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Knight, Smith have public altercation

By Michael Castellon/ The University Daily

A university spokeswoman has confirmed reports that Texas Tech head basketball coach Bob Knight and Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith engaged in a heated exchange at a Lubbock grocery store Monday afternoon.

"There was an incident, and there are discussions taking place regarding that incident," said Sally Logue Post, interim director of News and Publications.

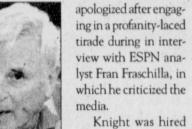
Post confirmed the incident occurred at United Market Street grocery store at 50th Street and Indiana Avenue on Monday afternoon, but she declined to elaborate on details.

No administrative decisions have yet been made

Tech Athletic Director Gerald Myers and Smith were seen leaving Smith's office Monday evening, but both declined requests to comment on the matter.

A manager at Market Street, who identified himself only as Nick, declined to comment on the incident.

In December of last year, Knight publicly



by Tech in 2001, less

than a year after being

fired from Indiana

Knight University.

Knight, who has won three national titles as a head coach, is no stranger to public conflict.

In 1979 Knight was arrested in Puerto Rico for allegedly assaulting a police officer about the use of a practice facility. Knight was in the country while serving as a coach for the United States in the Pan American Games. The charges were eventually dropped.

The coach might be best known nationally for the "chair throwing" episode, which occurred during an Indiana basketball game on Feb. 23, 1985. Knight received a technical foul while arguing with an official about a call. He then threw a chair onto the play-

ing surface and was subsequently ejected. In 1995 Indiana was fined \$30,000 after Knight allegedly berated an NCAA volunteer at a news conference.

In 1998 Indiana was fined again after which he criticized the Knight reportedly made derogatory remarks about an official. The coach paid the \$10,000 fine himself in lieu of Indiana being suspended for an NCAA tournament game.

> Indiana president Myles Brand removed Knight as coach in the fall of 2000, citing his dismissal of specific sanctions and directives regarding appropriate behavior.

> At the time Brand said at a press conference, "He is a legendary coach who has won three national championships, had graduation rates among the highest in the country, run a crystal-clean program with no NCAA violations, and been a great philanthropist. But he has failed to live within the guidelines by which he promised to abide."

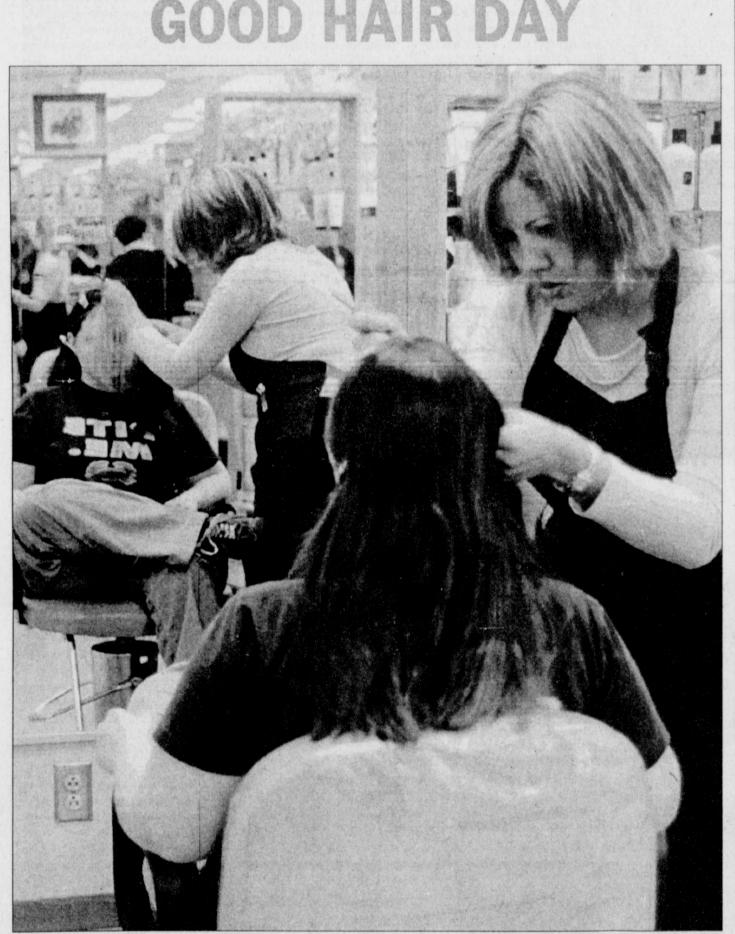
Knight has since filed suit against Indiana, claiming his firing was unfair.

Associate Director of Media Relations Randy Farley did not return phone calls and Knight could not be reached for comment.



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TEXAS TECH ATHLETIC Director Gerald Myers gets out of his car in front of the Administration building on Monday afternoon. Myers was meeting with Chancellor Dr. David Smith to discuss an earlier altercation between Red Raider basketball coach Bob Knight and Smith.



Student Affairs SGA fills newly created graduate student position

HIGHER EDUCATION: Graduate student Alisa Abuzeineh selected to represent graduate population. By Andrew Bell/The University Daily

With nearly 4,000 graduate students at Texas Tech, the Student Government Association recently created a new position to give representation to the graduate population and give graduates an outlet to express their concerns.



HEATHER DOUGHERTY/The University Daily

INGRID REYNOLDS, A freshman communications major from Fort Worth, gets her hair bleached by color specialist Sonya Sauceda at Andropolis on Monday afternoon.

Health International pain institute finds new home at Tech

By Beth Aaron/The University Daily

The Texas Tech International Pain Institute will be moving to the Health Sciences Center campus. The development is linked to other construction projects at the HSC.

\$3.5 million was donated to start planning for the new pain facility, and a grant has been awarded by the Board of Regents, with construction beginning in April.

Dr. Gabor Racz, director of the Pain Institute, said he is looking forward to having the pain institute back on the HSC campus.

"We're looking to expand research mode and work intensely with University Medical Center," he said.

The institute was formerly located on the HSC campus, but it moved to provide additional parking space for the influx of patients. With the new building at the HSC, Racz said the southwest location

will not be needed.

"I think it's great to have continuity of care," he said. "Most of our clinic activity was in the HSC building. We moved out here because of the surgery center, but that is no more."

The institute has been in existence for 27 years. Having it on the HSC campus will be more convenient for patients, Racz said. Research efforts also will be aided, since there will be more room to expand.

"We've spent years developing the Texas Tech pain center reputation," he said. "We now have a chance to be closer to our base. We'll have more room, the patients will have more room and be closer to other facilities."

Figuring out the best way to spend the large amount of money on

Alisa Abuzeineh, a master's student in the department of biological sciences from Wichita, Kan., was named interim vice president of graduate affairs.

SGA President Jeremy Brown said the position was created because of a lack of graduate representation in the Student Senate. There are eight graduate senate members, and Brown said he is afraid a graduate student's needs are not addressed as much as the needs of undergraduates.

To address the needs and concerns of the graduate student body, Brown said the executive officers and the Student Senate worked on creating the position so the student body could vote on the matter.

"To be there for the needs of the student body, sometimes you have to restructure the system," he said. "This is a way to help graduates and undergraduates."

Before attending Tech, Abuzeineh said she entered the Air Force after graduating from high school. In nearly five years with the Air Force, she received her associate's science degree in business from Yuba College in Marysville, Calif.

She received her bachelor's of science degree in wildlife biology from Kansas State University. As a master's student at Tech, Abuzeineh has been teaching courses, labs and prep sessions.

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Financial Affairs Tech will receive more than \$10 million in federal appropriations

By Michael Castellon/The University Daily

Texas Tech and its Health Sciences Center have secured more than \$10 million in federal appropriations for 2004.

Tech's academic campus secured \$8,775,239 in appropriations for continuing projects while HSC received \$1,192,920 for continuing projects and \$372,787 for new projects.

And although the amount of funding is less than was appropriated last year, Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith said he is confident the federal appropriation is evidence of the university's strengths and progress.

"First and foremost we have great friends and

supporters in Washington and the White House," he said. "These dollars allow us to invest in our research areas. The real message here is that this demonstrates the kind of faculty and students we have here at Texas Tech."

Last year, the university received about \$18 million in federal appropriations.

Smith said because last year's appropriations included more joint projects with other universities, this year's appropriations were not far off from estimated figures.

"Some of the money last year was shared with other universities," he said. "Tech was still in the top two or three in Texas in terms of federal funding."

Alberto Cardenas Jr., director of federal relations for Tech, agreed.

"It's a message of approval that congress recognizes that the HSC and TTU are both carving out models that show Texas Tech as a leader," he said. "Its shows the research we bring to the federal table is solid.'

Cardenas said lobbying for federal funding is a demanding process that requires a yearlong commitment from administrators.

