

Proposal would allow alcohol in residence halls

By Ashleigh Adams/Staff Reporter

A proposal has been made by the Texas Tech Residence Hall Association to allow on-campus residents who are of legal drinking age to possess and consume alcohol in the privacy of their own residence.

Vice President of Student Affairs Michael Shonrock said although a few tweaks need to be made, the response to the proposal is generally favorable.

already had plans such as this implemented and they have been successful," he said. "As long as it is in accordance with other state and federal laws, those students over 21 should be able to consume alcohol in their own personal living space."

person possessing or consuming alstudent's age.

dence Life Sean Duggan said the new amount of students turned in for drinking.

"Under the policy as it is now, a violation of the drinking policy would be turned over to a judicial officer, and possibly the police if it was an underage student," he said. "The new policy will hold to the same standards for underage students, but those over 21 would be exempt, given they followed the "Other schools in the state have other outlined regulations."

> The proposal gives those who are said. 21 permission to drink, as long as their roommate is of age as well. There will also be a limit on the amount of alcohol that is acceptable.

"We are basically trying to acknowledge the fact that a 21-year-The current policy states that any old has the legal right to drink if he or she chooses," Duggan said. "We cohol in the residence halls is are not going to be allowing kegs or grounds for a violation, no matter the anything like that, (the policy) is just saying that they should be allowed Director of Housing and Resi- to have a beer if they want to."

According to the cover letter on policy would cut down on the the proposal, The RHA hopes to increase the number of upperclassmen and graduate residents by offering these students what is considered an off-campus privilege and to treat young adults that are 21 years of age like the adults that the state of Texas and the United States considers them to be.

> "You will rarely see someone of legal drinking age causing a disturbance, it is mostly underage drinkers that ruin it for everyone," Shonrock

> Kelley Erin, a senior early childhood major from Tulsa, Oklahoma and resident assistant for two years, said that if the policy is enacted, it may cause problems for other RAs.

> "It could definitely make things much harder," she said. "Just the fact that you will have to keep up with checking IDs, and older students having access to alcohol may give

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Beer and other alcoholic beverages may be a common site in Tech residence halls this fall. A new policy has heen proposed allowing students of legal drinking age to have alcohol in their respective rooms. CRAIG SWANSON/

Staff Photographer

Tuition rates likely to increase at Tech because of deregulation

By Heather Jones/Staff Reporter

Giving universities full power over tuition can be an overwhelming thought for many students. It has been confirmed by Texas Tech Chancellor David Smith that tuition will go up, but he believes Tech will not take advantage of having full power over tuition numbers.

"There is no question tuition will go up over the next 10 years, but I think people will find that Tech will not push the envelope (on deregulation)," Smith said. "We need to be very prudent and very careful."

Chrissy Mainey, a junior geology major from Austin, disagrees with Smith.

"They already raised (tuition), and I think that any opportunity Tech gets, they will raise it even higher," she said.

One of the main reasons tuition will need to increase Smith said is

because the legislature did not give Tech enough money for the increase in the number of students there will

"We are seeing that you have to make up the difference, but deregulation can not be the substitute for general funding," he said.

Provost Bill Marcy said there are not really any alternative ways for Tech to compensate for budget cuts other than raising tuition.

"These are funds that come through state appropriations, this shifts the burden onto institutional tuition," Marcy said. "And these are funds you can not replace by cutting programs."

Brian Newby, vice chairman on the Board of Directors for Tech, said that any increases in tuition would be for the benefit of the university and its students.

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Tech med student sues for more time on exam

A Texas Tech Medical School student is awaiting a ruling from the U.S. District Court that will decide whether he receives extra time to take the U.S. Medical Licensing Examination.

James Avery Rush IV sued the National Board of Medical Examiners in May after they refused to grant him a test accommodation of extra time pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act for Step 1 of the USMLE, according to the court documents.

A preliminary injunction hearing was held Monday and Tuesday to decide whether the NBME will give Rush a test accommodation for his learning disability.

The Step 1 part of the USMLE must be taken and passed before a student can begin third year coursework in medical school.

Rush is scheduled to take the exam today. If the judge rules in Rush's favor, he will be able to take was diagnosed with significant visual

extra time to take it, said Vince Nowak, Rush's lawyer.

day, but the judge's decision was unknown at press time.

