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## Aggie tells police McKinney struck first

**SHEDDING LIGHT:** Police report released Wednesday reveals new information in post-game incidents.

By Pam Smith/Staff Reporter

Dr. Mike McKinney, Gov. Rick Perry's chief of staff, may have been the one who began an altercation following the Texas Tech-Texas A&M game Saturday, according to a Texas Tech police report released Wednesday.

According to the report, a person identified in the report as Texas A&M student Reggie Wallace said he was trying to help people back into the stands when a white man shoved him and then hit him with a pair of binoculars as the student tried to explain he was an A&M student. Wallace then said he became angry and punched the white male in the eye.

In the report, a Tech student, who later identified the white male as McKinney, said it was McKinney who was swinging binoculars back and forth trying to hit the people on the field. The Tech student asked him to stop before he hurt someone and McKinney responded by glaring at the student and then swinging the binoculars at

him. At the time of the incident, the Tech student witnessed Wallace surrounded by 10 to 15 Texas A&M students and felt concerned for his safety.

"I felt that if the black male (Wallace) hit anyone it was self defense. I felt this because he was surrounded by the A&M fans who had been threatening and screaming at all of us," the Tech student said in the police report. "Mr. McKinney had ample opportunity to leave and not keep making the situation worse."

Bill Kibler, associate vice president of Student Affairs at A&M, said the university has viewed some of the tapes from the game and has met with the student who was involved in the incident.

"We have met with the student here," he said. "Right now, we are investigating to see what action may need to be taken."

If the A&M student is found responsible for the incident, Kibler said, he could be charged with assault, which would make any university action against him open for the public to receive.

"Assault is considered a violent act and information can be released even under the privacy act that applies to students," he said. "Just because this incident happened in Lubbock does not mean it will not be handled the same way as if it happened in our stadium."

According to another Tech student's testimony in the report, the altercation between other

Tech and A&M students began after the goalpost came down and was taken to the A&M section.

The report states several students began chanting "A&M sucks" for about 45 seconds. While they were chanting, parents and a few students "decided to throw ice violently directly into the faces of Tech students," the report states. Afterwards, a witness in the report said, Tech students tried to bring the goalpost up into the stands and A&M students hit the first Tech student. Other Tech students then tried to enter the stands and several fights broke out between Tech and A&M fans.

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## Officials turn away students with tickets to football game

**FAN OVERLOAD:** Raiders were not allowed to enter the stadium after fire marshal shut down the entrances to the student section.

By Melissa Guest/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech officials are working to appease several students who were turned away from the gates at Saturday's football game against Texas A&M.

Even though they purchased an all-sports pass, several Tech students were forced to watch the game from the parking lot after the city fire marshal shut down the already over-capacity Jones SBC Stadium.

Gene Binder, chief of staff to the president, said the university would ensure students are not turned away from events at the university.

"There is a refund process in place for those students who were denied access with their all-sports passes," he said.

Michael Shonrock, vice-president for Student Affairs, said approximately 12,000 student seats will be available for Tech's next home game Nov.

17 against Oklahoma. There were 10,000 student seats available for the A&M game. Shonrock said the university is looking into reimbursing those students turned away Saturday.

Binder said students are a top priority of Tech President David Schmidly and the university.

"One student turned away is too many," he said. "It doesn't matter how many didn't get it, all students should be able to get in and we're going to make sure it never happens again."

Additionally, Binder said the university is reviewing all areas of safety, attendance and service aspects of campus events to ensure student satisfaction.

"Dr. Schmidly has guaranteed tickets have been set aside and all fans and students will be

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## Bush administration raids suspicious U.S. businesses

**LOOKING FOR LINKS:** Workplaces suspected of funneling money to bin Laden's network are under investigation.

By Ron Fournier/Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration carried out a series of raids Wednesday on U.S. businesses suspected of helping to funnel millions of dollars to Osama bin Laden's terrorist network, arresting a Massachusetts man and seizing evidence in several cities.

Overseas, two Arab financiers were questioned by Swiss police cooperating with the United States.

"By shutting these networks down, we disrupt the murderers' work," said President Bush, announcing the first major crackdown on companies, organizations and people suspected of aiding terrorists who carried out the Sept. 11 attacks.

Law enforcement officials, speaking only on condition of anonymity, said investigators believe tens of millions of dollars a year flowed overseas through the al-Barakaat network, one of two organizations targeted by the day's law enforcement raids. These officials said much of the money

consisted of funds that Somali residents were sending home to relatives, adding that they suspect a portion was skimmed for use by al-Qaida and other terrorist networks.

Customs agents, acting on an order signed by Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill, seized evidence at nine locations in four cities: Boston, Minneapolis, Seattle and Columbus, Ohio. Assets of nine organizations and two people in the United States were frozen.

In addition, evidence was seized at two storefronts in northern Virginia, officials said.

The United States also asked allies to freeze assets that aid bin Laden and his al-Qaida organization in at least nine countries. Some of them acted even before Bush announced the crackdown on the network suspected in the Sept. 11 attacks on Washington and New York.

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## Roadwork highlights election

By Kelley Shannon/Associated Press

AUSTIN — Road building, in the state's jam-packed cities and in remote spots along the Texas-Mexico border, took center stage in the constitutional amendments election.

Campaigning with the theme "Keep Texas Moving," supporters of two transportation propositions credited Republican Gov. Rick Perry with ensuring their success at the ballot box Tuesday.

"You've got to give credit where credit is due," said state Sen. Eddie Lucio, D-Brownsville, a backer of border road bonds. "I've got to thank him publicly."

All 19 proposed constitutional amendments were approved. Voter turnout was low — an estimated 8 percent — as was expected because

there were no statewide candidates on the ballot. Voting in Harris and Travis counties figured heavily into the outcome because local elections drew people to the polls.

In Houston, the nation's fourth-largest city, Mayor Lee Brown and City Councilman Orlando Sanchez were headed to a runoff after none of the six mayoral candidates collected 50 percent of the vote.

Voters also were asked about the fate of light rail and whether the city should be banned in the future from offering health benefits to the same-sex and domestic partners of city employees.

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JONATHAN GLENN, A freshman pre-med major from Eastland, relaxes during a massage treatment given to him by Kamie McCurry, a senior exercise and sports science major and student employee at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

## RUBBIN' for GRUB

Raider trainers accept canned foods in exchange for massage therapy

By Laura Sepeda/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech trainers were handing out massages Wednesday in the University Center in exchange for canned foods.

The event wasn't an end-of-the-semester stress reliever, but rather, it was designed to give students a look at a new Fitness/Wellness massage therapy program that will be offered in the spring.

For two cans of food or \$2, individuals received a 10-minute massage from Robert H.

Ewalt Student Recreation Center trainers. The canned goods and the money will be donated to the U-Can Share food drive.

Janda Ibbetson, assistant director of Recreational Sports, said stress can be detrimental to a person's overall well being and massage therapy can be an effective tool in preventing stress related symptoms.

"Physically, stress can really tighten you up, causing back pain, high blood pressure or other ailments," she said. "Stress can even increase your risk of injuries. Mentally, people sometimes

get more irritable, hostile and have trouble sleeping when they are under excessive stress. Massages can be a huge benefit especially if you get them on a regular basis."

The program, which will be located at the Rec Center, will feature two types of massage therapy. Deep tissue massage uses deep finger pressure to reach the deeper layers of muscle. A Swedish massage is composed of kneading and friction techniques as well as joint move-

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## Senators survey students on SGA Day

By Pam Smith/Staff Reporter

Members of the Texas Tech Student Government Association listened to several students' opinions on various issues as part of SGA Day on Wednesday.