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"I didn't watch the Super Bowl because I don't feel NFL football is that important in my life."

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· Josh Culpepper, junior accounting major from Fort Worth

"Just before halftime, when everybody started scoring. That was the best part." •Brandon Arnold, senior turf grass management major from Hobbs, N.M.

"I wanted the Panthers to win, and obviously they didn't. I liked the commericals. I expected a little better for the Super Bowl."

> • Ari Arreola, junior public relations major from Del Rio

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scholarship at Baylor allowed in Peterson trial injuries in hajj stampede

WACO (AP) - A former student at Baylor University's George W. Truett Theological Seminary says losing his scholarship because he is gay is unfair.

Matt Bass told his friends he is gay last spring, and word began to spread. When Truett officials met with Bass last fall, he would not answer questions about his lifestyle but acknowledged that he supports gay rights and marriage.

He was notified in December that he would lose his scholarship, money from Truett and the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

Bass, 24, from Rowlett, was not expelled, but he left the university after the fall semester because he could not afford to pay tuition. Bass, who did not earn his undergraduate degree at Baylor, had been at Truett since 2001.

Paul Powell, the seminary's dean, declined to discuss Bass' case but said homosexual behavior is forbidden in the Bible and thus inconsistent with Truett's mission.

"If a person, according to Scripture, which is our standard, is not a part of the kingdom of God, how can they be in training for a minister?" Powell asked.

Bass said he does not believe his lifestyle conflicts with the Bible.

He said he had met the requirements of his scholarship: making high grades and attending a church affiliated with the Baptist General Convention of Texas. He said the pastor knows he is gay and "doesn't make a big deal about it."

Bass was recently accepted to Emory University's Candler School of Theology in Atlanta. He plans on teaching and researching what he calls religious violence against minority groups.

The Rundown



REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) The judge who will oversee Scott Peterson's trial banned cameras from his courtroom for the duration of the case Monday in a brief hearing that ended with another delay.

Peterson appeared in court for the first time since the case was moved from his hometown of Modesto to this bedroom community south of San Francisco. He told the judge he accepted as "a regrettable necessity" his attorney's request to postpone the trial's start because of a schedule conflict.

The day saw little of the frenzy the sensational case is expected to generate - just 10 of the 25 seats available to local citizens were filled. Arguments over whether the former fertilizer salesman killed his pregnant wife remained weeks away.

In a 20-minute hearing, Judge Alfred A. Delucchi banned cameras throughout the trial and accepted the delay at the request of Peterson's lawyer, Mark Geragos, who is defending another murder suspect in Southern California.

Prosecutors had asked to start the Peterson trial Feb. 17.

Geragos also dropped his initial insistence that another judge handle the trial.

Left undecided was the possible sequestration of jurors. That could be discussed at a hearing scheduled for next Monday.

Peterson, 31, could face the death penalty if he's convicted of two counts of murder for the deaths of Laci Peterson and the couple's unborn son. In April, the remains of mother and child washed ashore along San Francisco Bay, two miles from the spot where Scott Peterson said he was fishing on Christmas Eve 2002, when his wife vanished.



Gay student loses Judge: No cameras Seven more die from

MINA, Saudi Arabia (AP) -Seven more pilgrims died after being crushed in a stampede during the ritual stoning of Satan at the Muslim haji. bringing the death toll to 251, a Saudi official said Monday.

"Seven of the wounded succumbed to their injuries," said Khaled al-Marghalani, spokesman for The Health Ministry. He provided no details on ages, gender or nationality.

Bishr Abdullah, one of hundreds injured in Sunday's stampede, recounted the horror that he experienced. When the pushing began from two directions, Abdullah had no place to turn. The Nigerian pilgrim slipped and fell beneath many sandaled feet.

"When the pressure intensified, I could not breathe and I fell. People stepped on me, but luckily someone I don't know pulled me out," he said at King Faisal Hospital in Mecca, where he had a dislocated shoulder.

Abdullah was one of nearly 250 pilgrims injured in Sunday's stampede during the often perilous "stoning of the devil" ritual that killed 244 worshippers this year.

Despite the Sunday tragedy, waves of pilgrims pushed and shoved their way through the crowds to continue with the devil-stoning rituals Monday.

Ambulances were seen whisking away a few pilgrims overcome by the crush, but no further deaths or major incidents were reported. Their conditions weren't unknown, but pilgrims sometimes faint from exhaustion or suffer from the stress of trying to stay on their feet in the crowd.

Most of those killed in Sunday's tragedy on the plains of Mina outside Islam's holy city of Mecca were Asians, with the biggest number of the dead identified so far as coming from Indonesia and Pakistan, the official Saudi Press Agency reported.





Worth "I just watch the Super Bowl for the

"Janet Jackson and

the flop. It was just

really appalling and

entertaining. Needless

to say, she won't be

doing the Super Bowl

anymore."

Pepsi bear commercial. It was funny."

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What was your favorite Super Bowl moment, and why?

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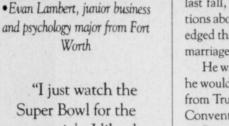
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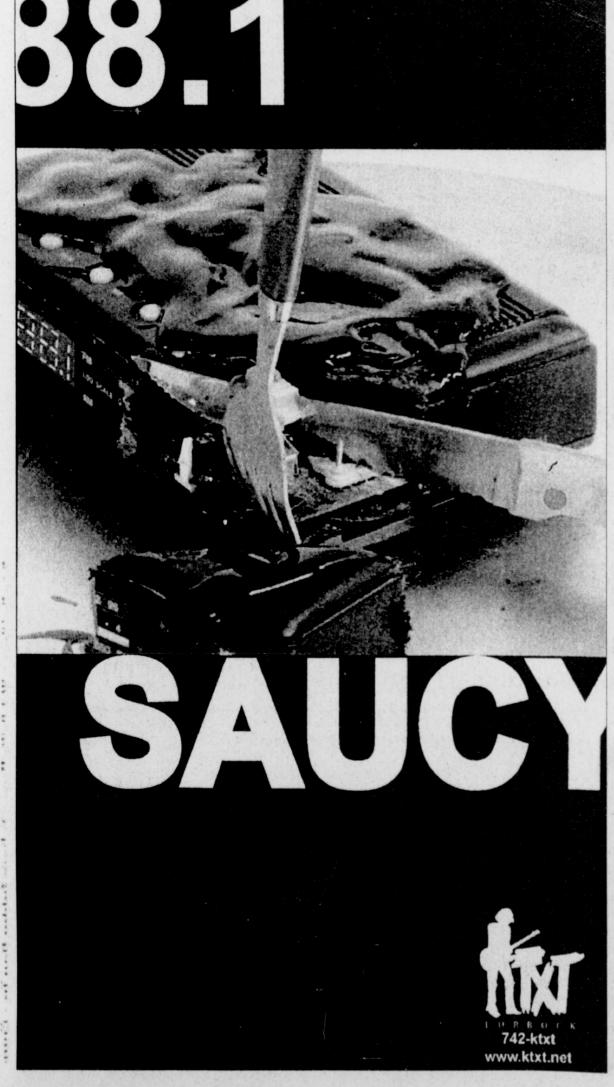
·Jennifer Reid, junior interior

design major from Little Rock,

Ark.







agreements, lobbyists' contributions

Edwards criticizes Kerry for trade

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) -Democratic presidential contender John Carolina, criticized chief rival John Kerry on Monday for accepting contributions from lobbyists and supporting trade pacts that he contends have cost U.S. jobs.

Edwards, who had gained support in Iowa and New Hampshire for running a take contributions from lobbyists, and he obviously does."

Edwards accepted one donation in 2002 directly from a lobbying firm and collected more than \$80,000 from people who aren't formally registered as lobbyists but nonetheless work for some of Washington's powerhouse firms. He also has accepted more than \$150,000 worth of flights aboard the corporate jets of special interests.

Adding to his criticism of Kerry's ties with lobbyists, Edwards told reporters after a speech at the College of Charleston that Kerry had voted for the North American Free Trade Agreement and other trade pacts that had helped cost Americans their jobs. Edwards was not in the Senate when NAFTA passed, but



"Senator Kerry and I have very dif-Edwards, in a must-win battle for South ferent positions on the issue of trade," said Edwards, who has been critical of Kerry as a Washington insider and four-term senator. "If we want real change in Washington, we need someone who hasn't been there for 15-20 years."

Edwards and Kerry were in a statistipositive campaign, told reporters, "I don't cal tie in a poll in South Carolina, which Edwards has said he must win. In the other six states with delegate elections Tuesday, Kerry was leading Edwards and other Democratic rivals as they lined up support for the biggest test yet of the 2004 campaign.