According to the court documents, Rush has a learning disability that dates back to elementary and junior high school, but his disabilities were not formally diagnosed until 1998

Rush sought evaluation for a possible learning disability after he took the MCAT twice without any accommodations and received scores of 19 both times, according to the court documents. The MCAT must be taken for admission into medical school, and the average score is 24.

After receiving the diagnosis, Rush formally requested additional time to retake the MCAT. This time he scored a 25 and was admitted to the Texas Tech Medical School, according to the court documents.

"As a result of that evaluation, he

By Sabra Jennings/Staff Reporter the exam on July 2 and will have perceptual processing weakness that resulted in his being unable to process what he reads as quickly as most Lawyets expected a ruling Thurs- other persons," the court documents state

> The Step 1 exam tests the mastery of science skills, and Rush's learning disability affects how long it takes him to read and understand, Nowak said.

> "You either know it or you don't. Extra time does not benefit a person that is not learning disabled," he said. "(Rush) needs extra time to figure out what the question is asking. That was our argument."

Rush applied to take the USMLE Step 1 in January. He requested a test accommodation of extra time to complete the exam on the basis of his learning disability, according to the court documents, but the NBME did not grant him accommodation.

'In a letter dated March 27, 2003. the NBME denied Rush's request for an accommodation for the USMLE

Deregulation may increase financial aid

By Andrew Evans/Staff Reporter

Since the news of deregulation has come to the Texas Tech campus, students are wondering how they are going to pay for school in the future. Many students rely on financial aid if they maintain a 3.0 GPA and for academic necessities like tuition, graduate on time, will not have to

books and supplies, but will it be enough to cover the higher expenses?

Earl Hudgins, the director of the financial aid office, believes students will be able to afford the higher costs because of some new grants and scholarships being offered. If an institution chooses to exer-

goal of the financial aid office to assist students who can not afford it.

There is a law in Texas that says a certain percentage of all increases in tional Bank, said interest rates on loans tuition must go toward financial aid. have dropped considerably, making

"Twenty percent of an increase in tuition has to be set aside, and that money goes into grants and it can change every July, but this year

"And with a new grant, an addi- said. "As of July first, the rate will be tional five percent will go to the Bon-Time fund which is designed to

make loans to students." The B-on-Time loan is a zero-interest loan for full-time students who,

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pay it back. This can be very helpful for students who are struggling to cover all the fees "If the stu-

> dent doesn't graduate on time or have the grades, then they pay back the loan at a fairly low interest rate," Hudgins said. Interest rates for Stafford stu-

dent loans are decise an increase in tuition, it is the termined every year in July, and this student funds. year the rate has dropped.

> Tammy Roark, senior vice president of student loans at Panhandle Nathem more accessible to students. "It's a variable interest rate, and

work programs," Hudgins said. it's going down considerably," Roark

2.82 percent."

For students who must have financial aid, the lower interest rate is good news, and in the near future, it might be good news for students who have never needed aid before.

"I've never received financial aid before, but this deregulation makes me nervous," said Brian Parten, a senior computer engineering major from Lubbock. "I'm going to grad school, and I'm getting scholarships, but I definitely might need to look into getting some financial aid if tuition rises too high."

Students who have needed financial aid in the past are unsure about their futures as well. Vonda Harms, a senior music education major from Lubbock, relies on her financial aid every semester.

"I definitely need it; I definitely have to get student loans," she said. Hudgins is not expecting a disaster on campus, because of insufficient

"I don't see the administration trying to take major advantage of increased tuition," he said. "I think there's an implied cap on tuition because of competition between schools."

and colleges are continually trying to raise money for scholarships, and that it is important to get money to students who need it.

"The university is very sensitive to what increases will do to students, and they will keep students in mind when making decisions," he said.



JIMMY OLEANDER, DANA Williams and Marty Roe, members of the country band Diamond Rio, perform a free concert for fans at the Wal-Mart located at 4th Street and Frankford Avenue on Wednesday evening.

FREE DIAMONDS

Exam

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Step 1 claiming Rush had not demonstrated that he was 'significantly impaired in one or more life activities," according to the court documents.

On April 1, Rush submitted a letter to the NBME providing additional information and evidence clarifying his prior disability diagnosis, according to the

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BASED ON 2 MO . NO CONTRACT . NO NONSENSE court documents. He received a letter on April 25 denying him again for accommodation of extra time.

At the preliminary injunction hearing, both sides presented evidence to the judge. Thomas Riney, lawyer for the NBME, said the defendants presented evidence which disputes evidence presented by the prosecuting attorneys.

