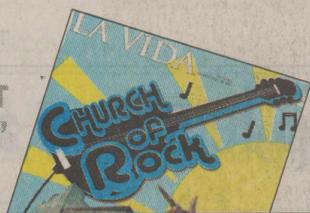


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#### Inmate captured while hitchhiking

DALLAS (AP)—Investigators from the Texas prison system apprehended Saturday an inmate who escaped from a privately run pre-parole center in Mineral Wells.

Harvey Veal, 43, was spotted by investigators around 8 a.m. hitchhiking along Highway 51 near Granbury. He was taken into custody without incident, said Michelle Lyons, spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Veal disappeared some time between 7 and 9:15 p.m. Thursday while he was supposed to be attending a class. A preliminary search failed to find Veal overnight, but it did find a clipboard stuck in a fence, Lyons said.

### NATION

#### Ramsey conviction may not hinge on DNA

BOULDER, Colo. (AP)—The best-case scenario for prosecutors would be slam-dunk DNA evidence linking John Mark Karr to the battered and strangled body of 6-year-old JonBenet Ramsey.

Without it, experts say, it's still possible—but much more difficult—to build a strong murder case against the 41-year-old teacher who has said he was there when the girl died 10 years ago but stopped short of an outright confession.

Karr's first appearance in Boulder County Court is scheduled for Monday, an advisement hearing expected to last only a few minutes. He has not been formally charged in the JonBenet's death.

### WORLD

#### Violence sweeps Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP)—A wave of bomb attacks and shootings swept Iraq Sunday, killing dozens of people despite a massive security operation in the capital and appeals from Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki for an end to sectarian fighting.

Al-Maliki insisted that his government was making progress in combating attacks by insurgents and sectarian clashes between Shiites and Sunnis.

"We're not in a civil war. Iraq will never be in a civil war," he said through an interpreter on CNN's Late Edition. "The violence is in decrease and our security ability is increasing."

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## Visitors ordered to leave Florida Keys

TAVERNIER, Fla. (AP) - Visitors were ordered to leave the Florida Keys on Sunday and Gov. Jeb Bush issued a state of emergency because of the possibility that Hurricane Ernesto could threaten the state.

Bush's order came after the Monroe County Emergency Management office told tourists to postpone any immediate plans to travel to the Keys and ordered those

already in the island chain to leave.

All travel trailers and recreational vehicles were ordered off the islands immediately.

The state of emergency directed counties to activate their emergency management offices and activated the National Guard, among other things. Bush also canceled a scheduled trip to New York for meetings Monday, choosing instead to stay in Tallahassee and monitor storm developments.

Monroe County authorities planned to begin moving special needs patients to a shelter Monday morning.

Ernesto, the first hurricane of the Atlantic season, was lashing Haiti on Sunday with heavy rain and sustained wind of 75 mph.

The storm was expected to move over Cuba, then bring rain and wind to southern Florida by early Tuesday, the National Hurricane Center said.

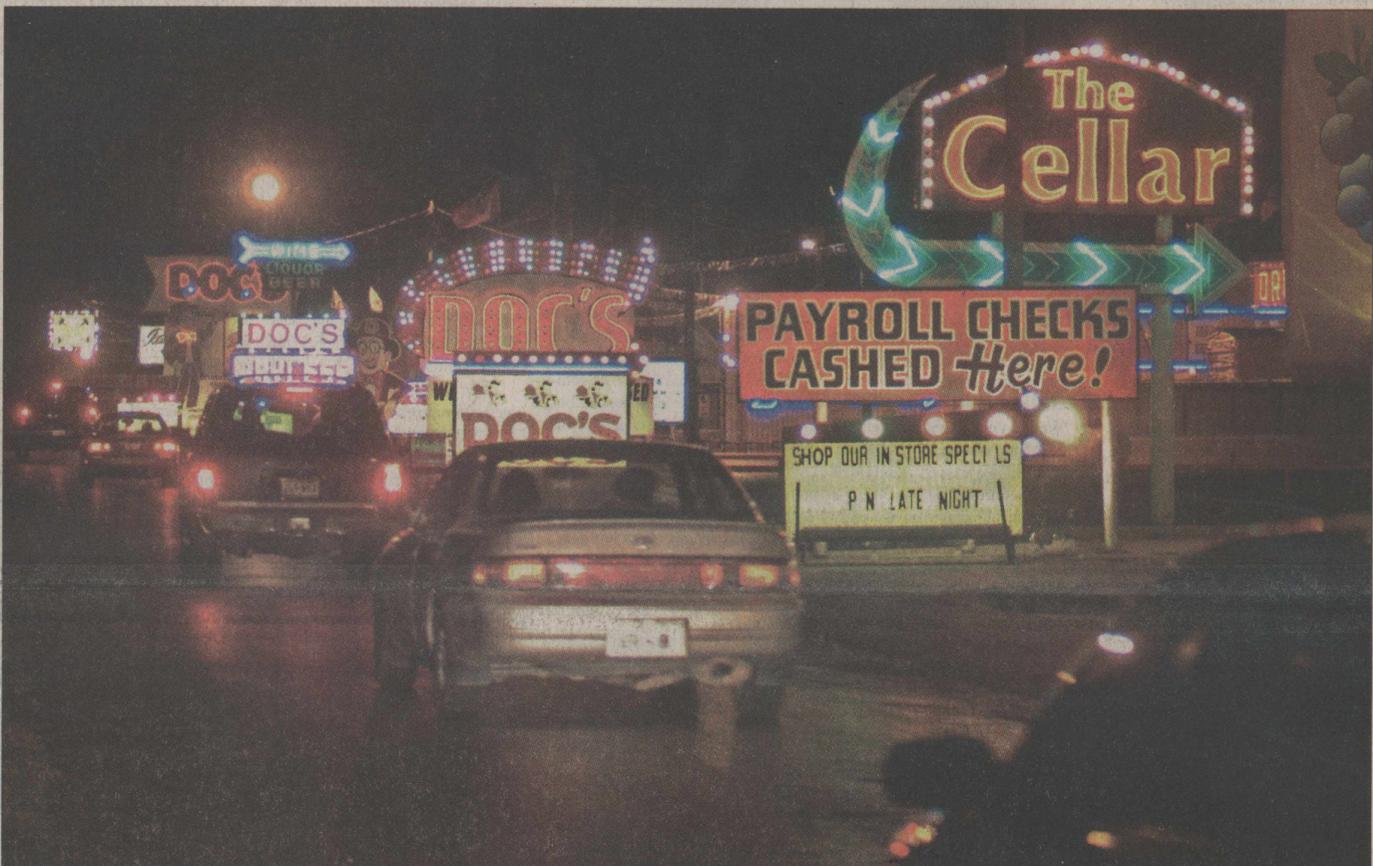
It was projected to strengthen off western Florida on Wednesday but the location of any U.S. landfall was unclear.

Tourists like Jim Rogers, of Lodi, N.J., made preparations Sunday to leave the low-lying Keys, which are connected to each other by just one highway, U.S. 1. Traffic leaving the Keys on the single evacuation route was steady but not heavy Sunday afternoon.

Rogers was part of a group of eight staying on Key Largo who had planned to stay in the Keys until Thursday or Friday. Rogers said the group now might go to Naples, but they were not going home.

"You don't know where to go. You don't know where it's going to blow," he said. "You don't want to be in Key West."

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DRIVERS PULL INTO the strip Thursday evening.

## COUNCIL APPROVES DISCUSSION OF STRIP ANNEXATION

By SARAH WHETSTONE STAFF WRITER

City officials approved discussion about extending the city borders to include 175 acres south of 98th Street. By the end of the year, "The Strip" may be inside Lubbock city limits.

If the city adopts the resolution, the buying and selling of packaged alcohol will occur within Lubbock city limits, Mayor David Miller said.

Miller, who was one of six city officials to pass the resolution allowing further discussion of the idea, said that even though the stores on The Strip will be allowed to continue to sell packaged alcohol as a part of the City of Lubbock, the current status of Lubbock County as dry will remain in effect in all other areas.

"Should the citizens of Lubbock want to extend the sale of alcohol into the city, they would have to gather signatures on a petition," Miller said. "They would then have to present it to the county commissioners court, and they would have to put it on a ballot, and the citizens would vote it up or down."

Miller said that a prime reason for wanting to annex the area located south of 98th street, east of Avenue P, west of the "short road" and north of the half section line of Block E (according to the city council agenda), is to collect primarily sales and property taxes generated from alcohol sales in that area.

"By the end of the first fiscal year (the city) could have about \$500,000 in sales tax and about \$33,000 in property taxes," Miller said.

According to city proceedings, the process of annexing The Strip would start Oct. 12 when the Lubbock City Council conducts the first public hearing concerning the issue. The council must then hold a special meeting and hold a second public hearing by Oct. 19. The next step would be to pass the Annexation Ordinance on the first reading Nov. 9, then pass it on the second reading Nov. 21.

Not all city council members agreed with the idea as Councilman Floyd Price was the lone vote against further discussion of annexation.

"Annexation to me carries the burden of infrastructure and service," Price said. "Police service will increase, fire service will increase, it will make more work for the city secretaries because

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Tony Chavez, a deputy with the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office, watches over an inmate of the Lubbock County Jail as he works in North Overton Park Friday afternoon.

## Keep Lubbock Beautiful campaign recruits inmates

By MICHELLE CASADY NEWS EDITOR

Children playing and inmates in orange jumpsuits littered North Overton Park Friday afternoon.

As an addition to the Keep Lubbock Beautiful campaign, city officials have teamed up with the sheriff's department to allow two crews of six to eight inmates to work around the city on beautification projects.

"We've been talking about putting inmates to work for years," Sheriff David Gutierrez said. "I want to say thank you to

the city for allowing this to happen."

Gutierrez along with City Manager Lee Ann Dumbauld, Council Member Phyllis Jones and Keep Lubbock Beautiful Coordinator Karen Murfee were all present at the event kick-off.

"There are other programs like this all over the state," Murfee said. "All have been met with much success."

During the launch of the program a crew of inmates were assigned to edge North Overton Park and pick up litter.

Gutierrez said he believes this is a historical event for the City of Lubbock.

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# Search of landfill begins in hopes of finding missing teenager Rogers

By PAUL ROBERTS  
STAFF WRITER

The Lubbock County Sheriff's Office began a search of a Lubbock landfill Saturday to search for the body of missing teenager Joanna Rogers.

The Sheriff's Department received a \$100,000 grant to fund the search of the Lubbock landfill for Joanna Rogers, who has been missing for more than two years.

Captain Don Carter of the sheriff's department said the department is prepared to begin the search after some delays because of rainy weather.

Carter said Sheriff Gutierrez was able to secure a state funded grant of \$100,000 while in Austin earlier this month.

Carter said the amount was necessary because of the magnitude of the search.

"We needed to obtain certain leases for machinery we don't have," Carter said. "Then, add fuel costs, which are a big chunk of money."

He said the search will utilize several law enforcement agencies and large manpower putting in the extra hours.

"Our people have been working 15 hours of overtime a week, even working on weekends," Carter said. "The FBI, DEA, ATF and DPS are all involved with this search."

Joanna Rogers has been missing since May 4, 2004. She was 16 years old at the time of her disappearance. Her parents last saw her after coming home from a day's work at Subway on 82nd Street and Akron Avenue. The next day, her parents entered her bedroom to find Joanna missing. She left no evidence of where she went. Her keys and purse were left in her room, which appeared untouched without a trace of forcible entry. Her purse, keys and cell phone were left in her room, Sheriff's Detectives said.

Carter said they will be looking at a specific area of 100 by 150 feet, with

a depth of 24 feet. He said the search is based on the time period of when Joanna Rogers' body would have been placed in the landfill.

He said the 24-foot-deep digging area has three layers, but the search will concentrate on the bottom layer.

Carter said the search will be divided into two phases. The first phase deals with finding certain areas to concentrate the search.

"We are going to first remove those top two layers so our equipment can reach the bottom layer," he said.

The second phase involves manually searching through this bottom layer of debris.

"We are going to use the machinery and spread the garbage over a flat surface, so the debris is only six inches deep," he said. "Two search teams of

15 members will be used to hunt through the debris."

Carter said he believes the search will provide some answers to Joanna Roger's disappearance.

"The landfill's records are pretty accurate," he said. "This has allowed us to pinpoint our areas of interest."

He said if the search does find a body, the Lubbock Medical Examiner will determine if the body is of Joanna Rogers.

He said the Rogers' family is anxious for results of the search.

"The family understands and accepts what needs to be done," Carter said.

Kathy Rogers, Joanna's mother, said she and her family are deeply appreciative of the extra efforts of the sheriff's department.

"We are not talking extra efforts, we are talking massive efforts," Kathy Rogers said. "We are very humbled of the risks they are taking."

They are following each and every lead they receive. The Sheriff's department is optimistic in finding our daughter."

Rogers said she hopes her daughter's

body is not found in the landfill search, but if she is, it will bring some closure to the family.

"We need to be patient and pray," Kathy Rogers said.

Kathy Rogers said she is grateful to the Lubbock community for all its help over the last two years.

She said she misses her daughter and cannot pick one thing she misses the most.

"Do I have to limit it to just one?" Kathy Rogers said. "We very much miss her at home."

The decision to search the landfill comes after Rosendo Rodriguez III confessed to abducting and killing Joanna Rogers and placing her body in the Lubbock landfill.

Rodriguez has been in jail since September when he was arrested for the murder of a Lubbock woman. 25-year-old Rodriguez is accused of killing Summer Baldwin in September, then placing her remains in a suitcase and dumping it at a landfill north of Lubbock, according to police reports. Baldwin was pregnant at the time.

Police were able to link Rodriguez to Baldwin's murder through the barcodes of the suitcase. The barcodes matched a purchase by Rodriguez at a local Wal-Mart store, along with a purchase of latex gloves.

In December, police named Rodriguez as a suspect in the disappearance of Joanna Rogers.

The link between Rodriguez and Joanna Rogers went public during Rodriguez's bond reduction hearing in late December, according to police reports.

During Rodriguez's bond reduction hearing, a Lubbock police officer was being interrogated on the stand and mentioned a link between Joanna Rogers and Rodriguez through each others' computers.

Kathy Rogers said she has no comment on Rodriguez' confession, but can't help to ponder the what ifs of this two-year-long investigation.

"The sequence of events boggles my mind. What if those people at the landfill had not opened the suitcase? What if Rodriguez had never been arrested?" Kathy Rogers said. "We would still be where we were two years ago."

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# Follow-up leads to arrest

By NAOMI KASKELA  
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Aug. 6

An invalid license and two citations were behind the arrest of a nonstudent by a Texas Tech police officer at the 500 block of Joliet Avenue. The nonstudent was transported to the Lubbock County Jail and the vehicle was released to

a family member.

A traffic stop at the 1800 block of Texas Tech Parkway led to a Tech police officer arresting a nonstudent who was then transported to the Lubbock County Jail. The reasons behind the arrest were driving with an invalid license and two outstanding City of Lubbock Municipal Court warrants. The vehicle was released to the owner.

Aug. 7

A follow-up investigation for a felony theft led to the arrest of a student by a Tech police officer. The item was stolen from the Texas Tech University Library on Aug. 3. The property was recovered by the arresting officer. The item stolen was not identified in police records.

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## Visitors

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Key West International Airport was expected to remain open until at least Monday night.

A tropical storm or hurricane watch was possible for sections of the Keys by Monday morning, meteorologists said as the hurricane center urged

residents of southern Florida, the Florida Keys and Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula to monitor the storm.

"It's on a track toward the Florida peninsula early this week, and all of Florida is in the area that's being threatened, from the Keys all the way up to the Panhandle," said Michael Brennan, a meteorologist at the hurricane center in Miami.

Florida's emergency manage-

ment center in Tallahassee was partially activated Sunday, and several counties around the state planned to activate their own centers on some level Monday.

Florida has been hit by eight hurricanes in the past two years.

"The message to Floridians is that Ernesto bears watching," said Mike Stone, spokesman for the Florida Division of Emergency Management.

# Ernesto becomes Category 1 hurricane

LES CAYES, Haiti (AP) — Ernesto became the first hurricane of the Atlantic season Sunday, lashing Haiti's southern coast with heavy rain and threatening to strengthen as it headed toward the Gulf of Mexico, where it could menace a wide swath of coastline including New Orleans.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami said the storm, which was packing winds of up to 75 mph, could grow by Thursday into a hurricane as strong as Katrina, which struck the city a year ago Tuesday.

"It's on a track toward the Florida peninsula early this week, and all of Florida is in the area that's being threatened, from the Keys all the way up to the panhandle," said Michael Brennan, a meteorologist at the center in Miami.

The storm was moving northwest at 9 mph on a path that would bring it near the tip of Haiti's southwestern peninsula by Sunday night. Forecasters said as much as 20 inches of rain could fall in some mountainous areas, raising fears of life-threatening flash floods in the heavily deforested country.

A storm surge of 5 feet to 6 feet sent waves crashing into cinder-block homes on the shoreline of

Les Cayes, a town 95 miles west of the capital, Port-au-Prince. Residents tied goats and cows under thatched huts and fishermen pulled their nets ashore as the wind bent palm trees.

Emergency officials in Haiti had evacuated some residents low-lying areas in the northwest city of Gonaives, which was devastated by Tropical Storm Jeanne in 2004.

Ernesto was expected to weaken as it crosses west-central Cuba on Tuesday night but emerge in the Gulf of Mexico with winds up to 110 mph, just below the threshold for a Category 3 storm, Brennan said.

The storm was expected to bring rain and wind to southern Florida by early Tuesday, and the hurricane center encouraged people in southern Florida, the Florida Keys island chain and Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula to monitor the storm. It was projected to strengthen off western Florida on Wednesday but the location of any U.S. landfall was uncertain.

Tourists were ordered to evacuate the Florida Keys immediately because of the storm threat.

Jamaica's Prime Minister Portia Simpson Miller put the country's security forces on alert Saturday, but a northward shift in the storm's course kept the strongest winds from affecting

the island.

In Cuba, the Communist Youth newspaper Juventud Rebelde warned Cubans of heavy rain, winds and potential flooding on the southeast coast starting Sunday night. Cattle were moved to higher ground, and workers cleaned gutters and picked rubble off the streets ahead of the storm.

Tourists were evacuated from hotels in the southeastern province of Granma, and baseball games Sunday in Havana were being played earlier than scheduled in the Americas qualifying tournament for the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing.

At 2 p.m. EDT, the fifth named storm of the Atlantic hurricane season was centered about 105 miles southwest of Port-au-Prince, and 165 miles southeast of Guantanamo, Cuba.

The Royal Caribbean cruise line said it was diverting three ships scheduled to depart the United States on Sunday and Monday, sending them to alternative Caribbean ports to avoid the storm.

The hurricane center said the storm's 75 mph winds pushed it just above the threshold for a Category 1, the weakest category of hurricane. To reach Category 3, Katrina's strength, the winds would have to reach at least 111 mph.

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# Lubbock's main source of water reaches record low in August

By NAOMI KASKELA  
STAFF WRITER

Recent rainfall could not prevent Lake Meredith from reaching a record low this month.

Chad Pernell, deputy general manager of the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, said there are many factors why the rain has not helped.

"One is the condition of the soil... the lack of rainfall in the right places," he said.

Lubbock, along with 10 other cities in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains region, is supplied water by the CRMWA, whose main source is Lake Meredith.

The recent drought has caused CRMWA to change its ratio of lake and groundwater it uses to supply the cities, said Kent Satterwhite, general manager of the CRMWA.

On the CRMWA Web site, the previous percentage of lake water used was 55 percent.

"(The new ratio) reduces the amount of water from the lake," Satterwhite said. "It costs a little more to pump (the groundwater)...we really didn't want to do that because we consider Lake Meredith a renewable resource and not the Ogallala Aquifer."

The current percentage of lake water being used is 45 percent, as listed on the CRMWA Web site.

According to the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District Web site, the Ogallala Formation in Texas is "the southernmost extension of the major water-bearing unit underlying" North America.

The Ogallala Aquifer and Lake Meredith are not the only sources of water for Lubbock, said Gaylyn Chapman, water utilities customer

service supervisor for the City of Lubbock. Included in the 100-year water supply purchased by Lubbock is Lake Alan Henry and water found in Roberts County, she said.

On the official Lake Alan Henry Web site, the opening message states its purpose is to "strive to provide visitors with a quality outdoor experience while safeguarding this future water source for West Texas."

"(Lake Alan Henry) will play an important role in that it will supplement our water," Chapman said.

Currently, an engineering study is under way to determine the best method to transport water from Lake Alan Henry, Chapman said.

"It will be costly in the infrastructure being built," Chapman said. An estimate can be made when considering the cost per mile is \$1 million and the infrastructure must cover 62 miles, she said.

Other plans implemented in the city focus on what residents can do to conserve water through the drought contingency plan. Currently, the city has not reached Phase II.

"I don't think we'll get to Phase II," Chapman said, "especially because of the rain over the watershed."

According to the Water Use Management Plan posted on the City of Lubbock Water Utilities Web site, Phase II will come into effect under moderate water shortage conditions.

Examples of conditions that would lead to implementation are maximum-day-use exceeding 90 percent of the city's maximum daily capacity for 10 days, water supplies being reduced by 5 percent to 10 percent and water availability in lakes and groundwater becoming lower than normal.

"Our city government is making sure that we have water for the future generations," Chapman said.

Some restrictions listed in the plan that would be put in place under Phase II include limits on the amount of water allowed for irrigation of lawns and set times when lawns can and cannot be irrigated. Customers will no longer be able to use water as dust control or simply wash off patios and other hard surfaces. Starting on April 1 and continuing until the end of September, Lubbock residents are restricted to irrigating their lawns between 6 p.m. and 10 a.m.

"We are all asking people to remember that water is a finite source and to use it wisely," Chapman said. "If we want to continue using water the way we use it, there will be costs."

Other concerns stemming from the drought is the effect on recreation at Lake Meredith, Satterwhite said.

"There are only two boat ramps right now," he said. "People are scared to go boating because of sand bars and rocks sticking up."

Fishing, however, has not been hurt, said Charles Munger, district fisheries biologist of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

"(The drought has) essentially concentrated fish into a smaller area so they are more available to anglers," he said. "At this point it is not a problem. For the anglers it is actually a benefit."

Currently, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is conducting research on the fish populations in the lake through interviews with anglers on the lake, Munger said.

"For the people who are willing to go out there, the (current conditions) benefit the fisher," he said.

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# Library thief charged

BY JOSH HULL  
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A Texas Tech employee was arrested and charged with the theft of more than \$75,000 worth of books from the Tech library.

Jeff Whitley, director of communications and marketing for the Tech library, said Johnathan Nunley was arrested on Aug. 8 in the library by Tech Police after an online book dealer reported purchasing a collection of 18 books with Tech library property stamps on them. Library staff determined that the books were owned by the library and had not been through the proper check-out process.

Maj. Gordon Hoffman of the Texas Tech Police Department confirmed that Nunley had been arrested and charged

with theft, which is a third-degree felony because of the value of the volumes stolen.

"We've recovered a good number of the items that were stolen," Hoffman said. "We just want to make sure we get all the books back."

The books have not been returned to the library, since they are still admissible as evidence.

Whitley said he wants to assure students steps are being taken to prevent this kind of theft from happening again.

"Our job is to protect these resources and be good stewards," Whitley said. "You can't predict deviance, obviously, but we have tried to make it much more difficult for this to happen again."

Whitley said he wants students to know the library considers its duty to use fees ap-

propriately as important, and that the library staff will do all it can to manage their resources responsibly.

Three major steps have been taken to ensure tightened security of the library's resources, Whitley said, including the installation of digital security cameras, a new requirement that students working for the library take at least 12 credit hours, and an increase in the number of night managers on duty.

"We have policies and procedures in place to help protect the library's resources," Whitley said. "We can do background checks on students, but I think these measures will help. You can throw lots of time and money into preventative measures, but we want them to be practical, and we think they will be."

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## Annexation

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more arrests will be made."

Floyd said he is against extending the city limits because he feels the money the city will spend on adjusting to a larger area will deplete the funds collected in sales and property taxes, setting Lubbock even further back financially.

"We are in a budget crunch as it is," Price said. "You don't annex for the sole purpose of collecting businesses' sales

taxes."

Uniformity on city policies is also an issue of concern, Floyd said.

"How can one store sell packaged alcohol and another not," Floyd said. "Is that fair? That's ludicrous. Is Lubbock wet or not? You can't dissect the city."

Floyd said he disagrees with the city's reasoning for annexing the area.

"We're just going after the dollar," Floyd said.

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## Students should reevaluate the cost of their education

By RICARDO RAMIREZ  
STAFF WRITER

I wonder if you have noticed the same pattern I have this week. As I walk through the aisles of local textbook stores, I find books and book packets priced at \$180. Students of all majors are constantly paying well over \$400 for textbooks each semester. Even the Texas Tech Bookstore's manager agrees, books are expensive. Textbook publishers price their books at the most profitable margins, ignoring the repercussions this has on our nation's education. As college students and thinkers, we represent the backbone of our country. We owe it to ourselves to reevaluate the cost of education and the role textbook prices play in it.

The main players on this issue are the state and national government, textbook stores, publishers, and the student government. They have all failed to help us for the start of this semester, and it is up to us to shape the textbook market.

The state legislature will soon propose a bill to allow for tax-free textbook sales in all universities in Texas.

According to the Texas Tech Bookstore General Manager Joanna Koliba, Barnes & Noble's answer to high textbook prices is used book sales, price-matching, and buy-backs. However, these tactics are futile: buy-backs give students very little cash, used books are still expensive when available, and price-matching hardly ever provides a significant difference in prices. When asked about why prices are so high, Koliba said her store has to give Texas Tech 10 percent of its sales. She also blamed the publishers, saying it is them who set the prices.

The McGraw-Hill Education webpage describes the company as "a lifelong learning partner to students and teachers of all kinds, everywhere." Contradictorily, on its Investor Relations webpage, McGraw Hill describes investors, not students, as its priority. The company calls itself "dedicated to producing consistent, sustainable earnings growth and improving total shareholder value."

The problem is that our education has been equated with big business profit. Somewhere along the line, we stopped being students. We became customers to these bookstores, publishers, and universities. Our part-time jobs and student loans have fueled McGraw-Hill's six billion dollar revenue and Barnes & Noble's 23 percent rise in profit.

I understand the free market economy has given America a lot

of its successes, but receiving an education should not depend on our ability to buy it. Education should not depend on McGraw-Hill's insistence on making record-breaking profits, nor on Barnes & Noble's failure to lower prices for their customers. Investors should not be promised "sustainable earnings growth" based on our textbooks.

When Barnes & Noble decided to come into our campus, they directly made a commitment to students. As the Texas Tech on-campus Bookstore, they should look out for our well-being. SGA President Ryan Worley agrees: "Whenever a bookstore comes to campus, they become a part of the educational system." In a time when education is losing funding, Barnes & Noble takes advantage of its strategic position on-campus and uses it to make a profit.

Fellow students, this problem has affected all of us for decades. A small effort can tell all bookstores that education belongs to us and not to them. The campus bookstore manager said that the problem with a student-only bookselling network is the logistics. This means that the bookstores are in an advantageous position because they hold centers where students can congregate to buy books.

There are alternatives to this. First, the internet - cheaper textbooks can be found on websites like half.com, amazon.com, and addall.com. Also, just like we use facebook.com for communication, we can create groups for selling books amongst ourselves. We can thus bypass low buyback rates and high used book prices. Lastly, we must urge the SGA to continue working for lower textbook prices. Since they are a unified body, they can help set up a student-only book exchange organization. It is the only way the bookstores themselves will lobby for lower textbook prices.

To leave education solely in the hands of these businesses makes "the land of the free" a terrible contradiction. We are telling our citizens that they have the right to an education as long as they can afford it, or that it's okay to go to college, as long as you agree to enrich other people by doing it. By making a choice as small as where we buy our textbooks, we can bring education back to what it should be: an equal right available to all the willing.

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## Online gaming law lets special interests win

By ERIC RODAWIG  
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(U-WIRE) WASHINGTON - Shortly after Georgetown University students arrive back in Washington, D.C., our U.S. Senators will follow suit for their September legislative session. In the last month before the long recess allowed for campaigning, there are many pressing items the Senate must address. But a proposed bill that attempts to prohibit certain forms of online gaming should not be among them.

Rep. Jim Leach (R-Iowa) and Rep. Bob Goodlatte (R-Va.) aim to discourage online gaming by amending the Wire Act of 1961 with their bill, H.R.4411. In Rep. Leach's own words, "What the [bill] basically does is make it illegal to use a bank instrument such as a credit card or money transfer or check to settle an Internet wager." What he fails to mention is that the bill only covers certain types of Internet wagers.

Goodlatte would like people to believe he is the noble leader of some moral crusade to save Americans from the supposed evils of online gaming. H.R.4411 is the latest in a series of misguided attempts stretching back almost 10 years; this one has unfortunately passed the U.S. House of Representatives, however, and Sen. Jon Kyl (R-Ariz.) is eager to pass similar legislation in the upper chamber.

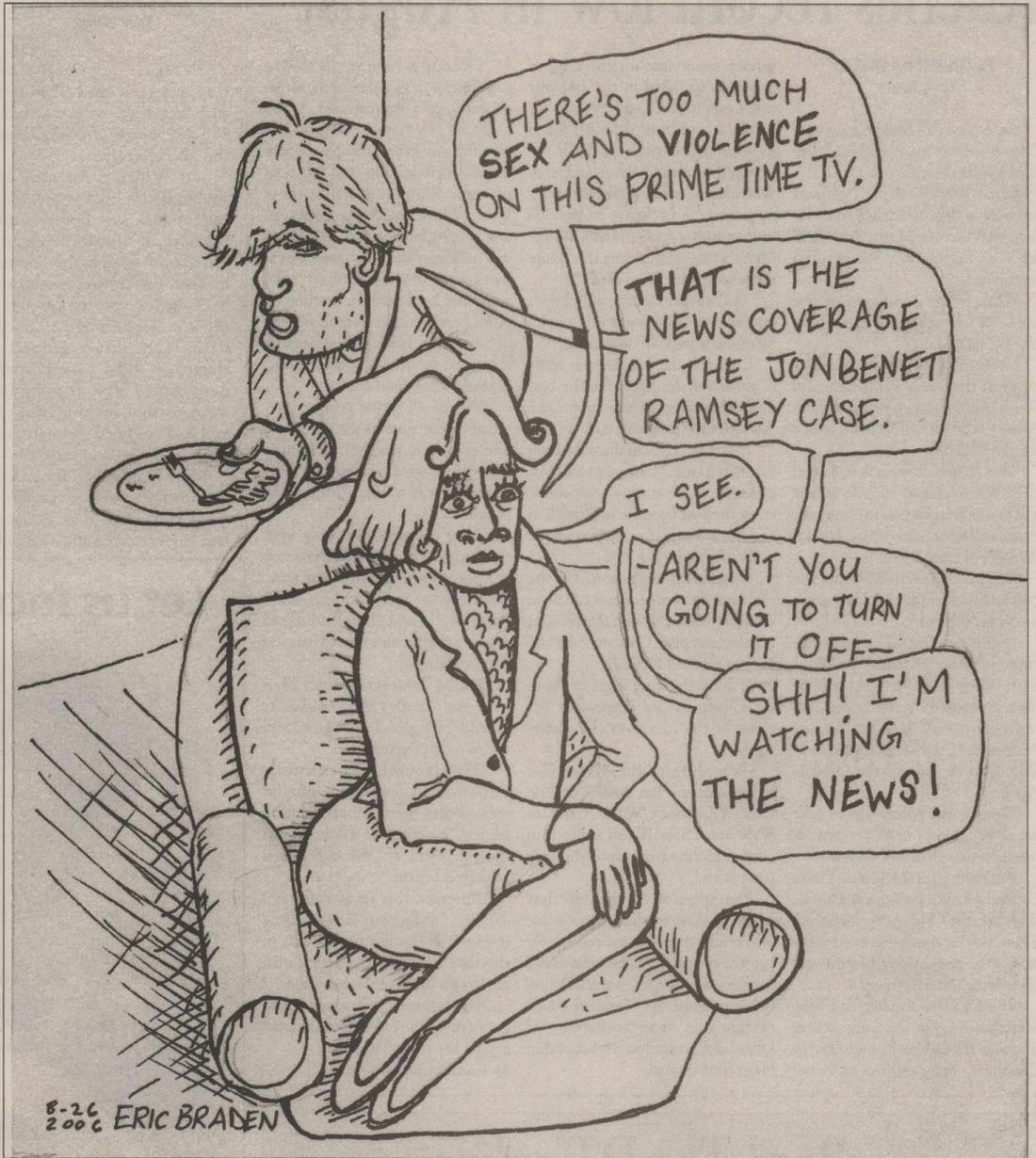
Support for this bill is lukewarm at best,

while its opposition is intense. A fringe issue appealing to some groups, the ban faces organized resistance from financial institutions and Internet service providers who do not want to be slapped with these new regulations. Goodlatte and Leach point to amateur and professional sports leagues that are some of its biggest beneficiaries.

Fantasy sports leagues, state lotteries and horse racing are given generous exceptions and would continue to be legal under the bill. In fact, the bill's proponents defeated an amendment proposed by Shelley Berkley (D-Nev.) that would remove these hypocritical carve-outs. If online gaming is such a problem for America, why is there cherry-picking that allows certain forms to remain legal? Certainly the people who place bets on football games are the same ones in the fantasy sport leagues; why is Powerball better than a roulette ball?

One part of the answer can be found among Goodlatte's campaign contributors.

The National Thoroughbred Racing Association PAC has given Goodlatte \$15,000 over the last three years. When this bill was written, Goodlatte appears to have been rather concerned with helping special interests by giving the powerful ones exemptions so they wouldn't oppose his bill.



## Indecisiveness usually leads to underachievement

By JUSTIN DOVE  
STAFF WRITER

I had a feeling of curious excitement when I started to write this column. I knew it was being published in the first edition of the fall semester, allowing me to do something I have always wanted - ask some of you kindly to leave on the first day of class.

Believe me when I write that I had your best interests in mind. I feel some students are pressured into enrolling in college prematurely simply because it has become the next logical step. It's not that students are unprepared for college; rather, some are uncertain about a career path at 18 years old.

The indecisiveness of the new college student is the first step in a long journey usually ending in underachievement. The study habits of the purposeless student foster a lackadaisical attitude towards the educational process resulting in an endless search for easier classes in hopes of trudging through the university system as painlessly as possible. Apathetic students avoid challenges and the pursuit of knowledge - something counterintuitive to the goal of higher education.

