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## Tech nutritionist fired for job improprieties

By David Wiechmann/The University Daily

Aaron Shelley, a nutritionist and head strength and conditioning coach for the men's basketball team, was terminated last week for what Athletics Director Gerald Myers called improprieties in his job performance.

"I can't say a lot," Myers said. "He was terminated as a result of discovering the way he did business."

The Athletic Department contacted Texas Tech's internal audit office to examine the situation, which



is common practice any time university funds are involved, Myers said. The audit office and the Tech police are handling an investigation on the incident.

Myers would not comment on the justification of Shelley's termination but added the investigation will expose the improprieties.

"I can't say anything about that except that we found some of the ways he does business, and we had to make a change," he said. "We'll have to wait and see what comes out of the investigation. It's totally out of our hands. We felt it was something they needed to look into. Any time

you have problems with funds, you call internal audit first."

Shelley did not return phone calls made to his home. Myers said the amount of time Shelley was involved in improprieties at Tech was unknown to him.

Myers said he has not received any information from the police regarding the matter and said he is optimistic about the ordeal.

"They haven't said anything, and they'll look at it as long as they need to," he said. "We'll get through it; it will just take a little while."

Bobbie Gleason, senior associate athletic director of business, said he did not feel comfortable talking about

the matter until the situation is made clearer.

"At this time I can't comment on that," he said. "I don't think we have a good feel to be able to discuss it right now. I'd rather have no comment."

Shelley has worked at Tech since 2000. He was the director of nutrition for Tech.

He has worked as a collegiate nutritionist and strength coach for the last 11 years. Before coming to Tech he was at Nevada, Kentucky and Oregon State.

While he was an assistant at Oregon State, Shelley co-wrote 24 presentations and publications on metabolism and strength.

## DRIZZLY DOWNPOUR



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### Winter weather conditions force some classes to be cancelled

By Andrew Bell/The University Daily

Only in West Texas, particularly in Lubbock, could the weather be sunny and warm one day and then snowing and cold the next. With the dip in the thermometer, Texas Tech students should make sure to be more careful when out in the winter wonderland.

According to Tech Announce and the Office of the Provost, classes starting after 6 p.m. Tuesday night were cancelled. Classes resume at 10 a.m. today. However, university offices and staff members are required to be at work during normal business hours.

According to the National Weather Service Web site, temperatures fell to 25 degrees Fahrenheit on Tuesday.

Col. Buddy Knox, director of Traffic and Parking, said in the event of icy conditions on campus, the only time the department becomes involved is when ice accumulates on the tower in the Indiana Avenue commuter parking lot.

When ice develops on the tower, there is a possibility that the ice could fall and damage cars and property. Knox said to prevent this from happening, sections of the parking lots directly under the tower lines are closed down.

Although the department only deals with the parking problems involving

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TOP: STUDENTS WALK to class in the area northwest of Memorial Circle. ABOVE: Two Tech students share an umbrella while walking to class between the Mass Communications building and Memorial Circle on Tuesday afternoon. The inclement weather conditions in Lubbock caused Tuesday classes beginning at 6 p.m. and later to be cancelled. Also Wednesday classes beginning before 10 a.m. were cancelled. Temperatures in Lubbock are set to return to above 50 on Wednesday.

## Health

### Texas has highest insurance premiums in United States

By Beth Aaron/The University Daily

Health insurance premiums in Texas have risen to among the highest in the nation, according to a Texas Association of Business 2002 report.

With health care costs on the rise, informing people of what health benefits offered by employers and how costly they are is becoming increasingly important.

Jerry Hagins, a public information officer for the Texas Department of Insurance, said with Texas' health insurance status in crisis, people must inquire about health benefits when looking for employment.

"People should be aware that not every employer would have it," he said. "That's a question you'd have to ask a prospective employer."

Because Texas' economy is made up of many small businesses, there are a high number of uninsured people in the state, Hagins said.

"Seventy-five percent of small employers in Texas don't offer health benefits," he said.

Another factor contributing to Texas' criti-

cal health care situation is the state's rural-based economy that is less focused on manufacturing and hinges on farming and construction. These occupations often employ migrant workers who find it difficult to obtain adequate health insurance.

As the federal government has cut Medicare and Medicaid payments, it has driven down payments to hospitals and physicians who are now looking to the private sector to make up losses, according to the Texas Association of Business. Many small businesses in Texas cannot afford to cover expenses and they are asking their employees to pick up the slack.

"With a tighter economic climate, some employers are scaling back the benefits they are able to give their employees," he said.

Kathryn Quilliam, Texas Tech ombudsman, deals with student insurance policies through Megalife. Insurance premiums have risen every year during the past three years, she said, because the cost of providing medical care is going up, premiums are going up.

During the last legislative session, Texas passed a bill agreeing to pay half of the benefits for part-time benefit eligible employees. Previously, all benefits were paid.

"Individuals are paying the other half," she said.

Approximately one-fourth of Texans have no health insurance whatsoever, and that number is on the rise, according to the Texas Association of Business. When costs go up, some people are forced to drop coverage altogether, resulting in more uninsured.

Catherine Polydore, research assistant and president of the graduate and professional student association, came to Tech three years ago from the Caribbean island of Dominica to study environmental toxicology. She said the decrease in health benefits requires her to pay \$150 out of pocket every month for health insurance.

"Obviously having to pay anything out of pocket is something I wouldn't agree to," she said. "That \$150 dollar increase could have been kept in the pocket."

Polydore said she was not greatly bothered by the increase, but other international students and colleagues with families were upset by the change.

"I was told that this makes the difference between whether they can have health benefits for

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## Administration

### Tech officials plan to offset budget cut

**FINDING FUNDS:** "Path to Pre-eminence" Campaign intends to raise \$450 million.

By Michael Castellon/The University Daily

Texas Tech officials are planning to thwart a turbulent economic outlook with an aggressive campaign that intends to raise nearly \$450 million for the university.

Dubbed "Path to Pre-eminence," the campaign will work to offset a crippling state budget that has taken a toll on university finances in recent years, said Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith.

Tech has raised \$100 million since 2002, Smith said, a figure he is cautious to celebrate.

"I'm happy with it, but I can't tell you I'm satisfied with that," he said. "I think we still have a lot to do in terms of fundraising, and I think the Path to Pre-eminence will allow us to do that."

Details of the initiative have yet to be ironed out, Smith said, but the initiative will likely be finalized later this spring.

About a fifth of the funds already raised have been earmarked for scholarships, Smith said.

The university also is experiencing growth in endowment funds, which provide funding for academic initiatives. Endowments at the university have increased to about \$344 million, ranking Tech 125th in the nation for endowments, Smith said.

Officials haven't ruled out bumping up the \$450 million goal if they see fit, Smith said. If successful, the campaign would compete with the funds raised under Chancellor Emeritus John Montford, who successfully raised more than \$500 million for the university during his term.

Students and faculty will likely welcome the campaign, which, in theory, may slow the need for higher tuition costs in the future, while providing the

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## National Politics

### Edwards campaigns at Houston high school

HOUSTON (AP) — If President Bush has his home state of Texas wrapped up for the November election, John Edwards isn't letting on that he knows.

The North Carolina senator and Democratic hopeful pressed for better health care, equal educational opportunity, racial harmony and living wages during a campaign stop at a Houston high school Tuesday night.

"We're going to carry this state next November," Edwards told an ebullient crowd of at least 300.

"Cynicists didn't build this country. Optimists built this country. How many times has someone said to you, 'You can't do this?'" he said. "I need you, your friends, your families."

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## CROWDED CLEANUP



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/The University Daily

WORKERS FROM THE Texas Tech Grounds Maintenance crew clear out brush and obscuring branches from the area between the Old English building, the Mass Communications building and the Student Media building. The area was grown over, and the crews worked through the morning rainstorm and subsequent afternoon snowstorm to make the area more open.

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## The Rundown



### More countries ban U.S. poultry imports

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — America's poultry growers are feeling increasing pain as more of the nation's trading partners ban imports of U.S. chickens, turkeys, eggs and other products following the discovery of a dangerous strain of avian flu in Texas.

