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Saturday: partly cloudy, high 80


| Thursday's slosing figures |
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| STATENEWS - |
| Houston residents sue Census | for invasion of privacy

 in his candidate Mark Brewer are plaintifif to have the 2000 census null in his lawsuit to have the 2000 census nulli-
fied as an unconstitutional invasion of priThey sued the U.S. Commerce Depart
ment and the Census Bureau in federal cour mentand the Census Bureauin federal court
Thursday, claiming that the government should ask U.S. residents little more than how many people live in each household.
"We're bringing suit to protect the privac of the plaintiffs," Brewer said, adding that which is to tally the number of $U S$. residents. "We want the census bureau to get the All the questions on both the short and lo quired by more than one act of Congress, $C$

NATIONALNEWS Johnson \& Johnson halts marketing of heartburn drug will stop promoting its heartburn drug problems for people with heart disease or patients takng other medications.
The company said Thursday it will make Propulsid available on a limited basis for pa-
tients in the United States who can't take tients in the Unite
other medications.
ked to speak to their doaking the drug are The move comes two months after federal health officials called for additional warnings on the drug's label, saying it should only be unless the patient has undergone heart tests. The Food and Drug Administration first warned that Propulsid can cause serious
heart problems in June 1998, but reports of
death and hesp 70 deaths and 200 other reports of heart ening irregular heartbeat ventricular fibrilla-
ntroduced in the United States in 1993.
Pakistan general announces start of general elections ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) - Two days
before President Clinton visits Pakistan, the military regime on Thursday offered the first small step toward democracy with the an-
The announcement by Gen. Pervez Musharraf - who ousted the elected govern-
ment in a coup five months ago - coincided ment in a coup five months ago - coincided Soth anniversary of a resolution that eventually led its creation in 1947
Pakistan celebrated with a military parade
that highlighted its being the first Muslim nuclear power, displaying military hardware including missile
nuclear warhead.
Musharraf set no timetable for a full return
to civilian rule. He previously rebuffed interto civilian rule. He previously rebuffed inter-
national pressure for elections, arguing he national pressure for elections, arguing he

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## Tech Senate discusses fee distribution

SGA allocates service fees, applications still being taken Supreme Court


## Air hockey



Lubbock Cotton Kings center Jesse Bull catches some air during Thursday's contest against the Odessa Jackalopes. The final home game of the Lubbock Cotton Kings center Jesse Bull catches some air during Thursday's contest against the Odessa Jackalopes. The final home game of the reguiar season, the
bye in the Western Professional Hockey League playoffs.
says school did not violate First Amendment
by Jennifer Bailey
The Supreme Court handed down nanimous decision Tuesday, stating the late the First Amendment rights of student when using their mandatoryfee payments to fund campus groups which they oppose.
The argument, brought upon by a grou The argument, brought upon by a group rights to freedom of speech and free associa-
tion were violated by forcing them to suppor student groups whose views they found ob
jectionable. The ruling overturned a decision made by
aU.S. Court of Appeals panel which originally found the university's policy unconstitutional. Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy said,
"the FirstAmendmentpermits apublic univer"the FirstAmendment permits apublic univer
sity to charge its students an activity fee used sity to charge its students an activity fee ur
to fund a program to facilitate extracurricular
student speech if the program's viewpoint in student speech if the program's viewpoint in
neutral. Wisconsin's system for collecting and distributing student fees meets that test." After the decision, the Supreme Court or
dered a lower court to examine methods the Wisconsin student government tuses to de-
cide funding allocation for organizations. According to The Chronicle of Higher Edu
cation, had the Sureme Courtured Cation, had the Supreme Court ruled in favo
of the students, about 70 percent of the of the students, about 70 percent of the
nations publicuniversities would be forced to rethink or omit their mandatory fee policies,
which could have affected thousands of stuwhich could have affected thousands of stu-
dent organizations and student newspapers. dent organizations and student newspapers.
Student Service Fees taken from Texas Tech students'tuition are allocated every year
bythe Student Senate and distributed to stuby the Student Senate and distributed to stu-
dent organizations throughout the campus dent organizations throughout the campus.
SGA President Douglas Jeffrey said he understands the Wisconsin students argumen
but realizes the importance of the Supreme Court's decision.
"I am glad the Supreme Court ruled (in favor of the university)," Jeffrey said. (The they feel money needs to bee." English major from Haskell and editor of $T h$ University Daily, said if the decision had no
been reversed, it would have affected cam been reversed, it would have affected cam
pus newspapers everywhere. Court once again stand up for freedom of speech," he said.
Hodgin said without Student Service Fee funding, students m
per to pick up dally.
"Political commentary is a highly-regarded
form of opinion for not only major newspaCorm of opinion for not only major newspa-
pers but also student newspapers," he said.