For the indecisive student, options are limited. Several studies have bombarded you with comparisons of the col-

lege educated to the lowly high school graduate. Thus, slogging through classes seems infinitely better than the alternative.

For a long time, I proposed that students who were going through the motions of an unchallenging academic life flee campus. The term dropout has negative connotations, but I believe that not engaging yourself in the challenges of gaining knowledge is worse. It is a waste of money, time and the resources of this university.

What's more, I did not think the university was helping directionless students, especially with the creation of the Graduate-On-Time contract.

Since its inception, the Graduate-On-Time contract has come under fire from both students and professors. The problem with the program is that it seems overwhelmingly financially driven. The major highlights of the program draw attention to the financial incentives, but seem to ignore the plight of student floating on the wave of uncertainty. It seems poised to pump out future donors at a highly efficient rate like an academic assembly line.

The financial incentive of the program thus becomes its downfall. Students who sign the contract under one area of study possibly forfeit engaging in other areas of higher interest later in their collegiate careers fearing the loss of the \$1,000 carrot at the end of the contractual stick.

Students should be free of financial pressures so they can seek classes that spark their interest. However, leaving students to their own devices to find such classes is illogical, if for no other reason than the sheer number of academic options available.

Squandering the opportunity of a quality education and the lack of help from the administration are key arguments for leaving the university. My plan was to encourage directionless students to find their desires outside the confines of the university then return to college focused and poised for academic success. Sure, I wanted some of you to leave, but I also wanted you to return.

What underlies this column is that I had wanted aimless students to consider leaving—note the past tense. My ideas changed when I met Elizabeth Teagan, Ph.D., Joshua Barron and Ryan Scheckel. They are the director, associate director and academic advisor, respectively, in the Advising Center at Texas Tech in Holden Hall.

The three of them introduced me to the DISCOVERY! program the advising center administers every semester. The program is a series of workshops that helps indecisive students discover major areas of study based on values, skills, abilities and interests. The decision-making process begins with small-group discussion and concludes with individual advising.

What makes this program highly effective is that it is not a multiple-choice test directing you to a field of study. Rather, it is a personalized approach to helping students discover for themselves what to study. In addition, the tools gained in the program are useable for the remainder of a student's collegiate career and throughout the rest of their lives.

The DISCOVERY! Program, coupled with the Graduate-On-Time contract epitomizes what the university is trying to achieve in regard to its students - to provide students with a structure to graduate in a timely manner and the resources to help them discover the wide array of academic options. This option affords undecided students the opportunity to reach the financial incentives of the contract while allowing reasonable time for to discover a career path.

The downfall of the program is that it only works to the extent of student involvement, which is essential in all aspects of collegiate life. For those avoiding the classroom and programs the university offers to help you leave the realm of the undecided, this campus comes conveniently equipped with multiple exits.

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# Search for missing teachers continues

By **PAUL ROBERTS**  
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Local law enforcement agencies continue to investigate the case of a missing woman and her coworker, who was found dead on Aug. 20.

Peggy Merimon and Kay Harrelson were last seen leaving Lubbock State School Aug. 9, Lubbock police Lt. Scott Hudgens said.

Hudgens said witnesses saw Merimon and Harrelson leave the school at around noon with an unidentified white male. They were reported missing later that day.

He said police do not consider this a kidnapping case because both women willingly got into the suspect's car.

The search continued without any answers until Aug. 20 when Harrelson's body was found by a search team in a field 11 miles south of Shallowater, Hudgens said. The search team was made up of family members of the Merimon family, who searched every inch of that area for any clues, he said.

On Aug. 21, the Lubbock County Medical Examiner's Office confirmed the body as Harrelson. However, no cause of death has yet been released.

Dr. Thomas Beaver of the medical examiner's office said they made a positive identification on the body, but still have several tests to do before the cause of death is released. He said the cause of death will be released in two to three weeks.

Beaver said the body's state of



**Merimon**

decomposition fits the time-frame of Harrelson's disappearance.

Hudgens said many law enforcement agencies are pooling their resources as they work together and are hopeful they will find Merimon.

"We are following all the crime line leads to try to determine where she might have gone," he said. "The agencies involved are doing everything they can."

Hudgens said Lubbock police are investigating Harrelson's death as a homicide and Merimon's disappearance as a missing person's case.



**Harrelson**

"Our investigators have been working hard for a little over two weeks," he said. "We have been putting in lots of overtime."

Hudgens said the sheriff's department, the Texas Rangers and the FBI are assisting in the massive search for Merimon. The Lubbock Police Department is in charge of the investigation.

A composite sketch of the man who drove away with both Merimon and Harrelson in his vehicle was released by the Lubbock police department Thursday. The suspect's vehicle is being described as a rusty sedan.



**Suspect**

Police said they have not named a suspect but took in a person of interest to ask questions.

Hudgens said the person of interest is an employee of the state school in which Merimon and Harrelson worked.

Police searched his home and vehicle after a search warrant was obtained, Hudgens said.

He said the man was not named a suspect and no charges have been filed, but he still remains a person of interest.

Merimon is 5 feet 6 inches tall and 150 pounds with dark hair and green eyes. She wears black-framed glasses and was last seen wearing a light blue button-down shirt with black pants.

Hudgens and the police department encourage anyone with information about the case to call Crime Line at (806) 741-1000.

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## After Katrina most Americans say nation isn't ready for another disaster

WASHINGTON (AP) — Their confidence shaken by Katrina, most Americans don't believe the nation is ready for another major disaster, a new AP-Ipsos poll finds.

Poor people are more likely to fear becoming victims of the next disaster.

The survey, conducted one year after the devastating hurricane and with much of New Orleans still in shambles, found diminishing faith in the government's ability to deal with emergencies. It also gave President Bush poor marks for his handling of the storm's aftermath.

The first hurricane of the Atlantic season could provide an eerily timed test of preparedness. Forecasters believe Ernesto could strengthen near Florida and grow into a Category 3 hurricane by Thursday.

Fifty-seven percent in the poll said they felt at least somewhat strongly the country was ill-prepared — up from 44 percent in the days after the storm slammed ashore on Aug. 29, 2005. Just one in three Americans polled believe Bush did a good job with Katrina, down from 46 percent a year ago.

"Nobody actually realized soon enough what the scope of this thing was," said Frank Sheppard, a 63-year-old retiree in Valrico, Fla., who considers himself strongly Republican. "The day after, people were actually celebrating."

"They didn't realize that the levees were deteriorating and breaking at that time," he said.

One year after Katrina, large areas of New Orleans remain virtually uninhabitable with piles of debris and wrecked cars.

Only \$117 million in at least \$25 billion in federal aid has reached the city, while federal investigators determined that roughly \$2 billion in taxpayer money was wasted in no-bid contracts and disaster aid to people who did not need the help.

Norma Guelker, 55, of Bay St. Louis, Miss., still lives in a FEMA trailer after Katrina

flooded her home with seven feet of water. She says there's no way the government is ready.

Blaming Bush, she said: "There's no reason for him to be concerned about the people who live here. They're not the people who vote for him."

Bush, who visits the recovering storm zone Monday and Tuesday, has sought to deflect the torrent of criticism, saying that rebuilding takes time.

On Monday, Democrats on the House Homeland Security Committee planned to release a fresh report that summarizes instances where small businesses in the Gulf Coast region were hurt as limited- or no-bid contracts were awarded to politically connected large firms in the weeks after the storm.

The AP-Ipsos poll surveyed 1,001 adults Aug. 7-9 and 1,000 adults Aug. 15-17 and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points. The poll found race and class differences sometimes did color people's perceptions.

For example: Those making \$25,000 a year or less worry more likely to be worried about becoming a victim of a natural disaster than those who make \$75,000 or more.

People with a high school education or less were among those with the strongest views that the country cannot handle another disaster.

Fewer than one in five minorities approved of Bush's handling of Katrina, compared with almost two in five whites.

Gina Montana, 45, of New Orleans, said she worries about another hurricane like Katrina "all day, every day" after the storm forced her family to flee their home. Montana is making her own disaster plans but insists she won't evacuate the city after sleeping in cars and on shelter floors the last time.

"I'm not going out like that," she said recently at the Superdome, which served as a trash-filled, sweltering temporary home for 30,000 people displaced by Katrina.

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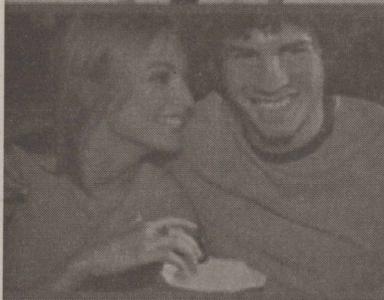
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# SMOKE SIGNALS

## Lubbock bar dwellers face possible smoke-free environment

By JAY LANGLEY  
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If new bars opening in Lubbock follow the lead of the Murphy's Pub, Texas Tech students and Lubbock citizens might not be able to smoke inside of their favorite bar for much longer.

With studies showing financial benefits for non-smoking restaurants and new bars opening in Lubbock that do not allow smoking, some bar owners and patrons wonder if Lubbock will follow in the footsteps of Austin and ban smoking in bars altogether.

A 2004 municipal ordinance banned smoking in restaurants in the City of Lubbock and a study done by the Center for Tobacco Prevention and Control at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center showed an increase in restaurant revenue since the smoking ban. It was not clear whether the survey accounted for population growth, but the study suggests that Lubbock restaurants profited \$3.8 million

since the ban was implemented in 2004.

Murphy's Pub, which opened in July, is one of the few bars to not allow smoking within the bar walls.

"Our owner was tired of going to bars and smelling like smoke when she went home," Greg Treharne the kitchen manager at Murphy's said. "Her friend suggested she opened a smoke-free bar. That is kind of how Murphy's got its start."

Murphy's has an outside patio with full service for people who want to smoke, Treharne said. He said his bar's business has not been hurt by the no smoking policy.

"We have had a few smokers complain and leave," Treharne said. "But to my knowledge, most of them have come back."

Treharne said he thinks Murphy's no smoking policy might actually help the bar's business.

"I think people actually enjoy a smoke-free environment," he said.

Rebecca Kimbler, a senior exercise and sport sciences major

from Brownwood, said she enjoyed the atmosphere of the smoke-free Murphy's.

"I didn't know that when I came here that it was a smoke-free bar," Kimbler said. "But that was the first thing I noticed when I walked in was the sign on the door. I'm allergic to smoke and this is a much nicer place to hang out."

Kimbler said that while she is allergic to smoke, she does not pick and choose her hangouts by whether or not the bar allows smoking.

"It's not something I look for when I decide what bar to go to," she said. "But it is nice to not leave smelling like smoke."

Kimbler said anyone who has a problem with a bar banning smoking should simply go outside to smoke.

Mike Barecki, the manager at the Fox and the Hound, said his bar has never considered not allowing smoking, and he would not be in favor of a smoking ban in all Lubbock bars.

"We have a decent filtration of smokers that come into our bar," Barecki said. "And cigar smokers are a big part of our business."

Whether a bar is a smoking or nonsmoking facility is left up to the bar management. While Barecki said he is aware of smoking bans in cities like Austin, he said he could not envision a city ordinance banning smoking in all Lubbock bars.

"People like to come to bars and relax with a cigarette," he said. "Banning smoking would hurt the business of most of the bars in town. And the bars in town bring a lot of money into the community."

Barecki said the fact that he smokes might have an influence on his opinion about smoking in bars.

"I like to smoke when I drink," he said. "I am not alone in that fact. There are thousands of people who like to smoke when they drink and would be very upset by a smoking ban and would probably not go out to bars as much."

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## Inmates

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"This is ensuring that the City of Lubbock maintains a positive image," he said. "It is also important for inmates to work so that they can regain a sense of self worth."

Dumbauld said the city has been wanting to do this for some time but there have always been roadblocks.

"The problem for years has been that there is no point in planting flowers and beautifying an area if you can't keep the trash picked up," she said.

By having inmates do the labor, Dumbauld said the city is saving hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Gutierrez tried to dispel any fears about safety.

"We are only using low-risk inmates and the crews are supervised at all times," he said.

Low-risk inmates are defined as inmates who have committed theft, misdemeanors and low-risk felonies.

A plan will be devised by the sheriff's office to have the crews work throughout the city. The inmates will each be working 40 hours a week, Gutierrez said.

"We will not release a list to the public about where the inmates will be next," Gutierrez said. "I think it's important to have some level of anonymity to the project."

Neighbors in the park area were

not notified of the presence of the inmates.

Jones agreed with Gutierrez and Dumbauld in saying she viewed the project as a positive thing for the city.

"I see this as a win-win situation. I don't see this (having inmates work in the public view) as a negative image for the city at all," she said. "Budget wise, it's good for us and for the inmates. It affords them an opportunity to get back some self pride and even possible job offers from members of the community after their release."

Jones said many of the complaints received at City Hall concern the litter around the city.

"The quality of life and aesthetics are important to our citizens, and this program will help with that," she said.

Cleaning up trash around the South Loop was mentioned by Gutierrez as a possible future project.

"The county, the city and the Keep Lubbock Beautiful campaign all have the same mission -- improving the quality of life in our community," he said.

Murfee speculated that after the program has been implemented and citizens begin seeing results, attitudes towards litter may change.

"You might find yourself thinking twice before you throw out that piece of trash," Murfee said. "You might look around and realize you don't want to be part of the problem, but rather, part of the solution."

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# Plane crash in Kentucky leaves 49 dead; one survivor

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — A commuter jet crashed during take off early Sunday and burst into flames, killing 49 people and leaving the lone survivor in critical condition. Investigators were trying to determine if the plane was on the wrong runway and ran out of pavement.

Comair Flight 5191, a CRJ-200 regional jet, crashed at 6:07 a.m. in a field less than a mile from the runway, said Kathleen Bergen, a spokeswoman for the Federal Aviation Administration.

It was the country's worst domestic airplane accident in nearly six years.

The cause of the crash wasn't immediately clear, but the location of the wreckage raised questions about the runways at Blue Grass Airport. The burning plane was just off the end of the airport's 3,500-foot-long general aviation runway, an unlit

strip built at a V shape to the longer main runway. According to the Federal Aviation Administration, it would have been too short for the CRJ-200 jet.

The plane was in flames but largely intact when rescuers reached it, and authorities said they were able to get one crew member out alive, but the fire was devastating.

"They were taking off, so I'm sure they had a lot of fuel on board," Fayette County Coroner Gary Ginn said. "Most of the injuries are going to be due to fire-related deaths."

"We are going to say a mass prayer before we begin the work of removing the bodies," he said.

FAA spokeswoman Laura Brown said the agency had no indication that terrorism was involved in any way. Both flight recorders, which should help investigators determine what

went wrong, were sent to Washington, D.C., for analysis.

Lexington police spokesman Sean Lawson said investigators were looking into whether the pilot discovered too late that he was on the wrong runway. The main runway at Lexington's airport is 7,000 feet long, while a daytime-only, general aviation runway is about 3,500 feet. Blue Grass Airport had been closed to flights the previous weekend for runway repaving but reopened Aug. 20.

That type of plane needed 4,500 feet to 5,000 feet before it lifts off, said Paul Cysys, professor emeritus of aerospace engineering at Saint Louis University.

Cysys said aerial images of the wreck indicate it was almost inconceivable that the airplane could have taken off on the longer runway because its

nose is almost parallel with the shorter one. Also, trees at the end of the shorter runway were damaged, he said.

"Sometimes with the intersecting runways, pilots go down the wrong one," Cysys said. "It doesn't happen very often."

On Oct. 31, 2000, a Singapore Airlines jumbojet crashed at Taiwan's Chiang Kai-Shek International Airport after it took a wrong turn down a runway that had been closed for repairs and plowed through construction equipment. The SQ006 crash killed 83 people.

The three-member flight crew aboard the plane was experienced and had been flying that airplane for some time, said Comair President Don Bornhorst. He said the plane's maintenance was up to date. He would not speculate on what happened.

"We are absolutely, totally committed to doing everything humanly possible to determine the cause of this accident," Bornhorst said.

Most of the passengers aboard the crashed plane had planned to connect to other flights in Atlanta and did not have family waiting for them, said the Rev.

Harold Boyce, a volunteer chaplain at Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson airport.

One woman was there expecting her sister on the flight. The two had planned to fly together to

catch an Alaskan cruise, he said.

"Naturally, she was very sad," Boyce said. "She was handling it. She was in tears."

The only survivor, believed to be the flight's first officer, according to airport director Michael Gobb, was in surgery at the University of Kentucky hospital Sunday morning.

Bornhorst identified the three crew members as Capt. Jeffrey Clay, who was hired by Comair in 1999, first officer James M. Polehinke, who was hired in 2002, and flight attendant Kelly Heyer, hired in 2004.

The plane had undergone routine maintenance as recently as Saturday, Bornhorst said. Comair purchased that plane in January 2001, and all maintenance was normal as far as the information Comair had Sunday morning, he said.

The plane had 14,500 flight hours, "consistent with aircraft of that age," Bornhorst said. Comair is a subsidiary of Delta Air Lines Inc. based in the Cincinnati suburb of Erlanger, Ky.

Investigators from the FAA and the National Transportation Safety Board were at the scene.

Outside the terminal lobby at midmorning, Paul Richardson of Winchester had come to the airport because he believed a friend from Florida was on the plane.

"He took the earlier flight so he could get back to family," Richardson said. He said airport

officials were taking friends and family on buses to the nearby hotel.

Two sheriff's deputies guarded the entrance of a nearby hotel where family members of passengers were being brought.

Rick Queen, who works for Turfway Realty in Lexington, said his father-in-law, Les Morris, was on the flight. He said Comair brought all the family members into a room at a Lexington hotel, told them the plane had crashed and family members died, then gave them an 800 phone number to call.

"This is one of the worst handled events in Lexington history," Queen said as he left.

Delta Chief Executive Officer Gerald Grinstein issued a statement expressing condolences for those involved.

"We at Delta Air Lines want to extend our heartfelt sympathy and full support to everyone affected by the Comair accident, including family and friends of those onboard as well as our Comair colleagues. We are working closely with Comair to provide the resources necessary to assist in any way possible with this tragic event," Grinstein said.

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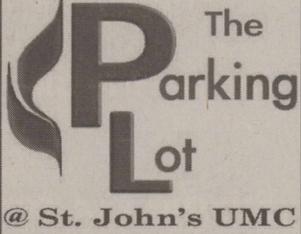
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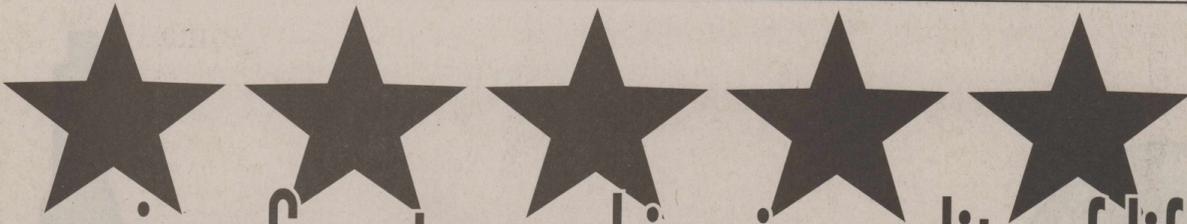
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# Lubbock receives five-star ranking in quality of life survey

By **TODD COTHAM**  
STAFF WRITER

Lubbock recently received a "Five Star Metro" rating in Expansion Management magazine's eighth annual quality of life survey.

The magazine analyzed 362 metropolitan areas in 49 different statistical categories to rate each location and determine which ones provide the highest quality of life for their inhabitants.

The "Five Star" rating was awarded to the metropolitan statistical areas that scored in the top 20 percent of those rated. Expansion Management determined their final rankings by breaking down their findings into nine major categories: affordable housing, a balanced standard of living, broad opportunities for adult education, good commercial air access,

good public schools, a high adult education level, peace of mind, reasonable traffic and commuting, and a young reasonably-priced work force.

While Lubbock scored well in several categories, its traffic and commuting were found to be more than reasonable as the city was determined to have one of the nation's easiest commutes, coming second only to Great Falls, Mont.

"Lubbock has one of the best commutes in the nation because we've got a very progressive government," City Traffic Engineer Jere Hart said.

He said he gives credit to "innovative financing" and the planning of wide roadways and freeways to the fact that Lubbock stayed "ahead of the pace of growth."

City Council Chief of Staff Dixon Platt said he was "very pleased to receive any recognition such as that." He went on to praise Texas Tech University for its role in making the city of Lubbock worthy of the "Five Star" honor.

"The students and organizations of Tech bring an energy to the city," Platt said. "Any opportunities for a plus such as this are

because of Tech."

Lubbock was one of five cities in the state of Texas to receive the "Five Star" recognition. The other four Texas cities that received the honor were Abilene, Austin-Round Rock, College Station-Bryan and Midland. Other cities in the lone star state received a "Four Star" designation, awarded to the next highest 20 percent behind the "Five Star" locations. Texas cities selected for the "Four Star" category were Amarillo, Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Houston-Baytown-Sugar Land, Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood and Wichita Falls.

This was not the first time Lubbock has fallen under the "Five Star" category.

"Lubbock was rated a 'Five-Star Quality of Life Metro' in 2005 and 2006, and a 'Four-Star Quality of Life Metro' in 2004," Bill King, the Chief Editor of Expansion

Management magazine said.

Expansion Management developed the quality of life ranking system in an effort to determine which locations would be best suited for manufacturing companies to grow and prosper. The magazine is mailed to about 45,000 executives in charge of companies that have shown interest in expanding into new geographic areas.

Platt said he believes the ranking could have a large impact on the level of interest outside companies have in bringing new business to the city of Lubbock. He said he thinks all Lubbock citizens should be happy with the city's high ranking.

"It's good to be recognized for what those of us who work, live and raise our families here have known for a long time," Platt said.

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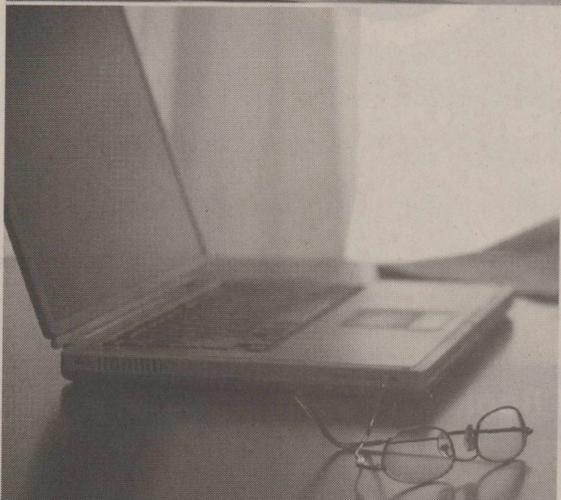


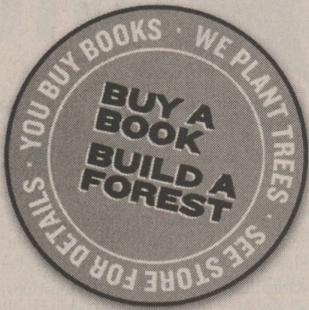
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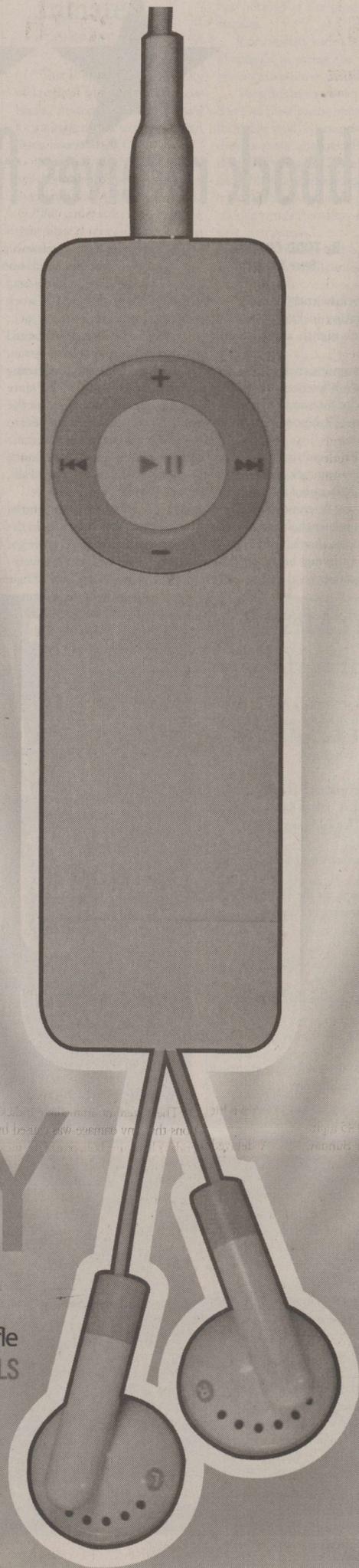


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## Resistance to health insurance policy fades

By MICHELLE CASADY  
NEWS EDITOR

Following suit with the majority of universities in the United States, Texas Tech implemented a mandatory policy in February requiring all international students to have health insurance.

When first introduced, the policy was met with much resistance from international students. Since then, the administration has taken several steps to clear the air and make revisions to the policy as needed.

"Last year the main question (from the students) was, 'why do we need health insurance,'" Ambassador Tibor Nagy said.

In several other countries, health insurance is taken care of by the federal government, said Bob Crosier, director of international student and scholar services.

"The U.S. system for medical care is almost unique in the world," Crosier said. "We have a very complex insurance system."

Though the policy is mandatory, international students do have the option of picking a dif-

ferent health insurance provider as long as they are approved by the university.

"The university goes out for bids from insurance companies, and those companies place competitive bids for the contract with the university," Crosier said.

Evelyn McPherson, managing director for student health services, said the contract is reviewed every year by a committee. The current contract is held with Academic HealthPlans.

"It's a very competitive process to get this contract," McPherson said. "We sent out requests for proposals to at least 20 different companies, and four of those were invited to present bids."

Nagy said he believes things should be running much more smoothly after another year of the policy being in place. One step taken to aid the policy change was putting an international student on the subcommittee to act as a voice for all students.

According to federal law, all non-immigrants cannot become a public charge while residing in the U.S., and this includes international students.

"Health insurance is absolutely essential for people to study in the states," Nagy said. "In the U.S., health costs are enormous."

Since the cost of health care is so high, many see it as impossible to deal with medical expenses unless you have health insurance, Crosier said.

If an international student cannot pay for medical expenses then they risk becoming a public charge and thus violating federal law.

"The only way an international student can get a Visa is if they can financially support themselves while they are here," Nagy said.

The student health insurance policy is available to all Tech students but is mandatory for international students.

"Texas Tech in somewhat different from other universities in that at most universities you have to buy the university's insurance, whereas here, we give you a choice," Crosier said.

McPherson stressed that she believes this is a good thing for the university.

"This is really beneficial to the

students," she said. "Every year I've been here I've seen international students get sick and not have the resources to get help. This way we insure they are able to get the help they might need in an emergency."

The cost to students per semester is \$595.

Tech is implementing the policy more than a decade later than other universities in the nation and Crosier speculated as to the reason.

"Tech tends to be fairly conservative," he said, "especially when it comes to enforcing rules on students and on student's money."

Nagy added that while Tech had not done this earlier, he believes they should have.

"This has been developing since last fall," Crosier said. "There will still be changes and changes create questions."

Crosier also said most of the questions and concerns have been taken care of.

For more information visit the Student Health Services Web site at <http://www.ttuhs.edu/studenthealth>.

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## Volunteers recover high school dropouts

HOUSTON (AP) — Andres Torres, 18, is working to support his infant twin girls. Claudia Zavala, 15, gave birth on Friday. Diocelina Garcia, 18, is seven months pregnant.

All were high school dropouts when the sun rose Saturday. By noon, each had registered to go back to school. What made the difference was a visit from someone who cares that they return to the classroom.

"If the kids aren't going to come to us, we're going to come to them," said Roberta Cusack, the Houston school district's director of student engagement.

Houston is the largest district in the nation to take such a personal approach to encourage dropouts to resume their education.

Since starting the program two years ago, Houston volunteers and school officials have "recovered" about 800 dropouts in a district of roughly 250,000 students. In May, 250 of those ex-dropouts graduated, school officials said.

School officials in Dallas and South Carolina have shown interest in adopting the program for their districts.

"It's just common sense, so it's caught on," said Houston Mayor Bill White, one of the volunteers who went door to door in the predominantly black and Hispanic neighborhood of Sharpstown. "If something is not important, you write a letter. If something is important, you knock on doors."

On Saturday, 1,400 volunteers visited 1,251 homes and enrolled or got commitments from 596 students, said Terry Abbott, spokesman for

Houston's school district.

Garcia, who was asleep when White and Superintendent Abe Saavedra came to her door, didn't think she could handle a heavy academic load while she was pregnant. She learned Saturday that she can take fewer classes and schedule shorter days. After giving birth, she can leave her child at a day care center that works with her high school.

Meeting people who had come specifically to talk to her gave her the support she needed to re-enroll, Garcia said.

"That way, I can give my child a better future," she said in Spanish through a translator.

District officials recognize that circumstances outside the school, such as having a child or needing to hold a job, often cause a student to drop out and not return.

"Those obstacles are where we can help them," Cusack said. "When we bring them back to school, we have to make sure the school will meet their needs meaningful curriculum, small learning community, personalization. Those things are huge."

One of Saturday's volunteers, Luz Melgar, knows that encouragement goes a long way for at-risk students. In her native El Salvador, Melgar dropped out of high school for a year because of family problems and a lack of support. Her mother, who was working in the United States at the time, persuaded her to return to the classroom.

"She told me that she always had a big expectation for me, and that made me feel bad," said Melgar, a manager of the stationery department at a local Wal-Mart.

Now, Melgar has the same expectation for her four children.

"For me," she said, "education is the best thing you can do."

## NASA execs considering delaying shuttle launch a second day or more

MIKE SCHNEIDER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — The chances of the space shuttle Atlantis launching this week diminished by the hour Sunday as NASA prepared for Hurricane Ernesto and the possibility of moving the spacecraft into shelter.

Workers on Sunday rolled to the launch pad a gigantic crane that could be used to move the shuttle back to the protection of the enormous Vehicle Assembly Building.

By early afternoon, no decision had been made on whether to use the crane or continue with a Tuesday launch attempt. Engineers must make that decision two days before the area is hit by wind of 45 mph.

Earlier Sunday, NASA delayed the launch from Monday to Tuesday in order to give engineers more time to figure out if a lightning strike Friday damaged the spacecraft's solid fuel rocket boosters and other systems. Lift off originally had been set for Sunday afternoon.

A National Hurricane Center forecast put the eye of Ernesto on Florida's west coast, due west of the Kennedy Space Center, on Thursday morning.

NASA runs into a severe time crunch for a September launch if the shuttle is moved inside. A day is needed to return the shuttle from the Vehicle Assembly Building to the launch pad, and then seven to 10 days are required after that to prepare for launch.

The launch window for this mission only goes through Sept. 13 because NASA wants to launch the shuttle to the space station during daylight so it

can photograph the shuttle's external fuel tank, where insulating foam has fallen off during previous launches. The shuttle Columbia was doomed after foam hit a wing, causing a breach that allowed hot gases to penetrate during its return to Earth.

NASA hoped to launch Atlantis before Sept. 7 to prevent a traffic jam at the space station since a Russian Soyuz vehicle is set to blast off in mid-September carrying two new station crew members and a space tourist.

If NASA launches later, it will have to persuade the Russians to change their launch date and land at night — something the Russians do not want to do because they have a new private firm handling capsule recovery.

There were no immediate indications that any damage was caused by Friday's lightning bolt, one of the most powerful recorded at a Kennedy Space Center launch pad. Rather than hitting the shuttle directly it struck a wire attached to a tower used to protect the spacecraft from such strikes — but it created a strong electrical field around the vehicle.

The solid rocket booster system wasn't powered up at the time so engineers didn't get enough data about the lightning's effect on the boosters, which provide the main thrust to lift the shuttle off the launch pad, said NASA spokesman Bruce Buckingham.

Atlantis' planned mission is the first of 15 flights scheduled to finish constructing the half-built space station before the cargo-carrying shuttles are retired in 2010. Construction has been on hiatus since the 2003 Columbia disaster, which killed seven astronauts.

## Nasrallah didn't foresee such a war

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Hezbollah leader Sheik Hassan Nasrallah said in a TV interview aired Sunday that he would not have ordered the capture of two Israeli soldiers if he had known it would lead to such a war.

Hezbollah guerrillas killed three Israeli soldiers and seized two more in a cross-border raid July 12, which sparked 34 days of fighting that ended Aug. 14. Five other Israeli soldiers were killed as they pursued the militants back into Lebanon.

"We did not think, even 1 percent, that the capture would lead to a war at this time and of this magnitude. You ask me, if I had known on July 11 ... that the operation would lead to such a war, would I do it? I say no, absolutely not," he said in an interview with Lebanon's New TV station.

Nasrallah also said the United Nations and Italy already had initiated "contacts" about beginning

negotiations on a prisoner swap.

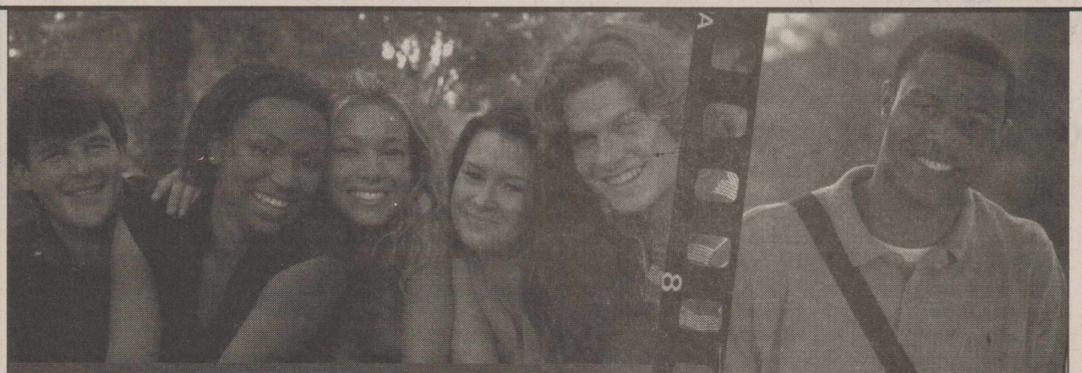
Israeli officials have been refusing to comment on the record about the prospects of a prisoner exchange, citing the extreme sensitivity of the issue.

But military officials said earlier this month that Israel is holding 13 Hezbollah prisoners and the bodies of dozens of guerrillas that it could swap for the two captive soldiers, but would not include any Palestinian prisoners in such a deal.

"The Israelis have acknowledged that this (issue) is headed for negotiations and a (prisoners) exchange," he said. "Contacts recently began for negotiations."

