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## $\square$ STATE

Plane collision kills two near Houston
killed after two planes collided in mid-air Sunday and caused one Interstate 10 west of Houston, authorities said. "Two planes collided in the air, and one plane came down," said
Mayda Ibarra, a spokeswoman for the Waller County Sheriff's Department.
She said the incident occurred about $5: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. and investigators
were en route to the scene Tom Vinger, a spokesman for the Texas Department of Public Safety, said a portion of the highway remained closed while
crews cleared wreckage from the crews cleared wreckage from the
downed plane.
He said the two victims were in the crashed airplane. He did not know if there were others aboard Vinger, who described the
aircraft as "smaller planes," said aircraft as "smaller planes," said
the other plane managed to land safely at West Houston Airport.

## C MATIONAL

Disturbed Anglicans challenge liberalists Anglican archbishops disturbed by the Episcopal Church USA's liberal views on homosexuality held their own confirmation service Sunday in a challenge to
the denomination's American leadership.
The presiding bishops of
Kenya, Uganda, Congo, and Kenya, Uganda, Congo, and
Sydney, Australia - as well as delegates sent by other bishops suburban Philadelphia. Th object to the practice by the Episcopal Church, the U.S branch of Anglicanism, of
ordaining active homosexual ordaining active homosexuals
and allowing clergy to bless same-sex unions. were confin youths and adults by Archbishop Maurice Sinclair of Argentina, at the Church of the Good Shepherd.
Among them was 18 -year-old Emily Lugo, who said she was "really honored to be a part of this." there are other churches as conservative as we are," she said.
Bishop Charles Bishop Charles Bennison of
the Diocese of Pennsylvania, who the Diocese of Pennsylvania, who
attended the service, said he met with Sinclair on Saturday.

## - WORLD

President confronts Irani law violators TEHRAN, Iran (AP) - President accused his hard-line opponents of constitutional violations and said he was powerless to stop them his first such statement since his
1997 election and the clearest sign 1997 election and the clearest sign yet of the ongon
in Iran.
a d declare that after $31 / 2$ years as president, I don't have suffi cient powers to implement the
constitution, which is my bigest responsibility," said Khatami, a moderate who has been an extremely popular president. practice, the president is unable
to stop the trend of violations or oo stop the trend of violation constitution."
Khatami, addressing a conference on the constitution, said he deliberately has refrained from elaborating on the anti-constitu-
tional activities of his opponents to "avoid tension." He warned, however, that he would report to the nation at the end of his four-


Volleyball team gets bid on way to Hawaii......p. 8

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## Certification equals Bush gratification

Democrats vow to contest election after results yield Republicans victorious
 locked presidential vote - but court contests left in doubt which man will be the ultimate victor and 43rd president of
he United States. Bush said he had won the White House and asked Gore to reconsider his challenges.
"Now that the votes are counted, it is time for the votes to count," Gov. Bush said from the state capitol in Austin, afte Secretary of State Katherine Harris, a campaign supporter,
announced that he had captured Florida by an infinitesimal
537 -vote margin.
Bush announced that running mate Dick Cheney will direct
ransition operations in Washington, with former Secretary of Transportation Andrew Card will be hisWhite House chief of staff. persuade Americans that the election is over with, and that the outcome announced in Florida should be the last word.
Sen. Joe Lieberman, the Democratic vice presidential nomi-
nee, already had declared that it won't be, declaring that he and nee, already had dece nad worn
 close

## Gore

## une election was close," Bush said, "but tonight, after a Cheney and I are honored to her mane won the state of Florid

 which gives us the needed electoral votes to win the election" Moments after Republican Harris declared Bush the winner of Florida's 25 electeral votes at a ceremony in Tallahas see, Lieberman said she had certified "an incomplete and in But Bush, in a nationally-televised address from.

If the certification of a 537 -vote Bush margin stands, the
Texas governor would win 271 electoral college votes - one more than necessary for victory - to 267 for Gore.
Harris said Bush
Harris said Bush had $2,912,790$ votes and Gore had
$2,912,253$. That gave Bush the 537 -vote lead out of 6 million cast, although Harris rejected partial returns from Palm Beach County. An unofficial AP tally including recounted Palm Beach
County votes showed Bush ahead by 357. The secretary of state's formal declaration, which set off GOP cheers outside the Florida capital and at the state capitol in
Austin, Texas: "Accordingly, on behalf of the state elections canvassing commission and in accordance with the laws of the state of
Florida, Ihereby declare Governor George W. Bush the winner of Florida's 25 electoral votes."

## Lieberman said, "The integrity of our self-government"

 could be cast into doubt without Democratic steps to get the most complete and accurate count possible.
## Contract

 deal soon expected- Texas Tech and Citibus officials are close to signing a three-year extension.