## Commuter spaces lost to stadium renovations

## by Shannon Davis

As the first stages in Jones Stadium reno-
vations begin, Texas Tech commuters will be
left with fewer parking spaces.
The north side of the parking lot east of The north side of the parking lot east of
Jones Stadium will be taken over for the Jones Stadium will be taken over for the
contractor's work site for the renovation.
Aboutone.fourth of the parkinglot will be occupied by the construction equipment
said Gene West vice presid said Gene West, vice president for Opera-
tions.
"Initially, 160 spaces will be used and then upaces," West said. "Phase one will begin in
spent the next couple of months."
The area on the east sid The area on the east side of the stadium
dium, Martin said.
Cindy Rugeley, associate vice chancellor for News and Information, said between 150
to 200 parking spaces will be removed in the west commuter parking lot duringphase two. Since this lot is owned by the city of Lubbock
Tech will be responsible to replace each Tech will be responsible to replace each los
parking space on a one-by-one basis in the parking space on a one-by-one basis in the
same area. This will consist of building a new same area. This will consist of building a new
parking lot in the same area in order to make parkinglot in the same area in order to make
up for the spaces lost in the renovation pro cess. Another way Tech is hoping to make up Another way Tech is hoping to make up
for lost parking spots because of construcfor lost parking spots because of construc-
tion is the 780 -space parking lot on the north tion is the 780 -space parking lot on the north
side of the United Spirit Arena, which now is open to commuters for parking. Patrons us-
ing the Student Recreation Center have 110
"I do not park at the arena parking lot be "I do not park at he arena parkiglot be campus," said Candice Shook, a sophomore advertising major from Lubbock. "Having more parking spaces taken away at the stadium is a dis
for me." Because of the removal of parking spaces on the east side of the stadium, the new park ing lot at the arena will help out with commuter parking, said Gail Wolfe, director Traftic and Parking.
The lot is permitt the exception of nights during events at the the exc
arena.
This This lot became available for use over
Spring Break and gives commuters an ideal Spring Break and gives
parking lot. West said.

Holdens to be honored for dedication to Tech

Frances Holden and her late husband,
William Curry Holden will be hen William Curry Holden, will be honored at a
reception and presentation by the Friends of reception and presentation by the Friends o
the University Library/ Southwest Collection on Friday in the Formby Room of the South west Collection Library.
Frances Holden was the originator of the
Women's Council at the Texas Tech Museum.
She Women's Council at the Texas Tech Museum,
She designed and supervised installations for She designed and supervised installations for
the museum. She also was a member of the first Council for the Arts in Texas, and she in-
troduced the idea of the troduced the idea of the Lubbock Arts Festi-
val to the city. val to the city.
William Ty
William Tydeman, associate dean of li-
braries, said Frances Holden has been a key

lady."
e director of special projects for the Tech president's office, said Frances Holden is a link to Lubbock culture. "Much of the basis of the cultural life in Lubbock can be traced to the tireless efforts of Frances Holden," Howe said. "She has

woven.'"
Howe authored monograph this yeared titled "The Holden Por
traits," describirg the traits," describirg the
Holdens and portraits. She also will be at the re-
ception to sign copies of that monograph as well as her other monographs. Curry Holden established the Southwes lish the Ranching Heritage Center. He served as that director of the Tech museum for almost 40 years. Curry Holden was the first
dean of the Graduate School and dean of the Graduate School and was chair

## The Holdens will not be the only individu- als honored. Russell Thomasson, a muralis

 here in Lubbock and a Tech graduate, will be honored as well. Thomasson completed Cultural Center and two murals that can be Cultural Center and two murals that can beviewed at the museum or the rotunda at Holden Hall. Peter Rogers, Carol Rogers and John
Meigs, artists frum San Meigs, artists from San Parrio, N.M., also will be honored. The reception will begin at $5: 30$ p.m. and people to come as possible. "We are extending invitations for everyody to come out," Tydeman said. "It's an exhibit of good fellowship honoring good


## Job fair offers one-stop shopping

by Kim Svatek ContributingWriter
One-stop shopping will never be the same for students in the School of Mass Communications at Texas Tech.
Never before have mass communications students had the opportunity todrop resumes and set up interviews with companies throughout the state of Texas within the course of a
Tew hours.