"The whole day went really well," said Senator-at-Large Jason Sharp. "The hot dogs were a little late, but we got them there."

Sharp said one of the best aspects of SGA Day was the structuring of the event. It required students to meet their senators by college to fill out surveys and to ask questions instead of having one table for all the senators.

"Students actually got to meet their senator from their college," he said. "It also gave them the opportunity to directly make them voice their concerns to their senators."

Kenneth Strickland, College of Arts and Sciences senator, said he enjoyed the opportunity to talk to students from his college.

"During the year, we don't get to meet with individual academic majors as often because we have to concentrate more on student organizations," he said. "It was really good to hear their concerns and have the opportunity to respond."

During the event, senators asked students to fill out a survey requesting feedback on two issues, the color of graduation robes and the name change of the University Center.

"According to the results, 118 students wanted the name of the University Center to remain the University Center," Sharp said. "They didn't



TEXAS TECH STUDENTS visit student senators from the College of Agriculture on Wednesday afternoon during SGA Day festivities. want the name to be changed to the Student Union Building."

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## Molecular pathology program to begin in summer

By Jeff Stoughton/Staff Reporter

A new program at Texas Tech's School of Allied Health will allow students to learn new techniques for diagnosing and treating diseases. The school will begin its molecular pathology program in Summer 2002.

Lori Rice-Spearman, director of the program, said the courses would teach students to diagnose and treat diseases at the molecular level, using DNA and RNA molecules. The program is accredited by the National

Accreditation Agency for Clinical Lab Sciences.

"All of medicine is heading for the molecular level," she said. "We decided to prepare people for this need."

Paul Brooke, dean of the school, said the program would combine the knowledge gained from the Human Genome Project with patient-care skills.

"We've got the machines, but the human skills are lagging behind," he said. "The problem is, we don't have the

people to work with patients."

Hal Larsen, associate dean of the school, said molecular pathology is valuable because it can provide "fingerprints" of individuals or diseases using DNA and RNA. He said it will allow samples taken from patients to be much smaller and will allow technicians to detect diseases more accurately.

"It's relative to a bucket versus a single molecule," he said.

By analyzing DNA and RNA, diseases that took days to diagnose using traditional methods would only take hours, Spearman said.

The molecular pathology program

also will address the threat of bio-terrorism, Brooke said.

The Mayo Clinic recently developed a test for the anthrax bacteria using DNA and RNA. Rice-Spearman said Tech plans to become a center where such tests are performed.

Brooke said the methods taught in the program would be useful in detecting other diseases, such as diabetes and cancer, years before a patient shows symptoms.

"This could be a fundamental part of 21st century medicine," he said.

Rice-Spearman said the facilities at Tech will start out as research facilities, but eventually will develop into centers for patient testing. She said she expects the transition to take 18 to 24 months.

"Our hope in the long run is to have patient testing here," she said.

Rice-Spearman said the program would be the first of its kind in the nation.

Students will spend the first nine months of the program at Tech facilities and the last three months in a preceptorship, a mentor program in medicine, at a different laboratory. Two such facilities in Texas are located in San Antonio and Dallas. Only 14 facilities exist in the nation. After completing the program, a student will take a test to receive certification.

Students who wish to apply for the program must have graduated from an approved institution with a bachelor's degree in chemistry, biology, biochemistry or microbiology.

## Raiderlink offers relief to students with those Web-searching woes

By Jenny Klein/Staff Reporter

Going to numerous Web sites to get information about university events might be a hassle to some students.

To ease this, Texas Tech's Division of Information Technology has developed a way to cut back on all the hassle with a new Web site, which allows students to access all the information they need pertaining to Tech.

Since last May, Information and Technology has been working to make a Web site that is completely customizable for the students, said Brandon LaBonte, assistant director of technology support.

"It's a service provided by Information Technology to make students' lives easier," LaBonte said. "What we're working to create is a one-stop shop for all Web services."

When students sign in to the Raiderlink portal, it targets that student's

specific demographic. For instance, when a student logs in, the system can target information pertaining to a student's major, instead of that student having to filter through different sites to find what he or she needs.

The Web site features currently available are only part of the second stage in the overall development of the Raiderlink portal, he said.

These features on the site include links to weather updates, top news stories, The University Daily, integration to the TechSIS Web site for students, an online campus phone book, personalized

stock quotes, games, Red Raider sports schedules, online polling, games and a chat room for students to talk to other students.

LaBonte said students could add or delete features as they please.

"It's designed to be completely customizable by the student. They can make it look however they want it to look," he said.

Gary Wiggins, vice president for Information Technology, said there is a decent menu of features on the site now, but there is much more to come.

"The version that's out now is a work

in progress," he said.

Eventually, students will be able to interact with professors, check their grades and schedules, submit class assignments and get class notes, LaBonte said.

Students can expect to see some of these features as soon as late spring or early summer, he said.

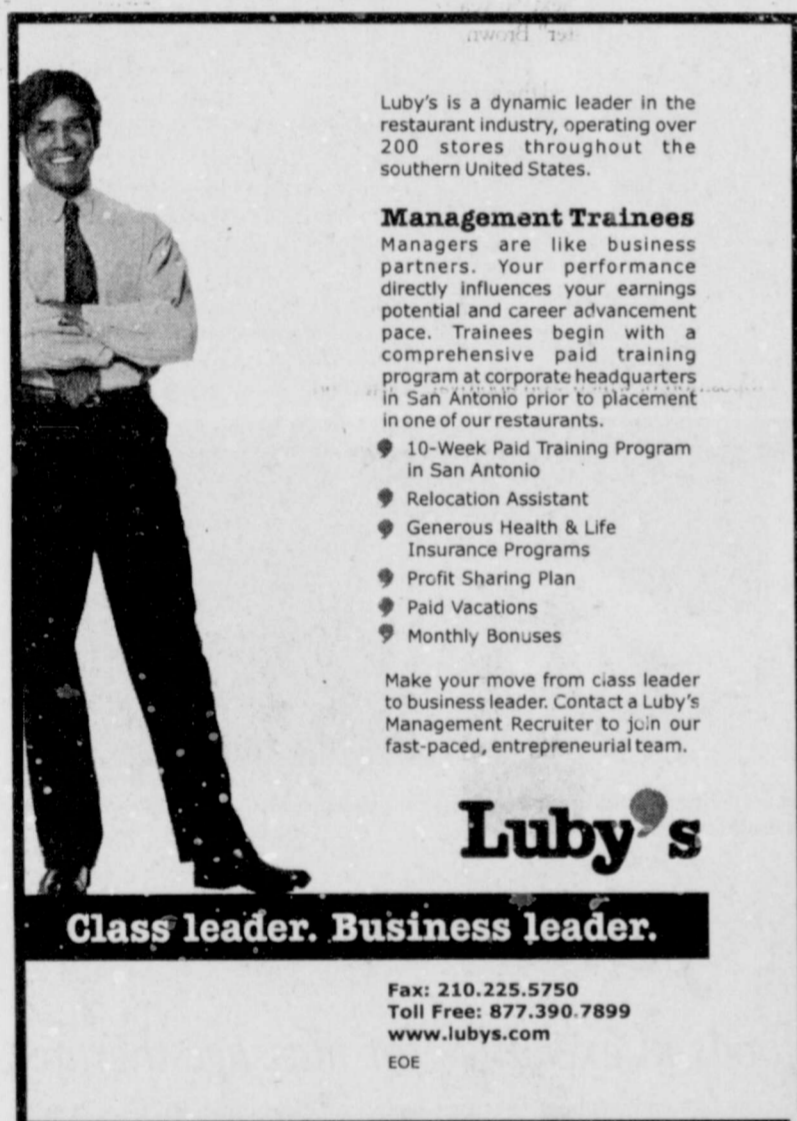
Wiggins said he expects some features even sooner. One upcoming feature that could be available before the spring semester is free Web storage space of up to 50 megabytes.

