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# Coach Knight gives up year's paycheck

By David Wiechmann/Sports Editor

Texas Tech men's basketball coach Bob Knight told Athletics Director Gerald Myers he will not accept payment for the 2002-03

Knight's contract states he was to be paid approximately \$250,000 this year.

Knight's motivation for the decision is he believes he has not fulfilled his two main duties to the team. He said he did not give his players the best chance to win, and he failed to get the most effort out of his team.

Myers said he did not particularly favor Knight's decision, but he knows Knight is set

in his ways on the mat-

"He felt like they hadn't done a good job," he said. "I disagree with him. He was disappointed in the job they have done, and he told me he was going to give back his salary."

Knight made, and he believes Knight is being too callous.

he said. "I think he's done a great job with this program, ... but he made the decision, and this is what he's going to do."

The return of his payment is the first Myers has learned of its kind.

"I've never heard of a coach giving back his salary before," he said. "I think it shows his commitment to excellence, winning and to give to your fullest potential. And in his mind, he doesn't feel like he's done that."

Myers said this shows Knight has a lot of Myers said it was a commendable choice heart and holds the success of his team in high

"I think the way he feels is an honorable lieves." "I think he's being too hard on himself," thing considering how he feels about how the

year went," he said. "I don't feel that way at all. I think he's done a great job, but considering how he feels, I'd say it's pretty honorable."

Randy Farley, team spokesman, said the decision was made last week, and it is not surprising that Knight made it.

"Coach Bob Knight told coach (Gerald) Myers last week what he intended," he said. "This is something that is just very characteristic of coach Bob Knight. He's had hundreds and hundreds and hundreds of random acts of kindness throughout his time, and this is very characteristic of who he is and what he be-

Farley added this is typical Bob Knight

"This is the guy I've always known," he

Knight's contract expires May 2006. In the contract is a stipulation regarding "Outside Athletics Related Personal Income." Such outside relations would be endorsements, television and radio shows, sports camps and speaking engagements.

The contract allots for Tech to make up the difference of the \$500,000 for "Outside Athletics Related Personal Income" if Knight does not make the said amount.

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# Memorial scheduled for today

By Matt Muench/Staff Reporter

A memorial service for Texas Tech student Julia Kathleen Kyle, who died Friday, will take place from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. today in the Matador Room of the Student Union building.

The memorial is open to the public and will feature numerous speeches from instructors Kyle worked with, family and friends.

Psychology professors Ruth Maki, Susan Hendrick and Nancy Bell will speak first.

Kyle's uncle, Robert Baker, who is a professor in the biology department at Tech, will speak after Kyle's professors.

Kyle's friends Krista Leubner and Stephen Kolar will conclude the speeches at the memorial.

None of the speakers could be reached for comment.

Kyle was a graduate in the department of psychology

She planned on getting her Ph.D. to become a teacher.

She was pronounced dead at 3:22 a.m. early Friday morning when she apparently fell asleep at the wheel while driving east on the 1300 block of Southeast Loop 289 in her 2000 Ford F-150 pickup truck, Lubbock Police Department Sgt. Ronnie Sowell said.

Her vehicle veered off the road and flipped numerous times in a ditch, Sowell said.

Kyle was wearing a seatbelt, but the collapse of the cab of her truck caused her death.

Kyle was 25 years old.



residence hall Monday afternoon. Martin said he likes to play the piano when he is bored.

## Court: sex offenders' pictures can be put online

By Heidi Toth/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech student Brad Walker said he has no qualms about taking severe action to inform city residents of sex offenders.

"If they're out there and they're known sex offenders, people should know what they're doing," the freshman exercise and sports sciences major from Round Rock said.

are active in all 50 states and with the federal government, he said, and agreed with the Supreme Court in its latest decision.

The Court ruled Wednesday that putting pictures and locator information of sex offenders on the Internet is not a constitutional violation.

The cases argued that publishing information violated the offenders' right against double jeopardy, which states a suspect cannot be punished for the same crime twice.

The offenders argued the resulting

humiliation from having their inforpunishment, in addition to their time information to be published. Every

the states' actions were constitutional. Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote in the opinion that because the laws were not meant to be punitive, publication was legal.

"Our system does not treat dissemi-He supports the registry laws that nation of truthful information in furtherance of a legitimate governmental objection as punishment," he wrote. "The purpose and principal effect of notification are to inform the public for its own safety, not to hu-

miliate the offender." Rod Schoen, emeritus professor of law at Texas Tech, said the court decided it was not cruel and unusual punishment or double jeopardy because it was not considered punish-

"It was a preventive and deterrent measure," he said.

This is the first Supreme Court remation published acted as a second view of Megan's laws, which allow the state government and the federal gov-The court voted 6-3 to uphold that ernment have sex offender registry laws as well.

Lubbock recently implemented a new twist to Megan's laws. In September, the City Council voted 4-3 to broadcast sex offenders' information on Channel 6, the city's broadcast network.

Not all students are in favor of the

Nick McKean, a junior petroleum engineering major from Pampa, said he is against the information being published.

"Everybody has the right to privacy, no matter what they do," he said.

He said it was not his business what his neighbors had done, and he would not want or need to know if one was a

Many Tech students think the laws present a good idea, within reason.

Rebekah Berry, a sophomore classics major from Las Cruces, N.M., expressed reservations about

"It has the potential to be a good idea, but it can also be bad," she

Some sex offenders were onetime offenders who learned from their mistakes and will not commit an offense again, she said. These are the people who should not be published, because they are tainted with that one mistake.

However, publishing the information of dangerous and repeat offenders who will most likely commit crimes again is vital for public safety, she said.

Since there is no way to differentiate between the two types of offenders, she said all offenders should be published.

"I guess it's just to be safe rather

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# Red Raider assaulted in front of apartment

By Heidi Toth/Staff Reporter

A Texas Tech student was assaulted March 4 near her apartment

major from Lockney, said she took her the man who assaulted her. dog for a walk at about 10:45 p.m. March 4, near the Lubbock Square Apartments at 50th Street and Utica Drive. She was two blocks away from the complex when a large Hispanic male in his 50s or 60s allegedly attacked her from behind.

"He came up behind me," she said. "I didn't even hear him."

The suspect grabbed her shoulder and slammed her head into the concrete, she said. He also had a razor blade and cut her repeatedly.

The man tried to force Smith into pen anywhere." his car and told her he was going to her dog bit the man and distracted

Smith called the police department apartment. She was then transported mation from the police department. to Covenant Medical Center, where an officer met her.

The officer observed cuts and scrapes on Smith's legs, stomach and chest area. The police report stated the officer also noticed cuts to her fore- crimes reported on campus during arms, which could be considered de- 2001, according to information from

She had a large bruise above her left eye, according to the report.

Smith said she had a concussion, two black eyes, a separated shoulder, and cuts, bruises and bumps all over Chelle Smith, a senior finance her body. She said she did not know

Because of the incident, Smith said she and her friends are scared to be in the neighborhood. She said she is especially nervous because she was in a well-lit area near her home, and it was not late at night.

"It was just right there," she said. Bill Morgan, public information officer for the Lubbock Police Department, said the location of the incident was not out of the ordinary.