> Kerry ignored his opponents in a speech Monday at the University of New Mexico in favor of criticizing President Bush and touting his health care propos-

"I predict today, like father, like son, one term only. Bush is going to be done," Kerry said.

Howard Dean, who was running behind Kerry in polls in each of the seven states, was looking beyond the Tuesday elections for success. A total of 269 pledged delegates were at stake in Arihe has said he would have voted against zona, Delaware, Missouri, New Mexico,

North Dakota, Oklahoma and South Carolina.

On Sunday, Dean continued to criticize Kerry for his financial ties with special interests, saving those links cast doubt on the Massachusetts senator's claim to be the champion of the battle against those interests.

"He misrepresented himself, grossly misrepresented himself, as a candidate who would take on special interests in Washington," the former Vermont governor said .

"My record responds to that," Kerry told reporters Sunday during a stop in Fargo, N.D. "I have fought powerful special interests every step of the way."

Kerry won the backing of two major unions on Monday. The National Treasury Employees Union, which represents about 150,000 workers in 29 government agencies, said it was endorsing Kerry because of his steadfast support for federal employees.

The Sheet Metal Workers International Association, which represents about 150,000 skilled craftspersons in the unionized sheet metal industry, also formally endorsed the Massachusetts senator. The union's general president, Michael Sullivan, said SMWIA volunteers plan to work phone banks, distribute literature and canvas door-to-door for Kerry across the country.

Added to his other organized labor endorsements, Kerry now has the support of unions representing more than 1.3 million workers. On Sunday, he won the backing of the United Farm Workers union, which could give Kerry crucial support among Hispanics, a key constituency in New Mexico and Arizona.

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petition for Butler

The Texas Tech chapter of the American Association of University Professors met Monday to discuss issues and concerns related to the university and its faculty.

- Among the items of business discussed concerned Dr. Thomas Butler, a former Health Sciences Center researcher who was convicted late last year of almost 50 felony criminal counts, including 47 felony counts of embezzlement and mail and wire fraud after a plague scare in January 2002

Linda Donahue, president of

Tech's AAUP, said the group is seeking to advocate on behalf of Butler in the form of a petition, which will be presented to the court before sentencing, scheduled for this month.

"The petition was asking for leniency in sentencing, and at this point, it seems that's the best that we can do," she said.

Donahue said she has been in contact with representatives from the association's national chapter, who advised her little could be done in terms of advocacy as a result of Butler's conviction.

HEATHER DOUGHERTY/The University Daily

MEMBERS OF THE American Association of University Professors have their monthly meeting in Holden Hall Monday afternoon.

Institute

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efforts to decrease chronic pain associated with diseases is another goal Racz said he has in mind.

"People are doing what we develop here not only nationally but worldwide. Our mission is getting people back to work and on less medication," he said. "Functional restoration. Less

dependence on medicine and health care.'

Racz developed the use of a catheter that can be strung through the back, neck, etc. and then injected with a numbing medicine to reduce nerve pain and increase mobility of the limbs. Ann Edmunds, head nurse at the Pain Institute, said the work done at the institute is multidisciplinary, and patients come from all over the world seeking Racz's expertise. "We treat people from all over the world," she said. "Because of the experience and the knowledge that Dr. Racz has. He is one of the top physicians in the world (in dealing) with chronic pain." A prominent skier and a famous soccer player have been among those treated at the pain institute, Edmunds said. Racz has developed treatment procedures and medical

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"He has extensive knowledge," she said. "In my opinion, he's one of the most dedicated and caring physicians in the world."

Doctors from Northwestern University and Colombia University are visiting the pain institute to share ideas and learn from each other, Racz said.

Dr. Craig Charleston is an anes-

thesiologist finishing his residency at the end of June, and is visiting the pain institute for a month. He is a physician at Scott and White at Texas A&M Uni-

AAUP circulating Bush presents budget proposal

By Robin Briscoe/ The University Daily

President George Bush suggested higher spending for defense measures Saturday during his radio address. He emphasized spending in homeland security and the FBI budget.

One fundamental justification of government is national security, assistant professor of political science Brian Collins said. While most everyone agrees that money for this is needed, he said the biggest debate is the question of how much and where to put it.

Bush put a number and allocation on what he wants for these top issues. He said his plan proposes a 7 percent increase in defense spending and 3.5 percent for military pay.

Bush emphasized that American troops put their lives on the line to defend America, and therefore Americans owe them their best in return.

The plan proposes an increase for the FBI by 11 percent, Bush said. He would also like to give

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"This is a long and drawn-out process," he said. "It requires the development of a foundation and support in making sure the advocacy component is well built in Washington."

Some factors in the decrease in funding, Smith said, included an \$87 billion spending package approved last year by federal officials, and the war in Iraq, which took a toll on federal funding.

Tech officials are crediting Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, Rep. Henry Bonilla, Rep. Randy Neugebauer and others for their performance on appropriations committees for leading the charge toward more funding.

Among the 14 programs receiving funding is the Experimental Sciences Building and the Wind Science Engineering Research Center, each of which will receive about \$1.9 million. Smith said university officials will visit Washington, D.C., next week in an effort to lobby for next year's funding. Projects, which are expected to be presented for next year's funding, include those involving water-law policy, disparities in health care involving gender and race, and drug and chemical dependency, Smith said.

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homeland security 10 percent more than last year. This would triple spending levels in this department from 2001.

Included in the \$30.5 billon proposal is increased security at American borders, airports and seaports. It would also improve defenses against biological attacks.

America would not let its guard down in the war on terror, he told Americans over the radio.

Collins said it would be politically risky for Congress to not show concern for the war on terror through approving money towards homeland security. He added if something bad happened in the future regarding this it would go back to the vote on spending.

"That's on everyone's mind," sophomore Ashley Black, a public relations major from Kingwood, said about homeland security and defense spending.

However, she does have mixed feelings about the spending amount because of the country's debt.

Collins said the biggest challenge Bush's upcoming proposal will face is two fold. A concern about the defi-

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Although she has never held

a position in a student govern-

ment organization, Abuzeineh

said she would use her position to

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making sure all of the graduate

students at Tech are represented.

Abuzeineh said another way to

represent graduate students is by

hearing their concerns personally

During the month of February,

through town hall meetings.

This is important to her be-

ate organizations on campus.

Abuzeineh said she has already

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cit and the allocation of money is something the liberals will challenge in Congress. He added conservatives generally think too much money is being spent. Assistant professor of economics

Jeffrey Edwards thinks the biggest question of spending is, "Was it useful spending?" He said this is especially true when considering the debate of the deficit.

The president said he plans to cut the deficit by using tax dollars wisely and focusing resources where they are most needed.

Bush said he thinks this is feasible through expansion of the economy, thus generating revenue in this way rather than by raising taxes.

Both Collins and Edwards said they agree anything could happen in the future economically, so the fate of the deficit relies on how well the economy will fare.

Edwards said while the president's plan is slightly optimistic, the economy does seem to be expanding and next year should be a better year.

Collins said the question of how much debt is too much is the most important when gauging the senti-

Abezeineh expressed concern over the state Legislature deciding to pay only half of the insurance receive.

Since the Legislature decided to only pay half of the insurance, the university found funding to help with the expenses. Abezeineh said having to find funds to help graduate students could be a big burden on the univer-

the situation, Abezeineh said she would like to hear suggestions from any graduate students, and she ment people and Congress would have toward Bush's proposal this week.

Bush said he would also like to allocate some of the funds back to the people. He wants to add up to \$600 in direct assistance for drug costs to lower-income seniors and provide drug discount cards to seniors under Medicare.

He also wants to enhance the Pell Grant scholarship money and early reading programs for low-income school areas. Bush said the funds would be a 49 percent increase more than 2001 spending to help with the No Child Left Behind Act.

Bush insisted a single change will help restrain spending. He said a law limiting Congress could be that change. The simple step, according to Bush, would mean that every additional dollar Congress wants to spend in excess of spending limits must be matched by a dollar in spending cuts elsewhere.

While Black said Bush's overall plan is good, she thinks it needs even further explanation as to how it would be achieved.

"It makes me nervous," Black said.

ate students of Tech a greater voice. The move by the SGA would also give the graduate student body a greater enhancement of communication.

Abuzeineh said the best way to

represent the graduate students of Tech is to be accessible. She said she would answer any e-mails and would be willing to schedule discussions with any graduate student. "Idon't want

graduates to walk away and feel like they're not being listened to," she said.

As interim vice president of graduate affairs, Abezeineh said

she could be reached by e-mail at

wildbiol27@yahoo.com, or she could

be reached by phone at (806) 742-

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versity. "I chose to come here be-

cause this pain center is world rewound," he said. "I thought enough of it that I'm paying out of pocket to stay here."

