'Angels in America' leads Emmy nominations with 21

LOS ANGELES (AP) - "Angels in America," the HBO miniseries adapted from a Pulitzer Prizewinning play about New Yorkers affected by the AIDS crisis in the 1980s, received a leading 21 Emmy nominations Thursday.

"The Sopranos" was the leading nominee among series, with 20.

Changes in Emmy rules intended to broaden the field beyond familiar nominees worked, with showings by Fox's critically acclaimed but low-rated sitcom "Arrested Development" and CBS' offbeat and popular drama "Joan of Arcadia."

"It really is a fresh mix here. That's what we were trying to do, shake things up a little," TV Academy Chairman Dick Askin said.

Premium cable channel HBO dominated, receiving nearly twice as many nominations as any broadcast network and fielding leading nominees "Angels in of "Monk," who was last year's America" and "The Sopranos."

TV Academy members gave a fond farewell to HBO's "Sex and the City" with a best comedy series nod for Shalhoub, who helped announce its final season, but didn't nominate the nominations Thursday.

two other departing series, NBC's "Friends" and "Frasier."

Along with "The Sopranos," which has yet to win a best drama series award, and "Joan of Arcadia," other nominees in the best drama series category include "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," "24," and last year's winner, "The West Wing."

Joining "Arrested Development" and "Sex and the City" in the best comedy series category: "Curb Your Enthusiasm," "Will & Grace" and last year's winner, "Everybody Loves Raymond."

John Ritter, the "8 Simple Rules" comedy star who died last year, received a posthumous nomination as best lead actor in a comedy series. Also nominated in the category were Larry David of "Curb Your Enthusiasm," Kelsey Grammer of "Frasier," Matt LeBlanc of "Friends" and Tony Shalhoub winner playing an obsessivecompulsive detective.

"It's all such a jumble," said

'Anchorman' a guilty pleasure for Ferrell fans

y the beard of Zeus! Will Ferrell is such a comic talent it seems he can make anything work.

"Old School" was mildly disappointing, but many of the laughs in that film were credited to Ferrell's overgrown frat boy. He was perfectly cast in Jon Favreau's "Elf," where he played a grown man with a childish innocence.

In "Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy," a send-up of TV newsmen of the 1970s, Ferrell is again working with sub-par material. But somehow, he gets this kite to fly.

The film was "written" by Ferrell and former "Saturday Night Live" head writer and first-time director Adam McKay. I place "written" in quotation marks because much of the film plays out like an improv game.

It was reported the first cut of the film ran more than three hours because of actors straying from the script. You can get a sample of this by sticking through the end credits.

But Ferrell has surrounded himself with a strong supporting cast that can nearly match him for seatof-the-pants comedy.

The loose story that ties the individual sketch comedy-style

James Eppler

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scenes together concerns a TV news team comprised of hotshot male chauvinists. The head pig is Ron Burgundy (Ferrell), the San Diego News Channel 4 poster boy. With his poofy hair, straight mustache and well-tailored polyester suit, he delivers the nightly news with a Connery-esque raised eyebrow and reads the teleprompter word for word without thinking about what he's saying.

Burgundy says he has a love for scotch, poetry, the smell of leatherbound books and his dog, Baxter. He is able to communicate with Baxter, so long as Baxter refrains from speaking Spanish.

His fellow news team includes a cowboy sports reporter, (David Koechner), a Casanova field re-

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porter (Paul Rudd from "Friends") and a mildly retarded weatherman (Steve Carell from "The Daily Show with John Stewart").

Together the news team goes shopping for suits, have "Afternoon Delight' sing-a-longs, pose for promo pictures and challenge the bike-riding rival local news team.

The only media bias in this newsroom is against women serving any purpose other than eye candy.

Their world is rudely interrupted when a new reporter, Veronica Corningstone (Christina Applegate) arrives. Burgundy turns on the charm and wins over the sassy Corningstone despite attempts by his fellow newsmen.

It turns in to a fierce battle of the sexes when Corningstone snags a spot at the news desk one evening as Ron is temporarily delayed by a hilarious tragedy.

There are some big laughs in "Anchorman," not the least of which is a street fight between several rival news teams in an alley. Here, there are some fun cameos by the likes of Ferrell's "Old School" buddies, Vince Vaughn and Luke Wilson, along with Tim Robbins and the omnipresent Ben Stiller.