"Basically, our psychologist challenged the conclusion of their psychologist," Riney said. "We felt like his outstanding academic record is not sufficient to prove a disability."

Riney said Rush graduated from high school third in his class, and he graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a GPA of 3.9. Rush also graduated with a master's degree in business administration from Tech with a GPA of 3.9.

Nowak said Rush is brilliant. but without extra time, he cannot excel.

"It's like without my contact lenses I could never get a driver's license, but with them, I'm an excellent driver," he said. "With time, he is an excellent student."

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Hudgins said all the departments

Deficit may cause cuts in Citibus services

By Sabra Jennings/Staff Reporter

Citizens of Lubbock who rely on ride the buses do not completely Citibus for transportation may soon pay for the service, Harvey said. have to find another way of getting around the city on Saturdays.

to help fund the operating deficit. longer fund the operating deficit."

The Federal government regulates how much money cities re- tion External Vice President trip," she said. "We felt that it was ceive for public transportation and Colton Batchelor said he underhow that money is to be used, said stands why Citibus may have to Melinda Harvey, director of ser-, eliminate the Saturday service. vice development for Citibus.

"We are in a situation because govern how much money is spent," she said. "Since the population (of Lubbock) is now more get deficit."

is kind of embarrassing because we Citibus is looking at cutting can't use the money where we need the Saturday bus service as a way to use it," she said. "We can no to drop her kids off at daycare be-

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"This is not just affecting Lubbock; this is affecting 51 cities," and 5:30 Wednesday to decide of the Federal regulations that Batchelor said. "When Congress whether the Saturday service is says you can only use so much, you cut or not, Harvey said. have to cut."

An operating deficit is created hourly, and cutting out the service good, it's a hardship." because the fares people pay to entirely seemed like the best option.

During the week there are a number of people who make mul-"We have a lot of money, which tiple stops to get to their destinations, Harvey said.

> "If a mother had to make a stop fore going to work and do it all in buses that service Tech is fully reverse, that would be a two-hour covered, but it is the off-campus inappropriate for people to take away four hours of their day."

The Lubbock City Council will hold two public meetings at noon

Harvey said Citibus looked at made two service cuts and have to than 200,000, we can't use Federal every possible option, including trim down as much as possible," ahead. In case it does happen, funds to pay for the operating bud- making weekday routes hourly. Cur- she said. "We recognize that cut- they'll make sure it's as smooth a rently, the Saturday routes only run ting the Saturday service is not transition as possible."

In the spring, the board of regents passed a \$3 per credit hour transportation fee that allows Texas Tech students to ride Citibus fixed routes anywhere in Lubbock with their Tech IDs.

Harvey said the cost of the routes that will be affected if the city council approves cutting the Saturday service.

Citibus is doing everything they can, and cutting the Saturday service is not set in stone, Batchelor said.

"Right now, I think Citibus is "Over the past two years, we've doing (an awesome job)," he said. "They're really trying to plan