Monday was Charleston's first day at the pain institute.

"I can already tell, based on my experience in pain, it's a lot more involved than I'm used to," he said. "I can tell that it's going to be a great learning experience."

Charleston said he plans to share the different treatment options he learns with his colleagues in back in College Station.

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she said she would hold two town hall meetings for graduate students. Abuzeineh said she would like a night and day meeting in the same week to get as many graduate students involved as possible.

"I know my concerns as a single graduate student in the biology department, but I don't know everyone else's," she said.

Before the election of new SGA officers later in the semes-

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would consider going to Austin to talk to members of the Texas Legislature personally.

Vice President for Student Affairs Michael Shonrock said the creation of the new position is a more effective manner to give the gradu-

3631. She encourages any graduate student organizations or graduate students to contact her with concerns or suggestions.

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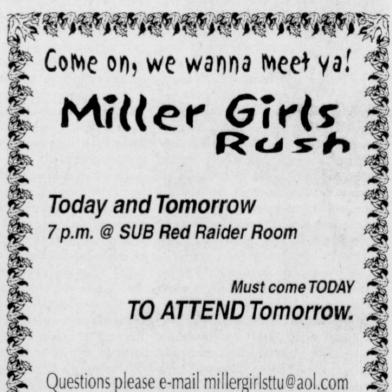
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Fast-food morality feeding our culture

Te all fight daily battles, each of them usually unique to the circumstances of that day. The hardest one is usually fought between the sheets - no, not that - but wrestling with the notion of skipping that 9 a.m. class and just basking in the warmth of the covers.

But while most of these conflicts vary consistently, I fall victim to a certain struggle almost every day. Not bathing vs. the natural approach (which isn't really a problem) or shaving vs. the rugged look (again, not a problem for me), but takeout vs. cooking.

And this fiend attacks most violently on the drive home from class, as I pass the eight scattered McDonalds on the right. The little inkling to turn into the drive-thru grows steadily,

tion of the small amount of time between class and work. Also it's not that expensive, just \$3 to \$6, but that amount's only temporary because it all adds up eventually. Moreover, it would taste considerably better than anything I could fix up just as quickly, but the satisfaction soon retreats in lieu of the lingering effects of eating it. Most importantly, though, is that it's easy. It's easy to roll past the two windows in three minutes and come out with some hot food and a little less money. It's easy to not take the time to cook or clean up afterward. And it's easy to hand over the money and forget about it, because it's not enough to mull over anyways. The term "fast-food generation" has been applied to us over the years, because of the vastly growing technology and the relative ease and quickness in how we acquire the things we want and need. But this term can be applied much further, in that many people of our generation prescribe their morality, beliefs and way of thinking to an easy, quick-fix, satisfy-me-now formula. It's easy to support abortion or emergency contraceptives as ways of erasing one's mistakes or compensating for not controlling yourself, accepting responsibility only as a consequence. Many young people advocate having abortion on demand and these ECs available to the general public because they can mend the mistakes of a night of passion. In actuality, these things just serve as ways of taking responsibility after the fact.



Responsibility can be assumed before one acts without thinking, and before those actions lead to an unpleasant situation. Denying oneself the short-term pleasure for the longterm good should not be too much to ask.

Some might argue for abortion on demand because of the hard cases of pregnancies due to rape and incest. But to argue for abortion on demand because of rape and incest, acuntil it seems almost ridiculous not to obey it. cording to ethicist Francis J. Beckwith, is like And why shouldn't I stop? Exercising my "trying to argue for the elimination of traffic term can be applied much right as a consumer would save me a por- laws from the fact that one might have to violate some of them in rare circumstances, such as when one's spouse or child needs to be rushed to the hospital." Further, it's easy to promote one's tolerance, while condemning others who dare to disagree with your views as intolerant, or to tout one's open-mindedness while abruptly closing it on those who do not share in your definition of an open mind. The whole idea of tolerance today is tragically skewed, as people who disagree with another's views, beliefs or lifestyle are labeled as intolerant. American Heritage defines tolerance as "the capacity for recognizing and respecting the beliefs or practices of others," not accepting them as right. To respectfully disagree with someone is, in fact, practicing tolerance and the use of an open mind. Last, it's easy to be an atheist, to not believe in anything bigger than oneself or one's autonomy that challenges the morality of a person and their actions. It's easy to not find fault with yourself or your actions because you believe truth is relative, and call the Christian faith a "whiny special interest group" because they disagree with your views of morality. As it turns out, those who prescribe to atheism because it is a more open-minded way of thinking are foolishly mistaken. American Heritage, once again, defines atheism as "the disbelief in or the denial of the existence of God or gods." This doesn't simply mean the Judeo-Christian God, but denying the existence of

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Buddy Holly's egacy lives on

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oday is the 45th anniversary of "the day the music died" - Feb. 3, 1959, the day Buddy Holly was killed in a plane crash near Clear Lake, Iowa. Feb. 2, 1959, Holly and his Winter Dance Party tour had completed a show at the Surf Ballroom in Clear Lake. Because their bus had broken down several times, because a winter blizzard had frozen everyone and everything, because they wanted to get to their next stop in time to launder their clothes - because, because, because — Buddy chartered a plane to get him to the next stop quicker.

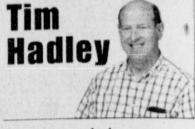
It was not the first time Holly had chartered a flight on that trouble-plagued tour, but he didn't do it often because it was so expensive. That night he paid \$36 for the Dwyer's Flying Service in Mason City, Iowa, to fly three people 250 miles to Fargo, N.D.

The plane had room for four people, so Ritchie Valens and J.P. "Big Bopper" Richardson accompanied Holly and pilot Roger Peterson on the flight. Waylon Jennings, who was playing bass in Holly's band on that tour, was supposed to fly with the group but gave up his seat to Richardson - and saved his life.

Despite the tragedy, Holly's tour, which included future stars Dion and the Belmonts, didn't miss a beat. The show went on as scheduled the next night in Fargo, N.D. Buddy's place was taken by Bobby Vee, another future star, who was only 15 at the time.

The circumstances surrounding Buddy's last tour have in recent years been shrouded in controversy because of allegations that Holly's manager, Norman Petty, had defrauded Buddy of significant sums of money, thus creating the need for a revenue-generating tour

in the dead of winter. We'll probably never know for sure about that, nor will we know for sure what caused the plane to crash. Investigative procedures - in 1959, in the middle of winter, in north-central Iowa - were, shall we say, less than sophisticated by current standards. What we do know is the colossal impact Holly had on the then-burgeoning rock 'n' roll music industry. For instance, the Beatles credited Holly with both musical and titular influence (why did they called themselves "Be(e)atles"? Hint: Buddy Holly and The ____.) The Rolling Stones' first hit record was a cover of Holly's "Not Fade Away." Further, Buddy Holly and the Crickets were the first self-contained rock 'n' roll group that wrote and performed their own songs. This innovative approach gave many budding performers, including the Beatles,



the inspiration to do the same.

And these rock 'n' roll giants were not by any means the only ones mesmerized by the image of the tall, lean Lubbock native playing his Fender StratoCaster and singing a new kind of music.

Since his death, Buddy Holly's records have sold more than 40 million copies. Because of this, and because Buddy had so many hit records, most people don't realize how short his career was - only about two years - or how young he was when he died (22). People rightly assume that anyone who accomplished as much as Holly did must have been around for much longer.

The catalog of Holly's hit songs includes "Peggy Sue," "That'll Be the Day," "Rave On" (my favorite), "Maybe Baby," "True Love Ways" and many more. Compared to

some of the "music" that is being produced and "performed" today, it's easy to see why Buddy's songs have remained so popular.

Innocent and simple, yet also mature and sophisticated - not to mention tuneful they tower over most of today's pathetic pop pabulum and its finger-pointing, crotch-grabbing 'performers."

In 1971 Don McLean, himselfa rising star at the time, wrote a song paying tribute to Holly's influence. 'American Pie," which sold a zillion copies and made McLean famous, referred to

anything greater than man.

Atheists cannot be open-minded or accepting of almost every religion in the world, because they all believe in the existence of the supernatural and some form of a moral code. They may preach that they don't believe in a morality or anything else bigger than their own humanity, but their actions dictate otherwise. As soon as they are treated unfairly, they'll be the first to speak up.

If our generation continues on this path, we will find ourselves in a world of discontentment, a mass of confused, immoral and selfish people. We can avoid this fate by recognizing our flaws and following Frost's example in taking "the road less traveled."

