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Tech hopes to tame Lobos today at the Law.  
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Lt. Gov. visits Tech.

**QUOTABLES**

Surprisingly there's something for everybody. Either everybody wants to have a piece of Elton's closet for the historical perspective — there probably isn't a more famous wardrobe in our lifetime — or because having a fluorescent jacket that used to be owned by Elton John makes a great story.

Michael Macko, Saks' men's fashion director, about Elton John, who is selling thousands of pieces of his personal wardrobe to raise money for his AIDS charity. (AP)

And if I don't win it, there's something wrong.

Morning host and aspiring singer Regis Philbin, who said there should be a celebrity edition of "American Idol," and he would try out for it. (AP)

**STATE**

**Skilling takes stand, begins testimony**

HOUSTON (AP) — Former Enron Corp. Chief Executive Jeffrey Skilling told jurors in his fraud and conspiracy trial Monday that he abruptly resigned from the energy trading company a few months before it collapsed because he was worn out and troubled by its falling share price — not because he knew disaster loomed.

"I am absolutely innocent," Skilling said right after he swore to tell the truth while testifying in his own defense Monday.

Then he let jurors know what's at stake for him:

"I guess in some ways my life is on the line, so I'm a little nervous."

As he testified, he became more relaxed and conversational, with no hint of the swaggering bravado for which he was known.

**NATION**

**Defense attorneys: DNA testing finds no match**

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — DNA testing failed to connect any members of the Duke University lacrosse team to the alleged rape of a stripper, attorneys for the athletes said Monday.

Citing DNA test results delivered by the state crime lab to police and prosecutors a few hours earlier, the attorneys said the test results prove their clients did not sexually assault and beat a stripper hired to perform at a March 13 team party.

No charges have been filed in the case.

"No DNA material from any young man was present on the body of this complaining woman," said defense attorney Wade Smith.

The alleged victim, a 27-year-old student at a nearby college, told police she and another woman were hired to dance at the party.

**WORLD**

**Italy heads toward split in parliament**

ROME (AP) — Italy's parliament headed toward an unprecedented split on Tuesday between Premier Silvio Berlusconi's conservative coalition and one led by his center-left rival — the result of a national vote that could stall the formation of a new government.

Final results in the two-day vote ending Monday showed Romano Prodi's center-left coalition gaining control in the lower house of parliament, with 49.8 percent of the vote compared to 49.7 won by Berlusconi's conservatives. The winning coalition is automatically awarded 55 percent of the seats.

According to the results, Berlusconi's center-right coalition held a one-seat lead in the Senate.

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## As holiday looms, blood bank needs help

Units spoil in Midland-area blood bank, causing critical need for weekend holiday

By **MICHELLE CASADY**  
 STAFF WRITER

Two-hundred units of blood were lost at the Midland-Odessa United Blood Services blood bank at approximately noon Sunday because of a refrigeration failure.

The Midland-Odessa bank supplies blood to not only Midland and Odessa but also to Permian Basin hospitals and the Lubbock United Blood Services blood bank, according to a news release.

Though no extra drives have been scheduled to help restock the supply, an appeal has been issued by United Blood Services.

"This is not a need we can alleviate in a few days," said Les Long, media representative of United Blood Services. "This is hopefully something we can fix in two weeks."

Long said a need like this never has come up before in the area, but he is confident in the response of the citizens of Lubbock.

"I'm hesitant to say what type of blood we need specifically because that tends to let some folks feel like they're off the hook. The type of blood we need right now is red," Long said as a call to all Lubbock citizens.

He said most of the blood lost at the Midland-Odessa branch was "O" Positive and "O" Negative, both of which had a full 42-day shelf life.

"Usually our community responds really well though," he said. "We just need people who are dedicated to donating."

Long also said United Blood Services statistics show a small percent of people who



**MICHELLE CASADY/The Daily Toreador**  
**JONATHAN TOWNSEND**, A graduate student from Sundown studying biology, gives blood at United Blood Services with the help of Donor Technician Patricia Perez on Tuesday.

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## Horse & Flower POWER



**DAVID JOHNSON/The Daily Toreador**  
 THE MASKED RIDER statue near the Marsha Sharp Center for Student Athletes is framed by tulips on a sunny day last week.

## Bush dismisses reports Iran attack planned

By **HOPE YEN**  
 ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush dismissed as "wild speculation" reports that the administration was planning for a military strike against Iran.

Bush did not rule out the use of force, but he said he would continue to use diplomatic pressure to prevent Iran from gaining a nuclear weapon or the know-how and technology to make one.

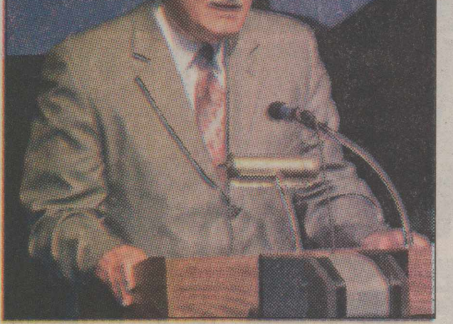
"I know here in Washington prevention means force," Bush said at the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies at Johns Hopkins University. "It doesn't mean force, necessarily. In this case, it means diplomacy."

Several weekend news reports said the administration was studying options for military strikes. The New Yorker magazine raised the possibility of using nuclear bombs against Iran's underground nuclear sites.

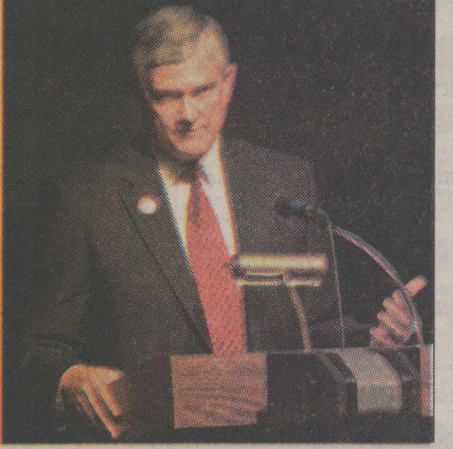
"I read the articles in the news-

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## Mayoral candidates square off



**FIVE MAYORAL CANDIDATES** debated Monday at the Cactus Theater, including Tom Martin, above, and David Miller, below.



Photos: **LINC ARMES**  
 Story: **MICHELLE CASADY**  
 THE DAILY TOREADOR

Five candidates for mayor took one stage Monday night at the Cactus Theater.

The candidates established their differences from the beginning with their opening remarks.

Tom Martin highlighted his 32 years of public service to the citizens of Lubbock, while Gil Montes spent most of his opening statement time telling the listeners a brief summary of his history with Lubbock, including his time spent in the U.S. Army.

Candidates Ysabel Luna and David Miller both talked about the value of having a safe community.

"We need to hire more police officers and we need to have money to pay our police officers more," Luna said. "I will make sure your tax dollars are actually working for you."

Miller went more in depth discussing with the crowd his vision for the city of Lubbock, and what his leadership style would entail.

"My vision for this city is to make Lubbock the model city for America - not just for West Texas or Texas, but for America," he said.

Candidate Larry Noland stood out from the rest by not stating a platform, rather stating to the people what he believes his part is in national government.

"I was the man who drew up and gave the plan for the war in Iraq to General (Tommy) Franks. Including 'shock and awe.' That's my term for that war," Noland said.

Following his remarks several members of the audience could be heard mumbling, "That's despicable," and "He's crazy." No other candidates received audible negative feedback from the audience.

The same two questions were posed to each of the five mayoral candidates. The first of which was, "In your opinion is the role of the mayor and (City) Council more of a policy-setting body with a hands-off approach to the execution of that policy, or should the Council exercise diligent oversight of the city apparatus?"

Martin adopted a quote once uttered by President Ronald Reagan, and said he believes the mayor and Council should "trust but verify" the decisions of others.

Montes proposed more citizen involvement through representatives listening to the needs of the people in their district.

Luna proposed a more open style of city government with citizens being involved in all

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## Owners of Little Panda told to fix 2 other buildings

By **PAUL ROBERTS**  
 STAFF WRITER

Lubbock building inspectors asked the owners of the collapsed Little Panda building to address construction issues of two of their buildings to prevent potential dangers, Lubbock building inspectors said.

Trustreet Properties Inc., the owner of the buildings, was issued several citations for two buildings located at 4644 50th St. and 2312 19th St., Lubbock building inspector Aubrey Long said. The company's options are either to demolish the buildings or repair existing problems the investigators found.

"They can either bring the buildings to the ground or they can take necessary construction measures to fix the current problems with the building structures," Long said.

Trustreet Properties has until Tuesday to decide which option they will choose. Once it makes that decision, the company has 90 days

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# Tech gets \$400K grant for future principals

By MICHELLE CASADY  
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech was chosen to receive state funding to establish a pilot high school principal certification program.

