a long way from Nairobi, a city of 3 million, to Corpus Christi with a population of 300,000. It's more than the two-day trip that in

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) - Grow- cludes 17 hours of flight time. It's a distance of cultures and expectations, but Mucheru (pronounced Moo-cher-ew) has been happy to explore the differences.

"I expected more than this," Mucheru said in her soft British accent. "When they show the U.S. (on TV) it's all big buildings, all skyscrap-

Two days before she came, she hunted it up on a map. But, Mucheru said she knew zero about Texas and didn't realize it would be so vast and much of it rural.

She now realizes that though she has a brother living in Pennsylvania, he is not conveniently near.

Other than her welcome by Hurricane Bret - Mucheru arrived the day before the storm hit and had to immediately depart for Austin - she has enjoyed the university and the

The people of Texas also have inadvertently given Mucheru a few smiles of her own. When they learn she is from Kenya, which is on the east coast of Africa, some have asked whether her country has televisions, automobiles and even restaurants.

Mucheru has been amazed by the choices Americans have - in retail merchandise and services, such as the multitudes of long distance phone service providers. Mucheru's venture to the United States was set in motion by Loeffler. He had been piecing together a women's golf team for the university's newly minted sports program.

Loeffler signed Canadian Melissa Gillespie, and the same recruiting service that had recommended her also recommended Mucheru.

"I could tell a lot from her track record and tournament experience," Loeffler said, "but she is the first person I've taken that I've never actually

seen hit a golf ball." Loeffler and Mucheru were not even certain she would qualify for admission to A&M-Corpus Christi because the Kenyan and U.S. school systems are so different. Mucheru had been preparing to enter college in Britain when A&M-Corpus Christi came calling.

But Loeffler has found himself with a golfer who already could be No. 3 on his seven-woman team.

Mucheru has all but grown up on the club courses of Kenya. Her father, John Mucheru, was Kenya's top amateur golfer until his death in 1996. He captained the national team for three years, traveling around the world to play, Liza Mucheru said.

"If you wanted to go somewhere, it was to the (golf) club," Mucheru said of her childhood.

Loeffler said Mucheru's game is

comparable to her teammates'. "She has some things to work on, but her attitude is better than most kids you find around here. She's a hard worker. She's got good hand-eye coordination, and she's a good putter. There are a lot of girls in the state at this level (that) I don't consider good putters. Her distance control is very good."

Loeffler said Mucheru's swing is very rhythmic but tends to change. She needs to learn consistency with her best swing, he said.

Mucheru is finding golfing in Texas a challenge. Besides the spanking breezes, she's contending with the gulf coast's heavy humidity.

The humidity here kills my game," she said. "My balls are not going far at all. I've never hit into wind like this either. I'm having to practice when there's a lot of wind."

Mucheru said she hopes to improve her game to a professional level. If an LPGA career doesn't happen, Mucheru said she will be happy to make use of the computer science degree she is pursuing. She used to work for an Internet company in the sales department and in the network department.

'First, I want to get a degree," she said. "And I'm thinking of a second degree in business. If I were to become a professional golfer, that would be OK.

"I want to play so well that I could turn pro and make money."



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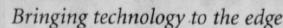
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Tips for Red Raider home cookin'

t's finally here, sports fans.After playing their first two games on the road, the Texas Tech football team will make their glorious return to Jones Stadium in about 72 hours.

I say glorious because the last time time Tech played in Lubbock, they pulled off a 42-35 victory over the No.

horns in a

game that will

go down as one

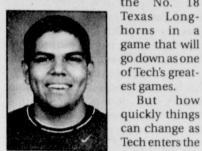
But how

quickly things

can change as

Tech enters the

est games.



game with a 1record fol-Gonzales lowing an embarrassing Staff Writer opening loss to Arizona State

Louisiana-Lafayette. It is safe to say Tech has not even come close to meeting our, and even

and a weak performance against

their own, expectations. And to top it all off, everybody's favorite Red Raider, Ricky Williams, will be on the sidelines due to injury.

The magic still is in the air, and despite the early disappointment, I've come to the conclusion that there is no escaping that "first home game" excitement.

Even if you are one of those fans who vowed after the Arizona State loss to never take part in another Tech football game, there is no denying that this week feels pretty ex-

There is no feeling like walking to class hearing the Goin' Band from Raiderland practicing their tunes, while thoughts of them high-stepping onto the field fill your head.