"There is no typical neighborhood for assault," he said. "That could hap-

He also said the number of violent rape her. She got away, she said, when crimes in Lubbock is not disproportionate to the population. With a city the size of Lubbock, a certain number According to the police report, of assaults and other violent crimes are inevitable. In 2001, Lubbock had 10 and EMS when she got back to her reported murders, according to infor-

> The murder rate dropped 16.7 percent from the year before, while the rape rate decreased by almost 30 per-

> Tech had fewer than 20 violent the Office of Student Affairs.

## France, Russia vow to veto U.S.-led resolution

By Edith M. Lederer/ Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS - France and Russia vowed Monday to vote Ivanov, who opposes the rush to war down a U.S.-backed resolution setting and wants Iraq peacefully disarmed, a March 17 ultimatum for Saddam Hussein to disarm or face war as the United States scrambled to get enough resolutions of the U.N. Security support to call

Faced with stiff opposition, United States and Britain - which along with Spain sponsored the resolution said Monday they were open to compromise.

for a vote.

In a televised Chirac said Paris would vote against any resolution that contains an ultimatum leading to war "no matter what the circumstances."

It was the first time Chirac explicitly said France would use its veto power as a permanent member of the U.N. Security Council to block the United States' quest for world body down Security Council vote would approval for war.

A French "no" vote would not go down in history as a veto if France was voting with the majority of nine needed to defeat the U.S.-backed measure

Russian Foreign Minister Igor also threatened to veto the resolution.

"Russia believes that no further

Council are necessary and there-Russia fore openly declares that if the draft resolution that currently has been introduced for consideration and which contains ultimatum demands that cannot be met is nonetheless put

interview, French President Jacques to a vote, then Russia will vote against this resolution," he said at the Moscow State Linguistics University.

In a news conference Monday, White House spokesman Ari Fleischer opened the door to the possibility of further changes in the wording of the resolution, or the March 17 deadline.

Fleischer also said that a shownot come Tuesday, but could come

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JACKSONVILLE, Texas (AP) — A grandmother who has spent more machinery of war and diplomacy rolled than two years in prison on convictions of murder and engaging in organized criminal activity soon will be freed, her attorney said Monday.

Dorothy Bingham, 59, of Jacksonville should be released within the next two weeks after a Tyler appeals court sends the mandate, said of Austin. The State Court of Crimithe back lawn. nal Appeals last month declined prosecutors' request to rehear Bingham's appeal, court officials said.

case because basically she was convicted on innuendoes and speculation," Schulman said in Sunday's Jacksonville Daily Progress.

Bingham's granddaughter, Patricia it was "quite a leap of faith on the jury's part to think Dorothy had anything to do with it."

Bingham, who is being held at the Mountain View unit in Gatesville, was convicted in Bobby Sexton's murder and engaging in organized criminal activity in May 2000. She was sentenced to 30 years in prison for each charges in August.

According to court records, Patricia Sexton in 1998 talked her Bobby Sexton, allegedly for his Social Security benefits, and then reported him as a missing person.

than a month later in Anderson would give Hussein until March 17 to County.

Prosecutors' case against Bingham included testimony that she was present when Fielding agreed to kill Sexton, that she gave Fielding a box of rubber gloves to be used in the murder and discussed Sexton's death benefits with her granddaughter after the

Bingham's trial lawyer, lacksonville attorney Hogan Stripling, has said he blamed Bingham's conviction on "all the publicity surrounding the event."

#### The Rundown



### Grandmother freed Bush spends weekend North Korea testafter two years in prison seeking war support fires missile into sea

WASHINGTON (AP) - The on Saturday as the Bush administration prepared for imminent decisions about military action in Iraq by both international allies and the president.

President Bush, who usually spends weekends at Camp David, stayed at from a base on North Korea's east the White House, where a few thou-Bingham's attorney David Schulman, sand anti-war protesters gathered off

Bush remained in town to attend Saturday evening's annual Gridiron dinner. In a nod to the "seriousness of "I thought we had a pretty strong the times," spokesman Taylor Gross said Bush would trade the traditional presidential comedy routine for serious, though brief, remarks to the gathered media elite.

In his weekly radio address, Bush Sexton, was found guilty of her reiterated his case for quick action husband's murder and sentenced to life against Iraq's Saddam Hussein, susin prison in 1999, but Schulman said pected of possessing banned weapons of mass destruction.

> "As a last resort, we must be willing to use military force," the president said. "We are doing everything we can to avoid war in Iraq. But if Saddam Hussein does not disarm peacefully, he will be disarmed by force.'

The president made calls to foreign leaders, hoping to win support in the charge. She was acquitted of the United Nations Security Council for a U.S.-British-Spanish proposal that paves the way for war.

The new resolution, due for a vote lover, Michael Fielding, into shooting next week in New York, faces strong opposition from veto-wielding council members and not yet enough backing from others to pass, even without Sexton's body was found more a veto. Newly amended, the proposal totally disarm.

If the resolution fails, as seemed likely, military action could come within days, officials have said. The timetable is less certain if it passes.

Secretary of State Colin Powell and national security adviser immediately. Condoleezza Rice also chipped in on the diplomatic effort.

But war planning continued as well, with Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz paying a visit to the

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) -North Korea test-fired a missile into forward side-by-side at the White House the sea Monday in what was seen as an attempt to raise tension further in the standoff over its nuclear programs and pressure the United States into

> The widely anticipated launch coast fit a pattern of unusual military maneuvers in recent weeks, including the North's interception a week ago of a U.S. reconnaissance plane.

"This is another show of North Korean brinkmanship," said Yoon Dong-min, an expert at the statefunded Institute of Foreign Affairs and National Security in Seoul. "They are trying to raise the stakes in the nuclear standoff and trying to get the upper hand ahead of possible talks with the United States."

North Korea wants a nonaggression treaty and economic aid from the United States, but Washington says the U.N. Security Council should handle the nuclear problem.

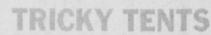
In Washington, top Bush administration officials said Sunday the time still is not ripe for one-on-one talks with North Korea and any lasting solution to the nuclear dispute will need the support of Russia, China and other nations.

"I think eventually we will be talking to North Korea, but we're not going to simply fall into what I believe is bad practice of saying the only way you can talk to us is directly, when it affects other nations in the region," Secretary of State Colin Powell said on CNN's "Late Edition."

Powell, on Fox News on Sunday, said that during his visit to the United Nations last week, he worked with diplomats to develop a multinational approach to North Korea.

Democrats are pressing the Bush administration to begin direct talks

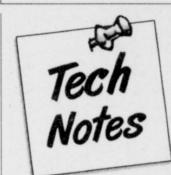
There had been indications that North Korea was planning to fire a missile. The Pentagon earlier cited a North Korean warning to ships to stay out of a sector off the east coast from Saturday to Tuesday.





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MIKE HOOVER, A senior civil engineering major from Texarkana, and Carson Anderson, a junior marketing major from Kerrville, set up and refold tents that were rented from the Outdoor Pursuit Center, to check them for damage outside the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreational Center on Monday afternoon.



Night" from 7:30 to 10 p.m. today in the Red Raider Lounge of the Student Union building. The night will feature poetry, music and other artistic expressions. All students, staff and faculty are welcome. For more information, call (806) 742-8671 or email mentor@ttu.edu.

The Mentor Tech Mentoring Hemmle Recital Hall of the Music Program is sponsoring an "Open Mic building. Admission is free and open to the public.