On Tuesday, South Korea and the European Union banned all poultry imports from the United States, while Mexico banned most U.S. imports.

The three nations bought U.S. poultry meat products totaling \$340 million last year, nearly 20 percent of the \$1.8 billion worth of such exports by American producers, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Earlier this month, Russia, China, Japan and other major importers imposed localized trade bans after a less potent form of bird flu turned up in Delaware and Pennsylvania.

"Every new media report is like throwing gasoline on a flame," said Toby Moore, spokesman for the USA Poultry and Egg Export Council, a trade group based in Stone Mountain, Ga. "Even consumers here are asking, 'Is it safe to eat chicken? It's not like there's arsenic in it.'"

Russia, which received nearly a quarter of all U.S. poultry meat exports in 2003, has so far limited its ban to Texas products, but it is weighing whether to widen it to the entire United States.

James Grimm, executive vice president of the Texas Poultry Federation, said his membership of about 1,200 growers has annual exports between \$150 million and \$200 million.

"It does leave a huge economic impact on us," he said of the export bans.

The poultry bans follow recent import bans by more than 50 countries on U.S. beef and cattle following the discovery of a single case of mad cow disease in Washington state in December. Exports represent about 10 percent of the nation's \$40 billion beef industry.



### Bush puts gay unions in campaign spotlight

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush urged approval of a constitutional amendment banning gay marriages on Tuesday, pushing a divisive social issue to the center of the election campaign and setting a clear policy contrast with Democratic challengers John Kerry and John Edwards.

Bush said "activist judges and local officials" from Massachusetts to San Francisco to New Mexico were attempting to redefine marriage and "change the most fundamental institution of civilization" by allowing same-sex weddings. "On a matter of such importance, the voice of the people must be heard," he said.

Democrats accused Bush of pandering to right-wing supporters and tinkering with the Constitution to divert attention from his record on jobs, health care and foreign policy. "He is looking for a wedge issue to divide the American people," Kerry said.

Both Kerry and Edwards said they oppose gay marriages but would not support a constitutional amendment.

Banning gay marriage is a top priority for Bush's conservative supporters, particularly those among religious and family-oriented groups. But while a majority of Americans — sometimes by as much as a 2-1 margin — oppose legalizing gay marriages, Bush's move could hold political risks, particularly if voters see him as intolerant or question his self-description as a "compassionate conservative."

"The president needs to worry about fair-minded swing voters in America, not a Republican base that he has locked up," said Patrick Guerriero, executive director of Log Cabin Republicans, a gay GOP group.

Mindful of the high emotions and clear differences on the issue, Bush said, "We should also conduct this difficult debate in a manner worthy of our country, without bitterness or anger."

Conservatives were delighted Bush had plunged in. "There is no more important issue for our nation than the preservation of the institution of marriage," said Kelly Shackelford, president of the Texas-based Free Market Foundation, a family advocacy group.

Momentum for a constitutional amendment has grown as San Francisco officials have performed thousands of same-sex marriages and have challenged their state law barring such unions. In Massachusetts, the state's highest court has ruled that a state law falling short of allowing full-fledged marriage for gays would be unconstitutional.



### Earthquake kills hundreds in Morocco

ALHOCEIMA, Morocco (AP) — A powerful earthquake devastated an isolated, picturesque region of northern Morocco on Tuesday, killing more than 300 people as they slept, injuring at least 600 and laying ruin to villages that suffered for decades under government neglect.

Rescuers with pick axes and sniffer dogs were searching for survivors trapped under the rubble of their fragile mud-and-stone homes, which crumbled easily in the 6.5-magnitude temblor. Victims were most likely women, children and the elderly because men in the region tend to emigrate to the Netherlands and Germany in search of work, said Mohammed Ziame, a former human rights minister.

The quake, which rattled apartment buildings as far away as southern Spain, destroyed rural communities near the coastal city of Al Hoceima, a hideaway tucked between the Rif Mountains and the Mediterranean Sea that draws European tourists with its sandy beaches.

Selaam Bennaissa, a farmer who lives in Ait Daoud, 12 miles from Al Hoceima, said he was home when the quake struck at 2:27 a.m., and barely escaped before his house came crashing down.

"Fortunately it didn't fall on me," he said. He estimated about 90 percent of the houses in his village collapsed.

Authorities were scrambling to reach about a half-dozen remote villages, including Ait Kamara, Tamassint and Imzoum, where 36,000 people live.

Josephine Shields of the International Committee of the Red Cross, citing civil defense officials in Al Hoceima, said she heard reports that Ait Kamara — a village of 6,000 — was destroyed.

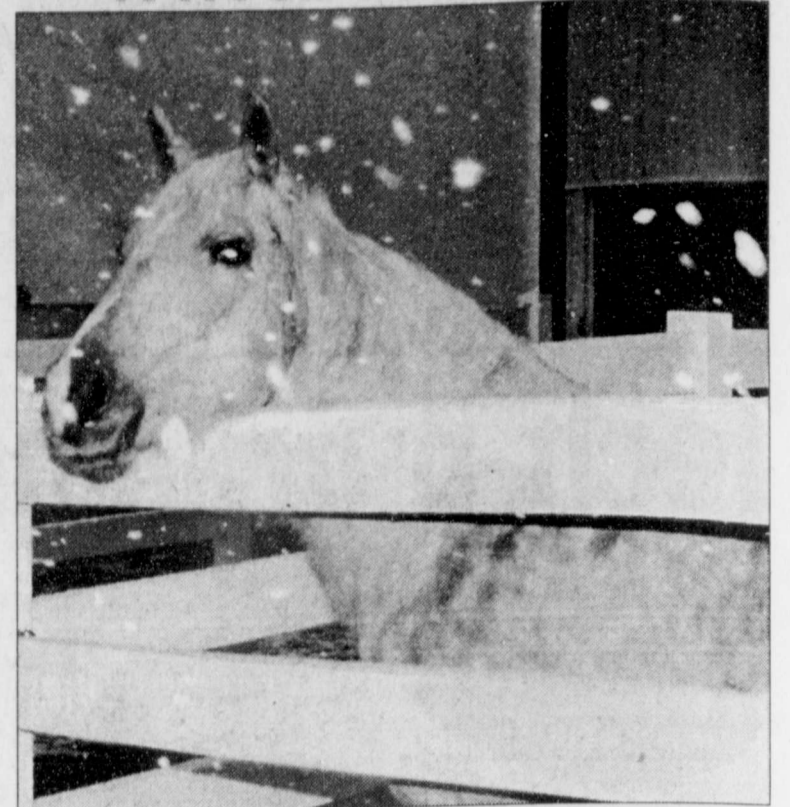
Rescuers reported difficulties getting to the stricken area in mountain foothills and served by narrow, poor roads. As they arrived, they found corpses; some families already had buried their dead.

French LCI television showed men with pick axes chipping their way through debris left by flattened buildings, while others used their bare hands to try to reach trapped victims.

More than 200 relief workers from the Moroccan Red Crescent were at the scene, along with helicopters filled with emergency supplies.

"The most urgent priority is to search for survivors and give them proper medical attention," Baddredine Bensaoud, secretary-general of the Moroccan Red Crescent, said in a statement.

## A NOSE FOR NEWS



ANDREW WEATHERL/The University Daily

HOPE, ONE OF the horses kept at the Texas Tech Equestrian Center, comes out of her stable to survey the sudden change in weather Tuesday afternoon.

## Haiti president calls for help as rebellion worsens

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Haiti's president urgently appealed for the world's help Tuesday to avert a bloodbath and a new exodus of boat people as rebels threatened the capital. Despite last-ditch diplomacy, an opposition coalition rejected a U.S.-backed peace plan.

Supporters of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide armed with old rifles and pistols built junkpile barricades blocking the road into Port-au-Prince, setting some of the barriers ablaze with burning tires.

The opposition rejected a peace plan that would have kept Aristide as president, but with diminished powers and compelled to share government with his rivals.