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View from another university

Agenda behind abstinence-only sex education

By Joel Hoard/Michigan Daily (U-WIRE) ANN ARBOR, Mich. -- Two weeks ago during the State of the Union address, President Bush called for increased funding to promote abstinence among our nation's unmarried youth. The idea struck me as ludicrous, so I at first dismissed the president's call as part of his "not-so-hidden Christian agenda."

Choosing whether to have sex prior to marriage is a personal decision. It's not my place to tell you whether you should or should not engage in premarital sex, so my displeasure with the president's comments is not part of any propremarital sex agenda. But, under the guise of preventing the spread of sexually transmitted diseases, the president is in fact promoting the spread of Christianity.

With more and more of the avenues of direct promotion closing in recent times, Christian agers to ignore their parents and teachers.

politicians are being forced to use back doors. Instead of promoting Christianity explicitly, they take Christian principles and promote them sans the Christian label. It's in the nation's best interest, they argue. And if everything that's in the nation's best interest happens to be eerily similar to the tenets of Christianity they can't be held responsible.

abstinence-only education simply will not work. Bush's plan operates on the assumption that if you tell a teenager not to have sex, he or she will not have sex.

It's outrageous to assume American teenagers will suddenly take what their teachers and parents tell them to heart, suppress their hormones and abstain from sex until they're married. It's simply in the nature of American teen-

Based on stories about the Bush twins that have circulated over the past few years, the president, if anyone, should understand that. And if good Christian girls like them (I'm assuming he raised them to be good Christian girls) behave in such a manner, just imagine what all the other kids are up to.

But what if we forget the president's true The situation is exacerbated by the fact that motives for a moment and believe that the plan really is aimed at ending the spread of sexually transmitted diseases? It still doesn't make any sense. It's eerily similar to the war on drugs - the second coming of Nancy Reagan and "Just say no!" And we all know how well that worked out. Just like that war on drugs, the president's plan sounds like a good idea, but in practice it will have little or no effect. It won't work, because it addresses the problem at the wrong place.

dozens of rock 'n' roll stars of the '50s and '60s. But McLean specifically dedicated the

song to Holly by referring, in the first verse, to the events of February 3, 1959:

"February made me shiver/With every paper I'd deliver/Bad news on the doorstep/ I couldn't take one more step . . . I can't remember if I cried/When I read about his widowed bride/But something touched me deep inside/The day the music died." It's doubtful if any rock 'n' roll music fan can think about that sad day in February, 1959 without a lingering sadness and a continual wondering about "what might have been."

Buddy Holly: big-time career -two years; time since his death — 45 years; how long his music will live on - forever.

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Letter to the Editor

Halftime Super Bowl show garbage

ike most Americans, I love the Super not know about MTV's reputation for Bowl. It has become something of a religious holiday and a time for family bonding at my house. Yet this year, our family was able to experience a new viewing pleasure — Janet Jackson's breast.

That's right, as I am sure many know by now, Jackson and former boy band member Justin Timberlake chose to represent and prove how classy MTV was at this year's halftime show.

After singing a duet of Timberlake's song, which sounded like it didn't make the cut for the Thriller album, Timberlake ripped off a piece of Jackson's clothing, exposing her right breast.

CBS, in a quick move, switched to another camera and did not mention the incident on air. Almost immediately, CBS issued a statement saying it deeply regretted the incident.

I chuckled when I read Timberlake's statement that he did not foresee the "wardrobe malfunction" and that it was not intentional.

It's not every day that you see someone accidentally pull someone's clothes off. It also is laughable that CBS said it had no information that something like this would occur. CBS must have been living in a cave and, apparently, the only network that does

shocking and scandalous incidents.

On Jan. 28, MTV's Web site said that Jackson's performance would have some "shocking moments."

I assume CBS thought that the shocking moments would be the bad dancing and tasteless clothing.

While I understand that Jackson is trying to revive her career, this incident is only another bad mark on the Jackson family as if they need another scandal.

For Timberlake, he might want to go back to his bubble gum blowing days in 'N Sync, because he has certainly proved himself out of sink with anyone over 15.

Today, Americans look back and laugh at the controversy that ensued from Elvis' gyrating pelvis.

Yet, I can only hope that our future generations will not see this event as another prudish overreaction; however, I am probably wrong.

Next year, I will have to send the children out of the room or better yet, not watch at all. What used to be a celebrated American event, sadly, has succumbed to the mind-numbing garbage Americans call, entertainment.

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HEATHER DOUGHERTY/The University Daily KATHY ABBOTT, A graduate scene design major from Friendswood, paints a piece of the set for the upcoming play "One Flea Spare" in the lab theater Monday afternoon.

CBS apologizes for Jackson's breast-baring at Super Bowl

(AP) — The chief federal regulator of broadcasting said Monday he was outraged by the Super Bowl halftime show in which Justin vestigation could result in a fine of Timberlake tore off part of Janet up to \$27,500 or in the millions. lackson's costume, exposing her breast, and said he was ordering an record company and her personal immediate investigation.

Timberlake blamed a "wardrobe morning. malfunction," but Federal Communications Commission chief Michael from lawmakers and outside groups Powell called it "a classless, crass and who say the agency hasn't done

He told the commission to open an investigation, promising it would be "thorough and swift." Such an in-

Messages left with Jackson's publicist were not returned Monday

The FCC has come under fire

'The Perfect Score' doesn't quite make a good grade

he Perfect Score" is a bit ing social commentary about adolescents raging against the imperialist institution that seeks to squelch their hopes and dreams by slapping a number on their self-worth through the uniform standard of testing.

Well, not exactly.

It's actually just a teen-heist flick about six lazy students who want to steal the SAT answers to avoid having to study for the exam. Whatever chance this film could have had to be both funny and sharp are squandered by a lackadaisical teenybopper script that is as uniform as the SAT itself.

It's not terrible, but missed opportunities are noticeable.

The six students themselves are stereotypes: Kyle (Chris Evans) - the smart and goodlooking leading man, Matty (Bryan Greenburg)-his slacker need to ace the test. Luckily, the

best friend, Anna (Erika Christensen)the smart girl, Desmond (Darius Miles)the jock, Roy (Leonardo Nam)-the potsmoker and Francesca (Scarlett Johansson)-

the weirdo Goth-girl.

Each of these teens has their not what they should be. own personal reasons that they



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> film takes place in Princeton, N.J., which is home to the Princeton Testing SAT exam.

It's a few exam, and Kyle and Co. all know they are doomed if their scores are

Do they use these weeks to apiece before this.

study diligently?

You know better than that. They decide that the best thing to do is to break in to the Testing Center and steal the answers. Out of the six students involved, it seems like only three of them have any usefulness to the heist at all. In fact, three of them mostly wait outside by the car while the other three break in to the center.

During the heist itself, there are several scenes of dialogue between certain characters that try to give us a little background for these students' past. Some of the scenes it is a bit like other teen comedies work, but some feel forced.

The laughs, when there are any, are largely supplied Nam, whose secretly intelligent weed-head is always waiting with a quip about any given situation.

While watching the film, however, one keeps wondering what in the world Scarlett Johansson is doing in this movie. This past year, she has proved that she is far above teen comedies with her acclaim in "Girl with a Pearl Earring" and her wonderful performance in "Lost in Translation." I'm guessing that she Center, made "Score" prior to those films which holds the and will try to casually omit this from her resume.

Brian Robbins, director of "Varsity weeks before the Blues," a film that I really enjoy, directs "The Perfect Score" with the enthusiasm of a bored teen-ager. The script was written by three men - Mark Schwahn, Marc Hyman and Jon Zack - who have only written one film

It's obvious.

Better screenwriters could have produced a sharp satire, but these three churn out an easy and unoriginal project that we have all seen before with an ending that decides to abandon its set-up.

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Give credit, however, to Johansson, Christensen and Miles for at least trying to bring something interesting to each of their roles. Each are talented but can only do so much with what they are given.

The film does seem to know that with blatant references to John Hughes' "The Breakfast Club," but it also must know that it lacks much of the brains or charm.

"The Perfect Score" is not as awful as it had every reason to be, but it also isn't as clever has it could have been.

EPPLER'S RATING:

**** - Flawless **** - Excellent *** - Good ** - Mediocre * - Awful

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Buddy Holly Center to celebrate Holly's legacy

deplorable stunt.

and CBS, which broadcast it, both TV. said they had no idea their halftime show Sunday night would include such a display.

dent," spokeswoman LeslieAnne Wade said.

a flirtatious duet to end the halftime show, with Timberlake singing, "Rock Your Body," and the lines he sang at the moment of truth were: "I'm gonna have you naked by the end of this song.'