And how about this football weather that Mother Nature has laid upon us this week - even she's getting pumped.

But before I start reminiscing on all the memories, I must remember there are freshmen on this campus who have never attended a home game in their life, so why ruin it for

I've had the opportunity to attend Tech games all my life and still can remember sitting in the grass section for only \$5.

I also can remember the games I've attended as a student.

From grass stains on my pants to standing up in the student section, you can say I've experienced pretty much everything in Jones Stadium.

So for all of you freshmen who will be making your first appearance at Jones Stadium for Saturday's game, I put together a little list of do's and dont's that should help make your first experience a great one.

•If you've bought student tickets, get to the game at least an hour and a half before kickoff, or you'll be sitting in the nose-bleed section - if you're lucky. Go ahead and plan on four hours for the Texas A&M contest.

•Don't be afraid to throw a few tortillas. Even though there will be signs and people telling you not to, you will not become a real Tech fan until you do. Believe me, they can't throw all of us out of the game.

•Anticipate standing for the whole game, and don't complain or you may become a tortilla

•Know that if you buy a Gameday program, you'll be sharing it with everybody in the student section.

•No matter what anybody tells you, it is not cool to dress up for the games. It is not very comfortable standing in 80 degree weather wearing a suit. Oh, and if you leave the game with nothing spilled on you, it'll be a first. Homecoming is the only exception, but stay away from the tuxedos.

•No matter how cold it gets, never wear your high school letterman jacket to the game. Those items are viewed as sacred high school memorabilia, and they should be kept

I know this may surprise some of you, but nobody cares about what you did in high school anymore.

•No matter how bad the game is, stay until halftime to watch our band perform because, unlike our football team, the band is worth watching.

Plus, the drunk upperclassmen usually don't pass out until the second half, and they are worth watch-·Participate. If you are going to the

game just to pick up a date, then stay at home. But then again, if you are the people who dress up anyway, that is a different story. ·If you are having second

thoughts about going this weekend, remember that it is Alumni Band

Nothing beats watching an overweight 40-year-old in blue jeans, high-stepping while carrying a tuba.

> Patrick Gonzales is a senior journalism major from Slaton.

RUNNERS,

from p. 1

Ndungu said while growing up in Kenya, he enjoyed playing soccer as well as indoor sports.

"I played indoor games mostly," Ndungu said. "I played badminton and table tennis. I also played some lawn tennis.

Senior Jesse Williams is a captain on this year's cross country squad and said both Ngetich and

Ndungu are good team racers.

"They are both great team leaders," Williams said. "They really both work hard. They really get it done in the classroom as well. It makes being a captain a lot easier when you have guys like them on the team. They are both really tal-

ented, and the fact that they work hard too, just makes them that much better.'

Smith said Ngetich's and Ndungu's talents and work habits are assets to the Tech squad.

"These guys are two of the hardest workers on our team, Boniface for sure," Smith said. "I think just having him on our team sort of helps these guys by his examples. He's seen a lot of his friends, from the clubs where he's trained in Kenya, what they've gone on to do. He's seen what they do and how they train.

He's seen what it takes to become a world-class athlete. He brings that attitude here, and when our guys see how he trains and what he expects, I think that will be really contagious."

Sosa still stuck on No. 59

CINCINNATI (AP) - Sammy Sosa remained stuck at 59 homers for the fifth straight game, but Greg Vaughn extended his late-season home run tear as the Cincinnati Reds beat the Chicago Cubs 5-4 on Wednesday

Sosa went 2-for-4 and got an intentional walk.

Vaughn hit an RBI single as part of a four-run first inning and homered off Jon Lieber (8-10) making it 5-2 in the fifth.

Denny Neagle (7-5) won, allowing two runs in six innings. Brett Tomko gave up Shane Andrews' homer, that cut it to 5-3 in the eighth. Danny Graves pitched the save.

The Reds strung together five consecutive hits in the first inning for a

Vaughn singled home the first run, Eddie Taubensee had a two-run triple and Aaron Boone doubled.

Glenallen Hill homered off Neagle leading the fourth.

Savannah State's football team

scrambled inland to escape Hurri-

cane Floyd. The NCAA Division II Ti-

gers boarded two buses Tuesday for

The team arrived in Tennessee at

about 9:30 a.m. Wednesday, after one

a road trip to Tennessee-Chatta-

nooga, leaving three days early.