"We sent our position (paper) and a signed letter saying no to the proposal," opposition leader Paul Denis told The Associated Press.

He said the letters from the Democratic Platform were delivered to David Lee of Canada, the Organization of American States representative in Haiti.

"There will be no more delays. Our answer remains the same. Aristide must resign," said Maurice Lafortune, president of the Haitian Chamber of Commerce that is a member of the Democratic Platform.

Secretary of State Colin Powell on Monday had asked the opposition leaders to delay their formal response for 24 hours — until 5 p.m. Tuesday

— and opposition leaders said he had sought to assure them that the international community would call for Aristide to step down if he did not honor any agreement.

The neighboring Dominican Republic sent 1,200 extra troops to patrol its border with Haiti, said military spokesman Col. Juan Julio Tejeda Madera. He declined to provide the total number of troops at the 225-mile border and said he didn't expect a mass influx of refugees, "but we are ready."

At a news conference, Aristide warned that if rebels try to take the capital, the death toll would be high. So far, at least 70 people have been killed in the three-week uprising.

"Should those killers come to Port-au-Prince, you may have thousands of people who may be killed," Aristide said, adding the rebels had taken their fight overnight to the northwest town of Port-de-Paix. "We need the presence of the international community as soon as possible."

Aristide's followers have become more aggressive and have armed themselves since Haiti's small and demoralized police force fled the rebel advance. The insurgents have torched more than 20 police stations across northern Haiti since the uprising erupted Feb. 5.

At the National Palace, where Aristide made his pleas in French, English, Spanish and Creole, only a few police officers were visible. But an official said there were about 100 guarding the presidential seat.

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# Buffalo Beano relocating but not closing

By Sally Gunter/  
The University Daily

Between the bean bag chairs, kites and incense, loyal customers weave in to ask about the fate of a store untainted by the corporate world.

With a reassuring smile, the owner and manager of The Buffalo Beano Company, Gary King, tells the worried customers the company will be moving locations but not closing its doors.

"We are selling Buffalo Beano lock, stock and barrel," he said. "We are not going out of business, we're just selling the business."

Selling the business includes the inventory, display cases and two workers. The new owners also buy the help of King and his wife, Karen.

"We want to introduce them to new customers that are old customers to us," he said. "We want to help get them as good a start in the business as we can."

The previous owner of Buffalo Beano passed the company on to King, and he said he wants to do carry on the tradition.

"It is time to give someone else a chance," he said.

While King still has years left on his five-year lease with McDougal Realtors, he reached an agreement

with the real estate company. "We own the property already," said Mark Murdock, vice president for business development at McDougal Realtors. "We actually bought the lease."

Jerry Kolander, lawyer for Buffalo Beano, said the months of negotiations with McDougal Realtors went smoothly. The agreement is 'mutually satisfying' to both parties, he said.

"We are not having a fire sale," King said. "We are leaving at our own pace. My time has come and gone, and I'm ready to move on with my life."

Thirty years ago, King borrowed a loan from the bank for \$80,000. Today he said he is selling it for \$110,000.

"It is not that much considering the size of the store and the inventory," he said.

Buffalo Beano has been on the market for 10 days. While there have been no serious potential buyers for the business, King said he is confident someone will step up.

"We have plenty of time," he said.

"We would much rather find a buyer," he said. "Everybody is concerned. We are also. We want Buffalo Beano to go on. We don't want to liquidate unless necessary."

King said he plans to sign papers

The building will be demolished and replaced by a branch of City Bank sometime in the near future, Murdock said.

"Just as soon as we're certain everything has been done legally," he said. "New construction needs to get under way."

The building of City Bank is part of the Overton Project, a renovation project of the area east from University Avenue to Avenue Q and south from 4th Street to Main Street, Murdock said.

The value of the 325-acre North Overton area will increase from \$26 million before the project began to \$325 million upon completion in 2008. It is the largest private redevelopment project in the history of the U.S., he said.

Other than increasing the property value, the Overton Project will provide 600 additional houses on the east side and more than three apartment complexes.

If no one buys Buffalo Beano, then King said he will be forced to liquidate the inventory, or sell everything.

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THE OWNERS OF Buffalo Beano, located at 801 University Ave., sold the business after reaching an agreement with McDougal REALTORS to buy the lease.

with a broker on Wednesday or Thursday.

Business increased since the announcement of the sale, King said because customers are worried they will not be able to buy from the company

King said there is more to Buffalo Beano than the money. "We don't have any debt in this business," he said. "They're not going to be millionaires, but you'll be happy along the way."

## Weather

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the weather, the Grounds Maintenance department for the university makes sure the roads and sidewalks are safe for students during winter weather.

The managing director for Grounds Maintenance at Tech said truck crews would work through Tuesday night and Wednesday morning to sand the streets. Dewey Shroyer said if the roads were iced, then the sand trucks would de-ice the roads. Maintenance crews would also work to make sidewalks and handicap ramps accessible to students.

"At 5:30, 6 in the morning, we'll get the sidewalks de-iced before the students go to class," Shroyer said.

However, if the snow falls heavily during the night, the sand trucks would not be able to keep the roads safe for the faculty, staff, administration and students of the university,

Shroyer said.

If the weather creates bad driving conditions for the roads, Maj. Gordon Hoffman, of the Tech Police, said drivers should reduce speed and keep greater than normal distance between cars.

As always, Hoffman said any occupants of a vehicle should buckle their seatbelts and make sure the vehicle is in good running order before driving.

Also, students and other drivers should maintain a cool head and use their best driving minds when out in the icy conditions.

"If you go into a skid, turn in the direction of the skid to recover," Hoffman said. "Tap brakes lightly when braking to not lock them up."

Hoffman said he was not aware of any accidents on the Tech campus as of press time due to the roads being sludgy.

"If you don't need to travel," he said, "use it as an excuse to stay home."

## Postal workers not informed about exposure to deadly toxin

WASHINGTON (AP) — Postal Service workers weren't told they had been exposed to deadly ricin found last year in a letter intercepted before reaching the White House, the head of the largest postal union said Tuesday, accusing the government of a double standard that favors politicians.

Workers "will not be treated like a canary in the mining industry," said William Burrus, president of the American Postal Workers Union, which represents 366,000 clerks, maintenance employees, motor vehicle operators and other workers.

Burrus was testifying at a Senate Governmental Affairs Committee hearing on the future of the Postal Service and its work force.

The letter, released Monday by the FBI, was signed "Fallen Angel" and had an Oct. 17 postmark from Chattanooga, Tenn. It was addressed to the White House and was intercepted Nov. 6 by the Secret Service at an offsite mail processing facility in Washington.

The Postal Service referred questions about Burrus' criticism to the

Secret Service. Ann Roman, a spokeswoman for the Secret Service, said it had notified the FBI, the Postal Service and other government agencies on Nov. 12 that the letter tested probable. It was up to other agencies to decide whether and how the information would be released, she said.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan has said that Homeland Security officials held a Nov. 13 conference call with the FBI, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Postal Service and other agencies to discuss what to do.

Ultimately, the ricin in that letter was deemed to be of a low grade and not a threat to public health, so no announcement was made, McClellan has said.

Burrus asked why postal workers who had probably handled the letter were not informed. "There is a double standard," he said.

He said the union and its members did not know about the incident until another ricin discovery earlier this month, this one on a mail-opening machine in an office of Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn.

## Insurance

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their family or not," she said.

The issue of uninsured Texans is a top priority, Hagins said. Though there were cutbacks, two bills focused on remedying the problem.

"It's certainly a concern in Austin," he said.

Jason Baxter, legislative aid for state Sen. Tommy Williams' office, said Senate Bill 541 authorizing Consumer Choice Health Plans, permits non-mandated insurance. A mandate provides patients direct service from a specialist. It means the monetary difference between health benefits and co-

pay. "It allowed providers to design plans that don't include mandates," he said.

Excluding some of the state's 63 mandates should help drive down the cost of health insurance premiums, Baxter said.