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## Hurt ${ }^{2}$ Stell

Wants to thank the students of Texas Tech that visited our booth at the recent Housing Fair Congratulations to Tiffany Wright, winner of the entertainment center!

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tions job fair will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today at the Frazier Alumni Pavilion.
"I'm very excited," said Christye Marez, director of the Career Center for the School of Mass Communications. "We see this as a great starting point." The event, sponsored by Pi Delt Alpha and the Career Center, is ex pected to bring in about 20 mass com the state.
"We wanted to produce resource strictly for mass communications res

ents," Marez said. "Before, we just never had the resources to coordinate a project this large." She said the objective of the fair is to provide an informational setting from mas
sionals.
ionals.
"We definitely want to encourage freshmen and sophomores to attend as well as juniors and seniors so they can see what jobs are open to them," Marez said. "The more students that get to the fair the better because bus."
nesses like to see a good turnout." She said many of the businesses will be seeking people to fill summer and fall internships as well as jobs for December graduates. National Instruments in one of
several businesses attending the fair
ooking for students majoring in marketing, public relations and ad vertising.
"We are focused on recruiting people interested in our co-op internship for the summer and fall," said Sheri Kemp, editorial writer and Texas Tech recruiter for National Instruments. "We will also see December graduates for marketing posi.
tions to be based out of Austin." Marez said many of the nesses attending have some sort of Tech affiliation. Marez said almost 50 percent of the businesses attending Friday's fair will be backed by Texas Tech alumni.
said. "They are always willing to help."


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Group not just horsing around
by Shannon Davis
The Texas Tech University Horseman's Association is sponsor ing a live demonstration of the lat
est in therapeutic intervention and est in therapeutic intervention and
corporate development this weekcorporate development this week
end. A technique called equine-as sisted psychotherapy will be demonstrated by REFUGE Services of Lubbock, a non-profit agency.
The group will use horses and audience volunteers to demonstrate the technique.
At 10 a.m. Saturday, South Plains residents, along with corporate and
clinical professionals, will clinical professionals, will get a
firsthand look at equine-assisted psychotherapy.
REFUGE Services' certified professionals will demonstrate the ef fectiveness of using horses to facili-
tate team building for employee

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## Alcohol abuse hurts all of us.

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the President
Vice President for Student Affairs
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and emotional healing for individuThe horse acts as a type of tool for the counselors to use in therapy Featherston puals," said Tand Tech Horseman's The technique is designed for family or group members to maneuver the horse into a certain area in the arena by working together with stipulations. This is a type of nteraction with the people and the
People tend to show more emo tion when dealing with animals, s counselors like to use tools to get emotions from people rather than a one-on-one private session Another purpose is to show Tech's involvement in the commu nity. The groups who are targeted to
orations and families.
Equine-assisted psychotherapy is effective in dealing with, but not limited to, issues such as substance abuse and chemical dependency, eating disorders, post traumatic stress disorder, abuse depression and anxiety and relational probIn corporations, this technique is useful in teaching, practicing and developing teamwork and skills in
creative problem solving creative problem solving, commu-
nication and leadership. Equine-assisted psychotherapy is only offered in the South Plains through REFUGE Services, eatherston said.
The Livestock Arena is located on the southwest corner of Avenue.
For more information, contact For more information, contact
Randy or Patti Mandrell at 632 -
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ever is greater, up to a maximum of $\$ 10,000$. Selected military skills can ever is greater, up to a maximum or $\$ 1,000$. Selected
double that maximum. Third, you can earn part-time money in college, and here's how it
works: One summer you take Basic Training, and the next summer you works: One summer you take Basic Training, and the next summer you
receive skill training at an Army school. Youll earn over 1,600 for Basic
and even more for skill training Then youll and even more for skill training. Then you'll attend monthly meetings at an
Army Reserve unit near your college, usually one weekend a month plus Army Reserve unit near your college, usually one weekend a month plus
two weeks ayear. Yourll be paid over $\$ 107$ w weekend to start. It's worth
thinking about. Give us a call:

Lions Club plans pancake fest by Scott Fitzgerald
festival goes directly to charity,"

said Tom White, president of the | $\begin{array}{l}\text { sy } \\ \text { Contributing Writer }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { said Tom White, president of the } \\ \text { Lions Club. "We help many }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | The Lubbock Lions Club will charities in Lubbock such as the sponsor its 48th annual Pancake Meals on Wheels, the South Festival from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sat- Plains Food Bank and Boy Scout urday at the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium All-you-can-eat pancakes and sausage along with White also was quick to praise milk, coffee and orange juice will ons Club. be served all day.