By Pam Smith
Staff Writer
Texas Tech and Citibus are on the Texas Tech and Cibus are on the
verge of signing a three-year agreement to continue the bus service on campus and along other routes to campus. Previously, all contracts be-
tween the two entities have been for tween the
one year.
ngs," said Ry contract) is a cost savpges, saident ofyan Weller, external vice Association. "Citibus is whowe always go with, and they have always been great to work with. They are giving us
great deal which saves us money," a great deal which saves us money."
The contract, if signed, would continue the running of 21 buses
hroughout the Tech campus and throughout the Tech campus and
along the additional off-campus routes until 2004.
Costs for the service would start
$\$ 945,375$ for the $2001-2002$ acr at $\$ 945,375$ for the 2001-2002 aca$\$ 1,012,519$ at the end of the 20032004 academicyear. If additional buses are added to the routes, this price could increase. Weller antici
pates the contract will save Tech pates the contract will save Tech
$\$ 84,000$ during the three-year period 84,000 during the three- year period
The contract would keep much o the already existing bus service the same, but would allow Tech more lexibility in the scheduling of a posStreet route and also would lock in fuel costs for the next three years. If uel prices increase during that time. ech still would be charged the al ready agreed upon rate.
see CONTRACT, page 2

Councilman: Minorities unlikely for Tech vacancies
By Angel Wolle
$\qquad$ Lubbock City Councilman Vicor Herrandez said he does not believe Texas Tech will have any
new minority leaders after the deputy chancellor and five vice president positions are filled. Hernandez has asked Tech
a minority to replace Mike Moses as after he leaves in January. "Texas Tech is in a a unique posi-
tion in the community," Hernandez tion in the community," Hernandez
said. "Not only is it the largest said. "Not only is it the largest em-
ployer, but it also has great impact on every facet."
"A strong mess
"A strong message will be sent to Lubbock and the region that it is a

## Hernandez is focusing on the

 deputy chancellor and vice president positions in hopes that it produces a trickle-down effect. If you start at the top, it sendssuch a strong signal and the rest will fall into place," he said.
Another point Hernandez said including women into to his classifi
cation of minority.
"I want to make very clear the fact
hat people of Hispanic tican descent Hispanic descent, Afof us include women as a minority of us include women as a minority,"
he said. "Many times folk will say hire women' but the fact is that too hire women but the fact is that too
often they use the criteria with mionen they use the criteria with mi-
nority much to the disservice to the community.
ready has a number of white women, Hernandez said. He said he does not
elieve hiring more white women is elieve hiring more white women is
he answer to the university's lack of minority employees. Realistically, Hernandez said he oes not believe Montford or Presidoes not believe Monford or Presi-
dent David Schmidly will do much
o change the color of Tech's lead-
see POSITIONS, page

Tech moves to take over El Paso center

der negotiation, but the centers cur-
rent executive director says it is close
to the $\$ 8.8$ million the center is seek-
ing from the Texas Department of
Mental Health and Mental Retarda-
tion for this fiscal year.
"I'm excited about the opportu-
nity to stabilize that thospita finally,"
said Manuel de la Rosa, regional
dean of the Texas Tech University
Health Sciences Center in El Paso.
"put we can't do it without the ap.
propriate resources, and we want to
do it right."
Tech management could be in
the El Paso Times.
Officials say Tech will keep the Officials say Tech will keep the
current psychiatric team in place at the hospital.
Before the hospital opened, local
mental-health advocates com mental-health advocates complained that families had to drive
300 miles to Big Spring for care. But, 300 miles to Big Spring for care. But, the hospital has since been plagued
by financial troubles and has cut its beds from the original 85 . Some patients still must drive out of the country for treatment, and the
bed shortage has forced patients to bed shortage has forced patients to
wait in acute-care hospital emer

the student services fee committee
thinks may need to be revised in the
future is the cost of providing the
service to off-campus locat tions
along West Fourth Street and Indi-
ana Avenue.
The committee is looking into the
possibility of apartment complexes
along these routes to help subsidize
the costs of the off-campus bus ser-
vice. If implemented, the plan would
allow residents of the apartment
complexes not to have to pay for the
bus routes until the end of thee-year
contract.
Kimberley McClure, manager at
Stratford Apartments, said she had
not heard about the idea, but said
striving to have a more diverse rep-
resentation at Texas Tech, but as
with any search, we are going to
look for the most qualified," he
said.
Montford has not made a time-
table for when he will appoint
someone as interim deputy chan-
cellor.
While no search committee has
been established for the position,
five search committees are wind-
ing down their searches and send-
ing sugestions to Schmidly for
vice president positions.
"All five committees have given
mea a short list," "he said.
Four preliminary interviews
were conducted before the
Thanksgiving holiday and in-
cluded several minority candi-
dates.
"It's our responsibility to hire
the most qualified people for the
positions," Schmidly said. "It's our
responsibility to look for good,
quality minority candidates."