Senate Bill 10 allows small businesses to join into health group cooperatives, thereby qualifying for cheaper insurance plans, Hagins said.

The Texas Department of Insurance will continue to work on solutions to combat the number of uninsured people in Texas if solutions already on the table fail, Hagins said.

"If we don't see improvement we'll have to address it with other steps," he said. "There's not an easy solution. It's a complex problem that will take time to address."

## Edwards

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New Mexico Attorney General Patricia Madrid likened the upbeat Edwards to Seabiscuit, the famed, less-than-perfect horseracing hero of the Depression, and Democratic front-runner John Kerry, D-Mass., to War Admiral, the larger, faster, more sophisticated racehorse of the same era.

Seabiscuit beat War Admiral in a match race that delighted the nation, a story with which Americans are now familiar. "I call him Seabiscuit," she said of Edwards, "and in the next few weeks he's up against War Admiral and he's going to win."

Rice University seniors Anca Adams, 22, and Erin McEntee, 21, were intrigued when Edwards announced his candidacy on "The Daily Show," a newscast satire broadcast on Comedy Central.

"It's important to be in touch

with pop culture," Adams said. "That's how a lot of my friends found out" he was running for the Democratic nomination.

McEntee said Edwards' appeal is grounded in his avoidance of attacking Kerry or other Democratic opponents.

"He seems to be about uniting the Democrats rather than taking shots at them," she said.

Edwards has presented himself as the only Democrat who can beat Bush in the South, but he has only one primary win to his credit — that of South Carolina, his native state.

Charles Soechting, head of the Texas Democratic Party, told the crowd the race for the nomination would extend beyond Super Tuesday next week to the Texas primary on March 9.



## Funds

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necessary class size and research-related resources that are required to satisfy faculty needs and increase the university's image nationwide.

The need for private fund-raising initiatives has become increasingly important as federal and state budget shortfalls have created an almost near-crisis situation for students seeking outside financial assistance while attending college. Tech officials sidestepped a disaster last year after receiving only \$400,000 for grants intended for incoming freshman. Only with last-minute approval from the state's Coordinating Board were

officials able to dip into other grant-related accounts to accommodate all qualifying students.

Smith and other officials have been campaigning more aggressively in recent months for federal dollars, which aside from private donations, has become one of the last frontiers in light of a \$10 billion state deficit, which is showing almost no sign of immediate recovery.

What may be most impressive about the upswing in fund-raising cash flow is that it was accomplished, for the most part, while the two president positions at the university were left vacant.

Health Sciences Center President M. Roy Wilson and Tech President Jon Whitmore are among the newest additions to the university's administration.

"We're going to keep this primary season alive through March 9," he said.

Jon Taylor, political science chairman at Houston's University of St. Thomas, said Edwards in Texas has "a little traction, but not much."

"Kerry has it won," he said, saying money and labor support all

have gravitated to the Massachusetts senator. "I'll be surprised if Edwards wins anywhere else."

He speculated Edwards, from North Carolina, is angling more toward a vice presidential offer, where his Southern roots would help Northeasterner Kerry, or is positioning himself for another presidential run in 2008.

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## When students become apathetic

So here we are, almost halfway through another fun-filled semester, and I can only stare blankly at the helpful little animated paper clip who waits patiently on the right side of the screen, ready and willing to assist me in whatever way he can in the event that I need him.

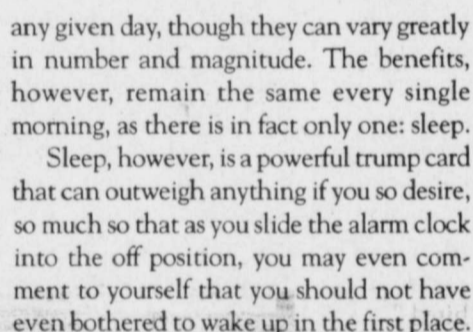
Until now, I had never noticed that he will scratch his "head" if he is left alone for a long enough period of time.

What inspires such boredom in a student, especially at this point in a semester when things could not be any busier? One's hands are certainly not idle because of a lack of potential tasks, but instead they are idle for a far more glorious reason. We have become apathetic.

Every morning the same scenario is being played out across Lubbock. With its irritating buzzing noise, your alarm clock rudely awakens you at the time you masochistically programmed it to the previous night. Though you are not entirely conscious, you still have the mental faculties necessary to conduct a brief cost-benefit analysis.

You consider the possible ramifications that could result from crossing the point of no return, which is achieved by making the switch from simply pressing snooze to actually turning off the alarm. In your mind, you review the attendance policies of the class or classes you will miss; you try to remember if there is a test or quiz scheduled for that day; you quickly reassess the "cool" level of your professor or professors that day, and you decide whether the homework you may or may not have completed is still as important as it was 10 hours prior.

Those are some of the potential costs on



Jason Lenz

any given day, though they can vary greatly in number and magnitude. The benefits, however, remain the same every single morning, as there is in fact only one: sleep.

Sleep, however, is a powerful trump card that can outweigh anything if you so desire, so much so that as you slide the alarm clock into the off position, you may even comment to yourself that you should not have even bothered to wake up in the first place.

It is admittedly difficult to conceive of college as preparation for the "real world," when one considers that these events are unfolding on a daily basis. The phenomenon is made all the more amazing when those who participate in it begin turning the entire affair into a competition to see who is the most intellectually unmotivated.

"I've only been to art four times this semester, man!"

"So what, I skipped a class so many times last fall I forgot I was taking it!"

"Damn, dude. That's cool."

A wise man once said that education is the only commodity for which people generally seek the least amount for the price. Regardless, a college student is certainly proof positive of the truth inherent in the adage declaring ambition is a poor excuse for not having sense enough to be lazy.

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Then the situation becomes even more incomprehensible when such a student begins planning extracurricular activities, perhaps even ones that are otherwise enjoyable. "Could we go out some time this week?" "No, I'd love to, but I'm just too busy." "Oh, I understand. Things are just so hectic this time of year."

Thus, the façade is complete. The rest of society still seems to think that being a full-time student requires endless devotion to the cause of self-actualization, while many of us sleep until noon at least once a week.

Ironically, though, becoming skilled at avoiding hard work and committing mistakes while still achieving a modicum of personal advancement can require a considerable amount of effort over time. Perhaps this twist of irony is our lesson. After all, if a student is clever enough to avoid working in class by working the system, then perhaps he or she will do just fine in the American free market system. As an interviewee for a local fitness club advertisement proclaims, "Work smarter, not harder."

To this day I maintain that a whole ass is unnecessary when half of one will do.

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## Spiritual or secular — celebrate Ash Wednesday

As rain poured down Tuesday soaking Mardi Gras festivities on Bourbon Street, a West Texas winter wonderland covered our campus. While snow-white streets are a signal to students that the season of winter is still hanging on, it may not be as obvious that the season of Lent began today, Ash Wednesday.

Catholics and some Protestants are participating in this 46-day preparation period of repentance and renewal leading up to Easter. For the religious this is a solemn and spiritual day filled with mourning, penance and remembrance; it is a time that helps those who follow Christ recall the temptations and sacrifices with which he was faced.

Personally, I think everyone should attend an Ash Wednesday service in his or her lifetime, despite contrary religious beliefs. Being in the presence of people participating in a religious ritual helps you understand another culture and thus helps our society be one filled with tolerance and understanding. But, today I en-

courage you to do more than observe. Traditionally, the faithful give up something to identify with the sacrifices of Christ and to renew their faith. This practice can be taken into the secular world and used to build character, increase quality of life and build a more compassionate society.

Whatever your view on God and religion, I urge you to not delay the decision to change what is not working in your life. I'm not a big fan of established religion, but I am wise enough to reap the benefits of the tenants of their customs. Last year I used the Lent season to give up alcohol, and I would encourage anyone who thinks their life is drowning in the bottle to do the same — the

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results are remarkable.