> The Lubbock Apartment Association's Fifth Annual Housing Fair will be from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Union Ballroom.

The St. Patrick's Day Concert of Irish Traditional Music and Dance is "Women's History Month Con- at 8 p.m. Friday in the Hemmle Recert" will be at 8 p.m. today in the cital Hall of the Music building.

## Eight people shot in Times Square club

NEW YORK (AP) - A gun- 42nd Street, on the same block as the lence in the area last year in reman opened fire on the crowded dance floor of a Times Square nightclub, wounding eight people, one critically. Two other people were stabbed during the melee.

No arrests had been made in the attacks early Sunday. Police were reportedly questioning two suspects.

The violence broke out in the second-floor nightclub at the Broadway City Arcade on West

theaters that produce "The Lion sponse to brawls. Police said King" and "42nd Street."

Security guard Omar Leger said he heard gunshots and then saw people running toward the exits, falling and tripping over each other.

"People were getting trampled," said Leger, who estimated as many as 350 people were in the club at the

Police cracked down on gang vio-

Sunday's fight was apparently not gang-related.

A 22-year-old man who was shot in the chest remained in critical condition Monday. A 19-year-old woman who was shot in the stomach was upgraded to serious condition, said Felicia Isoh, an administrator at Bellevue Hospital, where both patients were being treated.

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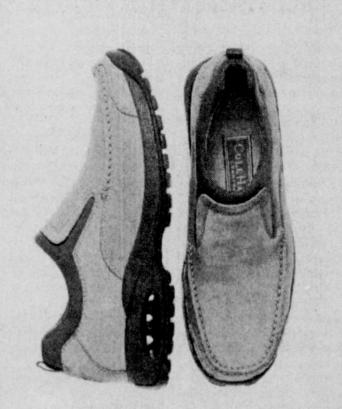


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# Ornament sales fund Health Sciences Center scholarships

By Kelly McAlister/Staff Reporter

The new Double T ornament, which became available for purchase last week, will benefit scholarships for Health Sciences Center students.

The new ornament follows the Double T car stickers, T-shirts and lapel pins that have been introduced during the past year.

Managing Director of HSC Relations Sharon Bennett said the HSC Student Government Association scholarship committee is hoping the new ornament will be more of a memento than just a Christmas tree or-

"I had one framed in a shadow box

just to give to someone," she said. Kate Baldocchi began a trend with her creation of the patriotic Double T car sticker which was

showcased after Sept. 11, 2001. While watching the continuing events of Sept. 11 unfold on her television, Baldocchi sketched a threedimensional Double T and an Ameri-

She placed her sketch on the back of her car and gave one to a friend who did the same, as reported previously in The University Daily.

Baldocchi said one of her friends mentioned her design to Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith during a party given for incoming HSC freshman in

October. Smith asked if the HSC could market the idea.

Baldocchi, a second-year graduate student studying audiology, had a profound effect on the scholarships the HSC provides, as reported previously in The University Daily.

The scholarships are called the Double T Star Spangled Scholarship Fund, which was begun by the HSC

The committee, which was formed specifically for the scholarship fund, creates ideas for marketing and continued fund raising.

All proceeds from the sales of the pins, decals, T-shirts and ornaments are used for scholarships for students.

After students meet certain qualifications, their names are drawn to determine the winners of the scholar-

The star-spangled Double T decals and lapel pins accounted for more than \$60,000 in scholarship money.

Last year was the first year the scholarship was offered. The HSC SGA bestowed 20 scholarships of \$250 each.

Director of HSC Student Services Margaret G. Duran said the committee sells star-spangled products at spring events during the school year.

The new ornaments were sold at the last four men's and women's basketball home games.

The decals, which are still on sale, cost \$2; lapel pins cost \$5, and shirts cost \$7.

Chairwoman of the HSC SGA scholarship committee and Senator for the HSC SGA Annette Grigsby said this year, the HSC SGA hopes

to offer more than 20 scholarships. "It's exciting because last year there was a big response," she said.

'Every little bit helps.' Grigsby said the response has been

"We've been grateful to be able to sell at a few football and basketball games," she said.

The main requirements for the scholarships include grade point average, community service and involvement in another organization, Grigsby said.

The scholarship centers on community involvement, she said, and it is important to reward students who are willing to give back to the community while they are going to school.

All of the HSC senators have signed up to help with the sales of the Double T items.

"We've had a great turnout of senators helping," Grigsby said.

The scholarships will be given away in lottery form at a party April 25 at the F. Marie Hall Synergistic Center at the HSC, Grigsby said.

# Drug-resistant germs rise

WASHINGTON (AP) -The United States is seeing a jump in drug-resistant germs and, researchers warn, strains of a dangerous form of strep that can overcome two common antibiotics are expected to multiply.

Overuse of antibiotics may be

involved, they said. By the summer of 2004, as many as 40 percent of the strains of Streptococcus pneumoniae could be resistant to both penicillin and erythromycin. That form of strep causes thousands of cases of meningitis, sinusitis, ear infections and pneumonia every

Researchers based at the Harvard School of Public Health studied reports from sites in eight states, measuring how common the drug resistance was in 1996

and how it increased by 1999. Penicillin resistance rose from 21.7 percent of strep strains in 1996 to 26.6 percent in 1999, and for erythromycin it increased from 10.8 percent to 20.2 percent, the team reports in a paper posted in Monday's online edition of the journal Nature Medi-

The report provides further support for arguments against unnecessary antibiotic use, said Marc Lipsitch, one of the researchers.

For years, public health experts have warned that overuse of antibiotics - often when they are not needed - is leading to more drug-resistant bacteria.

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However, she said she is not con-

cerned about the practice of regis-

tering sex offenders here, because the need to do so is not great, she said.

"Lubbock isn't a big crime city,

so it wouldn't be as big of a deal as if

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than sorry," Berry said.

For example, many people demand antibiotics when they have a cold, even though colds are caused by viruses, for which an-

tibiotics are ineffective. Last month, the Food and Drug Administration announced plans to require a new warning on antibiotics, pointing out that overusing them makes them less

Doctors must be sure a patient is suffering a bacterial infection, not a virus with similar symptoms, before prescribing antibiotics, the warnings say. The government estimates that half of the 100 million antibiotic prescriptions written each year are

unnecessary. The new research "puts it on the doctor's plate," said Dr. Donald Low of Mount Sinai Hospital in Toronto. "Can we change the future? Yes, there are things we can do, but can we do them

quickly enough?" Doctors need to make the decision to use antibiotics the right way, in the proper dose, he said, and to encourage vaccination, which reduces illness and thus the need for antibiotics.

Vaccines against that form of strep are recommended for infants and older people, the two groups most likely to get the in-

Germs resistant to just one of the antibiotics can still be killed by the other, so the researchers project either a slow growth or a decline for these bacteria.

said she supports the laws becar

## Texas set for 300th execution since 1982

LIVINGSTON, (AP) - Convicted killer Delma Banks could become a historical footnote Wednesday when he is scheduled to die in what would be Texas' 300th execution since the state resumed capital

punishment in 1982. So far this year, Texas has put nine men to death, setting the state on a pace to break its one-year record of 40 executions, in 2000. Last year, 33

inmates died by lethal injection. "It's not shocking any more," said Michael Dewayne Johnson, who was scheduled to be No. 300 until he and another death row inmate got temporary reprieves last month. He was condemned for killing a gas station attendant near Waco in 1995.