Tech was one of six universities chosen of the 12 that were vying for the \$400,000 grant. Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, State Sen. Robert Duncan and executive director of the Texas High School Project John Fitzpatrick presented the grant.

It will be used to fund a new program to train teachers to become principals. The College of Education is in partnership with the Rawls College of Business Administration in order to achieve success in the program.

"What's innovative about this program is that the College of Business and the College of Education will be working together on this initiative," Fitzpatrick said. "Texas Tech will graduate 30 of these super principals within the next few years."

Fitzpatrick said graduates of the new program will have three qualifications, including a master's degree, principal's certification and on-the-job training, and they will be trained instructional leaders.

According to a news release, the principals and assistant principals will be trained to "lead

urban high schools with a high percentage of economically disadvantaged students."

Funding for this initiative, according to the news release, comes in part from the state of Texas, in part from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, in part from the Michael and Susan Dell Foundation, and in part from the university.

The \$400,000 grant given to Tech comes from a portion of the \$260 million initiative funded by the state.

"It's great to have this type of public and private support," Fitzpatrick said.

Duncan applauded the lieutenant governor's work with education.

"Out of all our politicians, only one has a true passion for public education, and that is Dewhurst," Duncan said.

Dewhurst said he believes to have better schools, there must be bet-

"Not only are we happy to receive the grant but we are very proud of Texas Tech," she said. "We have lots of pride and we are just thrilled."

Klinker praised the College of Business Administration for its cooperation in the initiative.

"With both of these groups working together, we will have the opportunity to put together the skills of leadership and management that educators need," Klinker said.

She said the program will teach students to be responsive to the needs of the democracy — faculty and staff of a school — to be aware of equity issues, and to have respect for peoples' rights and freedoms.

"We are just so happy to have this opportunity to help," Klinker said.

President Jon Whitmore also spoke at the event.

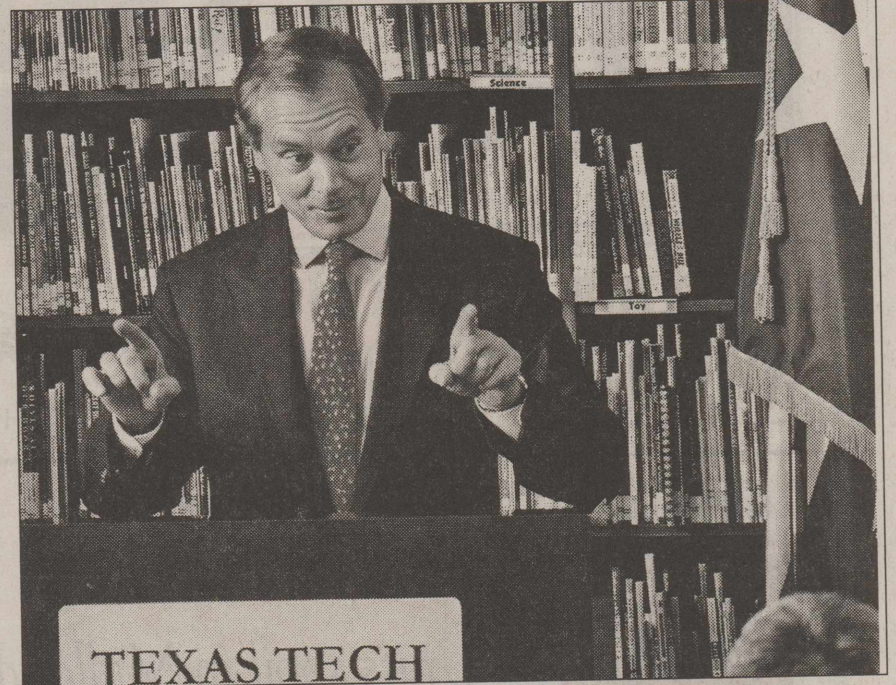
"This is exactly the type of public, private, state, university cooperation that will allow us to better educate our students," he said.

Whitmore said he agrees changing the leadership of public schools will positively affect the school's overall performance.

"Getting better leadership at the top will trickle down and make a major difference overall," he said.

According to the news release, the university will commit \$195,000 in scholarships for program entrants during the next three years. The first group of participants will be chosen from the Lubbock Independent School District.

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DAVID JOHNSON/The Daily Treador

TEXAS LT. GOV. David Dewhurst presents a \$400,000 grant from the Texas High School Project to establish a pilot high school principal certification program in the Sittin Room of the Education building Monday afternoon. The program is a cooperative effort between the College of Education and the Rawls College of Business Administration which is designed to train principals and assistant principals.

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— JON WHITMORE  
President  
Texas Tech

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## In Brief

### Engineering alumni honored

The College of Engineering honored three distinguished alumni at an awards ceremony Friday.

Their integrity, professionalism and stature were three factors that went into selecting the recipients, according to a news release.

Recipient Ajay Marathe of Bangalore, India, graduated from Texas

Tech in 1983 with a master's degree in industrial engineering. He now is corporate vice president of Advanced Micro Devices India, according to the news release.

Another recipient Jerry Morgensen of Greeley, Colo. graduated in 1965 with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. Morgensen now serves as chairman for Hensel Phelps

Construction Co., according to the news release.

The final recipient, Travis A. Simpson of Greensboro, N.C., a 1981 Tech graduate with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering, now is vice president of Dell's North Carolina unit, according to the news release.

### Meat Science lab named after former professor

Texas Tech's meat science laboratory has a new name.

The laboratory formally became the Gordon W. Davis Meat Science Laboratory Friday.

Davis, a former Tech professor, led in the development of multimedia textbooks, according to a news release.

Some of Davis' previous contributions include a \$500,000 endowment and \$500,000 for a new position created in the animal and food sciences department, according to a news release.

### ConocoPhillips donates \$250K

Although gas prices still are going up, one of the companies gave some money back to Tech.

At a formal check presentation, Phil Frederickson, executive vice president of ConocoPhillips, represented the company by giving Tech a \$250,000 check Friday.

The Career Center, College of Engineering, Rawls College of Business and the President's Office are some departments which will receive part of the donation, according to a news release.

### Know how to fix a flat? OPC does

Instead of paying money for classes some could consider to be difficult, the Outdoor Pursuits Center is presenting a free class on how to fix a flat tire.

According to a recent news release, the OPC wants to teach students ways "to fight the sticker infestation on campus."

The workshop will be 7 p.m. today at the Outdoor Pursuits Center.

For more information, visit [www.recports.ttu.edu](http://www.recports.ttu.edu).

According to a recent news release.

The career fair will begin 9 a.m. today at the Lubbock Civic Center.

For a complete listing of school districts that will be represented at the fair, visit [www.careercenter.ttu.edu](http://www.careercenter.ttu.edu).

### Business school gets Black & Decker award

Black and Decker has given the Rawls College of Business Career Management Center more reasons for bragging rights.

Some of the business college's alumni earned their former school the Black and Decker Achievement Award from their postgraduate accomplishments, according to a news release.

College of Business Dean Allen McInnes said the award speaks well for the college's career center.

"The Career Management Center plays an integral role in preparing our students for success in business, and this award further underscores the quality of work they do in preparing the next generation of business leaders," McInnes said in a news release.

### Distinguished Alumni and Friends named

Although the 2006 Academy Awards ended more than a month ago, the College of Education has selected recipients for this year's Distinguished Alumni and Friends of Education Award.

Among the distinguished alumni are Luther Clegg, professor emeritus

of education at Texas Christian University and Michael Hinojosa, Dallas Independent School District superintendent.

Jack Booe, Don and Kay Cash, and Bob and Dana Craig, all from Lubbock, are this year's "friends of education."

The recipients will receive their award at the Annual Alumni & Community Awards Dinner on April 21, according to a news release.

For more information, contact Karen Jacobsen, College of Education director of public relations at (806) 742-1998.

### Tech grads named to petroleum engineering academy

The Academy of Petroleum Engineers now has three new names of Tech graduates to add to its list.

Joe Feagan, a 1960 graduate, who now is owner of Feagan Energy and Feagan Gathering was inducted into the academy Thursday, along with Johnny Mulloy, a 1960 Tech graduate, who now is president of J.W. Mulloy Associates, and Howard Swaim, a 1943 graduate, who served as Conoco Inc.'s senior engineering professional until 1985, according to a recent news release.

The department of petroleum engineering created the academy in 1994 as a way to recognize graduates from its department who have made a significant difference in their careers after graduating from Tech, the news release states.