The funniest cameo comes from Jack Black as a biker who loses his temper with Burgundy and punts one of our hero's prized possessions off of a bridge.

Even when the movie falls flat on its face with jokes that bomb, it's easily forgivable. The low points include Ferrell explaining away an enormous erection and a jazz club scene that goes far too long.

Despite the scenes that don't work, there is a pack of quotable quotes ("I'm in a glass cage of emotion!") and memorable gags for Ferrell-files to enjoy long after the end credits roll.

It would normally be difficult to defend a guilty pleasure so likeably bad as "Anchorman," but it's even more difficult not to savor Ferrell and his band of character actors that make this summer comedy loads of fun.

EPPLER'S RATING



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Johnson going to the Olympics

By Joey Kirk/The University Daily

Junior Jonathan Johnson received a call early Monday morning before he set out to win the U.S. Olympic qualifier and championships in Sacramento, Calif. On the other end of the line was his mother.

"She told me that nothing could stop me from winning," he said.

Evidently, the comment did exactly that. Johnson set a personal best time of the season with a 1:44.77 finish in the 800-meter run. The time enabled him to take first place and earned him a trip to Athens, Greece, joined Khadevis Robinson and Derrick Peterson for the U.S. men's 800-meter team in the 2004 Olympics.

At the 500-meter mark, Johnson said he felt a surge of energy pushing him to finish.

"I felt a late push, and it turned out to be in my favor,"

Bringing home the first place medal and pride for Texas Tech and Lubbock, Johnson was greeted by several supporters, other Red Raiders and Tech athletic coaches at Lubbock International Airport on Wednesday.

The smile on his face clearly showed how much he appreciated the support and the success.

"They announced me on the plane, and everybody was

clapping for me," he said. "That and all of this just shows what kind of support I had backing me there."

But the biggest supporter Johnson said was Tech head track and field coach Wes Kittley.

Following Johnson's race, Kittley said it took him back a few years to when he was young.

"I was screaming and hollering while I went down to the finish line after he won," he said. "I was acting as if I was 10 years old again."

Kittley said the U.S. Olympic trials for Johnson brought his entire track career together and summed up his character as a runner.

"It was a culmination of his three years here at Tech," he said. "I've seen him mature as a person and as an athlete. He hates to lose and works hard to win. Those

are the two ingredients of a champion, and that's exactly what he is."

As for being the first Raider to compete in an individual event in the Olympics, Kittley said it can help and hurt Tech in the ranking and recruiting process.

"It sure can hurt us in recruiting because there were a lot of living rooms watching that night he won," he said. "But it really is great for him and Tech as well."

Johnson said he could not have agreed more with his

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JONATHAN JOHNSON IS hugged by assistant track coach Cliff Felkins at the airport Wednesday afternoon. Johnson won first place in the 800 meter dash in Sacramento, Calif. and qualified for the 2004 Olympics.

RAIDER TURNED OLYMPIAN — JONATHAN JOHNSON'S RACE TO THE GOLD

- April 17 Mount SAC Relays in Walnut, Calif.; 1:46.32; No. 1 time in nation, No. 2 time in world.
- May 1 Big 12 Championship in Norman, Okla.; 1:47.12; 3-time champion.
- May 29 NCAA Midwest Regional Championships in College Station; 1:47.81; 2-time champion.
- June 12 NCAA Championships in Austin; 1:46.39, first male national champion from Tech.
- July 12 U.S. Olympic trials in Sacramento, Calif.; 1.44.77; U.S. champion, first Olympian from Tech.

OSU having problems after software fiasco

By Sally Gunter/ The University Daily

With the resignation of Vice President for Information Technology Gary Wiggins, Oklahoma State University is left with a problematic system six weeks before the fall semester begins.

The OSU system has been sporadic, and Mark Weiser, director of the master of science in telecommunications management program at OSU, said there has not been time to fix it since Wiggins' departure on Friday. The problems peaked when

using software that belonged to Texas Tech, which officials believe fall semester, Weiser said. occurred after Wiggins, current OSU President David Schmidly give people priority," he said. "I'm and other high-ranking administrators moved from Tech to OSU.

Periodic problems continue to occur within the e-mail system such as replies that certain people, including Schmidly, are not available within the system.

"Those intermittent errors are becoming more intermittent," Weiser said.

Darlene Hightower from the

it was discovered OSU was illegally Tulsa campus will be taking charge of the system to correct it before the

"She has managed in the past to very optimistic that things are going to work by day one of fall. I think we're going to be okay."

