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## Assad announces two-stage Lebanese pullback

By Bassem Mroue/Associated Press

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) - President Bashar Assad on Saturday announced a two-stage pullback of Syrian forces to the Lebanese border, but failed to address broad international demands that he completely withdraw Syria's 15,000 troops after nearly 30 years in the country.

Assad also did not respond to President Bush's demand just a day earlier that Syria withdraw all its troops and intelligence agents from Lebanon before its parliamentary elections in May.

Instead, Assad said his plan would put Syria in full compliance with international agreements and U.N. demands.

"By carrying out this measure, Syria will have fulfilled requirements of

leader said in a rare address to parliament.

would eventually leave Lebanon or remain inside the country near the statement said. Syrian frontier. He said Syrian and Lebanese authorities would negotiate

Later Saturday, however, Syrian Immigrant Affairs Minister Buthaina Shaaban told Lebanese Broadcast Corp. television that withdrawal would be complete. "The matter is very clear. When an army withdraws it withdraws to inside the country's border."

The United States issued a strong statement of dissatisfaction with Assad's most recent comments, which came after four weeks of political turmoil in

the Taif agreement and implemented U.N. Resolution 1559," the Syrian Lebanon set off by the assassination of a popular former prime minister.

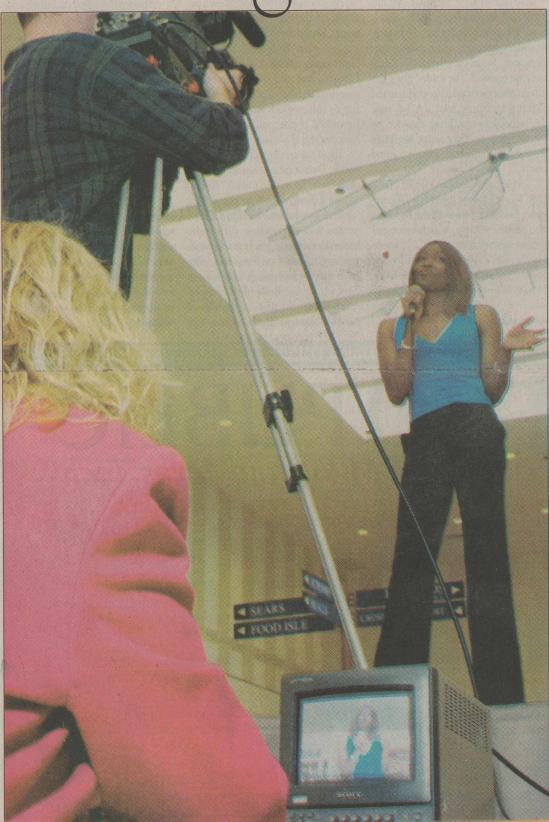
"As President Bush said Friday, when the United States and France say Assad was vague about the pullback, leaving it unclear if Syrian forces withdraw, we mean complete withdrawal — no halfhearted measures," the

> France, which co-authored with Washington a U.N. resolution demanding Syrian withdrawal, also stood by its demands.

Israeli Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom dismissed the Syrian president's speech as failing to meet international requirements, which he said include "a complete withdrawal of all Syrian troops from Lebanon."

Outside Damascus' People's Assembly, thousands of Syrians watching the

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STEVE LEWIS/The University Daily

CORNELIA ABANOBI, A 2004 nursing graduate from Lubbock, takes part in the "America's Next Top Model" TV show tryouts, Saturday morning at South Plains Mall.

## South Plains gets dose of the runway with tryouts for 'America's Next Top Model'

By Clara Cobb/The University Daily

indsay Alvarado is serious about modeling and may become "America's Next Top Model." The show, nationally broadcast on UPN, held a casting call Saturday in the Grand Court of the South Plains Mall.

Alvarado, a junior advertising major from Houston, said she has been to modeling conventions in the past and is moving to Miami in August to pursue her dream of a modeling career.

"Getting on the show would be the best thing that ever happened," she said. "It's like one of my favorite shows. I just wanted to take a chance. At first, I didn't want to audition, then I was like, why not? I'm a pretty daring person. I am for anything, as long as I am not going to regret it at the end."

She said she found out about the audition from her friends. Although she woke up late Saturday, she came out to the casting call and was able to audition.

"The walking was fun, no fear, whatever, but when I got to the microphone, I was nervous," Alvarado said. I'm not a very good speaker."

The audition process included walking a mini runway while being videotaped. At the end of the runway, questions were asked of the participants, such as: "What is the craziest thing you have ever done? What is your best feature?" and "What do you think you will bring to the show that other girls have not in past seasons?"

Alvarado said she hoped she was unique enough to stand out in the audition process.

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## Perry visits Tech to discuss Emerging Technology Fund

By Meghann Lora/ The University Daily

Gov. Rick Perry visited some of Texas Tech's premier research facilities Saturday to illustrate how his proposed \$300 million Emerging Technology Fund has the potential to foster technology innovation at universities.

The Emerging Technology Fund would have three components, according to a news release from the governor's office. The first component would be to create collaborative efforts between institutions of higher

Perry said great advancements have been made through partnerships between veins have collapsed, according to the news release. the government and the private sector. VidaCare, a biotechnology company, recently collaborated with to build partnerships. the University of Texas Health Sciences Center to develop a new intravenous device. This device is helping technology," he said. doctors, emergency medical technicians and soldiers save lives by administering medicine and fluids an average of 10 minutes faster to trauma victims whose



education and the private sec- HENRYK TEMKIN, RIGHT, professor of electrical and computer engineering, tor. Creating these partnerships Jongsin Yun (seated), an electrical engineering graduate student from Seoul, will amount to \$150 million of South Korea, and Lu Tian, a physics graduate student from Beijing, China, talk to Gov. Rick Perry about nanotechnology at the Nano Tech Center Saturday.

Perry said there has never been a better time for Texas

"Now's the time for Texas to invest in this type of

VidaCare secured much of its funding from investors

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## TABC focusing on public safety

By Brittany Barrientos/The University Daily

With spring break nearing, the Texas Alcoholic cating people." Beverage Commission has its work ready.

But dealing with alcohol inconsistencies is not an act to be performed only over spring break, as several local bars have realized throughout the last couple

TABC Lt. Harry Schreffler said despite the public property damage or death," he said. impression, the TABC is going after minors, the main focus of the TABC is public safety.

"We are looking for any violation of Texas law or the alcoholic beverage code," he said. "As widely

known as our stance is against minors, (what) we want to be newly widely known is our stance against intoxi-

Schreffler said the TABC also catches prostitutes, drugs, gambling, selling to intoxicated people and other regular crimes as well, but their primary purpose is to enforce the alcoholic beverage code.

"We want to keep people off the roads to help prevent

The TABC district Lubbock is in includes 19 other counties; 75 percent of the counties are dry. Schreffler

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TYSON JEFFREYS/The University Daily

AUBRY SERVANTEZ AND Melissa Reynaboth, both from Lubbock, perform in the dance "Las Abajenas" with the Ballet Folkloico Nuestra Herencia at the Daughters of the Republic Texas Independence Day Celebration.

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## U.S. Army releases 1,200 pages of documents in prison abuse scandal

National Guardsman called it "Ramadi Madness" — a 2004, according to investigation documents. The compilation of videos depicting his unit's time in Iraq. company is based in West Palm Beach. But some of the images were investigated as possible detainee abuse, including one recording of a soldier company's commander, Maj. Joseph Lyon, told the kicking a wounded, moaning Iraqi.

released by the Army Friday.

The description of the video was among 1,200 pages of documents released in response to a lawsuit by the against a soldier or soldiers. He would not specify American Civil Liberties Union, which is seeking whom, what or how many. information on prisoner abuse in Iraq.

investigations, none of which resulted in abuse charges. other soldiers were watching it. Some were closed because of insufficient evidence. The Army, which says it is committed to finding and correcting problems in prison operations, so far has released the results of 129 investigations to the ACLU.

tions into alleged abuse. Of the 226 that are complete, criminal behavior," according to a summary of the 69 resulted in some kind of action against a soldier. At investigation, dated Dec. 28, 2004. Ramadi is a resleast 109 soldiers have been punished, including 32 tive city in Iraq's Sunni Triangle. tried by court-martial.

latest Army documents "further evidence that abuse of detainees was widespread in Iraq and Afghanistan."