"It's a private disk storage system that allows students to store and retrieve

items on the Web site from anywhere," Wiggins said.

In the future, he said, he hopes it will be a more collaborative tool for students and faculty to use as the interactive elements are expanded more and more.

Currently, students can access the Raiderlink portal at [www.raiderlink.ttu.edu](http://www.raiderlink.ttu.edu) using their Tech e-raider account username and password. Their e-raider username and password are the same as students' Tech e-mail username and password. If students don't have either, they can go to the ATLC in the basement of the Library or access it from the Raiderlink portal.



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**TECH NOTES**

The Tech CAN Share food drive is accepting canned foods until today in the University Center Courtyard. For more information, call Carrie Evans at (806) 742-3621.

**Poetry By Heart**, a fund-raiser for the Lubbock Public Library, will be at 8 p.m. today at J&B Coffee Company, located at 26th Street and Boston Avenue. The event is sponsored in part by the Tech English department. For more information, call John Poch at (806) 742-2500 or by e-mail at [jepoch@ttacs.ttu.edu](mailto:jepoch@ttacs.ttu.edu).

Hillel will host its next meeting at 6 p.m. today in the University Center Courtyard. For more information call Isack Kohn at (806) 773-8372.

**Tau Beta Pi** is hosting a program focusing on teamwork, group problem solving and interpersonal skills at 6 p.m. today in 116 and 117 Petroleum Engineering. For more information, call Talana Overton at (806) 780-3320.

**Notice:** Come by the University Center today with the correct answers to these questions to receive a prize for National Chemistry Week. Look for the ACSSA table. 1) An element in group 7A of the periodic table is called what? 2) H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> is called what? 3) What is the definition of density? 4) What is an electron pair donor?

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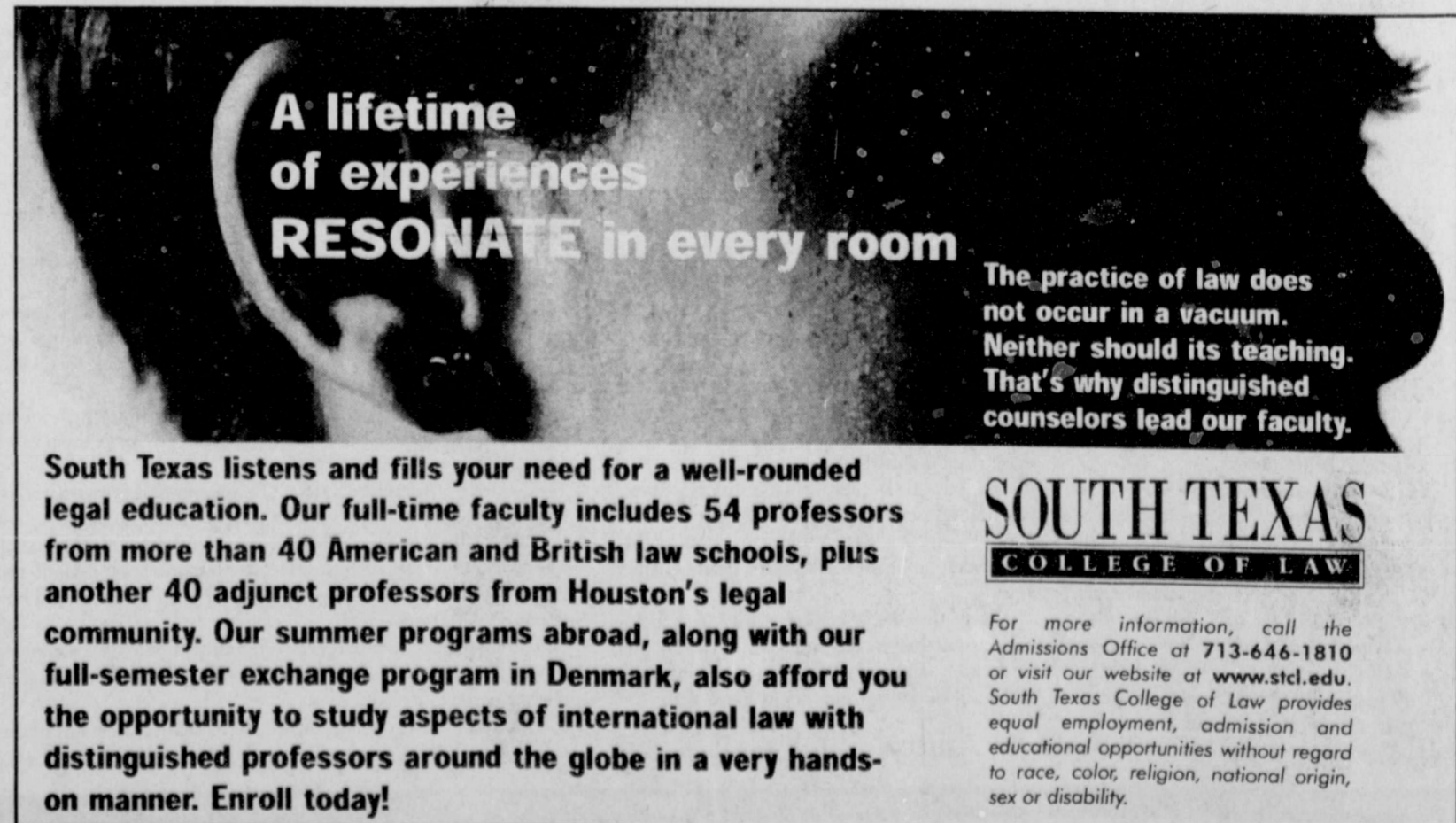
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## Feud

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"Tearing down the goalpost was discussed as a possibility, but carrying it to the other side of the stadium was an entirely different story," said Michael Shonrock, Tech's vice-president for Student Affairs. "We definitely don't want anything happening like this again."

Shonrock said the incident has been referred to the Student Mediation Center for an investigation, and different levels of punishment are being considered for the Tech students involved.

"There are different levels of responsibility for the people involved in these incidents," he said. "There were the people who were on the field, the people who tore down the goalpost and the people who climbed up the stands and began fighting."

Possible actions that could be taken against some of the students include community service, restitution for damages and any other action that may be warranted.

Kibler said A&M has only been notified of one A&M student who may

have been involved in the incident. However, he said if there are any other students that come to light as having violated their Student Code of Conduct, they would be investigated as well.

"Our police have been in contact with the Texas Tech police," he said. "If any other students are found to be involved, they will be treated like this one."

Because of the incident, Kibler said, Tech and A&M officials may need to meet before future games to plan for situations that may arise. He said similar meetings already take place before A&M games with the University of Texas.

"In the future, something analogous to that could be done," he said. "This incident may have upped the ante in the rivalry between the two schools."

Shonrock said he was in contact with J. Malon Southerland, A&M's vice president for Student Affairs, before the game and the only security issue mentioned was throwing objects on the field.

"We explained to them that we had implemented a no-tolerance policy on throwing objects on the field," Shonrock said. "I was closely eyeing the student section during the game and didn't see any objects hitting the field."

## Raids

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In all, the names of 62 entities and people were added to a list of suspected terrorist associates targeted by Bush in an executive order signed last month. The earlier list included 88 groups or people whose assets had been frozen because of their ties to al-Qaida and other terrorist groups.