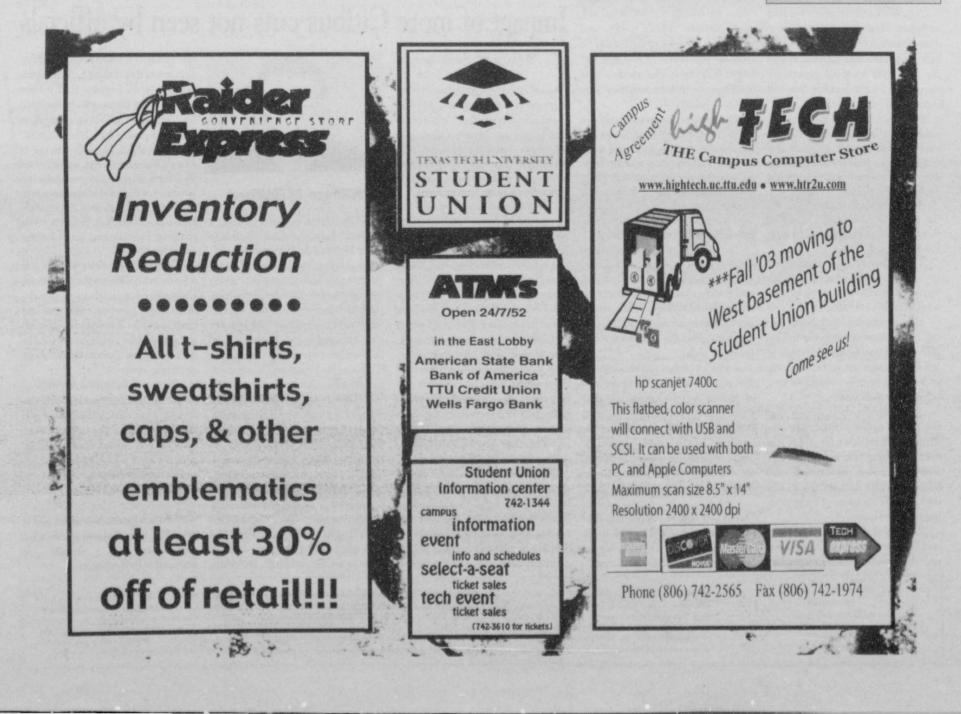
Fugitive of taxi slashing arrested

LAS VEGAS (AP) - A fugitive wanted in San Antonio in a violent taxi robbery and a sex assault was in custody Thursday in Las Vegas, authorities said.

Jose Armando Morales, 27, was arrested late Wednesday after a police dog found him hiding in the backyard of a home in the southeast part of the city, police Sgt. Ted Lee said.

Detectives think Morales he had been living in Las Vegas for about three weeks and using the name Juan Esparzo, Lee said.

San Antonio police said Morales had been arrested and charged with aggravated robbery with a deadly weapon after a 47-year-old taxi driver was stabbed in the neck during a robbery early Jan. 9.



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But how much will the sun shine tomorrow for-Tech? Will the university be prepared for what may possibly be in store? Will Tech rise to the occasion and make this a wonderful university for all its students, or will it crumble in the challenge that awaits?

The challenge facing Tech are the burnt orange clad Longhorns in Austin.

lives in the shadow of the Clock Tower. UT is the university in Texas, and Tech knows it. That's why improvements are being made to help us compete with the upper echelon of universities.

A new football stadium will help with that. Maybe when there is a stadium beautiful enough for people to look at, people will go to it. Forget the fact that football games are played in it. It's the building that will bring fans to the games.

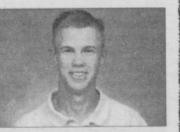
The Experimental Sciences building is a monstrosity of a struc- are coming to Tech. Enrollment has ture that will be able to house the wrath of God. And you thought you were scared when you found out Tech had the plague.

All of these are great things for the university, but more troubling here soon, too, and our student/facthings stand in the way of Tech,tuition deregulation.

This is where Tech really needs to worry about competing with Texas. Deregulation is going to have a big impact in Austin.

UT Chancellor Mark Yudof told the Daily Texan control over tuition rates would enable the university to reduce the student to faculty ratio and make progress toward making college more affordable.

The problem there lies in that the easiest way to reduce your student/faculty ratio is to get rid of students, and the best way to do that would be raising tuition. UT now has the largest enrollment in the nation, and I see many of them leaving for cost reasons.



David Wiechmann

But Tech has nowhere to put an influx of students. We are too busy building for the future that the future may bite us in rear. If Tech wants Every state institution in Texas to be a bigger university, it needs to invest in more residence halls. When the Overton district was purchased by McDougal Properties, Tech should have got a piece of the pie. A little bit of land would have been very beneficial for Tech because when the money fell out of the sky, i.e. donations, higher tuition and more fees, a residence hall could be built for this vision of a bigger and better Texas Tech. Plus another "this building costs this much money" sign would be posted.

> The bottom line is more students increased every year during my studies here, and it's going to keep happening. But deregulation will bring in secondary students. The ones who wanted to go to UT may be coming ulty ratio will go out the roof.

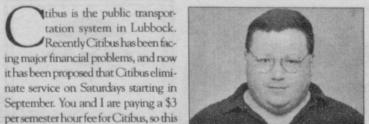
Tech has to ask itself a question. Are we going to filter out students by raising tuition, causing the lower though some people (especially those and middle class students to not be on the City Council) may not realize able to afford college, or are we go- this. Let's take a look at how Saturday ing to make the necessary steps to service benefits our area. accommodate the students of the future at Tech?

I see a lot of the current construction projects at Tech generating a lot of money for the university, but money doesn't make the students happy. More residence halls are imperative to the improvement of Tech. If tomorrow is going to be better and brighter, today is when we begin preparing for it.