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8:30 AM	Puppy (HD)			Paid Program	Critter Gitters		Roseanne
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4:30 PM	Arthur			Access	Yes, Dear	World News	Simpsons
5:00 PM	Maya Miguel	News	News	Family Feud	King Qu.	News	Friends
5:30 PM	Bus Report	NBC News	Evening News	Extra	King Qu.	Entertainment	Raymond
6:00 PM	Newshour with Jim Lehrer	News	Millionaire	NCIS "Light Sleeper" (HD)	Gilmore Girls	Hope & Faith	American Idol (HD)
6:30 PM	Nova (HD)	Outrageous	Scrub	The Unit "Security" (HD)	Veronica Mars "I Am Good" (HD)	"The Ten Commandments" '06, Made for TV	House "All In" (HD)
7:00 PM	Frontline "The Tank Man"	Law & Order: SVU "Name"	CSI: Crime Scene "Killer"	Wife and Kids	Wife and Kids	Will & Grace	Fox 34 News@Nine
7:30 PM	Planet H2O	News	News	King of Hill	Sex and City	News	Seinfeld
8:00 PM	Bus Report	(35) Jay Leno (HD)	(35) David Letterman (HD)	Fear Factor	Cheaters	(85) ET	Frasier
8:30 PM	Charlie Rose	Late Late Show	Late Late Show	Couples	Cheaters	(35) Jimmy Kimmel	Friends
9:00 PM	BBC World	Conan O'Brien Phk	John Corbett	Blind Date	Mad About	Paid Program	Cheers
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# Two Tech law programs rated in Top 25

Legal writing, trial advocacy programs among best in state, nation

By KATIE KINNEY  
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech School of Law had two programs ranked among the best in the nation for 2007 in the April issue of U.S. News & World Report.

Tech's trial advocacy program was ranked 14th in the nation, and the legal writing program was ranked 23rd.

Brian Shannon, associate dean for Academic Affairs and a law professor, said Nancy Soonpaa, associate dean for Student Affairs and director of the legal writing program, is nationally recognized for her work, which he said he believes has a positive effect on Tech's law program.

Soonpaa said she is proud of the program, but it was not all her doing.

"As the director of the program, I am very proud of the ranking," she said. "But it is not all about me, but rather the professors and how hard they work to make the program successful."

Shannon said Tech's law school has long had success with their trial advocacy program, and one of its students was named the best in oral advocacy.

Shannon said Tech law also had a trial advocacy team compete last year in nationals.

"Our team was ranked second in

the U.S., and they won the world championship in Dublin, Ireland, last summer," he said. "Our team this year ranked fifth in the U.S."

Shannon said the rankings were determined by surveys sent out to practicing lawyers, judges and law school professors.

He also said some of the data in the rankings were from the American Bar Association assessment of students' GPAs and LSAT scores from various schools.

What is so important about this ranking, Soonpaa said, is that with the ranking so high in these areas, it will make the overall ranking of the law school go up.

*"It is a matter of letting the country know what we have known for a long time."*

— BRIAN SHANNON  
Associate Dean  
Academic Affairs

Tech currently is ranked in the Third Tier of law school rankings, which are listed alphabetically and not ranked as the Top 2 tiers. Tech also was in the Third Tier in the 2006 rankings. The Top 2 tiers include the Top 100 law schools around the country.

"This rankings will have a snowball effect in the sense that once a student sees certain programs with high rankings, they will think the school itself has a high ranking and more students will want to attend," Soonpaa said. "It will build on itself in a very positive way."

Shannon said he believes this will

help get the word out about the Tech's School of Law.

"It is a matter of letting the country know what we have known for a long time," he said. "Lawyers had no opinion of Tech because they didn't know about our school, but this will be a great way to get the word out."

Shannon said employers like to hire students from the Tech law school because of their educational background.

"Our students are well prepared, hard working and have good ethics, and these two programs help develop these skills in students," Shannon said.

Though administrators are pleased with the rankings, they are not the only ones.

Savannah Meyer, a first-year law student from Topeka, Kan., said the ranking is good for the school.

"It absolutely will help the school

because it will increase the number of applicants and promote the school not only on the level of applicants, but also students being hired after graduation," she said.

Barbara Novak, a law student from Lubbock, said the ranking will help increase the attendance of the law school.

"Anytime you are talking about being ranked it will attract students," Novak said. "Because when students are picking out schools, they usually go by the rank of the school."

Shannon said the law school now has an even bigger goal in being ranked.

"We are now in the Third Tier and our goal is to be in the Top 100 in the near future," he said. "And the way to get there is to demonstrate excellence in these areas."

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## Where do they rank?

The 2007 U.S. News & World Report named the top law schools in the nation for all-around education and specific programs. Here are where the Texas law schools ranked in that process.

- University of Texas (Austin) — No. 16
- Southern Methodist University (Dallas) — No. 43
- Baylor University (Waco) — No. 51
- University of Houston (Houston) — No. 70
- Texas Tech University (Lubbock) — Tier 3
- South Texas College of Law (Houston) — Tier 4
- St. Mary's University (San Antonio) — Tier 4
- Texas Southern University (Marshall) — Tier 4
- Texas Wesleyan (Fort Worth) — Tier 4

## Blood

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can donate blood actually donate, while approximately one-third of the population will need a blood donation at some point in their life.

"That's only 5 percent trying to carry everyone else," he said. "That just doesn't work."

For a Monday, Long said it was a "better than average" donation day for the Lubbock branch.

Texas Tech student Jonathan

Townsend, a graduate student from Sundown studying biology, was at the clinic donating Monday afternoon. "I heard that they had a shortage, and I've donated at least twice a year since I was 17, so I decided to help out," he said. Townsend urged fellow students to donate, as well. "It doesn't hurt, and it will help a lot of people," he said. "Anyone who can should come out and donate." Lonnie Jarrett, donor care supervisor of mobile collections, said the next

blood drives planned for the Tech campus are April 19 at the rotunda of the Business Administration building from 10 a.m. until 3:30 p.m., and from 2 to 7 p.m. April 26 at Horn/Knapp.

"Mobile drives are more effective than the actual offices because we can cover a broader area," Jarrett said. "For instance, today we have one mobile in Plainview, one in Floydada and one in Buffalo Springs Lake."

He said mobile drives are pre-scheduled up to one year in advance, and as of this time no extra drives have been scheduled for the Tech campus to aid in building up reserves.

"We're someplace all the time," Long said.

"We normally say as long as a drive can bring in 20 units of blood, then it's worth it."

He also said though there has recently been an improvement in the number of participants at Tech blood drives, there still are other universities getting higher rates of participation.

"We're still not the best, so there's a big thrust for us to keep doing even better," he said.

According to a release issued by United Blood Services, to donate blood people must be at least 17 years old, weigh more than 110 pounds and bring with them a valid form of photo identification.

Hours of operation for the Lubbock location at 48th Street and University Avenue are from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

And why should people donate?

"This is the only life-saving medical procedure that involves eating a cookie," Long said.

For more information on blood donation call United Blood Services at (806) 741-1752.

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## RU-486 ruled out recent death initially linked to abortion pill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Health officials said Monday they have ruled out the abortion pill RU-486 in one of two deaths in women who had taken the drug. The second remains under investigation.

The one death was unrelated to either abortion or use of the pill, the Food and Drug Administration said. The second woman showed symptoms of infection. Four other women have died of a rare but deadly infection after undergoing pill-triggered abortions.

In those four deaths, all involving Californians, the women tested positive for Clostridium sordellii, a common but rarely fatal bacterium.

The FDA has warned doctors to watch for infection by the bug. However, the drug, also called Mifeprex or mifepristone, has not been proved to be the cause in any of those cases, the FDA has said.

The recent deaths sparked had renewed calls to ban the abortion pill. Republican Sens. Jim DeMint of

South Carolina and Tom Coburn of Oklahoma, urged passage of legislation that would suspend sales of RU-486 after the latest deaths were made public in March. The two legislators want the Government Accountability Office to review how the FDA approved the pill.

The FDA approved RU-486 in 2000 for use in ending a pregnancy up to 49 days after the beginning of the latest menstrual cycle.

Neither of the two women followed FDA-approved instructions for the pill, which require swallowing three tablets of one drug, followed by two of another two days later.

Instead of swallowing the final two tablets, the second course of pills was inserted vaginally in the four women, an "off-label" use that studies have shown effective and that has been recommended by a majority of the nation's abortion clinics. That use does not have federal approval though studies have indicated it produces fewer side effects.

Planned Parenthood Federation of America Inc. said it would immediately stop recommending vaginal insertion of the final course of pills. Four of the women who died, including the latest two, received the pills at Planned Parenthood-affiliated clinics. Planned Parenthood estimates RU-486 has been used 560,000 times in the U.S. since it was approved.

RU-486 is sold by Danco Laboratories. It works by blocking a hormone required to sustain a pregnancy. When followed two days later by another medicine, misoprostol, to induce contractions, the pregnancy is terminated.

Federal health officials plan a May 11 workshop in Atlanta to discuss emerging cases of disease involving C. sordellii, which also have included infections in patients who have received skin grafts.

## Voting for N.O. election starts with buses of refugees

LAKE CHARLES, La. (AP) — Hundreds of Hurricane Katrina evacuees in Texas and other states boarded buses and traveled to Louisiana on Monday to cast early ballots in New Orleans' storm-delayed election for mayor.