The new list covers groups and people affiliated with two suspected bin Laden financial networks — Al Taqwa and Al-Barakaat. Material distributed by the White House said the two organizations maintain a presence in more than 40 nations, the United States among them. Bush said both "raise funds for al-Qaida."

Both are informal, largely unregulated financial networks — sometimes called hawalas — that authorities say funnel money to al-Qaida through companies and nonprofit organizations they operate.

Bush's statement were quickly rebutted by the chairman of the al-Barakaat group, speaking in Mogadishu, Somalia. "This is all lies," Ahmed Nur Ali Jim'ale told The Associated Press in a telephone interview from Dubai. "We are people

who are hard working and have nothing to do with terrorists," said Jim'ale, who is on the administration's target list.

In Boston, Mohamed M. Hussein and Liban M. Hussein were charged with running an illegal money transmitting business, according to a criminal complaint. Officials said Mohamed Hussein was in custody, but the other man was not.

The two men ran Barakaat North America Inc. in Dorchester, Mass., a foreign money exchange, without a state license, according to a U.S. Customs Service affidavit. The business moved over \$2 million through a U.S. bank from January through September, the government said.

Federal authorities in Columbus, Ohio, sealed off a money-transfer and check-cashing business on the administration target list. Barakaat Enterprise shares a small strip mall with a pizza shop and beauty salon, with private homes across the street.

A notice taped on the front window of the business said: "All property contained in this building is blocked pursuant to an executive order of the president on Sept. 23 of this year under the authority of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act."

## Tickets

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able to attend the Oklahoma game," he said. "We're not sure what happened and how the mix up happened, but it won't happen again."

Marcus Williams, a senior animal science major from Salado, said he was upset he and his friends were turned away.

"We felt like the university undercut us and went ahead and sold extra tickets to make their own profits," he said. "You'd figure you'd want as many students there as possible."

Williams said several Tech stu-

dents waited outside the gates 25 people left, hoping to get in the game early during the second quarter.

"I've been here four years, and I've seen games sold out and I've never seen students turned away," he said.

John Steinmetz, Student Government Association president, said he has received numerous complaints from students who were turned away. He said he has spoken with Schmidly and is working on helping to solve the problem. Steinmetz said he encourages students to contact the SGA if they have ideas on how to prevent this from happening again.

"The students are fired up about the program," he said. "Coach (Mike) Leach has made it very clear he is for the stu-

dents and they have responded. I think this is the greatest problem we could have."

Although the sports package can be purchased for entrance to all sporting events at Tech, it also is contingent on a first-come, first-serve basis, Steinmetz said.

"The biggest Red Raider fan will be at the game," he said. "It's nice to finally see those second-quarter fans having a problem."

Steinmetz said students should anticipate problems during the upcoming basketball season as well.

"What happened at this football game is a sneak preview of what will happen this season at men's and women's basketball games," he said. "We want to

have this problem."

Williams said the administration should let students know if sports passes or tickets have been oversold.

"They ought to let us know that it might be a problem and don't let us wait to find out at the game with all our friends on the line," he said.

Williams said he is concerned this problem is not only isolated to oversold tickets or sport passes, but could reflect on a wider-spread problem in light of oversold parking passes as well.

"They went ahead and opted for profitability at the students' expense and thought they'd deal with it when it came up," he said. "When you think about the grand scheme of things, I guess you can't blame them for it."

## SGA

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Sharp said because of the survey, the SGA is planning on looking into the issue to see if the name can officially be changed back to the University Center. At the beginning of the semester, the Board of Regents approved the name change to the

Student Union Building.

"We are planning on talking with Michael Shonrock, (vice president for Student Affairs). We need to find out what needs to be done about bringing the issue back up to the Board."

Sharp said students voted 118 to 27 to change the color of the graduation robes back to black.

"First we passed a resolution about the issue, and now we have a survey to back

it up," he said. "Now we have to present it to the provost's office to see if we can convince them to change it back."

Along with the survey, students also had the opportunity to vote on possible name changes to the bus routes that currently run on campus. Some possible name changes include Raider, Techsan, Double-T, RaiderLand, Wreck 'Em, Tech, Masked Rider, Raider Power, Will Rogers, and Guns Up. Students could

write in any other suggestions they might have had.

"The current names of red and green route really don't have anything to do with Tech," Sharp said. "We talked to Citibus and asked them to make the changes."

Students were asked to vote on their favorite three names. The top two will become the names of the routes in the future. Results of the vote were not available at press time Wednesday.

## Massage

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ments designed to enhance relaxation.

"Deep tissue is the more physically therapeutic massage," Ibbetson said.

The price range of the massages at Tech will run a little lower than

those offered by other fitness gyms and private practices to entice more of the student body, Ibbetson said.

"Once you have had a (professional) massage, it's easy to get hooked," she said. "It's great for muscle recovery after a strenuous workout."

Kamie McCurry, a personal trainer who administered the massages Tuesday and Wednesday, works in the Fitness/Wellness Center.

"I think therapeutic and even relaxation massages definitely would help students deal with stress better," she said. "It would improve circulation which would help them perform better throughout the day."

The massage therapy program is scheduled to open Jan. 14.

"We are hoping to hire several massage therapists who are available to work in the afternoon and evenings through-

out the week as well as weekends. It will be by appointment only," she said.

Ibbetson said some people are concerned about being touched by strangers.

"They don't have to worry," she said. "There are real strict rules concerning that and everybody has to be licensed. Come try it out!"

For more information, call the Fitness/Wellness Center at (806) 742-3828.

## Election

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In Austin, former City Councilman Gus Garcia defeated seven challengers to finish the unexpired term of former Mayor Kirk Watson, who resigned to run for Texas attorney general.

The governor spoke out only on the transportation propositions. His trips across the state touting the two amendments paid off, said proponents of the measures.

Proposition 2 authorizes \$175 million in bonds for road construction in colonias along the Texas-Mexico

border.

Proposition 15 creates the Texas Mobility Fund that provides for new ways of financing highways.

Both amendments will make for safer and reliable roads and spur economic development, Perry said.

"This constitutional amendment election will long be remembered as one that helped to dramatically change our state's approach to building roads and highways," Perry said.

Voters also overwhelmingly approved allowing the sale of up to \$500 million in bonds to finance home mortgage loans to veterans and operate and improve veterans' cemeteries.

And they approved a constitutional

amendment that will authorize up to \$2 billion in bonds for water projects.

"This is the beginning of the down payment to make sure we have water to serve our needs for the next 50 years," said state Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson.

The Sierra Club opposed the amendment, suggesting that the money would be used for large water projects that could harm the environment.

The Texas Water Development Board in issuing the bonds "needs to live up to its claims that it would provide for waterways and water projects for small communities," said Ken Kramer, the Sierra Club's state director.

Proposition 8, which won approval,

will authorize \$850 million for repairs and maintenance at 13 state agencies, including the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired and Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

"This will mean that we'll finally finish a backlog of repairs, that systems will now be brought up to snuff and that we'll no longer be bogged down in a backlog of maintenance problems. This also will let us tackle some new neat programs," said Andy Sansom, TPWD executive director.

The mobility fund could lead to new types of financing for state road construction, including bonds, although the amendment doesn't provide money for the fund.

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PERCEPTIVES

# If fees go up, services and options should, too

COLUMN



ROBERT BLANKINSHIP

Every semester it's the same thing - I give several thousand dollars to Texas Tech in exchange for a university education and everything that comes with it. Paying Tech is very much like paying taxes, in that we all pay but we have little say as to where the money goes after filtering through the bureaucratic system. And every year the amount we owe increases, while services in return decrease.