"Most people don't even know unless they're involved. There's just a vague mention of it in the paper," he

The Texas total is more than onethird of all the executions in the nation since 1976, when a ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court allowed states to resume the capital punishment. Over that period, the pace of executions in Texas has accelerated. Almost 13 years passed between Charlie Brooks, execution No. 1 and Harold Lane, No. 100, in 1995. It took less than five years for Texas to get to No. 200, Earl Heiselbetz, in January 2000.

Now it will be just over three years to reach the 300th execution, if not Banks - sentenced in 1980 for killing a 16-year-old and stealing his car - then almost certainly one of 10 other convicts on the current execution schedule. The faster pace is fueled mostly by changes in appeals procedures since the mid-1990s that have imposed stricter deadlines on court filings and allow appeals to be considered simultaneously in state and federal courts.

### Knight

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Knight told The Dallas Moming-News he did not want to be paid because he takes pride in doing his job.

"When I was a kid, I used to shovel walks and do all kinds of stuff to make a dollar," he said. "But if I shoveled the walk, I made damn sure that I did a good job. I'm just not at all satisfied with what transpired with our team in terms of our fundamental execution. I don't think it's anybody's fault but mine."

Knight was unavailable for comment Monday night.

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anytime later in the week. The council was scheduled to

discuss the resolution late Monday. Prime Minister Tony Blair's spokesman said Britain would consider a U.N. resolution that extends an ultimatum beyond the March 17

deadline already proposed. A compromise resolution could give Hussein a specific list of demands based on weapons inspectors' assessment of gaps in Iraqi disarmament, he said, briefing report-

ers on condition of anonymity. Mexico and Chile, meanwhile, were pushing other Security Council members for a last-minute compromise on Iraqi disarmament, officials from the two countries said Monday.

The Bush administration suffered another potential blow when Pakistan's Prime Minister Zafarullah Khan Jamali said his Muslim nation will not support war with Iraq, though he didn't say if it would vote against the resolution.

Chile also suggested Monday it is not prepared to approve the resolution without changes.

Pakistan and Chile are considered key swing votes along with Mexico, Angola, Cameroon and

The six countries have been the focus of intense lobbying by the opposing camps led by France and the United States.

If Pakistan and Chile abstain or vote "no," the United States would almost certainly fail to get the nine "yes" votes needed for the 15-member council to adopt the resolution.

That is because France, Russia, China, Germany and Syria are virtually certain to abstain or vote against it.

might not be needed because the resolution does not have sufficient support for passage. Tonight this resolution, which

Chirac indicated the veto

carries an ultimatum, ... does not have a majority of nine votes," Chirac said. Asked whether he believed

voting against the resolution would seriously damage relations with the United States, Chirac said "I am totally convinced of the opposite."

President Bush telephoned world leaders Monday to try to salvage the resolution.

Bush spoke to Japanese Prime

Minister Junichiro Koizumi and Chinese President Jiang Zemin and planned to talk to a series of other leaders, Fleischer said.

Beijing, whose trade relationship with Washington is crucial to its economy, has refused to say whether it would veto the U.S .-British proposal to set the March 17 deadline.

French Foreign Minister Dominique de Villepin met top Angolan officials Monday at the start of a quick trip to lobby three undecided African members of the council that will also take him to Cameroon and Guinea.

Angola's Foreign Minister Joao Miranda would not say whether his country would support the resolu-

There were indications that Cameroon, a former French colony, would support the resolution. U.S. diplomats said they were concentrating on Angola, Guinea and

The foreign minister of Guinea will visit administration officials this week in Washington.

France has repeatedly said the United States will not get nine "yes" votes, but de Villepin's last-

minute Africa lobbying blitz suggested the French were concerned about the numbers. Bush has said the United States

is prepared to forcefully disarm Iraq without Security Council ap-But U.N. support would give

the war international legitimacy and guarantee that members of the organization share in the costs of rebuilding Iraq. Meanwhile, Iraqi Deputy Prime

Minister Tariq Aziz said Monday that invading forces "are not going to take Iraq easily" because Iraqis will fight to defend their country. He said a U.S.-led force of more

than a quarter-million troops massing around Iraq would not be able to drive the Iraqi government from power without a bloody fight. "They cannot take Baghdad.

The people of Iraq are prepared to fight to defend their sovereignty. their honor, their national interests," he said. "They are not going to take Iraq easily."

Aziz, Iraq's best-known voice during the 1991 Gulf War, made the comments at a news conference for Spanish journalists in Baghdad.

#### it were Dallas or something," she Celeste Church, a graduate student from Lubbock studying music,

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to make sure they are safe. "I think that it's probably a good thing," she said. "I'd want to know if someone like that was living next

she has two children and she wants

However, having the information accessible to interested people was sufficient, she said. She would

not support having the information

broadcast, fliers passed out in neigh-

borhoods or anything more serious. "I don't think that they deserve to be harassed," she said.

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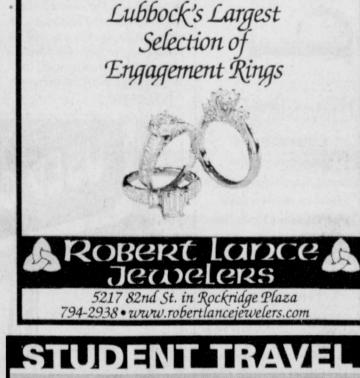
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## Batman, U.S. have many similarities ur society has always had a most of all, he has a motive. Likewise,

romanticized view of rouges, rebels and vigilantes. Perhaps it is our country's angry adolescent-type roots where we said "no" to our imperial fathers in Britain to start our own country.

Kid, James Dean and Spiderman for their ability to stand alone, to function outside the bounds of normal ci-

same go-get-'em way of thinking was even more apparent. He says we'll go to war whether the United Nations colors. tells us we can or not.

together; America is Batman.

Everyone knows the caped crusader. He's dark, dashing and most of all, dangerous. By day, he masquerades as Bruce Wayne, multimillionaire mankind. playboy turned super crime-fighter.

Villains cower in his shadow; citizens of Gotham love and hate him. and most of all, he writes his own rules. So why is America like Batman, you may ask? Well, let me explain.

For example, look at Bruce Wayne. He's rich, he's powerful, he has loads content, in which Batman and of technology at his fingertips, and America can relate to each other.

America is the world superpower.

Despite our current economic "slump," we still maintain the top spot on the global economic food chain. We jet our representatives of private and public capital all around the world We idolize characters like Billy the to sustain this crown, just like Bruce maintains his monetary superiority through means beyond the pages of the comics (it is just a cartoon).

But as everyone knows, the After Bush's speech Thursday, this bling-bling ain't the only thing. It is when the chips are down that Batman/America shows his/its true

Batman prides himself on his This is when I put two and two ability to move with precision that catches evildoers with their pants down. America prides itself on standing armed forces that would rival any military in the history of

> an eight-man Navy SEAL team or some. drop a plethora of 600-pound bombs with the press of a button. We're dangerous and willing, just like Batman.

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Batman doesn't answer to authority. Well, the commissioner has that red phone, but that's beside the point. He's a vigilante. He's armed and angry.