First, sued Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld this week in connection with some alleged abuses of

ments to the ACLU, which in turn made them public. face was obscured. On Friday, the Army provided copies of its latest releases to the news media as well.

The "Ramadi Madness" video was a compilation of recordings taken of the actions of B Company, 1st Bat-ficers said they didn't believe the kick constituted talion, 124th Infantry Regiment, a unit of the Florida an assault.

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WASHINGTON (AP) — The unidentified Florida National Guard that was in Iraq in 2003 and early

"The video is definitely inappropriate," the South Florida Sun-Sentinel. "... However, we were But investigators found no cause to charge anyone still in a very tight situation, a stressful situation ... to play armchair quarterback."

Lyon said the video led to disciplinary action

The investigation began after a civilian public Army officials said the documents summarized 13 affairs officer in Florida saw some of the video while

> The video itself was not released. Investigation documents describe efforts to prevent it from being leaked to the news media.

The investigation found that "Ramadi Madness" In total, the Army said, it has opened 341 investiga- contained footage of "inappropriate rather than

One part of the video showed an Iraqi lying on Jameel Jaffer, an attorney with the ACLU, called the the ground, handcuffed and moaning, when a soldier

The prisoner had been shot through the abdomen The ACLU, along with the group Human Rights because he raised a gun toward American soldiers during a raid, investigators said.

Investigators found one soldier, whose name was blacked out in the documents, who acknowledged Previously, the Army had been providing the docu- he looked like the one in the video, although his

The soldier said he didn't remember kicking

The fate of the detainee is unclear; several of-

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## The Rundown



WESTFIELD, N.J. (AP) - Presi-Security overhaul Friday, undaunted Protective Services caseworkers who by Democratic opposition, frayed thusiastic backing from the public.

29 states. The road trip ended a week

of New Jersey and Chris Chocola of

Ferguson, who has not taken a po-

wants, introduced the president, say-

"important national conversation."

ing to follow Bush's lead, although

To counter Bush's nationwide

swing, Democratic senators planned

retirement system.

"I'm going to keep telling people the Jim Wells County jail on two we've got a problem until it sinks in, because we've got one," Bush The caseworkers, neither of said, underscoring estimates that say Social Security will begin paying out more than it collects in taxes as

whom was hit, fled the scene on foot, leaving behind a vehicle damaged by shotgun pellets. After reaching early as 2018. a store about a mile away, the pair called authorities.

one to fire shots."

Miller was arrested shortly after the incident late Wednesday. Her son specifically for Reps. Mike Ferguson was taken into CPS custody.

shots."

Detective Jose Martinez III of the their own "fix it, don't nix it" forums ment said about three of the shots hit the parked vehicle, which belonged

when they decided to run."



## Italians angry about Security with voters journalist's shooting

ROME (AP) — Italy demanded mother of a 9-year-old boy is accused dent Bush kept pitching his Social answers Saturday as former hostage Giuliana Sgrena was taken off a flight from Iraq hooked to an intravenous visited her home south of Alice this Republican support and less than en- drip for a shoulder wound inflicted when American troops fired on a car taking her to the Baghdad airport. The Italian agent who negotiated her freedom was hit and died in her arms.

The shooting at a U.S. checkpoint in Baghdad stoked anti-war sentiment in Italy, where the public was widely opposed to the government's decision Bush's visits to New Jersey and to send 3,000 troops to help U.S.-led South Bend, Ind., began a twoefforts to secure the country from a "It was a scary thing," said Aaron month blitz in which he and other violent insurgency. President Bush promised a full investigation. administration officials are visiting

About 100 demonstrators outside in which the administration lost the U.S. Embassy in Rome blocked momentum on the president's call to traffic and one banner read: "USA, war criminals." A few dozen communist revamp the government's 70-year-old demonstrators at the U.S. Consulate The stops Friday were targeted in Milan handed out leaflets reading, "Shame on you, Bush."

Sgrena, a 56-year-old journalist for the communist newspaper Il Manifesto, men who are taking heat on the was flown from Baghdad on an Italian government plane.

She was taken by ambulance to a military hospital in Rome, a day after sition on the private accounts Bush undergoing surgery at a U.S. military hospital in Iraq to remove shrapnel ing only that Bush has launched an from her shoulder. Doctors said late Chocola has said that recent town Saturday that another operation was meetings in his district left him willnot needed.

> From her hospital bed, Sgrena recounted the ordeal that unfolded shortly after she was released by insurgents in Iraq after a month in captivity. She gave no details about the circumstances surrounding her release.

"We thought the danger was over The Democratic National Com- after my rescue," she told RAI News 24 mittee was responding with radio television by telephone. "And instead advertisements in each market tar- suddenly there was this shooting, we geting Chocola and Ferguson, who were hit by a spray of fire. I was talkhave faced tough races in the past. ing to Nicola ... when he leaned over The ads accuse Bush of wanting to me, probably to defend me, and then "end Social Security's guaranteed he slumped over. That was a truly terbenefits" and tie them to the "ups rible thing."

## Woman opens fire Bush talks Social on CPS workers

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The of firing a shotgun at two state Child

Vera Miller, 46, is being held in counts of attempted capital murder.

Reed, an agency spokesman. "Even for our caseworkers, it's not what you expect when you go to work. Certainly they walk into some dicey situations, but it's unusual for some-

According to Reed, a complaint Indiana, two Republican congressabout Miller was received earlier that evening, but when caseworkers visited her home at about 10:15 p.m., they had no plans to take the child.

"We make visits at all hours. It didn't start out as an emergency removal. It was really just a fairly routine contact," he said. "They got there, interviewed the child, tried talking to Mom, and she became fairly belligerent. They decided to he talked of the political problems leave, and as they were walking surrounding the issue. out, she pulled a gun and fired some

Jim Wells County Sheriff's Depart- in four cities throughout two days. to one of the caseworkers.

"It was real serious," Martinez said. "Someone could have been killed. They were by the vehicle when she fired the first shot. That's

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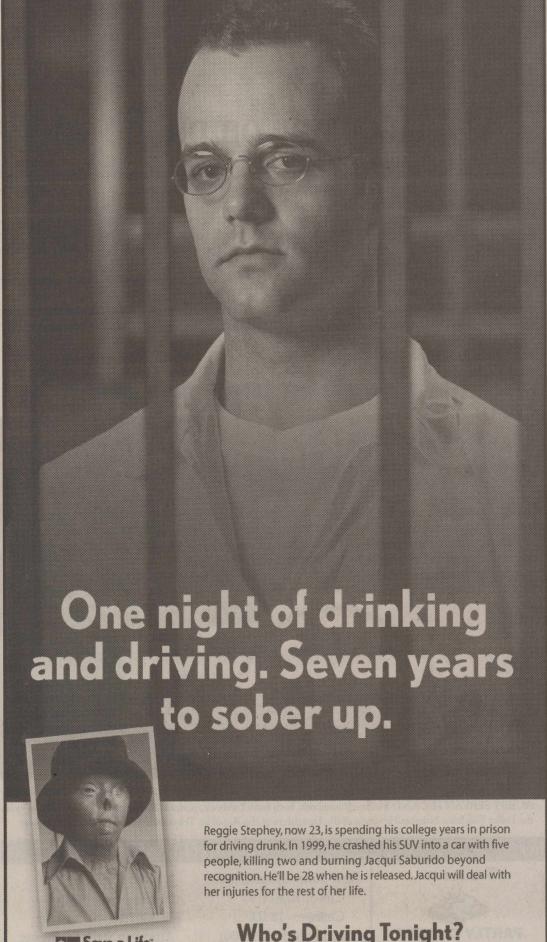
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Having onions may not seem can be fed per harvest. like a big deal, but in the distant future, astronauts will consider them usually do not a luxury they will not want to be get to eat natuwithout.