He said Italy and the United Nations had made contacts to help mediate a prisoner swap with Israel, but did not specify whether they had contacted Hezbollah directly.

"The Italians seem to be getting close and are trying to get into the subject. The United Nations is interested," Nasrallah said.



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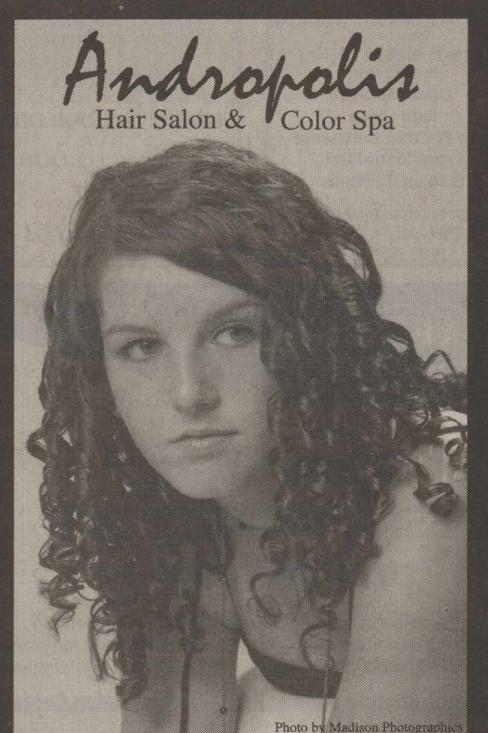


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# Chad's president suspends three following foreign oil tax dispute

N'DJAMENA, Chad (AP) — The president suspended the oil minister and two other Cabinet members who negotiated deals with two foreign oil firms that he ordered out of the central African country over a tax dispute, officials said Sunday.

President Idriss Deby suspended the three ministers on Saturday after ordering the two foreign firms — Chevron Corp. and Petronas — out of Chad for failing to pay taxes, government officials said on condition of anonymity because they are not authorized to speak to the media.

two companies are not flexible enough to come to a new agreement where Chad receives more money, then Deby can always talk to the Chinese," he said by telephone from Paris.

Oil Minister Mahmat Hassan Nasser, Planning Minister Mahmat Ali Hassan and Livestock Minister Mockhtar Moussa were suspended because they negotiated the terms of the agreements with Chevron and Petronas, the

had not been behind on any tax payments and had not been told it must leave Chad.

"Chevron has not received any official notification from the Republic of Chad government asking Chevron to leave the country over tax issues," the statement said. "However, Chevron has been in full compliance with all of our tax obligations."

Mark D. Boudreaux, a spokesman for Exxon Mobil, told The Associated Press by e-mail that neither his company, nor affiliate Esso Chad has been asked to leave the country.

Chad's largest labor organization backed Deby's move, saying the country was being exploited by foreign oil companies, state-owned radio reported. However, opposition groups said on another radio station that only members of Deby's tribe — whose heartland is in the oil-rich north of the country — benefit from oil production.

Oil and livestock are the mainstays of impoverished Chad's economy, and the fields overseen by Chevron and Petronas account for some 60 percent of the country's oil production.

Deby said Chad, which is one of Africa's newest oil producers and is setting up a national oil company, would assume their production responsibilities.

Exxon Mobil, along with Chevron and Petronas, had agreed to finance a \$4.2 billion underground pipeline to deliver oil from landlocked Chad to the Atlantic port of Kribi, in Cameroon.

Chad receives about 12.5 percent on each barrel exported by the consortium, which is estimated at \$120 million per year for the next 25 years.

# Fox journalists released in Gaza Strip ending nearly two week hostage ordeal

IBRAHIM BARZAK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Militants freed two Fox News journalists on Sunday, ending a nearly two week hostage drama. One of the former captives said they were sometimes held face down in a dark garage, tied up in painful positions and forced at gunpoint to make videos and say they had converted to Islam.

Correspondent Steve Centanni, 60, of Washington, D.C., and cameraman Olaf Wiig, 36, of New Zealand, were dropped off at Gaza City's Beach Hotel by Palestinian security officials. A tearful Centanni briefly embraced a Palestinian journalist in the lobby, then rushed upstairs with Wiig behind him.

The pair, who appeared to be in good health, then met with Palestinian officials, including Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh. The three men sat in a circle of chairs at the hotel, before the journalists held a news conference, then left for Israel.

The journalists said they hoped their ordeal would not prevent others from covering the Palestinians.

"I want to thank everybody. I am happy to be here. I hope that this never scares a single journalist away from coming to Gaza to cover the story because the Palestinian people are very beautiful and kind-hearted," Centanni told reporters. "The world needs to know more about them. Don't be discouraged."

Wiig also said he was worried that the kidnapping would scare off reporters.

"My biggest concern really is that as a result of what happened to us foreign journalists will be

discouraged from coming to tell the story and that would be a great tragedy for the people of Palestine," Wiig said. "You guys need us on the streets, and you need people to be aware of the story."

Wiig's wife, Anita McNaught, thanked Palestinian officials and Fox News for their efforts in getting the men released. The men refused to take questions, then traveled to the northern Erez border crossing and entered Israel.

In a phone call with Fox News, Centanni said that during his capture, he was held at times face down in a dark garage, tied up in painful positions, and that he and Wiig were forced at gunpoint to make statements, including that they had converted to Islam.

"I'm a little emotional because this is overwhelming, but I'm fine," Centanni said. "I'm so happy to be freed."

The journalists were seized in Gaza City on Aug. 14 by a previously unknown group calling itself the Holy Jihad Brigades. However, senior Palestinian security officials said Sunday the name was a front for local militants, and that Palestinian authorities had known the identity of the kidnappers from the start.

Haniyeh confirmed the kidnappers were from Gaza, squashing speculation that al-Qaida had directed the abduction. "The kidnappers have no link to al-Qaida or any other organization or faction," Haniyeh said. "Al-Qaida as an organization does not exist in the Gaza Strip."

In the past two years, Palestinian militants have seized more than two dozen foreigners, usually to settle personal scores, but released them unharmed within hours. The Fox journalists had been held longest.

Fox News chairman and CEO Roger Ailes expressed gratitude that the journalists had been freed.

"We'd like to thank governments and individuals throughout the world who aided in securing their release," he said in a statement. "The entire international community is beginning to realize that journalists should never be hostages or pawns in world events."

It remained unclear whether the kidnappers had ties to Hamas or the Al Aqsa Martyrs' Brigades, a violent offshoot of Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas' Fatah movement. A third group, the Popular Resistance Committees, claimed Sunday it had helped mediate the release of the journalists.

Jacob Wallis, the U.S. consul-general in Jerusalem, said he had

met with Abbas in the West Bank city of Ramallah and the Palestinian president and his security forces had been helpful in the efforts to free the men.

"I expressed my thanks to him on behalf of the American government and the American people," he said.

Interior Minister Said Siyam said he did not expect other foreign journalists reporting in Gaza to face similar abductions. "In principle, there is a promise that this will not be repeated," he said, refusing to elaborate.

In chaotic Gaza, gunmen often change their affiliation or form splinter groups. Their agendas are often driven by personal issues, including jobs and power for their clans, rather than by ideology.

Haniyeh was evasive Sunday when asked whether he would try to arrest the kidnappers. Before Hamas ousted Fatah in March, it frequently had criticized the Fatah-led Palestinian Authority for cutting deals with kidnappers and letting them go without punishment.

It was not clear whether a deal had been struck with the kidnappers of the Fox journalists. The kidnappers initially demanded the release of all Muslims imprisoned by the U.S. by midnight Saturday (5 p.m. EDT) in exchange for the journalists.

The Hamas-led Palestinian Authority had insisted it had no clue about the identity of the kidnappers.

However, in recent days, Hamas government officials signaled that the release of the journalists was imminent and that they had won assurances from the kidnappers that the hostages were being treated well.

On Sunday, before the journalists' release, a new video was released, showing Wiig and Centanni dressed in beige Arab-style robes. Wiig delivered an anti-Western speech, his face expressionless and his tone halting. The kidnappers claimed both men had converted to Islam.

Several hours later, the two men were dropped off at the Beach Hotel, wearing Western-style clothing. Wiig walked into the lobby behind Centanni, briefly turned when someone pulled him by the arm and shouted "get off" before heading upstairs.

"We were forced to convert to Islam at gunpoint," Centanni later told Fox. "Don't get me wrong here. I have the highest respect for Islam, and I learned a lot of good things about it, but it was something we felt we had to do because they had the guns, and we didn't know what the hell was going on."

“Let Petronas get the information on how this could have happened.”

— ABDULLAH AHMAD BADAWI  
MALAYSIAN PRIME MINISTER

officials said. The ministers made no public statements Sunday.

Petronas said Sunday that it had not received notification of the order. Malaysian Prime Minister Abdullah Ahmad Badawi also said Hassan Merican, the president of Petronas, was trying to obtain more information from the company's office in Chad.

"Let Petronas get the information on how this could have happened," Abdullah was quoted as saying by Malaysia's national news agency, Bernama.

California-based Chevron said in a statement Saturday that it

Deby has accused the companies of failing to pay \$450 million in taxes and said the two firms — which are part of an oil production consortium led by Irving, Texas-based Exxon Mobil — should immediately begin making plans to leave.

It was unclear how Chad might carry out the expulsion order, which Deby announced in a message broadcast on state-run radio Saturday. Chevron and Petronas have a skeleton staff of only three in the African country.

If the two companies are evicted, Chad could turn for help to China, which is seeking deals with oil-producing countries in Africa and is heavily involved with neighboring Sudan, analysts said.

Political scientist Roland Marchal, an expert in Chadian affairs, said Deby is unlikely to go through with the expulsion.

"Deby is playing both the nationalist card because he is saying that foreign companies are taking Chad's money, which is popular, and also that if these

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9:30am Christian Formation classes for all ages  
6pm Holy Communion, followed by student dinner (free)

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6pm Holy Communion  
7pm 12-step Bible study  
Other programs, activities and Bible classes during week

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**MONDAY AUGUST 28, 2006**

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7 AM Jay Jay	Today		Early Show	Believer	5:00 Daily Buzz	Good Morning America (HD)	Jack Hanna
:30 It's Big World				Life Today			Paid Program
8 AM Dragon Tales				Awsome Adv.	Recipe TV		Roseanne
:30 Puppy (HD)				Paid Program	Critter Gitters		Roseanne
9 AM Sesame Street			700 Club	Judge Mathis "Mercedes Car"	Paid Program	Tony Danza Show	Martha "Patti LaBelle"
:30				Judge Joe	Texas Justice	The View	Tyra Banks
10 AM Callou	Regis and Kelly	Price Is Right	Judge Joe	Texas Justice			
:30 Barney							
11 AM Teletubbies	Jeopardy!	Young and the Restless (HD)	Judge Hatchell	Cops	Paid Program	Starting Over	
:30 Mister Rogers	Jeopardy!		Cops	Cops	Paid Program		
PM Quilting	News	KLBK 13 News	Jerry Springer	Cosby Show	All My Children	Access	
:30 Gary Spetz	Days of Our Lives	Bold & Beautiful	Cosby Show	Cosby Show	Extra	Extra	
PM Scrapbook	Passions	As the World Turns	The Nanny	Mad About	One Life to Live	People's Court	
:30 It's Big World		Guiding Light	Eye for an Eye	Mad About			
1 PM The Lions	Inside Edition		Paid Program	I Like	General Hospital	Divorce Court	
:30 Reading							
PM FETCH!	C Oprah Winfrey	Masury	Paid Program	8 Simple Rules	Mortal Cases of missing adults	Ellen DeGeneres	
:30 Cyberchase				Becker	8 Simple Rules		
4 PM Clifford	Dr. Phil	Judge Judy	Malcolm	Bernie Mac	Geraldo	Fox 34 News First@Four	
:30 Arthur		Judge Judy	70s	Bernie Mac	Insider		
5 PM Maya Miguel	News	KLBK 13 News	Access	Yes, Dear	News	70s	
:30 Bus Report	News	CBS News	Family Feud	Yes, Dear	ABC News	Simpsons	
6 PM Newshour with Jim Lehrer	Wheel Fortune	Millionaire	Extra	King Cu.	Entertainment	Raymond	
:30 Antiques Roadshow "Miami"	Katrina: The Long Road Back	How I Met (HD)	One on One	7th Heaven	Wife Swap "Jan-Tuan"	Prison Break "Cris" (HD)	
:30			All of Us (HD)				
8 PM History Detectives	Medium "Time Out of Mind" (HD)	Two & 1/2 (HD)	Girlfriends (HD)	7th Heaven "Moving Ahead"	Wife Swap "Hess/Kastner"	Vanished "The Turner" (HD)	
:30		New Adv. (HD)	King of Hill	Will & Grace	Supernanny "Mony Family"	Fox 34 News@Nine	
9 PM Great Performances (HD)	Medium "The Reckoning"	CBS: Miami "10-7" (HD)	Will & Grace	Will & Grace			
:30			King of Hill	Sex and City	News	Sainfield	
10 PM Bus Report	(35) Jay Leno Show (HD)	(35) Late Show (HD)	Malcolm	Sex and City	(35) Nightline	Sainfield	
:30 Charlie Rose	(35) Late Night (HD)	(35) Craig Ferguson	Fear Factor "Freaky Mice"	Cheaters	(35) ET	Frasier	
:30	(35) Late Night (HD)	(35) Craig Ferguson	Paid Program	The Nanny	(35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	Cheers	
11 AM TV 411	(35) Last Call		Blind Date	Mad About	Paid Program	Paid Program	
:30 GED							

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# Councilman Boren to join task force

By LIZ BOYD  
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Texas Gov. Rick Perry appointed Lubbock City Councilman Gary Boren to the Texas Task Force on Appraisal Reform, Monday.

This group will evaluate and devise solutions for increasing property appraisals and will present their findings before the state during the next legislative session, Boren said.

Boren said he worked with Marc McDougal, Tom Martin and Jim Gilbreath on Lubbock's Truth in Taxation efforts, an organized group that helped lower Lubbock's rapid increase in property taxes.

Tom Martin, former city councilman, said the Truth in Taxation efforts helped lower the property tax rate from 57 cents in 2003 to 44.72 cents in 2006 per \$100 of property value.

Property taxes have increased as much as 9 percent yearly in Lubbock, but Boren and his supporters helped stop this appraisal creep, Martin said.

"Gary Boren proved a city doesn't have to raise taxes to operate a growing city," Martin said. "Just take a look around town at all the orange cones and new development."

Martin also said he feels Boren will bring this truthful philosophy to the capital.

"I think Gary will help the tax payers of Texas tremendously," Martin said. "He revealed the truth in Lubbock, and I think he can reveal this to state officials."

Councilman Jim Gilbreath, who also worked with Boren on the Truth in Taxation efforts, said Boren will do an excellent job on the task force.

Gilbreath also said he admired the work Boren initiated in Lubbock and feels confident Boren can take this to a statewide level.

As for Boren, he said he feels confident and ready to take his ideas to Austin.

"I am blessed to have this position," Boren said. "But, I must emphasize that my efforts to improve Lubbock's taxes were a team effort that could not have

been achieved without the help of Marc McDougal, Tom Martin and Jim Gilbreath."

Boren said the state contacted him about the position, and after learning about the duties of the task force, he was more than willing to join.

"When I was contacted about TFAR, I reflected back to 2003 and remembered what skyrocketing appraisals were doing to Lubbock citizens," Boren said. "I decided I needed to do all that I could to stop this."

Boren said his ultimate goal is to protect every family and business-owner from unnecessary property taxes.

"Every individual that believes in personal property rights does not need to fear losing their home or business because of increased property taxes," Boren said.

Gilbreath said he believes Boren has widespread support and said he feels Boren will make Lubbock proud.

"He's just what the doctor ordered," Gilbreath said.

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# Morning-after pill advocates declare partial victory

WASHINGTON (AP) — Had unprotected sex? Condom break?

Later this year, women who fear an unwanted pregnancy can go to a pharmacy and pick up the morning-after pill without first seeing a doctor. That's not true, however, for girls age 17 and younger, who will still need a prescription to buy the emergency contraceptive.

The drug's manufacturer, law-makers and women's groups vow to try to lift that age restriction even as they applauded Thursday's decision allowing some over-the-counter sales of the pills, called Plan B.

The Food and Drug Administration's decision is a compromise in a three-year battle over easing restrictions on the drug, which has been available only by prescription since 1999.

The restrictions could hinder efforts to halve the nation's annual 3 million unplanned pregnancies, supporters of unrestricted over-the-counter sales say.

"While we are glad to know the

FDA finally ended its foot-dragging on this issue, Planned Parenthood is troubled by the scientifically baseless restriction imposed on teenagers," Planned Parenthood President Cecile Richards said. "The U.S. has one of the highest rates of teen pregnancy in the Western world. Anything that makes it harder for teenagers to avoid unintended pregnancy is bad medicine and bad public policy."

An estimated 41 countries allow emergency contraceptives to be sold without a prescription, Planned Parenthood said. It wasn't immediately clear how many, if any, have age restrictions.

U.S. opponents worry that greater availability of the pills will increase promiscuity and promote use of the pills by sexual predators.

"If the FDA thinks that enacting an age restriction will work, or that the drug company will enforce it ... then they are living in a dream world," said Wendy Wright, president of Concerned Women for America, which led the opposition.

As a condition of approval, the

drug's manufacturer, Barr Pharmaceuticals Inc., agreed to use anonymous shoppers and other methods to check whether pharmacists are enforcing the age restriction.

"I'm sure the FDA will follow through on that and make sure these important conditions are established and enforced," said White House spokeswoman Dana Perino.

Barr hasn't said what the non-prescription pills will cost when they go on sale, perhaps as early as November. They now cost \$25 to \$40 in prescription form.

The pills will be sold only from behind the counter at pharmacies, not at convenience stores or gas stations. Pharmacists will check photo identification. Adult men also will be able to purchase them for their partners.

Plan B contains a concentrated dose of the same drug found in many regular birth control pills.

If a woman takes Plan B within 72 hours of unprotected sex, she can lower the risk of pregnancy by up to 89 percent. Plan B is different from the abortion pill: If a woman already is pregnant, Plan B has no effect.

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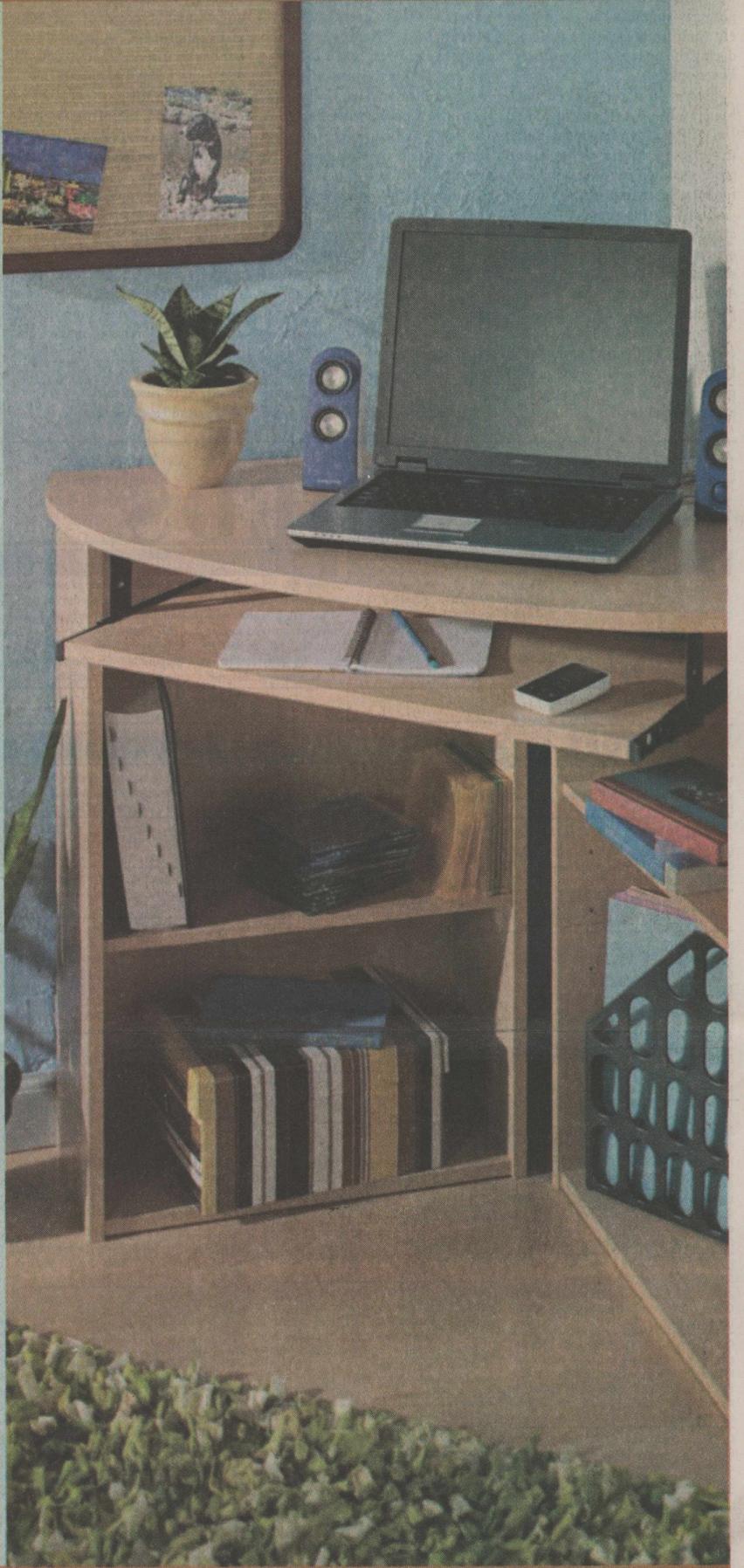
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ABOVE LEFT: OVERVIEW of Jones AT&T Stadium highlights the newly placed FieldTurf that was completed over the summer. Other additions include a field wall that surrounds the entire field. ABOVE RIGHT: THE north end of Jones AT&T Stadium features FieldTurf surrounding the Double T logo in an engraving of lines from the Matador Song.

# THE JONES: RAIDER TEMPLE OF DOOM?

*New turf, new look, new sponsor have Red Raiders searching for supremacy in Big 12 Conference*

By ANNA SCHUMANN  
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech's first football game is Saturday, and the newly renovated Jones AT&T stadium is ready.

Representatives from AT&T gave a tour of the stadium Thursday to explain the changes the stadium has undergone since the name change from Jones SBC stadium to Jones AT&T Stadium began in April.

According to a news release, over 8,000 signs around Jones AT&T stadium had to be changed. Many more signs bearing the AT&T logo were added.

New additions to the stadium include two Big 12 conference and two Jones AT&T stadium logos on the field, a brick wall lining the inner portion of the field, and the words of the Matador Song carved in stone at the north and south ends of the field. Large signs cover the team tunnels and 50 banner signs line the parking lot



of the stadium. New backlit signs with the Jones AT&T logo adorn the top of the box seating and new Jones AT&T signs appear over student sections 116 and 122.

Chris Cook, assistant athletic director for media relations, said the new sponsorship of the stadium will benefit fans because of how it will reflect on the team and school in general.

"To present Tech football like this will be great for Texas Tech," Cook said. "Anytime AT&T gets involved in something like this, it will allow new changes to take place."

Craig Wells, senior associate to the athletic director and chief of staff for the athletic department, said some of these changes might begin to take place as soon as the end of the 2006 football season.

These changes are to include additional seating at the north end of the stadium and brick and iron work on the facade of the building, Wells said.

"One of the really amazing things about this project is how detailed it is. Very meticulous," he said. "They say there were 8,000 signs to change. I think they cheated. I think there's a lot more."

David George, AT&T regional manager, said Tech students are not paying for any of these changes.

"AT&T paid for all of the sign changes," George said. "Private donations and

AT&T fund everything."

According to a news release, the brick wall around the field and the new FieldTurf

were funded by donations totaling around \$2.5 million. The 2006 season will be the first in over 30 years that the Red Raiders will play at home on a surface other than AstroTurf.

Chief-of-Staff Wells said the field gets watered four hours prior to every game in order to compact the turf.

Linda Nolet, AT&T general manager of western Texas, said she believes Jones is one of four stadiums AT&T sponsors. She said she hopes this new sponsorship will show Lubbock and West Texas the services AT&T offers and show

that AT&T cares about the Lubbock and Tech communities.

Nolet said she hopes the stadium sponsorship will show that AT&T plans to stay active in the community.

"Where we can help, we will," Nolet said. "Our chairman went to Tech. We love Tech. We're all Texans and we're going to be here a long time."

Nolet said she wanted to explain the AT&T acronym.

"Some people think AT&T means American Telephone and Telegraph," Nolet said.

"What I think it means is 'All about Texas Tech.'"

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# Driving to fight cancer

## BMW Ultimate Drive racing for a cause

By **CARRIE CAMERO**  
STAFF WRITER

The tenth-annual BMW Ultimate Drive will race its way to Lubbock on Tuesday.

BMW Ultimate Drive is a fund-raising event created by the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and BMW of North America, LLC. The drive, which is held in more than 240 cities nationwide, raises money for breast cancer awareness and research. The event will be held at Alderson European Motors located at 1210 19th St. from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

According to the BMW Web site, BMW will donate \$1 to the Komen Foundation for every mile that is driven. Additionally, Alderson will donate \$5 for every test drive during the day-long event for the Komen Foundation. The drive has raised more than

\$580,000 this year.

Ashley Hamm, executive director of the Lubbock area affiliate of the Komen Foundation, said she wants to welcome everyone to the event to celebrate breast cancer survivors.

"It's a really neat way to show survivors that we care and celebrate their survivorship," Hamm said. "The more the merrier."

Hamm said participants will drive a specially marked fleet of cars adorned with original artwork in the Komen Foundation's signature pink color. There are also two signature vehicles that participants can sign while they are at the event.

In addition, a breast cancer survivor from Lubbock will be honored with the Local Survivor Hero Award at the event. She will be honored for her fight against cancer and her photograph will be attached to one of the Signature Vehicles.

Sue Bilderback, a former Lubbock Local Survivor Hero, said at least 125 citizens participate in the event every year.

"I just think it's really neat to collect money in such a fun way," Bilderback said.

According to the Komen Foundation Web site, the Foundation was created in 1982 by Nancy Brinker to honor the memory of her sister, Susan G. Komen, after she passed away from breast cancer at age 36. Before she died, Susan asked her sister to do everything she could to bring an end to breast cancer.

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## STUDENT DEATHS

# Grad student dies in car accident

By **JOSH HULL**  
STAFF WRITER



Knapp

The Texas Tech flag in Memorial Circle will be flown at half-staff today in memory of Michelle Knapp.

Michelle Knapp, a graduate student in the biology department from Dayton, Ohio, died on Aug. 13 in a car accident on her way back to Lubbock from a day trip to Palo Duro Canyon. The accident occurred south of Tulia on Interstate Highway 27. She was 23 years old.

Michelle Knapp's father, James Knapp, said his daughter was a brilliant researcher who always had a deep interest in the natural world. "She had a particular interest in bats," Knapp said. "When asked to explain, she would say it was because they were under-appreciated. Something that has become apparent to me in the last ten days is that she was not."

For those that knew her and worked with her in the biology

department, this statement could not be exaggerated.

Robert Baker, Horn professor and director of the natural science research lab, described Michelle Knapp as incredibly intelligent, quiet, very positive, strong and possessing an awesome vocabulary.

"People might have thought because of her physical stature that she was small and weak," Baker said. "She was not."

Baker said her research would greatly increase the value of museum specimens and collections. Her work, which was not completed, will be finished and published in her name. Michelle Knapp graduated Harvard University cum laude with her undergraduate degree in biology. She was recruited heavily by many

universities, and during her time at Tech she collaborated with many distinguished organizations on the national level, including the Smithsonian Institute.

Michelle Knapp's mother, Carol Knapp, said her daughter was an avid reader, a woman of great focus and a loving friend.

"She was an outstanding student with hopes of doing research at a university," Carol Knapp said. "She was a great gal, and we sure do miss her."

A memorial service was held for Michelle on Thursday at St. Paul's on the Plains, the church where she was heavily involved in community service. The service was held at 4:30 p.m. so the many girls she mentored could attend without missing school.

James Knapp said that his daughter would be greatly missed, but the impact she had on the people in her life would last.

"Her death was a tragedy," James Knapp said. "But her legacy will be the love and enthusiasm that she imparted to those that were close to her."

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# Small fire threatens Human Sciences

By **MICHELLE CASADY**  
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On Wednesday afternoon, four ambulances, two fire trucks and two Suburbans were dispatched to the Human Sciences Building in response to a fire. Alarms in the building went off after a self-cleaning oven on the sixth floor caught fire.

"We dispatched so many trucks because of the structure of the building," said Wes Richardson, equipment operator for engine four. "If the building would have really caught fire, we would have needed that many trucks."

Richardson said the fire originated in room number 605 of the building. There were no reported injuries and

the building was evacuated safely. "I was actually next door (in a different building) in a meeting when the alarms started going off," said Linda Cooper, dean of the College of Human Sciences.

All emergency vehicles and crews had evacuated the scene within 30 minutes of their arrival.

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# Father, professor remembers son

By **ANDREW GLOVER**  
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Texas Tech junior Robert David Cordell died July 30 from undetermined causes.

David Cordell, father of Rob Cordell and associate professor of personal financial planning, said his son liked to socialize and was a fan of the Disco Biscuits, a Philadelphia band. He said Rob Cordell saw them perform 40 times and was active in the band's newsgroup.

"After he died there was over 200 postings in the newsgroup related to him," David Cordell said. "I even received an e-mail from the bass player in the band."

David Cordell said his son liked to play guitar and frisbee golf. He was an Eagle Scout

and showed some interest in politics.

David Cordell said there were several memorable things about Rob Cordell.

"Rob's friends enjoyed his company because he was fun to be around," David Cordell said. "I heard many positive comments about him after he died that I didn't hear about when he was alive. His friends told me they were impressed by the depth and breadth of his general knowledge. He was very active and always wanted to be doing something. He had a warm smile and was concerned about other people."

Tech professor Gretchen Adams said Rob Cordell was an unusual student.

"He was excited about ideas," Adams said. "He had a load of interests. He came to see me a couple of times with ideas he found on the internet. He cared about the world and the truth, and he was fun to listen to."

Adams said Rob Cordell was always in class and on top of the material.

"Summer school is intense because it is every day, and Rob was in the middle of every debate," Adams said. "When he did not show for a week, I was looking for him."

Adams said when she announced Rob's death to the class, there was a visible emotional impact.

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# Friends honor sophomore music major

By **CARRIE CAMERO**  
STAFF WRITER

Texas Tech University student James Hays Smith died in his San Angelo home on July 28. Smith was a sophomore music major, a member of the Tech orchestra and a good friend to many on the Tech campus.

Jane Smith, mother of James Smith, said her son thoroughly enjoyed his first year at Tech and said he would not have wanted to be anywhere else. She said James Smith felt it was an honor to be a freshman in the Tech orchestra.

"They went on tour this year," Jane said, "and he really enjoyed being a part of the wonderful orchestra."

Jane Smith said her son loved learning from his cello professor, Alex Ezerman, and working with the Tech orchestra conductor, Gary Lewis.

Smith's mother said her son played golf in junior high and high school, and he loved to play with his friends in his free time. She said Smith's best friends were his golfing buddies and many of the people he grew up with.

Tara Dietz, a freshman interior design major from San Angelo and a friend of Smith's, said he was the type of person who got along with everyone.

Dietz said Smith tried to teach her golf in his free time and he always put smiles on people's faces without even realizing it. She also said he was the best person to be around because he was always happy.

Smith will be missed by many of his friends around the Tech campus.

"He was the greatest kid in the world," Jane Smith said. "And he was very happy at Tech."

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# Ex-President Ford has angioplasty to improve blood flow

MINNEAPOLIS (AP)—Former President Ford underwent his second heart procedure in a week at the Mayo Clinic when stents were placed into two of his coronary arteries to increase blood flow, his spokeswoman said Friday.

The angioplasty procedure on the 93-year-old Ford was successful and he was resting comfortably in his room at

the hospital in Rochester, spokeswoman Penny Circle said in a statement.

On Monday, doctors at the clinic had fitted Ford with an implantable cardiac pacemaker to regulate his heartbeat.

Mayo Clinic spokesman John Murphy confirmed the procedure, but would not comment further. "No further releases or updates are anticipated for several days," he said.

About 600,000 angioplasties are done each year in the United States alone.

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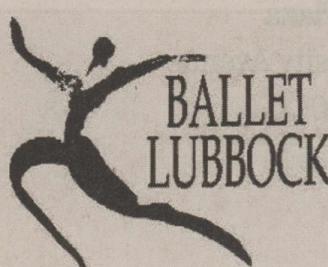
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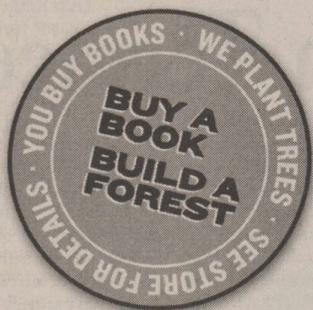
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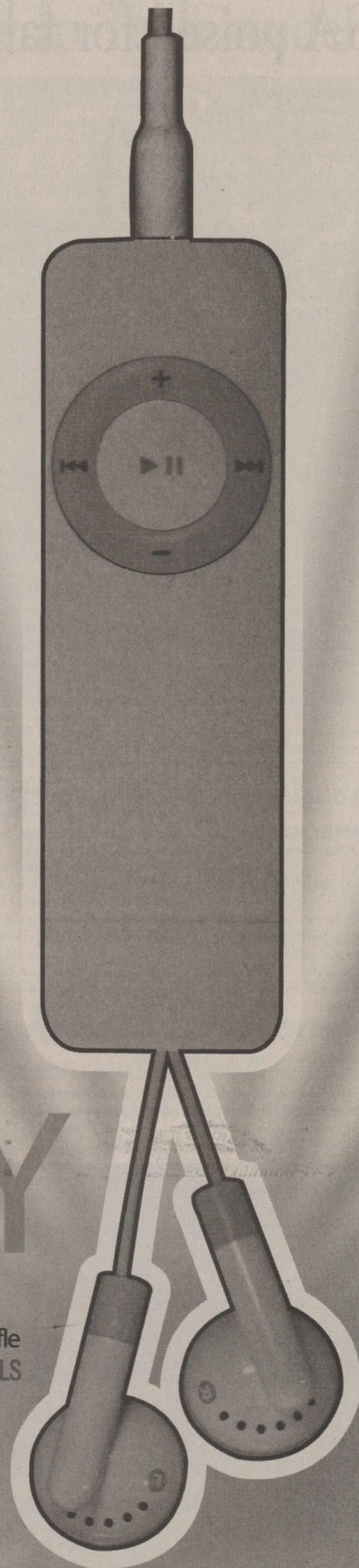
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# SGA poised for fall semester

By **ANDREW GLOVER**  
STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Student Government Association begins a new year with several issues to be discussed in the first few weeks of the fall semester.