| e of his top priorities. <br> "I want to have a diverse manement team that includes men," he said. "It should inade women, Hispanics, African nericans." <br> There are five vice president poions open, including vice presint for institutional advanceent, fiscal affairs, student affairs, search graduate studies and chnology transfer and informan technology. <br> Schmidly originally had hoped have the appointments made fore the end of the fall semester. w, he said, they should be comete before the spring semester gins. <br> "The only difficulty has been arnging schedules," he said. ink we'll wait until after the first the year to bring finalists." <br> The vice president of institunal advancement is responsible |
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psychiatric center The Tech plan calls for severa new programs to ease patien backlog. Among them is a crisis stabilization unit where psychotic or suicidal patients would be medi-
cated and under observation for cated and under observation fo
several hours, said Jim Laible Tech's vice president for health care systems.
The hospital also would house an
alcohol- and drug treatent alcohol- and drug-treatment pro
gram to ease the shortage of deto gram to ease the
beds in Pl Paso.

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The vice president for fiscal af-
fairs is the chief financial officer for
the university and is responsible
for managing, directing and con-
trolling the financial affairs of the
university, according to the Tech
Web page.
The vice president for student
affairs will be the senior student af
fairs officer responsible for admin
istration coordination, develop-
ment management and planning
of the university policies, programs
and services related to campus life
and student development, accord
ing to the Tech Web site.
The Web site listed the duties for
vice president for research gradu
ate studies and technology trans
fer to involve advancing the re
search mission.
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Committee formed to boost Tech pride

| By Angel Wolfe Staff Writer | ally great feel where |
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| President David Schmidly wants more involvement for campus activities. In an effort to help his cause, he has created the Pride and Pageantry committee that includes staff, faculty, ex-students and community members. | where |
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| dents and community members. Schmidly appointed his ex- | "Everything |
| utive assistant, Gene Binder, as |  |
| co-chairman, and his wife, Janet | bringing back family." |
| Schmidly, as co-chairwoman. | During the breakfast, Binder said the group brainstormed |
| More than 80 people were asked |  |
| to join the committee. | about the types of action that |
| The committee held a kick-off | should surround Tech football weekends. |
| breakfast recently that about 70 |  |
| members attended. | Mrs. Schmidly said the goals of |
| "They are willing, ready and | the committee are to develop |
| ite able to get with the p | more pride as well as student and community involvement in all campus activities. |
| gram," Binder said. "We want to |  |
| re-invigorate the traditions that |  |
| has made Tech such a great uni- | campus activities. <br> "We would like to target key |
| versity over the years." | people to head committee from |
| Other universities are |  |
| pride and pageantry and Binder | the community and student body, to hear their ideas," she said. |
| said the president believes Tech |  |
| should as well. <br> "The group had wonderful | "The surrounding towns are very dedicated and love Texas |
| ideas on how to increase fan attendance and increase school | Tech. We want them to feel apart of the whole experience." <br> The next committee meeting |
| spirit so people will enjoy coming |  |
| to games," Binder said. | will be in December. Mrs. |
| Schmidly created this com | Schmidly said ex-students from the Dallas and Houston area are |
| , withopes of makingan |  |
| letic weekends more of a family | expected to be at the meeting. <br> "They are very dedicated," she |
| ent for everyone. |  |
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| DRIVE <br> from page 1 <br> why I came back to Tech." <br> Davis has driven for Citibus for six years - both the regular Lubbock routes and the Tech routes. <br> After traveling with his wife in 1993-94, Davis decided to semiretire in Lubbock, instead of returning to his home state of California. The people are friendly. <br> 11 $\qquad$ and the economy is good, he said. <br> He finds it rewarding to see students going to school and tries to lift them up. In return, he said they keep him in a good mood. <br> "They make me feel young," Davis said, referring to the Tech students he is responsible for taxiing each day. <br> Natalie Sparks, the marketing coordinator for Citibus, said Tech students express the same respect for the bus drivers. <br> "We receive many compliments from Tech students about our bus drivers," she said. "They care about | what they do and take their jobs seriously." <br> Citibus requires bus drivers to attend training and safety sessions over operating the bus, parking, passing and how to drive in different weather conditions, Sparks said. <br> Bus drivers must have a commercial driver's license also. Citibus currently employees 25 full-time drivers and seven parttime drivers for the five Tech routes. <br> The green route circles the campus counterdockwise from 7:10 a.m. ve many to 5:30 p.m. ents from The red route goes through goes through the campus <br> ents about clockwise from 7:10 a.m. drivers." to $6: 50$ p.m. <br> Sparks The BA shuttle circles clockwise and counterdockwise from 7:30 a.m. <br> to 5:20 p.m. <br> The campus apartment routes consist of stops on Indiana Avenue, Fourth Street and West Fourth Street. Both buses run from 7:20 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. <br> "The buses are here for the students," Davis said. <br> As for Davis, Grant and the other bus drivers, they will continue to drive their normal, but not-soroutine routes. |
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## Verdict nears in boll weevil vote