Hurricane Floyd soaks sports calender, forces delays

(AP)— Hurricane Floyd jostled the sports calendar on the East Coast on Wednesday, forcing the Baltimore Orioles and the Carolina Hurricanes to call off games.

Rain forced postponement of the game between the Oakland Athletics and Orioles, and the expected fullforce arrival of the hurricane also caused today's game to be called off.

There was also concern that Oak-

land might have a tough time getting out of Baltimore tonight.

The games probably will be made up as part of a doubleheader Sept. 23, an off day for both clubs.

In Greenville, S.C., the storm postponement of Wednesday's NHL exhibition game between the Carolina Hurricanes and Atlanta Thrashers.

Travel conditions for the Hurri-

Greenville, S.C., forced the postponement. The game will be played Monday, a spokesman for the arena said.

In Fort Mill, S.C., the Charlotte

Knights postponed Game 3 of their Triple-A baseball championship series against Durham. It was rescheduled for tonight at

7:15 p.m. EDT.

Hurricane Floyd also forced Jack-

canes to get from Raleigh, N.C., to sonville Jaguars coach Tom Coughlin to cancel practice in preparation for Sunday's game against the Carolina Panthers.

> Severe weather at the northwest end of the hurricane moved into Charlotte by midday, but the Panthers held practice anyway, working out for nearly two hours at their three-field complex adjacent to the

North Carolina State practiced inside Wednesday in preparation for Saturday's game at No. 1 Florida

Coach Mike O'Cain hopes conditions today will allow at least a team meeting.

The storm not only forced postponements and cancellations, but

of the buses broke down on the 370also altered travel plans for many mile journey from Savannah to Chattanooga.

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More titles won't come easily for Gordon

LOUDON, N.H. (AP) - Jeff Gordon has won as many races this year as the combination of Bobby Labonte and Tony Stewart.

This is being called a bad year for Gordon, while the Joe Gibbs Racing drivers are touted as definite contenders next year for the Winston Cup title.

Although he won't argue the point, three-time series champion Gordon knows fate as much as any factor is a major contributor to success in stock car racing.

"If you hang around this sport long enough you find out that good fortune isn't with you all the time," said Gordon, who still is tied for the lead in victories this year.

place standing entering Sunday's Dura Lube 300 at New Hampshire International Speedway is reflective of his season, what can he do next year? "Finish!" Gordon said.

He did not finish six races - a certain death knell for serious championship contention - and that seriesworst figure has overshadowed a season in which he has won five times.

"But I have to be encouraged, because it's been a lot of crazy things like power steering that never breaks, a transmission, blown engine, cut tires," said the 28-year-old driver. "None of those things has happened

He won't bemoan his fate know-

Well, if that's true, and the sixth- ing that he won 33 races in the previous three seasons in part because his luck was good. This year, he might easily have won three more races, but had solid efforts curtailed twice by rain and once by an empty gas tank on tracks where he has few peers.

And then, there has been the competition. Points leader Dale Jarrett has emerged as a superstar. Mark Martin has been less spectacular than he was in 1998, but as consistent as ever. Martin's teammate, Jeff Burton, has won five times.

Throw in Labonte, a four-time winner; and rookie sensation Stewart, who got his first victory Saturday night in Richmond, Va., and the list of what former champion

Rusty Wallace calls "the usual suspects" is growing.

Gordon concurs. And he knows the youthful status of Labonte, Stewart and Burton, and the arrival next year of Busch series stars Dale Earnhardt Jr. and Matt Kenseth, will

make future titles harder to come by. "The competition has been getting better every year," he said. "It's never going to be as easy as it was to win the championship.

Like Gordon, Makar is undeterred. He knows the sport is all about being competitive at each track.

"The 20 car is light years ahead of what we anticipated at this point a year ago," Makar said of Stewart, who

Greg Zipadelli, Stewart's crew chief, says inexperience was a problem for the young team. But they learned quickly, and the 28-year-old driver has been out of the top 10 only four times in the last 21 races while methodically sculpting the best rookie season in Winston Cup history. And that success, in a two-car format where crews and drivers exchange data, has helped Labonte immeasurably. His best previous points finish was sixth.

"When we went to a two-car program, we wondered if there wouldn't be a little setback for the 18," Makar said of Labonte, whose final position has finished all but one of the first 25 in the standings has been one of al-

most steady improvement in seven seasons. "We thought we might have a problem stretching resources at first. But we've been real pleased."