The SGA serves the students by bringing issues to the administration to improve Tech. President Ryan Worley, External Vice President Chris Huff, Internal Vice President Matt Fowler and Graduate Vice President Zeb Alexander are the current SGA executive officers.

Worley is serving his first term as SGA president, after he was the external vice president last year. He said he is looking forward to passing the initiatives the SGA wants to accomplish including adding a fall break for Tech students and faculty.

"For me I want more job opportunities and career services available for students so they can get jobs after they graduate," Worley said.

Worley said the SGA will have a lot to look forward to in the upcoming weeks. They will be deciding on approving the construction of a leisure pool which could be completed in 2008. The vote for the pool will occur during homecoming on Oct. 6.

He said the SGA did preliminary planning and came to resolutions on the leisure pool last year.

The pool will be constructed on

the South side of the Student Recreation Center.

Worley said freshman council elections will occur in the upcoming weeks.

He said SGA is also responsible for putting on RaiderGate which is a tailgate party before home football games. The first RaiderGate will be before the Southeastern Louisiana game on Sept. 23. Worley said due to budgeting issues they will not do a RaiderGate before the SMU game on Sept. 2.

Internal Vice President Matt Fowler, is the president of the senate and makes sure the senate does their job. Fowler said the senate is in charge of writing legislation. Writing legislation makes his job interesting, Fowler said.

"My job is to make sure its relevant, direct senate meetings and to help first-year senate members to understand what is going on in meetings and become active in the process," Fowler said.

The first meeting is Sept. 7, in the Senate room at 7 p.m. Fowler said the SGA will be discussing keeping the Texas A&M game in Lubbock and College Station instead of Dallas, creation of a student creed and sustaining a historical record with the La Ventana, the Tech yearbook.

"We want to make sure La Ventana keeps a strong historical record of events that happen at Tech," Fowler said.

Forrest Arguelles, a freshman food and nutrition major from Cedar Park, said he is against the A&M-Tech game moving to Dallas every year.

"I like the home-field advantage thing and I have friends at A&M that I want to visit and catch up with," Arguelles said.

Fowler said he finds his job very rewarding.

"You get to work with new people and they look to you as a mentor," Fowler said. "You get to work with people who have experience in SGA and I can look to them to push me and challenge me at my position. Working with a diverse group makes it rewarding. It's rewarding because of the impact we have on students."

Fowler said he finds it rewarding to bring students concerns and issues before the administration.

Worley said the SGA is involved with taking a kid to the game, voter's registration drives, working with administrators and the Board of Regents.

Worley said the SGA along with the administration want to maintain a student friendly campus.

Fowler and Worley said if any student has concerns they can come to the SGA meetings and the SGA can help get their questions answered.

"We're excited about the new year and the new opportunities that will keep Tech moving in the right direction," Worley said.

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# Hate speech materials reach Tech Terrace

By **JAY LANGLEY**  
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Cindy Jobe, a 30-year resident of Tech Terrace, awoke Wednesday morning to find something unusual in her front yard.

As she opened a plastic bag that had been tossed in her lawn, she found two pieces of paper that she found disturbing.

"Mainly it was knocking the Jews," Jobe said. "It was very hurtful to all the races except for the whites. It reminded me of something from back when the Nazis were around."

Jobe said the propaganda not only attacked Jewish people and minorities, but it also condemned mixed marriages.

"The message was that if we don't do something about 'the rich, money hungry Jews,' or mixed marriages we are somehow going to lose our freedom," she said. "I didn't like it one bit."

The literature was not limited to Jobe's front yard, as many of the residents around Tech Terrace received the same package on their lawns Wednesday morning.

Jobe said this is the first inci-

dent of hate propaganda she has seen in her years at Tech Terrace. She said she has no idea who would have left the paperwork on her lawn.

"There was a phone number on one of the pieces of paper," she said. "But when I called it all I got was an answering machine. And all the people I know that have called the number have gotten the same answering machine."

Gary Boren of the Lubbock City Council said the details of the situation remain unclear.

"It appears to be some kind of statement of hatred or letter of recruitment," Boren said. "I think it centers around racial hatred focused on some kind of white supremacy."

Boren said he encourages citizens who received the letter to simply throw it away.

"I think people should treat it like a piece of cat litter and just throw it in the trash where it belongs," he said. "Stuff like that has no place in Lubbock."

As a member of city government, Boren said one of the most important things for all citizens is to be protected by the First Amendment.

"They have a constitutional right to free speech, but that does

not mean throwing junk on people's front yards," Boren said. "If they feel like they have something to get off of their chest, there are many public forums for them around town in which they can speak their minds."

Boren said the author of the letters has not yet been determined.

"I haven't actually seen the letters," Boren said. "But apparently there is an out-of-town phone number and address."

Lt. Scott Hudgens of the Lubbock Police Department said there is nothing that can be done about the incident.

"The free speech is protected by the First Amendment," Hudgens said. "And the littering charges are only applicable to public places."

But Jobe said she thinks something should be done to discourage such an incident from happening again.

"I understand that they have their freedom of speech," Jobe said. "But that does not mean they should be allowed to throw this stuff in anyone's yard. If you agree with their message that is fine. But before they throw this stuff in your yard they need to see if you agree with their movement."

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## Tech students help with recovery of lost explosions

By **JEREMY REYNOLDS**  
STAFF WRITER

Lubbock might not be the place for large Hollywood blockbusters, but for two days last week, it served as home for a film crew shooting a documentary for the History Channel.

Nick Kennedy, the director of the project, said he and his crew came to Lubbock because the staff at Texas Tech could help them perform controlled explosions.

The documentary revolves around a sunken battle ship off the coast of Baltimore. When the ship went down, it sunk with a large amount of explosives. Half of the

bombs were recovered, while the other half still lay in the sea.

Kennedy and his crew are filming a documentary about what could happen if those unstable explosives should one day go off.

"We're using unexploded munitions from around the world," he said.

Kennedy and his crew performed all the explosions with the help of Tech. But for one detonation, they needed a little more help.

Kennedy said he had to call local radio stations and put out an ad for anyone who was willing to donate a shed to be blown up. The crew didn't want to go out and buy

a new one, he said.

"We're trying to figure out if the explosives would still be dangerous after all these years," he said.

The documentary will serve as a pilot for a series on the History Channel. Kennedy and his crew will perform several experiments like this one throughout the season, if the network picks up the pilot.

"Tech has been excellent to us," he said. "They're lending us high-speed cameras for this, and we have a lot of professors who will appear in the show talking about the explosions."

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## House immigration hearings attract little interest

SAN DIEGO (AP) — With immigration reform legislation stalled indefinitely, the congressional hearings on the issue that attracted overflow crowds around the Fourth of July have now fizzled with disinterest leading into Labor Day.

Most Americans paid little attention to the two dozen House hearings held around the country during the last two months. Many families have been on vacation, and the news has been dominated by war in the Middle East, the foiled terror plot in London and an arrest in the JonBenet Ramsey murder investigation.

"People don't pay attention

to these things, except the C-SPAN junkies," said Gary Jacobson, an expert in congressional politics at the University of California, San Diego. "It's not surprising that it's fizzled."

Democrats and immigrant groups have questioned the need for the hearings because such meetings are typically held before legislation is passed — not after. Critics call the hearings an election-year tactic to delay negotiations on the competing immigration bills passed by the House and Senate.

Many House members have shown waning interest in the meetings, preferring to campaign during the August recess or go on vacation, Jacobson said.

A hearing in San Diego drew just two congressmen, even though it is a border city often described as a crucible of immigration politics. Another gathering in Dalton, Ga., attracted just three representatives.

A sparsely attended hearing in El Paso, Texas, was held in the dark and rebroadcast on C-SPAN with a note reading: "This hearing was held in a theater with lighting problems."

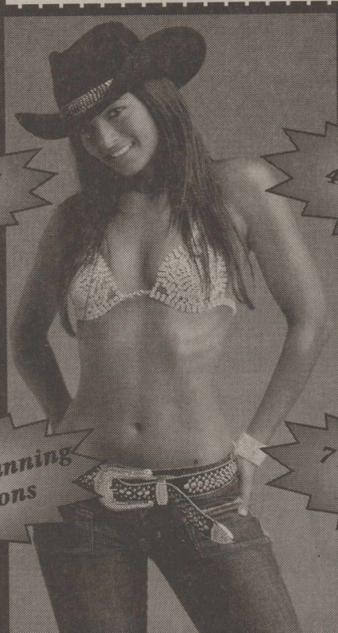
Another gathering scheduled for Friday in upstate New York was canceled with one week's notice. A spokesman for the Judiciary Committee blamed logistical difficulties getting members to the meeting from a panel in Concord, N.H., that took place the previous day.

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# Celebrate Our Culture shows diversity to Tech students

BY JOSH HULL  
STAFF WRITER

Students and faculty gathered Thursday night in Urbanovsky Park to celebrate diversity at Texas Tech with food, music and dancing.

The Celebrate Our Culture event gave new students the opportunity to meet members of the various multicultural student organizations on campus, as well as introducing them to many of Tech's international and multicultural departments.

Rosa Gallegos, senior administrator for the cross-cultural academic advancement center, said the event gave students the chance to see all the diversity that Tech has to offer.

"This is not just for minorities, this is for everyone on campus," Gallegos said. "We want to emphasize everyone getting involved and students of all cultures getting to know each other."

The event was sponsored by many organizations on campus, including the Center for Campus Life, the Cross-Cultural Center, the Diversity Awareness Team, Graduate School, the Office of International Affairs and the Tech Activities Board.

Tech Activities Board member Kelly Berger said ideas for the event came from all the different departments involved.

"I went to a programming conference in the spring and I saw Calle Sur," Berger said, referring to the Latino band that was featured at the event. "We thought it would be great to have the band and multicultural organizations at the event."

Along with the band, the Hispanic Student Society sponsored a free salsa dancing lesson for everyone attending the event. Food was also provided, including an array of international foods as well as American favorites.

Ryan Worley, president of the Student Government Association, was among the students



attending. Worley said SGA would continue to be involved in student diversity programs much like they were last year, particularly working with the Diversity Awareness Team.

"We want to encourage diversity, not only of race and ethnicity, but of ideas," Worley said. "We're excited about this year. Welcome Week and this event have been a big success, and if students continue to be involved, it will be a great year, especially for diversity."

While students listened to the Latino sounds of Calle Sur, they were given an opportunity to preview many of the student organizations available on campus. Each organization was given a table and members were standing by, ready to talk to anyone who was interested.

Raymond Baeza, president of the Hispanic Student Society, said continued student involvement would be essential to the growth of diversity on campus.

"It is important for diversity to show the different groups that Texas Tech has to offer," Baeza said. "It is important that we continue to collaborate and

come see these events to know what Tech has."

Ambassador Tibor Nagy, vice provost for international affairs, introduced the audience to the many programs run through his office, ranging from international students to study abroad programs.

"When I was a student here, Tech was very much a monoculture," Nagy said. "Now the school has so many different faces."

Nagy said Tech now has more than 1,100 international students representing over 100 individual nations. He said if Tech is to continue to grow and take its place on the global stage, more international involvement is key.

"It's very important for Texas Tech to be known as a place that welcomes the world," Nagy said. "Tech is more than a regional or national university, it is a global university. Tech has a place as a world leader in a number of fields and we want to promote that."

Promotion of international growth was a focus of the event, but Kelly Berger said the celebration was not about international issues, but local diversity at Tech.

"This event is called Celebrate Our Culture," Berger said. "We want to focus on Texas Tech's culture, not one culture in particular."

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LEFT: KARIN STEIN AND fellow band member of Calle Sur perform in Urbanovsky Park on Thursday evening for Culture Night. ABOVE: RAYMOND BAEZA, A senior political science and Spanish major from Hobbs, N.M., leads Sara Bayona, a junior Spanish major from Houston to the Colombian cumbia in Urbanovsky Park on Thursday. Culture Night was one of the daily activities held during Welcome Week.

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# Tech cotton school opens its doors

BY LIZ BOYD  
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The Texas International Cotton School started Monday and will educate both professionals from all over the world and Tech students about the dynamics of the cotton industry.

The school is sponsored by the Lubbock Cotton Exchange and taught through Tech at the International Textile Center.

"We have professionals from Australia, Indonesia, Switzerland, America and Tech students," said Eric Hequet, associate director of the center.

Dean Ethridge, director of center, said the school is geared to provide a broad knowledge of the cotton business and help promote the trade of American cotton internationally.

"Our school focuses on American cotton, specifically Lubbock cotton, and the process of producing, trading and processing it," Ethridge said.

Kirk Watson a marketing representative with ACG Cotton, said he believes Lubbock is the cotton capital of the world, which makes it a perfect site for the school.

"Cotton is king," Watson said before his lecture Thursday.

Watson, who attended the school three years ago, said he still keeps contact with fellow students he met.

Cotton school student Warwick Murray from Moree, Australia, said he has enjoyed the school so far.

"This has been a very interesting experience and I feel that I have learned a lot," Murray said.

Murray works for Rabobank, one of the largest corporate banks in the world, and deals with the financial aspect of the cotton trade and industry.

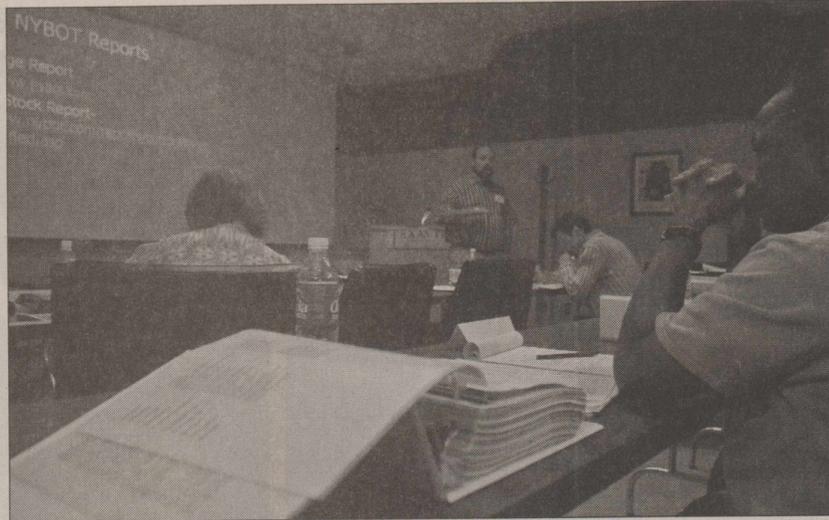
The school covers topics of production, marketing, cotton varieties and processes of dyeing and finishing fabric, Hequet said.

Not only does the school help professionals, it educates Tech graduate students and is worth two credit hours, Ethridge said.

Mike Stephens, communications coordinator, said the International Textile Center, located in Lubbock, is also used for year-round research and development of cotton.

"Our researchers work on 900 small projects and at least 30 large projects a year," Stephens said. "We have developed a device that tests the smoothness of cotton fabric that was patented and distributed to clothing lines trying to develop wrinkle-resistant materials."

Stephens also said the center gives



weekly tours of the 110,000 square foot building.

Various groups visit the center, and Stephens said he is currently working on an extension program to educate more 4-H and Future Farmers of America members from local school districts.

Some of the most recent research has been with cotton maturity levels, which deals with fiber strength and length, Hequet said.

Hequet also said the strength and length of cotton fiber determines its quality and demand for that specific variety, or type, of cotton.

Hequet said he and his research team are developing innovative ideas in the testing of cotton maturity by identifying the amount of cellulose in different cotton fibers.

Hequet's colleague Nouredine Abidi said the key to understanding the strength of cotton fiber is believed to be linked to the genetic structure of the cotton.

If this testing process can be sped up, cotton breeders will be able to create a higher quality of cotton, Hequet said.

Hequet and Abidi both teach classes during this year's cotton school.

Dean Ethridge, International Textile Center director, said his main goal is to give students the knowledge to properly conduct business in the complex world of the cotton industry.

"I want our students to leave here feeling like they fully understand every aspect of the cotton industry," Ethridge said, "and that they may make informed decisions in the future, especially concerning American cotton and Western trade."

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TOP: NIABA TEME, RIGHT, A graduate student in plant breeding from Mali, West Africa, listens while Kirk Watson, standing center, inventory manager for ACG Cotton Marketing of Lubbock, lectures during an Introduction to Marketing class, Thursday morning at the International Textile Center. BOTTOM: Heather James of Lubbock measures cotton samples after determining the amount of impurities contained in them, Thursday afternoon in the materials evaluation laboratory of the International Textile Center.

# Reserve chairman extols benefits of globalization

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke on Friday warned against protectionist measures that would crimp globalization and the increased trade and higher living standards it can bring.

"Further progress in global economic integration should not be taken for granted," Bernanke told an economics conference sponsored by the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City.

"Geopolitical concerns, including international tensions and the risks of terrorism, already constrain the pace of worldwide economic integration and may do so even more in the future," he said.

Bernanke's remarks come as trade tensions have heightened between the United States and China and global trade talks have recently stalled. Americans have grown increasingly anxious about the potential to lose their jobs to competitors in China and India, two quickly emerging economic giants.

Against that backdrop, U.S. lawmakers — as politicians have through the centuries — may be tempted to enact protectionist measures that would seek to slow globalization. But that would be unwise, Bernanke said.

Such protectionist feelings have cropped up through history when people feel that the increased global competition threatens their jobs and their livelihoods, he said.

"The natural reaction of those so affected is to resist change, for example, by seeking the passage of protectionist measures," Bernanke said.

"The challenge for policymakers is to ensure that the benefits of global economic integration are sufficiently widely shared — for example, by helping displaced workers get the necessary training to take advantage of new opportunities," he said.

New technologies and faster communications have made it easier for companies to look beyond national borders for workers — often cheaper workers. In the United States, factory jobs once held by U.S. workers have been lost to overseas competition or moved offshore. Certain service-sector

jobs once in the United States also have moved overseas.

The United States racked up a record trade deficit of \$716.7 billion last year, the fourth year running where the trade deficit swelled to an all-time high. The deficit last year with China alone mushroomed to \$202 billion, the largest ever registered with a single country.

Lawmakers in Congress, for example, have offered various measures — including imposing hefty tariffs on its goods — to clamp down on China and its currency practices. Critics contend that Beijing is keeping its currency artificially low, giving China an unfair trade advantage, hurting U.S. exports and contributing to the loss of U.S. factory jobs.

Bernanke didn't cite any specific protectionist measures in his speech but rather spoke in general terms.

It marked the first time Bernanke has spoken to the high-profile economics conference as chairman of the central bank. A well-respected economist, longtime professor and a former Fed member, Bernanke took the Fed helm in February, succeeding longtime chairman Alan Greenspan.

Bernanke, dressed in the casual dress code of the conference, wore a blue pullover sweater. He did not field questions after his speech.

In his remarks, Bernanke did not discuss the future course of interest rates in the United States. With Bernanke's guidance, the Fed earlier this month halted the longest unbroken stretch of interest rate increases in recent history. The Fed had steadily boosted rates since June 2004 to fend off inflation.

But with the economy losing steam, the housing market cooling, job growth slowing and consumers turning cautious, the Fed decided to take a breather to assess how its previous rate increases — which take time to work their way through the economy — are affecting economic activity.

The Fed's goal is to raise rates sufficiently to thwart inflation but not so much as to cripple the economy.

Some economists think the Fed will stay on the sidelines. Others, however, think another rate increase could be in store at the Fed's next meeting on Sept. 20 or sometime later this year.

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# University Plaza to get new look, new name

By ANNA SCHUMANN  
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Construction at 1001 University Ave. is under way, and students can expect great things, said Dean Minardi, one of the new owners of the property.

The building formerly known as University Plaza now will be called ULofts Lubbock, Minardi said. Construction on ULofts will be complete in May 2007, owner Minardi said, and preleasing will begin in January 2007 for an anticipated August 2007 move-in.

Workers are not tearing down the building to convert the former private residence hall to a loft apartment complex, but are simply stripping it and renovating. The \$1 million asbestos abatement is set for completion at the end of September.

Minardi said the building is to look like buildings on campus with Spanish architecture, including arches and balconies. There are going to be businesses on the bottom floor of ULofts Lubbock similar to what existed before construction be-

gan on the University Plaza, Minardi said. But in order to create a blank face for the building, apartments are being built directly above the businesses. A parking garage will be at the rear of the building.

"It's going to be a good-looking building when it's done," Minardi said.

The seven-story building, Minardi said, will consist of 307 fully-furnished loft apartments, including 280 one-bedroom, one-bathroom apartments and 27 two-bedroom, two-bathroom apartments.

Minardi said he is confident the Lubbock market will welcome more one-bedroom apartments.

"Our research shows that the market can support up to 1,000 one-bedroom apartments, Minardi said. "Right now there are only 550 in all of Lubbock."

Residents will be able to enjoy two computer labs, an in-house movie theater, a state-of-the-art fitness center, a pool, a sand volleyball court and a secure parking spot in a parking garage, Minardi said.

"Every bed has a guaranteed, secure parking space," Minardi said.

"We're selling security."

Minardi said he is unsure of what monthly rent will be at this time, but he said prices will be comparable to those at The Centre at Overton Park.

Though the new owners of ULofts, part of Student Housing Solutions, are based in Tallahassee, Fla., they said they were eager to acquire this property because of its proximity to campus.

"There are three rules in real estate," Minardi said. "Location, location, location."

The location, right across from Texas Tech campus at the corner of University Avenue and Main Street, has been a prime location for redevelopment, said Clifton Wilkinson, vice president of business development for McDougal Companies.

"Cleaning up the area around Tech has been part of our vision since 1999," said Wilkinson. "We wanted to create a corridor between the downtown businesses and Tech."

When students live in apartments in the area, Wilkinson said, such as The Centre or ULofts, they

provide many opportunities for developing business.

Wilkinson said he could not release the names of all businesses coming to the Overton district, but he said a "Ragin' Cajun" restaurant will be added and said he hopes many more restaurants and different types of retail outlets will open.

Brady Collier, a multifamily specialist with Coldwell Banker Commercial/Rick Canup Realtors Inc., represented the owners of ULofts and said he believes the lofts will be a totally different living environment from other student housing in Lubbock.

"Other complexes kind of have cookie cutter units," Collier said. "These are real stylish units."

Andy Clayton, the community director for The Centre, said ULofts will be their biggest competition for one-bedroom apartments, but he said The Centre is unique enough that business will not suffer.

"They are competition, yes," Clayton said. "But we're always open to a little friendly competition. Welcome to the game."

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# 'Citizen soldiers' play smaller combat role in Iraq, death toll declines

WASHINGTON (AP)—The death toll among National Guard and Reserve troops in Iraq has plunged this year as citizen soldiers play a smaller combat role against an insurgency that increasingly targets Iraqis.

Thus far in August, five members of the Guard and Reserve have died in Iraq, compared with 44 at this point in August 2005, the deadliest month of the war for the Guard and Reserve.

The number of Guard and Reserve deaths for the year totals 54 — less than one-third the 189 recorded at this point last year. In the comparable period in 2004, the death toll was 92, according to Defense Department casualty records.

The death count for all U.S. forces in Iraq — both active and reserve — has slid from an average of a little over two per day last year to a little under two per day so far this year. The insurgents continue to target U.S. troops, but the worst violence this year has been aimed at Iraqis in what some say amounts to civil war.

The main reason for the decline in reservist deaths is that fewer are being sent to Iraq. They comprise a little under 20 percent of the 138,000 U.S. troops now there, compared with about 40 percent last year.

Also, the number of National Guard combat brigades in Iraq has dropped from five to one. What's more, U.S. commanders about a year ago adjusted the mission of the Guard combat forces in Iraq from focusing mainly on fighting the insurgency to providing "theater security" — securing major highways and bases.

Today that is the main role of the only Guard combat brigade in Iraq, the Minnesota Army National Guard's 34th Infantry, whose soldiers also are working in south-central Iraq to help develop water resources.

Although troop rotation plans are a bit unsettled because of the

continuing high level of sectarian violence in Baghdad, the Army may stop using brigade-sized Guard units in Iraq next year.

Col. David Elicerio, 48, commander of the Minnesota Guard brigade in Iraq, said he was told when his unit left the United States several months ago that his would be the last Guard brigade to be mobilized for Iraq duty "for the foreseeable future." That plan could change, he noted, as the security situation changes.

Dan Goure, a defense analyst at the Lexington Institute, a private research group, said that although the Guard and Reserve are shouldering less of the combat burden now, they are likely to maintain a large support force in Iraq for as long as the U.S. has a combat mission there. Support forces often take casualties because they travel roadways and encounter the threat of improvised explosive devices, or IEDs.

Goure said support forces perform a variety of functions like road security, intelligence and military police.

"You wouldn't see that force, for example, in the battle for Fallujah," he said, referring to the city west of Baghdad that saw one of the fiercest and most deadly battles of the entire war in November 2004. "But you would see it doing just about everything else that has caused all the casualties to date in Iraq."

Gen. Peter Pace, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told troops during a visit to Iraq earlier this month that Guardsmen carried a bigger share of the combat load last year so that active-duty units — like the 101st Airborne Division and 4th Infantry Division currently serving in Iraq — had time at their home bases to undergo a top-to-bottom reorganization increasing the size of each division from three to four brigades.

Now that most active-duty divisions have completed those reorganizations, there is less need for Guard combat forces in Iraq, Pace said, although some Guard units will continue to pull Iraq duty.

# Man accused of killing 2 in shooting rampage released from hospital

ESSEX, Vt. (AP)—A man accused of killing two teachers and wounding two other people in a shooting rampage was released from a hospital Friday and transferred to jail, where he was being held without bail on two counts of murder and two counts of attempted murder, authorities said.

Christopher A. Williams, a 26-year-old bakery worker, allegedly set out to kill his ex-girlfriend but couldn't find her during Thursday's shooting spree.

As police closed in, he shot himself twice in the head but was still lucid enough to talk to police who arrested him, said Police Chief David Demag.

The shootings began around 2 p.m., when Williams showed up at the home he shared with ex-girlfriend Andrea Lambesis and her mother, Linda Lambesis, 57, according to Police Chief David Demag.

Williams shot the elder woman to death, then went to Essex Elementary School in search of her daughter, Demag said. Though the school was still in summer recess, about 39 staffers were working — including the younger Lambesis, a teacher. It wasn't clear where she was in the building, but Williams didn't find her.

He opened fire on two other people instead, fatally shooting teacher Mary Shanks, 56, and wounding employee Mary Snedeker, 52, Demag said.

Some employees were seen running from the school, heads ducked, while others hid.

While SWAT teams and sheriff's deputies were searching the halls, Williams escaped and went to the condominium complex where acquaintance Chad Johansen, 26, lives, police said. Their relationship was unclear Thursday.

Jillian Schultz, 22, a resident of the condominiums, said a sweaty and disheveled Williams called out "Where's Chad? Where's Chad?" as he ran by her. Schultz was in the yard playing with her 13-month-old son and Johansen's 2-year-old son at the time.

Moments later, she heard four gunshots and saw bullets rip through bushes 10 feet away. Then she saw Johansen come toward the building, bleeding from the back and yelling to her to call 911.

The shootings occurred hours after Williams stole his ex-girlfriend's car, didn't show up for work and then returned the car without making contact with her, he said.

It wasn't clear what triggered the rampage, according to Demag and acting State's Attorney Margaret Vincent.

"It was a dispute and that's what set the events in that motion," Demag said.

Williams could be charged Friday, Vincent said. Johansen was listed in fair condition at Fletcher Allen Health Care, spokesman Mike Noble said. Snedeker was being evaluated.

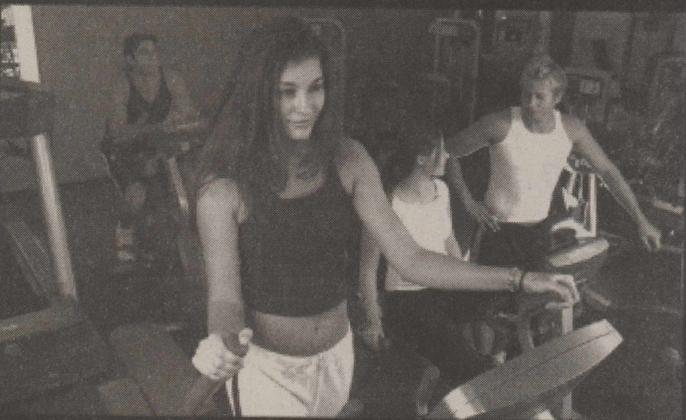
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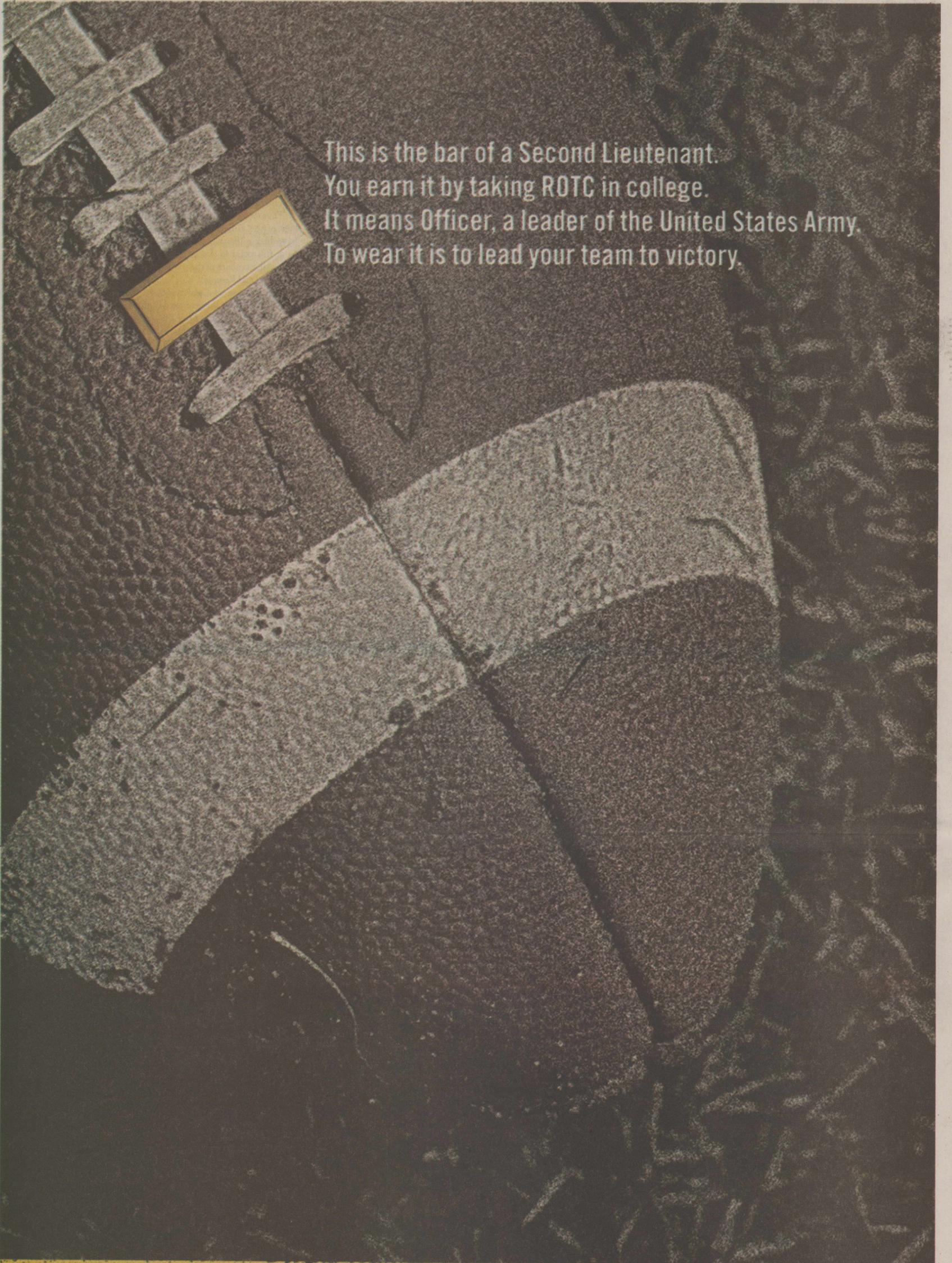
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# Church Rock



By IAN KLUMPP  
STAFF WRITER

## Finding 'The Way'

The Way sits alone on the 1600 block of Avenue B. "It's a church, but it's not," said Steven Byrne, the spiritual leader of The Way. Once you get on the inside it is like the streets, but the people hanging out have positive attitudes, he said.

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# Spivey: an eclectic Lubbock duo

By IAN KLUMPP  
STAFF WRITER

With the recent release of their second album, Spivey is a band that promises to leave no one behind.

"We offer everything," lead singer and guitarist Ryan Spivey said.

He is also the namesake of the band and is accompanied by Josh Boucher on bass, congas, didgeridoo and backing vocals. The two-some met in Lubbock and will have played together for one year come November.

Spivey's music is capable of appealing to every type of audience by incorporating country, rock, funk and hip-hop into their sound, said Ryan Spivey. Both Ryan Spivey and Boucher said their sound was developed under the influences of everything from Led Zeppelin, Ian Moore and Bob Dylan to Depeche Mode, Kraftwerk and German techno.

The pair will also agree that the Talking Heads contributed to their development.

"Organic meets a very inorganic

vibe," Ryan Spivey said of the group's sound.

The band said if they never graduate past the audience they have developed in the college market, that would be fine by them. They said they are only interested in playing for the people who love good music.

"Neither one of us cares much about being on the radio," Ryan Spivey said. "We have so much faith that it (fame) will get there, that we are just not worried."

The band guarantees an original concert experience, and to promote a complete live show, they have begun playing their sets without breaks. The sets offer a steady flow of original songs for more than three hours, with the possibility of two to three covers, the band-mates said.

"We're not a cover band by any means," Ryan Spivey said. "The best form of flattery is just having people who want to dance, and this is why we work well with the audience."

Boucher said he wants the audience to get the full experience when they hear the band.

"We want to take (the audience) on a ride," he said. "Have them experience the highs and the lows."

When writing a song, everything is first scripted on acoustic and then given to Boucher who adds in the flair causing the music to soar through all genres.