Problems with the system began showing up after Wiggins, who was vice president of information technology at Tech, began working at OSU two years ago. Weiser said Wiggins began placing highly

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Anderes hired as VP of finance

By Megan LaVoie/ The University Daily

Texas Tech President Jon Whitmore announced Thursday that Thomas K. Anderes will be joining his team as vice president for the Office of Administration and Finance.

Anderes is replacing Michael Wilson, who has served as interim vice president for fiscal affairs since December 2003.

Whitmore said the vice president for the office of administration and finance is a major position within the Tech system.

"His position oversees the whole financial aspect of the university budget," he said.

Anderes, who begins work Aug. 16, will oversee the fiscal operations of the budget office, student business services, human resources, financial services and accounting as well as oversight of university operations.

Anderes has had a long career in serving colleges and universities. He holds bachelor's and master's

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After Senate loss, gay marriage opposers pin hopes on House bill

able to ban gay marriage, congres- by the outcome but calling it a sional Republicans are working to temporary setback. contain it, advancing legislation in the House to make sure federal courts don't order states to recognize same-sex unions sanctioned outside to redefine marriage for the rest their borders.

line, Congress has the responsibility to drop the red flag," Rep. Lamar Smith, R-Texas, said Wednesday as the court-stripping measure cleared the House Judiciary Committee on a near party-line vote of 21-13.

Democrats objected, some stren- said. uously. Rep. Maxine Waters of California called the legislation a political exercise, and Rep. Tammy tion-year debate over the issue. Baldwin of Wisconsin, the first openly gay woman elected to Congress, criticized it as "unnecessary, unconstitutional and unwise."

Even so, GOP officials said the measure likely would be on the House floor next week, and they expressed confidence it would pass.

If so, it would mark a clear victory for gay marriage opponents, the Human Rights Campaign, who suffered a decisive setback Wednesday in the Senate when the constitutional amendment fell a dozen votes shy of the 60 needed to advance.

which 48 senators voted to advance the measure and 50 to block it, President Bush issued a statement saying

WASHINGTON (AP) — Un- he was "deeply disappointed"

"Activist judges and local officials in some parts of the country are not letting up in their efforts of America and neither should "When federal judges step out of defenders of traditional marriage flag in their efforts," he added.

"It is important for our country to continue the debate on this important issue, and I urge the House of Representatives to pass this amendment," the president

Bush wasn't the only one who seemed eager to extend an elec-

We know now which senators are for traditional marriage and which ones are not, and by November so will voters in every state," said Tony Perkins, president of the Family Research Council. "This fight has just

Cheryl Jacques, president of which opposed the amendment, expressed little concern about political repercussions.

"I think the discussion will continue to play out but I think Within hours of the vote in they played their best hand today and couldn't even get a simple majority," she said of the Senate

The Rundown



Four dead in West Nevada fires injure Texas van accident few; homes destroyed

BALMORHEA (AP) — The driver of a van full of relatives misa Los Angeles woman and three of her grandchildren, authorities say.

The Texas Department of Public Safety said three other people were injured in the onevehicle rollover along Interstate 10 Wednesday night. A fourth was cut by glass after the wreck.

The 11-passenger van was one of three traveling together from Los Angeles to Houston for a wedding, said DPS spokeswoman Lisa Block. Occupants of the other two vans were taken to Pecos to spend the night, according to the Pecos Enterprise's Thursday editions.

The dead were 44-year-old Edna Tyars and her grandchildren, 4month-old Kamyrne Zaire Lytle, 7-year-old Stephan Tyars and 14-yearold Shereese Tyars.

Their grandfather, 51-year-old Luther Tyars, was in stable condition at Medical Center Hospital in Odessa on Thursday, hospital spokeswoman Candy Wright said.

CARSON CITY, Nev. (AP) An out-of-control wildfire calculated while traveling in West burned at least six luxury homes to Texas, triggering a rollover that killed the ground and came within a half mile of the governor's mansion, officials said.

Four firefighters and a television reporter were injured as gusty winds pushed the fire to an estimated 8,500 acres Thursday, stretching about four miles along the state capital's western edge and spreading a plume of smoke overhead.

Ten other homes, businesses and outbuildings have also been destroyed and about 550 more were threatened by the blaze, which began Wednesday.

"It's not very far from us here," Gov. Kenny Guinn said. "The trees are just exploding."