True spirituality, of the secular or religious nature, is found through recognizing and enduring sacrifice. If you don't relate to the sacrifice of Christ, acknowledge what your parents or others in your life have given up for you. Think about the American soldiers in Iraq who have sacrificed their lives. And then decide what you will sacrifice in order that you may live a life in which you are free to appreciate and make room for blessings.

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## Being a woman in a man's world

Mud, guns, helmets, diving and shooting — no, I'm not talking about war. At least, in my mind I'm not talking about war. I'm talking about paintball.

My MBA class played paintball earlier this week; the game was supposed to help us build teamwork, leadership and strategy.

That was my first mistake. Paintball is not a game. Paintball is war. If you disagree, you will be executed by paint and then mocked for the remainder of the semester.

I think I started to get freaked out about playing when I had to sign a waiver saying there was a possibility I could get injured or die playing and that my heirs could not hold anyone liable.

Then, in a team meeting to devise strategy, my teammates (all male — that's very important) kept talking about how to kill people without dying. Before this I thought of paintball as kind of a more technologically advanced form of tag or hide-and-go-seek. Now all of a sudden I was feeling like I needed to put my affairs in order and say my final good-byes.

Then one of my teammates told me if my team loses and I'm not dead then I'm a slacker because I should go down with guns blazing. No pressure there, right?

Finally, the clincher — the statement that brought everything else into perspective — one teammate says, "You guys have no idea. This totally makes the testosterone start flowing."

It clicked. Paintball is a man's game. It simulates war, which I'm starting to think might be every guy's secret dream. This exercise, which was supposed to be teaching me about teamwork, gave me a powerful insight into the business world.

Business is a man's game. I bet almost every businessman out there, from Bill Gates to the 13-year-old knocking on doors with his lawnmower, thinks of the business world as a battlefield, and he is determined to either come away victorious or leave in a box.

Think I'm crazy? I might be. But it amazed me how seriously some of my male classmates were taking paintball. I also think it amazed them when I stuck around after we finished. Everyone had the option of leaving when our capture-the-flag tournament was over or playing some more for fun. Half the class opted to leave. I stayed. Several guys looked shocked when I informed them of my intentions to play more.

Then they looked kind of impressed and started complimenting me on my ability, which incidentally was absolute nil.

Ah, the difficulties of being a woman and playing a man's game. The situation is nothing new; my first soccer team was made up entirely of a bunch of little boys, with the exception of a little blonde girl in pigtails, who by the way could outrun most of those boys. I was the only girl on my high school team the boys would pass to when we played co-ed, and I won't tell you the nicknames I had in high school because I was better than the boys.

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(we'll pause here for a collective flinch from the male readers). And while sometimes being one of the guys isn't the place I want to be, it's better than being the wimpy girl who's afraid of getting dirty — none of whom were in my class, by the way. We businesswomen are tough.

Still, regardless of my past and my status, I was not prepared for the battle experience I witnessed going into paintball. I'm definitely not prepared for the battlefield that is the

business world; I'm certainly not ready to kill or be killed. I think that mentality is attached to the Y chromosome, so we women, unfortunately, miss out on the experience of wanting to shoot anything that moves.

Interesting, isn't it, how gender affects us in such odd ways? I understand now why in Neanderthal times the men went out hunting and the women gathered. We're just programmed that way. That's why men go to war and women would rather talk it about it. And that's why men and women make great teams together. Having a

little of both attitudes keeps things in line. I learned a few other things from this experience — give a man a gun and tell him to kill or be killed, and nine times out of 10 he will be blissfully happy. Until he runs out of ammo, that is.

Nothing is a game. Everything is survival. Be nice to your gun, because it's the only thing between you and death.

Always cover your team, be it in paintball, business, family or friends. They need to know you have their backs so they'll get yours.

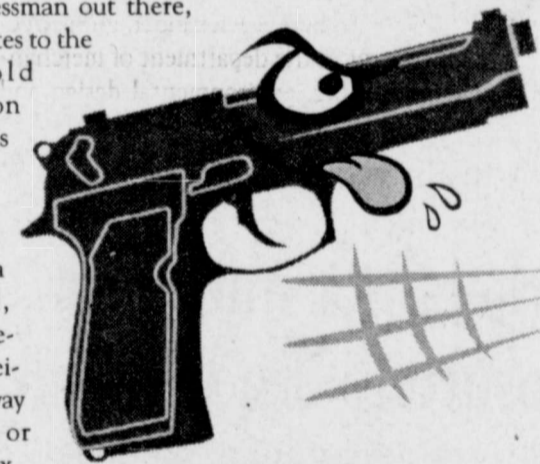
Men are crazy. But they're really fun to compete with.

Never underestimate women. That can come back to bite you.

Finally, I learned that getting shot from 10 feet away right in the behind really, really hurts.

Welcome to the battlefield.

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## 'Passion' Gibson's masterpiece

Mel Gibson's powerful "The Passion of the Christ" is a film that has needed to be made for quite some time.

For too long the common "churchy" vision of Jesus is that of a man being quite uncomfortable hanging on that cross with a few scratches on him and a neatly-folded diaper.

Gibson's film shows in a harsh and brutal fashion the suffering and anguish of Christ in the hours leading up to and including his death.

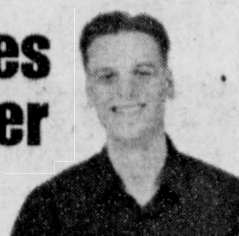
This Jesus on the cross in Gibson's film is what remains of a human body that has been relentlessly tortured and with huge gashes and bits of flesh barely hanging on to the abused body.

Amidst the betrayals, the abandonment, the beatings and the torture, the film never loses sight of the fact that Jesus continued to love people and bless his persecutors.

The film opens on a dark night as Jesus (Jim Caviezel) struggles with his spirit in the garden of Gethsemane. As he prays, he is tempted by Satan, (in the form of a pale hooded figure), to abandon his duty to die. A snake slithers up next to the doubled-over Jesus.

Jesus overcomes this temptation, however, and stomps on the head of the serpent in symbolic fashion. This is the key to understanding both the message of Christian doctrine and this film in that Christ chose to die for the redemption of man's sins — he was not surprised by his impending be-

**James Eppler**



trayal by Judas Iscariot or his brutal crucifixion.

The film details Jesus' trials before Jewish and Roman leaders and the blood-soaked agony that led to the cross. It shows in relentless fashion the sadistic brutality of the Romans who were notorious for their methods of torture and execution. The film received an R-rating for its vicious and teeth-gritting violence.

The scenes of torture — especially when Jesus is flogged by a whip equipped with shards of glass and bone that rip flesh from the body — are both physically and emotionally draining to watch. This is not a film for the faint of heart.

But that is the focus of this film — the suffering of Christ. Notice, also, the film is not focused on the resurrection of Christ. Gibson's focus is on the brutality that Christ suffered, and he purposefully leaves the film open-ended.

Gibson, the master storyteller, also inserts brief flashbacks that help to better explain the character of Christ. These include brief scenes focused on the Last Supper, Jesus' defense of a woman in the street, and my favorite,

an un-Biblical scene between Jesus and his mother while he is working on building a table.

All of these brief flashbacks, which also give audiences reprieve from the grizzly violence, give further insight into the loving nature of Jesus.

Gibson, being of a Roman Catholic background, has also chosen to make Jesus' mother, Mary (the perfectly cast Maia Morgenstern), a central character in his film. Some Evangelical Christians may accuse Gibson of not being faithful to scripture in this respect, but the fact is Gibson is not necessarily following any specific gospel out of the Bible.

But the decision to focus on Mary is hugely effective in the film. As she watches her son being brutalized, Morgenstern only occasionally lets a tear roll down her cheek.

She plays Mary as a mother who has been preparing herself for this for her son's entire life. Jesus occasionally locks eyes with her, and we know Mary is forcing herself to be strong for her son. It's a powerful statement and a commanding performance from Morgenstern.

Besides presenting doctrine so intensely, Gibson has also made a wonderful film in itself.

The Oscar-winning director of "Braveheart" has done another wonderful job of authentically representing an old civilization, even to the point of having this film be spoken in Latin and Aramaic with English subtitles to accompany. (Gibson originally wanted the film to be without subtitles, but the studio would not allow it.)