Tech is a business, and like any business they sell a product. In this case, the product being sold is an education and the right to use the facilities of Texas Tech University. Normally, when I pay a company more money for a product, I expect more in return. So why then, does Tech fail to follow this trend? Because we, as students, have not complained long enough to the right people. So I'd like to offer some possible ideas where minimal funding could greatly benefit the campus body.

Tech makes it a point to constantly be under construction. Whether it be renovating, constructing, ripping down, or planting, Tech is constantly spending your money on campus projects. Now I realize such projects add to the ambiance of Tech's campus, but they also add to the long list on my tuition bill. I think it's only fair some of the money I pay Tech should go to something I want. The new English/Philosophy/Education Complex under construction wasn't my idea but I'll let it slide. All I'm asking is to please think to install pencil sharpeners, because apparently no one has thought of such an outrageous idea like pencil sharpeners for the classroom. The administration brags, "many of the classrooms in Holden Hall and the Business Administration building enable the teacher to teach through multi-media presentations." The rooms are wired for Ethernet, the teacher has DVD, CD, laptop, audio/visual equipment and yet there is not a pencil sharpener in the whole building. Since we disagree upon spending millions of dollars on new buildings, let's agree to spend an extra \$1.50 per classroom to install pencil sharpeners. I'm not asking for much, I don't want my own \$500,000 scoreboard on 19th, I just want to be able to sharpen my pencil.

Earlier in the year, it would have



FRANK VACULIN/Staff Cartoonist

## The aneurysm from my tuition costs, PRICELESS

been hard not to notice the construction on many roads on campus. Next time Tech spends millions on the roads on campus, I wish they would spend an extra couple of bucks on a paintbrush and a can of paint to draw bike lanes. I know several friends who have gotten hit by cars on campus. I laughed about my friends getting hit until it happened to me last week. I was crossing 19th at Boston, and while coming out of the Music building, a lady drove right into my back tire. I wasn't seriously hurt except for my pride, because I know the people who saw the incident went straight home and laughed with their roommates at my expense. But it wasn't until I struggled home on a bent bike tire that I realized Tech needs bike lanes. This one improvement would

cost a couple of hundred dollars, prevent students from getting run over, and save Tech from possible law suits resulting from students getting hit.

One area where I am glad to see Tech spending money is on the upgraded computers in the ATLC and other buildings around campus. I don't know a whole lot about electronics, but I guess the newly acquired computers must be expensive. Because somehow after all the money students pay, Tech still lacks the funds to supply paper in the computer labs. That makes as much sense as buying a Porsche and then not putting gas in it. When I was a freshman, you could print for free in most of the computer labs on campus. But now you have to trek all the way across Tech's oversized campus to the

ATLC to do any type of printing. And if you forgot your Tech I.D., don't even try to use a computer in the ATLC without 3 other forms of identification, passport and proof of insurance. I once made the mistake of trying to use the computers in the ATLC that I pay for without my Tech I.D. I was questioned for 20 minutes before being turned away without being granted the privilege of printing my paper that was due ten minutes earlier. It's not Tech making additional income from my printouts that irritates me, it's that I have to go completely out of my way to go to the ATLC.

Why can't I use the copy card from the ATLC to print at any computer lab on campus? If you're going to make me pay for my paper at least make it

reasonably convenient for me to use the resources I pay for.

Maybe my complaints lack validity. But I think many of the projects Tech undertakes lack necessity. Tech experiences the same problems that any other large company faces, generating revenue and appropriate allocation of funds. And I think the points I have brought up may have simply been overlooked in the past. But in the future, I hope the powers that be at Tech will sincerely pay attention to detail when facing multi-million dollar decisions.

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## Schmidly speaks again

GUEST COLUMN



DAVID SCHMIDLY

There's an old adage regarding leadership, which states in dark times, bright lights shine. That is exactly what is happening on the Texas Tech campus and those lights are our student body.

This week, our university has been the focus of criticism

for events that followed last Saturday's football game. What hasn't been emphasized is a very small percentage of our students and fans were involved in tearing down the goalpost. An even smaller number was involved in the skirmishes in the stands. It is my opinion now the number of students involved in altercations could be counted on fingers.

What also hasn't been emphasized is the positive actions and conduct of Texas Tech students during those skirmishes and in the days that have followed. This week, I invested hours of my time reviewing videotapes of the incident. I was appalled at the conduct of a few. I was proud of the behavior of many.

What I saw on those videos was thousands of Texas Tech students staying in the stands or leaving in order to avoid trouble. What was most obvious was the number of our students and fans who made the decisions to act with dignity and pride.

I want to add our campus police department has been criticized for its handling of the post-game events. The videos show our officers breaking up fights and placing themselves in between fans on the field and fans in the stands. Their actions made a huge difference and I thank them.

Now the time is right for us to begin a new age of sportsmanship so the mistakes of

Saturday are not repeated. It is our students who have been most vocal in stating we can do better and they agree with me on the need for better sportsmanship.

I want us to follow the example set by our football team last weekend. Two excellent teams battled on the field. At the end of that battle, Texas Tech was the winner. Both teams played hard, but they kept it between the lines. The Red Raiders won the game and they did so in a manner that reflected good sportsmanship. They also did so with a goal to represent Texas Tech in the manner a great university deserves.

Today, I'm calling on all of our fans to do the exact same thing in the future.

I have asked students who were involved in Saturday's events to self-report. Not enough have done it, but some have. It hasn't been easy for those students to do that, but they have done it. Most of them told me they were embarrassed and they were ashamed they had embarrassed Texas Tech.

I want everyone who was involved in the events last weekend to come talk to my office or to the office of the vice president of student affairs. Part of being an adult is accepting responsibility for poor decisions. Those of you involved in Saturday's events made poor decisions; some of you made rotten decisions. It's time for you to come see us because until you do, neither you nor Texas Tech can put this issue to rest.

We have two more home football games this season. Let these games begin our quest to become known as the best place in this country to play football. Let's make next Saturday's game the start of our campaign to become recognized as the university with the highest level of sportsmanship in the Big 12.

I look forward to joining the student body in the stands at the OU game. And, by the way, let's never forget: Go Tech!!!

David Schmidly is the president of Texas Tech.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Good can come of this

To the editor: The football game last Saturday proved to be one that was both exciting and truly an experience for all those in attendance. I am proud of our football team and of their growing abilities. One thing I am not proud of is the after-game activities, which included vandalism and disrespect on both sides of the stands. To be frank, Texas Tech is better than that, and the activities of a few have overshadowed an amazing win over Texas A&M. We were favored to win and so it was a little surprising when students tore down the goalpost. The actions that followed, however, were not surprising so much as they were despicable. I know the Red Raiders fought a hard fight on the field, and it is sad to think their victory will forever be coupled with a failure in school spirit on both sides. Indeed, both Texas Tech and Texas A & M are schools dedicated to tradition, pride and spirit. It would be a shame for those few misguided individuals on both sides to tarnish the images of our schools. I know we can reach a positive solution and work toward another truly fantastic game next season.

John Steinmetz  
president  
Student Government Association

### An Aggie's apology

To the editor: After witnessing Saturday's football game, and the fight, and the goal post coming down, and all that followed, as an Aggie, I want to apologize for the actions of my fellow Aggies. I sat in disbelief as the seconds wound down on the clock, realizing we lost, again, in Lubbock. I admit I was furious.