State Forester Pete Anderson said he expected the fire to hit 10,000 acres by day's end. The fire was burning at higher elevations, above inhabited areas, Thursday morning but officials feared that shifting winds could drive it back toward more homes.

Judy Staub, who lost her home of 22 years Wednesday, called the destruction "just unreal."

"Everything was gone but an old antique wagon," she said.

Car bomb in Baghdad kills 10 Iraqi citizens

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - Attackers detonated a car bomb near police and government buildings in the western city of Haditha on Thursday, killing 10 Iraqis, while the prime minister said he would create a new security service geared toward halting the insurgency.

Later, in an interview with Associated Press Television News, interim Prime Minister Iyad Allawi said terrorists aiming to undermine Iraq's new government are determined not only to kill civilians and soldiers but to destroy the nation's infrastructure.

"The terrorists are so evil that they are not only satisfied by hitting the targets, and killing and inflicting loss of life" but are also bent on destroying the quality of life by attacking Iraq's oil and other vital industries, he told AP.

Also, militants holding a Filipino truck driver hostage said they would release him when the last Filipino soldier leaves Iraq, according to a statement read on Arab television.

The statement on the station Al-Jazeera followed a video of the captive, Angelo dela Cruz, saying he was coming home soon and thanking his government for agreeing to withdraw peacekeepers. The Philippines' withdrawal should happen by the end of the month.

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Band camp brings younger students to Tech



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TOM HUGHES, COODINATOR for music computer technology, teaches students about music technology at Texas Tech band camp. Pictured here are Rebecca Vetter from Odessa, Carlos Cabrera from Los Angeles and April Harrison from Houston.

> By Megan LaVoie/ The University Daily

Texas Tech has seen a rise in the number of students on campus this week and it's not because Red Raider's have finally decided to attend their 8 a.m. summer classes.

Tech welcomed almost 900 students last Saturday ranging from elementary school level through

entering freshman to the Tech music and music seriously. department's 71st annual band and orchestra camp.

Anna Henry, coordinator for the chair," Herald said. camp, said the participants represent almost 300 schools and eight states.

'We have had a great turnout this year," she said. "Along with the 875 students, we also have over 200 Tech faculty, college student counselors and instructors."

Students attending the eight-day camp stay in the Chitwood/Weymouth Residence Complex. Their daily activities consist of rehearsals, electives and a variety of recreational activities such as dances, swimming, volleyball and a talent show.

Alex Gaul, a trumpet player and high school sophomore from Katy, said this is his third year to attend the Tech camp.

"It's a fun thing to do," he said. "It gives me something to do in the summer, and it also helps me improve my trumpet skills."

Sarah Herald, a tuba player and high school freshman from Katy, agreed.

"The camp is great; it gives me a place to be a band nerd," she said.

Along with the excitement of staying in a residence hall and meeting new friends, the campers put their fun aside to take their instruments

"We have competitions between each other to see who can get first

First chair is the position given in the band or orchestra to the person who displays the best musical skills.

Gaul said the competition is a good motivator for students to play better music.

"The competition makes us bet-

the best."

Beth Lowell, a senior music performance major from Round Rock and a counselor for the Tech Band and Orchestra Camp, said she attended the camp in high school for three years and being an employee of the camp instead of a student is

"I am a lot busier now," she said.

One thing is the same, however. Lowell said the same principles still exist now as when she attended

"We teach music here at this camp as something to enjoy," she said. "We have amazing instructors who encourage better musicianship as well as encourage the students to make friends."

Herald said one of the best things about band camp is the people she music building.

band nerd just like you," she said. "If for the walk."

then you can just talk about your instrument and you will still have a good time."

Making music isn't the only highlight of the camp; students are also taking advantage of the perks the Tech campus offers.

"A lot of them are constantly visiting the Starbucks during their breaks," Lowell said.

Herald said Chick-Fil-A was the place to be last year.

"We were there every day last year," she said.

Gaul agreed.

"I am so bummed Chick-Fil-A isn't open this year," he said.

Along with the absence of their favorite restaurants, the campers' only complaint was the long walk from Chitwood/Weymouth to the

"The walk is so far," Gaul said. "Its awesome, everyone here is a "Everything is fun about camp except

Anderes

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degrees from the University of Arizona and a doctoral degree from the University of Connecticut, according to information from the university. Before he accepted the position at Tech, he was the senior vice chancellor for finance and administration at Oregon University.