LUBBOCK (AP) - Drought-
plagued farmers in the heart of Texas plagued farmers in the heart of exas
cotton country are about to find out if they'll be paying for a program to kill off a critter that can be just as
destructive the boll weevil. destructive: the boll weevil. Today, the Texas Department of
Agriculture is expected to finish counting the votes cast by High Plains cotton producers and announce whether it will impose a $\$ 12$ -per-acre charge for irrigated farmers
and a $\$ 6$-per-acrecharge for dryland farmers.
Most cotton-producing regions in Texas have eradication programs in place, according to the Texas Bo
Weevil Eradication Foundation. However, the region surroundin Lubbock, referred to as the world's largest cotton patch, has been slower to embrace such a program
because the boll weevil hasn't infested the region's crops as quickly as elsewhere, Plains Cotton Grower spokesman Shawn Wade said. The state requires that a two
thirds majority of the region's farmers agree to an eradication program for it to be implemented. If ap. proved, all farmers in the region

e effects as severely." Recently, however, the tiny bug cording to Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation board represen ative Vicki Davis Patschke. bout $\$ 60$ an acre spraying to kill the pest this year. Without her neighbors doing the same, it's a losing battle. "The boll weevil was basically off
of the Caprock, but it has nowestab of the Caprock, but it has now estab
lished itself on the High Plains." she said. "I'm looking at it that if we do not get a program I am going to have a hard time staying in business. 1 am half irrigated and half dryland and
have very little water. Cotton is the only crop I can grow."

## Wade said most pro

## region are concerned. "It's just something

"It's just something that produc ers have to look at on an individual
basis," he said "" basis, he said. "They have to look
at their operations feel is the best course to what they sure their profitability and survival down the line."
Rick Klem, a
Kick Klem, a Lynn County farmer,
says the proposed eradication pro says the proposed eradication pro-
gram is more likely to drive him out
of business than the boll weevil, especially with the drought continuing its stranglehold.
"Where is the money going to come from to pay the assessment?" he said, "That's my problem with the
whole deal. With the prices we get for our cotton, we can't afford any other loads on our boats. I'm scared to death it's going to pass and I don't
know what we are going to do." know what we are going to do."
Benny Pope of Lamb County ha Benny Pope of Lamb County has
paid into an eradication program in the foundation's northwestern zone for about two years now. He said with cotton prices so low and pro-
duction down because of the duction down because of the
drought, eradication programs don't do much good in an area that hasn't been completely overrun by the crit-
ters.
ters. ${ }^{\text {This year just was a wreck and }}$ the weevil program probably did not hurt or help," he said. "If, a weevil
program decreases the number of weevils and we get back to the point where we can produce cotton at a
profit, having an eradication proprofit, having an eradication pro-
gram will help. But as long as we gram will help. But as long as we
can't grow cotton at a profit, we can't can't grow cotton at a profit,
pay for a weevil program."

New approach to basing bombers for long-range missions

WASHINGTON (AP) - One of the
more remarkable feats of the U.S. air more remarkable feats of the U.S. air war over Kosovo last year was the 30 hour roundtrip combat mission of
B-2 stealth bombers flying from their base in Missouri. It was a point of pride for the Air Force that its bombers could deliver blows from such a distance.
Now the Air
Now the Air Force is quietly shift-
ing its approach, hoping to get more bang from its bombers by preparing to have them carry out more wartime missions from air bases outside
the continental United States. the continental United States.
All bombers in the Air Force are now based at home: the B-2s at Whiteman Air Force Base, Mo.; B-52s at Barksdale Air Force Base, La., and Minot Air Force Base, N.D.; and B-
1s in Texas, Idaho and South Dakota The Air Force is not planning to permanently base any of the planes abroad. Rather, it is building up a capability to send them - in times
of crisis - to spots like the Pacific of crisis - to spots like the Pacific
island of Guam from which they could rearm, refuel and be sustained by ground crews much closer to potential combat zones like Korea and
the Persian Gulf.

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of London; and a Middle East locaof London; and a Middle East loca-
tion that the Air Force will not iden-
tify publicly but which Ryan said tify publicly but which Ryan said
"we're looking at" for what he termed "other capabilities." The idea is to enable bombers, in
a short-notice crisis, to fly from their a short-notice crisis, to fly from thei
home bases in the United States, at tack their targets and then procee to Guam or another "forward operation location
to combat. to combat.
This gives them a quick restrike
capability they now lack, Ryan said.
It also would reduce, though not
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efuelings.
Although the $B-2$ 2 are said Although the B-2s are said to have
performed as well as or better than expected in the Kosovo campaign,
their contribution could have been greater if they were not forced to fly
all the way from Missour all the way from Missouri. "That was not our preferred way