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Impact of more Citibus cuts not seen by officials

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William Mattiford

could be athletic events.

That's right; just think about how many Techsans use buses to get to SBC Jones Stadium or the United Spirit Arena to see Tech teams play. Parking for football games is pretty tight on campus, and many people park their vehicles away from campus and take buses to games. Just imagine what a mess it could be if we have no Saturday service for Citibus when big football teams come to Lubbock in October and November.

I haven't even brought up the fact that parking is always a big deal on our campus. Obviously we don't want a situation where even more vehicles are parked on campus. That's not going to help the parking situation on campus.

So what can we do about this? Aflibrary or meet with other class mem- ter all, the proposed elimination of Saturday service will not be decided by Tech officials, but rather by Luband Tech because those are the next comments and criticisms at on campus. These events can fall un- bock officials. The first thing we need comments via e-mail to

the Student Government Association, know that Saturday service is important to us. I realize that it's the middle of the summer and most Tech students aren't in Lubbock right now, but we're paying for Citibus service.

When the Citibus fee was put in place a few months ago, we were told that Tech officials understood the importance of the mass transit system in Lubbock. Well, let's see these same officials (including the Student Government Association) go to bat for Saturday service.

Now that Tech students have made a financial commitment to Citibus, Citibus needs to listen to us. We deserve some input in return for our money, and we shouldn't be expected to pay any additional monies to Citibus until we see that Citibus is serious about delivering service.

There will be public meetings to discuss this issue at noon and 5:50 p.m. on June 25 at the Citibus Downtown Plaza. I hope that the Lubbock City Council gets serious about keeping Saturday service for Citibus. Saturday service benefits everyone in Lubbock, whether they realize it or not.

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NEWS

Soldiers testify accused attacker was unstable Alcohol

Comrades who served with a soldier Airborne Division were sleeping. accused of killing fellow servicemen in Kuwait testified that before the deadly grenade attack, they were concerned he was depressed, suicidal and out of touch.

paced and appeared tired, said Lt. said Staff Sgt. Billy Rogers during the John Evangalista, Akbar's platoon leader, in testimony Wednesday by video conference from Mosul, Iraq.

Evangalista testified that four or five days before the attack, he asked investigators immediately after the Akbar if anything was wrong because the soldier seemed suicidal or lieved American soldiers were going alty if convicted at a court-martial. depressed.

"He said, 'No sir, I want to fight, I just want to prepare myself best I can to go fight," Evangalista said.

March 23 attack on tents where of-

FORT KNOX, Ky. (AP) - ficers from the 1st Brigade of the 101st Muslim faith."

Another soldier said Akbar called him before deploying to ask if U.S. servicemen were going to rape and kill Iraqi women and children.

Sgt. Hasan K. Akbar, 32, often Iraqis or doing something like that," hearing to determine whether Hasan will face court-martial.

Army officials testified Tuesday and again Thursday that Akbar told crime that he did it because he beto kill and rape Muslims.

Maj. Shawn Phillips testified Thursday that a sergeant told him that Akbar said he had deliberately nam War that a U.S. Army soldier has Akbar is accused of killing two targeted the leadership of the brigade soldiers and wounding 14 others in a because we were "going to rape the tempted murder of another soldier durwomen and kill the children of the

Tech Theatre continues show-

the Lab Theatre.

Sgt. First Class Daniel Kumm testified that Akbar was being treated for sleep apnea and had been brought to his platoon on a "rehabilitative transfer" to get a fresh start because of past "I said, 'No, we won't be raping problems such as arriving for training at Fort Polk, La., without his bags.

Kumm said he still had problems, and he did not want him to go to Iraq.

"I didn't want him to deploy, sir, and if there was a job back at Fort Campbell that's where I would have preferred him to be," Kumm said.

Akbar could face the death pen-His lawyers have not spoken publicly about the case.

It is the first time since the Vietbeen prosecuted for the murder or ating a period of war, the Army said.

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easier access to underage students." However, Duggan said the percentage of those older than 21 in the dorms is so low it will most likely not be a big issue.

400 to 500 students over 21 in the residence halls, but we would like to see that increase," he said. "Those that do choose to stay on campus should have the same freedoms they would have living off campus."

Adults are currently allowed to drink at the Merket Alumni Center, the Frazier Alumni Pavilion and other areas when approved by the university's president. Shonrock said if students are interested in expanding the drinking rules further, or would like a bar on campus, all they need to do is take action.