The score, composed by John

DeBney, is marvelous on an epic scale and perfectly accents each scene.

Jim Caviezel is brilliant as Jesus and makes us feel every blow he receives from the guards. But amidst the anguish, both mental and physical, he never loses the center of the character, which is love.

The film has garnered much controversy and accusations of anti-Semitism. An analysis of the film, however, proves that it easily overcomes these baseless allegations.

Although the Jewish leaders demanded Jesus' death, it is the Romans who are seen as sadistic and barbaric beasts. But I don't hear any Italians complaining.

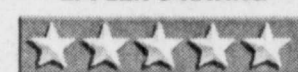
The film also shows that many on-looking Jewish civilians are horrified by the proceedings, and a Jewish man named Simon proves to be Jesus' source of strength as he carries both his cross and Jesus up to the hill of Golgotha.

As is with many religious works of art, this film will be hotly debated on various issues, all of which miss the point of the film, which is the biblical doctrine that Jesus' suffering paid for the redemption of a world that has fallen from grace.

Gibson's film demonstrates this message with a harsh and powerful vividness, the likes of which has never been seen on film. This deeply personal work is Gibson's masterpiece.

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## Professional appearance pays off at job interviews

By Stacy Stockard/  
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Students can make a positive impression during spring job and internship interviews with potential employers by presenting a polished, professional appearance.

Jay Killough, associate director at the Texas Tech Career Center, suggests all students invest in a black, navy blue or gray business suit. Killough said suits in radical colors such as bright green, pink, orange and yellow do not fit in with the conservative business world.

Melinda Adams, a visiting assistant professor of fashion design in the department of merchandising, environmental design and consumer economics, recommends men wear a suit, shirt and tie to interviews.

"The shirt and tie fit is best for guys," she said.

Killough said men and women should wear minimal jewelry and no facial jewelry. He added that some jewelry could cause a disruption during an interview by creating excess noise or calling attention to fidgeting.

Adams said she prefers minimal jewelry. She said the maximum amount of jewelry worn to an interview includes one or two rings, a necklace and earrings. Adams said more jewelry looks gaudy and overpowering.

Killough said women should wear pumps for interviews. He added that both men and women should not wear tennis shoes and must "match their leathers," or match their belt and shoe color.

He said to not wear perfume or cologne during an interview, as the interviewer might be allergic. He also said women should wear long hair in a ponytail to prevent distractions or playing with hair.

Killough and Adams encouraged students to research the atmosphere of the company.

"Just look nice, like you look like you belong to that company," Alexander said. "They have a cul-

ture, and you want to fit them."

Theresa Alexander, an instructor in the department of merchandising, environmental design and consumer economics, said conservative companies prefer women to wear skirts to interviews, while modern companies accept pantsuits.

Students should not wear distracting clothing like low-cut blouses or short skirts that hit above the knee to interviews, Killough said.

Adams said students could wear a pin or colored piece of clothing, such as a scarf to differentiate from the crowd. She said men could express themselves through ties. Adams also said men should pick a shirt and tie in complementing colors.

Alexander said details contribute to a polished image. She encouraged students to polish shoes, coordinate socks, clean fingernails, and fix their hair for interviews. Adams said a figure-flattering cut also leaves a favorable impression on interviewers.

"It can make a much bigger impression than some weird accessory," she said.

Killough, Adams and Alexander said to iron clothes before an interview to present a clean, polished and professional image.

Killough added that students should sit up straight and make eye contact during interviews to show confidence.

"Hold yourself in confidence," he said. "If you can look confident,

no matter what your suit costs, it's your skills, abilities and characteristics that will get you hired."

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## Lady Raiders moving on from big win to OU

By David Wiechmann/  
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The No. 8 Texas Tech Lady Raiders know they had one of their biggest wins on Sunday, but they also know they have to get down to business for three more games.

After beating the No. 1 Texas Longhorns on Sunday, Tech (23-4, 9-4 Big 12) now travels to face No. 24 Oklahoma (17-7, 7-6) and cannot afford to remember the big win if it anticipates a win today.

"I definitely think it's one of the biggest wins we've had; up to this point it's been my favorite win," said forward Casey Jackson. "We worked so hard and we wanted it a lot. It paid off. I think we can use the momentum from that game and take it on the road. We can't take us for granted, but it did give us a little bit of confidence."

Confidence is something the team is not complaining about having enter-

ing the final stretch of conference play.

The top four teams get a bye in the conference tournament, and Tech finds itself in a tie for third with Colorado. Those teams all have schedules packed with ranked teams and find themselves facing each other in the final three games of the season.

Tech closes against OU today, No. 14 Colorado on Saturday and at No. 9 Kansas State next week. No. 5 Texas faces No. 16 Baylor, K-State and OU. K-State's final opponent is Iowa State, which handed the Wildcats their only conference loss. Colorado closes with rival Kansas and Nebraska, a strong team at home.

Just glancing at it, one may question whether a computer put the schedule together or not.

"I'm guessing that they wanted to build some excitement going into the Big 12 (Tournament), and they tried to guess at some of the better matchups for the end," said head coach Marsha Sharp.

"I think from an interest standpoint they

got what they wanted. I think from a coach's perspective it's a nightmare."

Sharp and her players are hoping the remainder of the season is more of a dream than a nightmare. She said despite knocking Texas down, and the tough games coming up for K-State it will be hard to win the conference. But the ideal situation would be to make a push and guarantee a bye in the conference tournament.

"At this point it would be very difficult to win it," she said. "I don't know if I see that happening, but we're trying to get solidified in the top four because we would love to have a bye the first round of the tournament."

Beating Oklahoma would eliminate one team from getting a bye because it would put the Sooners three games out of fourth place with two games left. So, a win could help Tech in achieving that goal of getting a bye. The importance of the bye has been proven in that the only time a team

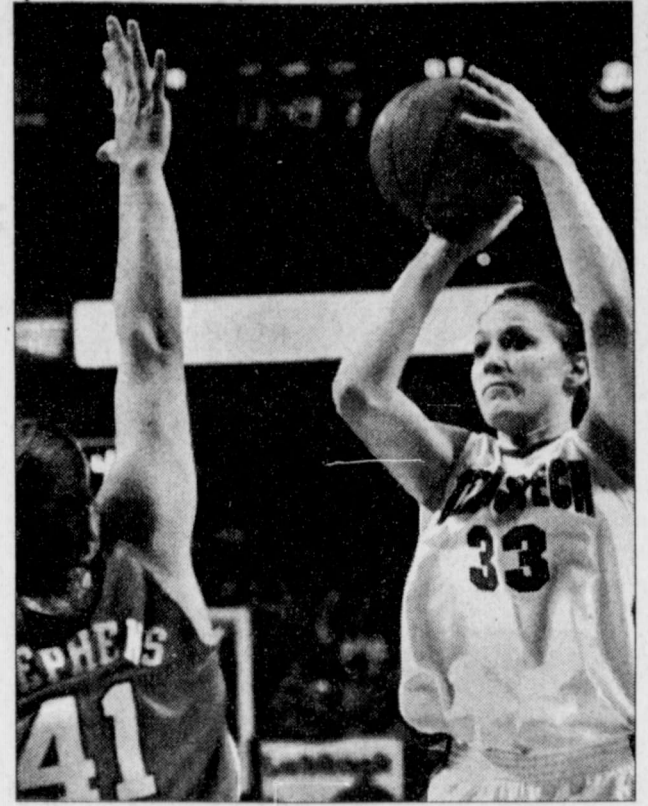
without a bye in the first round won the tournament was first year of the tournament, 1997.

When the two teams faced each other in Lubbock, the Sooners were able to stop Tech's offense with a variety of defensive looks, and counter on forced turnovers. This time around, Tech knows it has to take better care of the ball and continue dominant play in the paint.

LaToya Davis said she and the other inside players will have to step up again to shutdown Oklahoma's inside presence, much like against Texas. Plus, the team is pretty upset about the loss to the Sooners earlier this month.