Mexican officials ask tourists to stop bribes

can officials are urging tourists border without further delays - can officials are urging tourists

heading south of the border for
the holidays not the holidays not to bribe border guards to make their trips
smoother. Officials acknowledge that
bribes, or "mordidas" in Spanish. are common, especially during high-traffic times like the Christ-
mas season. nas season. for corruption to ex-
In order
ist, there have to be two parties involved," Marco Antonio Fraire, spokesman for the Mexican consulate in San Antonio, told the San
Antonio Express-News in Sunday's editions. "Manypeople donot plan for their trips. We as Mexican
people are used to saying, Well, I people are used to saying, 'Well, I
can arrange it somehow.'' can arrange it somehow.
In a move to protect travelers,
tarting Friday federal observers starting Friday, federal
will again be stationed along the border to watch inspectors. Mexican customs and immi-
gration stations are infamous for lines stretching for miles and taking countless hours. Last year, it wasn't unusual for holiday travelers to spend five hours or more
waiting in Nuevo Laredo the waiting in Nuevo Laredo, the
nation's busiest commercial crossing point.
After such a wait, many travel-

border without further delays -
and some inspectors are morethan and some inspectors are more than
willing to accommodate for a price. willing to accommodate for a price.
"It is sad, what we have seen "It is sad, what we have seen with our authorities," Genaro
Montiel Rangel, the national chief of a program to safeguard the rights of Mexicans and others entering the country, said during a
recent visit to San Antonio. "We docent visit to San Antonio. "We for people returning to their homeland."
Fraire said many border checkpoint hassles, and the accompa-
nying bribes, could be avoided by nying bribes, could be avoided by
preparing travel documents in advance.
The The consulate in San Antonio has distributed about 15,000 pamphlets that include drawings.
charts and maps explaining how travelers can ease their trip home for the holidays.
The pamphlets contain
stamped and addressed com plaint forms to the government's internal affairs division. The Mexican government also
is temporarily increasing the value is temporarily increasing the value
of tax-free merchandise an indiof tax-free merchandise an indi-
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## Florida has solidified its place in history as the 'bonkers' state

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zoo that they have been claiming it is for two weeks. Chaos! Unleash the dogs of
war! Contest every ballot! Foul it up past the dea
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chad that lands on the floor, on the grou
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fraud - and besides fraud - and besides,
someone might eat it! Florida Gov. Jeb
Bush's problem with this strategy is that it
would rather clearly would rather clearly
indicate that his state
is so loopy that it cant
conduct a simple hand recount. This
whole thing is a public relations disaster whole thing is a public relations disaste
for Florida, which has now eclipsed, temporarily, both Texas and California as
the most bonkers place in the nation. the fact that quite a large number of the residents of Jeb Bush's state are calmly recounting ballots and making obvious decisions about the voters' intent puts him
in a fork, as they say in chess. Either his in a fork, as they say in chess. Either his
brother loses, or he claims that his own people are morons. This is not a happy
Actually, watching a recount is enough to convince you that your fellow citizens are quite bright. For those of you who have
never been there or done that, a recount involves major amounts of simple common sense. No matter how partisan you are, sometimes it's clear what the voter figure it out.
Buck Wood, perhaps the best election
lawyer in Texas uses the line, "People do the darndest things," and they do them to ballots. may be worried about our position as the No. 1 Most Peculiar Place in the nation: I wouldn't trade our Duval County for their Duval County in a contested election if yo were to offer me a million dollars.
Dimpled chads. for Pete's sake don't even have to cheat to count a dimpled chad. What is that to the time we had 87 dead people vote in identical handwriting in identical green ink and
counted all of them? If there's a case in Florida that might remotely compare to Texas on a good electoral-fraud day, it
would be this Seminole County, where
absentee ballots. What were they
thinking?
This is hard cheese on texas Republicans. The other day, I worked up a twinge of sympathy for GOP strategist Karl Rove. of course we hand-recount the stupid punch ballots here.
In Harris County, they've done it 50 times in the last 20 years. In Travis primary in 1974 that led to a regular auditing committee at every election.
What happens with the punch-card What happens with the punch-card
system - and this is A-B-C to everyone
who had ever been involved with these contests - is that the trays underneath the ballots fill up with chad. People punch through an entire ballot, they
leave the little pieces of detritus, and the rays that collect them are only about
Furthermore, it is not at all unusual
for the chad to clump in the front or the
back of a tray, so you get a series of ballots where people tried to pungh
through and couldn't because they hit pile of clumped chad underneath.
Ken Wendler, a Travis County
chairman in the ' 70 s, says that one thing he learned after a great snafu is just to
see that the chad trays are cleaned out before every election, because half the time you find them full of old chad from so of course we still have it in Texas because it's cheap.
After this entire campaign, would you
expect anything else from this state? What's amazing is that our electoral laws Texas Legislature had a fit of bipartisan sanity one day, and the impetus came from the Republican, Bush-appointed secretary of state, Tony Garza. Despite my partisan stake in this, I am
still fascinated by the ways in which we stil fascinated by the ways in which we
seize upon the evidence supporting our side and totally reject the evidence from the other side. And it's so much easier to notice people on the other side doing that. For example, George W. Bush claiming people." And then complaining after the election: "No way can you trust people. What idiots are recounting these votes?" Likewise, note that Al Gore, who a few
weeks ago was touting the virtues of the Electoral College, now glories in the moral superiority of the popular vote.
Does this mean we should give up in Does this mean we should gir
despair on these two hopeless despair on these two hopeless
hypocrites? Nah. They're pols -
grip. Molly Ivins is a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram



## Golumn

## Forward this, if you dare

You know what I hate more than
skinny people, money-grubbing administrators and knowing th Getting pictures of naked skydivers and Getting pictures of naked skydivers and a
guide to the five levels of a hangover are not that bad every now and then. But the ones that suck that are so sweet and trite
you could vomit all
 over your keyboard
are the cutesy little poems and "things I've learned" lists that reach more people
than Jesus himself. than esus he
Take the friendship ones, for instance. You know the ones about w
friend meant in
Brandon friend meant in
fourth grade vs.
Formby college. Or the ones about the difference between high schoo
friends and college friends. friends and college friends.
You want to know the difference between high school friends and college
friends? You met your high school friend friends? You met your high school friend
when you were in high school and your when you were in high school and your
college friends while you were in college. That's it. Change the fact that some people will always pretend to be your friends while they stab you in the back, steal your ATM a torrid affair with your mother. It also does not change the fact that some people are such good friends that they'd not only hold your hair back while you are puking, but they be willing to give
you their liver when yours finally begins to emit Jose Cuervo fumes.
Then there are e-mails explicitly
telling you not to ever let go of your old

## Letters to the Editor

Smoke-free 'insane' To the editor: I don't quite agree with he City Council of Lubbock is doing. while I'm in a restaurant. Even though I am a smoker, I don't like having smoke around me while I eat. Attempting to make the Texas Tech campus smoke-free
is absolutely insane. If someone doesn't is absolutely insane. If someone doesn't
like the smoke, they can just move. I am not going out of my way to make sure that

Screw that. Let go. Let go of all your away, a stupid poem from a blind 9 -year-
friends. Seriously. And I don't mean that in
the whole "if you set a butterfly free" sort he whole "if you set a butterfly free" sor
of way. My friends from back home who of way. My friends from back home who
have changed the most and let go of the past the quickest are 10 times happier than the ones who are the same exact person and want everyone to be the way they used
to. Friends are friends. You hang io. Friends are friends. Yku hang out. You
bond. You talk. You make fun of each other Enjoy it while it lasts. When it stops, oh
well. But stop being so damn "90210" well. But stop being so damn "90210"
about it already. about it already.
Even more stup Even more stupid are those forwards message on to 10 people, a screen pops with a coupon code that gets you $\$ 10$ off a pair of GAP jeans. Or, the famous Neiman Marcus cookie recine, or a trip to Disney World and $\$ 3,00$ for Gates. If you ou deserve to be publicly chastised and beaten like the village idiot you are. If you have ever written one of these forwards, you are obviously erner an intern or a
niddle-manager for a huge corporation that keeps 349 times as many people on payroll than it really needs.
As for those "things I've learned" lists, feel like liust scarfed down 12 helpings from this week's "Food for Thought" low performer. I seriously think Mormons and nome-schooled children wrie these damn things.
want to know what I've learned Enemies are good because they keep our toes. Nothing bonds two people ogether more hird party.
You cant plan everything. When you the "quack shack" to call about the results from the STD test, you're $\$ 345,192$ in debt, 're car just blew up and finals are days
he smoke avoids every person that may or tike it. am only one smoker, and I cal In addition, not allowing people to smoke outside is considered an infringement on their rights. The sidewalks, streets, parking property I pay my tax dollars to the government to have them fix the streets and sidewalks. I own those sidewalks just as much as the next person. I also pay a good amount of money to Tech. I deserve the as long as I'm outside. My tuition is going to all of those remodeling projects and new
old in Croatia about world peace is not going to make your day any better. Jesus loves you" poems? I think, "No wonder the world is going to hell in a handbasket. This is what the human population is focusing its energies on."
Jesus and I are tight and everything at no point in time have I ever once believed that when God created the Earth he foresaw the wonderful world of e-mail and decided that this would be the medium he and his crew would use to reach us mere mortals.