With that, Timberlake reached across Jackson's leather gladiator outfit and pulled off the covering to her right breast, which was partially obscured by a sun-shaped, metal nipple decoration.

from the shot, and did not mention the exposure on the air.

what I saw during the halftime show of the Super Bowl. Like millions of Americans, my family and I gathered around the television for a celebration. Instead, that celebration was tainted by a classless, crass and deplorable stunt. Our nation's children, standards and we would like to apoloparents and citizens deserve better."

enough to shield the public from in-MTV, which produced the show, decent programming on radio and

Legislation has been introduced in Congress to increase by 10-fold the \$27,500 maximum fine the FCC can "CBS deeply regrets the inci- levy for indecency. The Bush administration has endorsed the bill raising the fine to \$275,000. The agency The two singers were performing itself has said it may start issuing the fine per incident rather than per program, and is talking about revoking licenses.

> MTV, CBS' corporate cousin in Viacom, issued an apology, saying the incident was "unrehearsed, unplanned, completely unintentional and was inconsistent with assurances we had about the content of the performance." Timberlake said he did not intend

to expose Jackson's breast.

"I am sorry that anyone was of-The network quickly cut away fended by the wardrobe malfunction during the halftime performance of the Super Bowl," Timberlake said in Powell said, "I am outraged at a statement. "It was not intentional and is regrettable.

Wade said CBS officials attended rehearsals of the show all week, "and there was no indication any such thing would happen. The moment did not conform to CBS' broadcast gize to anyone who was offended."

A plane fell from the sky Feb. 3, 1959, after departing from Mason City, Iowa, killing Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and "The Big Bopper" J.P. Richardson.

Forty-five years later, the Buddy Holly Center is celebrating Holly's legacy

"The Day the Music Died" is meant to reflect on the artist's life and influences in music and other areas, said Tricia Earl, exhibition coordinator for the center.

The center is having Bill Griggs, a Rock'n'Roll historian come and give a tour of the different items in the museum at noon, today.

Then at 3 p.m., the center will show a "The Real Buddy Holly Story" produced by Pal McCartney. All of the events are free to the public.

Earl said Griggs has a large memory of the subject, and those who attend will get a story behind the objects.

The center has also been getting post cards from around the world, written for Holly, as if he were still alive.

It is a program the Earl said she hopes will continue until the end of the year. Some of the postcards will be on display.

Holly's reach is bigger than his 18-month career, Christopher Smith, assistant professor of music, said.

"Buddy was a part of a generation of highly talented musicians," Smith said. "This area has been extremely influential in the area of popular music."

Holly invented the "power trio" Smith said, of a guitar, a bass guitar and a drum set. He made popular the fender strata caster guitar,

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cians, he said. He developed the guitar hook or riff, which has been copied by artists to date. Even the Beatles, the British rock band, named

which is now a basic tool for musi-

themselves after Buddy Holly's band, The Crick-

Holly was able to have much influence beca Holly listened to so many ferent styles and to incorr many things into his r Smith said.

"We're not trying make Buddy out to be mor important than anyon else, he just had a lot of in fluence," Smith said.

"Especially when yo realize his professional ca reer was about 18-month long. He evolved so quickly and developed so fast."

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FamilyBusiness Cousins bring familiarity to Lady Raiders

By David Wiechmann/ The University Daily

Going somewhere new can be difficult for some people, and having a familiar face with you can make the transition easier. For freshman Lady Raider Brooke Baughman that person was her cousin - Jolee Ayers-Curry.

The two cousins are on the same team for the second time in their careers. The last time it happened they won a state championship at Canyon High School.

Having her cousin on the team is something Ayers-Curry said is enjoyable and makes basketball more fun for her last year wearing the Red and Black.

"It's great because she's my best friend, and I've known her her whole life," she said. "Just to get one of your biggest supporters not just in basketball but on and off the court be with you every day in practice and on the road is fun.

Turning being a Lady Raider into a family business was not the only rea-

Ayers-Curry said she made sure she let her cousin make up her own mind when selecting a school.

"During her whole recruiting process I would go to her house and she would have tons of letters in boxes and you would see stuff with Texas all over , basketball on a regular basis. it, and I would always be like, "Brooke, I'm not gonna tell you where I want you to go; you know that's your decision. Just remember some places are better than others." Ayers-Curry said.

The elder cousin did throw some subliminal hints at Baughman to attempt to sway her to Tech.

"I did push for her to go to Tech," she said. "Every Christmas present was something with a Double T on it or red and black."

Baughman, a McDonald's High School All-American, said she was receiving recruitment letters from throughout the nation, and her cousin did a good job of trying to stay out of her selection.

"Even though whenever I was go-

son Baughman came to Tech, and ing through it all she never said anything," she said. "She didn't want to persuade me or anything. Well, she tried not to say anything at least."

The decision was not hard for her, however, since she grew up not even two hours away and saw Lady Raider

"I came just because of the tradition, the coaches and living around here you're always like, 'the Lady Raiders, wow!" she said. "I can't really imagine going anywhere else."

Ayers-Curry says a lot to her cousin, however, when Baughman needs some help.

It is not an uncommon site for a third person to be at the dinner table with Ayers-Curry and her husband Ryan Curry. Baughman said she knows she has somewhere to go when she needs to talk or just wants to be around her best friend.

The two have shared a number of conversations over a bowl of ice cream or frozen grapes, one of their favorites.

Having a close friend and relative on the same team has not just benefited the freshman's transition to college, but it has helped the senior.

"In a situation where you try to balance school and basketball and being married and sorts of stuff it's great to have somebody who is there on all sides of it," Ayers-Curry said.

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CENTER JOLEE AYERS-CURRY (left) and guard Brooke Baughman (right) bring more than just their skills to the court. The two are cousins and on the same team for the second time in their careers. They won a state championship in high school and are hoping to have similar success in their year together as Lady Raiders.

closer and more accessible, but the freshman has gelled into the Lady Raider program with ease and is contributing on the court.

Avers-Curry said Baughman has what it takes to play in the storied program and make an impact here as she did in high school.

"Brooke was a big part of our team whenever we were in high school because she was a freshman who got to play a lot because she was an impact

addition to her cousin's life by being player," she said. "She's probably one chance to put a trophy up over their of the hardest working people I know and most dedicated to what she does. That rubs off on a team, and is really good for the team she plays on; and it rubs off now, too."

would like to see the two cousins relive some of the moments they had in could happen. high school. It would be nice if they could relive some of those championship moments as Lady Raiders.

head," she said. "I think that certainly would be a lifetime memory for them and something they work hard at everyday to make happen."

The rest of the family is thinking Head coach Marsha Sharp said she the same thing, and Baughman said there has already been talk about what

> "Our family is saying, 'you know ya'll won it the last time ya'll were together. So you have to win it this

O'Neal suspended for using profanities

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) day after using obscene language and publicly criticizing the officials during a television interview.

The suspension was announced just hours after O'Neal issued a statement apologizing for the comments he made following the Lakers' 84-83 victory over the Toronto Raptors on Sunday.

O'Neal will serve the suspension by the officiating. Monday night, sitting out a game

would have been appropriate and that Shaquille O'Neal was suspended with- the fans would be penalized by not out pay by the NBA on Monday, one being able to see O'Neal in the Lakers' lone trip to Indianapolis.

> "The league is known for its vindictiveness," Jackson said. "But we didn't anticipate a suspension."

O'Neal scored a season-high 36 points against the Raptors in his third game back after missing 12 because of a strained right calf, but was angered

good athletes play," O'Neal said. O'Neal responded with another profanity before the interview continued.

"My comments were made out of frustration in the heat of the moment," O'Neal said in the statement released Monday by the Lakers. "But I realize that my choice of words was inappropriate and again, I would like to apologize."

The game in Indiana was the sec- injuries and Bryant's legal troubles. He made that clear in his postgame ond of a seven-game road trip for the Lakers, who played without injured stars Kobe Bryant and Karl Malone, as well as O'Neal. Jackson said "there was no precedence" for the suspension, but that the team will accept it and move on. General manager Mitch Kupchak that's not full strength."

informed Jackson of the news hours When reminded he was on live TV, after the team was game-planning to get O'Neal the ball early and often against the Pacers, Jackson said.

"I didn't get any satisfaction from their reasoning," Jackson said.

It was the latest in what has been a season full of injuries and drama for the Lakers.

"There's never been anything like this in my tenure," Jackson said of the

Pacers forward Ron Artest said he

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against the Eastern Conference-leading Indiana Pacers. It will cost him nearly \$295,000.

the punishment "rather severe and childish in some ways."

interview on KCAL-TV - conducted almost immediately after the game.

"My message to (commissioner) Lakers coach Phil Jackson called David Stern is get some people in there that understand the game and don't try to take over the ... game be-Jackson said he thought a fine cause people pay good money to see

would have preferred to see O'Neal in the lineup Monday night.