"(Beating Texas) gives us a lot of confidence and motivation that if we play our game we can be successful at home and on the road," she said. "(Oklahoma) came here and beat us last time; that gives us a lot of extra motivation to go on the road and get revenge."

The quest for revenge begins at 7 p.m. on UPN 22 (Cox 6).



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## Tech shucked by Nebraska

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Nate Johnson had 17 points and 10 rebounds for his first career double-double, and Nebraska beat No. 25 Texas Tech 72-44 Tuesday night, handing the Red Raiders their worst loss in nearly two years.

The Red Raiders (19-8, 7-6 Big 12) shot just 18.5 percent in the second half while losing their fifth straight road game and for the sixth time in nine games overall.

Nebraska (15-9, 5-8) outrebounded the Raiders 25-11 in the first half and 51-24 for the game.

The Cornhuskers, who held Tech to a season low for points and field-goal per-

centage (.308), put the best beating on the Raiders since Kansas rolled over them 90-50 in the 2002 Big 12 tournament.

Jarrius Jackson led the Raiders with 10 points.

Andre Emmett, the Big 12's season and career scoring leader, was shut down most of the game but did set the Tech career points record. He finished with nine points, 12 under his average.

Emmett scored off a spin move midway through the second half to pass Rick Bullock's school record of 2,118 points from 1973-76.

Emmett was back in the starting lineup after opening last Saturday's game

at Texas A&M on the bench for the first time in his 94 career games.

Emmett had difficulty getting good looks at the basket as the Huskers alternated Jake Muhleisen, Corey Simms and Johnson on him. He missed his first three shots and didn't score until his fast-break layup 10:17 into the game.

Nebraska broke the game open in the first three minutes of the second half. Johnson snaked in for a layup, Andrew Drevo scored on a fast break and 6-foot-11 forward Brian Conklin pulled up and hit a 26-footer for a 44-30 lead.

## Raiders ready in any weather

By Joey Kirk/The University Daily

Like the U.S. Post Office, the Texas Tech baseball team has to be ready to deliver in any weather.

Tech's Tuesday game against Dallas Baptist, which was scheduled for 3 p.m., has been moved because of weather conditions. The game will remain at Dan Law Field but will be played at 3 p.m. May 12.

No matter what the weather conditions are when the Red Raiders return to the field, the team's assistant coach said they will be prepared.

Pitching coach Travis Walden said the Raiders always have to be at the pinnacle of their game even with inclement weather conditions.

"You can give any and every excuse to fail, but they don't ever need one," he said. "We expect them to perform cold, dry, hot, windy, anything. We expect you to get out there and compete no matter what."

With a finished series against Northern Illinois and two more wins underneath the Raiders' belts, Walden

said Tech was ready to get back into action quickly.

"Baseball is a game that you have to play everyday," he said. "You can practice all you want to, but you have to get in real game situations. The weather affects the rhythm of the team."

Tech has been in nine real game situations this season, and Tuesday's game would have marked its tenth. The Raiders have a 7-2 record, after a loss to the No. 1-ranked Rice Owls and Saturday's 7-5 loss to the Northern Illinois Huskies.

With the batting cages in the clubhouse full and mounds getting their turf shuffled, Walden said Tuesday's snowstorm did not stop Tech from getting ready for Texas Christian University on Friday.

"They can give excuses to let (the weather) hurt them," he said. "But if they get in here and work on things like their swing and pitching, they shouldn't have a problem."

Senior third baseman Josh Haney said the Raiders had to take advantage of the day they had indoors.

"You can never predict how the weather will be," he said. "We need to work in here before we enter into conference series. We'll look at some of the things we screwed up on."

Although Tech players are no strangers to weird weather changes and the snow, living here in Lubbock, Haney said it cannot be a reason for the way the Raiders play the game.

"We've played a couple of games in the snow," he said. "You can't throw in that as a factor. That includes a pitcher or snow. We have to play the game like anybody else."

Senior pitcher Juan Razo said there are two ways of looking at the weather situation Tuesday that caused Tech's game to be rescheduled.

"It works both ways. We get to work on things inside that needs to be done," he said. "The negative side is that we have to get innings to get better."

Like any sunny day out on the diamond, the clubhouse, Razo said, provides the players with enough to prepare for upcoming games.

"Because we're inside today, it won't change our game plan," he said. "We have in our minds that we have to be ready and do plenty of preparation."

Tech will hope for sunny skies this weekend for the three-game series against the TCU Horned Frogs. The first game will begin at 3 p.m. Friday. Game two is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. Saturday and the last game will start at 1 p.m. Sunday.



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# Bonds volunteers for testing

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — For years, Barry Bonds has faced accusations of steroid use and the assumptions that it's the reason he keeps hitting home runs even as he pushes 40.

"They can test me every day if they choose to," said Bonds, who showed up at spring training right around his playing weight of 228 pounds.

A winter without his father beside him in the batting cage weighed more heavily on Bonds' mind this offseason than his connection to a lab at the center of an alleged steroid ring.

"It's been difficult," the slugger said Monday, sitting in the dugout at soggy Scottsdale Stadium. "Just hard all the way around. I broke down a couple times in the batting cage just due to the fact he wasn't with me. He's been my coach my whole life."

Bonds was surrounded by reporters on his first day at spring training, and was asked repeatedly about his ties to the supplements lab accused of ille-

gally distributing steroids to dozens of athletes. The six-time National League MVP, who appeared in December before a grand jury probing the lab, had always denied using steroids.

After last season, Bonds seriously considered walking away from baseball for good, unable to imagine playing without his dad. Bobby, who had been ill for nearly a year with lung cancer and a brain tumor, died in August at age 57.

But Bonds pushed on, at the urging of his mother, his wife and godfather Willie Mays.

"I couldn't hit. I didn't want to go in the cage. I didn't want to swing the bat," Bonds said. "I really didn't want any part of it for a while."

Now, another important member of Bonds' supporting cast, trainer Greg Anderson, won't be around.

Anderson was among four men charged this month in an alleged steroid-distribution ring that federal prosecutors say supplied professional

athletes with banned substances. All the men have pleaded innocent and no athletes have been charged.

"I feel bad for him," said Bonds, who turns 40 this summer. "I feel sad. We grew up together. We're friends. It's unfortunate what he's having to go through."

About BALCO, the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative that's at the center of the federal steroids case, Bonds said: "There's nothing I can do about it right now. I have to go out and play baseball and, hopefully, it will blow over...."

"I believe if I wasn't going for records, it would be a nullified situation. If you want to be at the top, you've got to have broad shoulders.... I know who I am. I know what I stand for. I know what kind of ballplayer I am."

Bonds spent two stints on the bereavement list in 2003 and, despite all he was dealing with, still batted .341 with 45 home runs and 90 RBIs.

His two homers shy of tying Mays for third on the career list with 660.

When asked if he can pass Hank Aaron's record of 755 homers, Bonds quickly answered: "I think I can do anything.... I'm going for it all."

Mays helped Bonds train the entire offseason, also monitoring his mental frame of mind.

While the Giants have indicated they will be better about enforcing a two-year-old directive by the commissioner's office that limits who can enter the clubhouse, Bonds thinks his other trainer, Harvey Shields, will still be around. Shields stretches out Bonds before games.

"That's stretching," Bonds said. "I have to get ready for games. People have to realize our body is our machine."

According to documents released last week, Anderson told federal agents he gave steroids to several professional baseball players. It was unclear whether Anderson provided specific names to the agents.

# Deadline passes for Dennehy's father

WACO (AP) — The deadline has passed for the father of slain Baylor University basketball player Patrick Dennehy to amend the only lawsuit against the school.

Attorneys for the defendants submitted a proposed order on Monday to dismiss the lawsuit and await a signature from state District Judge Ralph Strother on Wednesday. Strother was scheduled to attend a judicial conference Monday and Tuesday.