Then as the Tech students took the field in celebration, and went straight for the goalpost, I was disgusted. I realized then that in College Station, we do things differently; not better, not worse, but different. I spent the next two days faulting the Tech students for the fight that ensued when the goalpost went up the side of the stadium. It felt like y'all were rubbing an open wound. For those 15 minutes in time, tensions were high, egos were bruised and friends were down right ugly to each other. Maybe we take football too seriously or too personally, but that's part of A&M.

I spent the next two days arguing about it with

my friend. Then I took two minutes out of my life to start listening to the news. And the apologies from Tech students. I admire those that realize they were at fault for something. I hope my fellow Ags are adult enough to realize the same.

I already graduated and I am embarrassed to think that most of the fighting was brought on by "Ol' Ags." While I believe the fight could have been avoided by leaving the goalpost were it was, and I believe that Tech is at fault for that much, I also believe that Aggies probably took the first swing and that was completely and totally wrong. I apologize for my fellow Ags and I sincerely hope that in the future, we will meet again under more civil circumstances and maybe even focus on a common goal, like beating Texas.

Raquisha Albert  
Texas A&M alumnus

### We can learn from these events

To the editor: Time and time again, we Red Raiders prove we can beat great teams like the Aggies. So why do we, as students, get so excited, as if we have just won a national title, after we defeat the Aggies? Could it be because our team does not get the recognition that it needs? I do not know about other fans, but from the post-game events, anyone can see that our students feel this way. Bringing the goalpost down after the Texas A&M game is like a tradition to show how we as fans feel about our team. We are very proud of our team, our university, and are not "embarrassed." I am not saying the brawl after the game is justified by people's lack of recognition, but what I am doing is trying to show a reason.

Taking a closer look at what happened, anyone can see that Tech officials were doing their best to prevent what happened.

My question to everyone is, if you were to see an opponent's crowd ripping down the goalpost and walking toward your side of the stands, would you stand in their path or would you confront them? To finalize my point, no, I am not embarrassed to be a Red Raider and neither are several other students. Fans from both sides, as well as officials, need to learn from these past events. It is crucial we make more room for the celebration and pave the road for the much-deserved recognition of our Red Raiders' magnificent performances against the great Aggies.

David R. Rivas  
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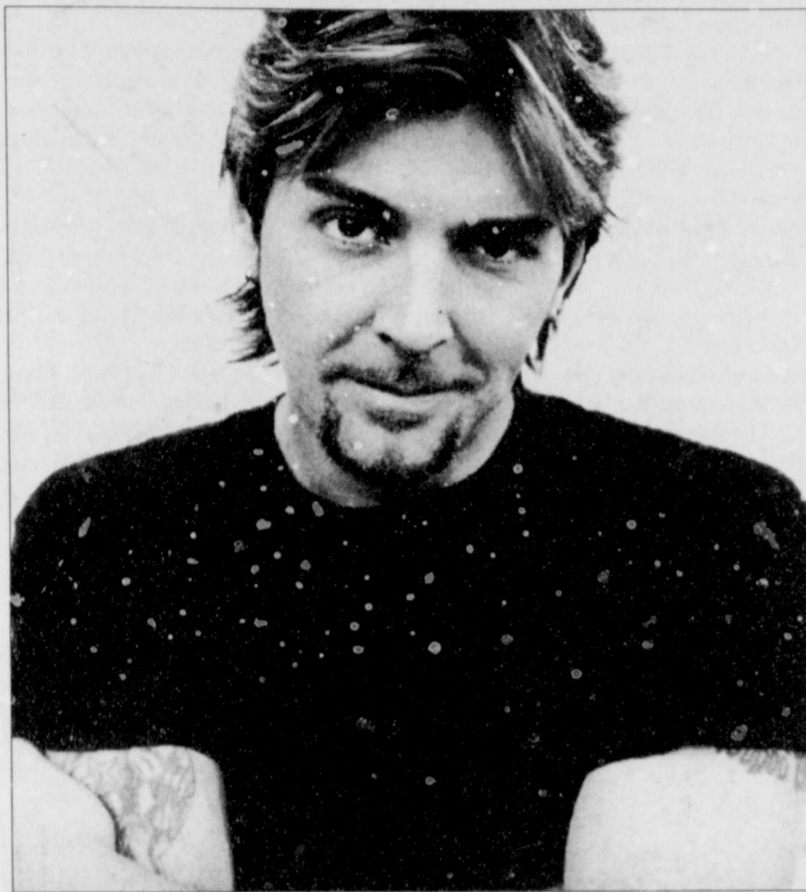
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## George DeVore and the Roam to perform in Lubbock



Contributed Photo

GEORGE DEVORE, ABOVE, and the Roam will perform at the Blue Light at 10:30 p.m. Friday. Cover is \$5.

By Whitney Wyatt/Staff Reporter

George DeVore and the Roam will roam into Lubbock and perform at 10:30 p.m. Friday at the Blue Light, located at 1806 Buddy Holly Ave.

A local Austin singer, DeVore is a fixture in the Austin music scene, said his manager Michael Norton.

"In a short time, (DeVore) carved his niche in Austin," said Norton, referring to the five years DeVore has performed in Austin.

DeVore, who regularly plays at Antone's and Stubb's in Austin, is not only a big name in Texas, but Norton said he is known throughout Europe, as well.

Norton said DeVore's five Europe tours included performances from England to Southern Italy. DeVore was featured on German National Television, Swiss TV and French TV, and has made appearances on Swiss, German, Dutch, United Kingdom and Belgian radio stations.

"His music is very accessible," he said. "It appeals to a wide range of people."

In the United States, Norton said DeVore has toured up and down the East Coast, as well as states in the southwest.

DeVore had the honor of stepping in as the lead singer for Stevie Ray Vaughn's band, Double Trouble, during the band's tour this summer, he said.

However, Norton said DeVore is now back with his band, the Roam. Band members include: drummer, Mark Barry; bass, Chris Bass; and keyboards, Bryan Shaw.

Norton said DeVore's audience describes his music as Dave Matthews Band meets Matthew Sweet.

"His music is very up beat and positive rock," he said. "George is all about entertaining and convincing people to leave their troubles at the door."

Drew Brown, manager of the Blue Light, encourages Tech students to come out and watch DeVore, especially if they have not heard him before. DeVore has only performed twice at the Blue Light, he said.

"(DeVore) is a definite must-see," he said. "He'll put on the best show you will see at the Blue Light."

Brown said DeVore is not only a great artist, but DeVore is one of his favorite singers.

"He's one of the best showmen," Brown said. "You usually do not get a big-name act and a showman at the same time."

DeVore is really big name in Aus-

tin, he said, but not too many people know who he is in Lubbock.

"He is down-to-earth," he said, "with the rock 'n' roll mentality to him."

DeVore has opened for countless

musicians and bands including: Coolio, Squeeze, Abra Moore, Tonic, Matthew Sweet, Cheap Trick, Eric Johnson and Ian Moore, among others.

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### Brad Pitt says he spent year in treatment

NEW YORK (AP) — Brad Pitt would seem to have it all — great career, great looks, great wife in Jennifer Aniston.

But the actor said he spent a year and a half in treatment, though he won't specify why.

"I crashed and burned, so I wanted to understand how I operate," Pitt told *Vanity Fair* magazine for its December issue.

"I came from a place where you had

to be crazy to go to a crazy doctor, and my background is very few words — actions speak for the words. It's just as important what's not said as what is said. We don't talk about our feelings that way...I've thought about pulling a Mariah Carey, but I know too much now," Pitt said, referring to the pop singer's hospitalization this year for an emotional breakdown.

Later, the 37-year-old actor said, "I was just joking."

### Samuel L. Jackson goes commando under kilt

LONDON (AP) — Samuel L. Jackson likes to wear his kilt "Scottish style" — without underpants — he said at the world premiere of "The 51st State."