They feel by writing their songs on acoustics they are able to provide a skeleton basis which can have the best guitars and vocals in order to "bring the funk" properly, said Ryan Spivey.

In Lubbock they can most commonly be seen at Rocky LaRues, and at one time they were playing every Wednesday and Saturday night at the bar, said J.B. Lemons, a bartender for Rocky's.

"The Wednesday show was a cool low-key type of vibe resembling more of a jam session," Lemons said. "On Saturday they would blow the roof off of the place."

The other bartenders at Rocky LaRues agreed that Spivey brings the crowd. They sell more CDs than any other band that plays at the bar,

they said.

Ryan Spivey said the band plays shows regularly in Las Vegas. They are able to do this through a friend who supplies booking help there in the city. It is also a friend in Sin City who has helped them develop their Web site, <http://www.spiveymusic.com>.

Ryan Spivey and Boucher are quick to point out that their success, popularity and ability to concentrate on their music stems from the endless love and support their friends and family provide.

Spivey has shows coming up on Sept. 2 at Rocky LaRues and Sept. 8 at the Gas Light. Both shows start at 10 p.m. The band will then head down to Austin on Sept. 9 to play a show at Tambaleos before returning to Lubbock for more concerts at Rocky LaRues.

More information and ringtones for Spivey can be found on their Web site, and songs from their new album can be sampled on their Myspace page, <http://www.myspace.com/spiveymusic>.

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# TiVo looks to religion leaders to get word out on KidZone

DALLAS (AP) — TiVo Inc. is looking to religious leaders to help get the word out about its new program that helps parents control which shows their children can watch.

Officials with the Alviso, Calif.-based company discussed the KidZone programming software Thursday during a breakfast with religious leaders and handed out TiVo recording units to ministers and others for them to try it out.

"We know that kids are going to be exposed to the media, so why don't we take the media on our own terms?" TiVo Vice President Joe Miller told the group of about 50. A similar gathering was held earlier this week in Atlanta.

"This is in response to something we heard from our existing customers," Miller said.

TiVo's KidZone, which is a free service, features a menu of shows recommended by non-profit organizations focused on children and media. Parents can also add or subtract programs or channels available to their kids. Parents can then enter the regular TiVo menu with a password.

"The idea is real parental control," Miller said.

TiVo updated the software in its units this summer to include KidZone, and all new devices will carry the programming.

Miller discussed a survey sponsored by TiVo of 1,000 Dallas-area parents over the summer showed that showed 95 percent of parents believe it's important to control what their children watch, but only 29 percent use some kind of blocking technology.

"I know the parents are concerned about all sorts of media,"

said Dina Steiner, a minister at Trietsch Memorial United Methodist in Flower Mound, just north of Dallas.

She said that as pastor she will not push a particular product, but the breakfast did give her knowledge to share with parents concerned about controlling what their kids watch.

"The more knowledge I have, the more I can help the families in my church," Steiner said.

"It's a good thing because it provides choices to parents," said Jack Graham, pastor of the 26,000-member Prestonwood Baptist Church in the Dallas suburb of Plano.

"I know that parents, young parents, are very concerned about their kids' future — in terms of values, virtues, morality and ethics," Graham said.

The Parents Television Council was one of the organizations that provided information about

its recommendations for programs to include in KidZone.

"Our goal is to help make a parent's job easier," said Melissa Caldwell, senior director of programs for the non-profit group.

She said that while there are several technologies to help monitor what children watch, they have varying degrees of usefulness. For instance, she said, surveys have shown most parents don't even know that their televisions have V-Chips and don't know how to use them. Besides, she said, V-Chips rely on industry-imposed ratings.

There are almost 5 million TiVo households in the U.S., Miller said. Of those, the KidZone programming will go to 1.8 million TiVo standalone customers, but not the ones built into DirecTV satellite receivers. Every new standalone TiVo will also come with the technology.

*"We know that kids are going to be exposed to the media, so why don't we take the media on our own terms?"*

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# Students broaden horizons abroad

By JESSICA HENDRICKS  
STAFF WRITER

Walking through campus, it is often easy to spot someone who has studied abroad during the summer. They are the ones who look a little more confident, a little happier to be back in familiar, flat Lubbock. They are the ones who relish the unavoidable question, "How was your summer?" because they have some great stories to retell.

Sandra Crosier, the director of Study Abroad, said Texas Tech sent students abroad in 23 programs throughout the summer.

"One exciting one was that the associate dean of the College of Agriculture took 12 students from Tech to China," she said. "They toured agricultural areas and visited a university there."

Another group comprised of horticulture students toured gardens in Italy and learned about plants that are not native to the United States, Crosier said. The Portuguese Department sent their first group to Brazil, a program that they hope to

alternate each year between Portugal and Brazil.

Meanwhile, a landscape architecture team traveled to a village in the Yucatan, she said.

"They designed a central plaza for them because culturally, that's a very important part of a town or a city in Mexico, and this little village didn't have one," Crosier said.

These programs are just the beginning of a long list of places students are able to go.

"We can send them just about everywhere. They can go to Africa, Asia, Eastern or Western Europe, Latin America or Central America; they can go to Australia," Crosier said.

Linda Vega, a senior Spanish major from Midland, said she spent the first summer session in Seville, Spain. She said she took six credit hours of Spanish, attending class every day for four hours a day. "It really grows you individually and makes you learn a lot about yourself because you're not in your comfort zone," she said. "I learned a lot about myself."

She got the opportunity to go on weekend excursions to surrounding

locales, including Granada, Spain, which she said was her favorite.

"Everybody should go. Seriously, don't let anything hold you back."

Tech established their staffed center in Seville in 2001, Crosier said. More than 130 students studied at the center over the summer and about 230 took advantage of it during the last school year. Tech mainly uses it for Spanish classes, but an English professor also took some creative writing students there during "Maymester," Crosier said.

Lorum Stratton, the associate chair of the Spanish Department, also took students to Spain as well as Mexico. The students live with families during their stay, and Stratton said this is one of key aspects of the experience.

"We feel that is a very important part of the program because it allows students the ability to listen to and practice their Spanish outside the classroom," he said. "It gives the students the ability to understand much more about the culture."

Some experts are voicing their opinions that studying abroad will

not merely help students in a personal aspect, but in a professional aspect as well.

"It used to be a frill, but it's not anymore. If a student studies abroad, they will be more competitive if they are going to graduate school, medical school or law school," Crosier said. "If they've studied abroad and studied a language, it will boost them up another level. It will also make them more competitive for jobs in almost any field."

Students interested in studying abroad can go to the Office of International Affairs to talk with a counselor, Crosier said. The staff can help students find programs that will count toward class credit in a particular major. Professors are also good resources, she said, and the Web site at <http://www.iaff.ttu.edu> should be running this month.

"It's the chance of a lifetime," Crosier said. "You will earn credit toward your degree, and there are scholarships to help you pay for a program as well as access to your financial aid."

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# Miss America pageant staying in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The annual Miss America pageant will be held on the Las Vegas Strip again next year, organizers said Thursday.

The crowning will air live on Country Music Television from the Aladdin Resort & Casino on Monday, Jan. 29,

organizers said.

The 85-year-old beauty contest jilted its hometown of Atlantic City, N.J., for Las Vegas last year in search of a younger audience, a fresh look and lower production costs.

"I can't tell you how happy everyone

is to be returning to Las Vegas," Art McMaster, chief executive of the Atlantic City-based Miss America Organization, told *The Associated Press*.

"We got a tremendous amount of media coverage in Las Vegas and that is why we went there in the first place," he said.

McMaster said the pageant would stick with the back-to-basics makeover that producers delivered in 2006, scuttling a plan announced in April to incorporate elements of reality TV into the pageant.

"Finding Miss America," a seven-episode series, was to follow the contestants through preliminary competition in Los Angeles and give viewers a chance to vote on which beauties would make the top 15.

Pageant organizers have introduced viewer call-in elements in past years, as the contest has struggled to increase viewers and revenue. Last year's return to the basics — a bathing suit, talent and evening gown competition — was welcomed by the army of loyal pageant fans.

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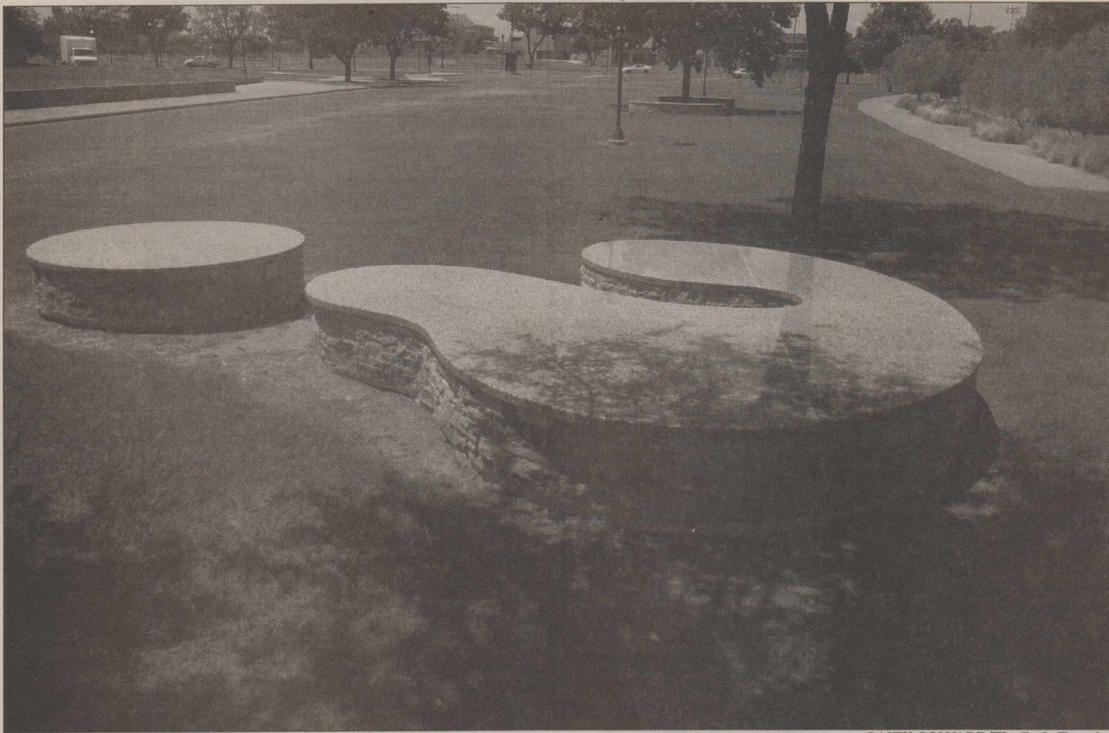
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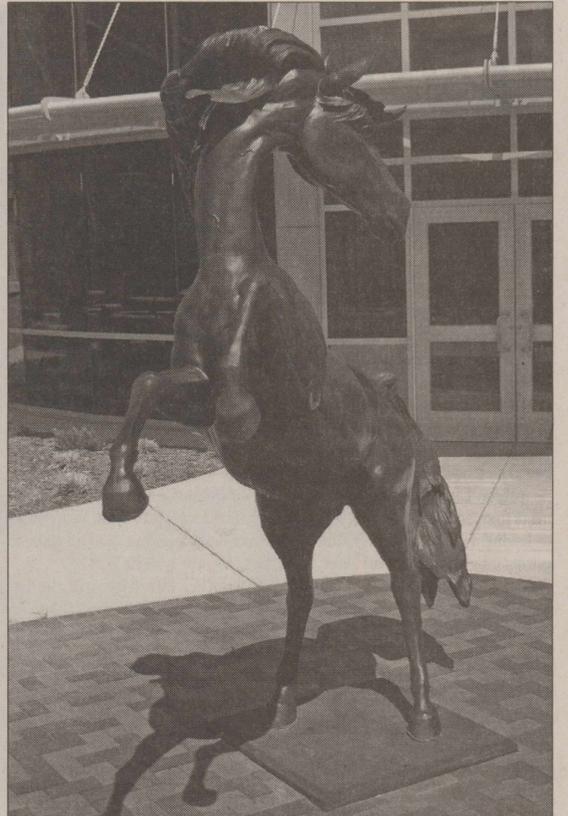
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ABOVE: THE QUESTION mark artwork is located in front of Stangel/Murdough Residence Halls, and is just one of many pieces of artwork located throughout the Texas Tech campus. RIGHT: THE SCULPTURE of a horse is located in front of the Animal and Food Sciences Building, across from the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

# Campus art garners worldwide recognition

By JEREMY REYNOLDS  
STAFF WRITER

From the nameless and almost faceless Masked Rider who rides to nowhere in particular on the wall of Jones AT&T Stadium to the stone-carved hands that sit in front of the English and Education buildings with no gloves to keep them warm in January, the public art on the Texas Tech campus has started coming into its own light.

The art pieces across the university have become more than silent monuments of the leading artists in the world, but also statements of beauty in a place that lacks all signs of it to the degree that a national magazine once called the campus the ugliest in the nation.

The Lubbock community has always prided itself on being a hotbed for music activity. Musicians like Waylon Jennings, Buddy Holly and Bob Wills have emerged from the Hub City, but with the help of Cecilia Carter Browne, Tech has started to develop an artistic name

for Lubbock.

"There's a lot of creativity associated with Lubbock," Browne said.

There are 25 pieces of art on the campus as of now, although Browne said another 10 are on the way.

The pieces that decorate the streets and front entrances of the buildings around the Tech campus are not compliments of an art student's final project. Rather, Browne said these pieces are the works of the leading artists from around the world, and each time the money becomes available for something new, hundreds of applicants apply.

"There's a short list of finalists, and from there we pick them based on the quality of their work," Browne said.

The works are individual testaments of the artist who created them, hence the reason Browne likes to give each person she hires some leeway in expressing their vision.

"We don't tell them what to make," she said. "We see the public art on the campus as a way of extending the learning experience."

The pieces typically go in conjunction with new building projects because that is where the money comes from, Browne said. Still, occasionally the department will get grants or donations sent its way.

Two of the new pieces that will be on display soon will be works of artist Farley Tobin. Her pieces will be a part of the new expansion of the Ranching and Heritage Center, and the Child Development Research Center.

The piece she did for the Ranching and Heritage Center was based on the history of barbwire in Texas.

Before starting the project, Tobin said she spent some time driving around the Lone Star State studying the ranching aspect of the landscape.

"I wanted to find a way to convey the ranching culture through my art," she said.

The bench she has constructed will be made of four pieces of barbwire that were used on farms during some point in Texas' history, Tobin said.

"Barbwire changed and shaped the way ranching was done," she said.

The second piece she was commissioned to build will be for the Child Development Research Center. This project will be in two sections: the adult side and the child side.

On the adult side of the building, she made a tile wall that is meant to symbolize what the Lubbock oil fields and vacant fields look like when someone flies over them.

On the child side, she has created a tile wall made up of equilateral triangles.

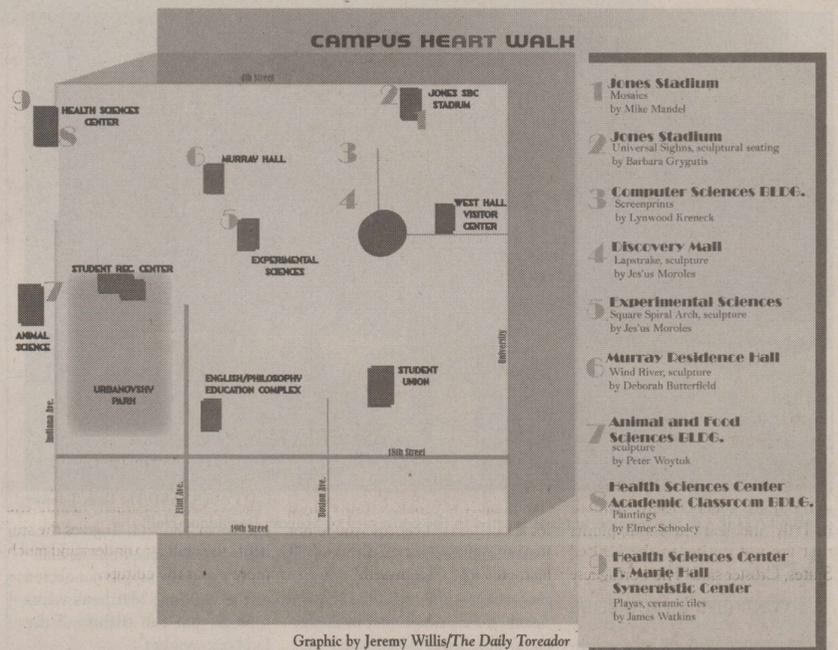
"I wanted something colorful for the kids," she said. "The piece has all the colors of the landscape in it."

Artist Mike Mandel, whose art is on display at Jones AT&T Stadium, said when he looked at making his pieces, he wanted to find something that conveyed the history of the Tech campus.

The pieces "The Masked Rider and Half-Time Show" and "Team Spirit and Four Positions" depict the history of the Tech sports, he said.

"I wanted to look at Texas Tech history and then bring it to life," said Mandel.

He used photographs of past and almost forgotten football squads and then a newer picture of the Masked Rider. To find these images, he said he spent a lot of time in the archives



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THE BOOKMAN STATUE, located near the Student Union Building, is one of many public artworks on the Tech campus.

section of the university digging through dusty pictures. He said he felt this was the way to bring the history of Tech to the public.

"The piece out of them all that I think is the strongest is the one in the corridor that has the four football players from the '30's posing," he said. "I think the image is kind of beautiful."

Mandel saw the piece as funny because each of the football players was told to pose a certain way for the photograph long ago, so it looks like they're playing football, but they're really not.

According to a pamphlet about the public art at Tech, Mandel was heavily influenced by his youth in the San Fernando Valley. This upbringing influenced Mandel to go with a more photographic approach to his art.

"I wanted to make something people can connect to and bring it to the foreground," he said.

The pieces that are on display across the campus are more than eye candy. Browne has suggested they be used as a walking path for students.

"I walk the path all the time with my dog," she said.

The path is almost two miles long, she said, and would give freshmen a workout while also introducing them to the campus.

"Students are trying to find a way to stay fit on the campus, and the art gives them a point-by-point destination for that," Browne said.

This walking path would take the students from the Flint Avenue parking garage down 19th Street and through the campus, all the way to Jones AT&T Stadium before finally ending at the Ani-

mal Sciences building on Indiana Avenue.

"This would be a good way for students to find their way around campus," Browne said.

The students could use each of the public art works as a reference when remembering where a class was or what their dorm hall was close to, she said.

"Ideally, I'd like (students) to appreciate the quality of the art we have here on the campus," Browne said. "I'd like them to assume a sense of pride in it. You don't have to like all the works. It's impossible to like all the works."

Recently in the Public Art Review, a nationally recognized magazine, Tech was named one of the Top 10 university public art programs

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# Avoiding the Xs

By JESSICA HENDRICKS  
STAFF WRITER

When students younger than 21 hit the bar scene with their drinking-age friends, it can be hard not to feel like the "wingman" or the "water (sipping) boy." To add insult to injury, they must be branded with the huge, black, permanent-marker Xs that practically scream, "Everyone look at me! I'm underage!" All have been there, though most would like to pretend they haven't.

Ashton Easley, a freshman business major from South Padre, said, "I'm used to having a night life, so it's hard not getting into some of the bars here."

Other students who are from small towns are accustomed to not getting into bars. Jessica Stovall, a freshman business major from Stanton, said she would hang out at her friends' houses, go dancing or watch movies. "We would even go park our cars at Sonic and hang out," she said.

Although participating in the bar scene night-life can be difficult for younger Tech students, there are some alternative locations in Lubbock that are perfect for this crowd.

Justin Bamard is the owner of Sugar Brown's Coffee, which has been running for almost three years now, he said.

"We have the best coffee prices in town," Bamard said. "Espresso-based drinks can get really expensive. We try to use the best stuff we can and still keep the prices low."

In addition to high quality coffee, he said they also have live music on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays.

"People know they can always come here and there'll be something playing here," he said. "It's almost always free."

Bamard also mentioned Sugar Brown's newest addition. "We have a new patio outside between us and Mountain Hideaway that's open. We're about to get lights out there, and it's going to be really neat at night."

Another alternative to the bar venues is Stars and Stripes, a drive-in movie theater.

Ryan Smith, the owner, said Stars and Stripes is the closest theater to campus, only five minutes away.

"It's a great date place. It's inexpensive. You've got privacy in your car, so you can talk," Smith said. "You can sit under the stars in your lawn chairs or throw a couch in the back of your pickup."

The price for two movies is \$5 per person, and "Invincible" and "Step Up" will be shown on one screen, with "Talladega Nights" and "Snakes on a Plane" on the other during the first week of school,

he said. The theatre is also constructing an area to add a third screen.

Smith said the unique food also draws crowds. "We've got a lot of food items you won't see anywhere else in town, like funnel cakes, fried Twinkies and a Chihuahua sandwich."

Another venue with unique food items is La Diosa Cellars, a winery that serves tapas.

"Tapas are what the Spanish consider small meals. They're like appetizers," said La Diosa owner Sylvana McPherson. The place is particularly desirable for a crowd of mixed ages since they have many Texas wines as well as a full-service coffee bar and nonalcoholic sangria, she said.

The space itself is both vibrant and unique; it was designed by McPherson, herself, since she said she was previously an interior designer. "It's a very casual, eclectic atmosphere," McPherson said. "People really do feel comfortable here. I want to attract all kinds of people."

La Diosa also has live music almost every evening and is part of the First Friday Art Trail every month, she said.

Whether under-21 students want to brave the bar scene, or try some of the unique alternatives, Lubbock has several hang-outs for students to try this fall.

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TWO TEXAS TECH students under the age of 21 dance at a local club. While some students at Tech are over the age of 21, there are still plenty who are not. Lubbock provides other options to those not of the drinking age.

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# Mesquites planning on keeping doors open until early morning

By IAN KLUMPP  
STAFF WRITER

Mesquites Sports Bar and Grill has made its return, and with plans to stay open until 4 a.m., the momentum is not likely to slow down, bar manager Shad Hartman said.

"Back in the '70s and '80s this bar was a Texas Tech hot spot," he said. "This is a bar for the students."

Mesquites was an easily accessible bar that the Tech students of the '70s and '80s could go to and have a few cheap drinks without straying too far from campus, Hartman said.

The bar now is back to its original location after Flatlanders shut their doors, and they are anxious to once again have an atmosphere that caters to the students.

"College kids are on a budget, and we want to help them with that budget," Hartman said. "Burger and a beer for eight bucks, where else can you get that?"

The bar offers breakfast, lunch and dinner. Each time period offers an array of modestly priced meals, Hartman said. These meals are complemented by modestly-priced drinks, such as \$1.50 schooners all day or until they run out.

But Hartman said patrons should not worry about the bar's supply of schooners.

"We never run out," he said. If the crowds makes it difficult to keep the beer stocked in the fall, the restaurant will change to having two happy hours: one in the afternoon and then one at night, he said.

A popular aspect of Mesquites is that each customer has their own small area they feel comfortable in, Sidler said. They hope to soon spread the bar across the length of two separate rooms in order to make it more accessible for the customers.

"(Mesquites) is everyone's favorite little hole in the wall," said Dan Sidler, a bartender for Mesquites. "There are so many different areas; everyone has their own little nooks and crannies to drink in."

Currently, Mesquites does not entertain any live shows. Employees said they feel that their nights are already successful enough without having to bring in live music, but it is something they may look at doing in the future. One option to bring live music into the bar would be afternoon acoustic shows, said Hartman. A live afternoon acoustic show would give the students a nice place to stop and help take their minds off classes. While live music is not yet part of the Mesquites' agenda, they are careful to play recorded music everyone wants to hear.

"Once fully staffed, we will stay open until 4 a.m.," Hartman said. "It gives (the students) time to sober up and wait for a ride."

By keeping their doors open until 4 a.m., Mesquites hopes to offer a safe place where students can go to

in order to finish their night. The customers will not be pushed out of the doors at 2 a.m., like at other bars, or be expected to find a ride home somewhere else, Sidler said. Instead they will be able to sit down, relax, order something to eat and drink a couple of glasses of water, which will allow them to be safer when they head home.

"If they did not close until four I would stay," Jeff McDonald, a junior Biology Major from Houston said. "It would be nice to be at a place that's not going kick my ass out at 2."

"We just want to get people involved in the bar experience," Sidler said.

Mesquites hopes to once again regain its crown as a Texas Tech staple this fall. The bar also hopes to televise Monday Night football, in addition to providing games and pool tables for the customers to get involved in, Sidler said. Mesquites is about comfort for its customers and a safe place for students to call their own.

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THE STATUE OF the wooden horse is located in the courtyard of Murray Residence Hall.

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in the country. With an accomplishment like that under the university's belt, Browne said the people it helps the most are the students.

"Whenever Tech is recognized nationally it increases the value of your diploma," she said.

The national ranking came a mere five years after the program's inception. Browne said that was her proudest moment of working at Tech.

"To be recognized after only five years is huge," she said. "A lot of the other programs recognized have been around for more than a decade."

The program started in 1998 through the Board of Regents as a way of enlivening the campus environment and extending the university's educational mission, according to a press release.

In the short time the program has been around, it has started drawing big-name artists to the campus.

Browne said she wished students would understand how huge a deal it was to get Jesus Morales to do the "Square Spiral Arch" piece as part of the Experimental Sciences Building.

"That was a massive undertaking," she said.

Morales, who graduated from the University of North Texas, has more than 2,000 works on display around the world. His works are on display in China, Egypt, Italy and Japan, according to a pamphlet. Museums and other private collections worldwide have Morales' work on display throughout the year.

Tom Matthews, the lone student representative on the main committee for public art, said he looks at a lot of different things in a potential art piece, including the artist.

"Are they internationally recognized or regionally?" he said.

Additionally, Matthews said he looks for pieces that have a bit more of a contemporary feel to them because that's where his background lays.

"We look for things that are rela-

tively maintenance-free," he said.

If the piece is not connected to the building, Matthews wants a piece that can withstand the Lubbock weather.

There are two committees that choose the pieces: the subcommittee and the main one. By the time a proposal gets to the main committee, there are typically only two or three proposals still in the running.

"The main committee has a diverse group of people on it," he said.

The committee is not only made up of people from the public art field, but also people from the administration and other fields on the campus. People are there representing landscape, engineering, architecture and individuals from whatever building the project will go in front of.

"It's not a one-person decision," he said. "It's a group decision."

Matthews, though still a student of Tech, envisions himself as contributing to public art on university campuses around the world.

In the next few years, Browne said she sees more and more pieces of art going up around the Tech campus.

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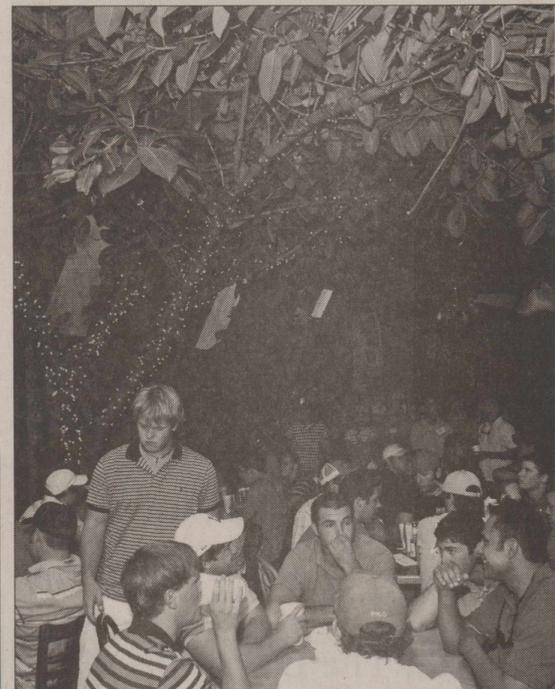
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STEVEN BYRNE, LEFT, pastor of The Way church preaches to David Berrier, right front, Brandon Gould, right middle, and Aaron Rodriguez, right back, Tuesday evening at their church on Avenue B.

# HARD-CORE CHRISTIANS

*The Way mixes Bible studies with live music, Byrne says 'It's a church, but it's not'*

## The Way

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The building is an old church with a hurried red paint job. From the outside, the windows appear to be green-textured glass with black X's covering random panes. Over the door sits a huge yellowed window covered from the inside because of the broken portions of glass. An old empty pew sits next to the front steps. The building looks to be a mess, which says absolutely nothing about what takes place on

the inside.

Upon walking up the chipped, brown painted steps, which lead to the building's tiny wooden door, one notices the words "Jesus Walks! The Way" — each word painted on a different step.

Once inside there is only one big, empty room cooled by a single rattling air conditioning unit. The walls are covered in a graffiti mural of pictures, words and Bible verses. Directly at the front of the room rests a stage raised only about six inches from the floor.

Byrne said he is trying to find

a place where he can minister to a generation of people who have been left in the dark when it comes to the conventional church.

He said he has been able to help them from The Way's 1616 Ave. B location since Dec. 2, 2005, when the first Bible study was held.

"Life is just problems," Byrne said. "When these kids have problems they are going to remember The Way — a place with no judgments, whether you believe in God or not, you are constantly accepted."

Each person who visits The Way has free reign over the walls, as long as they are providing a positive message, Byrne said.

"We aren't into stained glass; we are into spray paint," Byrne said. "This is just as meaningful and powerful to us."

Byrnes said he would rather have people paint the inside of The Way instead of illegally doing it on the streets.

In addition to hosting bible studies, The Way also serves as a safe place for people to see live music.

The first show was on Feb. 2, 2006, Byrne said. The majority of the shows feature hard-core bands, but Byrne is quick to reject the label of a hard-core venue.

During the next few years, Byrne said he would like to turn The Way into an "everything-type" of venue,

based on faith rather than specific style of music.

He said he would like to incorporate all different styles of "street" music, which include reggae, hip-hop, heavy metal and any other styles that he says are generally looked down upon.

"The building fills up easily and provides more of an energy," said Jesse Upshaw, lead screamer of the band The Royals.

The Royals is a hard-core band that regularly performs at The Way, according to The Way's Web site.

"Steven does a good job of keeping shows and then the Bible study separately," Upshaw said of Byrne.

He only briefly mentions the next Bible study during the shows, which also makes it a good venue for secular bands, he said. It is also common that people without religious backgrounds speak positively about The Way and Byrne's method of ministry.

Cody Barber, a sophomore mass communications major from Lubbock, said he and fellow students of the Bible studies book the majority of the shows at The Way.

"Byrne has made it a safe and laid-back atmosphere, where shows are easily booked without all the hassle that goes on at other venues," he said. "You don't have to worry about the typical drama that goes on

at other bars and clubs; there isn't a bunch of drunken people at these shows starting (fights)."

In the future, Byrne said he envisions his small Bible study of 15 growing to 100, but worries it will grow too large and the intimacy, which they are able to maintain now, will be lost. He said he would also like to see these type of small church-venues come together all across Texas and provide a home for the religiously isolated.

"It is a fellowship," Byrne said. "We hang out outside of church as well. We are all friends."

Byrne said he works full-time to

support The Way, and without his wife, Debbie, The Way's existence would be nearly impossible. He credits her with being his back-bone and doing all the little things that keep The Way together. Byrne said his dream would be to have the funds to quit his job and work with his wife at The Way full-time.

The Way conducts Bible studies at 7:15 p.m. every Tuesday and at 7:30 p.m. every Sunday. More information on The Way and a schedule of upcoming shows can be found on its Web site at <http://www.myspace.com/thewaylbk>.

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DEBBIE BYRNE, LEFT, from Lubbock entertains 18-month-old Ethan Krump, right, as he colors during the service Tuesday evening.

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# Tech newcomers help Habitat

By JESSICA HENDRICKS  
STAFF WRITER

Freshmen have several things on their to-do lists at the beginning of the school year: register for classes, move into the residence halls and acclimate to a new campus. While simply meeting new people can be overwhelming for some students, several Texas Tech freshmen have added hammering trusses and raising walls to their to-do lists.

The Tech chapter of Habitat for Humanity began recruiting freshmen during Welcome Week, said Janie Bailey, one of the house leaders of the project. They have joined Lubbock Habitat for Humanity, Aldersgate Methodist Church, First United Methodist Church and State Farm to build a house on the 2100 block of Dartmouth Street. This is the fifth house that these groups have joined together to build, Bailey said.

The Center for Campus Life organized all the residence halls, and the community advisors helped sign the students up for this community service activity, said Vicky Dean, the residence life coordinator in Hulen/Clement.

"My hope is that the residents and CAs can have an experience they can enjoy and really feel like they helped, and then bring people back later in the year," she said.

This was the first year that incoming freshmen have been recruited for Habitat during Welcome Week, Dean said.

"Our main goal is to build a house and get freshmen involved, to have them come pick up a hammer and feel like they've accomplished something in helping the community," said Karen McCauley, co-president of Tech's Habitat chapter from Borger.

McCauley said she has worked with Habitat for one year and was really pleased with the progress on this house.

"Everybody's getting to do something, and our framer is excellent," she said.

This project is part of a "blitz build," meaning the house goes up quickly in a concentrated amount of time, Dean said. The time crunch will not compromise the quality of

the house, however, since a professional framer is overseeing the project.

Bailey said after the students and community members build the skeleton of the house, contractors will install the plumbing, electrical and ventilation systems. Students and volunteers will continue with insulating the walls and installing siding and shingles on the roof.

"We'll finish it out," Bailey said. "We've got to paint, do cabinets, doors and fixtures. It's a long process and depends on the volunteers."

The house will also pass city inspection before the new owners move in, she said.

The recipients of the house will be Josephine Palomo and her 15-year-old daughter, Bailey said. The process for determining who will receive a house is lengthy, and Lubbock Habitat for Humanity deals

with that aspect by requiring the future owners to put in several "sweat hours," in which they help build their own house.

Amanda Cruse, a freshman business major from Happy, was one of the volunteers helping with the house. She said she had helped with Habitat for Humanity twice before and helped raise and secure the walls on this project.

"I think it's a great volunteer and community service project to help give back to communities and those who are less fortunate but still working hard to build a home for themselves," she said.

The large influx of Tech students, particularly freshmen, has helped build the base of the house quickly, Bailey said. The construction will continue during the first few weeks of school, and it will be more difficult for students to help with the building.

"They'll come on Saturdays, or sometimes they have two or three hours to volunteer," she said. "It's harder for them to come out during school time because of classes and things."