The election officially is April 22, but residents scattered around the country by the storm will be able to vote all week at satellite voting centers set up in Lake Charles, Shreveport, New Orleans and seven other cities around the state.

"We need to be a part of the political process," said Cara Harrison, an evacuee from the flood-devastated Ninth Ward. She said she voted to give Mayor Ray Nagin a second term.

In Houston, about 110 hurricane evacuees boarded buses for a two-hour trip to St. Charles. Many said they wanted to vote in person, rather than

using mailed-in absentee ballots, because mail delivery in New Orleans remains unreliable.

"This way, I know it will be counted," said Cavada Smith, 50, who lives in a Houston apartment after being flooded out of a New Orleans housing project.

Several voters said they did not expect to return to New Orleans before the end of the year, but made the long trip because the election will determine much of the city's future.

"I would have walked to New Orleans if I had to. I would be less than a good citizen if I wasn't out here doing this," said Elaine Stovall, 62.

Another voter, Gilda Burbank, said casting a ballot reminded her that she still has a say in her hometown. "It makes me

feel that, at long last, something is going to happen. It's the start of getting my life back," she said.

About 300 others in cities across Texas, Georgia, Arkansas and Mississippi were expected to join bus caravans back to their home state to cast ballots, said Ginny Goldman with the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now, or ACORN, which organized the trips.

The election was originally scheduled for February but was postponed because of the damage and displacement done by Katrina.

Twenty-two candidates are challenging the re-election bid by Nagin. If no mayoral candidate gets a majority in the election, the top two finishers will compete in a May 20 runoff.

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## New Sept. 11 film reminder of fateful day

"Sept. 11, 2001. Four planes were hijacked. Three of them reached their target. This is the story of the fourth."

There has been controversy surrounding Universal Studios' new movie set for release on April 28, simply titled "United 93." It has been almost five years since that fateful day, and the buzz around this movie focuses mostly on whether America is ready for a film about Sept. 11.

Previews in Los Angeles and New York already have drawn intense scrutiny and emotional reaction. Time magazine reported audience members in Hollywood shouted "Too soon!" as the trailer was screened; a New York theater pulled the trailer after audience complaints. "United 93" is the first feature film to deal explicitly with the events of Sept. 11 though there was a made-for-TV special movie on A&E in January.

The new film is certain to ignite an emotional debate before and after it opens April 28. Is it too soon? Should the film have been made at all? Time says other Sept. 11 projects are on the way as the fifth anniversary of the attacks nears, most notably Oliver Stone's "World Trade Center," starring Nicolas Cage, opening Aug. 9.

I wondered what all the fuss was about so I decided to get online and watch the trailer myself. The first minute or so consists of typical flight commuting talk as passengers board Flight 93. "Unfortunately, it looks like it's going to be about a 30-minute delay" and "We're currently No. 1 for departure." Then it goes to air traffic controllers viewing the two aircraft flying into the World Trade Center towers.

Back onboard Flight 93, pilots are informed of the terrorist attacks. Suddenly, an Arab man rips open his shirt to reveal a red tool belt. The passengers are stunned and terrified. They begin to organize. "We have to do it now because we know what happens if we just sit here and do nothing," says one man talking to his family on an Airphone.

As the passengers gather to plan their final act of heroism a voice tells us, "On the day we faced fear ... We also found courage." Just watching that trailer left me shaking. It took me back to that day, and the fear and confusion we all felt as we watched the events unfold on television.

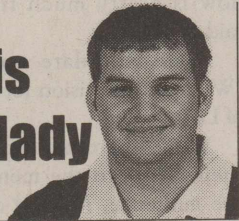
So what do the family members of those who died in Flight 93 think of a movie being made about the deaths of their loved ones? Writer-director Paul Greengrass said he went to great lengths to be respectful in his depiction of what occurred. In fact, Universal plans to donate 10 percent of its opening weekend gross to the Flight 93 National Memorial Fund. Greengrass said he proceeded with the film only after securing the approval of every victim's family.

Carole O'Hare, whose mother died aboard Flight 93, told the media why she supported the filmmakers: "This story has to be told to honor the passengers and crew for what they did ... But more than that, it raises awareness. Our ports aren't secure. Our borders aren't secure. Our airlines still aren't secure, and this is what happens when you're not secure. That's the message I want people to hear."

I do not think it is too early, but I agree with syndicated writer Ben Shapiro when he says that it may be too late. He says "For too long, Hollywood has been silent, and Americans, attempting to slip back into a pre-Sept. 11 reverie, have accepted that silence with gratitude. Sept. 11 was a painful wound, but that is no excuse for forgetting it. Those for whom Sept. 11 was most painful."

The only movies Hollywood has made have been based on typical liberal stupidity. An example is "Syriana," which claimed the war in the Middle East is driven by thirst for oil. Boy if I haven't heard that one a thousand times.

**Travis Lovelady**



All Americans should see this movie for we should never forget Sept. 11...

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There was also the Michael Moore movie popular among Bush-hating Liberals, "Fahrenheit 9/11." In that one Moore accuses President Bush of being a war criminal and says the war on terror is just a fabrication used by the president for political gain.

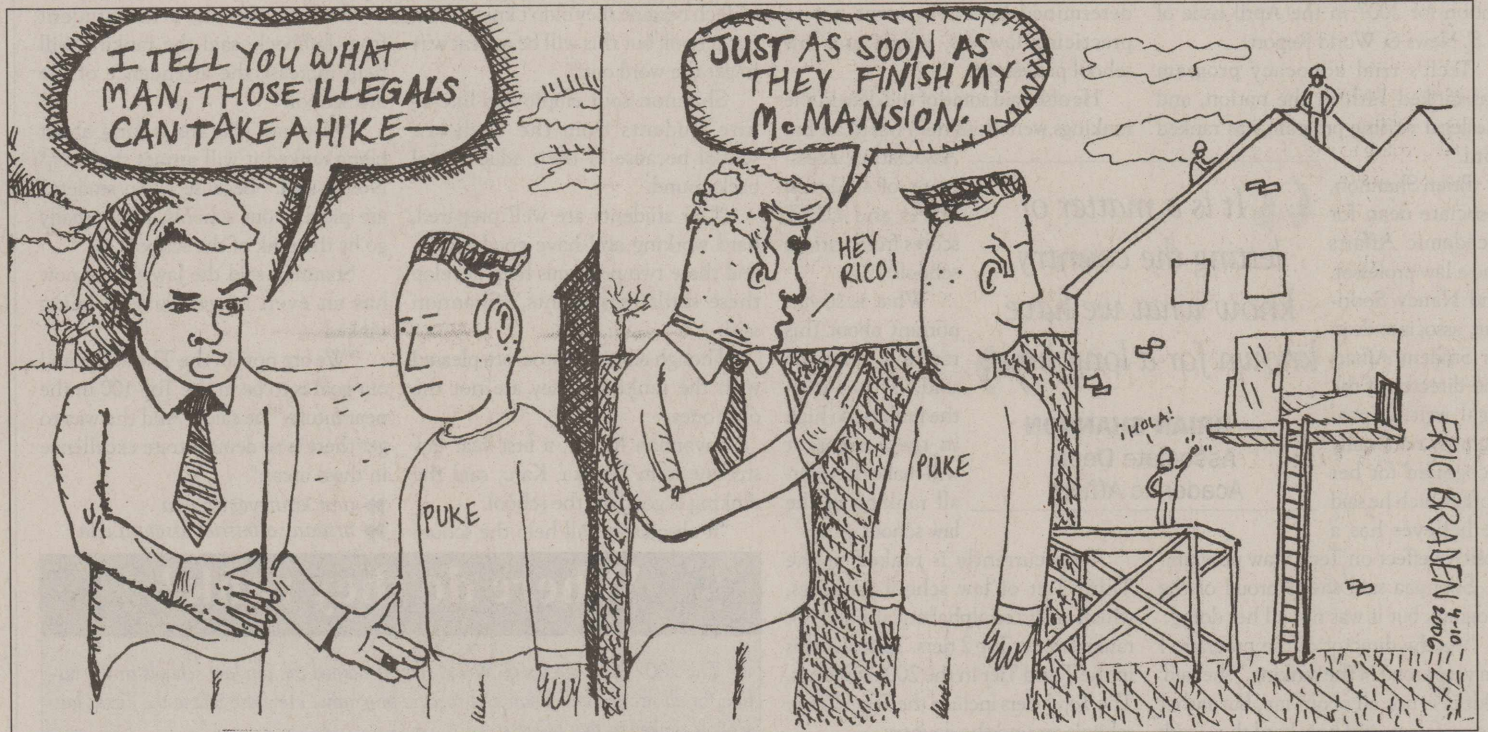
Oh, and I cannot wait for this Oliver Stone film, "World Trade Center." Who knows what conspiracy Stone will claim in this one. Probably that Bush and his administration made up staged Sept. 11 so they could start a war. These are the same people who say Franklin Roosevelt knew about Pearl Harbor and let it happen so we could get into World War II, and the FBI were the real perpetrators of the Oklahoma City bombing. While I hope Oliver Stone has more respect for America than to make up lies about 9/11, I highly doubt it. If he chooses the road of misinformation you will not find me anywhere near a theater showing "World Trade Center."