Decked out in the distinctive Scottish garment and a wool sweater at the West End opening, Jackson said Tuesday that only cold weather and certain camera angles forced him to break with local tradition during filming.

"The kilt is extremely comfortable and quite warm as the material is thick

and here's lots of pleats," the 52-year-old actor said. "I have been wearing it Scottish style, though sometimes it's too cold or risky for the camera shot."

"The 51st State," a comedy-action movie about an American who braves British crime rings in a bid to introduce a new designer drug to the country, was filmed mostly on location in Liverpool, England.

Jackson's character, Elmo McElroy, dons a kilt for parts of the movie.

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# TV character undergoes sex change; does not cause stir

NEW YORK (AP) — Producers of "The Education of Max Bickford" anticipated a fuss after casting the role of Erica, a college professor who used a sabbatical for a sex change operation.

Never before had such a character been a regular in prime-time television. The conservative American Family Association alerted its members, and CBS got a handful of protest letters.

But no advertisers expressed concern, and moral watchdogs have been quiet.

"I think the lack of comment is an indication that there is an acceptance," said Nicole Yorlkin, a creator of the drama. "It's not something they see as so shocking or horrifying that it requires a great deal of discussion."

Erica is not alone. Television story lines that probably would have provoked morality debates only a few years ago have passed by unnoted, either because the public has become used to them or the country is preoccupied with more important news.

Four years after Ellen DeGeneres' sitcom coming-out party was front-page news, a doctor played by Laura Innes on "ER" is quietly coming to terms with being a lesbian. The story began last spring and is continuing this fall.

And less than a decade after former Vice President Dan Quayle complained about Murphy Brown delivering a baby out of wedlock, an unmarried character on "Friends" —

television's most popular show — is pregnant. Her friends even turned the idea of marriage into a joke.

"People are jaded," said Ed Vitagliano, spokesman for the American Family Association. "You can see just about everything on national television that this just doesn't seem so new." Vitagliano's Tupelo, Miss.-based organization has all but thrown in the towel.

"Our basic perspective is that Hollywood is a lost cause when it comes to promoting traditional views of marriage and sexuality," he said.

Erica's acceptance is even more remarkable considering it airs on one of television's busiest nights, Sunday, on CBS, the network that generally has the oldest, most conservative audience. It starts at 8 p.m., during what used to be known as the family hour.

Dawn Prestwich, co-creator of the series with Yorlkin, said she was a little nervous presenting the character to CBS.

To her surprise, network executives not only approved it, but encouraged the producers to make Erica more prominent.

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— NICOLE YORLGIN  
"The Education of Max Bickford" creator

A woman, Helen Shaver, was cast as Erica. "Bickford" creators said they didn't seek an actor who had been through a sex change because there weren't many to choose from.

Shaver took the role, she said, because it was well-written and offered the chance to work regularly with star Richard Dreyfuss.

She researched the part by reading books and talking to people who had undergone a sex change.

Any indications that her character had once been a man are very subtle: Shaver will make certain movements with her hands, or slightly alter her walk or voice.

"The narrow view is that a transgender woman looks like a man in a dress," she said, "but that's not true. Yes, there are some transgender women who look like men in dresses, but that's just a tiny, tiny part of the whole community."

Dreyfuss' character has a hard time accepting Erica. He pouts that his old drinking buddy, with whom he used to ogle women, is now a woman.

"Erica is wonderfully flawed and human," said Scott Seomin, entertainment media director for the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation. "Helen Shaver and the writers are really doing this character well. She has integrity, she doesn't make an apology for who she is, she's living her life openly and honestly."

"It's very reflective of how it can be for people who transition into a different gender," he said.

Previous depictions of such characters were used for temporary shock value, he said. They were crime victims, objects to be pitied or shown trying to fool others about their sexuality, he said. GLAAD considers Erica's casting a breakthrough that can help people struggling with their sexuality.

GLAAD sent a glossary to journalists with suggestions on how to address Erica. It prefers the term "transgender," and also advises that Erica be referred to as "she," never "he."

The American Family Association resists this, calling Erica "he" in the magazine it sends out to 200,000 subscribers.

"No matter how many surgeries a person has, their chromosomes determine their sex," Vitagliano said. "Once you've

kind of detonated the male-female model, anything goes."

Still, the American Family Association considers Erica more of a distraction than an outrage.

Vitagliano said her presence is "weird" in a show that otherwise has much to recommend it: he praises the program for the complicated, yet tender, relationship between Bickford and his daughter.

The character has attracted little attention because it's not really a controversy in society, said Robert Thompson, director of the Center for the Study of Popular Television at Syracuse University.

Murphy Brown and Ellen became issues, but by the time they went on the air, many in American society had come to grips with single motherhood and homosexuality, he said.

"Television never pushes envelopes," he said. "It licks envelopes."

Thompson said "culture war" attacks on Hollywood aren't likely to resonate post-Sept. 11 because they echo the criticism Islamic fundamentalists have of American society — and domestic critics don't want to be associated with the enemy.

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12 Italian poet  
13 Loafs  
18 Binary  
22 Actress Rogers  
24 Good luck charms  
25 VIP  
26 Frolic  
27 Falco of "The Sopranos"  
28 Mail drop in bed?  
29 Dismal  
30 Took off  
32 Valley  
33 Cassowary kin  
34 Carte before the course  
35 Stainway element  
38 Libation station potato

41 Cost per unit  
43 Private school  
45 Suspend  
46 Exchange  
47 Choreographer Alvin  
48 Thorny patch  
49 Like Chicago?  
51 Extend across  
52 Formerly, formerly  
54 Stratford's river  
55 Russo of "Rocky and Bullwinkle"  
56 Work units  
58 Go out with  
59 Passing craze

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## Alan Jackson to sing new song at CMAs

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Alan Jackson plans to perform a new song about the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks at the Country Music Association Awards on Wednesday.

The song is titled "Where Were You (When The World Stopped Turning)." "It's about how it affected a lot of people, and he just wrote it a couple of days ago, maybe a week ago," said Walter Miller, producer of the annual show for country music stars.

"We were blown away" upon hearing the song, Miller said. "He's going to premiere it on the show."

The CMA Awards, staged at the Grand Ole Opry House, are scheduled to air from 8-11 p.m. EST on CBS. The biggest challenge this year is striking the proper balance between acknowledging Sept. 11 and putting on the awards show that fans have come to expect, Miller said.

Brooks & Dunn are scheduled to open the show with their patriotic hit "Only in America," and the attacks will be mentioned throughout.

## THE SOUND OF MUSIC



JENNA HANSEN/Staff Photographer  
JOE SCHULTZ, LEFT, a sophomore music education major from San Angelo, and Adam Coffman, a senior music education major from New Boston, practice a piece from their jazz ensemble Wednesday afternoon in the Music building in preparation for their concert Nov. 12.

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## Raiders react to goalpost melee

By Phil Riddle/Staff Reporter

The performance of the Texas Tech football team was, at least slightly, overshadowed by incidents in the stands following the 12-0 Red Raider win over Texas A&M at Jones SBC Stadium on Saturday.

Raider quarterback Kliff Kingsbury threw for 303 yards, running back Ricky Williams scored a 6-yard touchdown with two minutes left in the game, kicker Robert Trece nailed a pair of field goals and the Tech defense posted a shutout of the then No. 24 Aggies.

However, brawls involving Tech fans who had torn down the south goalpost at Jones SBC Stadium and Aggie fans at the north end of the arena received much of the postgame attention usually reserved for the winning team.