"I would rather have him play," said Artest, who added that he thought the suspension was deserved. 'You don't want to play against a team

Houston receives high marks as Super Bowl city

pulled off the biggest sporting event Houston is going to be in the mix as in its history with hardly a hitch, we look at future Super Bowls." Houston was eyeing a return of the Super Bowl even as cleanup crews and airport workers toiled a day after the last one.

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"Early on, that's what we think. We've gotten a great response and feedback and the commissioner had great things to say," said Kim Davis, spokeswoman for the Super Bowl host committee. "By all indications, things went well and we're pleased."

The game already is spoken for through 2008 and Houston hasn't actively lobbied for the game the follow-. ing year, meaning 2010 is the earliest realistic date for the next one.

Tagliabue balked at a timeline,

"As far as 2010, I can't see that far ahead, because so many cities are seeking to host Super Bowls," Tagliabue said. Davis said this Super Bowl will be evaluated so future Super Bowl bidders are armed with all the facts before Houston tries again.

Also, the commissioner's sway is

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HOUSTON (AP) — Having Tagliabue said "unequivocally ... limited. The owners, who ultimately Valerie Gravitt, 42, whose biggest make such decisions, so far have rejected his calls to hold the game outdoors in New York or Washington, D.C., a campaign further damaged this a great weekend," Gravitt said. winter by bone-chilling conditions in the Northeast.

last week that owners are growing reti- city's airports. Bush Intercontinental cent about indoor Super Bowls in experienced one of its busiest days ever cold-weather cities, such as the 2006 game in Detroit, much less games ex- their flights home. posed to the elements.

sides in Houston. The city endured a cool, damp spell much of the time visitors were here, then Reliant Stadium's roof was closed because of looming thunderstorms that didn't materialize until after the New England Patriots beat the Carolina Panthers 32-29.

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bummer of the week was watching the team from her native Carolinas lose.

"We had an awesome time. It was

Fans who waited in long security lines to get into the game Sunday Texans owner Bob McNair said found more of the same Monday at the as tourists crowded the terminals for

"For us it's an all-time record num-Weather was one of the few down ber of check-ins in Houston," said David Messing, spokesman for Continental Airlines, which is based in Houston and runs a major hub at Intercontinental. He said planes were leaving 90 percent full, on average, and about two-thirds of the passengers aboard departures are originating in Houston where usually two-thirds of outgoing passengers are just here to change planes.

About 30,000 passengers were flying out on Continental alone Mon-All that didn't seem to bother day, more than twice the usual number, Messing said. The airline was printing boarding passes at 15 major hotels to expedite customers' trips.

The airline and the Transportation Security Administration had extra hands on deck, as did trash collection companies serving the downtown party areas and Reliant Stadium.

"It was much more than we expected," said Don Smith of Waste Management Inc., the company in charge of hauling the trash. "Downtown, I thought, would be like Mardi Gras. I think it was that and then some."



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Pitching coach brings confidence to mound

By Joey Kirk/The University Daily

He's been there, done that and has two championship rings to prove it.

Texas Tech head baseball coach Larry Hays said there is only one explanation for hiring Travis Walden as the new pitching coach.

"Confidence. He's a person I'm completely confident in," he said.

After playing for the 1981 State Championship Monterey High School baseball team and for Hays' 1983 NAIA National Championship team at Lubbock Christian, Walden rejoins Hays as a coach rather than a player.

Having the title of pitching coach does not make the man, Walden said, but it is what you do when you are labeled that.

"When I was at (Texas) A&M, I was a volunteer, but I got to work with the pitchers a bunch," he said. "I don't think the title gives you credibility, I think just being able to control it and handle whatever position you are given is the more important thing."

As the first full-time pitching coach for Tech since 1999, Hays said Walden was added because of his knowledge and love for the game.

"I've known him for a long time and he's a great player," he said. "He's been on several successful teams."

Success is something Walden wants for Tech. He said he was brought in for that one reason - to win.

"If I didn't (think I could help them win), I wouldn't be here," Walden said. "I think helping them win is putting them in a structured environment where they know what's expected of them and a little accountability is important."

Another aspect Walden said he believes to be important is getting the job done in games. Just like quarterbacks in football, he said pitchers are supposed to be leaders in baseball and the blame is always placed back on them for losses.

"We've gotta get it done. It is always put back on the pitching," Walden said. "If you're going to pitch, you're going to win. I think we'll do things on the mound to keep us in games."

Walden has a fairly young pitching staff, consisting of 20 players, four

of which are left-handers.

Trying to determine the lineup has been a challenge, he said, but he is not worried when game time comes around.

"We haven't had the separation we had hoped for as far as a bunch of guys stepping up," Walden said. "You can scrimmage all you want, but when you get between the white lines on gameday, there's some guys, that have never done anything, that step it up while others, that have, go the other direction."

Although pitching is very important in baseball, Walden said his philosophy about the most imperative part of the game has changed recently.

"It's funny 'cause a friend of mine that's a pitching coach in Chicago said one day that you have to have pitching, hitting and defense, in that order," he said. "But now after a year, it's different. He says it's defense, pitching and hitting."

Last season at Texas State, Walden said he had the opportunity to coach against the national champion Rice Owls and noticed that defense does indeed make a difference.

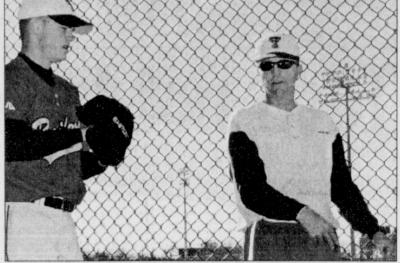
"If you don't strike out a bunch of guys, and you don't have a lot of power pitchers, they're gonna have guys that can put the ball in play, so we need as good of a defense as we can possibly have," he said. "Last year at (Texas State), we played Rice. In their 28 games, they only made one error and then you add their hits. That's how you get a National Championship."

Junior pitcher Dallas Braden said Walden tries to instill a winning attitude in all of his players so they can reach that point.

"You come to the park everyday ready to work your ass off," he said. "That's what he expects because he's gonna be here everyday for us, makes you want to get better."

Braden said the reason Walden makes such an impact on the players is because he knows so much about baseball.

"He knows the in's and out's, the games within the games, taking steps to hone our skills," he said. "He stresses the basics; and when you get those down, you start to become more of an athlete on the mound."



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PITCHER RANDY GATTIS (left) works with new Tech pitching coach Travis Walden in the bullpen at Dan Law Field during practice. Walden played for head coach Larry Hays at Lubbock Christian University on the 1983 NAIA National Championship team.

WALDEN FILE

1981: State Championship at Monterey High School 1983: NAIA National Championship at Lubbock Christian Previous coaching experience: Texas A&M and Texas State

Women's tennis team opens spring season with win at UNT

The Texas Tech women's tennis team opened its spring season with a victory over North Texas on Sunday. In singles, four Red Raiders experienced wins against their opponents.

Seniors Irina Tereschenko and Kendall Brooks defeated Krysta Lee and Kelli Royer, respectively. Sophomore Tara Browning beat Ashley Sammis while freshman Lakann Wagley overpowered Ingrid Stockinger. Sophomore Alexandra Zotta lost to Katherine Harris and sophomore Katja Kovacic did not finish her match against Megan Schmulbach.

As for doubles, Tereschenko and Brooks defeated Lee and Harris and accounted for Tech's only win in doubles matches. Royer and Sammis defeated Browning and freshman Sarize Coetzee. Kovacic and Wagley lost to Holly Lee and Schmulbach.

Cincinnati Bengal arrested in Houston after Super Bowl HOUSTON (AP) - Cincinnati ter the Super Bowl outside a downtown tried to disarm one of the officers by

Bengals tackle Levi Jones and his cousin were arrested early Monday when the pair was accused of interfering with a police officer who was attempting to disperse a crowd outside a Houston bar.

Jones, 24, and his cousin, Fred Robinson, were arrested in the hours afHouston club for attempting to take a night stick from an officer, police said.

"A group of police officers were working on clearing the area. They do this with batons they hold horizontally," police spokeswoman Sandra Aponte told The Associated Press. "Mr. Jones

attempting to take his baton away."

Aponte said Jones was wrestled to the ground and arrested. Both Jones and his cousin had their bond set at \$500 Monday and were awaiting transfer from the city to the county jail, where they could be released.

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Tech not looking past Baylor to Kansas

By Adam Boedeker/ The University Daily

Even though Baylor is just 1-5 in Big 12 Conference play, the Bears are not a team Texas Tech will overlook before their clash with Big 12 co-leaders Kansas on Saturday just ask guard Ronald Ross.