"About five or six years ago, the "Per semester, we are seeing maybe idea of a bar on campus was proposed. but the students voted against it,"he said. "If this new policy is enacted, it may provoke change in other areas of the university as well. We want the students to have input on where they are living and going to school."



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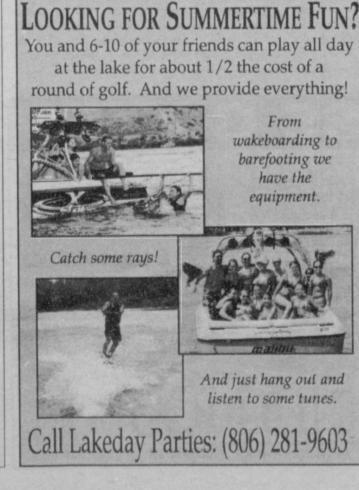
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NEWS

'Hollywood Homicide' kills itself with poor dialogue, characters

We all have bills to pay, I suppose. At least, that's the only logical explanation I could come up with as to why Harrison Ford would agree to do such a lame movie like "Hollywood Homicide." Director Ron Shelton co-wrote the screenplay for this film that just plods along in boring fashion with dialogue that isn't funny and with characters we don't care about.

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Ford is teamed up with young Josh Hartnett - a mismatched team from the start. Joe Gavilan (Ford) is the grumpy and grumbling cop with (Hartnett) is a flakey pretty boy who also have jobs outside the homicide

FILM REVIEW



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experience and K.C. Calden department doesn't pay all that well.

The film opens with the murder has dreams of being an actor. The two of a rap group in a popular night club. The owner (Master P) coincidentally department. Gavilan is a struggling is in the market for a new house, real estate agent and Calden is a yoga much to Gavilan's surprise. Throughinstructor. Apparently, the homicide out the film, Ford is negotiating a

deal on a mansion between Master laughs, when there are any, arrive with Ford frantically trying to close the deal on the house-even while involved in a high speed chase.

While Ford and Hartnett are working the case of the murdered rap group, Ford is being investigated by Internal Affairs for "misallocation of funds." The guy investigating him, Detective Benne Macko (Bruce Greenwood) has had it out for him for years and is looking to take Ford's badge.

also sleeping with Ruby (Lena Olin) who used to be with Macko. Ruby, by the way, is a radio psychic who winds up being able to help the boys on their murder case.

ing will get his name out there to big- movie, "Showtime." time producers.

The movie is what I call a "watchchecker." It's a two hour film, which is about thirty minutes longer than it has any right to be. Shelton is hoping that his dialogue between his characters will substitute for action, before it began. but the dialogue just fails to be funny or interesting. There are sparse laughs to be had, but they are too few and far between. There are also To add fuel to the fire, Ford is two chase sequences, both arriving late in the film. Many viewers may start to feel weary.

> Ford's grumpy character may very well be his disdain for the material leaking out. It could be that he is try-

Hartnett, on the other hand, is ing to prove his versatility by doing P and Martin Landau (who also must preparing for his role in "A Street- a comedy like Robert DeNiro. Then have a few bills to pay). Most of the car Named Desire," which he is hop- again, DeNiro did make the lame cop

Overall, the person to blame for "Hollywood Homicide" is Ron Shelton. It's not that the idea for the movie was bad, but the execution of the idea falters. The movie plays out like a soda that had lost all of its fizzle

EPPLER'S RATING: ***** 1/2

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

Fish farms creating popular clown fish by thousands because of Disney film

FORT PIERCE, Fla. (AP) his ocean home in a Disney animated way to grow the clown fish in tanks

Reefs & Aquariums has orange and the box office. white stripes as vibrant as those born who has a nubby right flipper.

"I wish I could go out and find a the \$100,000 fish," said company president Kevin Gaines.

star replica, demand for the fish has The store has ready-made tanks Pierce, about 65 miles north of West Before a diver scooped Nemo from been booming since "Finding Nemo" starting at \$90 with coral mimickwas released last month. Last week- ing the movie set and a pair of fish movie, researchers here devised a end, the movie about a father's search that look like young Nemo and dad for his son, who was nabbed from the thousands of miles from the Pacific. sea and placed in a dentist's wild-caught fish. The "Nemo" grown by Oceans aquarium, regained the top spot at

Pet stores and wholesalers are around the Great Barrier Reef and stocking up on the funny-looking bing a larger corner of the market, no imperfections — unlike Nemo, fish, known for bouncing around like a ball in the water.