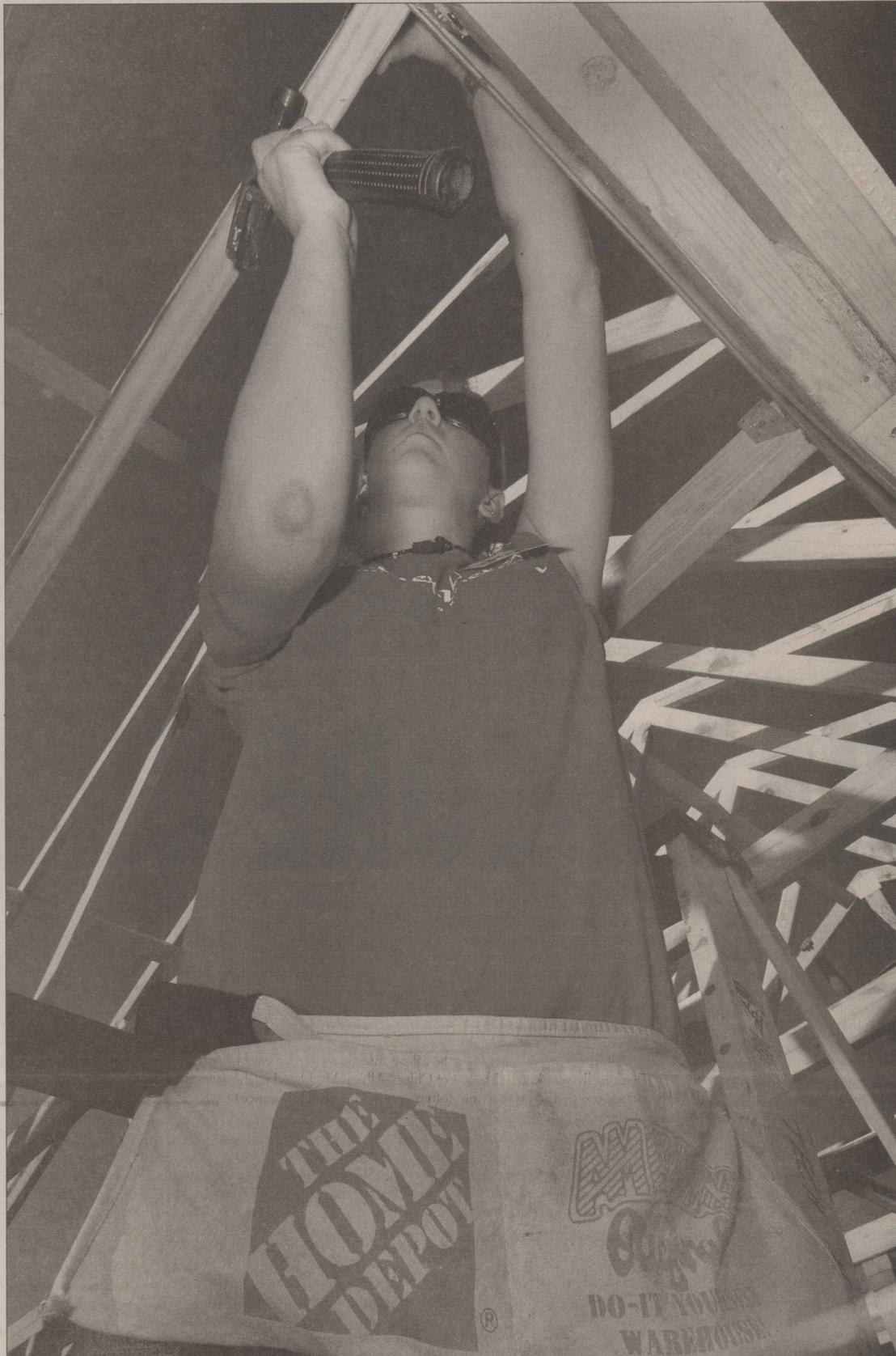
The officers of Tech Habitat also said if students cannot volunteer time, they can still raise funds for other projects.

They said they have placed red boxes throughout campus to maintain the playground habitat built in the 2003-04 school year.

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STEPHANIE DRAKE, A pre-medicine major and freshman volunteer for Habitat for Humanity from Meadow, works on securing boards Wednesday morning at a house being build at 2111 Dartmouth St.

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## Apple recalls 1.8 million laptop batteries

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Both recalls involve lithium-ion batteries made by a Sony Corp. subsidiary in Japan, where the manufacturing process introduced metal particles into battery cells. Makers of battery cells strive to minimize or eliminate the

presence of such particles, which can cause computers to short circuit, or, in extreme situations, catch fire.

In its recall announcement, Apple said it has received nine reports of lithium-ion battery packs overheating, including two cases in which users suffered minor burns and some involving minor property damage. The Apple recall only applies to older notebooks — not the just-released MacBooks and MacBook Pros.

On Aug. 14, Dell Inc. recalled 4.1 million faulty laptop batteries — the largest involving electronics in the history of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Sony Energy Devices Corp. said the Dell and Apple batteries were configured in slightly different ways. In a statement, Sony said the problems arise "on rare occasions" when microscopic metal particles hit other parts of the battery cell and lead to a short circuit.

## 'Idol' winner Hicks sues producer over old recordings

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — A federal judge has temporarily barred a producer from selling songs recorded by "American Idol" winner Taylor Hicks when he was still just a gray-haired bar crooner from Alabama.

U.S. District Judge Virginia Emerson Hopkins issued the ruling Tuesday in a lawsuit filed by Hicks against William Smith of Nashville, Tenn., after two songs written and sung by Hicks showed up for sale on the iTunes Web site.

Smith, in an interview Thursday with *The Associated Press*, said the songs were no longer for sale. The judge scheduled a hearing for Aug. 30 on whether to make her order permanent.

Hicks claimed Smith and

his companies, William Smith Productions and Baldwin Entertainment, wrongly tried to make money selling three songs that Hicks wrote and recorded with Smith — "The Fall," "Son of a Carpenter," and "In Your Time."

Smith doesn't have rights to the music, Hicks claimed.

Smith said he has signed contracts with Hicks, however. Smith also said he released the songs mainly to help fend off critics' bad reviews of Hicks' single, "Do I Make You Proud," released after he won "Idol" in May.

"It aggravated me because I knew what a gifted performer and writer he is," Smith said in the AP interview. "I love Taylor Hicks, and for three months I was refuting the bad press he was getting."

Hicks' suit says the songs were recorded in 1997, but Smith said Hicks recorded them in June 2001. Smith said he's not sure how many copies of the songs were sold, but Hicks will get any royalties he is due.

A sworn statement by Hicks' attorney, Michael J. Douglas, said the recordings were poor-quality demos. Distributing them could damage Hicks' reputation in the music industry and cause him "immense irreparable financial harm," the statement said.

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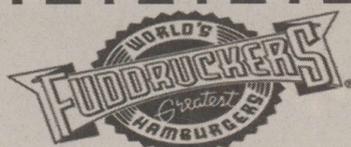
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# The CW: A network is born Students breathe life into Lubbock

BY MICHAEL COOPER  
DAILY TROJAN (USC)

(U-WIRE) LOS ANGELES — The Daily Trojan attended all five of the major networks' press tours mid-July to provide a comprehensive preview of the fall television season. This season the UPN and WB have merged into the all-new CW, which launches with a two-hour premiere of the seventh season of "America's Next Top Model" on Sept. 20 at 8:00 p.m.

CW Entertainment President Dawn Ostroff said that the network is especially targeting viewers 18 to 34 year olds. One unique aspect of this campaign is the absence of traditional commercials.

Instead, there will be what they call "content wraps," which are essentially shows within a show. One "content wrap" will be aired in two-minute intervals at the beginning, middle and end of each hour, and will play like a mini reality show with advertising tie-ins.

Overall, Ostroff is very excited and optimistic about the new network.

"It's really exciting to be able to launch a new network for 18 to 34 year olds, and bringing the best shows of both of those two networks together," she said. "It's an incredible opportunity."

### NEW SHOWS

#### "The Game" — Oct. 1

With executive producers Kelsey Grammer ("Frasier") and Mara Brock Akil ("Girlfriends"), "The Game" is a sitcom about Melanie Barnett, played by Tia Mowry ("Sister, Sister"), a young woman who chooses not to attend the John Hopkins School of Medicine, but to study at a local college in San Diego, where her boyfriend will be the new third-string wide receiver for their (fictitious) professional football team. She meets other NFL wives and girlfriends, and has to deal with hoards of new groupies. Mowry explained what attracted her to the role:

"Melanie is very much like myself. If I describe her in a few words, I'd say she's intelligent, she's strong, independent, sassy a little bit," Mowry said. "And that's me, I'm very much those characteristics."

So what can viewers expect as the series goes on?

"I think particularly with my character, you're going to see Melanie go through the conflicts with dating a pro athlete," Mowry said.

#### "Runaway" — Sept. 25

"Runaway" is a serialized drama about a family of five whose father, played by Donnie Wahlberg ("Band of Brothers"), was an attorney wrongly accused of murdering his associate. On the run from the law and from the real killer, who keeps sending threats to the family but neither they nor the audience know who he is, the family must change their names and leave their lives and loved ones behind. Wahlberg explained why he chose to be part of this project:

"It had the potential for an actor to do things like 'The Fugitive' or 'A History of Violence' but he's got a family with him and even on top of that, it was so much more honest, and that just appealed to me," he said.

Wahlberg also told the DT how, even though the mysteries surrounding the real killer and the murder are important, the family dynamics are equally central to the show's success.

"I think the mystery and all that stuff is important, but it's not the sole focus of the show," Wahlberg said. "Think of how if you were keeping a huge secret right now, you'd be constantly on edge. But think of if five of you were, you'd have to worry about the other four at all times, so it creates opportunities for infinite storylines."

"Runaway" also stars Leslie Hope ("24") as Wahlberg's wife.

### RETURNING SHOWS

#### "7th Heaven" — Oct. 1

For its — believe it or not — 11th season on TV, a lot is in store for the Camden family on "7th Heaven." Beverly Mitchell (Lucy Camden) hinted at what we can expect in the upcoming year:

"There's a lot of stuff that's going to be happening within the Camden family, like definitely a lot of emotional stuff (and) a lot of fun stuff," Mitchell said. "Stuff is actually happening to the Camdens, versus (happening to) everybody else and (the Camdens) fixing it."

#### "Everybody Hates Chris" — Oct. 1

In a new time slot (Sundays at 7:00 p.m.), season two of "Everybody Hates Chris" finds Chris one year older than he was at the start of the show.

Co-creator and Executive Pro-

ducer Ali LeRoi promised that season two would be taken to another level, and that more of what people loved from season one would be back.

"We're going to try and up the ante a little bit," he said. "We're going to try to bring back some of the characters that worked for us last season, some of the side characters like Doc down at the corner store and Jackie Harry, who played Rochelle's friend Vanessa. When we can, we're going to try and maybe bring some bigger names and some bigger faces in to play some of the big parts that we have."

One of those bigger names is Whoopi Goldberg, who will appear in two episodes as a woman from Queens who moves in next door to Chris's family.

Co-creator and Executive Producer Chris Rock wanted to make sure no one would think brining in big names like Whoopi is stunt casting.

"(Whoopi's) got, like, a real part. It's not like stunt casting. I mean stunt casting, to me, is like, 'Hey, Shaq just came over,'" Rock joked.

#### "One Tree Hill" — Sept. 27

Perhaps more so than any other show on the network (save "Veronica Mars"), the cast and crew of "One Tree Hill" are ecstatic to be on the CW.

"It's so flattering and humbling to be picked up because we didn't know until the absolute last minute whether or not it was going to happen," Hilarie Burton (who plays Peyton Sawyer) said. She credits the fans for helping make this happen.

"Our fans are so unbelievable," Burton said. "They're so dedicated." So what can we expect in season four?

"Maybe a little bit more drama," Burton told the DT. "I'm excited to have some fun this year. You know Peyton has been through the ringer and has had a hell of a couple of years, so I'm really excited about getting out there, maybe being a little aggressive, maybe even a little bitchy."

And how has the real-life breakup of co-stars Chad Michael Murray (who plays Lucas) and Sophia Bush (who plays Brooke) affected others working on the show (especially since Murray got engaged to crew member Kenzie Dalton).

"There really wasn't any drama. The drama was in the press trying to create a story," Burton said. "It's actually a really pleasant, professional work environment. There are no sides to be chosen. Everybody's glad to be

coming back to the show."

(The show will be moving to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays.)

#### "Gilmore Girls" — Sept. 26

Change is the keyword for the seventh season of "Gilmore Girls." Creator/Executive Producer Amy Sherman-Palladino and her husband, Daniel (also an executive producer) are leaving the show. Current Executive Producer David S. Rosenthal will be taking their place.

"I spent a tremendous amount of time working with (Amy and Dan) last year and they've left me a lot personally and professionally (that) I'm hoping to replicate," he said.

As far as other changes, Alexis Bleidel (Rory) told the DT that, at least in the beginning, Logan (Matt Czuchy) will not be coming back from London.

"I know he's gone in the first episode," she said. "There's definitely a possibility he'll come back. But for now I think it's long distance. So she's kind of left in college to do her own thing and I think she meets a bunch of new people this season."

And what about those rumors about Graham and Bleidel wanting to quit?

Graham said that, for now, with all the new changes, she has a new optimistic attitude.

"I have felt (like leaving), but I haven't been in this particular collaboration before, and I think we're all really excited to see where the show can go," she said.

Rosenthal also said he's viewing season seven as the final season.

"My goal is to do 22 great episodes of 'Gilmore Girls' and let the rest take its course," Rosenthal said.

#### "Smallville" — Sept. 28

Perhaps the biggest news for the sixth season of "Smallville" is the addition of the beloved character Jimmy Olsen, the budding photographer and reporter on the Daily Planet who looks up to Lois and Clark. He will be played by Aaron Ashmore ("Veronica Mars"), who told the DT that he is thrilled about his new role.

"I'm just really excited to get going on it and I just feel really lucky to be involved with the network and with such a great show," he said.

He also hinted that Jimmy might be a love interest for the character of Chloe (Allison Mack) and might often annoy Lois (Erica Durance) around the office.

#### "Veronica Mars" — Oct. 3

One of the last shows to be picked up by CW, creator and executive pro-

ducer Rob Thomas (not the lead of Matchbox Twenty) described this upcoming third season as "make or break time." The new network has moved the show to a new night and time (Tuesdays at 9:00 p.m.), following "Gilmore Girls." Despite being a critic and fan favorite, CW for now has also only ordered 13 episodes of the show unless its ratings improve.

So what is in store for season three? For one, Thomas promises less confusing mysteries. In fact, instead of two concurrent mysteries, there will be three separate mystery arcs, but the character arcs (including Veronica and Logan's relationship) will continue throughout the season.

"Our first mystery is going to be nine episodes. There will be no preemptions, no repeats in there," Thomas said. "Our second mystery will be seven episodes, and our final mystery of the year will be six episodes with no preemptions or repeats."

Kristen Bell, who plays Veronica, told the DT about the first mystery arc.

"The only mystery left unsolved last year was the rape. What we solved at the end was that Troy didn't do it during 'The Rapes of Graff,' but we actually never solved who the rapist was, so that's the first arc that were just getting into now."

Most of the main characters will be attending the fictitious Hearst College in Neptune, but Veronica will be living at home with her father. Bell said that college will change Veronica a little bit.

"She's a little more out of her comfort zone. She's in a new environment, so I think she might try to be a little more adult," Bell said. "But I don't think she'll ever lose (that cynical edge)."

There will also be three new cast regulars: Mac (Tina Majorino), Mac's roommate, named Parker, and a character named Pizz, who will be Wallace's (Percy Daggs III) roommate and a love interest for Veronica.

As for the season-two cliffhanger (with Keith and the briefcase), it will wrapped up within the first two episodes.

By DANIELLE NOVY  
FEATURES EDITOR

In a town where Texas Tech's Double T logo can be found plastered everywhere — from the walls of local fast food dives to the T-shirts of residents both young and old — the departure or arrival of college students brings with it much larger changes.

For the Hub City, this change is most-deeply felt when spring becomes summer and again when summer fades into fall.

Robyn Haddock, a senior nursing student from Hobbs, NM, said she has spent the past few months in Lubbock taking summer school courses and working as a leasing agent for Lynwood Townhomes. She said is ready for the new season to arrive.

"When you're going out to bars in the summer, the atmosphere is really bad," she said. "There is no one there."

Haddock said while she prefers the bustling movement of the city during the school year, she still appreciates the calmer mood Tech adopts during the summer.

"It's not as hectic," she said of navigating her way around campus during summer school.

Indeed, Tech's enrollment figures align with Haddock's summation.

According to Tech's Institutional Research and Information Management Web site, <http://www.irim.ttu.edu>, more than 28,000 students were enrolled last fall, while less than 10,000 students took the first summer school session and less than 9,000 took the second.

Aislinn McNeill, a senior political science major from Midland, said she has spent three summers in Lubbock and has grown to appreciate the vacated version of the city.

"Now that students are coming back, 4th Street is busier and more congested," she said.

Lubbock's nightlife changes drastically as well, McNeill said.

"During the fall and spring, the bars are way more busy," she said. "In the summer, the clientele really falls off."

Katie Harris, a senior public relations major from Alvin, said Lubbock simply feels "pretty dead during the summer."

The long waits typical at restaurants during the school year also disappear, she said.

"You drive by the dorms and no one is there — it's just dead," Harris said. "The nightlife definitely has a smaller crowd, too."

Harris said she can feel the effects of students pouring back into the Lubbock community in late-August by the empty shelves in both Target and Wal-Mart as people stock up on back-to-school supplies.

"I like the fall more because when there are more people around, it feels more like a college town," she said. "There are more people my age and I like the college atmosphere."

Students are not the only ones who greet the influx of other students back into the community with warm thoughts — Lubbock business owners are also voicing their delight at the arrival of the new semester.

Ward Morgan, a manager at Buffalo Wild Wings Sports Bar, said he looks forward to fall, a time when the restaurant's revenue increases by an estimated 15 percent to 20 percent annually.

"Between football season, basketball season and the start of school, it's the best time," Morgan said.

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# Up in Smoke

Tech student's hookah business is out on a cloud of its own

BY JEREMY REYNOLDS  
STAFF WRITER

Daniel Lloyd might look like just another face in the back corner of the House of Hookah. On Wednesday night, he sat at his usual table puffing on the arm of a hookah while sipping on a cup of mint tea.

Around Lloyd, a junior industrial engineering major from San Antonio who opened the Hub City's first hookah business in April, a crowd of about 35 filled the small café-like bar, most completely oblivious of the young man just 10 feet away.

Lloyd, who is barely old enough to get into the bars in the Depot Entertainment District on Buddy Holly, already owns his own.

"I really haven't had time to stop and think about how cool it is because we're always busy," he said.

Lloyd said he grew up in San Antonio, and in the later days of his high school life, he began to notice the hookah craze sweeping the country. Though the practice of smoking flavored tobacco in a hookah has been a part of popular culture for more than 500 years, according to the Web site, [www.smoking-hookah.com](http://www.smoking-hookah.com), the idea of opening a bar in every college town in the country is something that is still catching on.

"We've been doing pretty good since we've opened," Lloyd said. "We're even getting kids in from (Lubbock Christian University.)"

The business opened in late April, so Lloyd said they missed the main rush from the college crowd. With students back in school, he predicts his business will almost double, but that does not mean he will start spending even more time at the bar.

"I'm starting classes soon, so I'll probably only come in for a few hours a night," he said.

During the summer, Lloyd said he spent all his time at the

bar, helping decorate, meeting customers and getting them to return.

"We have a group of 50-year-old ladies who always come in," he said. "We have so many different people coming in. We have students bringing their parents in and going out to the patio to smoke."

Last year, when he started putting his plan of opening a hookah bar in Lubbock into action, Lloyd said he did not have many doubts as to whether or not he would be successful. He had seen how much attention and money the hookah bars in San Antonio received, so he knew the kind of audience waiting for him when the bar opened.

The bar is doing so well, in fact, that Lloyd said he is already deep into the leasing phase of a second location. His plan was always to open a second bar closer to the Tech campus, and with the construction in University Plaza on University Avenue, that dream has begun to come true.

"We'll open our second bar where the University Plaza construction is now," he said. "We'll have different hours for that bar. It'll open earlier and close earlier."

The bar in the Depot Entertainment District stays open until around 1 a.m., depending on the day of the week; however, the bar does not open until 7 p.m.

Lloyd said his plan is to open the second bar at 3 p.m. every afternoon as a way of capitalizing on the Tech crowd just leaving classes.

"It'll be a place for them to chill out and study after school," Lloyd said.

The idea or motivation to open the bar stemmed from Lloyd's time as a community resident on the Tech campus. He said he had to confiscate numerous hookahs in the dorms, which gave him the idea that Tech students would be interested in



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CLAIRE ROBERTSON, A freshman pre-physical therapy major from Lubbock, smokes chocolate-mint flavored tobacco from a hookah Thursday evening while playing cards at the House of Hookah in the Depot Entertainment District.

a bar for their habit.

Sarah Carter, a customer at the bar, said she enjoys having a place to come and smoke hookah.

"The prices are very fair, and it's just a place where you can come and chill out," she said. "It's like being at home, but you're not at home."

Carter does not know Lloyd personally, but she said she knows of him.

"I'm glad someone is finally out there doing what they want to do," she said.

The bar has become an early night hangout for Carter and her friends because of the prices and

relaxed atmosphere.

"I think it's the kind of place where you can come and express your own dimensions and not feel pressured in a certain way," she said.

Christopher Cordell, a freshman apparel design major from Philadelphia, decided to take his first hookah experience on the outdoor patio.

"This is pretty nifty and modern," he said. "It's pretty hip, and since hookahs are so expensive, it's nice to have a place to come to."

The bar is located at 1618 Buddy Holly Ave.

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## FILM REVIEW

# 'Snakes' crashes despite attention

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(U-WIRE) LEXINGTON, Ky. — The Internet buzzed this summer with rumors and hype of the season's most anticipated film. No, it wasn't another "Star Wars" prequel. It was "Snakes on a Plane." How did such a ridiculous movie concept become the one — and I do mean the one — film that everyone had to see?

Blame the Internet, of course. Fan hype has done "Star Wars" one better this time, and the result is what you secretly knew it would be all along: Just OK.

It all started when Samuel L. Jackson, star and hero of this irreverent airplane disaster film, agreed to do a movie with what we can only assume was the working title "Snakes on a Plane."

The studio execs, acting with business sense as they sometimes do, saw that the title could not be taken seriously and changed it to "Pacific Air 121."

This is where the real drama begins. Apparently Jackson was only going to do a movie called "Snakes on a Plane" — no other title would fly. Some blogger wrote about it, some guy made a joke about it, and faster than you could say "Holy viral marketing, Batman!" the blogosphere was buzzing with mystery and intrigue.

But what is so fascinating about this? Why did the Internet spawn such interest in a film that everyone (even the "fans") knew would be so bad?

At first glance, it should be obvious that any movie with Jackson is going to be full of great one-liners and bad-ass action — not that this caused any of us to go see "The Man" or "Freedomland." The title (and film) reeks of good-natured, crowd-pleasing, snakes-vs.-American-spirit fun.

The real excitement for the online community came when the fans found out about the now-famous quote by Jackson: "I'm tired of all these mutha—ing snakes on this mutha—ing plane!"

Of course, it is the best line in the movie, and it's a shame it's ruined before you see the film. Too bad it's about the only good line in the film. In fact, it feels like one of the scenes the producers went back and added to the film in response to fan feedback. Other additions included violent scenes that were put in to boost the movie's rating from PG-13 to R after the milder rating provoked outrage in the online community.

The end of the film is a bit disappointing, and you'll walk out kind of wondering what everyone was so excited about. The film takes itself a little too seriously to be a campy summer popcorn flick, but it's too irreverent to be a real action/horror movie. You might like this movie for a short diversion or just to go do something — there isn't much else out right now anyway.

Really, the only good reason I can think of to go see this movie is if you've been on the Internet following it for the last three months. But let's be honest: If that describes you, you'll probably just download it anyway.

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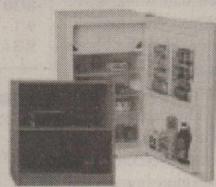
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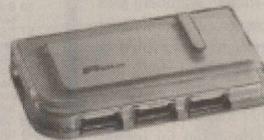
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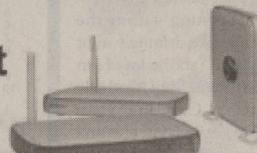


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# Defense coping without Brown

BY STEPHEN MONAHAN  
SPORTS EDITOR

On Jan. 10, the Texas Tech football team lost an integral part of their coaching staff with the death of cornerbacks coach Dave Brown after he suffered a heart attack while playing basketball at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

While the 2006 season is less than a week away, the loss of coach Brown has steadily affected the entire Red Raider football team, but none have yet to forget the impact Brown had on the team with his Christian background and his motto about having attitude on and off the field.

Senior cornerback Antonio Huffman said because of the lapse of time, he has been able to cope with the death of coach Brown, but a void remains even during training camp.

"It's an emotional time, you know, and coach Brown not here and it's getting close to the season, it was tough for me in the spring," Huffman said. "But now it's here in the summer and things like that. I can cope with it a little better, but then again, it's still kind of hard. I know coach Brown would want me to focus on playing the game and not worry about other things. In that aspect, to my best, I'm doing that."

Huffman said he and many of the players built camaraderie and came closer together as a team by going out to eat with each other.

"With that loss, together we came closer, which is a sad point about it because it shouldn't be that way when you lose someone, but in that aspect we did come a little bit closer," the senior from Lovejoy, Ga., said. "We tried to go out and eat together and things like that because that's what coach Brown would want."

One tradition the players built

with Brown was to eat dinner at his residence before Thanksgiving. Huffman said the tradition is going to remain constant, after speaking with Rhonda Brown during training camp.

"Sometimes we'll go to coach Brown's house and eat right before Thanksgiving and stuff," he said. "You know, we are going to continue to do that tradition."

Senior defensive tackle Chris Hudler said Brown was an inspiration to the team because of his religious beliefs.

"There's not much you can do, you know, he's such a great guy," Hudler said. "He's Christian before he was a coach that's why he was always a great spiritual leader on the team and not just a coach, not just a sports leader, but he was a great spiritual leader for the team, so it was a big loss for everybody. It was more of a unit thing. Everybody had to come together 'cause everybody on the team was real hurt from that 'cause everybody was real close to coach Brown."

Brown came to Tech in 2001 as a coach for the defensive secondary and eventually took over the reigns as the cornerbacks coach in 2003. Previously, he coached for seven years as an assistant for the Seattle Seahawks from 1992-98. Brown, a graduate and an all-American defensive back at the University of Michigan, played 16 seasons in the NFL beginning with the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1975. The following year he was selected in an expansion draft by the Seahawks and spent 11 seasons in Seattle. Brown finished his career with the Green Bay Packers from 1987-90 before becoming an assistant for the Seahawks.

Taking Brown's place at the helm of the defensive secondary is Brigham Young University graduate and former defensive

backs coach for the Cougars, Brian Mitchell.

The Waco native was drafted in the seventh round by the Atlanta Falcons in 1991 and spent three years in the NFL with the Falcons and Dallas Cowboys.

Despite the loss of coach Brown earlier this year, some of the Tech defensive players have taken notice of Mitchell's experience and adapted to his coaching style.

"Yeah, you know, there's definitely a void," senior outside linebacker Brock Stratton said of Brown. "A void that will probably never be able to be filled with coach Brown moving on. But coach Mitchell stepped in. He's a great coach. He has a really positive attitude and good understanding of the game. He's got college experience as well as NFL experience, so he has a lot to offer to the defense, especially to those cornerbacks."

Ken Scott, defensive tackle for the Red Raiders, said coach Mitchell does not say much during practice, but maybe his true personality will hit the field come game time.

"Coach Mitchell's been great," Scott said. "He's kind of a quiet guy, but I guess when the bullet starts flying in the game we'll see what kind of personality he really has."

Huffman said Mitchell has taught him new techniques and adjustments to add to his defensive game.

"Coach Mitchell's out there, he's teaching me a lot and not saying that coach Brown didn't," Huffman said. "Coach Brown taught me a lot too, but coach Mitchell is teaching me a lot and he's bringing a new wrinkle to the game, new technique to help me, you know, be a better player."

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## Leach completes contract extension

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Texas Tech head football coach Mike Leach recently completed negotiations for a new contract extension continuing his tenure through the 2010 season.

Leach signed a contract extension earlier this month, paying him \$10 million through 2010, Tech Athletics Director Gerald Myers said.

"His extension has to do with coach Leach and the team's success," Myers said. "It is a reward based on the performance and progress the team has had over the years. I think he has earned that."

"Since coach Leach has been here, attendance has gone up every year. We average over 50,000 fans a game."

Myers said his salary will average \$2 million over the next five years. He will receive \$1.6 million for the 2006 season, \$1.65 million in 2007, \$1.75 million in 2008, \$1.85 million in 2009 and \$2.15 million in 2010.

Leach will receive a \$1 million bonus in 2010 if he finishes his contract through that year. He will receive \$800,000 in the 2009 season and an additional \$200,000 in 2010.

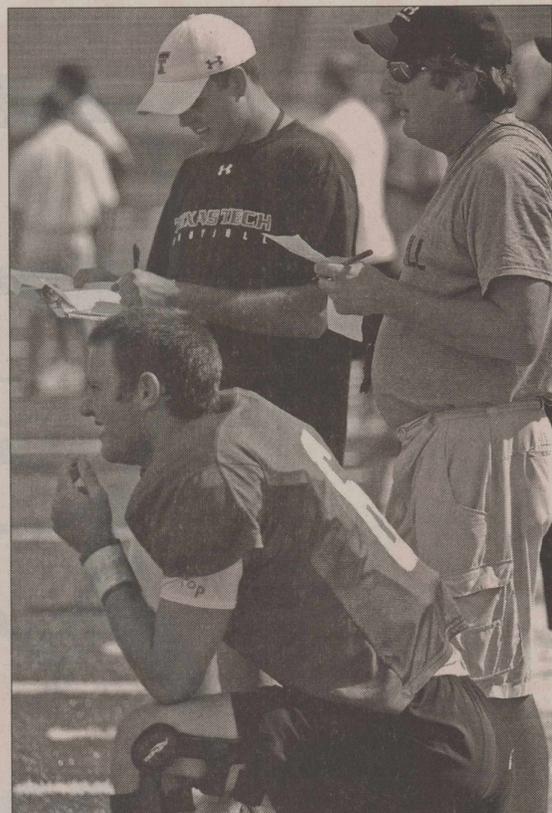
Gerald Myers said these numbers are fitting for a Big 12 football coach with Leach's credentials.

"It's based on the market for top football coaches in the Big 12," he said.

Also in coach Leach's contract is a buy-out clause, Myers said. The clause states that if Leach decides to leave Tech before his contract is up, he would have to pay a \$500,000 buy-out fee, he said.

Myers said Leach is a good fit for Tech football because his style of football will continue to bring more fans to the stadium.

"It is so interesting and entertaining to watch his team play,"



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COACH LEACH AND Graham Harrell stand on the sideline during fall practice.

Myers said. "It's a different, unique style in the Big 12. The fans love it."

But that is not the only thing Leach is credited of improving at Tech.

"Red Raider football attracts good athletes," he said. "Leach and his staff recruit real well. The program has gotten better every year since he has been here."

Myers said it is too far down the road to start thinking about extensions after the 2010 season.

"We will cross that road when we get to it," he said.

In the 2004-2005, Tech finished the season with a 8-4 overall record after beating California 45-31 in the team's first trip to the Holiday Bowl. Last season Tech finished with a 9-3 record with a 13-10 loss to Alabama in the team's third visit to the Cotton Bowl.

Coach Leach has guided Tech to four consecutive NCAA passing titles since 2002.

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## Cyclone coach, players welcome tough schedule

BY GRANT WALL  
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(CSTV U-WIRE) AMES, Iowa — There's a reason ISU football coach Dan McCarney constantly refers to the team's 2006 schedule as a "season of opportunity."

The Cyclones are arguably playing their toughest schedule in years, facing three teams that have a legitimate chance at a national title.

Two teams on the schedule are in the nation's top five in the first USA Today/ESPN poll of the season, and three more are in the top 25.

Nine of the 12 teams the Cyclones face this season played in bowls last year, and another opponent — the University of Northern Iowa — was the Division I-AA national runner-up.

"We basically have two choices — believe we can be successful or believe we can't," McCarney said. "There aren't a lot of people around the country [who believe we can]. It's not that they don't respect Iowa State. I think we're beyond that — they see nine bowl teams and two teams in the top five in the country. I think a lot of people just think they can't beat that schedule."

McCarney said he believes his team has the ability to prove critics wrong.

"[Others think we] have a good program, good kids who know what they're doing, they play hard and coach hard, but

they just can't beat that schedule," McCarney said. "We have to put our foot in the sand and say that we can and we will. There's no one who can convince me that we can't be successful."

For his part, McCarney has his team believing they can be successful.

"A lot of people don't think we can compete with a schedule like that," said junior receiver Todd Blythe. "As far as I'm concerned, every game that people think will be a tough one for us is a game where we can go out and show people what we're about here at Iowa State."

Iowa State's first test against a national power is on Sept. 16 when the team travels across the state to face the Hawkeyes. Iowa State beat Iowa 23-3 last season when the Hawkeyes were ranked No. 8 in the nation. Iowa is ranked No. 17 in the first poll.

Iowa State goes up against preseason No. 2 and defending national champion Texas in week four and faces No. 5 Oklahoma just three weeks later.

Between those two Big 12 South powers are matchups against Northern Iowa and Nebraska. The Cornhuskers are ranked 22nd in the USA Today poll and are the early favorite to claim the Big 12 North title.

Iowa State received nine votes in the preseason poll, holding down the 37th spot on the list.

Although the Cyclones will enter many of their games as underdogs, the team approaches each game the same — no matter who

the opponent might be.

"Of course you go into the season and try to win every game, but sometimes setbacks happen," said receiver Jon Davis. "We're not going to look at [each game] any less or any more. That's our opponent for the week and we're going to play them right then and do our best."

The schedule gets tougher for the Cyclones this season thanks to a switch in conference opponents. After playing Baylor, Oklahoma State and Texas A&M the last two seasons, Iowa State drops those teams for Oklahoma, Texas and Texas Tech.

Since McCarney took over as coach in 1995, the Cyclones have gone 1-12 against the portion of the Big 12 South schedule they face this season. The lone win against that group was over Texas Tech in 2002.

Iowa State is 9-10 against Baylor, Oklahoma State and Texas A&M in that same span.

The last time Iowa State played Oklahoma, Texas and Texas Tech was 2003, a season that saw the Cyclones post a 2-10 record and an 0-8 record in the Big 12.