Ellen Peffley, professor of horticulture at Texas Tech, said she started growing onions about four tles have an elyears ago, hoping to alter the amount evated carbon of biomass in an onion to better suit dioxide level, growth on space shuttles.

The program is called "Spicing up and so far an in-Space," and it now can recommend creased carbon to NASA how to grow onions on dioxide level space shuttles.

NASA gave a \$.1.3 million grant, production by Peffley said, for the plant part of "Spicing up Space."

onions," she said.

Peffley said NASA wants the most biomass in a specific area, so the bulb onion is not a good use of

space. Amanda Broome, a horticulture graduate student from Tyler, said the onions are moved from the

carbon dioxide.

Broome said one of the goals of

the project is to give NASA a set astronauts, she said, is having plants parameter for growing onions, which on a gray space shuttle, and currently will determine how many astronauts they even take grass seeds to grow

Astronauts ral food while in space, she said. Space shut-

with plants. Plants Broome said, has raised onion

20 percent.

'We were the first to work with level could get too high, causing tures, making less space for experistunted growth.

onions are grown in a water nutrient solu-

Growing onions will be beneficial in space, she said, because they have a distinct fla- ter of space," he said. vor and can typical space

Peffley

menu.

environmental growth chambers also said in space, astronaut's taste where researchers can monitor light, buds are less sensitive, and onions toward tuition and fees, she said, and conducting, and she has already re- to work at Kennedy Space Center or temperature, relative humidity and will add a lot more flavor to their

Another benefit onions have for

"(Astronauts) really miss being with

in space.

(Astronauts)

really miss being

are a connection

back to the earth.

- ELLEN PEFFLEY

Professor of Horticulture

plants," Peffley said. "Plants are a connection back to earth." Peffley said after the Co-

lumbia space shuttle exploded two years ago, NASA stopped all scientific experiments.

Now, the However, the carbon dioxide space shuttle has more safety feaments. Plus, to make an addition to Peffley a shuttle, such as a vegetable garden, said the some other item has to go.

"People wait years to get their one experiment in the shuttle,"

James Smith, director for the Center for Space Sciences, said NASA is interested in what food can be grown on shuttles.

They previously have looked at tomatoes, lettuce and soybeans as possible space plants. "It's going to boil down to a mat-

Broome said she received a spice up the \$24,000 fellowship from NASA through the Kennedy Space Center in July 2004 for her part in the

> the other half helps with purchases that support the onion research.

Broome said graduate students



DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily

AMANDA BROOME, A horticulture graduate student from Tyler, stands beside an environmental growth chamber, in the horticulture greenhouse Friday afternoon. Broome was given a \$24,000 grant from NASA to study hydroponically grown onions for use on either the moon or Mars within the next 20 years.

who apply must give a proposal not," she said. Part of the \$24,000 has gone explaining the experiments they are applied for the 2005-2006 academic any other NASA job.

"I didn't know if I would get it or made the progress we've been mak- or 2030.

In the future, she said she wants Peffley said.

ing without Amanda heading it up,"

The United States is planning to land on the moon in 2015, she "I don't think we would have said, and a landing on Mars in 2025

## Military dismantling Cold War radar systems in Maine, Oregon

spread across hundreds of rural to private industry. acres and designed to detect So-

and warn of a threat 1,700 miles "This will not be used for what it away - leaving plenty of time was intended. Ever.' to scramble U.S. military jets in

It's a dinosaur of the Cold War: ping the wire-and-steel monolith detection signal back to the Earth's develop. It was operational for a a three-mile-long radar system and offering the expanse of land surface. The systems were so sensimere year in early 1990, before

"The world changed," said ocean currents. viet bombers screaming across the Steve Hinds, manager of the OTH-B radar program at Air Com- in the woods in a place that bears ability to restart the radars until When operational, it could bat Command, which oversees little resemblance to the Russian late last year, when dismantling

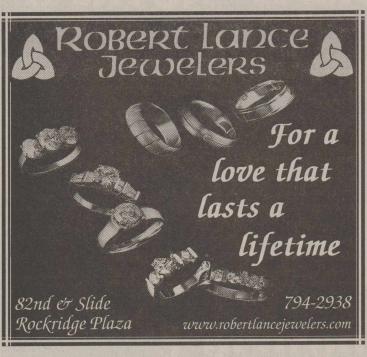
The backscatter radar in Maine, and a similar system reaching out But like warhead silos and into the Pacific from Oregon, other relics of the post-World War could bounce a beam off the

The radar in Maine, nestled

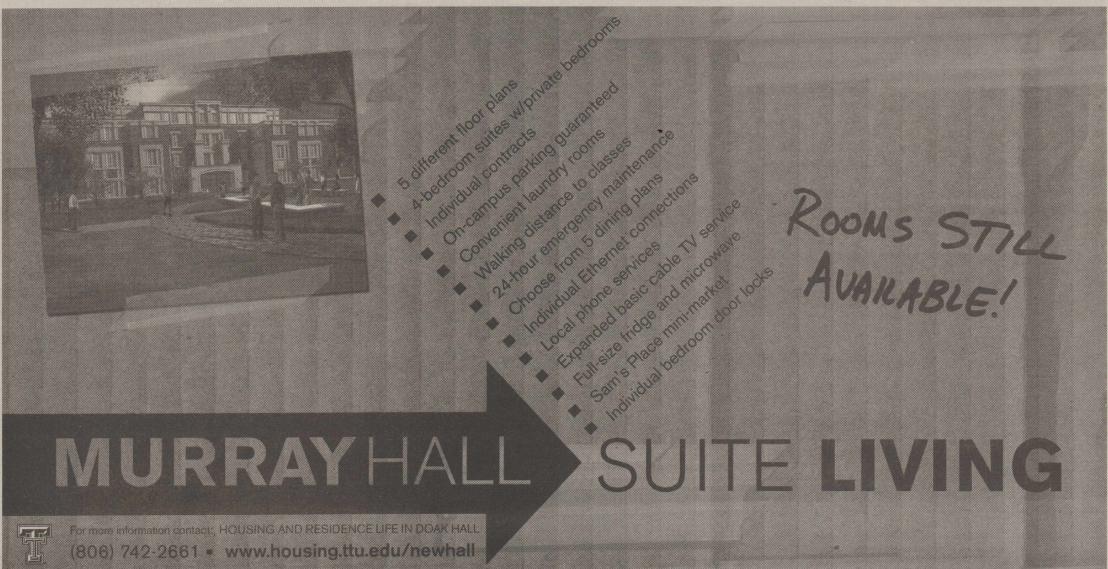
MOSCOW, Maine (AP) — II arms race, the military is scrap- ionosphere, which sent a scattered was named, cost \$1.5 billion to tive, they could note changes in being mothballed in favor of more advanced Navy technology.

The Air Force maintained the









## How far have we come?

Feminism has made strides, but not quite enough

n the midst of Women's History Month, I encourage you L to practice abstinence. Say no to Dick and Bush, and don't forget to head to the library to read up on the latest accomplishments of women.

OK, so all jokes aside and with all our cards on the table, how far has feminism really taken us? Women's History Month is a time to celebrate, reminisce and plan for the future, but what are we really planning for?

Early in 2003, The New York Times printed an article titled "The War Against Women" which stated "Tommy Thompson, the secretary of health and human services, was following the same drumbeat when he made 'unborn children' rather than pregnant women eligible for coverage under the Children's Health Insurance Program."

The article continued to remind us on the first day of Dubya's presidency, he reinstated the global "gag" rule that "bars health providers receiving American family planning assistance from counseling women about abortion, engaging political services, even with their own money."

This is just scratching the surface of the wiped-out lottery ticket held by this gambling administration — that we as women have allowed to happen.

dirty 'F' word, fit into all of this! Well, feminists' reproductive success had a huge gain in 1973 with Roe v. Wade. Since then, they have been clinging onto it with all their strength and with the same old tactics. While many women morphed into a united front for that cause — yes, our mothers and grandmothers — today, feminism seems to have divided women.