But, I will go see "United 93." Many Americans have forgotten what really happened that day. They have blocked from their memory the pain we all felt and the anger we had for those who had attacked us. We all need to be reminded every single day of how we were savagely attacked and of the ultimate sacrifice many American soldiers have made in defense of our freedom. We need to be reminded by more than just a death counter shoved in our faces for the wrong reasons.

We need to remember the stories of the Americans that perished at the hands of evil. We need to remember how our lives were changed forever and how we all came together not as Republicans or Democrats, but as Americans.

But, as united as we were in those days and weeks following Sept. 11, we have become more split than ever before. All Americans should see this movie for we should never forget Sept. 11. We need to come together as Americans and stop the partisan bickering. The future of our country depends on us staying vigilant in our pursuit of justice for those that attacked us. It will be when we forget that our complacency causes us to be reminded by the terrorists again.

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## Plame leak exposes Bush hypocrisy

"There are too many leaks of classified information, and if there is a leak out of my administration, I want to know who it is." George W. Bush, Sept. 2003.

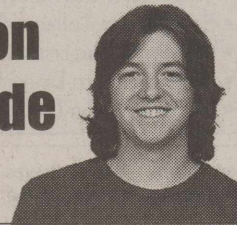
The president may have heard of a recent invention, an ingenious development of our industrial sector: a flat plane of polished glass with specular reflection or as some wags have deemed it, mirror. The commander in chief may wish to obtain one for his residence. I suggest a gilded frame.

Oh, the sting of hypocrisy. Leaking is nothing new. But this is the Kool-Aid White House, remember? You drink it, you're in. Disobedience: not an option. So no surprise Bush would protest a bit too much about seepage around the corner: a common political tool here becomes punishable on presidential fiat. Bush said he would fire whoever had been whispering secrets to outsiders, which is good for a laugh. It's like the veto: In five years, how many people has the president fired thus far?

Why would the president leak information? Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Arlen Specter shares my mystification: "I think that it is necessary for the president and the vice president to tell the American people exactly what happened." Of course. A reasonable request. In any other era this would be a rational question. But these days, asking "why" is like trying to riddle the Sphinx. Ask questions of this administration and you invite confusion. But let's take a stab at it.

Scot Libby's grand jury testimony, publicly filed Wednesday by Special Counsel Patrick Fitzgerald, tells us Bush gave Cheney the go-ahead to tell Libby to spill sections of the October 2002 National Intelligence Estimate (classified) that seemed to confirm Saddam had ambitions toward nuclear weapons. Incidentally, these would be the same portions ("key judgments") that already had been disproved within the administration. Remember the Niger "yellowcake" story? We all know how

**Jason Rhode**



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that panned out. A trio of reporters to guzzle at this trough: Matthew Cooper (Time magazine), Judith Miller (New York Times) and Bob Woodward. The administration then does the public service of declassifying July 18, 2003, after the above have been fed good and proper. They knew how bad their story was and went ahead anyway. Some commentators have flattered discretion by labeling this approach as "cherry-picking." I call it lying. What do you call it when you tell someone something you know isn't true?

Shakespeare's Othello says it best: "Were it my cue to fight, I should have known it/Without a prompter." Libby was lingo, whispering silken falsehoods when it suited his masters best. The particular ear in mind was that of Miller's. She swallowed the hook: "Baghdad Male seeks Loving, Caring Radioactive Relationship from Africa. Must enjoy walks on sand dunes and noking The Great Satan." This was on July 8, 2003.

Funny, then, that a week prior to this, Colin Powell gave an interview at the Department of State, telling reporters from Miller's paper the big wheels at the intelligence agencies were no longer "carrying" Libby's story as "a credible item" by early 2003 (when Powell had been building his case for the UN).

This is understandable if we acknowledge that, for Bush, justifying its war after-the-fact was only one of the goals here. The sweetest prize was the kneecapping of Joseph Wilson, the husband to now-famous CIA Operative Valerie Plame, who'd been a real drag for the White House at the time.

The pettiness of such a vendetta will come as a surprise to many, but not to readers of history. President Nixon, who opened China and had the power to move armies around Southeast Asia like pieces on a chessboard, also commanded the break in of a psychiatrist's office. Wilson was a nuisance: a former ambassador yelling from the other side of the fence. He appeared on TV and published an op-ed column decrying the approach of the powers-that-be. What was to be done?

How to deal with rebellious underlings is a long-running obsession of rulers everywhere. Thomas A. Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, once gave his king, Henry II, no end of trouble. "How am I to deal with this meddlesome priest?" wondered the Crown aloud, which was cue enough for three of his knights to go and do in the rebellious clergyman. Here the action is a bit more direct: Bush, who prides himself on being the hands-off MBA president, was forced to descend into the fray. Even if Bush didn't give any go-ahead in the Plame affair, he's directly

tried to effort to selectively spread false information in an effort to silence the chattering classes. But I wouldn't stop there. Because two leaks — one about uranium, the other about the wife of an opponent of the administration — seems too coincidental for me. In Fitzgerald's filing he revealed a Cheney-centered effort to "discredit, punish or seek revenge against" Wilson. I can only imagine what remains for us to discover.

So why, Mr. President? Because time waits for no man, they say. And this was the summer of 2003. Election coming up, after all. How bad would it look if the president's reason to go to war looked shaky? Since 9/11, Bush has derived all of his substance from the well of the warrior-king. Rove knew. A change in the rationale for going to war? Disastrous. To be worried about after November '04.

So Bush leaked. And the setup was beautiful. It accomplished three things: one, it bolstered the administration's claims temporarily. Two, it got Wilson off their backs. Three — and here's the important one — when it was time for the curtain to be pulled back, if, God forbid, Bush should ever be pressed on why they went to war without WMDs, Bush could say that he'd been lied to as well. The president would be shown to be one of us — another dupe of lousy intelligence, the plaything of higher powers. But deceptions are like flowers: They last while they last. With the revelation of Bush as leaker in chief, we see the truth for what it is: Bush wasn't the victim. He was the source.

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## VIEW FROM THE BIG 12 Affordable education feasible

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(U-WIRE) LAWRENCE, Kan. — The importance of a higher education is known to all of us who choose forgoing paychecks now for exams and all-nighters in front of a blurry computer screen. As I stand on the precipice of graduation with my tuition doubling since I first came college and looming student loan bills awaiting my next step I wonder if college could be cheaper. Unsurprisingly the answer is yes if we make a few minor changes.

First, The federal government cut \$12 billion from the student-loan program back in February to help pay for an exploding deficit and tax cuts for the wealthiest 1 percent. A better way to save money and not hurt students would be by passing the Student Aid Reward (STAR) Act, which increases student-aid funding by redirecting the subsidies currently going to loan companies to needy students.

Our current system costs \$11 more for every \$100 loaned to students. By passing the STAR Act our federal government could increase aid to students without any new taxes or cuts to deserving programs. This plan would generate \$4.4 billion next year alone. While this common sense plan may not be the final answer to all our problems, it sure is a good start.

Secondly, textbook prices have in-

creased 186 percent since December 1986 according to the Government Accountability Office. To give you a little perspective, if all prices increased at this rate a gallon of 1986 milk would cost \$6.35. If you think that stinks, try buying a \$200 new edition book that you can't return.

Publishers say they are trying to help students who aren't as well prepared for college by offering supplements that could help them learn. I call shenanigans. Textbooks are now bundled with unnecessary and unused CDs and other extraneous additions to artificially raise the price. Furthermore, U.S. Public Interest Research Group found publishers, such as Thomson Learning, charge U.S. students 72 percent more, on average, than students in the U.K., Africa and the Middle East. Textbooks are one of the few things where demand is determined not by the consumer — students — but instead by professors. In short, we are getting screwed.

How do we make it better? We get professors and legislators informed and get our textbooks unbundled. The practices of publishers have been egregious and no amount of spin can change the numbers. If we keep pressuring and, more importantly, stop buying, they'll be forced to submit to our civic and market demands.

A little change now can save a lot of change tomorrow.

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# Flat-rate tuition plan offers exemptions, committee-mandated exceptions

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Texas Tech has implemented a flat-rate tuition plan for the next academic year, but the university has established an appeals process for those who qualify as exempt from the policy.

The flat-rate tuition will charge every student for 15 credit hours, regardless of how many hours they are actually taking.

According to the Student Business Services Web site, www.sbs.ttu.edu, under the appeals process, those students who need between 12 and 15 hours to graduate, those who cannot take a full course load because of a learning

disability, students who are required by their major to take a block schedule of less than 15 hours, students with financial hardships, and those students who still are completing 30 hours per school year by taking summer school classes, are some of the examples of who can be exempt.