Just like Batman, we're willing to go at it alone, not caring whether we have anyone's approval. Millions of protesters worldwide have made it clear they don't like our actions. There were plenty of disgruntled Gothamites who felt Batman was a menace to so-We can move with the stealth of ciety. But we all know Batman is awe-

The similarities don't stop there. Batman had a sidekick, Robin. What do we have? Britain. Much like the But it is the context, not just the small yet deadly, has a fine taste in uniforms and is a bit effeminate.

Tony Blair has been quick to show

man, Bill Clinton, and continues to aide the president in seemingly all areas of conflict.

Many Brits view Blair as Bush's puppet, just going along hoping to find a favorable (if the UK could be any more favored) spot on the United States' right hand. Sure Robin probably had dreams of breaking away from his older, wiser master, but then who would pay for his tights?

So who is Iraq? I had to wonder. Of all Batman's foes, who best personifies this desert nation we've focused thing? on? I think it's obvious — Two Face.

Legend has it that Two Face actually used to be friends with Bruce, only to suffer a horrible accident burning exactly one side of his body and in turn making him go halfcriminally insane.

Hussein with money and weapons so they could fight the Iranians. (Which boy wonder, the United Kingdom is ans to fight the Soviets, but that is mistake. beside the point.)

On one hand, we have a dictator agree Batman is awesome.

his support for U.S. interests since he in power, who reportedly has weapcame into power. He worked with the ons of mass destruction, repeatedly kills his own citizens and basically spits

in Bush's metaphorical face. On the other hand we have a country of men, women and children who are starving because of sanctions and oil-for-food programs, much of the

blame being put on Hussein himself. We've been programmed to think that mustached-mug of Saddam represents all that is Iraqi, when there are millions of other faces we could be

So is being a vigilante a good

In some cases, I think yes, but in this case, I'm going to have to hope that Batman will put away the cape and cowl, hang up his utility belt and let a just process take its course.

I hope there will be no need for any "crime fighting" to go on. I hope America and Iraq have much of Hussein doesn't have those weapons the same past. We aided them and or if he does, he'll give them up. But for Bush to tell the world it can sit on its collective thumb because we're is ironic because we aided the Irani- going to do what we want to do is a

But whether you agree with the Now Iraq has turned on the U.S. war effort or not, I think we can all

# Removing weapons will not eliminate terror threat

arch 17, huh? Iraq must graciously disarm, the Se curity Council must either go along or accept its irrelevance, and every opinion writer in the nation must weigh in with their thoughts and predictions before the bombs start fall-

All of this was much easier for me the first go-round. For one thing, I was 11 years old and therefore, duly impressed when our television media was able to turn gut-wrenching carnage into a dramatically edited prime-time while channel-surfing.

trivializing conflict and death. Now but disgusted watching the dangerous conquest we're embarking on dressed up for public consumption as if it were professional football.

could look at and say, "Yep, that's agercise in convincing the world that we opposition as anti-American is to concern I wish our government would



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need a war and bribing our allies not

Before I go on, a word about extravaganza to keep me entertained France. I agree somewhat with the popular perception that the French Unfortunately for me, in 1991, Fox government is being obtuse and hadn't yet perfected the art of maybe even reflexively opposed to our agenda. I think they, like every counthat it has, I'm too old to be anything try on Earth, are self-interested and

However, I don't think we can chalk up the opposition solely to anti-Americanism, and it might do us well Secondly, the first time contained to consider that when our country is a conflict of some sort; something you pushing a program of unprovoked, preemptive aggression, there will inevi-

overlook the inherently unsavory address more thoughtfully and forth- any weapons at all. Weapons of mass agenda we're advancing.

Listening to the administration's dismissal of widespread disapproval, you'd think our moral imperative was plainly evident, beyond reproach.

Also, there keeps coming up a point that, while true, I don't think is pertinent. Andy Rooney wrote a few weeks back that France should not be allowed to disagree with the United States, owing to the fact that we rid their country of the Nazis 60 years ago. Like I said, the fact of the matter is beyond dispute, but if our liberation of France means they owe us complete support no matter what, how can it be considered liberation?

To follow Rooney's logic, we didn't liberate France, we conquered it; took it from the Nazis for ourselves. To say a country is liberated and then act indignantly when it expresses an opinion of its own is to belittle the price paid for its liberation.

Throughout all of the debate about war, preemption and weapons that gression." Now it's just a tedious ex- tably be opposition. To write off the destroy massively, there's one primary

rightly. I'm just as concerned as anyone about democracy, justice and freedom from dictators, but at the end of the day, I really care about is one thing: Is this war going to make us safer?

After the televised analysis and assurances that attacking Iraq is in our best interest, there's a simple calculus that is obvious but seldom acknowledged.

There are basically two things to consider. There is the benefit of eliminating Saddam Hussein's weaponry of grave damage, and there is the cost of inciting far-reaching antagonism, as even more Muslims buy into the popular rumor that we are infidel enemies of the Arab world.

I'm given pause when I weigh these two sides together because the inescapable reality of our terror woes is terrorists don't need weapons of intense devastation. The frustrating and terrifying thing about terrorism is that all that's required for truly destructive terrorism is hatred and will.

is conspicuous in that it didn't require changed.

destruction have never figured into the equation, and we're shooting ourselves in the foot by idly hoping that through eliminating whatever weapons are in Iraq, we are somehow working to prevent terrorism.

Such pragmatic cost-benefit analysis is unpopular because some see it as giving in to terrorism if we don't do this or that out of fear of terrorist re-

While this is a very good point, I think it is supremely unwise and strategically dangerous to let our vanity keep us from recognizing the very real threat that terrorists pose. Because when it's all said and done, terrorists are good at what they do.

Pride is dangerous when the threat is real, and I don't want to see more people die because we're too proud to honestly address the nature of terror-

In short, I hope we're doing the right thing. Bush is correct in saying Sept. 11, 2001 changed things. I just The destruction of Sept. 11, 2001 hope he sees exactly how things have

#### American empire not waiting for consent

Vergil's epic The Aeneid declares the Roman empire's mission: "to make peace a habit by imposing superior force; to spare the defeated; and to battle down the proud" (paci imponere morem, parcere subiectis et debellare superbos).

Of course, Rome, the sole superpower in its world, needed no one's permission to pursue this program.

President George W. Bush intends, with or without U.N. cooperation, to initiate a pre-emptive, massive first strike against Iraq and its brutal but hardly threatening dicta-

In the president's words, "We really don't need anyone's permission."

#### Letter to the editor

To make the hubris even more breathtaking, my congressman has twice, in correspondence, relayed the news that our nation's mission is now "to root out evil wherever it exists." Wow. So what comes after Iraq?

If we are going to follow Bush into this war, let us at least admit what's happening.

postwar international disarray on our own. Nor, meantime, does anyone else (e.g. North Korea) need anyone's permission to address perceived

We are rejecting rational partnership with the nations of the world and replacing it with our empire.

Welcome, world, to the new

battle down the proud. We root out evil wherever it exists. And we don't need anyone's permission. Get with us or make room for us.

Like the Romans, we will get away with this only as long as rule by fear

God help America.

- Edward V. George is a professor in In the absence of "anyone's per- American empire. We force peace on the Department of Classical and Modmission," we are prepared to face people. We spare the defeated. We ern Languages and Literatures.





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By Angela Timmons/ Staff Reporter

Rocky Ramirez, KTXT-FM's current music director, was named 2003-2004 station manager Monday night after interviewing with the Student Media committee.