What have we done, especially here in Texas, when pharmacies in Plano, other small towns and beyond, are denying women birth control because pharmacists don't get that warm and fuzzy feeling inside that some call being moral? We watch the news, we are shocked and then we start our day again.

It doesn't seem to bother many of us that insurance companies will cover Viagra but less than 50 percent will cover birth control. Or how about that necessary evil, Wal-Mart? They refuse to sell emergency contraception but are OK with Viagra.

It's a shame the day we protected our donor United Supermarkets when they refused to sell tickets under Select-A-Seat for "Vagina Monologues." Vagina is a sick and offensive word, yet all women have one and all the money went to the Rape Crisis Center. Instead of raising this point, we stood behind our men, giving them the benefit of the doubt. We claim, "Well, maybe they just didn't know." Right.

Dark clouds cover campuses the day sororities refuse to associate with any feminist organization. Who do they think founded their organization in response to male fraternities? Feminists.

The same goes for the feminists in their "radical" clothing who judge women who choose to wear a little more make-up and sport their letters. Isn't that what feminists fought for, the ability of women to be who they want to be?

How about feminists and unbelievers alike getting a teaching edu.



So here's the point: Feminism was created so women know who they are, where they come from and as a reminder that when things are going wrong, you turn to sisters and brothers who share your pain.

certificate so no matter where their husband goes they can always have a job, if they need one? Nothing against teachers, as my mom is one, but don't forget these days, there is always alternative certification if your true career doesn't work out.

In the most recent election, So where does feminism, that more women voted for "American Idol" than in the general election. They must have forgotten about our great-grandmothers who fought so hard for our right to bubble in Democrat, Republican, Green Party and so on.

> While I owe so much to the invention of women's studies, what has sitting in those classes semester after semester taught me? Well, many would say I bought "gender glasses."

> I can point out sexism from any angle. I can see the injustices of our world, and I can't ignore them. I can write a darn good research paper on female sexuality and the romanticism of rape in literature, and I hate every minute of it.

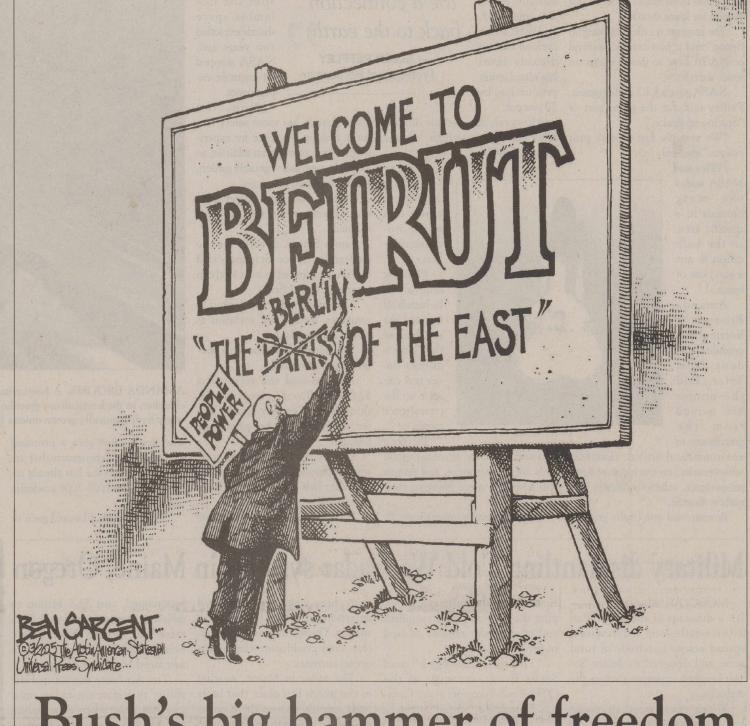
> I want to return those glasses. They give me migraines. Were there any classes titled women running for campaigns, women and money, women and negotiation or how about women dealing with men who think we all belong in the kitchen?

Feminism — well, it's a catch-22. When we give ourselves a voice and demand better for our daughters than we have, we are difficult. When we are quiet and stand by our man, we are controlled. When we think Bill O'Reilly is sometimes right, we are wishy-washy liberals. When we don't vote straight Republican, we are traitors. So where does feminism stand? Well, you are either with 'em or against 'em.

So here's the point: Feminism was created so women know who they are, where they come from and as a reminder that when things are going wrong, you turn to sisters and brothers who share

Like I said, it's a catch-22, so you decide — because feminism fought for you to make that deci-

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## Bush's big hammer of freedom nails the Middle East

ll action brings about change. Some good, Asome bad. Does the Bush administration deserve credit, then, for the apparent great changes in the Middle East of which we might be on the

Bush and his team are the original bulls in the china shop. To the extent that, in that part of the world, any change would be good, then yes, some credit is

deserved. It goes to show no matter how badly you mislead the American people, regardless of how god-awful your plan for rebuilding the country you've occupied, it's hard to screw up the appeal American ideals have to people around the world. Even people oppressed and ground down by the weight of tyranny and religious zealotry.

By American ideals, I mean the appeal of human ideals freedom, rule of law, tolerance - have to people around the

What's truly impressive about the developments of the last four weeks - Lebanon on the edge of a political turnover, a successful election in Iraq, possible new hopes for peace between the Palestinians and the Israelis — is not how the Bush administration brought them about through some sort of genius planning.

It instead is how America is, for the moment, appearing to once again change the world for the better, regardless of the incompetent and occasional criminal bungling of its leaders.

But — and here's where I have to give the president credit — the steadfast application of American force, in an area of the world that, sadly, seems only to understand brute strength as an argument, may be enough to help win the day for our friends and harm our enemies. If Leonard Nimoy's famous proverb "Only Nixon



The scandals at Abu Ghraib and all the other plots and petty underhanded dealings of the crooks in the White House couldn't stop the appeal of freedom to Iragis. Again, more credit to America and less to her president. They're voting for freedom, not Dick Cheney.

could go to China" still holds some water, maybe "Only Bush could go to the desert" will remain true for

our time. Maybe. What a surprise that would be. The scandals at Abu Ghraib and all the other plots and petty underhanded dealings of the crooks in the White House couldn't stop the appeal of freedom to Iraqis. Again, more credit to America and less to its president. They're voting for freedom, not Dick Cheney.

But if this administration, after all its dark ways, falls backward into real, positive change in the Mideast, not only will it prove Bush is the luckiest human being ever to live, but it will be the greatest miracle since manna in the desert, or at least

since Marisa Tomei won her Oscar. It would mean, as they say, a blind pig can find an acorn.

So given this war had a birth that was misconceived and a delivery that, at least on the planning scale, seems painfully botched, what are we doing right? Why do we seem to be, as Thomas Friedman wrote in The New York Times, on the verge of not one, but three tipping points in the Middle East?

First, the successful elections in Iraq with 8 million votes cast.

This, as Friedman points out, has recast the story there from the conventional tale of an occupying force of lessening resolve fighting against a vigorous insurgency to the much more interesting — and true — drama of an Iraqi people trying to build a country with our help.

Second, the way in which the death of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has opened the way for his successor, Mahmoud Abbas, to make possible peace with Israel.

Third, Lebanon — which went nuts after the assassination of former Prime Minister Rafik Hariri (probably by Syria, the country that occupies it) and has been carrying out an inspiring and largely peaceful revolution ever since. Lebanon has been silent under Syrian occupation for 30 years — and now, no longer.

Are all three of these amazing changes results of America's influ-

Well, I suspect regardless of America's involvement in Iraq, the new Palestinian leadership would have made a play for some kind of peace overture. The degree might have varied, but it still would have been there. Who can say, though? However, certainly the momentous turnouts in Iraq and Lebanon are direct corollaries of our presence

The reason? Culture determines how we respond to action. And, yes, regardless of the power of American values, Bush and Mideast culture are apparently an unusually good fit.

What we've been seeing around the world is how every other country responds to this activist United States. We saw this happen last week, when Bush tried to lecture "Czar of all Russias" Vladimir Putin on how great democracy is and got a sneer as thanks. Bush won't make Russia reform, because it's Russia and they need a different treatment — what that is, I don't know.