Makar says the biggest surprise has been that both Gibbs teams and drivers have done well across the board - on superspeedways, short tracks and road courses.

Until this year, that could be said only of Gordon and Martin. Now, Jarrett and the Gibbs drivers can be added to the list.

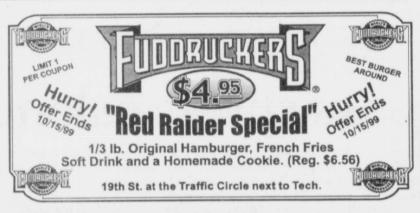
"Yeah, it isn't getting any easier," said Gordon, who added that his season is a vivid demonstration of change in the sport. "When things are going your way, never take them for granted."



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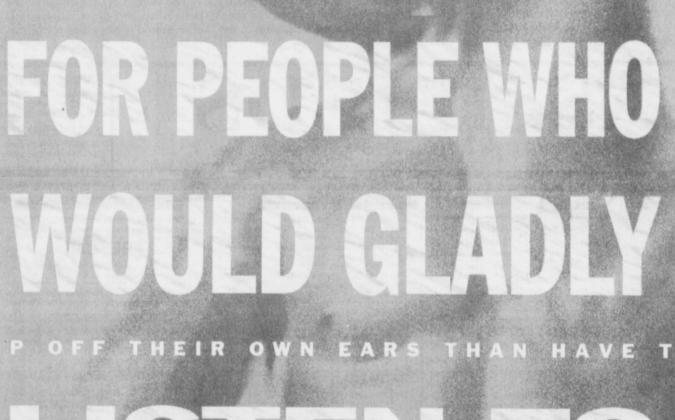
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Smith sparks comeback

> IRVING (AP) - Emmitt Smith was tired of seeing the Dallas Cowbovs incompletion after incompletion, so took his complaint to the boss, coach Chan Gailey.

Speaking with more passion and volume than usual, Smith reminded Gailey how well the Cowboys had been running the ball against Washington. The passing game, he noted, wasn't working and the Redskins were building a big lead.

Gailey sensed Smith's determination and gave in. He called runs on the next eight plays and ended up triggering one of the best comebacks in franchise history as Dallas turned a 35-14 deficit into a 41-35 overtime victory Sunday.

Although the glow of that game is wearing off as the Cowboys prepare to play Atlanta on Monday night, there's still talk about Smith's emotional outburst - and Smith doesn't Wearing the same steely glare,

Smith on Wednesday shot down the notion that he challenged his coach and demanded the ball, and he insisted there are no problems between himself and Gailey.

"We're humans and humans have emotions," Smith said. "It's nice to let your emotions show sometimes. I felt like it was an appropriate time for everyone to let them go. ..

"I'm not trying to create some kind of controversy between me and my head coach because I have a great deal of respect for my head coach. I believe in what we're doing, in our offensive system and in our team."

Smith said he puts so much time and energy into preparing for the season that it would have been wrong for him not to speak up.

"You go through training camp, two-a-days in the heat, people hollering at you and then when you get in the middle of a very heated game and you're behind by 21, you've got to have some kind of emotions," he said. "The emotions drive you to come back and push it into overtime. The emotions also help you go into overtime and pull it out. That's what the game is all about.

"If you take out the emotional part of the game, you've just got a doggone chess match."

The Cowboys led 14-13 at halftime and ran on their first two plays of the third quarter. They then passed on nine of the next 10, resulting in an interception and two punts - and three straight Redskins touchdowns.

Gailey admitted he goofed on his play calling. "After going back and watching

the film, I'd probably change that and run the ball a little more in the third quarter," he said.

"At the time, I thought we were doing the right thing."

By returning to the ground game, Smith and backup Chris Warren moved the chains and kept the Washington defense from laying back waiting for Troy Aikman to throw.

Once the Redskins began thinking run, the Cowboys hit them with passes. Gailey's theory of keeping the defense off-balance ultimately led to the game-winning play.

With Dallas facing third-and-2 from its 24, the Redskins expected a handoff to Smith. Instead, Aikman faked the exchange and threw deep to Raghib Ismail, whose nearest defender was sucked in on the play action. ßIsmail cruised to a 76-yard touchdown, capping a 21-point comeback that tied the biggest in franchise history.

"Chan is the head coach and he got it under control," Smith said.

"So it all worked out."