Whitmore said Anderes was chosen based on his experience and his ability to communicate.

"He had the most experience over a long period of time," Whitmore said. "He has worked at universities larger than us, he is a good communicator and people like to work with him."

Before being employed at Oregon University, Anderes was chancellor and vice chancellor for finance and administration of the University and Community College System of Nevada; Deputy Commissioner for Finance and Facilities and assistant commissioner for Finance and Administration of the Connecticut

State University.

Upon his arrival in August, An- said.

Department of Education; deputy deres will be formally introduced to vice president for Finance at the the board of regents and during the University of Wyoming and director first week of school a reception to of University Budgeting for Arizona introduce him to the Tech community and students will be held, Whitmore

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Block of Internet porn law insults protection of children

nce upon a time it was thought those young and innocent should be offered protection from that which is morally harmful. One avenue, the World Wide Web, was a great concern. Like any avenues, someone has to make sure certain material does not slip into the wrong hands. Of course, that which could have helped block disgusting material has recently been and mailboxes we need to feel there snubbed by the Supreme Court.

The case, known as Ashcroft v. of 5-4 blocking the law, because it was a possible violation of the First Amendment. Unless the past has been dumped in the trash, last time I checked, obscenity is not protected under the U.S. Constitution. In fact, the distribution of obscene material has been a major no-no since Roth v.



United States in 1957. The Internet is another avenue, and like the streets is safety from unwanted garbage. This certainly should mean the spreading ACLU, 03-218, was given a ruling of filth should be kept away from

> I am not saving adult-related material should be banned, but we let something like this slip and we might as well give Howard Stern his own show on Nickelodeon. Pop up ads, spam and banners litter the surfing environment, so it is only common

sense to want to take measures to the young, then typing in a few extra keep impressionable eyes away from questionable content. This law would give the correct options to carry out that necessity. Besides, the fight is not over yet, and if we speak now we can do something to stop this wrong doing from going too far.

The law, known as the Child Online Protection Act, would require obiectionable Web sites to require access codes to enter. Those who violate the rules would face fines up to \$50,000 for putting harmful content within easy reach of minors. Opponents claim the act could attack legal sites, like of sex education and sexual artists. Unless we are actually trying to increase the teen pregnancy rate, we do not need to allow minor viewership of how to get jiggy with it. If in the long run we are able to offer a better future for

passwords will not do us in.

There is no harm in requiring preventive steps to prove there is an actual adult accessing a questionable site. While there is content that is perfectly legal for adult eyes and ears, those under the age of 18 should not be given a leg up so they can slip in like it was a badly operated theater.

There is the appropriate technology available to help the child protection act along, and implementing it would not create any more disturbances than is already there. Allowing those who freely attempt to spread dirty pictures around to Web-surfing kids only disrupts common sense.

The issue at hand is not an attempt to trample the First Amendment, but a movement to create a cleaner environment for those who will lead

us in the future. To protect children from obscenity, the crucial decisions made in the past must not be tossed in the wastebasket. Adult material can be protected as free speech, but if we let our resolve slip it will only further deteriorate our values. The Child Online Protection Act is only attempting to require that steps be taken to assure adults are the only ones seeing content meant for them.

Freedom is important to this nation and should be always protected; however if we let those who are too young to understand falter, there will be nothing left sacred enough to pass on.

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We love you, Mary-Kate; now eat something

ast week, I asked you to make the tough choice between Michael Moore and Rush Limbaugh. Instead of deciding for you, I trusted you enough to let you choose for yourself. Well it seems I gave you too much credit, because I received exactly two votes, one for Rush, one for Michael. That's the problem with students, nobody gets involved; nobody cares. I could lecture you all day, but I've got something far more serious to talk about than the apathy that's eating away at our generation like a cancer, and that's Mary-Kate Olsen. The rest of this column is addressed to her, in the hope that she, by some kind of miracle, sees it.

Mary-Kate, where has the time gone? I can remember when you were half of a little girl on "Full House," and the worst that would happen to you (or maybe it was your sister) is your goldfish would die, or Uncle Jesse would talk about moving out. Remember that? All you needed was a heart-to-heart chat with Bob Saget, and everything would be OK. Well, it looks like Old Bob's not going to step up to the plate for this one. We've waited around for months for him to fix this, but he's stayed silent. It's time we realized the truth — there's a little Danny Tanner in all of us. I hold myself partially responsible for not speaking up sooner, for hiding



I know it must be hard to develop your own identity when you can't do anything without your sister. You don't even get your own articles for being anorexic, for crying out loud.

my "Danny light" under a bushel, but I won't stay quiet any longer.