And the Bush Steamroller sure didn't work in Europe, by a mile; basically what Europe's always wanted is for us to pretend like they matter and humor them, which we're only doing just now.

You can't strong-arm them, and the White House was moronic to try. But the Middle East understands a different kind of language; that is, the idiocy of sheer force. Which is the natural idiom of the White House at this time. It wouldn't work anywhere else. Wouldn't play in Asia or Europe. But it seems — seems being the key word — to be working in the desert.

The sort of serendipity here is too incredible to be random. It's as if the Great Architect of the Universe had made plans a millenia ago to craft Bush and the Near East together to fit perfectly, like overlapping fingers, like glasses and the nose they sit on; the Mideast was waiting until, like a drunk staggering home, the Bush administration, with its disregard for habeas corpus, human rights, and international law, ambled and stumbled into the embrace of history.

Here comes your man. There's also the old maxim about how to someone who has a hammer, every problem looks like a nail. All Bush has ever had in his toolbox is a hammer. But perhaps the Middle East is the place where that finally

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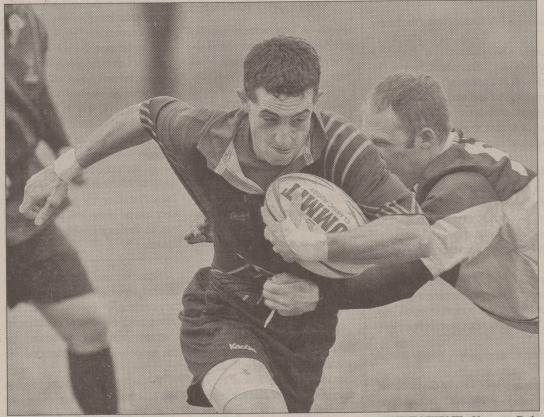
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## RUGBY RUMBLE



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CHARLIE GREMILLION, A junior exercise and sport sciences major from Katy, breaks a tackle in a game against Angelo State at the Tech rugby field Sunday. Tech lost the game, 15-5, but will advance to the western finals in Greeley, Colo., April 2-3. Tech is ranked No. 2 and, at 11-1, has the best record in the Texas Rugby Union.

## Bush pardons bootlegger, seven others

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush pardoned eight people, including a man convicted of bootlegging 45 years ago, the Justice Department announced Friday.

The first round of clemency in Bush's second term brings his total mutations.

Bush's father, President George H.W. Bush, issued 77 pardons during his term from 1989 to 1993, according to statistics collected by the University of Pittsburgh law school.

President Clinton, by contrast, granted clemency to 456 people during his eight years, including 176 on his last day at the White House. One of those was the contentious pardon of fugitive financier Marc Rich, former husband of Democratic Party donor Denise Rich.

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(AP) — A gunman on a bicycle let that struck him in the left arm. northeast has seen an increase in opened fire on a group of men in Varela said Jimenez was standing drug-related slayings after the area's a parked car and two bystanders in with his girlfriend near the parked this border city, killing two people car when the shooting began. and wounded a third, investigators

said Saturday. The killings took place around ing, Varela said. 11:30 p.m. Friday in the Colonia Victoria neighborhood, said Juan

which includes Nuevo Laredo. He said a group of young men was drinking beer and smoking marijuana in a parked car when an assailant pedaled up and started shooting. Witnesses said he targeted passengers in the car as well as a

couple that was standing nearby. A 24-year-old man in the car was shot six times in the face. neck and shoulder and died immediately. Another passenger, age 22, sustained two gunshot wounds to the chest and died while being treated at the city's General Hospital. Police said he was carrying a bag of marijuana at the time of

A third victim, identified by police as 19-year-old Cipriano limenez, from the Gulf Coast state

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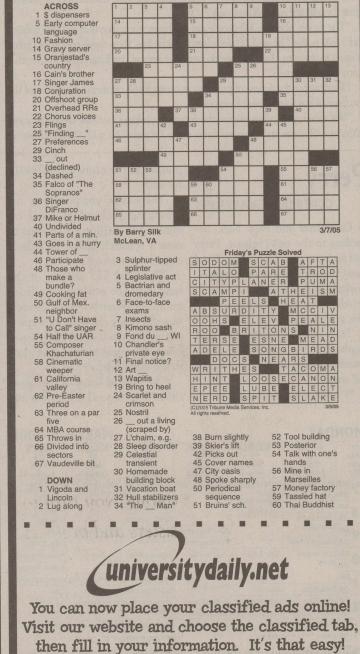
Shooting kills two on Mexican border

Early Saturday, police arrested city of Matamoros. two unidentified men and were working to link them to the shoot- has intensified in recent months

Antonio Varela, head of the min- number of people shot and killed been fighting smugglers loyal to isterial police for Nuevo Leon state, in ambush-styled attacks in Nuevo Cardenas to gain access to the across the border from Laredo.

The border region in Mexico's alleged drug lord, Osiel Cardenas, was arrested in 2003 in the border

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## Parking report: Tech students pay less than UT, A&M

Traffic &

By Brandi Fleming/The University Daily,

Texas Tech recently received a report from Walker Parking Consultants about on-campus parking conditions for students, faculty and staff.

According to the results of the study, Tech student pay less for parking permits continues to be short, and we are still working on that problem." than Texas A&M and University of Texas students.

Buddy Knox, director of traffic and parking, said Walker evaluated Tech's parking situation.

"Based on the numbers today, we have an adequate amount of parking for our student population," he said. "There is plenty of parking to go around."

Walker substantiated the claim that there are more than enough places to park for students who currently have parking passes, Knox said.

"Every day I see empty spaces in satellite and commuter parking," he said. "Just because students can't park at the front door doesn't mean they have no where to park; it just isn't always as close as they would like."

Changes to the existing Citibus routes could increase the number of students does not believe there are enough parking spaces for everyone needing to park. vying for parking spots, Knox said.

and 3,000 going," he said. "If you eliminate the bus, then those people are going to need to drive to class, and we do not have enough parking right now for that many new customers.'

Planning for the future of parking on campus will continue regardless of the outcome of bus route plans, Knox said.

students will come and we need to be ready for that," he said. "Just because we probably be safer and could be monitored."

have enough spaces right now does not mean we aren't thinking about the future growth of parking customers."

Faculty parking continues to be problematic, Knox said.

"We are completely saturated right now in faculty parking areas," he said. "It

Melissa Ziolkowski, a senior human development and family studies major from Lubbock, said she has chosen to never park on campus.

"It is a lot of money to pay to have to park so far away from classes," she said. "Parking off campus was a better decision

The prices of parking on campus were a bigger issue for her than a shortage in parking spaces, Ziolkowski said.

"The garages are a good idea, but they are economically priced," she said. "I don't know where they could put another parking lot that would be closer, though."

The main problem is the prices of commuter parking passes,

Lindsey Jasbing, a junior psychology major from Mesquite, said she

"Commuter is a bigger problem than dorm parking; it is more crowded," she "The fact is, about 6,000 people use the buses every day; that is 3,000 coming said. "It is scary for people who have very early or very late classes because they have to walk all the way back out there.'

> Jasbing said a possible solution would be to add more parking garages instead of another commuter parking lot.

"Maybe if they built up instead of out it would relieve some of the problems, but I don't know where they would put more garages on campus," she said. "An-"We never stop planning for the future of parking, because we know more other good point about garages instead of parking lots is that people's cars would

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in California and New York, acsaid an Emerging Technology Fund would ensure Texas universities, benefit from the development of new technology.

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the world in the field of emerging impact more people than those in technology, Perry said.

Emerging Technology Fund in- competitive with other states,"

State Sen. Robert Duncan, Ris confident Tech would be able impact on the state," she said. compete with other universities in Texas for the fund money.

" I ... think that we can compete very strongly for projects in tion president-elect Nathan Nash the Emerging Technology Fund," Duncan said. "This institution has been very competitive in these types of things.

Perry toured research facilities at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, including a cytometry laboratory and laboratory.