"We expect to feed about have called on the fraternities 18,000 people, and hopefully, and sororities and other organi$\begin{array}{ll}\text { many Texas Tech students will } & \text { zations at Texas Tech to help } \\ \text { come out and enjoy the food and }\end{array}$ support the community," said Earl the tables," he said. "Every year, Crites, member and former presi- they have responded well and dent of the Lubbock Lions Club. have always been a big help." The Lubbock Lions Club is the Tickets for the 48th annual Li-
largest Lions Club chapter in the largest Lions Club chapter in the
counstry with 345 members. Pro- $\$ 3$ in advance and $\$ 3.50$ at the ceeds from the pancake festival door will benefit several local and statewide charities. ery cent we make from the 4789.

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butcher the Southern accent. I'm sick butcher the Southern accent. I'm sick of mainstream media. We are not all gun-tot-
ing rednecks with bad teeth (Despite family ing rednecks with bad
 Michael

## Duff

Guest

O'Hara. Our Our society will be called the Underestishort. This acronys Association - USA for it'll save us a fortune on bumper stickers. Membership to the USA is open to anyone who can make the following declarations: will not wear a cowboy hat unless I am attending a Halloween party or a rodeo; The tires on my truck will rise no higher than my knee caps; I will not keep rifles in my truck unless am actually on my way to kill something; I will
use the words "Please," "Thank You," "Sir" and "Ma'am;" and I will always open doors for ladies (That's not Southern, that's just polite). I will remove my ball cap for the following occasions: weddings, funerals, job interview and sexual encounters. I will never refer to m . even as a joke. I promise to avoid the follow ing phrases in public: "Hot dog!' "Yee haw! "Ireckon" and "Them's good eatin'!" (We'd like to prohibit "y'all," but some habits are just to
hard to break) I will conce
make myself more palatable to the media
elite: "Al Gore is nice, but that John McCain make myself more palatable to the media
elite: "Al Gore is nice, but that John McCain makes a lot of sense
If some Yankee catches me listening to
country music, I will apologize for Garth
Brooks and Hank Williams Jr., but I will neve apologize for the Dixie Chicks or Johnny Cash. Like I said, a tough pill to swallow.
But if we do this right But if we do this right, our members will
blend in with the dominant media culture and rise to positions of power. Imagine a world where TV Southerners bathe regularly and have good teeth! Imagine a world wher Southern belles are actually played by ac tresses from Georgia and Alabama! Imagin lent figures who respect women and minor lent fig
ties!
Ple
Please send your check or money order to The Underestimated Southerners Association, care of Michael B. Duff (The member ship fee may seem steep, but you get three Jef
Foxworthy tapes and a New Yorker subscrip tion). Since this is our first (and only) public statement, I would like to offer a plea to the British government: If you guys will make Kenneth Branaugh stop pretending to be
Southern, we'll make Gwyeth Paltrow stop pretending to be English.
Michael Duff is a sophomore English ma jor from Lubbock. He's not only president and ounder of the Underestimated Southerner Association, he's a client, too.

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Columnist $\begin{gathered}\text { strong will and a certain" } \\ \text { "talent for deception" }\end{gathered}$
Inat doesn't come easy to us.
I know it's a big sacrifice, but think of the benefits: no more redneck serial killers, no more bigoted Southern sheriffs and no mor
Brooklyn starlets pretending to be Scarle