In extreme cases, students can appeal to be charged on a per-credit-hour basis, instead of the flat-rate tuition model, the Web site states.

To be considered for an appeal, a student must apply online at either www.fina.ttu.edu or at www.sbs.ttu.edu, complete the FAFSA forms and all other financial aid, and accept all parent and unsubsidized loans.

The Business Services Web site states students who will not be considered in the appeals process are students who have their tuition and fees covered by their Estimated Family Contribution and financial aid, including loans, students who are taking less than 12 hours or more than 15 hours, and students who received a tuition credit from the previous academic year.

Ultimately, Student Business Services and Financial Aid will decide who will be exempt. If those offices cannot make a decision, the case will be forwarded to a committee.

The committee will be made up of the chair, appointed by the provost or vice president for fiscal affairs, three

faculty members, three undergraduate student members, a representative from Student Affairs, the director of Student Business Services and the director of Student Financial Aid, according to the Web site.

This plan will be in effect for the fall, but some students say there is no benefit to this appeals process.

"Once everyone knows about the appeals process, everyone will want to do it and then it will take longer or they will not want to exempt as many people," said Claudia DeLeon, a junior interior design major from Farmington, N.M.

Justin Myers, a sophomore exercise and sport sciences major from Cypress,

said he agrees.

"People aren't going to see the point to it and they aren't going to appeal because it will take too long," he said.

Ashley Dixon, a sophomore business and marketing management major from Albuquerque, N.M., said flat-rate tuition is unfair for those who cannot afford 15 hours.

"It is unfair for those students who can afford or want to take a full course load of 15 hours opposed to those students who can't, and those students should be exempt," she said.

The students also have some ideas of their own about what should qualify a student as being exempt.

DeLeon said if a student is a senior and only has a few hours left should be exempt, while Myers said any student who has been at Tech for two or more years should be exempt.

The details of the appeals process is outlined for students on the Student Business Services Web page for all students to review before deciding to appeal.

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## Thousands of immigrants take to streets on national day of action

ATLANTA (AP) — Tens of thousands of immigrants spilled into the streets in dozens of cities across the nation Monday in peaceful protests that some compared to the movements led by the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and farm-labor organizer Caesar Chavez.

"People of the world, we have come to say this is our moment," said Rev. James Orange of the Georgia Coalition for the People's Agenda in Atlanta, where police estimated that at least 50,000 people marched Monday morning.

At the Mississippi Capitol, 500 demonstrators sang "We Shall Overcome" in Spanish. In Pittsburgh, protesters gathered outside Sen. Arlen Specter's office to make their voices heard as Congress considers immigration reforms.

Groups in North Carolina and Dallas called for an economic boycott by immigrants to show their financial impact.

The rallies had a noticeable impact on production at Excel Corp. plants in Dodge City, Kan., and Schuyler, Neb., a spokesman for the nation's second-largest beef processor said. He said there was a slowdown, but the company had no intention of taking action workers who were gone for the day.

"We assume they will be back at work tomorrow," spokesman Mark Klein said.

Atlanta police estimated that at least 50,000 people, many in white T-shirts and waving American flags, joined a two-mile march from a largely immigrant neighborhood Monday morning.

The protesters had two targets in Georgia: congress members weighing immigration reform and state legislation now awaiting Gov. Sonny Perdue's signature that would require adults seeking many state-administered benefits to prove they are in the U.S. legally.

Nineth Castillo, a 26-year-old waitress from Guatemala who joined the Atlanta march, said she has lived in the United States for 11 years "without a scrap of paper."

Asked whether she was afraid to parade her undocumented status in front of a massive police presence, she laughed and said "Why? They kick us out we're coming back tomorrow."

Hundreds of Latinos in North Carolina were called on to skip work or boycott all purchases Monday to demonstrate the financial impact of the Latino community on area businesses.

"We're hoping that employers stop to consider what this is all about," organizer Adriana Galvez said. "That if you need people here to do the work, to buy, then give them a legal channel to get here."

Cruz Luna, his wife and their four children all wore T-shirts reading "God Bless America" at a demonstration in Pensacola, Fla. The two oldest children — ages 8 and 9 — were born in Mexico and are in the U.S. illegally; their younger siblings, ages 4 and 8 months are U.S. citizens.

"We want to send a strong message today, a message that we want the laws to be fair," Luna said.

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# SIT BACK, RELAX AND ENJOY THE MUSIC

By **ABBY STONE**  
FEATURES WRITER

Since Texas Tech doesn't offer an "I'm stressed out" break before the end of the year, the Tech School of Music is offering a concert that is sure to loosen up anybody who is burned out.

Alan Shinn, professor of music and director of percussion and jazz at Tech, said there are four percussion ensembles that will perform at 8 p.m. today in Hemmle Recital Hall: Percussion Ensemble I, Percussion Ensemble II, Steel Band I and Steel Band II.

Although they are all in the percussion family, the sounds of the groups differ not only in how

they play but also what they play, he said. There will be everything from cha-cha-style music to a rock-funk style.

"It's got a really good feel to it," Shinn said.

More than 50 instruments will give the ears and eyes of the audience a show.

"It's always fun to watch the mallets fly across the instruments,"

Shinn said. When students learn percussion at a college level, he said it is common they will not specialize in any one percussion instrument, but rather learn to play all of the instruments available.

"What we teach at Tech is total percussion," Shinn said.

Specialization in one percussion

instrument usually happens after graduation, he said, but it is difficult for any percussionist to pick a favorite instrument.

Josh Armstrong, a percussion teaching assistant, said he is part of Percussion Ensemble I and Steel Band I.

Steel Band I will play Caribbean-style music, he said. When played in its natural habitat, this music causes listeners to get up and dance.

The music being played tonight is expected to do the same and get the audience on their feet.

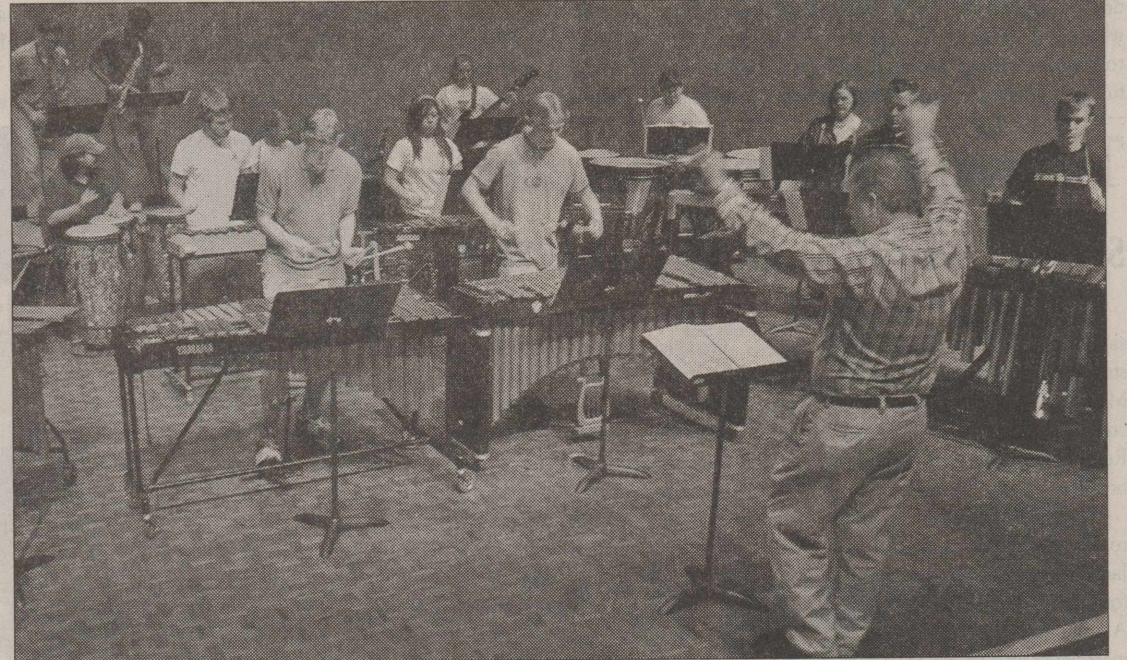
"If you haven't seen a steel drum band, you haven't lived," he said.

Steel Band I will jump from the traditional steel drum music to Michael Jackson's hits such as "Thriller," "Beat It" and "Smooth Criminal."

The band also plays Beatles' songs and other mainstream groups. The trick to picking modern songs to play is to listen to a music piece and picture how it would sound on the steel drums, Armstrong said.

"It's basically like just a big jam," he said. "We have fun out there like Michael Jackson does."

Ian Rollins, a graduate student from Houston, said Percussion Ensemble I will be playing music under the jazz-fusion genre. Jazz fusion is either a mixture of jazz and rock, or jazz and Latin music.



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PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE I plays under the direction of Alan Shinn, professor of percussion, in Hemmle Recital Hall Monday night in anticipation of its performance tonight.