"I think it's like any other game," he said. "We have to come out with the mentality that we're playing the best team like we were playing Texas or Oklahoma State. It doesn't matter if we're playing Baylor or Iowa State; we have to come prepared. Baylor is a team that has potential. You know, they did get that win in conference; we just don't want it to be us where they get that second win."

After consecutive losses to Texas and Oklahoma State the No. 18 Red Raiders (16-4) host Baylor (6-13) tonight at 7:05 in the United Spirit Arena.

Freshman forward Darryl Dora said even though Tech has several young and inexperienced players overlooking Baylor is not a concern.

ing anyone," Dora said. "We need a big win (tonight) coming off these two losses we just

right now."

In the teams' last meeting Jan. 17 in Waco, Tech was fueled by a career-high 24 points by Ross and 22 points by Andre Emmett.

Emmett, however, has been in an offensive slump the past two games. In those losses he has shot 34 percent from the field, scoring nine and 15 points, respectively.

Dora said although Emmett has been in a probably won the game." slump, he will continue to get the ball.

"I think with Andre, we've just got to find a way to get him the ball," Dora said. "He has to cut a little better and we have to do a better job of finding him. We have to have players step up every night because Andre isn't gonna be able to do everything ated the last three games with the absence of every night."

Dora said players like Jarrius Jackson have been stepping up recently. Jackson was the leading scorer in Tech's two previous games.

"Jackson has been stepping up and carrying us since Andre's not been hitting shots lately," he said. "But we've gotta keep get-"No, we're not worried about overlook- ting him the ball because he's our best player."

Although Tech is leading the Big 12 in and hopefully we'll do that."

need to focus and get this win over Baylor steals per game with 9.3, Ross said it was the team's defensive mistakes that lost the game Saturday to OSU.

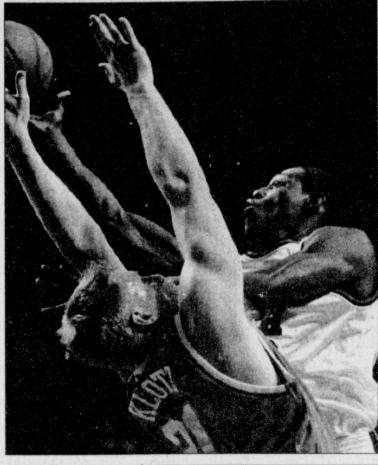
> "At Oklahoma State everyone just kept playing hard," Ross said. "Throughout the game it just built up with our defensive mistakes and they caught up with us at the end when the game was tied. If we didn't make some of the mistakes we made we could've

> Baylor allows a Big 12-low 31.7 rebounds per game to its opponents, something that may be a concern to the Raiders, who have struggled on the boards throughout the year.

The lack of rebounding has been exagger-Robert Tomaszek, Ross said.

"With Tomaszek not being in there, it hurts," he said. "His inside presence is needed. He means a lot to the team with his rebounding and his jumpshot - he means a lot.

"Whoever steps up to take Rob's place will hopefully be able to rebound. We play against guys that are 6'10", 6'11" and 7 foot. That's just something we don't have. (Rebounding) is definitely something we can improve on,



FORWARD MOOKIE WORKS goes up to the hoop over a defender during Tech's 62-61 loss to Texas in overtime. Tech hosts Baylor at 7 p.m. in the United Spirit Arena and is looking to snap a two-game losing streak. JAIME TOMÁS AGUILAR/The University Daily

lenson to work out with Texas

NEW YORK (AP) - Drew Henson will work out with the Houston Texans on Feb. 12, just days before he is to start spring training with the New York Yankees.

The Yankees have told Henson that Henson "a potential superstar." if he walks away from baseball this spring, he would forfeit the remaining \$12 million he is owed, a baseball official said Monday on the condition of anonymity.

The third baseman has struggled for three years in the Yankees' farm system, and has told New York he may switch to football, the official said.

New York originally drafted the University of Michigan quarterback in 1998, then traded him to Cincinnati two years

later. In March 2001, the Yankees reacquired from the Reds for outfielders Michael Coleman and Wily Mo Pena.

At the time the Yankees got him back, manager Joe Torre called

But even after Aaron Boone's knee injury; New York does not consider him to be a potential replacement.

The Texans drafted Henson with a sixth-round pick last April and already have a young, developing quar- Close that Henson would not get the terback in David Carr.

"If and when the Yankees relinmanager Charley Casserly said Sun- against the NFL, the official said.

day at the Super Bowl.

Henson, who turns 24 later this month, hit .234 with 14 homers, 40 doubles and 78 RBIs for Triple-A Columbus last season, striking out 122 times and making 28 errors at third base. He went 1-for-8 during a September callup with New York.

The Yankees have discussed Henson during the offseason with his agent, Casey Close, and informed remaining money he is due if he switches to the NFL, the baseball quish his rights, we'll try to work out a official said. In addition, the Yankees trade immediately," Texans general may file an interference claim

Race for men's Big 12 title shows no front runners

around and beats Kansas.

In barely a week, the Cyclones are victimized by the talent-starved Bears, everyone's pick to finish last, and triumphant over the Jayhawks' assorted collection of McDonald's All-Americans.

ever been - perhaps even more so.

"On any given night, anybody can beat anybody in this league," said ference) is as balanced

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) - the kids and gives us an extra boost. lowa State loses to Baylor, then turns Obviously you play a little harder at home. Everybody does."

According to the latest RPI ratings, the Big 12 is the fourth-best conference in the nation. Texas Tech is ranked highest in the league at No. 13.

For the Jayhawks, this week could As it nears its halfway point, the be pivotal. They fate Texas Tech on Big 12 race is as unpredictable as it's Saturday after taking on the Tigers on Monday night.

"I think (the con-CONFERENCE BIG 12 more balanced," said Self. "I would anticipate it going to the last week, maybe the last game of the season. "There are a lot of quality teams," Self said. "There have been some great wins thus far and there'll be some mild upsets the rest of the way because the talent level is so even. There are four or five teams that have done a good job of positioning themselves to make a final push." Texas Tech had been unbeaten in the league until last week, when the Red Raiders lost to Texas and Oklahoma State. Andre Emmett, right after being named the Big 12's player of the week for the fifth time this season, seemed to go into a slump. He started the week averaging 22.2 points in the league, but had only nine against the Longhorns and finished with 15 against the Cowboys - failing to score a basket in the final 16 minutes. Was it good work by the defense?

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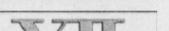
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"I think it was more Andre than the other teams," said assistant coach Pat Knight. "To me, Andre kind of shut down. He didn't move as well trying to get the ball."

In the first few weeks when he was the best player in the conference, Knight said, the 6-foot-5 senior "was moving well."

"He kept on cutting and moving. But in the last few games he's been kind



of stagnant. He kind of took himself out of the ac



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Wayne Morgan, the first-year coach as people thought it of the Cyclones. "I think it's going to would be. Probably create a lot of interest."

With this week generally marking the Kansas coach Bill midpoint of the league's regular season, No. 13 Oklahoma State, No. 11 Texas and No. 20 Kansas were tied at 5-1 going into the Jayhawks' game Monday night against Missouri. Iowa State and No. 19 Texas Tech were right behind at 4-2, followed at 4-3 by Colorado and Missouri, the preseason favorite in the coaches' poll.

Only Texas A&M was without at least one conference win. And the hardluck Aggies have had victory in their grasp several times, only to see it slip away.

"A lot of teams could surprise," Morgan said Monday. "There's not that one team, that one super team that no one can come close to. It will be interesting."

So far this year the Cyclones have been unbeatable at home in Hilton Coliseum, where they're riding a 12-0 streak. "I think we have the best fans in

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right, neither is the Tech offense. But Knight said Emmett was not alone in going"'stagnant."

"They've got to get back on track," Knight said. "If they don't want to abide by the way we want them to play, we're just not going to play them very much."

One of the biggest surprises has been Oklahoma State. If the Cowboys can grab road wins this week at Texas A&M and Iowa State, they'll be in a commanding position since five of their last eight are at home.

"We've been pleased with the growth of our team," said Oklahoma State assistant coach Sean Sutton. "We've become a lot better on the defensive end the first six conference games. We've had four games that could have gone either way. Our guys stepped up and made some key plays, hit some key free throws, got some key stops on defense."

Francis suspended for missing flight

HOUSTON (AP)-Rockets scoring leader Steve Francis was suspended for Monday night's game for missing a flight to Phoenix.

He missed Sunday night's flight and would not be with the team for its game against the Suns. Rockets spokesman Nelson Luis said the team would have no further comment.

Francis' public relations firm issued a statement saying the guard attended an "urgent personal family matter" and would rejoin his teammates at practice Tuesday.