In the days since the incident, which involved Texas Gov. Rick Perry's Chief of Staff Dr. Mike McKinney, Tech President David Schmidly has instituted new rules regarding fans on the field and has begun an investigation to find those responsible for tearing down the goalpost.

McKinney, father of A&M center Seth McKinney, was punched in the face during the melee by an Aggie fan, opening a cut that required eight stitches to close.

Tech players were disappointed their

home fans made such a display, because they say a celebration should have been reserved for winning a bigger game.

"We didn't think the goalpost should have come down," said Ivory McCann, special teams standout, "because that showed that the fans didn't think we were going to win."

McCann said they expected to win, and the fans that were involved in the scuffle should not have brought the uprights down.

"The fans weren't trusting us, the ones that took down the goalpost," he said. "It would be different if it were the last game or we won a bowl game, but every opponent we play, we're supposed to win."

Receiver Mickey Peters, who caught four passes for 54 yards against the Aggies, agrees the on-field celebration was premature.

"The goalpost and everything is always fun," Peters said, "but we were expecting to win. We obviously didn't think the goalpost should have gone down. Some things were said at A&M, but we haven't really said a whole lot."

Aggie players had been quoted in news stories during game week as saying Tech fans are poor sports.

Red Raider Matt Heider, a 6-foot-5-inch 305-pound offensive lineman, has heard the talk, but disagrees.

"Some people say we've got the worst fans in the Big 12," Heider said. "I say we've got the best. This might sound bad, but if people don't want to



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer  
TEXAS TECH RUNNING back Ricky Williams gives the fans a guns-up salute following Tech's win against Texas A&M on Saturday. Williams' gesture was just before fans stormed the field and tore the goalpost down.

come watch their team play, that's just more seats we can fill with Tech fans." In Heider's opinion, Saturday's incident did not detract from the Raiders Big 12 win.

"No, not at all," he said. "At the same time, we expected to win that game against A&M. So, in that way, we don't think the goalpost should have been torn down."

## Women's netters close fall season in Dallas and Arizona

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

For the squad's final outing of the fall semester, the Texas Tech women's tennis team will split up this weekend to compete in two separate tournaments.

The Red Raiders' top two netters, Beverly Dawson and Irina Tereschenko, will compete as a doubles tandem in the Omni Hotels National Intercollegiate Indoor Championships today through Sunday in Dallas.

The rest of the team will be in Tempe, Ariz., to play in the Thunderbird Collegiate Invitational in individual and doubles competition on Saturday and Sunday.

Tech assistant coach Sandy Collins said the tournament in Dallas is huge because only 16 teams in the nation get invited.

The teams competing in the OHNIIC won their regional tournaments to earn bids in the tournament. One wild card was awarded to SMU for hosting the tournament and an at-large bid was given to Oklahoma State. Other schools being represented at the indoor championships include: Florida, Wake Forest, Fresno State, Illinois State, UCLA, North Carolina, Stanford, Kentucky, Old Dominion, Florida International and Ouachita Baptist, which is a Division II school.

Tech coach Virginia Brown said the duo of Dawson and Tereschenko's performance this week could mean a variety of outcomes for Tech.

"It could be good, it could be great, it could be awesome," Brown

said. "All the teams there are ranked but us."

Brown said she would be happy if Dawson and Tereschenko can win in the first round. She said anything after would be a bonus.

"Our goal is to win one round," Brown said. "We want to make a difference, and if we can it would help us get a national ranking."

Tereschenko and Dawson said they are both looking forward to the tournament and know the level of competition will be tough.

"This is a big week for us and it's the biggest week for Texas Tech tennis," Tereschenko said. "We're really proud to be here, and we hope to do our best."

Dawson said it will not be easy to win, but the pair is ready.

"The competition is going to be tough," Dawson said, "but we're up there too, so we'll do pretty good."

Tereschenko said she and Dawson are ready to play and know what it will take to win.

"We will have to stay focused and pumped up, which we are," Tereschenko said. "We have a good chance."

Brown said national ranking could be in store for Tech with good showings at both tournaments this week.

Collins said the players in Tempe would have a busy schedule. All players will compete in individual and doubles play, and have at least three matches in three days.

If the team plays well in the Thunderbird Invitational, it could ride the performance in to the spring season.

"We hope to get some good matches, and get some wins," Collins said. "That always helps your confidence going in to the spring season."

## Ex-Cowboy Irvin apologizes to family, friends for drug bust incident last year

GRAPEVINE (AP)—Former Dallas Cowboys receiver Michael Irvin apologized to his family and friends Wednesday for being in a north Dallas apartment at the time of a police raid last year.

Flanked by his wife and attorney during a news conference, a contrite Irvin withheld criticism of law officers two days after state District Judge Lee Gabriel dismissed a felony charge of possessing less than a gram of cocaine

against him and 22-year-old Nelly Adham.

"I harbor no ill feelings toward anybody," Irvin said.

The charge was dropped after Denton County prosecutors said in a motion filed Monday that they learned last week an officer searched the apartment without a warrant and the cocaine was not in plain sight.

"We have no doubt we would have won, but, quite honestly, God stepped

in. He stepped in and got it done before we even went to trial," Irvin said.

Irvin, 35, said he has no plans to pursue legal action, although his lawyer, Peter Ginsberg, said he wouldn't rule it out.

Ginsberg said the Denton County district attorney could have halted the prosecution months ago.

"I don't think it took until a couple of days ago for the district attorney to discover they abused Michael's constitutional rights," he said.

Denton County First Assistant District Attorney Lee Ann Breeding declined to respond.

"We don't have any further comment other than the information we put in the dismissal that was filed on Monday," she said.

Prosecutors said then that they found out last week that at least three officers involved in the case later faced separate internal affairs investigations, creating credibility problems so severe that the representatives of three agencies could not testify in court.

Irvin and Adham were arrested in August 2000 at a far North Dallas area apartment just inside Denton County. He was indicted in June, 10 months after the raid on the apartment, where law officers said they also found marijuana and ecstasy pills. No charges were ever filed involving those drugs.

Irvin said he went to the apartment to visit a friend.

He apologized to his wife, Sandy, for being unfaithful.

"Being there, period," broke their marriage covenant, he said.

Irvin, whose comments were laced with references to God, said he underwent a spiritual transformation that began in February with the help of Dallas-based evangelist Bishop T.D. Jakes. Sandy Irvin said faith helped her get through their ordeal.

"When you know God, you know there's always a storm before your blessing," she said.

Members of a multi-agency task force came across Irvin and Adham by chance.

The task force found the pair after breaking down the apartment door of Adham's 21-year-old sister, Ronda, who was wanted for violating conditions of her bail as one of 17 suspects accused of participating in a heroin-and-cocaine ring that supplied fatal doses to three people in 1999. Victims included Irvin's former teammate, Mark Tuinei.

Another former teammate, offensive lineman Nate Newton, was jailed in

Louisiana on Sunday after a van was pulled over that contained cardboard boxes filled with 213 pounds of marijuana, authorities said.

Irvin declined to comment on Newton's arrest, other than to say, "I'm praying for him. All I can do is pray for him."

Irvin, a member of three Super Bowl Champions with the Cowboys, retired in July 2000 and was hired for Fox Sports Net's Sunday pregame show.

He lost that job a few weeks after the arrest, which came two months after he completed probation on a no-contest plea to felony cocaine possession.

In 1996, Irvin pleaded no contest to felony cocaine possession in exchange for four years of deferred probation, a \$10,000 fine and dismissal of misdemeanor marijuana possession charges.

The National Football League suspended Irvin for five games. He finished his deferred probation on the charge just before he announced his retirement.

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