> I'm sorry, but if I could make frogs fall from the sky, make it rain fire, part the from the sky, make it rain fire, part the
oceans, or come back from the dead, would not be so undramatic as to work through the Internet. Besides, maybe its
just me, but I think God just me, but I think God, Jesus, the angels,
the prophets and the rest of the posse up there have better things to do than to send e-mails. And, to write one and then sign
his name is kind of blasphemous if you ask his name is kind of blasphemous if you ask
me. So stop. Unless, of course that really me. So stop. Unless, of course, that really
was you, Jesus, in which case, I take it back and am totally apologetic.
So if you have some pirated picture of
someone who passed out someone who passed out and peed in their
pants, go ahead and send it on. But if it's pants, go ahead and send it on. But if it's a
stupid "snow ball" fight or poem or recipe or urban legend or nickel-promising letter and you're considering sending it on, do three things. Delete the message. Log off. Go get a life. The Internet was not created for such
sickening, Care Bear-like purposes. It's for rapid communication, obtaining vital information, stealing artists' songs and looking up porn. Surf accordingly.
Brandon Formbis major from Plano. He can be reached via e-mail at brandonformby ehotmail.com but don't even think about sending a freaking forward.
buildings that are under construction. 1 better be able to smoke outside for all of the Senates at Tech and the city of Lubbock decide to ban smoking from outside public property, there will be a lot of angry
smokers around Even smokers around. Even the non-smokers
should know how wrong it is to ban should know how wrong it is to ban
smoking from public property Dont this ordinance just to make yourselves look good in the public eye. It will turs against

Atomic Opera offers CD refreshment
Folk metal groups'Gospel Cola' emphasizes God's unchanging presence music review

## By Lesslie Follma

As the year 2000, the year that As the year 2000, the year that draws closer to its end, America and the world have discovered more and more uncertainties. America has
waited for almost three weeks now for the decision of who weur presiden will be and this year's college graduates scratch their heads at their fu ture. In the midst of all this confu sion, one band has discovered some about. broken all the rules of rock music From adding mandolin and record ers to their latest album, Gospe
Cola, to the taboo of putting a band' picture on the front cover of a record, to the use of "major, minor, pentatonic and eastern tonal scales
in the same song." This band is in the same song." This band is unapologetic in every way


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Frank Hart founded Atomic Op.
era based on the certain loves of his era based on the certain loves of his
life: "heavy, beautiful music and an life: "heavy, beautiful music and an
artistic expression of propagandafree spiritual concepts. All four members offer their own palate of creativity that has shaped Gospel Cola. Although
their musical differences have combined well, their beliefs are the one true thing that has fashioned Atomic Opera.
Opera as "Modern Progressive Folk Metal," and while that seems to be up for debate, the unbridled and daring approach to music and
thought has been the basis for Gosthought has been the basis for Gos-
pel Cola. With electric guitars and jembe's, Atomic Opera has brought the '80s era of rock, '90s new pop, and the revival of folk togethe
amazingly. amazingly.
Just reading the liner notes in Gospel Cola provide entertainment
One quote from "Bad Buddha"
reads, "If someone does not believe
in trees, they should not go into the in trees, they should not go into the
forest, or someone will bust their forest, or someone will bust their
nose on a low hanging branch and blame it on God." The questions that have plagued all of mankind have filled Atomic
Opera's heads and are echoed in the Operas heads and are echoed in the
lyrics of "October," the second song on Gospel Cola. The lyrics read: "Is
there a vacuum in me/ Is there a there a vacuum in me/ Is there a
great bighole/ Does my life suck as great big hole/ Does my life suck as
bad as yours/ Will you swallow my soul?" The answers to these ambiguous questions arise out of beliefs and mission in life. "The
Atomic Opreaen Creed" is found on Atomic Opreaen Creed" is found on
the back page of the CD insert. The last line reads: "Atomic Opera's chief end is to worship God and enjoy him forever."
Through the Through the struggle of life and
all of its curves and turns along the all of its curves and turns along the
way, Atomic Opera has discovered only one true thing that exists and
will not change-God. will not change-God.

Chiropractic care no longer pain in wallet for military $\begin{array}{cl}\text { KILLEEN(AP) - Active-duty } & \begin{array}{l}\text { ropractor Robert Dorn of Kileen }\end{array} \\ \text { members of the U.S. military who } & \text { told the Killeen Daily Herald in }\end{array}$ need chiropractic care soon Sunday's editions. "We find under won't have to pay for it out of
$\qquad$ Congress mandates that chiropractic care be made available to all active-duty personnel in the
United States armed forces. The United States armed forces. The
Fiscal Year 2001 Defense Authorization Act became law Oct. 30 when signed by President Bill
Clinton,
Before the bill was passed a Betore the bill was passed, a
two-year pilot program was conducted on 13 United States military installations. The study, mandated by Congress and conducted by the Department of Defense,
showed higher levels of patient showed higher levels of patien
satisfaction with chiropractic care vs. traditional medical care. "Chiropractors tend to spend
deadli
more time with their patients," chi- I'll have a No. 2 .
Would you put cheese on that? I want it monster-sized. Cut the pickles and onions. Where's the ketchup?