Lighten up, lady
To the editor: I wanted to bang my head



## It all goes back to roots

Foiks, I have got a lot on my mind this week
when it comes to politics. So sit back an when it comes to politics. So sit back and matter. It may sound disconjointed, bit gray matter. It may
You know something, friends, I love it whe am right. Usually this happens on a pretty regular basis, but when have put dow one to read, then I am especially happy. I makes me even happier when someone has the
nads to argue with me, or like someone here nad this campus did once, turn me in to
on
Democrat or pro-Clinton organization. Now that the great state of Texas has had it primary, I once again must say to all Democrats
and Liberal critics that I have been proven right again. And you, the reader, are most fortunate again. And you, the reader, are most fortunate what and how you should think about the
things that matter most to our great nation.
$\square \begin{aligned} & \text { Now some may say that } \\ & \text { it is not so hard determin }\end{aligned}$


Cameron

## Graham

Columnist tion, and I also was saying Some the nod from those on the left. naut. Whate to downgrade the Bush jugger giving the voters enough credit. They can all read and see what candidate said what and how he or she feels about cer

tain issues. After all, this is the age of the Inter net, and information is literally at our finger | tips. |
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| But |

But some say Bush has just out-politicked
his opponents. Well his opponents. Well, honest to God people, thay
is what he is supposed to do. And along the way he relates his message, and people listen, and apparently, they liked what they heard from Bush better than McCain.
Now don't get me wrong please, I like
McCain and have the urost rest in McCain and have the utmost respect for him,
but he simply didn't appeal to the masses the wat he simph does.
Now some thoughts on Gore. I have said until I am blue in the face that Gore was going to get the nomination. The
far different from Bush's.
Gore couldn't out-politic anybody, and he is
about as appealing as a barium about as appealing as a barium enema. No,
is the Democrat Party machine, the same that stood by him and his boss, the Dope from Hope, all during the MonicaGate thing. Demo crats backed a liar to the hilt, and he manage
to get loose. And there was ALGORE riding on to get loose. A
the coat tails.
The Democrats didn't really have much choice to be honest with you. I mean, look a Bradley. He looks like a horse that has mad one too many trips to the water trough and jus hasn't got the poop to make it back to the bar where finally decided to bring him back to life and give him a new wardrobe. To them, this ap parently makes all the difference in the worlo. Never mind the fact that he defended a liar a president for more than a year.
And would some of you people please give
up on the Reform Party? They are losers, folks I have said it before, and I will keep saying in The Reform bunch is for those who couldn hack it in the two major parties. They don't be lieve they are "outsiders" or a breath of fres air. They just like to tell people that, and so fa
all it has gained them is an ler and a idiotic chest-thumper wre Buchannen.
McCain is not going to the Reform Party
Why should he? He is a successful Why should he? He is a successful Republica
senator. Bradl
Bradiey, well, I don't know how successfu his party. So one he has reached the Senate in of a loser.
Before I conclude ambling - column, I would lik- admitted that all this national stuff has to point ou somewhere. And that somewhere is at the grassroots local level.
I have tried to tell people this, but I have ha a few lame-os tell me they are more into na here, friends. If you really wanna work things national, you got to pay your dues in the local stuff first.
Believe it or not, Bush and Gore did it. Now
ook where they are Cameron Graham
from Lubbock with only 50 days until he see the inside of the United Spirit Arena.

## 'American Beauty' sure shot for best picture

| hoosing the best film of the | served the honor, while other times, | group of death row prisong guards and | top honor of the year. This film's best | "The Silence of the Lambs." But, ex- |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | and crowd-pleasing film, It has ev-




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by Matt Muench
Staf Wrter
When the Red Raider softball team hits the dia-
mond this weekend, they should be happy to begin
Big 12 Conferenceplay but worried about their No.1
pitcher Amanda Renfro.
The Red Raiders are set to face Oklahoma State
at 1p.m. Saturday and Sundayat the Texas Tech Rec-
reational Intramural Fields.
Renfro injured her pitching arm during last
weekend's Red Raider Invitational and her status
will be a game--time decision against the Cowgirls.
Renfro strained her deltoid muscle in her shoul-
der and feels sain at the end of her follow-through.
"It is a little sore, and it hurts when I throw,"
Renfro said. "I hope it doesn't get serious, and if it
doees, it will be a secret because I am still going to
throw."
Tecch coach Carla Marchetti said if she does not
have Renfro, freshman pitcher Dana Yocum might
have a bigger load this weekend.
"Ihope Renfro will pithhatleast one of the days,"
Marchetti said. "But Dana (Yocum) is learning, and
Ithink she can deel with the pressure because she
knows it is there."
Yocum feels the same and thinks the pressure
can only help her.