Perry also toured the Nano Tech Center, an experimental laboratory housed in the J.F. Maddox Laboratory in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Pamela Eibeck, dean of the College of Engineering, led Perry

on the tour of the facility.

the university setting, Eibeck said. "This fund will allow us to be Universities throughout the world are developing more technological

'Science and technological in-Lubbock, a Tech graduate, said he novations can have a significant "We're in a world economy that is knowledge driven."

> Student Government Associasaid he is glad the governor visited Tech's research facilities.

"It's a really good thing for him to come and visit and see first-hand what's going on in our engineering facilities and the research at the Health Sciences Center," Nash said. "I think it's a really positive an emerging infectious disease thing for him to come out here to Tech."

> The governor ended his day at Tech by donning a Tech T-shirt and attending the Red Raider basketball game against the University of Oklahoma.

During halftime, Perry presented a pair of cowboy boots to football coach Mike Leach in recognition of The research done at Tech can a great season.

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speech on large screens chanted pro-Assad slogans and waved the country's red, white and black

"Oh God Almighty, safeguard Bashar our leader!" and "One, one, one, Syria and Lebanon are one!" and "Bush, Bush, listen, the Syrian people will not bow," the group

In Beirut, where the pro-Syrian government stepped down last week under intense popular presing the speech on large outdoor meaning."

screens in Martyrs' Square seemed unconvinced by Assad's words. Waving Lebanese flags, they continued the chants they have shouted in weeks of demonstrations: "Syria out!" and other anti-Syrian slogans.

Some Lebanese opposition leaders complained that Assad had not made clear what he planned and charged that he set no timetable.

"The Syrian army should withdraw to the inside of Syrian territories, not to the border," said Michel Aoun, an opposition leader who spoke to Al-Arabiya television from Paris. "I call on the Lebanese to be very careful about the wording and sure, about 1,000 Lebanese watch- not to be happy over the general

## **TABC**

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said two major problem spots in Lubbock are Graham's Central Station and Texas Café, better known to students as The Spoon. He said throughout the county, about 16 other venues are pending action.

"(I think the issue with Graham's and The Spoon) is that one is a very large venue, and the other is almost a local landmark," he said. "There will always be a percentage of bars that mess up, but I don't think anything is running rampant."

He said Texas Café has had six administrative violations, including selling to an intoxicated customer, permitting a minor to consume, permitting removal of alcohol from the establishment and sale of alcohol to a minor. He said Graham's Central Station has had several violations in the last 18 months, including one sale of alcohol to a minor and five sales of alcohol to an intoxicated person.

Roger Gearhart, president of Graham Brothers Entertainment, which includes Graham's Central Station and 32 other clubs, said the bar enforces strict alcohol policies.

"We have very strict policies; we are one of the only clubs in the country with a manual and a signed copy of the alcohol policy in (each employees') file," Gearhart said. "If someone is in violation of the policy, they are terminated immediately."

Club operators are protesting some tickets received by the TABC, he said, because they do not believe customers in question were drunk.

He said he has been in the business since 1968 and never has protested a ticket prior to this.

a hard job, but in this case, I have chosen to fight the tickets," Gearhart said. "We have terminated employees nationwide for (breaking tickets) this is an exception."

Schreffler said bars charged with alcohol violations have two voluntary compliance options, which can lessen or diminish the punishment they may face. The two options are the restricted case program and the incentive program.

He said the restricted case program involves having a seller and server training within 30 days of employees being hired, posting a company policy not to sell or serve to minors or intoxicated customers, not directly or indirectly encouraging sales, and the employee in trouble must go to classes and face the punishment for the crime they committed. If these measures are taken, no action is taken, but the incident is recorded.

If these requirements are met, the fine and punishment can be cut

Tyson Womble, general manager for Texas Café, said because of the alcohol violations the restaurant and bar has received, it will close April 3. The bar has tried changing its policy, and he believes employees are more aware of the situation.

"We have had three violations, and after three you get your liquor license taken away," Womble said. "I kind of feel like we get picked on, but it's just a judgment call (by TABC)."

He said Texas Café likely will be taken over by new management and file for a new liquor license.

Brent Hackett, an officer with the Lubbock Police Department, said police officers sometimes accompany TABC on major sting operations. They primarily randomly go to bars, but if a tip is sent in, they will investigate. He said the force realizes the problem and tries to control it.

"(Alcohol) has always been a problem and we do everything in our power to stop it," he said. "We do bar checks, not to get off on put-"I truly understand TABC has ting people in jail, but to let them no we're here."

He said violations range from a minor in possession ticket, which is a Class C misdemeanor, to furnishing rules) but (since we are fighting the alcohol to a minor, which is a Class A misdemeanor.

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"I am different looking," she said. "I am not like everyone with blonde hair."

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Jana Hill, UPN Lubbock promotions manager, said although she does not know exactly what the show's producers want in a top model, she believes it is more about personality.

"Nationally, we don't know what the producers are looking for. This is just an audition," Hill said. "It's really more beauty and personality, and then, it's more personality."

Auditions were open for women ages 18 to 27, who are at least 5 feet 7 inches tall. Hill said she expected about 20 young women to audition.

"It is important to those who choose to do it (come and audition)," Hill said "We would love for the producers to select someone from Lubbock; we would love for someone from Lubbock to make it."

All of Saturday's audition tapes will be sent to the show's producers, Victoria Secret model Tyra Banks and Ken Mok. No decision will be made at a local level regarding contestants on the show. The casting call was held in Lubbock because of the affiliate station.

According to the Web site, www. upn.com/shows/top\_model4/, 14 participants ultimately are selected to live together and vie for the incredible grand prize: an opportunity to be managed by Ford Models, a fashion spread in "Elle" magazine, and a \$100,000 contract with CoverGirl.

Participants must demonstrate both inner and outer beauty as they master catwalks, physical fitness, fashion photo shoots and publicity skills, all under 24 hour surveillance.

Mandy Betz, a senior psychology major from Plano, said she rarely watches the show, but hopes to be a semi-finalist.

"I just kinda filled out the application this morning and stopped by while I was running errands," Betz said. "I am pretty nonchalant about it, I guess. I figured, what do I have to lose?"

Betz said she is more interested in commercial work, but thinks modeling would be a fun and profitable career.

"I'm trying to get my modeling career kicked off, and figured this is a great way to get started," she said. "I did the best I could."



## A NIGHT IN AFRICA

GELEBRATING GOLTORE

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hristianah Layode is from Nigeria, but may think, she grew up in a house, not troleum engineer



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## How prison helped Martha Stewart design new image

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NEW YORK (AP) — At trial, she was mean." she came off as Mean Martha: rude, demanding, cheap, the kind of per- an unrepentant Stewart said her son who would threaten to pull her "small personal matter" had bebusiness from a brokerage because she didn't like the music she heard of unprecedented proportions." when her call was on hold.

Then she went to prison and to boldly pitch her products and turned into St. Martha: advocate magazine. for the oppressed, friend to the lonely and forager for wild greens to spice up the jailhouse food. On Friday, her first day outside the lockup, she waved graciously, chatted amiably and served hot cocoa to the press.

The transformation of Martha Stewart's image dates to five months ago, when she called a news conference to announce she was reporting to prison early, despite a pending legal appeal.

Wearing a white suit against a backdrop of color swatches, Stewart projected a change in attitude that has helped repair her reputation and propel her company forward again.

"Going to jail was a good thing," says Paul Argenti, a professor at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth. "She had to do that, and fighting it was a bad idea."

Indeed, stock prices for Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia, which had lagged, quickly doubled. And as she worked off time in a West Virginia prison, scrubbing floors and picking dandelion greens, she found herself popular enough to be given starring roles in two upcoming TV shows

"The thing about Americans is we like throwing you to the ground, and making you cry uncle," image consultant Eric Dezenhall said. "But if you do cry uncle we'll let you up."

Stewart's tasteful, if chilly, image had taken a beating in trial testimony. Jurors laughed when Douglas Faneuil, an assistant to Stewart's stockbroker, told the court she went into a tirade when she was put on hold, complaining about how bad the music was and threatening to leave if it was not changed.

The daily news coverage of her entering the courthouse, accompanied by details about her pricey handbags or stylish heels, didn't help.