Ramirez, a senior philosophy major from Grapevine, was the only contender for the position.

The committee comprises six faculty members and six students who vote on the candidate(s), Director of Student Media Susan Peterson said.

The committee looks for an organized individual who is a good representative of the radio station, Peterson said, and the committee has been known to reject sole applicants in the past, but Ramirez was too good to pass

"Rocky is just so energetic," Peterson said. "He has a good vision of where he wants to take the station; he's respected by his peers, and he has good management skills."

After the interview process, Ramirez stood outside the interview room and waited for the committee to make its decision. After what he said seemed like a long time, he was announced as next year's station man-

"They took a long time; I was standing out there longer than I wanted to," he said after the decision. "This is just a huge, huge relief."

Ramirez said his next step is choos-

"I can't wait to get started; I've been planning for this for a long time," he said. "I can't wait to enact the stuff I've been planning."

Ramirez said during his time as ting more involved in promoting con-

KTXT is among the top 10 college

radio stations in the country. A lot of people don't realize

that, and I want people to realize that. ROCKY RAMIREZ 2003-2004 KTXT-FM

music director, he has not had the time to take the radio station where it needs to go. He hopes to accomplish those things as station manager.

STATION MANAGER

"KTXT is among the top 10 college radio stations in the country," he said. "A lot of people don't realize that, and I want people to realize that."

Ramirez said he realizes many Tech students are not familiar with or do not initially enjoy KTXT-FM's play list. However, he said he has hope for the radio station and its role on campus by making it more visible.

"I know a lot of people who start to listen to it find it a little weird at first, but after listening for a while, they can't listen to anything else," he said. "I want people to find us and see we're playing the best music in Lubbock; I want it to enhance their lives while they're here."

Ramirez plans to make the station more visible on campus with booths set up in residence halls or in the Student Union, he said. He plans on getcerts and in bringing concerts to Lub-

The radio station could be a great asset to the university, he said.

"Because it's such a good station and people realize that - a lot of people listen outside of Lubbock on the Internet — it could be one of Texas Tech's greatest assets in getting kids to come here, like having a great basketball team," he said. "It's the best opportunity for someone who wants to get into radio."

Ramirez said many KTXT-FM alumni go on to great careers, such as on major record labels and in promotions, and it is a "huge stepping stone into the music industry."

Isaac Albarado, a senior political science and English major from Ballinger, was an appointed member of the Student Media committee. Albarado said sitting on the committee has been a great way for him to learn more about things he would not have known about beforehand, such as about the KTXT-FM, The University Daily and Tech's yearbook La Ven-

"We get to see who these people are running these organizations and bring more recognition to these positions," he said. "Looking at the resumes and listening to some of the answers to the committee, we get to see a whole new light to the person being interviewed."

From a student perspective, it takes a lot to be a radio station manager or an editor, Albarado said, but he has faith in Ramirez

"He's going to do a great job," he said. "He has a lot of goals, and he is a very ambitious individual; ambition feeds greatness."

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ROCKY RAMIREZ, A senior philosophy major from Grapevine, is congratulated in the Student Union by Susan Peterson, director of Student Media, after he was selected Monday as the 2003-2004 KTXT-FM

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### Study: violent TV leads to aggression a measure of overall aggression in

(AP) - People who watch violent television as children behave more aggressively even 15 years later, according to one of the few TV violence studies to follow children into-

The effect appeared in both sexes and regardless of how aggressive a person was as a child, researchers found.

The study linked violent TV viewing at ages 6 to 9 to such outcomes as spouse abuse and criminal

convictions in a person's early 20s. Experts said the results are no surprise, but added that the study is important because it used a wide range of measures, included many participants and showed the effect in females as well as males.

The work is presented in the March issue of the journal Developmental Psychology by psychologists L. Rowell Huesmann and colleagues at the University of Michigan's Institute for Social Research.

Huesmann said televised violence suggests to young children that aggression is appropriate in some situations, especially when it is used by

It also erodes a natural aversion to violence, he said.

He recommended that parents restrict viewing of violent TV and movies by toddlers through pre-teens

The analysis argued against the idea that aggressive children seek out TV violence, or that the findings were because of the participants' socioeconomic status or intelligence, or their parents' child-rearing practices.

The study involved 329 adults who were initially surveyed as children in the late 1970s.

To check on adult aggressive behavior, researchers interviewed them and their spouses or friends, and checked crime records.

rated for exposure to televised violence after they chose eight favorite shows from 80 popular programs for their age group and indicated how much they watched them.

The programs were assessed by researchers for amount of physical violence. Such programs as "Starsky and Hutch," "The Six Million Dollar Man" and Roadrunner cartoons were deemed very violent.

As young adults, researchers found, men who had scored in the top 20 percent on childhood exposure were about twice as likely as other men to have pushed, grabbed or shoved their wives during an argument in the year preceding the inter-

Women in the top 20 percent were about twice as likely as other women to have thrown something at their husbands.

For one or both sexes, these "high TV-violence viewers" also were more likely than other study participants in the previous 12 months to have shoved somebody in anger, punched, beaten or choked an adult, or committed a crime or a moving traffic vio-

Besides childhood exposure to violent TV, the participants had been asked as children about two other traits: how much they identified with violent TV characters and how realistic they judged various violent TV

adulthood. Dennis Wharton, spokesman for

the National Association of Broadcasters, said not all studies find a relationship between TV viewing and violent behavior.

"I think the jury is still out about whether there is a link," he said.

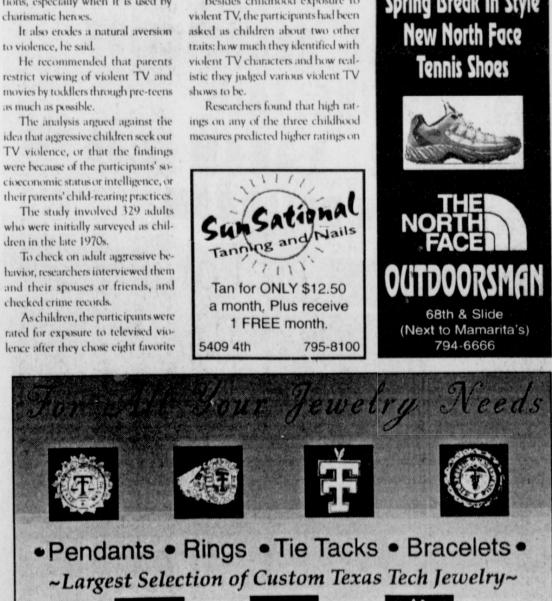
The American Psychological Association, however, has concluded that viewing violence on TV or other mass media does promote aggressive behavior, particularly in children.

Other mental-health and medical groups have taken similar stands.

Joanne Cantor, professor emerita of communications at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, called the new study "a very strong addition to what I consider a large amount of data that points in the same direction."

Craig A. Anderson, a violence researcher at Iowa State University, called the work "elegant in its design and execution."





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# Double T emblem born with controversy

ByNikki Siegrist and Kelly McAlister/Staff Reporters

Texas Tech's first football season still holds the all-time high and low scores for the football team: zero and

120. To commemorate the season, as well as an "M" for Matadors. coach Freeland awarded his matadors with letterman sweaters.