"Everyone who comes in says fish with that deformity. It would be they want Nemo," said Michael Diaz, manager at Jewels of the Sea in West Palm Beach, where clown Even without the perfect movie- fish sales have more than doubled.

Marlin. It sells both farm-raised and

Plenty of clown fish are still harvested from the Pacific, but Gaines through adulthood when they were said farm-raised fish like his are grabparticularly in the last few years. Farms in Florida have raised the clown fish since the 1970s, but until ogy and began breeding the fish, five years ago, they often turned out marketing them as a hardier, more small and pale.

Oceanographic Institution in Fort Pacific's coral reefs.

Palm Beach, created an improved diet for the larvae and young clown fish with carotenoids, which are similar to the carotene pigment that makes carrots orange. The fish thrived, keeping their vibrant colors fed the enriched diet.

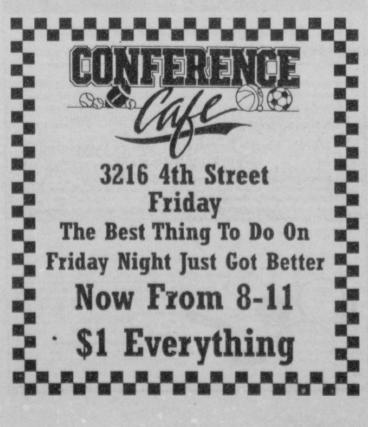
Oceans Reefs & Aquariums, a subsidiary of the marine research institution, adopted the new technolenvironmentally friendly alterna-Researchers at Harbor Branch tive to fish collected from the

Sixth season for "The Sopranos"

NEW YORK (AP) - Tony Soprano and his mob family on the HBO series have a longer lease on life.

HBO and producers of the award-winning drama have announced an agreement for a sixth season. The cast is currently wrapping up production on the fifth season.

The sixth season will consist of 10 episodes, shorter than the 13episode seasons "The Sopranos" usually offers, HBO spokeswoman Tobe Becker said Thursday.





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"There is not a formula to de-

cide how tuition will be raised,"

to be looked at, such as, what col-

leges it will affect, current fees and

the demands for certain programs.

Dana Faulkenberry, a junior

math major from Lubbock, is not

satisfied with the way Tech has al-

ready raised tuition and fees and

believes they will do the same thing

when deregulation goes into effect.

"Half of my tuition bill was

Deregulation

he said.

NEWS

Alligator kills boy

TAVARES, Fla. (AP) - A 12-year-old boy swimming in the Dead River was dragged under and killed by a 10-foot alligator minutes after two friends spotted the reptiles in the water and

quickly disappeared Wednesday, witnesses said.

trapped and killed seven 8- to 11foot alligators in their search for the one that killed the boy.

Tech," she said. Tuition deregulation was passed CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

by the State Legislature in early June and will go into affect in the spring of 2004.

He said there are many factors help schools compensate for the expected cut in higher education funding. It will allow universities to be in control of their own tuition. They will have the power to raise tuition as they see fit according to their schools individual needs.

Many campuses will choose not to increase tuition, but the main concern is the universities that will.

According to the Texas A&M made up of fees for facilities and University newspaper, The Battal-

programs I do not even use here at ion, tuition increases for A&M for the fall are expected to be small.

> A&M President Robert M. Gates told the paper he does "not foresee tuition rates 'skyrocketing."

told the paper.

According to The University of Texas campus newspaper, The Daily Texan, UT System Chancellor Mark Yudof said at a press conference that tuition at UT is going to increase.

"Are prices going up? Of course. Are we having trouble making ends meet? Of course," Yudof said.

The Daily Texan reported that UT President Larry Faulkner said that tuition increases at UT would probably start in January.

State Representative Carl Isett "We will keep (tuition) at the stated earlier that he believes be-The bill was passed in order to lowest level we can and keep the cause UT started the push for tuincrease as low as possible," Gates ition deregulation, they will take full advantage of it.

"There are those who believe that if a degree from UT is worth more then (people) should have to pay it," said Isett.

Mainey believes the exact opposite and that Tech will raise tuition considerably.