"People already knew she was a perfectionist," said Melissa Click, a research instructor at the University of Missouri-Columbia who is writing a book about Stewart. "But they didn't necessarily want to hear that

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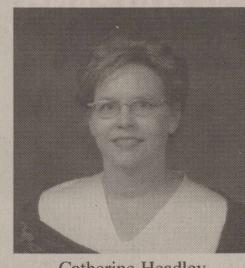
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## Chili stays 'Cool' in recycled sequel

The opening scene of "Be Cool" finds John Travolta's Miami loan shark-turned Hollywood movie producer, Chili Palmer, complaining about sequels. He's also annoyed a PG-13 movie only can use the F-word once. So immediately he burns up this film's only chance to say it.

The scene actually is poking fun at the film itself, which is what the entire film is doing. "Be Cool" is a PG-13, 10-years-later sequel to "Get Shorty," a hip, smart, R-rated comedy with an acid tongue and undying adoration for Hollywood. "Get Shorty" found loan shark Chili Palmer, a huge movie buff, deciding to get into the movie business and leave his leg-breaking, head-busting career behind.

In this sequel, Chili has grown bored with the movie business — because it is just that, a business — and decides to tackle the music industry. After his music producer friend, Tommy (James Woods) is gunned down, Chili pairs up with Tommy's wife, Edie (a sex-saturated

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Uma Thurman) to help him launch the career of a new discovery, Linda Moon (Christina Milian).

Chili will have to wiggle Linda out of the grasp of her producer, Nick Carr (Harvey Keitel), her manager, Raji (Vince Vaughn), and Raji's bodyguard, Eliot (The Rock).

Meanwhile, Edie's production company is being hassled by a gang, led by Sin LaSalle (Cedric the Entertainer) who says she owes him a stack of cash.

There also are the gangsters who killed Tommy and still proving to be a problem for Chili.

Most of this should sound familiar to "Get Shorty" fans.

"Be Cool" has a counterpart for nearly every character in "Get Shorty," Thurman subs in for Gene Hackman, Cedric the Entertainer is in for James Gandolfini, and the 10-years-later sequel to "Get Shorty." Aerosmith's Steven Tyler replaces Danny DeVito.

There also are references to and rehashes of key scenes and lines of dialogue from the first film that are glaringly obvious to "Get Shorty"

The film serves as a clever parody of itself, and other meaningless sequels tion for "Walking Tall." that actually take themselves seri-

Plus, "Be Cool" throws in some hilarious characters played by talented actors — most of which are his pinkie sticking up. playing against type.

laughs as Raji, a bling-covered poser had with embarrassing career-killers

plays Delroy Lindo's part, The Rock UMA THURMAN AND John Travolta engage in a "Pulp Fiction" dance floor romp in the film "Be Cool,"

who wishes he were black.

doffs his bad-boy wrestling façade and plays a gay bodyguard who sings, but really wants to act. A scene findmakes me want to take him off probaman dance floor romp, and a characmovies like itself.

Watch, also, for Outkast member to die-hard fans. Andre 3000 as the leader of hip-hop

Vaughn earns consistent big his coolness, even when I feared he

Even better is The Rock, who Punisher." Here, Travolta slips back into his post "Pulp Fiction" groove.

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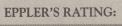
"Be Cool," does, however, trip group "Dub MDs." He's a hard-core up at times. An Aerosmith concert gangster who sips tea out his cup with scene is eye-roll worthy, some of the thugs that are supposed to feel threat-Travolta, 51, has not outgrown ening feel cartoon-ish, and the awards show ending feels too trite.

Nope, "Be Cool" is nowhere to James.D.Eppler@ttu.edu.

like "Battlefield Earth" and "The near as smooth and stylish as "Get Shorty." But it's not trying to be.

"Be Cool" is another example of Speaking of which, there's are some A-list actors getting together several "Fiction" references in "Be to have fun making a sequel, much ing The Rock reciting a monologue Cool," with no less than four cast like "Ocean's Twelve." The differ-It shouldn't work at all, but "Be from the film "Bring it On" as an members that were involved with ence: "Be Cool" is smart, much more Cool" knows exactly what it is doing. audition piece is hilarious. It almost "Fiction," another Travolta/Thurentertaining, and sets out to parody

Now isn't that cool?





■ Eppler is *The UD's* movie critic. E-mail comments and questions

Janet Jackson seeks

a restraining order

against her stalker

rehearsal last April.

harm me," she wrote.

employees.

March 17.

"It is only a matter of time before he has the opportunity to

She also is seeking to restrict Gardner from contacting her fam-

ily, as well as current and former

A hearing on her request for a preliminary injunction was set for

Gardner could not be located for comment. Telephone numbers listed for him in Jackson's complaint were either incorrect or no longer in service and calls to several New York City listings for people named Robert Gardner were not immediately returned Friday. Jackson's attorney, Travis Ge-

moets, declined to discuss the case.

that Gardner had been contacting

her since 1996 and has faxed her

myself and Mr. Gardner, request

that I meet with him and include his detailed travel plans," she

Jackson also said Gardner's

"I am extremely fearful that he will make another attempt to contact me physically while armed,"

attempts to contact her "often

contain disturbing sexual refer-

several letters.

said.

ences."

she wrote.

Jackson said in her affidavit

"These faxes reference a fabricated personal history between

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Janet Jackson is seeking a restraining order against a man she says has been stalking her for nine years and tried last year to bring a box cutter and knife to the New York studio where she was rehearsing an appearance for NBC's "Saturday Night Live." Jackson said in a motion filed Tuesday in Superior Court that she has become increasingly frightened of Robert Gardner, 46, of New York since he was stopped by security guards as he tried to enter the "Saturday Night Live"

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## **REGULAR SEASON**

Tomographic

This season marked the second time the Red Raiders have won 10 conference games since Bob Knight became coach in 2001.

## **BIG 12 TOURNAMENT**

The Texas Tech men's basketball team qualified for the No. 4 seed in the Big 12 Conference tournament.

## NCAA TOURNAMENT

Watch ESPN on Selection Sunday for the status of Tech's postseason tournament schedule and matchups.



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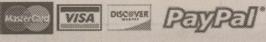
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## Big 12

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court is why Tech has lost big in the Big 12 standings. many of its games, Ross said.

if you're not gonna want it as much as the other team," he said.

Big 12, NCAA Tournaments

had answers after the 20-point loss to Oklahoma Saturday evening.

which begins Thursday, is in the year should be no different. thoughts of the Red Raiders. Ross said he does not know what is going at this point in March," he said. cess," he said. "If we're just gonna to happen.

I would tell y'all," he said. "We gotta have our good team show show up."

Foreign affairs could be solved if in 2001. Knight had the solution to winning a conference championship.

George Bush right now," he said. "Because it would be a little bit more important to help him than it would turning the team around, if I was capable of doing that."

With No. 7 Kansas losing to hyped about it." Missouri Sunday and No. 8 Okla-The lack of intensity on the against the Red Raiders puts it atop until selection night, which is

Sooner coach Kelvin Samp- ship game. "There's no need in showing up son is proud of what his team season. Oklahoma has had nine consecutive NCAA tournament appearances since Sampson began sis on (the NCAA tournament)," in 1994, with the exception of last he said. No Texas Tech player or coach season when the Sooners went to the NIT tournament.

Getting ready for the Big 12 used to being a powerhouse in the Tech will gain more experience out Tournament in Kansas City, Mo., Big 12 and in the nation, and this from its possible accomplishments.

"We're really looking forward to let it all go to waste, we're gonna "If I had the answer to that, March. You want to play your best have to change that so it doesn't basketball of the year in March."

Tech earned itself a No. 4 seed up and stop having our bad team in the conference tournament, the team has to come together in the highest since Knight began the next few weeks to gain that

But Ross said he has not caught March Madness because he believes every time it happens," he said. "If I knew that, I'd be talking to it does not come until after Tech finishes the Big 12 tournament.

> thinking about it a little bit, but I'm Knight and his team can solve the sure after the Big 12 tournament problems it has faced this season to is over with, I'm gonna be pretty achieve what the players wish.