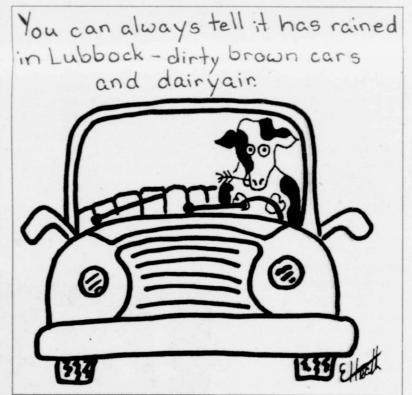
I think the problem started when you dyed your hair brown. I know it must be hard to develop your own identity when you can't do anything without your sister. You don't even get your own articles for being anorexic, for crying out loud. You get "Ashley Begs Mary-Kate to Eat Sandwich," or "Ashley Counts Mary-Kate's Ribs." It's a shame, I know, but the brown hair looks bad. What good does it do to have people tell you apart when you're known as the "Less Hot, Semi-Gothic one?"

Come on, Mary-Kate, you're heading in the wrong direction. What's next? A tattoo, a belly button ring? We (most of us any way) want you to become a person of value. Take the Jessica Simpson route, not the Paris Hilton. Do you really like to be known as the coked-out, porno-making twin? I didn't think so. Plus, you know the porn movie would just have some cheap camera trick to make it look like there were two of you anyway, so what would you have accomplished?

There are plenty of positive ways to stand out from your sister. Be the "Twin Who Collects Stamps," or the "NASCAR Enthusiast Twin." If you don't stop with the whole Somalian bit, you're going to be known as the "Twin with the Visible Spine."

In closing, Mary-Kate, I leave you with basically the same advice your oh-so-wise TV dad once gave your sister D.J. when she stopped eating. We all love you very much, you and your sister. We love you together and separately, but mostly together. You're beautiful just the way you are, and I say that from the bottom of my heart. In fact, it means more when I say it to you, because, as we all know, D.J. could've stood to lose a few pounds.

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MEN WITH A MISSION

Pi Kappa Phi members take on a 4,000 mile bike trip to raise money and awareness for Americans with disabilities.

By Heidi Toth/ The University Daily

Future Texas Tech law student Cole Bryan was up before the sun this morning.

Yesterday, too, and the day before that, and every day last week. He's been up at 5 a.m. every day for the last month, and he'll be up that early every day for the next month.

He and 34 other young men are biking across America, raising both awareness and money for disabled Americans. They are part of the Journey of Hope, a 4,000-mile trek from San Francisco to Charleston. S.C., sponsored by Push America and Pi Kappa Phi.

joy," Bryan, who just graduated from Texas Christian University, said, adding the early start was the biggest difficulty the group encountered

The south team pedaled into Lubbock, the halfway point, just in time for lunch Wednesday, where they stopped at the Saturn dealership and conversed with several students from Lubbock State School. They also had dinner and played softball with students at the school, which is a recipient of some of the money raised by the Journey of Hope. The Journey of Hope also has a north team of 35 raising money.

The group rides for six to seven hours a day, usually about 75 miles, Bryan said, and then the riders stop and spend the rest of the day at some of the facilities that receive funds. These friendship visits are the best part of the trip, he said.

begins," he said. "Every day the team comes away, and everybody's smiling.

Each team member raises at least \$5,000 before hitting the road, according to a brochure, and the trek has corporate sponsors as well. The 2004 team plans to contribute about \$500,000 to various facilities helping people with disabilities.

The 35 young men from 23 universities joined together with one mission, but for several different reasons. Bryan got involved with Push America after his cousin was hit by a car and confined to a wheelchair, and he saw the fund-raiser as a great opportunity

Darris Means, public relations chairman "Once you're up, every day is just a for the Journey of Hope, said the fraternity does the trip to increase service and broth-

> We feel like it's important as fraternity men to volunteer and raise awareness," he said. "We just found we needed to do some thing as a fraternity, something greater for the community."

> Jared Thurston, a recent graduate of the University of Kansas, decided to go on the trip after his roommates participated last

> "Hearing stories and seeing them come back as changed people for the better really made me want to do it," he said.