Tech designated hitter Shauna Briggs and the Re Raiders will face Oklahoma State at 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Tech Recreational Intramural Fields.
"I feel a little pressure, but it will only help me
row better and make me work harder," she said.

## Yocum will be on the hill Sunday against the

 No. 18 -ranked Cowgirls."It is exciting to start Big 12 play," Renfro said. We are real excited to open up at home, and it could a good start for us. Though the Red Raiders (11-24) are not where er than what their record shows.
"The Cowgirls will be great competition," Marchetti said. "But we have played a lot of ranked teams this year, and we have hung in there with them. If our offense can keep improving and our
pitchers can stay healthy, we will be in good shape." pitchers can stay healthy, we will be in good shape.
Marchetti also said she is happy to see the offense improving after their slow start with the bats. The team hit a season best .244 last weekend at he Red Raider Invitational. "We just need to hit the ball against OSU like we
it it last weekend," Marchetti said. "The hitting is hit it last weekend," Marchetti said. "Ohe hitting is
not where I want it to be, but it is certainly improvnot whe
ing."
Mar
Marchetti and the Red Raiders said they hope
hey have a little upset in store for the Cowgirls. "They have a good hitting team, but they have
her a st some key players," Marchetti said "I hope we conference play strong.


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Lady Raiders hope to be elite against Irish $\begin{aligned} & \text { The Lady Raiders will look to } \\ & \text { eraging } 16.1 \text { points-per-game }\end{aligned}$
advance to the Elite Eight of the
and 7.3 rebounds-per-game. advance to the Elite Eight of the
NCAA Women's Tournament NCAA Women's Tournament
when they clash with Notre when they clash with Notre
Dame in the Sweet 16 of the Mideast Regional at $1: 30$ p.m. Saturday at the Pyramid in Memphis, Tenn. The Lady Raiders enter the contest following first- and sec-
ond-round victories against Tennessee Tech and Tulane last week at the United Spirit Arena.
The Lady Raiders
(27-4 over The Lady Raiders (27-4 over-
all) and the Fighting Irish last all) and the Fighting Irish last
met in 1998 when the Irish knocked the Lady Raiders out of knocked the Lady Raiders out of the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum. Notre Dame (27-4 overall)
comes in as the No. 5 -ranked comes in as the N .
They are led by 6 -foot- 5 All-
American Ruth Riley, who is av-

The Lady Raiders are led by their No. 9 -ranked defense and five scores.
Tech forward Aleah Johnson leads the charge averaging 14.6 points-per-game.
The contest will The contest will be nationally
elevised by ESPN2. The winner of the game will meet the winner of the Tennes see-Virginia matchup in
championship game Monday championship game Monday.
The winner of that contes advances to the women's Final Four in Philadelphia. The Lady Raiders would not comment on this weekend's a column in Wednesday's The University Daily regarding the departure of Nikki Hendrix from departure of
the team.

## Tech looks to stay hot, defeat 'Huskers

| by Patrick GonzalesSports Editor | Big 12 standings. |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | The Cornhuskers ( $15-7$ overall, 5 4 Big 12) are coming off a $9-5$ victory |
| es not take | against No.18-ranked Creighton on |
| the Texas Tech baseball team en- | Tuesday. They have won four out of |
| joys playing at home. | their last five ball games and also are tied for third. |
| come in the friendly confines of Dan | Nebraska ent |
| Law Field. Nine of their 13 losses hav accurred on the road | the No. 1 pitching staff in the Big 1 with an overall 2.70 ERA. |
| The Red Raide | Techleads the conference |
| his weekend when thy | batting with a |
| ee Nebraska at 6:30 p.m. Friday | factor in its |
| ck Beltzer Stadium in Linco | ch catcher Trey Lunsford is one |
| b. | Red Raider who has been on a tear |
| The squads will engage ubleheader starting at 1 p.m. | offensively, raising his batting average 30 points since March 9 . |
| ay to end the series. | He is fourth on the team with |
| Tech (16-13 overall, 5-4 Big 12 | . 311 batting average. |
|  | As long as we take every game |
| the season against then N | one at a time, we'll be all right," said |
| d Baylor last week | sford about the Neb |
| Red Raiders sweptus | e hit the ball really good against |
|  | Baylor, and if |
| eir first Big 12 Conference series | this weekend, we could pickup som victories." |
| re | Tech faced the Cornhuskers once |
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