Freeland kept his team in suspense as to what letter should be on the sweater. A "P" for Plains was rumored,

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At an early point, the two Ts were combined, and according to Jane Gilmore Rushing and Kline Nall, coauthors of "Evolution of a University," the Double T became the athletic emblem, first appearing with wings as the symbol for the Flying Matador track

The symbol, in sans wings, gained importance so quickly that the first graduating class of 1931 donated the Double T benches that now sit outside the Administration building.

The Double T was then the emblem of the university.

The symbol became widely used on departmental stationary, publications and other public documents. An argument among committee chairpersons arose over how and when to use

the Double T, and cascaded into a and the company suggested modifi-"Save the Double T Campaign."

Fervent telephone support was frequent, virtually unanimous and often

The interesting part of the contro- have a lot of other clients," Gleason very prestigious, as Tech was thought versy is the Double T was in no way at jeopardy to be lost. The campaign had been started with no grounds, and the beloved emblem was at no risk.

During the 1960s, the university gal issue, Gleason said. went through a period of uproar as it faced a possible name change to Texas State University.

Despite the controversy and the

different name suggestions, most students and faculty wanted to keep the Double T as a trademark of the uni-

When the name "Texas Tech Uniblem was looked upon with more pride said. of identity and tradition.

Collegiate Licensing Company, said Bobby Gleason, senior associate ath-

It recommended a firm in New

York to modify the Double T. "That is their niche, and they

Many thought the art department should be allowed to come up with the modifications, but this was a le-

"Collegiate recommended this company in New York and had a provision in contract that they would pay part of the cost if we used their company," Gleason said. "So we went

The firm made the classic Double T into a modern three-dimensional letter with shadowing. The total cost versity" was adopted in 1969, the em- came to roughly \$20,000, Gleason

with them."

While the new trademark was It remained unchanged until 1998. made for a more modern generation, The emblem is trademarked by the the old emblems also have been kept as well and are allowed to be used.

"I think the student reaction was letics director in charge of business, very positive," Gleason said. "We



ARCH LAMB HOLDS on to the traditional bell given to him in the Fall of 1991, celebrating the 55 year anniversary of the Saddle Tramps, founded in the Fall of 1936. The Double T was designed in 1931.

have gotten so many compliments, and the alumni were pleased because we didn't do away with the old mark."

# Students reproduce one-hit wonders

By Harvey A. Mireles/ Staff Reporter

Texas Tech students hoping to one day hear their voice on a hit CD were given an opportunity to take their first steps in making their dreams a reality as One Hit Wonder came to the Student Union on Thursday and Friday.

Students had the opportunity to make their own CD singles and design the cover art for free. People performed their favorite songs as solo acts or with groups of up to four people.

Mike Gunn, coordinator of the Center for Campus Life, came up with the idea to bring to Tech One Hit Wonder after he saw it at a conference in Indianapolis, Ind.

"I thought it would be great to do

here," Gunn said. "It's been a good tiative and was the first person to sing. idea, and it's made an impact. The students have really gotten into it."

The cost of putting on the program at Tech was not expensive, he said.

"I mean, if you charge like \$5 a CD for the 150 people that showed up on the first day, you would more than pay for the cost of them being here," he said. "I think we may do it again for Red Raider Nights."

The Center for Campus Life has been trying to find a way to do something to give back to the students, said. "It takes me back. It reminds me

"One Hit Wonder is free for students," he said. "The students pay a lot of fees, so we just wanted do some-

thing for them that they can enjoy,"

He sang "In The Ghetto" by Elvis

"There were 100 people standing, waiting for someone to go first," he said. "So I went, and after I did, the flood gates opened."

Joe Keating, a junior marketing major from San Angelo, stepped into the sound booth to sing "Obsession" by 1980s rock group Animotion.

"This one guy, who I thought was my friend, picked it for me," Keating of all that '80s crap, the kind of music my babysitter used to make me listen to."

He said he enjoyed making a single but does not plan to sing it for anyone anytime soon.

"I'm never letting my kids listen to this," he said, holding a copy of his burned single. "I love hanging out with my friends and making an ass of my-

David Bohls, a junior music performance major from Carrollton, sang his rendition of Marvin Gaye's "Let's Get

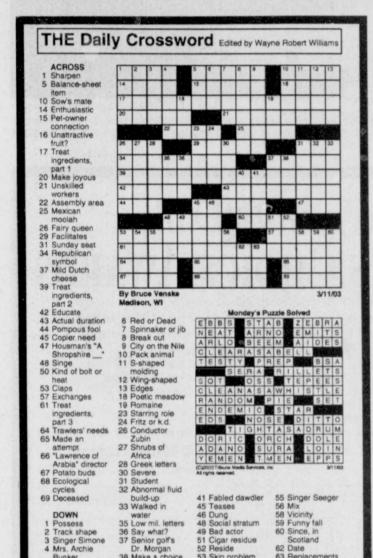
"The best part is gyrating to the music," Bohls said. "The chicks dig the

He said he had no hesitations about performing in front of his friends. Bohls said he picked the Marvin Gaye classic because he "likes to get it on."

"I'm a karaoke virgin, but hell yeah, I'd do it again, definitely," he said. "I'm a maniac, a maniac, and I'm singing like I've never sang before."

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ar — what is it good for? Making movies, appar-

During the past few years, moviegoers have seen a flood of war films in theaters. Some ("We Were Soldiers") were much better than others ("Windtalkers"). "Tears of the Sun" falls somewhere in between.

It's not so much the story that is interesting about this film, but rather the setting in which the story takes

Bruce Willis stars as Lt. Waters, who drops into the jungle of Nigeria with his platoon of Navy Seals. Their mission is to extract four U.S. Nationals and airlift them to safety before the rebel army reaches the refugee camp and kills everything in sight.

But there are problems. First, the priest and two nuns refuse to leave. Second, the main objective, Dr. Lena Hendricks (Monica Bellucci) refuses to leave without taking her patients and some

This is a no-can-do, and Willis knows it. He's a hard-nosed soldier who is hell-bent on following orders. So he tells Bellucci that she can bring along a group of refugees to take on the helicopters. We know, of course, that he has no intention of actually taking them to safety.

Sure enough, Willis gets Bellucci on the chopper and takes off, leaving the refugees. But as they fly over the town they left behind and see the wreckage, he has a change of heart and tells the pilot to turn around.

They land, load up the old and the children on the choppers, and send them off. That leaves Willis, his platoon, Bellucci and a handful of refugees awaiting more choppers. But Willis is told no choppers are com-

They must then trek through the jungle to get to Cameroon to be res-

Bellucci on the chopper with the rest of the refugees? More importantly,

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what caused his change of heart? When asked why he changed his mind, Willis says, "When I figure that out, I'll let you know."

He never does. From this point on, the film, in terms of plot, resorts to all of the warmovie clichés in the book. There's a scene in which Willis decides to raid a refugee camp that is being terrorized by the rebel army. There's no reason to do this, other than for Willis and Co. to be cowboys bursting into

This film wants to show us the torment and brutality being inflicted on the refugees, but it just isn't necessary, even if it is entertaining.

town with guns-a-blazing.

Then there's the underscore of romance between Willis and Bellucci. The film does the wise thing in not exploiting the sexual tension between them, but was it really needed at all?

There's also the scene in the film where the platoon sits down together and is able to "speak freely" about the situation. It's at this point in the film that you can start placing bets on who

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To be fair, I was moderately entertained by "Tears," even if I was depressed at times.