The Raiders will not find out homa State falling to Texas Sat- whether they made the 64-team urday, Oklahoma's win Saturday roster for the NCAA tournament Sunday after the Big 12 Champion-

Even that will not stop Ross from has accomplished thus far this keeping his focus on this week's conference tournament though.

"We can't put too much empha-

With preparation and practice for both the Big 12 and NCAA Sampson said his program is tournament, Ross said he hopes

"We have to prepare ourselves "This program is used to being because we want to have some suchappen."

> Forward Curtis Marshall said success Ross describes.

> "We have to get on each other

March is upon the basketball season, and tournament time is "Not yet," Ross said. "I was here. Hopefully for Tech's sake,

## Softball team splits four games in weekend tourney

By Anne Gepford/The University Daily

Weather in Lubbock did it again as the Texas Tech softball team played four of six scheduled games in a Raiders. tournament this weekend.

A&M-Corpus Christi. In a 2-0 loss, the game remained scoreless until the top of the sixth inning, where the Islanders were able to make a play against junior pitcher canceled because of rain.

run home run in the first inning. In the bottom of the fourth, the Raiders were able to score six more before March 11-13.

the game was called because of rain at the top of the fifth inning.

The 10-2 win was the first home win for the

Saturday brought a second home win for Tech The Red Raiders went 2-2 this weekend, making against New Mexico, as sophomore Ashley Parker went three for four. The Raiders were able to bring six across In game one, Tech faced off against No. 38 Texas the plate in the first inning. Tech added two more in the sixth to make the game 8-0.

The rest of Saturday's tournament schedule was

Sunday morning the Raiders resumed play against In Friday's game against UC-Riverside, freshman UC Riverside, and this time fell 5-3, as senior Natalie Jennifer Corkin gave Tech an early start with a three- Enderlin went two for three at the plate with 2 RBIs.

Tech next travels to the Wichita State Tournament

## No. 1 Illinois loses undefeated record

For the first time this season Illinois has to bounce back from a loss.

Ohio State reserve forward with 5.1 seconds left on Sunday to hand the top-ranked Illini their first defeat, 65-64.

beaten season in 29 years. Instead, they frittered away a 12-point lead over the final 3 minutes.

"Everyone says a loss will Sylvester said. help. We'll find out," coach from it and move on. This next Dials set a pick and rolled to the said. "They won it."

the year and that's what people are was used as a decoy. The Illini bit going to remember."

Sylvester scored a career-high Matt Sylvester hit a 3-pointer 25 points — eight more than his said, "I'll make the shot," Matta previous best — for a team that was said. "And he did." banned by its own administrators from the postseason two months ago team with problems all year hang-The Illini (29-1, 15-1) were to mitigate possible NCAA violatrying to cap the Big Ten's first untions committed under former coach turnover in the second half. The Jim O'Brien.

in the second half and didn't score Coach told us, 'We're not going season, had seven turnovers after halfway. We're going for the win,"

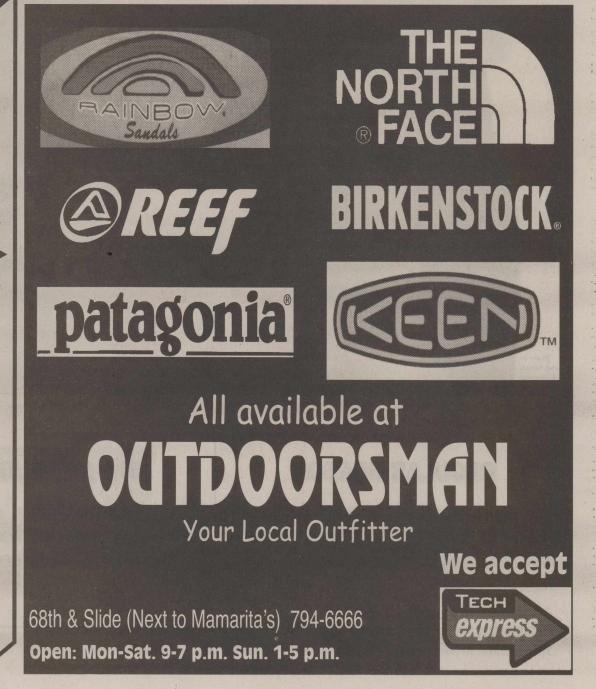
Bruce Weber said. "We'll learn up a play in which center Terence end," Illinois center Jack Ingram

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — stretch is the most important of basket and guard Tony Stockman on the deception.

"As we left the huddle, Matt

Ohio State (19-12, 8-8), a ing onto the ball, didn't have a Illini, who had hurdled tough "We were in the huddle and games in loud environments all halftime.

"We didn't take care of the ball First-year coach Thad Matta drew and they made all the plays at the



## Tech's starting pitchers struggle in series win



TYSON JEFFREYS/The University Daily

CENTER FIELDER CODY Fuller swings at a pitch against Northern Iowa Sunday as the Red Raiders defeated the Panthers 11-5. The win gave Texas Tech a 2-1 series win during the weekend.

## Read The UD online at www.universitydaily.net

By Bryan Wendell/The University Daily

Texas Tech spent the entire weekend in an unfamiliar place, despite being within the confines of Dan Panthers to score past that point as Tech won, 11-5.

games during the weekend series from behind but came be the game-winner. back to win two of three against the Northern Iowa

'This whole series, we've put ourselves under stress hard and found the hole.' and (are) not pitching well early," Tech coach Larry

Overcoming a deficit is slightly new to Hays' team this season and adds to the coaches' and players' pres-

"That's baseball — you can't count on anything," he said. "We're giving (our pitchers) opportunities. It's might try to take advantage," he said. up to them to take advantage of them, and when they

don't, it puts us under stress.' Tech starters were sent packing during or before the third inning in every game throughout the weekend and

each allowed four runs before being shown the door. Friday's starter Randy Gattis went two-thirds of an inning, allowing four hits and four runs in a 9-7 loss.

Billy Carnline, Saturday's starting pitcher, lasted two and one-third innings and also allowed four runs. The comeback effort in Saturday's game was successful as Tech used a three-run fourth inning to spark a Carleton Hargrove in the first four innings, Zach Butler, comeback win, 6-5.

Senior Tanner McElroy got the save in that game, thers and allow four hits between them. his third of the season.

due to our starting pitchers walking people and getting mound late in the game. behind," he said. "But we've got (relievers) like (Brian) Wyatt and (Casey) Zachry today coming in and giving Yes, it's a lot more comfortable when we're ahead by our hitters a chance."

behind early after Dustin Richardson allowed four runs a good job.'

on one hit.

Tech turned the game around, however, by scoring five runs in the bottom of the fifth and not allowing the

A two-RBI single from senior second baseman punc-The Red Raiders (14-2) played much of the three tuated that five-run inning. Avants' single turned out to

> "You see guys get up in big situations, and you tell vourself to hit the ball hard," he said. "I just hit the ball

> Avants, who went 2-for-5 in the game, said the mood in the dugout was a bit anxious after Tech went

> 'We weren't trying to press ourselves, because we knew there were a bunch of innings left, but we knew we needed to try to get going real quick because they

> Senior right fielder Madison Edwards went 3-for-4 with three RBIs in the game.

He said pitching coach Travis Walden was a positive influence on the team during the tense dugout moments.

"Coach Walden started getting us up a little bit and talking to a couple of us. That's what I like about coach Walden is he's not afraid to tell you when you're doing something wrong," Edwards said. "He wants to win out there more than anybody."

After the five runs given up by Richardson and Zachry and McElroy combined to shut down the Pan-

Though it was not a save situation for McElroy, he "We've been starting off real slow, and I think it's said he tries to use the same mindset when taking the

"I want to go in there and get three up, three down. four runs, but I don't treat it any differently," he said. Sunday also saw Tech trailing as the Raiders fell "I don't even worry about the score; I just want to do

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## **BIG 12 TOURNAMENT**

The Texas Tech women's basketball team enters the Big 12 Conference Tournament in Kansas City, Mo., as the No. 4 seed.

## **NCAA TOURNAMENT**

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