In the lawsuit, Patrick Dennehy Sr. claimed his son became the target of "violent threats" because he intended to expose wrongdoing in the basketball program and that Baylor ignored his requests for help.

Strother dismissed six counts of the lawsuit in a Feb. 6 hearing and

gave the attorney for Dennehy's father, of Tacoma, Wash., until last Friday to amend and resubmit the other count, which alleged that Baylor and selected individuals "intentionally, knowingly and/or recklessly" caused the June death of the Baylor forward.

"The events surrounding Patrick Dennehy's death are, of course, tragic and terribly regrettable," Wayne Fisher, the attorney for Drayton McLane Jr., board of regents chairman, told The Dallas Morning News for its Tuesday editions. "Baylor University feels deep sorrow that this young man's life tragically ended, but we believe justice was served in dismissal because Baylor did not have anything to do with the circumstances that led to this young man's death."

Dennehy Sr. declined comment.

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## OUTDOOR PURSUITS

### Gila Backpacking Spring Break Trip Deadline Approaching

This is your last chance to sign-up for your Spring Break Adventure. The trip deadline is February 26. The Gila Backpacking trip is through southwest New Mexico. This trip will consist of 5 days hiking through alpine meadows, river canyons and even a chance to soak in some natural hot springs. The Gila Wilderness is also home to ancient Indian cliff dwellings that are scattered throughout the park. Come join us for a week of memorable experiences, beautiful views and a whole lot of fun. This trip is targeted towards the experienced camper or the adventurous beginner.

**Dates:** March 13-21  
**What is included?** Food at the activity sites, transportation, camping and backpacking equipment.  
**What do you have to provide?** Personal clothing and a positive mental attitude.  
**What does Gila Backpacking Trip cost?** The cost for this trip is \$180  
**How do I sign-up?** To explore more, checkout our website at [www.ttu.edu/reports](http://www.ttu.edu/reports) or call 742-2949. Sign-ups going on now, so register you and your friends today at the Outdoor Pursuits Center located outside the North entrance of the Student Recreation Center.

### Fly Tying Workshop 6-8pm Tuesdays: March 9, 23 & 30

Fly Tying is the art of transforming fur and feathers into a beautiful representation of a fish's natural food source. This class will introduce you to the tools, materials, and help you master the basic techniques of tying quality flies. You will learn how to tie different patterns that will help you progress steadily from easy techniques to more advanced ones in a clear and simple fashion.

All materials and tools will be provided and you will be able to keep all of the flies that you tie, as well as all of the knowledge you gain. To register, stop by the Outdoor Pursuits Center.

## Aquatic Center

### 5000 Meter Swim

Sat., March 6, 10 am-1pm

Is the winter weather starting to chill your bones? Come to the Aquatic Center to warm up and test your endurance!! The 5000 meter challenge is a long course event that challenges you to swim 100 lengths in an Olympic sized pool. Registration is at the Aquatic Center and will continue through Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. The swim is free!!! T-shirts will be available for sale, and YES we will count your laps for you.

### Lifeguarding Classes

Want to learn lifesaving techniques? Do you want to work outside this summer? Don't wait until it's too late to register! Become a Certified American Red Cross Lifeguard. This course includes Lifeguarding, Standard First Aid, and CPR for the Professional Rescuer. The cost is \$120 for TTU students. Books are included in the course cost.

**Upcoming Classes:**  
 Session 2: Sat/Sun 8am-5pm  
 Mar. 27 - Apr. 4  
 Session 3: T/Th 7-10pm  
 Mar. 30 - Apr. 29

## FITNESS/WELLNESS

### Dance, Strengthen, Stretch, Box, Kick, Spin, Swing With A Specialty Class!

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Get Your Kicks From Specialty Classes  
 New Registration Going On Now



## Intramurals

- Softball
- Badminton
- Indoor Soccer
- 4 on 4 Flag Football

## Special Events

- Big Kahuna Softball Tournament
- Specialty Classes Begin
- Long Course Swim

## Entries Due

- February 25-26
- March 5
- March 9-11
- March 9-11

## Entries Due

- February 26
- February 29
- March 6

## STUDENT RECREATION CENTER HOURS

### Open Recreation Hours

Mon. - Thurs.	6a.m. - Midnight
Friday	6a.m. - 10:30pm
Saturday	9am - 9pm
Sunday	noon - 11pm

### Aquatic Center Hours

<u>Monday - Friday</u>	<u>Saturday-Sunday</u>
6:30am - 8:45am	2pm - 6:45pm
Noon - 1:20pm	
3:00pm - 8:45pm	

Don't Have A Softball Team  
**Free Agent Meeting - Tonight 6p Room 205**  
 But Want To Play?

## INTRAMURALS

### Take Me Out To The Ball Games...

### Softball Registration Going On Now

It is not too late to sign up a team for Fall softball. Sign ups end at 5:00 pm on THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26<sup>th</sup>; remember the sooner the better. Students, faculty, and staff can sign up in the Students Rec Center room 203. If you do not have a team but would like to play, the Intramural department has a Free Agent program set up for you. The Free Agent meeting is tonight at 6:00 pm in the Student Rec Center room 205. Hope to see you on the diamond.

### Big Kahuna Softball Tournament Saturday

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spring Softball tournament—the Big Kahuna—has arrived at Texas Tech. The Recreational Sports Special Events department has set the date for Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>. The start time for the tournament will depend on the number of entries. A very minimal cost of \$20.00 per team will cover the cost of officials. To register your team, come by the Intramural Office in the Student Rec Center, room 203 between 8 am – 5 pm. Limited space available; so, don't let the Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup> NOON deadline pass you by. For more information call 742-2945 or come by room 203 in the SRC.



COURTESY PHOTO/Rec Sports  
 Dust off the glove, lace up the cleats, it's that time of year again. Spring Softball is finally here starting with the Big Kahuna Tournament this Saturday and IM Softball registration going on now.

### Greek Racquetball

91 men began play in the Greek racquetball tournament. 30 men participated in the Red, or small Greek Division and 61 men faced off in the Black, or large Greek Division. Two days later the champions of the event emerged.

In the Greek Red Division Zach Marshak of Delta Sigma Phi defeated Jonathan Wills of Sigma Pi to claim the title. Marshak anchored the Delta Sigma Phi team to win the team title. Other members of the Red Division Championship team were Shi Hodge, Grayson Somers, John Bidwell and Conrad Schmid. Team Theta Chi finished second in the Division.

The Greek Black Division saw teams from 11 different groups compete for the team title. Individually, the competition was fierce as Jay Laughlin of Delta Tau Delta stopped Brad Baker of Fiji in the final. Laughlin and Baker advanced to the finals by defeating the Tucker brothers of Kappa Sigma in the semis. Laughlin defeated Blake Tucker and Baker edged Brent Tucker. The team title ended in a tie for first with Fiji and Kappa Sigma. Members of Fiji included Brad Baker, Grant Henson, Trey Spyropoulos, Matt Courtney, Dustin Darakshan and Matt Rainey. Competing for Kappa Sigma were the Tucker brothers, Byron Wardlaw, Eric Rems, Jake Holland and Scott Armstrong. Beta Theta Pi claimed third place.

### Table Tennis Results

In the men's competitive division, last semester's champion, Edison Dy once again defended his crown by defeating Linning Ye in the final match 21-14, 12-7. However, Mr. Dy's defense of his championship was not as easy as it looked. In his semi-final match, Hua Song took our champion to the limit. Unfortunately for Mr. Song, he was defeated two games to one (19-21, 21-17, 21-12). In the open recreational division, the only women competing in the tournament, Ting Zhang, made it to the finals. However, Cheng Cheng Li defeated Ting Zhang 21-19, 21-12 to capture the open recreational title. Congratulations to our winners and thanks to those participants who came out and participated.

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### Looking for Summer Employment?

#### INFORMATION SESSIONS:

- March 1 - Wall/Gates Lobby - 7:00 p.m.
- March 2 - Student Union, Room TBD - 5:00 p.m.
- March 5 - Holden Hall, Room 225 - Noon

For inquiries call 742-2957



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