Sometimes a group will mix all three sounds.

Percussion concerts tend to attract a larger crowd than concerts that feature only one instrument, Rollins said. People can only enjoy one sound for so long, and this concert provides variety.

"I like to listen to AC/DC, (but you can only listen to it) for so long," he said.

The concert is a sit-down con-

cert, but as it nears the end of the evening, the music is louder and the energy is higher in the room, Rollins said.

"By the end people are feeling pretty good and loosened up," he said.

Shinn said he has been a professor at Tech since 1982, and the Tech percussion ensembles always are strong.

"This is professional-level stuff,"

he said.

April is a stressful time, Shinn said, and going to a percussion concert is a great way to get away from the worries and pressures of life.

"It's a healthy way to relax," he said.

The free percussion concert begins at 8 p.m. today in Hemmle Recital Hall.

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The *DT* Reader's Choice Awards has just gotten easier. The survey will be available only online, so don't miss your chance to choose Lubbock's best. Use the link provided and give us your opinion. The survey will be available until April 16, 2006.

The most popular answers will be published in the April 28 edition of *The Daily Toreador*.

Many questions have options listed that were popular choices from last year's survey. There is also a field to write in a choice not listed.

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## ABC to offer 4 prime-time shows online for free

LOS ANGELES (AP)—ABC will offer four prime-time shows including "Desperate Housewives" and "Lost" on its Web site for free for two months beginning in May as it continues to expand the ways consumers can watch TV online.

The shows will include advertising that cannot be skipped over during viewing. ABC, which is owned by The Walt Disney Co., already offers ad-free episodes for \$1.99 each on Apple Computer Inc.'s iTunes store.

The offerings on the ABC.com

Web site will also include current episodes of "Commander in Chief," as well as the entire season of "Alias," and will be available through June. New episodes will be available online the day after they run on ABC.

The shows will be supported by advertisers, including AT&T Inc., Ford Motor Co., Procter & Gamble Co., Toyota Motor Corp. and Unilever PLC, among others.

The experiment comes as networks try to reach viewers who watch less TV in prime-time and are embracing

technology that lets them watch shows on computers and portable devices, such as an iPod.

"It's an opportunity for us to learn more about a different model," Anne Sweeney, president of Disney-ABC Television Group, said in a panel discussion Monday at the cable industry's annual convention in Atlanta.

"None of us can live in a world of just one business model. This is about the consumer, and how the consumers use all this new technology. It's consumer first, business model second."

ABC was the first network to sell TV episodes online. Since then others, including NBC, CBS and several cable networks, have offered shows on iTunes, their own Web sites and on Google Inc.'s new video store. Time Warner Inc.'s AOL recently launched in2TV, which streams episodes of classic TV shows with ads.

ABC is working with advertisers to try new, interactive ads that will appear in the shows and will also offer sponsor-

ships. Viewers will be able to pause the shows and skip to various "chapters," but will not be able to fast forward through the ads.

Sweeney said that ABC would be cautious about other distribution deals, being careful to safeguard against piracy, ensure reliability of the technology, and make sure any deals are compatible with ABC brands. Whether such ventures are supported by marketing is also a concern, she said.

Sweeney said ABC had already rejected several other deals for possible distribution of TV shows, but she declined to say which ones.

"You're not going to see us on every single platform," she said.

ABC has not made shows available on Google's video store. ABC has also not yet signed any agreements with cable companies to distribute its hit prime-time shows for on-demand replay services offered on cable, although Sweeney said they were in active talks with several providers.

ABC also said it will continue discussions with its local affiliate stations on ways to share revenue from online ad sales. Affiliates, as well as unions representing actors and writers, have sought a bigger cut of online revenue.

"Our ultimate goal is to find an effective online model, one in which our affiliates can take part," Alex Wallau, president, operations and administration, ABC Television Network, said in a statement.

The Disney-ABC TV group also said Monday it will launch a broadband channel for soap opera viewers on April 17, available to Verizon Communications Inc. consumer broadband customers, called Soapnetic.

Shares of The Walt Disney Co. rose 30 cents to \$27.83 in afternoon trading on the New York Stock Exchange. That is closer to the higher end of their 52-week range of \$22.89 to \$28.85.

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Iran

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papers this weekend," Bush said. "It was just wild speculation." Taking questions from the audience, Bush also said he declassified part of a prewar intelligence report on Iraq in 2003 to show Americans the basis for his statements about the threat posed by Saddam Hussein.

"I wanted people to see the truth," he told a questioner who said there was evidence of a concerted effort by the White House to punish war critic Joseph Wilson. Bush said he could not comment on the CIA leak case because it is under investigation.

Sen. Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., sent a letter to Bush on Monday asking him for details about how the document was declassified. "There are many questions that the president must answer so that the American people can

understand that this declassification was done for national security purposes, not for immediate political gain."

In Tehran, officials said the media reports about a possible U.S. strike against Iran amounted to psychological warfare from the West.

Iran's hard-line President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad told Iranians not to be intimidated by other nations' attempts to stifle the country's nuclear ambitions.

"Unfortunately, today some bullying powers are unable to give up their bullying nature," Ahmadinejad said. "The future will prove that our path was a right way."

The U.N. Security Council has demanded that Iran suspend all enrichment of uranium—a key process that can produce either fuel for a reactor or the material for a nuclear warhead. The security council gave Tehran until April 28 to comply before the International Atomic Energy Agency reports back to the council on

its inspection progress.

Iran has rejected the demand, saying the small-scale enrichment it began in February was strictly for research and was within its rights under the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty.

Bush and other administration officials have said repeatedly that the military option is on the table, and White House officials acknowledge normal military planning is under way.

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Panda

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to act on the plans. Suzan Kohlmeier, a representative of Truststreet Properties, said the company still is investigating the Little Panda roof collapse. She said her company has no comment concerning the other two of its buildings and the buildings future.

Long said the building on 19th Street most likely will be torn down, and the land to be sold.

Long and Lubbock building inspectors asked the owners to construct temporary fencing around the two buildings, and to secure services of a structural engineer.

The Little Panda Restaurant at 908

Slide Rd. collapsed March 20, trapping 10 people inside. The accident killed 23-year-old Tara Wilson, and injured nine others.

Firefighters assisted in the rescue efforts tunneling through debris and rescuing the survivors, Lt. Mark Etheridge of the Lubbock Fire Department said in a previous interview with The Daily Treador.

The inspectors are finished with their part of the investigation and are confident they found the problem, Long said.

"We are 98 percent sure the parapet wall was at fault," Long said. "The wall, which extended above the roof, showed signs of weakness and deterioration. It lacked vertical supports."

At the time of the accident, authorities said Lubbock winds played

a major factor in bringing down the 3,000-pound wall.

Both buildings owned by Truststreet Properties were constructed in 1977, making them almost 30 years old.

The Josie's Restaurant at 1308 50th St., also owned by Truststreet Properties, does not need reconstruction or demolition, because of differences in the buildings structures.

The Lubbock Code of Enforcement Office has conducted several inspections on separate buildings since the Little Panda accident.

"They have conducted daily inspections, but so far nothing has been brought to our attention," Long said.

Robert and Brenda Shultis, both senior architecture majors from Las Cruces, N.M., said they were shocked when they heard of the roof collapse of

the restaurant.

"Back home we saw the same thing happen at a grocery store when a giant bell on the top of the roof collapsed into the store," Brenda Shultis said. "It was terrible. The grocery store ended up getting sued."

Robert Shultis said he believes precautions should have been taken in advance.

"Generally in older buildings, they should be inspected more often, especially if they are that old, and especially, in a place like Lubbock with such strong winds," Robert Shultis said. "The owners should use this tragic accident as an example to check their other buildings and ensure their safety."

Cal Otero, a senior architecture major from Albuquerque, N.M., said the owner of the building should take

some sort of responsibility.

"A lot of people were at risk," Otero said. "Store owners, employees and customers were all under that roof."

As an architecture student, Robert Shultis said, he tends to observe the interiors of buildings, especially after

the Little Panda accident, but wonders if everybody does, as well.

"You just don't think about it," Robert Shultis said. "You assume it is safe."

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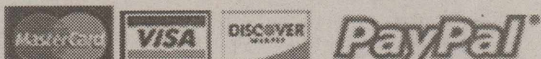
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## Drama in Sooner land

Breler, Raiders down No. 46 Oklahoma in final match

By **BRITTANY BARRIENTOS**  
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Imagine being one of two people on an outdoor stage, surrounded by screaming Oklahoma Sooners fans, dripping with sweat, tired, feeling the energy draining after four hours on the court and knowing the fate of the team lies in your hands.

That was Michael Breler Sunday afternoon as he won the last match at the Headington Family Tennis Center in Norman, Okla. He became the Texas Tech men's tennis team's comeback kid, last man standing, and the title character of numerous other clichés, while leading the team to a 4-3 win over No. 46 Oklahoma.