"A lot of us feel, the last time we had this schedule we went 2-10 so we're already thinking in our head that we're not going to do that this year," Davis said. "We think we have a good chance with any team in the Big 12."

"We know they're going to have a fair enough chance too, they're going to try to gun for us too. It's just trying to take it game by game and play by play and try to get it done."

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# ONE MORE FOR THE TROPHY CASE

Leach gets ready to collect another starting QB, record setter

By **TRAVIS CRAM**  
MANAGING EDITOR

Collecting baseball cards, stamps or models are hobbies a person may pick up at some point in their life. But for Texas Tech coach Mike Leach, collecting statistics and quarterbacks are two things which have become synonymous with his name, philosophy and the school.

On the shelf are four quarterbacks who, in the eyes of Red Raider fans, have significantly changed the playing style on the football field at Jones AT&T Stadium and influenced other coaches and the way they approach the game of football.

The fifth vacant space will be decided this season when either sophomore Graham Harrell or redshirt-freshman Chris Todd take the first snap under center on Sept. 2 against Southern Methodist. Although the date is still a few days away, if Leach had to choose which figure to place in his lineup on Aug. 19, Harrell would be broken out of the plastic before Todd.

"Well if we were to play today, we'd start Graham," he said. "But the thing is, that's subject to change as we go along."

Either quarterback, as it has been reported since the spring, would be the first underclassmen to start for Tech since Kliff Kingsbury did in 2000 under Leach.

Some players, like senior lineman Glenn January, have been here for the run of senior quarterbacks over the last four seasons.

He said there are a lot of similarities with both Harrell and Todd to the type of style Kingsbury played with while he was the offensive figure on the field.

"Every quarterback has his own style, and you know, we've adapted," he said. "Like Cody (Hodges) was little more of a runner, and Graham is more of a step-up-in-the-pocket and throw a good pass and Chris Todd is the same way. I mean you just have to adapt with the times."

Kingsbury was seen as a quarterback with limited ability when he came out of high school in New Braunfels, near Austin, where the Longhorns roam free. But they seemed to not have any interest in him when Kingsbury was looking for a new playing ground.

Spike Dykes saw something in the quarterback and offered him a scholarship to Tech, only to leave after two seasons, handing the clipboard to Leach.

Leach began to instill his pass-happy offense at Tech in 2000 and 2001 with Kingsbury as his main figure on the field, winning 14 games and taking the Raiders to the 2002 Alamo Bowl, the school's second in five years.

Kingsbury would break several school, conference and national passing records, throwing for 12,054 passing-yards before departing in 2002 for the NFL. He left a fifth-year senior to take over the reigns and make a place for his figure to stand on Leach's shelf of quarterbacks.

Out of the remaining three figures on the mantel — B.J. Symons, Sonny Cumbie and Cody Hodges — one built-up some of the biggest hype for a quarterback early in a season even more than the remaining two gunslingers.

Symons was a different quarterback than his predecessor, Kingsbury, creating plays with both his legs and an arm that never seemed to tire.

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## CHRIS TODD

### REDSHIRT FRESHMAN QUARTERBACK

HEIGHT: 6-3

WEIGHT: 201

HOMETOWN: ELIZABETHTOWN, KY.

SPRING GAME STATISTICS:

COMPLETED 15 OF 23 PASSES  
FOR 119 YARDS.

## GRAHAM HARRELL

### SOPHOMORE QUARTERBACK

HEIGHT: 6-3

WEIGHT: 197

HOMETOWN: ENNIS

SPRING GAME STATISTICS:

COMPLETED 27 OF 38 PASSES  
FOR 227 YARDS.

## Brown, Mickelson make good on deal with round of golf

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas football coach Mack Brown and golfer Phil Mickelson used to be the guys who couldn't win the big one. Once they did, they had a good laugh about it over a round of golf at a Mexican resort.

Brown said Tuesday that he and Mickelson struck a deal in 2003: Mickelson would win a major, Brown would win a football championship and they'd take a bunch of friends to Cabo San Lucas to celebrate.

Three years later, Mickelson has won two Masters and a PGA Championship, and Brown held up his end with last season's college football title.

"Phil called me after we won the national title and said, 'You remember the agreement, big boy. You get yours and I'll get mine and we'll meet in Cabo,'" Brown said.

The group went in the spring. "We had a great time," Brown said. "We played 11 holes of golf together, and Phil was barefoot and about 7-under. In the middle of a shot, he'd say, 'Now tell me about (Texas offensive lineman) Kasey Studdard.'"

## FW Bowl changes to new name, sponsor

FORT WORTH (AP) — The Fort Worth Bowl has a new name and a new sponsor.

Bowl president Tom Starr announced Wednesday the game will now be known as the Armed Forces Bowl to "honor our nation's men and women in uniform, which gives us tremendous pride."

As part of the name change, the bowl announced Bell Helicopter as its new title sponsor.

The bowl, going into its fourth year and played on TCU's campus, didn't have a title sponsor last year when Kansas of the Big 12 beat Houston of Conference USA. This year's game is Dec. 23 and will match C-USA against the Mountain West.

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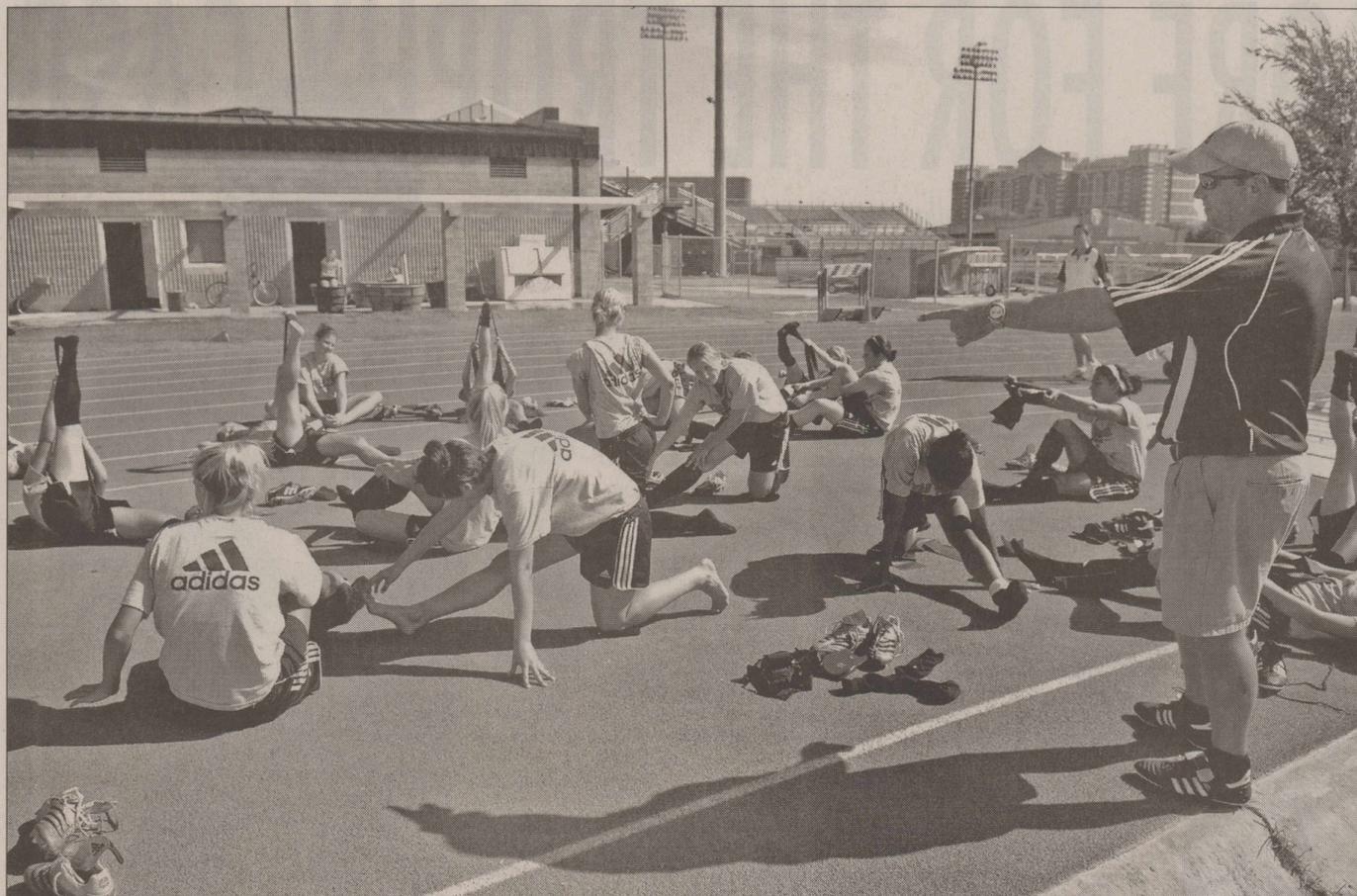
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TEXAS TECH WOMEN'S soccer coach Neil McGuire talks to the players during practice Wednesday afternoon at R.P. Fuller Stadium.

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Stephen Monahan

## Who's next?

With the college football season less than a week away, avid fans must be wondering who has the potential to become the next Heisman Trophy winner. The departure of former Heisman winners Reggie Bush (2005) and Matt Leinart (2004) and 2005 runner-up Vince Young to the NFL has left many critics and fans asking who will step up and strike the pose come the end of the 2006 season?

With the field more wide open than the previous two years, the coveted award is up for anyone to take. However, my disclaimer for this column is to inform you that just because someone wins the Heisman at the end of the regular season, does not necessarily mean they are the best player in the country after all bowl games are completed. See 2005 highlight reel of the Texas and Southern California championship. I believe it was the "In-Vince-able" one who came out on top and showed why he should not have been snubbed from striking a pose.

Now, as for this season, here are my top 10 Division I-A players in the country vying to have their name mentioned with elite company such as Barry Sanders, Carson Palmer and the nation's only two-time winner Archie Griffin.

**10. Mike Hart, RB, Michigan** — This junior tailback for the Wolverines was marred by injury in his sophomore season, managing 662 rushing yards and four touchdowns after netting 1,455 yards rushing and nine scores in his 2004 freshman campaign. With a receiving corps including Mario Manningham and Chad Henne at the helm, look for Hart to bounce back with an impressive junior year.

**9. Dwayne Jarrett, WR, Southern California** — Having Matt Leinart as quarterback for his freshman and sophomore years helped Jarrett flourish his first two seasons, and now he has become one of the most feared receivers in the nation. He amassed 91 receptions, 1,274 receiving yards and 16 scores last season and jumped onto the scene with his 6-foot-5 frame in 2004 with 849 receiving yards and 13 touchdowns. With a new general under center and his position, it may be difficult for Jarrett to win the Heisman.

**8. Steve Slaton, RB, West Virginia** — Going into the 2006 season as a sophomore, Slaton has proven he is deserving of a spot on this list. His 1,128 rushing yards on 205 carries and 17 touchdowns last season helped the Mountaineers win the Big East Championship and a berth in the Sugar Bowl. The dynamic tandem of Slaton and freshman quarterback Pat White helped West Virginia defeat the Georgia Bulldogs 38-35 in one of the better bowl games of the 2005 season — Slaton also won the MVP. Look for Slaton to tear up opposing foes with his bruising body frame (6-3, 244 pounds) and surprising bursts through the gaps.

**7. Kenny Irons, RB, Auburn** — The Tigers have a knack for producing top-notch running backs. Just as critics thought Auburn would diminish last season after losing their one-two punch of Carnell "Cadillac" Williams and Ronnie Brown to graduation, Irons shut the critics up and helped Auburn rack up a 9-3 season with his 1,293-yard rushing performance for 2005. Irons also reached the endzone 13 times last year. Since Auburn faces their biggest road blocks (LSU, Florida and Georgia) for reaching the SEC Championship at home, Irons should be ready to go in front of the home crowd versus their greatest rivals.

**6. Jamaal Charles, RB, Texas** — In only his freshman season, Charles accumulated 878 yards on the ground and 11 scores. However, he only carried the ball 119 times. With Rose Bowl MVP Vince Young and former H-back Raymonce Taylor gone and Selvin Young's fumbleitis, Charles should torch opposing defenses who do not put seven to eight guys in the box. With a new quarterback, Texas will rely on Charles more. Do not rule out a 2,000-yard season for Charles barring injury.

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# Tech soccer led by the freshman 15

By PAUL ROBERTS  
STAFF WRITER

With a new strenuous preseason training program and a nationally ranked recruiting class, the Texas Tech women's soccer team has been preparing for a much anticipated season.

In his second season as head coach, Neil McGuire is ready to lift his team up from their 1-18 record during the 2005 season with a young team consisting of 15 freshmen.

The team has nine returning players, including Ana Morton, a senior starting defensive player from San Antonio.

Morton said this year will be different, and it has to do with the new attitude the team has as they approach the season.

"I am excited about the incoming talent," she said. "They have brought a sense of competitiveness to the field."

Morton said this competitiveness has brought out the best in the returning players, like herself.

She said coach McGuire continues to raise the bar for the group, and their arduous off-season work has developed a team with no resemblance to last year.

"We have new team traditions and a new pregame tradition as well,"

she said. "Our warm-ups are different, too. We are taking on a new look."

But the new look doesn't stop there.

According to the Tech athletics Web site, the 2006 recruiting class was ranked 53rd nationally by a women's soccer, Soccerbuzz magazine.

The Web site states the recruiting class was ranked ahead of many powerhouses in the Central Region, including Nebraska, Texas and Oklahoma.

Morton said the recruiting class is strong and has the potential to cause some damage in the Central Region this year.

Coach McGuire said he agrees with Morton.

"Our 15 recruits brought a fresh attitude," he said. "I can tell they are anxious to push Tech soccer into the mainstream."

McGuire said of these freshmen, there are many standouts who can lift the team to a higher level, including defensive player Sarabeth Clopton, midfielder Zhaleh Rezaie and forwards Brittney Harrison and Emmie Bennett.

"With Clopton, you get a 6-foot-tall defender. Rezaie is an excellent midfielder," he said. "Harrison and Bennett are our attacking players."

According to the Tech athletics Web site, Clopton is from Garland and played on a highly regarded Dallas club team. Harrison and Rezaie are from Plano. Rezaie was an all-American in high school.

McGuire said the recruits are not the only reason why the team will be successful this year. He said he put his team through tough preseason training to prepare them for the approaching season.

"I put our returning players through the most strenuous physical

program to set the tone for what lies ahead," he said.

McGuire said the girls worked hard for five days a week with the physical training in the morning and practice in the evening. He said he used 21 different fitness tests for the team.

"Overall, we increased our physical fitness by 19 percent," he said. "Our technical ability shot up by 30 percent."

With the first game Friday, McGuire said it was imperative to have a good preseason.

"I think we have a very well balanced team," he said. "All players understand how to play on both sides of the ball."

In his second season as head coach, McGuire said the 2006 team is as good as any team Tech has ever had. He said he is excited about his young team, but does not want the youth of his team to become their downfall.

"Our youthful enthusiasm could be a strength," McGuire said. "Hopefully it won't turn out to be our weakness."

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## OU banned players from working at car dealership

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Oklahoma has banned its athletes from working at a car dealership where two football players — including the team's starting quarterback — broke NCAA rules by accepting payment for more work than they performed.

The university, in a report to the NCAA released Tuesday following an open records request by The Associated Press, said it banned athletes from working at Big Red Sports and Imports after Oklahoma's compliance staff received "poor and inappropriate treatment" from the dealership's previous management.

Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops dismissed starting quarterback Rhett Bomar and his roommate, offensive lineman J.D. Quinn, on Aug. 2 after the university's compliance staff uncovered the violations. After the dismissals,

Stoops said that Bomar and Quinn "knowingly" broke the rules.

The dealership is under new management, and the current owners cooperated with the university's investigation, according to the report.

In the report, the university said it compared athletes' time cards with class schedules, summer workouts, practice schedules and other time commitments and found no evidence that other athletes were "paid for working during practice or class times."

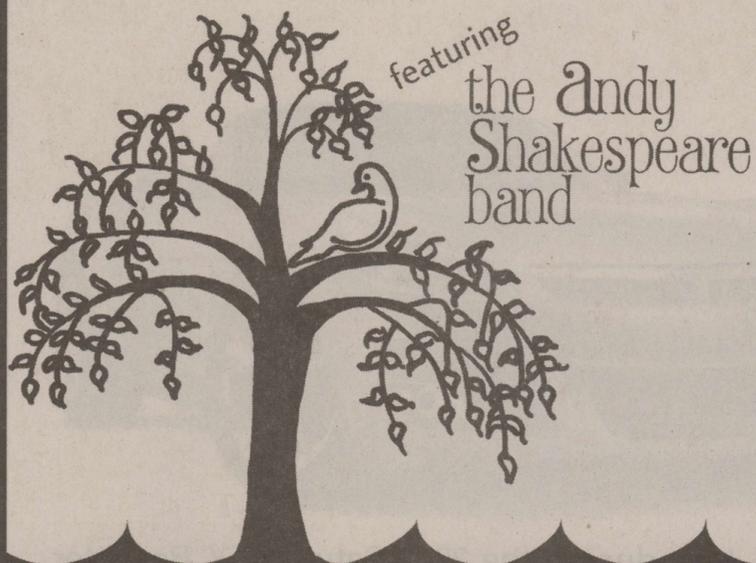
Seven athletes worked at the dealership during one summer — four washing and detailing cars, and three moving cars around Big Red's lots. For Bomar and Quinn, whose names are redacted from the report, the university found "substantially more hours" claimed on W-2 forms than were listed on a time card report.

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# Volleyball sets up for season

BY TRAVIS CRAM  
MANAGING EDITOR

Get in, do the job, get out.

Senior middle blocker Jamye Pauley said that is the motto driving the Raider volleyball team this year in hopes of making their first NCAA appearance since 2001.

"That's always our goal each year," she said. "Aim for the tourney and we just have to keep reminding ourselves to finish games."

Finishing games is what players said coach Nancy Todd has been trying to stress since she took over head coaching duties in 2003.

"They just need to remember to finish. Don't give up," she said. "Keep your eyes open and look for different points — just finish."

Tech finished 11-20 (4-16 Big 12) last season after getting off to a quick 6-2 start and winning the SMU tournament in Dallas with a 3-0 record behind tournament MVP and senior outside hitter Philister Sang.

Sang emerged as Tech's top offensive threat last season, knocking down 500 kills in 111 games. She finished second in the confer-

ence in total kills and in the top 50 in the country as well.

Sophomore setter Holly Hicks said Sang will be more than just an offensive weapon for the team in 2006.

"They just need to remember to finish. Don't give up. Keep your eyes open and look for different points — just finish."

— NANCY TODD  
HEAD VOLLEYBALL COACH

"She's just an outstanding player overall," she said. "She's a great leader. Coming out this year she will be a big part of our team on offense and defense."

During the offseason this year, the team took part in competition

drills against some of the other athletic programs, like the Lady Raiders. The teams do similar workouts and go head-to-head in the weight room, trying to create what Todd called a more competitive atmosphere in order to get them ready for the season.

"Even though the sports are different, and they might train a little bit different, the competitiveness of having to win and against other girls is great for them," she said. "They love that part of it."

Hicks got her first taste of competitive Big 12 play last season, playing in 74 games for the Raiders, and said this season she will be ready for what is next to come.

"It really helped," she said. "I know I will be able to step it up again even more and be able to lead the team."

Tech lost two leaders from last year's squad in middle blocker Brianna Florus and libero Desiree Batista. But Hicks and Pauley both said there are more than enough people on the squad who can step up and fill the voids left by the departing seniors.

Freshman libero Jenn Harrell is one possibility the team has seen as taking over the libero position. Batista quarterbacked the Raiders

at last season.

"She's really impressive," Hicks said. "She's kind of nervous, but she's really stepping up into that spot."

Harrell said being nervous is all about being new on the team. She just wants to be able to communicate as well as she can with her new teammates, but said she knows it will be a challenge before anything gets easy.

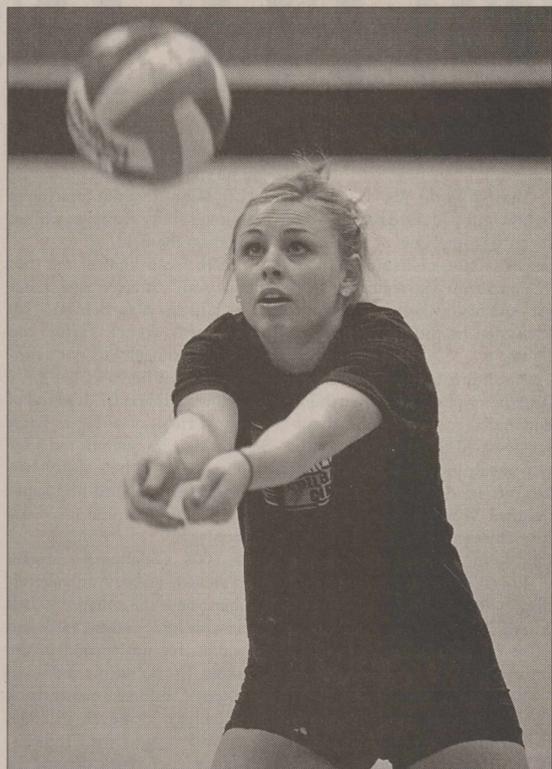
"I want to be a leader and step up, but everything is so new for me too," she said. "I haven't had my senior year yet, so it's not my team yet, and with the libero it's usually their team, so it's really challenging."

Some of the returning starters with Pauley and Sang from last year's crew include senior outside hitter Kiley Lyons, junior setter Emily Ziegler and junior middle blocker Amy Charlebois.

Todd said the combination of the group's experience from last year and the hard competition workouts are two components which should help the team with one thing.

"Winning," she said. "Just that want to probably kick somebody's butt."

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AMANDA HILLER RETURNS a serve during one of Tech's practices.

## Different Harrell, same duty

BY TRAVIS CRAM  
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For freshman Jenn Harrell, her first weeks at Texas Tech have been somewhat different than what she would call a typical freshman's start to college.

Wake-up around 6:00 a.m., eat breakfast, play volleyball, eat lunch, play volleyball, eat dinner, and finally go to sleep around 10:00 p.m.

"Well, before I had friends here it was ten," she said. "But I still try to get to bed around then."

She does a last name that has become the talk of the Hub City when Raider fans think about Tech sports and the last name Harrell. But the challenge she has ahead of her is not that much different from the duties Graham Harrell may try to fulfill for the football team.

Harrell will be playing at the libero spot on the back line of the Raider volleyball team, a position senior outside hitter Robyn Bucy said is similar to being the quarterback on the court.

"She's doing really well," Bucy said. "I think once she gets the system down she'll be ready to take charge."

Harrell was highly recruited by colleges while she played for Katy High School near Houston and was a captain her junior and senior years.

She said her final four choices were Minnesota, Nebraska, Alabama and Tech, and even though some schools may seem like a more obvious choice than others, Lubbock seemed to suit her better, offering a close distance to home and a place for her to excel on the volleyball court.

"I wanted to go somewhere where I could make a difference," she said. "I love



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COACH NANCY TODD gives a few pointers to freshman Jenn Harrell during a practice.

the Big 12 and the traditions at Tech, plus I hate A&M."

When Harrell made a visit to the campus last fall, she got a chance to see the team in action and meet some of the players and coaches. She said it didn't take long for her to get a positive feeling about the people who were involved with not just the volleyball team, but all of the athletics at Tech, which meant a lot to her.

"I just really liked the school," she said. "The spirit of everyone has here for sports was something I wanted to be a part of."

It has not taken her long to make a deeper impact than most, including

herself, might have anticipated. For the time being, Harrell has earned the starting spot at libero, a position that was left open for this season after senior Desiree Batista departed from the team following the conclusion of the 2005 campaign. Senior middle blocker Jamye Pauley said she has seen some positive traits in Harrell and knows she will be able to contribute to the squad this season, but filling the shoes will be a tough task for the freshman.

"It's going to be a challenge for sure," Pauley said. "Those are some big shoes to fill."

Tech coach Nancy Todd said the team will do some mixing and arching

during the three tournaments before the Big 12 season begins in order to find the right starter at the position, which could include junior Amanda Hiller.

Todd said the positive atmosphere follows Harrell onto the court and her experience in high school and competitive club teams gives her a great edge to get her started at the college level.

"She's going to have to be a leader on the court and it can be harder when you're younger no matter where you do it, whether it's Division I or whatever," she said. "But she brings her experience and her abilities to the court and you can tell she's passionate about it."

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## CU coach Hawkins gets taste of CSU rivalry

BY JEFFREY GRAHAM  
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(CSTV U-WIRE) BOULDER, Colo. — Now that CU coach Dan Hawkins has named a starting quarterback in senior James Cox, the focus of fall camp from here on out is to solidify a game plan for the season opener against Montana State on Sept. 2.

Yet, after Tuesday's Countdown to Kickoff Luncheon, Hawkins might be looking forward with a bit more intensity to the in-state rivalry between CU and Colorado State.

At the annual luncheon for the two schools, CSU President Larry Penley promised it would be a "CSU day" come Sept. 9 when the Buffs meet the Rams in the Rocky Mountain Showdown at Invesco Field in Denver.

"That's what he told me," Hawkins said following the Tuesday afternoon practice. "He told me to be a good sport."

With a look of determination and a twinkle of revenge in his eye, Hawkins added, "It was duly noted."

Asked if he had a retort, Hawkins said, "No, I just noted it."

The opener against Montana State is just 10 days away, and pieces are beginning to fall into place for the Buffs. Hawkins said captains would be named later this week or early next week, and that having depth at the running back position has created a positive situation.

"I hope we are always like that — that there will be a number of guys who show up in there,"

Hawkins said.

With Hugh Charles, Byron Ellis and Mell Holliday listed as the co-starters at tailback and JUCO transfer Thomas Perez pushing them for reps in practice, Hawkins likes his options with the running game.

To the surprise and relief of many of the players beginning to feel the fatigue of fall camp, Hawkins decided to reduce Tuesday's practice from two hours to one. With typical injuries starting to pile up, a short day was a good chance for the players to refuel before game week preparations begin.

"They are trying to rally their bodies up right now," Hawkins said. "We shortened practice down today, and they all wanted to hug me."

Junior wide receiver Dusty Sprague, who is one of several Buffs currently trying to rally back from injury, said he hopes to be back in pads and running routes as soon as the Friday night scrimmage.

"Every day I just plan on getting better," he said. "By Friday I'd better be there or else I'm going to be pretty frustrated."

Sprague led the team in receptions last season with 43 and was the first CU sophomore to do so since Michael Westbrook in 1992. Sprague is looking forward to his junior year, but more importantly getting his sprained right ankle back to 100 percent.

"I'm just ready to get back out there with my teammates. It's really hard sitting on the sideline. I just want to be out there, having fun and playing with the rest of them," Sprague said.

The Buffs will continue practice this week, but Tuesday marked the last day that practices were open to the public.

## Putting your best foot forward

BY MELISSA HAUG  
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN (KANSAS STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) MANHATTAN, Kan. — Runners usually can tell you how far they "feel" like running or what pace they "feel" they can maintain. Most, however, are unable to explain why they are feeling a particular pain in their foot, heel or ankle.

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foot to bear the body's weight you'll notice that your arches either roll inward or outward," Olson said. "If the foot rolls inward when you stand, you are considered a pronator. This tendency can be very stressful on the knees, but is easily

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# 'RED BARON' READY TO FLY INTO JONES

BY STEPHEN MONAHAN  
SPORTS EDITOR

During World War I, German fighter pilot Manfred von Richthofen became one of the most feared aviators of his time.

Americans who remember their previous history lessons, may know Richthofen by the alias "The Red Baron."

According to PBS' Web site at <http://www.pbs.org>, the Red Baron dominated enemy fighters, shooting down 80 aircraft in 20 months of combat, including 21 opposing aircraft in April 1917. He was awarded 24 military accolades for his achievements in aeronautical dogfighting.

For the 2006 season, Texas Tech will have its own Baron clad in red, helping lead head coach Mike Leach's "Air Raid" offense into battle.

Enter true freshman Baron Batch who, according to Leach, will share running back duties with fellow teammates Shannon Woods and Kobey Lewis.

Batch, an offensive standout from Class 5A Midland High School, has impressed the upperclassmen thus far, garnering comparisons to college football icons such as Lawrence Taylor, Barry Sanders, Cedric Benson and current Oklahoma tailback Adrian Peterson.

"Baron Batch has probably been the most impressive just because we go against him all the time and he always finishes upfield when he runs," said senior defensive tackle Ken Scott. "I like the way he runs. He accelerates to the hole kind of like Cedric Benson did when he was at Texas."

Sanders, Benson and Peterson split the gaps as running backs, and because of Batch's quickness, agility and explosion through the hole in two-a-days and training camp, Batch has been placed in elite company without having stepped onto the field in a game situation.

As for the comparison to Taylor, senior linebacker Brock Stratton said he sometimes refers to Batch as "LT," but he reminds Stratton of the former shifty Heisman winner Sanders on the field.

"Yeah, I can kind of see that comparison," Stratton said about Batch's likeness to Benson. "He looks like Lawrence Taylor, you know, even though he's not a running back, but he looks like LT. I sometimes call him LT. It's kind of uncanny. He's not as big as Barry Sanders, but he reminds me a lot of Barry in that he's shifty like Barry Sanders is, and he's super strong for his size, and it's really impressive."

In 2004, Oklahoma freshman and Palestine native Adrian Peterson burst onto the college football scene with 1,925 rushing yards and 15 scores. He was second in the Heisman Trophy voting, losing to Southern California quarterback Matt Leinart. However, in 2005, Peterson struggled with injuries, but managed 1,104 yards and 14 touchdowns while starting in only eight games.

Senior defensive end Keyunta Dawson said Batch reminds him of the junior running back for the Sooners.

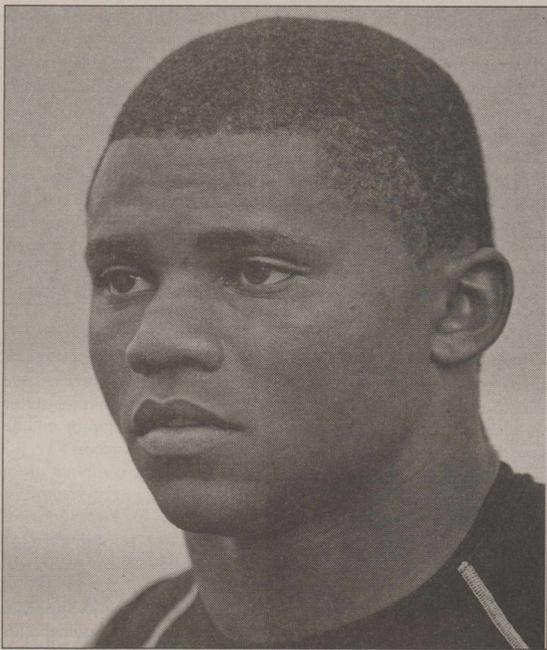
"He runs very hard and he keeps his feet moving, and he's a very hard worker and a very hard runner," Dawson said. "So right now he looks a lot like Adrian Peterson to me — very strong guy."

Batch was a member of the Class 5A All-State first team rushing for 2,005 yards and 28 touchdowns as a senior while snagging three touchdown receptions, one in 2005.

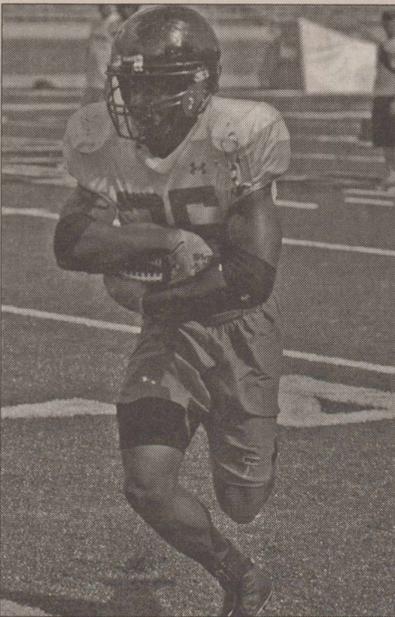
As for the comparisons to the aforementioned collegiate athletes, Tech's newest "Red Baron" is ready to take flight with the Red Raiders to shoot down the opposition.

"It's cool," he said. "But I haven't played a game here yet, so I'm just looking to improve us on a national level."

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**BARON BATCH** tucks away a hand-off from sophomore quarterback Graham Harrell during one of the Raiders fall practices. Batch will be featured with sophomore running backs Shannon Woods and Kobey Lewis this year in Tech coach Mike Leach's spread offense. This will be the first year since 2001 without Taurean Henderson, who led the Raiders in rushing over the past three seasons.

## Sophomore QB McGee to lead Aggies in 2006

BY SHAWN SHROYER  
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(CSTV U-WIRE) LAWRENCE, Kan. — Dating back to his first spring at Texas A&M, sophomore quarterback Stephen McGee made it known that, someday, the Aggies would be his team to lead.

Late in a 2005 spring practice, coach Dennis Franchione approached McGee about becoming a leader for the defense, in addition to the offense. McGee then took the field against the defense, in the midst of a drill where quarterbacks weren't supposed to get hit, and decided to ruffle some feathers — linebacker Justin Warren's feathers.

"So Stephen breaks a run, comes down the line, and Justin comes over to tag off like he's supposed to do with the quarterback and Stephen lowers his shoulder and knocks Justin down," Franchione said. "I think the team responded well to it and got everybody a little bit fired up. And that was his way of sending his message to compete hard."

McGee's fiery attitude will be a welcome, and much needed, addition to a Texas A&M squad that lost its last four games of the 2005 season when it needed only one more win to become bowl eligible.

But don't confuse his in-your-face demeanor on the field for arrogance or showmanship. He's the ultimate team player.

"When the guys see me play, I want them to see a guy that, first cares about his teammates more than himself," he said. "If there's a yard to get or an inch to get, I'm going to dive and take a hit for them because they're important."

McGee is used to the pain from taking hits, but 2006 may also inflict some growing pains

on the young quarterback. Texas A&M will depend on McGee growing this season along with an offense that returns only six starters from 2005.

The rushing attack should suffer no setbacks from last year with most of the key elements returning, including senior running back Courtney Lewis and sophomore Jorvorskie Lane.

Creating lanes for the backs will be a line that returns four starters: Juniors Corey Clark, tackle, Kirk Elder, guard, and Cody Wallace, center, along with sophomore tackle Yemi Babalola. Senior guard Grant Dickey is listed as the fifth offensive lineman.

McGee will have an experienced group of receivers, although two of them are coming off severe injuries. Senior Chad Schroeder and junior Earvin Taylor are listed as starters for the Aggies, but both suffered broken legs that ended their 2005 seasons. Schroeder was still the team's second leading receiver with 335 yards and five touchdowns.