"(UT and A&M) might raise tuition but not as much as here, they At the same press conference get more money then we do," she said.

screamed at him to get out. The alligator surfaced at least once with the boy, Brian Jeffery Griffin, in its jaws, but

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New NCAA student-athlete requirements take affect in fall

By Pete Spitler/Daily Egyptian

(U-WIRE) CARBONDALE, Ill. The NCAA is making it harder to balance sports and academics in colleges across the nation this fall.

Starting Aug. 1, incoming student-athletes must have 24 hours of academic credit completed before they enter their second year. In addition, student-athletes must complete 40 percent of their classes toward their degree by the end of their classes, they will be able to enter col-

their third and fourth years.

"As far as the university as a whole, there's not any special preferences given to student-athletes," said Kristina Therriault, coordinator of Student Services for SIU Athletics.

The NCAA also passed a new reguirement that states high school student-athletes now have to take 14 core classes, unlike 13 in the old system. Provided the students pass all 14 sophomore year. Twenty percent lege even if they scored low on stan- mental for students who are not pre- universities more accountable for the quirements," Walker said.

The new requirements make it easier for high school prospects to

attend college, but it also makes it harder to stay there. "There are really two ways to look at it," SIU men's swimming head coach Rick Walker said. "One way is looking at how much this is going their junior year, and then the reto screw everybody up and the other

ing athletes are going to face."

is the amount of challenges incom-

must also be earned during each of dardized tests like the SAT and ACT. pared for the academic workload, academic success of their studentspecifically undecided freshmen.

> "Right now, students don't have a lot of possibilities to switch majors, but it's going to be even tougher for these new students coming in," Therriault said. "They have to have 48 hours complete by the start of quirements jump up to 60 percent before their senior year."

The new changes may be detri- increase graduation rates and make they're three hours short of the re-

athletes.

Typically, undecided college freshmen wait around a year before deciding what kind of career they want to pursue. The new regulations will force athletes to decide quicker and make it harder for them to maintain the required pace.

"I don't know if we can afford to wait for somebody to be undecided, The new rules are expected to pick a major and then find out that

ACC leaders agree to pursue Virginia Tech in expansion plan

ginia Tech was given a chance to join three Big East schools that might possible expansion of the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Wednesday to reconsider the Thursday. He said Steger and Hokies for admission into their Clough spoke Wednesday night, but planned superconference. The added the Hokies "have not remove would create a 13-team ACC ceived an official invitation and if approved, and could free Virginia that's the extent of it.' president John Casteen III from casting a decisive vote.

ginia Tech president Charles Steger we have to wait and see what the in a meeting with Georgia Tech ACC wants to do."

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) - Vir- president G. Wayne Clough on Wednesday night, two sources told The Associated Press. The governjump leagues, another step in the ment and college sources spoke on the condition they not be identified.

Virginia Tech athletic director ACC presidents decided Jim Weaver met with Steger on

School officials also released a statement, saying "the expansion The idea was presented to Vir- plans are the work of the ACC, and

Clough, a former dean of the col- league presidents after it appeared lege of engineering at Virginia Tech, the original expansion plan involvtold the AP Wednesday night he ing Miami, Boston College and didn't meet with Steger in any offi- Syracuse would not get the required cial ACC capacity.

said any information I got from the talks said. meeting I would take back to my colleagues," Clough said when reached at his Blacksburg home.

to act on behalf of the conference and no invitations have been extended.

The decision to reconsider Virhour conference call of the nine consensus reached.

seven votes for approval, a govern-"It was a friend to a friend and I ment source with knowledge of the

Casteen, whose suggestion that the Hokies be including in an expansion plan was rejected by the league ACC spokesman Brian Morrison .presidents last month, pledged then said no league member is authorized to continue pushing for Virginia Tech. His suggestion that they be reconsidered Wednesday came in the third of three lengthy conference ginia Tech was made during a three- calls that have all ended without a

Tech football recognized for academic work

Texas Tech football team has been recognized as one of the top 32 universities in the nation for its graduation rate by the American Football Coaches Association.

The class receiving the recognition is the freshman class of 1997-98. This marks the third year in a row Tech has graduated more than 70 percent of its athletes on the football team.

The Red Raiders join four other Big 12 Conference schools gaining the recognition. Baylor, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Oklahoma State join the ranks of universities graduating at least 70 percent of their athletes.

Five schools from one conference led the way this year, and the Big 12 tied with the Big 10 and Mid-American Conferences for the leagues with the best graduation rates.

The average graduation rate of the 102 Division I-A universities responding for the report was 59, a drop of one percent from last year.