"I was up 1-0 in the second set. Then he (Sergey Avdeyev) changed his gameplan and put me in an uncomfortable position," Breler said. "I didn't know what to do. I was just trying to fight and keep the ball in there and keep going."

He said he had no choice, as he watched his teammates finish their matches and the number of people on the court grow thin.

"We were 3-2 in matches, and Christian (Rojmar) just lost, and Michael was down 3-0," Tech coach

Tim Siegel said.

But the morale didn't get low. It never does with the Red Raider tennis team.

Siegel said the guys on the team knew they still had a chance to defeat the conference rivals, and they rallied around Breler.

"I saw my chance. I saw he was tired so I just kept fighting," Breler said. "I was starting to get back in the match. I knew I just had to fight even though I didn't feel fresh."

Everyone knows the old saying, "It's not the size of the dog in the fight; it's the size of the fight in the dog."

Siegel said that was especially true for the No. 42 team in the match — particularly with fate on their side.

"Last April 9 against A&M, we were down 0-3 in the last set in the last match, and we went on to win six straight to clinch the match," he said. "One year later, we're down 3-0 in the final set in the final match."

Talk about coincidences.

"Michael came back and won six straight games to clinch the match," Siegel said. "It was just a gutty effort."

But that effort didn't come solely from Breler.

No. 2 Dimitrio Martinez, No. 4 Sinsia Markovic and No. 6 Teddy DiBlasi had wins in Norman, as well.

When the dog pile subsided, the red and black came to 12-7 on the season and 1-2 in Big 12 play.

Earlier in the weekend, the Tech team fell to No. 25 Oklahoma State 6-1, with Markovic taking the only win.

This weekend, the Raiders will try to keep their momentum for their first home match in nearly eight weeks.

As part of the Rowdy Raider celebration to black out No. 19 A&M, fajitas, pizza and give-a-ways also will be available at the McLeod Tennis Center.

For the team, however, the match will not be about barbecue and pizza, but about finishing off the season strong.

"I know we have four matches left with three highly ranked teams," Siegel said. "If we keep playing hard, we have a chance. It just keeps us in the position to make the (NCAA) tournament."

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## Desert not kind to Raider golf

By **JAY LANGLEY**  
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Augusta National proved to be kind to Phil Mickelson Sunday, as he won his second Masters title in three years. Unfortunately for the Texas Tech golf team, Arizona State's Karsten Golf Course was not as forgiving.

The No. 22 Red Raiders finished Sunday's Arizona State University Thunderbird Invitational with a 12<sup>th</sup> place team score of 871.

"We didn't focus well," coach Greg Sands said. "I think this weekend was probably a good learning experience. I think the guys learned how important it is to focus on every single shot."

The Tech squad was led by freshman Santiago Rivas who finished tied for 15<sup>th</sup> with a three-round total of 211. After Saturday's first round, Rivas sat in second place in the individual competition with an opening-round score of 67, but after turning in a 78 on Saturday, Rivas fell out of

contention.

"I played really well in the first and third round," Rivas said. "But I got kind of tired during the second round."

Sands said a hectic schedule and the team having to play 36 holes on Saturday caused the entire team to appear tired.

"I don't like to make excuses," Sands said. "But when our team, which I think is a Top 10 team in the nation, plays so well last time out (Tuesday's Morris Williams Invitational in Austin) and then plays so bad this weekend, there has to be a reason."

Rivas, a native of Cali, Columbia, said his goal before the end of the 2006 season is to win at least one individual tournament.

"That course was really tough," he said. "For me to shoot 66 and 67, two of the three rounds is encouraging."

Rivas was followed in scoring by teammates Oscar Floren and Andrew Dresser. Floren and Dresser finished in 37<sup>th</sup> and 64<sup>th</sup> with three-round totals

of 216 and 224, respectively. The tournament was the first of the 2006 season in which the two seniors did not rank one and two on the Tech team.

"It is good for Santiago to step up. We need someone other than the Top 2 to step up and perform," Sands said. "This weekend should help him with his confidence and that's important because Santiago's game is all about confidence."

A pair of freshmen rounded out the Tech scoring with Jake Younan-Wise and Brandon Lakatta shooting scores of 229 and 234, finishing the tournament in 76<sup>th</sup> and 81<sup>st</sup>, respectively.

Tech travels to College Station Saturday for the Aggie Invitational.

"I am not worried about us gaining our focus back," Sands said. "The A&M trip comes at a good time for us because anytime you go to A&M you can't help but be focused to play well."

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## Texas Relays encouraging for Tech track

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After four days at the Texas Relays in Austin, Texas Tech track and field coach Wes Kittley said he has mixed emotions about his team's effort.

"At a meet like that you go through many different feelings," Kittley said. "Some of the things you see out of the kids are encouraging while others are not."

Kittley said he was encouraged by the efforts of junior Shawon Harris.

In the 110M hurdles Harris finished in seventh with a time of 13.93. Harris was joined in the event by Daryl Burgess in fourth (13.86) and Marlon Odom in fifth (13.89). All three times were good for regional qualifying marks.

Harris also finished second in the 400M hurdles and ran the lead leg of the 4X400 relay team of Michael Mathieu, Zach Glavash, Andrae Williams, which finished second with a regional qualifying time of 3:05.14.

"I was really feeling confident," Harris said. "This was a meet with some of the best competition in the country. Knowing that I was running with some of the top guys motivated me."

Harris said competing three days in a row was easy for him.

"I train like I am going to compete in every event," he said. "So I never felt tired."

In other men's action, the 800M sprint medley relay team of All-American Glavash, Mathieu, Williams and

Albert Booker, finished second clocking a time of 3:17.00.

"I was really proud of the team," Kittley said. "That was one of the first races for Andrae and he ran really well."

The men's 4X100M relay team of Harris, Ryan Varner, Odom and Mathieu finished with a regional qualifying time of 40.50.

In the men's pole vault Sage Thames captured his first regional qualifying mark with a clearance of 17-8 1/2.

In throwing events, Harrison Benjamin scored a regional qualifying mark in the shot put with a throw of 57-10.

The women's team was led by Julianne Kennedy who set a new school record and provisional qualifying mark in the heptathlon. Kennedy scored 5,104 points during the two-day event.

"I feel really good where I am at," Kennedy said. "I seem to get better and improve with every meet so that is encouraging."

Kennedy set new personal bests in the 110M hurdles (14.45), 200M (25.65) and the long jump (19-1/2).

"I still need to improve on my 800M," she said. "That is my main goal right now. I want to be as good in the 800M as I am in my other events."

Kennedy also set a regional qualifying mark in the high jump with a new personal best jump of 5-8 3/4. She was joined by Misty Coley who set her third regional qualifying mark in the event with a jump of 5-8 3/4.

Other women to set regional qualifying marks at the Texas Relays included Sabrina Taylor in the long jump (19-11 1/2), Patience Knight in the shot put (46-1/2) and D'Andra Carter in the discus (156).

The women's 4X400M relay team of Louise Cox, Patricia Myers, Tia Berginear and Althea Chambers clocked a total team time of 3:41.19 good for a regional qualifying mark.

"We had some athletes who performed really well and others who just performed average," Kittley said.

Next up for the track and field team is the Mt. Sac Relays Friday in Walnut, Calif.

"This meet was like a mini-nationals," Kittley said of the Texas Relays. "Hopefully this was an eye-opener to some of the kids on how much really good talent there is out there. Hopefully they'll use this experience to learn and improve."

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## Raiders fall to Jayhawks, set to host New Mexico

Unlike Dorothy, the Red Raider baseball team has to be pleased to no longer be in Kansas.

Texas Tech traveled to Lawrence, Kan., this weekend fresh off a series win over Baylor, but momentum alone was not enough for the Raiders (23-13, 5-6 Big 12) to take down the then-No. 24 Jayhawks (22-13, 6-6) as they dropped the series, 2-1. The series loss drops the Raiders to seventh place in the Big 12.

After falling in the opener, Tech got another solid outing from Colt Hynes

who went 8 1/3 innings giving the Raiders a chance to even the series. James Leverton and Tyler Reeves helped support Hynes effort, both connecting on home runs and leading Tech to an 8-6 victory.

In Sunday's 6-3 loss in the rubber game, the Raider offense had difficulty solving KU pitcher Kodiak Quick. The right-hander held Tech to three runs through 5 2/3 innings, striking out six along the way.

The Raiders will look to right the ship today as they host New Mexico at 3 p.m.

at Dan Law Field.

The game will be the second of four meetings between the two squads this season with the Raiders taking the opener 8-7 in 10 innings on Feb. 14.

New Mexico (20-11, 3-3 MWC) is led on offense by sophomore Ian Hollick and junior Chris Carlson. Hollick's .350 average is a team best for the Lobos, while Carlson has provided the power going deep on eight occasions with 44 RBIs.

—Trey Shipman/Sports Editor