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NightLife abounds in 2001

predicted apocalyptic millennial
hoo-ha. In fact we survived to see
Richard Hatch become TV's frst bear with me.)
"survivor." We saw the United
. You got the Montana Rep's
States bring home 97 medals from presentation of "The Diary of Anne
the 2000 Sydney Olympics. We saw Frank." The survival reference here little Elian Gonzales become a na-
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the first former First Lady and a says "I love you" more than dinner and educational. elected to Congress. And last but and tickets to NightLIfe. Back-packer Bill inwin survived vival out there than you thought 2000.
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Theatre: mystery, Shakespeare, improv, experimental, dinner theatre, issue oriented
Interactive entertainment: bouncy games, human chess, MTV/ESPN college tour
Other
2. Have you participated in community service at Tech? yes
$\square$
If so, what kind? one-day, one week, semester long

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## Montgomerie wins Skins Game

INDIO, Calif. (AP) - Colin ord playoff hole, missing a 5 -foot
Montgomerie much of the Skins Game, won $\$ 415,000$ and the title by making two routine pars, including one
Sunday for a playoff victory over Fred Couples.
Playing his first Skins Game, Montgomerie won the event
when he earned $\$ 340,000$ on the third and final playoff hole. Couples, the defending champion and all-time Skins Game money-winner, finally ran out of He drove into a fairway b ger, then his second shot bounced off the lip, hit a first aid cart and landed in a bush. It only got worse.
Couples' third shot bounced
ind green. Montgomerie then wrapped it tap-in on the playoff hole, the tap-in on the playoff
par-5, 563 -yard No. 18 .
His His other winning hole was Saturday, when his par at No. 5 earned him $\$ 75,000$. The other
three players all bogeyed the 249 . yard par-3.
Both Vijay Singh, the runnerup with $\$ 260,000$, and Sergio Garcia, who earned $\$ 200,000$,
were eliminated on the first playoff hole Sunday. champion Couples, who reached the $\$ 2$ million mark in skins career earnings
by winning $\$ 25,000$ on the first hole, added $\$ 100,000$ at No. 11 but still finished fourth this time. Couples couldn't cash in on an
excellent opportunity at the sec-
birdie try after Montgomerie was
off on his long birdie try After off on his long birdie try. After
Couples tapped in. Montgomerie Couples tapped in, Montgomerie
made his 3 -footer to keep it going. Montgomerie, who had diffiMontgomerie, who had diffi-
cully making putts most of the tournament, chipped in from 25
feet for birdie at the first playoff feet for birdie at the first playoff
hole.
Couples drove the green at the 334 -yard par-4, then twoputted from 45 feet. His eagle putt to win the tour-
nament fell one ball rotation from going into the hole. Garcia missed from 15 feet
and Singh from 4 feet at the first and Singh from 4 feet at the first
playoff hole, with par not good playoff hole, with par not good
enough to keep them in the play-
Singh sent the event into overtime by making a pressure-
packed 6 -foot birdie putt to tie packed 6-foot birdie putt to tie
Garcia at No. 18. Montgomerie hit his second shot into the water in front of the green, and Couples missed a long birdie try
before Garcia tapped in for before Garcia tapped in for
birdie. He stuck his 7 -iron 8 feet from the pin at the 183 -yard par- 3 , then made the birdie putt.
After Garcia and Singh both left their long birdie tries short at No. 11, Couples rammed his 18 footer into the center of the cup to win what would be his final
skin of the tournament. skin of the tournament.
Garcia, who won $\$ 15$ the first day, added $\$ 50,000$ to his bankroll with a 3 -foot birdie putt
at No. 12.


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## Texas Tech volleyball earns NCAA bid



OSU close-call creates doubts about Sooners


This is the first time this season $\mathrm{Mi}-$
ami has received votes for No. 1. Mi
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Texas Tech middle blocker Janelle Jones celebrates after learning the Red Raiders will travel to Hawaii to compete in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. Tech will face Utah in the opening round of the tournament on either Thursday or Friday.


Tomlinson key in Horned Frogs turnaround
year's NCAA record book comes out, LaDainian Tomlinson can flip to the rushing section and many places: Fourth-best single season with 2,158 yards; sixthmost in a career at 5.263 . But in a few years some other
player will comealong and drop Tomlinson in the rankings. just like he passed former Heisman Trophy winners Herschel Walker and Archie Grifin. away is a bigger accomplishment by Tomlinson and the other 20 seniors on this year's Texas Christian team: Going from $1-10$ as freshmento $10-1$ his season. cally capped their teamwide turnaround Friday night with a 62-7 victory over SMU that gave them a share of the WAC tute for clinched their most victories since an $11-0$, national championship season in 1938 .
"The turnaround that we
have made in the past three have made in the past three
years has been unbelievable," said Tomlinson, who wrapped up his second straight national rushing title with 174 yards, in-
cluding a 74 -yard touchdown cluding a 74 -yard touchdown
that was his school-record 22nd of the year. "I still can't believe all that we have accomplished." Playing for the first time with his parents and two siblings in
the stands, Tomlinson broke the the stands, Tomlinson broke the
2,000 barrier on his fifth carry, joining former Texas star Ricky williams as the only runners with 2,000 and 5,000 on their resumes.