The strongest points in the film are the moments of tension created when the rebel troops are searching for our group hidden in the jungle. The rain-soaked cinematography also is very well

But in the grand scheme of war films, this is nothing special. EPPLER'S RATING: ★ ★ 1/2



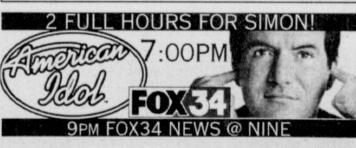
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# Women's Big 12 Tournament under way

By David Wiechmann/Sports Editor

March Madness officially begins in the Big 12 Conference today.

The women's conference tournament begins its first round of competition at noon today at Reunion Arena in Dallas, and the Texas Tech Lady Raiders are ready to begin the postseason.

"This is what it's been all about my whole life," Miklannet Tennal said. "I've always wanted to play in the Big 12, and this is big time getting to go to the Big 12 Tournament and being one of the top teams in the tournament. And hopefully, we can do some really special things there."

Tennal transferred to Tech this season from Cloud County Community College in Kansas.

Coach Marsha Sharp said this is the third step in the season for her team, and the last one before moving on to the NCAA Tournament.

8) Iowa State

"I think you divide your season into section three now."

With pre-conference and conference play out of the way, it is do or die at the Big 12 Tournament, and Sharp said the one-game-at-a-time mentality rings truer now more than any time prior to the season because there is no room for losses.

"It's one and out," she said. "It's really important that you do a good job getting ready to play every day, and honestly, and I think it's a dress re- of the conference tournament is the hearsal for the next week. What really makes it significant is you can play with the same mentality you play with in the NCAA Tournament, and here you want to win the Big 12 Tournament; we'd love to do that."

Tennal said the fans at the tournament should see nothing but actionpacked basketball because of the reputation the Big 12 has.

"The Big 12 is so competitive and Dallas and get everybody in the same area at the same time and get to see a we'll win it all."

The winner of the conference tournament gets an automatic bid to the likely, more teams will receive at-large bids from the selection committee.

slates are all clean.

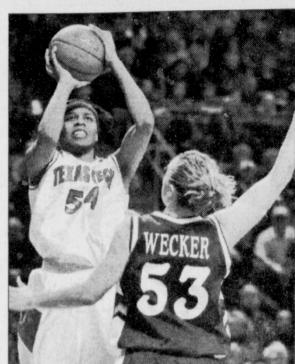
"You get to start over, and it's brand new," she said. "It's doesn't matter what you did in conference; it's like everybody's 0-0 ... so we're excited about our opportunities here, how the bracket's set up. It should be fun."

Ritchie said despite every team having a chance to start anew, the regular season will not be forgotten.

"Win-loss, you just got to make into four parts ..." she said. "So we're so exciting every night; it's been a lot sure everything doesn't matter, who of fun," she said. "I'm excited to go to you won against, who you lost against," she said. "You start 0-0, and the teams that might have snuck up lot of good basketball. And hopefully, and given you a loss, you just got to worry about the tournament and starting all over brand new.'

The Lady Raiders are excited to NCAA Tournament, and more than have the tournament in their home state, and perhaps the Dallas setting will provide a good atmosphere for Natalie Ritchie said the scary part other Texas teams. The team is hoping not to disappoint its fans, either.

> "Personally, I'm not thinking about our losses or anything like that," Tennal said. "This is it; this is the start of it all, and I think we're real excited. Jia (Perkins) was like, 'Let's go get it done,' and that's really cool to see that because you love that feeling; that's why you play. The feeling of the crowd in the big games, and that's what makes it all special to me."



PLENETTE **PIERSON** pulls up for a jump shot over Kansas State's Kendra Wecker during Tech's 73-69 win on Thursday. The Lady Raiders play in the second round of the Big 12 Tournament on Wednes-

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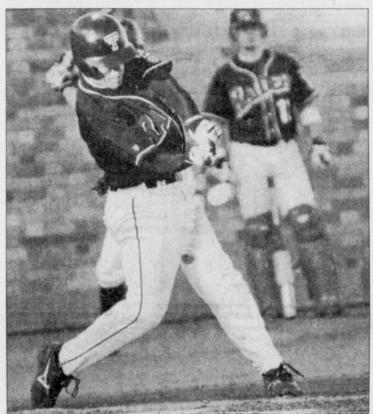
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# Big 12 Women's Basketball

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The Big 12 Women's Basketball Tournament can be seen on Fox Sports Net beginning in the second round of action Wednesday.

# Tech takes on TCU one more time at home



JAIME TOMÁS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer INFIELDER JOSH HANEY hits a pitch from a Southwest Texas hurler during Tech's loss Sunday. The Raiders will host TCU at 7 p.m. today.

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By Jason Lenz/Staff Reporter

Some teams never go away. TCU is one of those teams.

After a tough 15-5 loss to South-

ries, the No. 21 ranked Texas Tech baseball team has one more nonconference game remaining before traveling to Baylor for a three-game

It is against intrastate rival TCU. So far this season, Tech (15-6) and TCU (11-8) have played four games, each team winning two. Tonight's 7

p.m. game at Dan Law Field will decide the victor of the prolonged five- he said. "We're just going to try to put

and TCU played some tough games, but he wouldn't mind walking away with one more win than the Horned Frogs.

"The two losses we got over there were two real good games," he said. "They're a real good team, so we've got to come in fighting. We've got to take that game from them so they can't have bragging rights over us."

Head coach Larry Hays said he is still searching for the answer to the pitching question. Tonight's game is Tech's final chance to find that answer

before Big 12 Conference play begins. "We're still looking for pitching," he said. "We're still looking for that third guy (in the rotation). We'll start (Tanner) McElroy Tuesday, but opportunities are still there. We'd like to have those things nailed down."

Tech has come to know TCU

fairly well in four games, and Hays said he expects the Horned Frogs to be as tough an opponent as they were before.

"They're a good club," he said. west Texas on Sunday that prevented "They stretch us out pretty good, and the Red Raiders from sweeping the se- at that time, they were the best team

> that played."

Another We're still looking problem for the Raiders has for pitching. We're been combining pitching with still looking for that defense and offense consistently.

However, Sophomore outfielder Madison Edwards said he is not concerned, and the team will get it together.

"I wouldn't say we're frustrated," it all together, and it's going to come.

third guy (in

the rotation).

LARRY HAYS

TEXAS TECH BASEBALL

tonight's game.

COACH

Junior pitcher Juan Razo said Tech We're just going to keep playing hard." Razo said despite the defeat, Tech has good things to bring into

> "(Sunday) was a tough loss," he said. "It's tough for the hitters to come back when there's been that many runs scored. We did play hard, and we were hitting the ball pretty good. They just weren't falling."

Tech demonstrated good character as well, Razo said.

"The past few games, we've been sporadic and not very consistent," he said. "But we're showing pretty good composure now, and it's starting to come around."

Senior outfielder Scooter Jordan said the Raiders are looking to make amends for their previous performances against TCU.

"I think we just want to come out and really redeem ourselves; just try and go out there and have a really good game before going into conference," he said.

lordan also said he does not want to worry about who has bragging rights. He only wants to worry about playing good baseball.

"I don't even think we should worry about that," he said. "We just want to go out there and play a good game and get ready to go into this weekend prepared."

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