Brendan Love, a graduate of the University of California at Berkeley, said this was a final chance to really participate in something like this.

"I knew I'd really regret it if I didn't come out and meet guys from around the nation, "That's where the real Journey of Hope and make a difference in the lives of people



BICYCLISTS FROM PUSH America's Journey of Hope gather around the Saturn dealership off Indiana Avenue and South Loop 289 Wednesday afternoon.

with disabilities," he said.

Brandon Beamer, also a graduate of Berkeley, worked with Push America and went on the ride because his sister has Down's syndrome, so he has grown up around disabilities, he said.

"It just kind of seemed like the right thing to do," he said. "I've seen how positive interaction can shape the lives of people with disabilities, and I wanted to extend that from my hometown across the nation."

"Furthermore, I figured what's a better way to see this beautiful country?" he added.

"You see things on a bike that you completely miss in a car," Bryan agreed.

Beamer said the best sight he'd seen from his bike was the Sierra Nevada mountains.

"It was the hardest day . . . but the views and everything just made it completely worth it," he said.

There is one sight he enjoys more, though.

"No matter how tired we are, no matter how much pain we're in, when we see the smiles on their faces, that makes it all worth

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skilled people at positions different from their skills.

"People with the correct skills were removed," he said. "It was his job to put people in those positions. Before Wiggins got here, e-mail move on with new people." worked, file sharing worked."

E-mail could not be accessed for days, and when it was operational Weiser said it would take 30 to 60 seconds to access one page.

The problem revolved around the migration to a new system without a proper analysis beforehand.

While Weiser said Wiggins did not single-handedly bring down the system, he was responsible for things tied to the systems operations.

"I think he did the right thing and left in a good way," he said. "I think it was needed for us to be successful for us to go into the fall. The only way to resignation." build trust after that sort of thing is to

Schmidly accepted Wiggin's resignation on Friday, weeks after local media broke the software story and OSU students began calling for an explanation of the illegal usage.

'Gary has made significant contributions to our university during his tenure, and over the past several

weeks I have encouraged him to stay. However, it is now clear that because of the recent controversy he can no longer be an effective leader at OSU," Schmidly said. "Gary reached the decision that he should resign, and for that reason I accepted his

OSU investigated the facts surrounding the use of software developed by Tech, and many questions existed as to whether the software was 'open access.'

The settlement with Tech, decided last week, in which OSU pays Tech about \$30,000 for the use of its software, was to stop the argument and get on with the educational Board of Regents Chairman Jay Helm

In his resignation letter, Wiggins said, in part, "... I believe that I am no longer the person to lead the information technology division of Oklahoma State University."

He said he believes his departure would allow the administration of OSU to focus on the future. He said major changes are needed in the university's information technology system, and the "current political environment leaves me a less than ideal choice to make them."

According to the settlement agreement between Wiggins and

mission of the university, said OSU OSU, Wiggins will receive a severance package equivalent to three months of his total compensation, or about \$50,000. He also will receive financial support to move equal to what he received when he was recruited from Lubbock. It is valued

It is time for OSU to put the recent events behind them and move forward, Schmidly said.

"We have many outstanding and dedicated employees in the information technology division," he said. "We will use the next few weeks to dialog with them and the faculty, and determine the future administration and leadership of the division."

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"I'm trying to do something for Tech by giving it a boost or a lift," he said. "That's why I came here. It does a lot for Tech, because we were probably at the bottom of the Big 12 when I got Athens and will compete toward

Now, with the trials behind him and the Olympics to look forward to, Johnson said he is taking some time off before he leaves for a month.

"I won't get to see my family for about a month, so I'm going home to relax," he said.

Johnson leaves Aug. 2 for the end of the month. During the training period, he said there are several things he has to get used to.

"The training will be very hard," he said. "I have to get used to the environment over there, and a lot of other things."

As for the win at the trials, Johnson said it still has a lot of sinking in to do before he leaves on his trip.

"It's sunk in a little," he said. "But, it's got a lot more to do."

There is one thing Johnson said he will remember, and it is what his mother told him on the phone that morning and before every meet when he was growing up.

"Don't let your head get filled up," he said. "My mom always told me that."



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JUNIOR JONATHAN JOHNSON arrives at the Lubbock International Airport on Wednesday afternoon to be greeted by supporters and fans of Red Raider track and field. Johnson won first place in the men's 800-meter run for the U.S. Olymics trials.

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