Similar to the offense, the defense returns six players with starting experience, but only one started all 11 games last season. The defense will have at least one veteran at each level of its unit, which will feature four linemen, two linebackers and five backs. That experience leads junior defensive tackle Red Bryant to believe the Aggie defense has something to prove in 2006.

If Texas A&M's postseason chances are on the line again down the stretch, it will rely on its new quarterback's intensity to clinch a postseason berth.

"It's hard to replace Reggie McNeal, but McGee — just by his leadership and the way he is — we've seen him get hit and he jumps back up," Bryant said. "He sparks the team and I feel like he makes everyone around him better, so I feel like we're headed in the right direction."

## Tech newcomers making an impact for upcoming season

BY STEPHEN MONAHAN  
SPORTS EDITOR

With the depth the Texas Tech "Air Raid" offense and the "Swarm" defense will bring to the field this season, fans might believe playing time for members of the 2006 recruiting class could be slim.

But thanks to summer workouts, strong outings at 7-on-7 drills, two-a-days and training camp, some members of the incoming 2006 class may quell any doubts fans may have about them not having much of a chance to step onto the field during game time.

"All the freshmen have impressed me a lot," senior defensive back Antonio Huffman said. "I mean, this year's class, you know, they come in here in the summer and are working out and they want to work. They want to watch film, you know, they come and ask the older guys, 'Hey teach me this, teach me that.' So I'm impressed with all the freshmen."

Huffman also said because of the quality of newcomers, the Tech football program prestige is steering in the right direction and continuously growing with players who come in with a strong work ethic.

"I've been impressed with the work ethic that they're doing, and that just

tells you where this program is going," the senior said. "The program is growing and growing, and we're actually getting guys that want to work, want to get better on their own. Coaches don't have to tell us anything, stuff like that. So that just tells you where this program is going."

Of the incoming class, many starting veterans said they see much potential in wideout Michael Crabtree, running back Baron Batch, defensive back Jamar Wall and offensive lineman Ofa Mohetau, a junior college transfer from The College of the Sequoias, who previously played college ball at Division I-A Brigham Young as well.

As for the other newcomers, starting linebacker Brock Stratton has noticed many more players who have potential to contribute this season than just the aforementioned group.

"On defense, Richard Jones, Dan'Tay Ward, Rajon (Henley), just some of the guys on the defensive front that have stepped up," Stratton said. "Marlon (Williams) at linebacker, Brian Duncan, gosh, there's so many guys. It's such a good recruiting class. Guys in the secondary — Jamar (Wall), guys on offense like Baron Batch and Crabtree, just to name a few, but there's a lot of

guys, freshmen who have come in and impressed us."

According to [www.rivals.com](http://www.rivals.com), for the 2006 recruiting season, the Red Raiders ranked No. 25 overall. Of the Big 12 opponents, only Oklahoma State, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas were ranked higher.

Tech defensive lineman Ken Scott said of new acquisitions Wall and Crabtree that the two should have opportunities to play, and when they do, they should contribute.

"Those guys, I think, are mature beyond their years," Scott said. "I don't really see those guys a whole, whole lot. I see them on film every now and then, but they're pretty mature for their age. As far as coming in and playing, they're both going to have an opportunity to do that and I think they'll do it well."

Senior offensive lineman Glenn January said he has also taken notice of Crabtree and Batch's athleticism during training camp and 7-on-7 drills.

"He's quite the athlete," January said of Crabtree. "He made some pretty amazing catches in 7-on-7 drills and stuff like that. Aside from him, I mean, there's just a number of people, especially the defensive side, that got some good recruits in that might be able to help us out this year. Baron Batch is looking good too. We've got a lot of guys, a lot of good recruits."

Senior defensive lineman Keyunta Dawson said Batch has been a formidable part of the Tech running game thus far in summer practice and training camp, while Wall has showcased his athletic ability on the defensive side of the ball.

"He's impressed me a lot," Dawson said. "He's a hard runner and has great balance. On defense, Jamar Wall, he's been playing hard, he's going to end up playing this year, and he really stepped up and showed he's a great player. He's going to be able to help us out this year."

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**Heisman**

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**5. Michael Bush, RB, Louisville** — One Bush named Reggie won the Heisman in 2005, can another win it in 2006? This Bush (Michael) came to the Cardinals in 2003 as a quarterback, but his 6-foot-2 frame and bruising 250-pound body gave him more leverage as a running back. In 2005, Bush rushed 205 times for 1,176 yards and scored 23 times. With the lack of competition in the Big East and their non-conference schedule, excluding West Virginia and Miami, Bush should thrive and make a decent run at a bid to New York.

**4. Troy Smith, QB, Ohio State** — Smith is the second coming of former Texas quarterback Vince Young, except he isn't as big and strong as the former Heisman runner-up. As the first quarterback on this list, Smith has the advantage because he can beat you with both his legs and his arm. Rushing 136 times for 611 yards and 11 rushing touchdowns is just the start of what he is capable of this season. Oh, and he tossed 16 touchdowns through the air while only allowing four interceptions last season. With the aid of all-purpose wideout Ted Ginn, Jr. and experience behind him, look for Smith and the Buckeyes to possibly upset the defending national champions when they visit Austin Sept. 9.

**3. Ted Ginn, Jr., WR, Ohio State** — Speaking of Ginn, he is third on the list for obvious reasons. He is probably the most explosive player in collegiate football since Reggie Bush high-tailed it to the NFL. Ginn returns punts, kickoffs, catches passes and even carries the rock. In 2005, Ginn touched the ball 106 times and managed 1,685 all-purpose yards and six scores. Need I say more? He could be another Charles Woodson, only Ginn plays offense.

**2. Brady Quinn, QB, Notre Dame** — While his 2003 campaign was nothing to brag about (1,831 yards passing, nine touchdowns and 15 interceptions), Quinn has progressively improved each season. He tossed 32 touchdowns while only allowing seven interceptions last season and threw for nearly 4,000 yards (3,919 to be exact). Because of Quinn's outlets, tailback Darius Walker and wideout Jeff Samardzija, the Fighting Irish are primed for a return to a national title berth.

**1. Adrian Peterson, RB, Oklahoma** — Now that quarterback Rhett Bomar was booted from the team, the Sooners will have to rely on Peterson more than ever. Despite being injured for part of last season, Peterson managed to eclipse the 1,000-yard plateau (1,104 rushing yards) with 14 scores. Because of his outstanding freshman campaign when he nearly rushed for 2,000 yards and finished second in the Heisman race to Matt Leinart, Peterson is money for this year's trophy which would make him the third consecutive junior to win the award — but only if he remains healthy and can split the eight-man fronts he will consistently see.

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**Booty finally gets the call**

LOS ANGELES (AP) — John David Booty arrived at Southern California three years ago with expectations so high many thought he would beat out Matt Leinart during the 2003 season.

Of course, no one knew at the time that Leinart would lead the Trojans to a 37-2 record and win a Heisman Trophy during one of the finest careers for a quarterback in NCAA history.

Now, finally, it's Booty's turn, and he's confident he can continue the tradition of winning quarterbacks established at USC by Leinart and 2002 Heisman Trophy winner Carson Palmer.

"The guys before me have set high standards. That's what I want to do, by winning games," said Booty, a 21-year-old redshirt junior from Shreveport, La.

Booty didn't say a word about the Heisman or any individual awards — just winning.

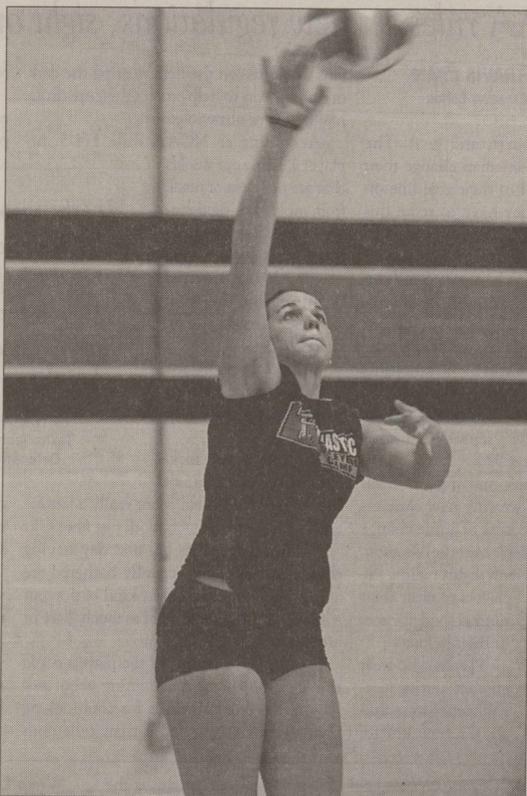
"As a young quarterback, my biggest goal is to have our football team win, not put it in bad situations," he said. "All I can control is what I do."

Booty comes from a football family. His brother Josh was the LSU quarterback in 1999-00, and another brother, Abram, was a wide receiver at LSU from 1997-99 and at Valdosta State in 2000.

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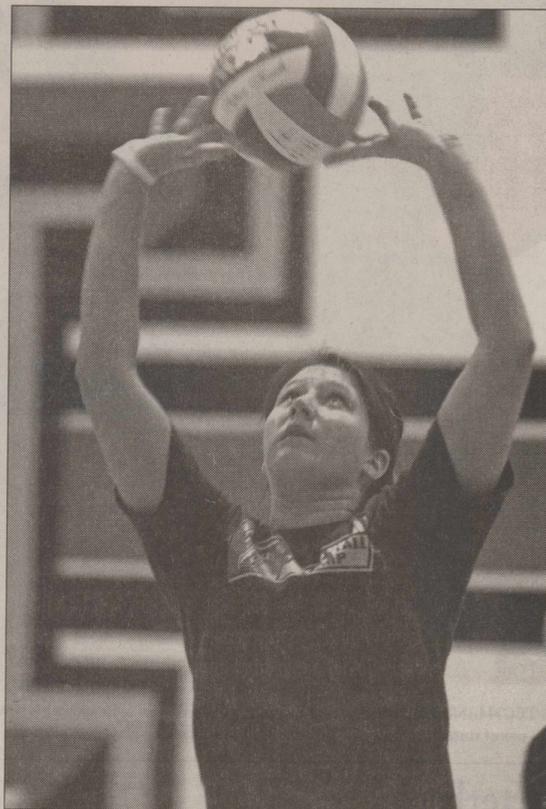
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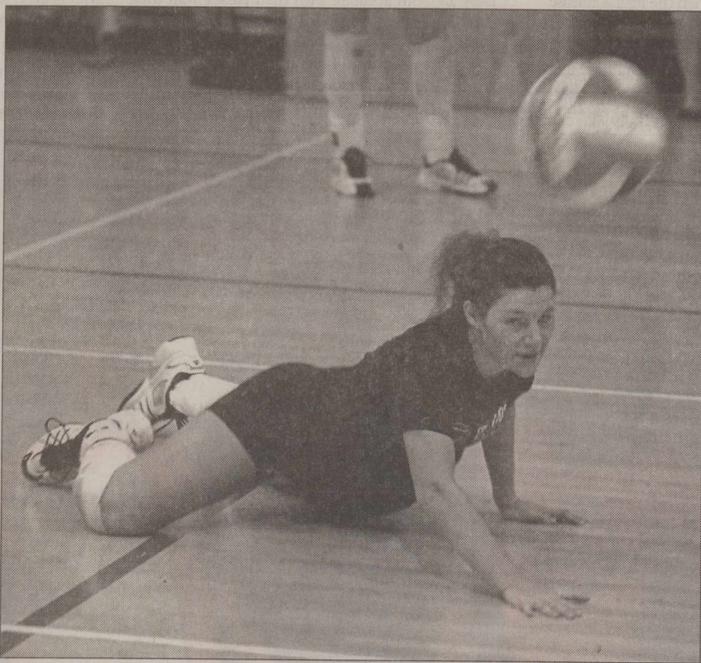
**NANCY TODD, HEAD COACH**  
The serve: "Have a consistent toss. Everything should be mechanical when you're serving." (Pictured: Michelle Flores)

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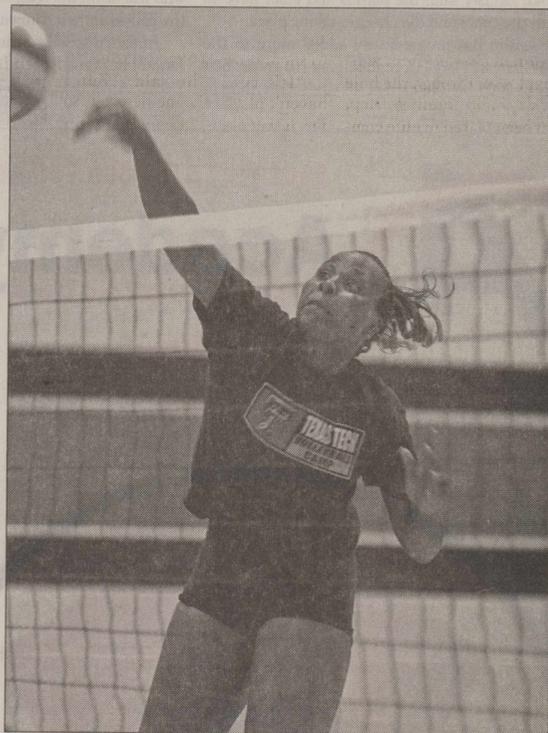
**HOLLY HICKS, SOPHOMORE SETTER**  
The set: "The key is good communication with the hitter, and making sure that they get up on time and that you see them. Get your feet there and look for your hitter, set whoever yells for the hit."

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**JENN HARRELL, FRESHMAN LIBERO**  
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The spike: "You got to remember that you don't have to be scared of what you're doing. Just forget about everything else and look for the ball or pass and even though there may be someone blocking your way, you have a space or opening and just hit. It's about confidence."

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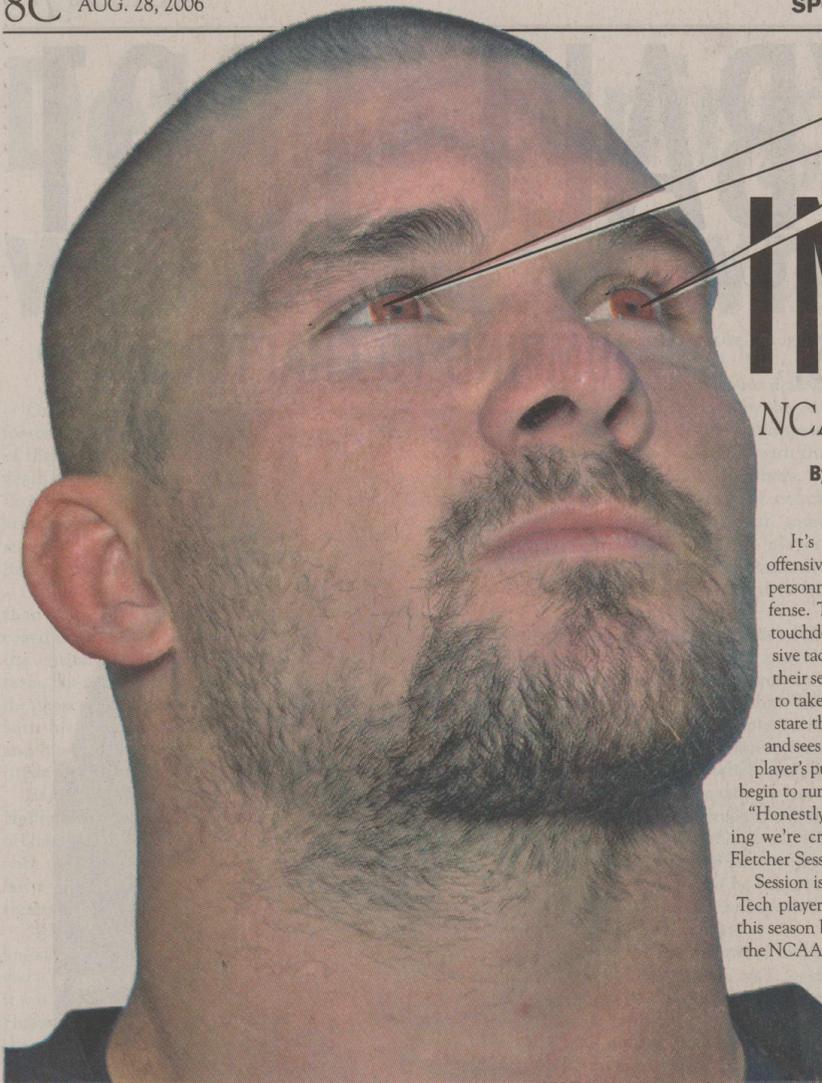
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# INTIMIDATION

NCAA rules set new regulations, sight on gridiron for Raiders

By **TRAVIS CRAM**  
MANAGING EDITOR

It's fourth and goal. The offensive lineman change their personnel to their goal line offense. They have to score this touchdown. As the new offensive tackle scans the defense for their setup, he slowly gets down to take his position, looks up to stare the nose tackle in the face and sees red rings surrounding the player's pupils, as his first thoughts begin to run through his mind. "Honestly, he's probably thinking we're crazy," senior linebacker Fletcher Session said.

Session is just one of many Texas Tech players wearing new contacts this season because of a rule change the NCAA made over the offseason, which doesn't allow the players to wear their normal shaded visors in their helmets.

Players who wear contacts during football games were usually the same athletes

fans would see on the field wearing the dark or tinted visors to help protect their eyes from hands, dirt or ultraviolet rays.

According to NCAA Rule 1-4-5, no player wearing eye shields that are not clear or made from molded or rigid material shall be permitted to play. If the illegal equipment is discovered by an official, the team shall be charged a team timeout.

Instead of wearing the shaded visor, the contacts now serve as a blocker for the UV rays.

Tech senior nose tackle Chris Hudler said not having the dark shield is not really a loss for anyone and the contacts work just fine.

"Truthfully, this is my first day having them and they haven't really bothered me at all," he said. "The colors kind of pop out a little more and there's not as much glare or anything."

The only reason any of the players could think of somebody complaining about not having the color shield is for cool-looking factors but nothing more than ridiculous

reasons.

The only exception to Rule 1-4-5 is if the equipment becomes illegal through play, the player must leave the game until the illegal equipment is corrected, but the team will not be charged a team timeout.

*"It (the visor) might be intimidating. But I hope he's a lot more intimidated by my play than my eyes."*

— **KEYUNTA DAWSON**  
Texas Tech Senior  
Defensive End

For senior defensive end Keyunta Dawson, a team timeout is no reason to change anything about the faceguard that might be against NCAA rules, for him, it works just fine.

"Well I still got a faceguard, it's just clear now," he said, "The contacts are pretty cool, they

don't bother me. I just wear them to shade my eyes from the sun, but it's pretty cool, I like them."

Dawson said many of the players will agree with him in that the intimidation on the field is less about how a player looks and more about what is happening on the gridiron.

"It (the visor) might be intimidating," he said. "But I hope he's a lot more intimidated by my play than my eyes."

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TEXAS TECH LINEBACKER Brock Stratton talks to reporters as he sports his new UV contacts. The NCAA outlawed the use of tinted visor guards for football players, causing players to turn to a new form of eye protection.

## Quarterbacks

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He quickly jumped to the top of the Heisman favorites on ESPN.com in 2003, after posting back-to-back 600-plus-yard games against N.C. State and Ole Miss, and would go on to break Ty Detmer's 13-year-old single-season passing record, throwing for 5,833 yards. He also set the NCAA mark for consecutive games with 200 yards or more passing with 13.

But like January said, the players and team have to adapt with the times and the changes taking place.

Each season has progressively added more to the run, with Taurean Henderson adding up his career-best 872 yards in 2005 on 148 carries, 42 yards more than in 2002.

Senior team captain and Outland Trophy and Lombardi award-candidate Manny Ramirez said some important attributes for the new figure behind center have a lot to do with the mental toughness and growth he possesses.

"It means a lot," he said. "The way I look at it, we're his bodyguards and he knows if he steps onto the field, he has to be mature enough to be able to take on the responsibilities of taking us out there and leading us the right way."

Leading this team may be different for either Harrell or Todd, but one thing that has not changed with the times or any quarterbacks is the talent of the players at that position who will be on the receiving end when the figures release the ball with their throwing action.

At their disposal are three senior wideouts in Joel Filani, Jarrett Hicks and Robert Johnson, a talented multi-threat Danny Amendola, Todd Walker and freshman Michael Crabtree.

Some coaches and players will argue that this is the most talented group or receivers that have been compiled on the field during the Leach era.

Filani, a 2006 Playboy All-American, emerged as a favorite target for Hodges last season after a lot of the secondary attention was being drawn to Johnson and Hicks because of their early success.

Though they are different in their build and abilities, all the receivers agree that either one of the new models at quarterback can get the job done this season when placing the ball in the wideouts' hands.

"They are both accurate with their passes from what I've seen," Filani said. "They look at their options quickly and find the right spot to place the ball for us."

Players said accuracy plays a big role for a quarterback on the field when they are throwing 30, 40 or even 50 times a game, being conservative with their ammunition.

When Leach talked about choosing his starter, he compared the situation to a book he had been given called "One Bullet Away," a book by former Marine and author Nathaniel Fick.

Fick recalls his experience in the Marines in an infantry platoon shortly after Sept. 11, 2001, and when he led a recon squad during the first months of the war in Iraq.

According to the book, Fick discusses how split-second decisions might have national consequences or horrible immediate repercussions, but hesitation isn't an option.

Leach said no matter who starts the first battle against SMU Sept. 2, there could be a new platoon leader at some point in the season.

"That's how everybody is: one bullet away," he said. "And so either one of them are going to be one bullet away here, pretty much the whole year I would think."

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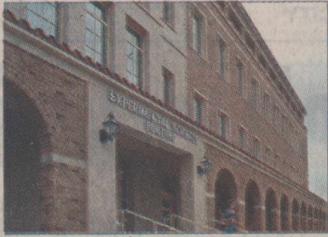
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# LUBBOCK UNDER CONSTRUCTION

# Meet the Texas Tech administrators

Mittmeyer takes over for departing Dr. Wilson Haragan steps in to fill former chancellor's shoes

By CARRIE CAMERO  
STAFF WRITER

After serving Texas Tech for more than 20 years, Dr. Bernhard T. Mittmeyer said he is pleased to be chosen as interim president of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

Mittmeyer was chosen by the Board of Regents to serve as interim president on May 15. He began his duties on July 1. Although Mittmeyer said he loves serving Tech, he said it is not his goal to be a permanent replacement for Dr. M. Roy Wilson. Wilson resigned in May to take a position as chancellor of the University of Colorado at Denver.

"My goal as interim president is to position our Health Sciences Center in a way to attract a president who has a passion for our institution and our region," Mittmeyer said in a phone interview.

Dr. Donald R. Haragan, interim chancellor, said he has worked closely with Mittmeyer since his arrival at Tech in 1986, when Mittmeyer was the executive vice president of the HSC. Haragan said Mittmeyer was chosen as interim president because he gets along well with people and he is an easy person to work with.

"I chose him because I knew him, and I knew he was a hard-worker and someone that would give you 100 percent," Haragan said. "He was just a natural choice for me when I started thinking about who it should be. I think he'll do an excellent job."

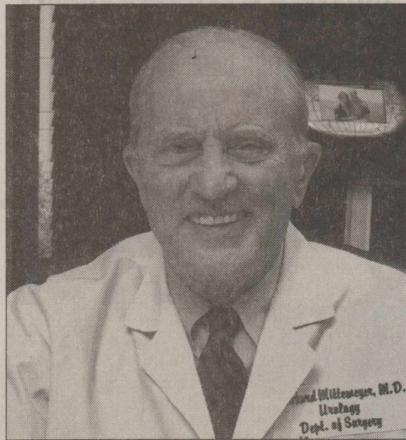
Mittmeyer said he believes Tech is still a young institution and the university needs a leader who will stay long enough to make the necessary improvements to the HSC. He said he believes it is hard for the university to have a leader that leaves every two or three years.

Since Mittmeyer is not planning on serving as a permanent replacement, he said he can initiate projects, but he will not have the time to complete them in his interim presidency. Some of the projects he said he wants to initiate are the construction of a new clinical simulation center and research tower, expansion of Tech's El Paso Medical School, outreach to the aging population, upgrading the telemedicine and telehealth programs, and the expansion of Nursing School class size because of the shortage of nurses locally and nationwide.

Mittmeyer also said he will be meeting with Tech President Jon Whitmore to discuss the need to collaborate the five schools at the HSC — Allied Health Sciences, Biomedical Sciences, Medicine, Nursing and Pharmacy — with different colleges on campus, such as engineering.

Haragan said he agrees that collaborating is really important for the future of research and funding.

"I think the future of our research depends on our being able to collaborate," Haragan said. "For instance, we have



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**Name:** Bernhard T. Mittmeyer  
**Title:** Interim President of the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center and professor in urological surgery  
**Years at Texas Tech:** 20  
**Previous Positions:** Interim Dean of the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center School of Medicine  
Executive Vice President and Provost of the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center  
28 years in the U.S. Army including Surgeon General from 1981 to 1985  
**Education:** Doctor of Medicine from Temple University in Philadelphia

people over here in the psychology department that could work very closely with people in the aging institute."

Mittmeyer said he believes Tech has a good faculty to student ratio. He also said the faculty has worked to change the curriculum so students will have more opportunity to explore academic options for their future careers.

In an effort to encourage students who plan to study health and medicine, Mittmeyer said he recommends students work with their advisers to help balance their schedules because grades are very important throughout the first two years of college.

"Whoever you are, if you have an interest, I urge you to do the best work you can when you are a freshman and sophomore," Mittmeyer said.

Looking ahead, Haragan said he will appoint a search committee for a new president composed of a broad range of people in early September.

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By JAY LANGLEY  
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Donald Haragan does not envision himself as a long-term chancellor of Texas Tech.

"That was made very clear when I took the job," Haragan said. "I took the job under the agreement that it would be as an interim chancellor. I'm ready to retire and go back to teaching."

Haragan was named interim chancellor by the Board of Regents in February when then Chancellor Dr. David R. Smith announced his resignation.

Haragan, whose 35-year employ at Tech included a stint as university president from December 2002 to September 2003, will be teaching atmospheric physics for the Honors College during the 2006 fall semester.

"After I retire from administration I will keep my hand in teaching and do some consulting when need be," Haragan said. "Retiring for me is not putting your feet up and rocking."

While Haragan has been at the university for many years, he said the chancellor position is new to him.

"This is the first time I have been associated with the system and it is a very different job," he said. "My responsibilities include working with legislature, working with congress when need be and fund raising."

One of the things Haragan has tried to do during his time as interim chancellor is increase scholarships.

"There is nothing more important than raising scholarship funds at both the university and the Health Sciences Center," Haragan said. "Tuition and fees have gone up considerably in the last few years, and if we are going to continue to compete for the best students, we need to provide scholarships."

Haragan said while one of the jobs of the chancellor is to hire and fire the president of both the university and the Health Sciences Center, he tries to let both presidents run their operations without too much interference.

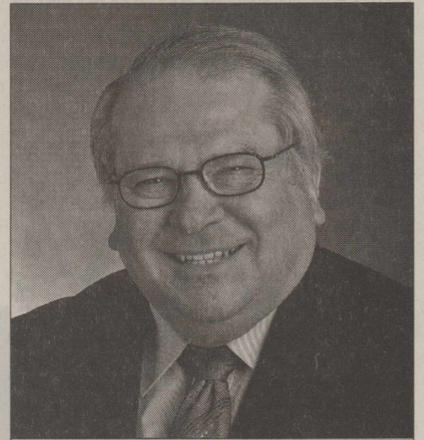
"I am a hands-off kind of operator," Haragan said. "Jon (Whitmore) is the CEO and operator of the university. If I did the president's job I wouldn't need a president. I think we all can do things more effectively if we work together."

Tech President Jon Whitmore said he thinks it is important for the chancellor to work together with the president.

"It's important that the president and the chancellor's jobs are defined clearly and that they are allowed to do what they were hired to do while working together but not trying to do each others jobs," Whitmore said.

There are slight differences between Smith, the former chancellor, and Haragan, Whitmore said.

"Dr. Haragan has a very different background,"



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**Name:** Donald R. Haragan  
**Title:** Interim Chancellor and Honors College faculty member  
**Years at Texas Tech:** 37  
**Previous Positions:** Chairman for the Department of Geosciences  
Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences  
Interim Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences  
Vice President of Academic Affairs and Research  
University Provost and Executive Vice President  
**Education:** Doctorate from the University of Texas at Austin

Whitmore said. "Just by the nature of his past, I think he knows the university better. That is not to say that Dr. Smith did not understand the university because I think that he did. But his medical background is just a whole different background than Dr. Haragan's."

Chad Greenfield, the Tech student regent, said no decision has been made as to a permanent chancellor.

"We will take just as long as we need," Greenfield said.

Greenfield, a first year graduate student in business administration from Monahans, said the Board of Regents wants to make the right decision.

"We are trying to make a decision in a timely manner," he said. "But we want to make the right decision, and we don't want to rush into anything."

The Board of Regents has a list of candidates in mind, Greenfield said, but the list will remain guarded until a final decision is made.

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## OU-area alcohol citations rise

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(U-WIRE) NORMAN, Okla. — The number of underage drinking citations in Norman, Okla., has increased by nearly half in the past year, according to statistics obtained from the Norman Police Department.

Similar charges in both minor in possession and possession of alcohol rose from 99 incidents between January and July of 2005 to 144 incidents between January and July of 2006, equating to a 45 percent increase.

Capt. Leonard Judy, Norman Police Department public information officer, said he was unsure whether the rising numbers are a result of expanding enforcement or an upsurge in underage drinking.

Judy did credit an ongoing program for the department's success in cracking down on this illicit behavior.

"We've been operating the 'Under

21' project for several years now," he said. "The main goal is to reduce underage drinking."

Judy said Norman police officers work in the program on an overtime basis, funded by federal grant money.

The program uses visible and undercover enforcement methods to target the use and distribution of alcohol by minors.

"We put cops undercover in retail establishments," Judy said. "They can ID (customers) on the spot if they look too young and, bang, an MIP."

Officers can also survey from an outside location, busting unsuspecting underage customers, employees and other individuals furnishing alcohol to minors from the convenience of a parking lot, he said.

A loud-party patrol also regularly circles the community, sniffing out a number of these misbehaving juveniles, Judy said.

Local businesses are not off-the-radar

either, as the department has recruited a handful of moles into the program.

"We get volunteers, people who are underage, to go into establishments and see if they can get served," Judy said.

Those who furnish alcohol to minors almost found themselves in hotter water this legislative session when state Rep. Thad Balkman, R-Norman, attempted to pass a bill that would make the crime a felony on first offense, said Assistant City Attorney Rick Knighton.

Knighton said he was at a meeting with Balkman and business owners who were "really, really pissed off" about Balkman's proposal.

Balkman, however, did lead the revised House Bill 3056, which ultimately established municipal coffers that take \$50 from each paid alcohol violation for defraying costs associated with enforcement of alcohol laws.

In addition, Knighton said Norman City Council amended its city code to increase the fines for alcohol-related offenses that are settled "administratively" and not "judicially" in Norman municipal court. First-time violators settling without judicial review pay \$194, including court costs.

## Excessive credits to cost Arizona students

BY CRAIG GRAU  
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(U-WIRE) TUCSON, Ariz. — Students at Arizona universities who rack up excess credits without graduating will pay higher tuition under a newly enacted state law that targets undergrads who exceed a credit-hour cap.

However, Arizona Board of Regents members are concerned that without considering each individual's circumstances, those tuition surcharges could penalize students who have good reason to be on campus.

"I think it's unfair to hit those who change majors or come in from community colleges," said regent Fred Boice. "But the state's not interested in subsidizing malingering students, and I agree with that."

The 2005 law establishes a 155-credit-hour ceiling for students in pursuit of a bachelor's degree during the 2006-2007 school year.

That cap will drop to 150 and 145 units successively over the

next two years — approaching the average UA degree requirement of 120 credits.

State funding would be cut off for post-threshold students and the added fees would kick in to recoup the costs of those individuals attending the university.

The surcharge amounts will be determined this fall when the regents convene to set next year's tuition rates, said Anne Barton, a board of regents spokeswoman.

So far, only 183 of Arizona's 117,000 students fall into violation of the new rule, some of whom have already graduated, said Mike Hunter, a board of regents lobbyist.

Those students cost the state's universities \$1.9 million dollars in funding this year, Hunter said.

"If students are going to be charged extra, then their decisions need to be examined," said Hunter. "If we can impact their behavior in a positive way and get them to graduate in a timely manner, that might be a good outcome."

Of the 37,000 students at the

University of Arizona, a total of 42 are past the limit, said Richard Kroc, vice president of enrollment management.

Out-of-state credits and credits earned toward degrees that require extra classes and licensing — like engineering, nursing or education — would be among the law's exemptions, Kroc said.

"The intention of the law is to identify slackers," said Kroc. "We're still trying to pin them down."

Students who change majors or want to diversify their education shouldn't be discouraged from taking advantage of what the UA has to offer, said President Robert Shelton.

"I want to be sure we're not penalizing students for legitimate exploration of courses as they decide what career path they want to pursue," Shelton said. "My sense is that the number of students who're just fooling around is very small."

Several states' legislatures have already ramped up tuition for exceeding coursework limits in public universities.

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# The many phases of the Marsha Sharp Freeway

By **ANDREW GLOVER**  
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Granite Construction Co. will continue its construction on the second phase of the Marsha Sharp Freeway project through 2008.

Penny Mason, the Lubbock public information officer, said the freeway project has five phases.

Mason said Granite widened the West Loop 289 from Slide Road to 34th street in the first phase. Mason also said they built the 50th Street interchange and frontage roads from Chicago past the Loop. The first phase was completed at the beginning of the year and cost \$46.5 million.

Mason said the second phase started in May 2005 and will be completed at the end of 2008. It involves building the frontage roads, interchanges and main lanes from Salem Avenue to Avenue L. The cost of the project is estimated at \$131 million.

Project Manager Tom Jones said he believes progress is going very well.

"We're placing large amounts of concrete daily," Jones said. "We've been able to add grade and asphalt, so progress is going well."

Mason said the third phase is broken into two parts. The first part of the third phase is building the main lanes from Chicago Avenue to a mile past the loop. The third phase also includes construction of two major fly-overs at U.S. Highway 62/82 and the Loop. This project will cost \$32 million and be completed at the end of the year.

She said the second part of the third phase is building the 34th Street and Slide Road interchange, and the main lanes from Chicago Avenue to Salem Avenue. Mason said contractors will bid for this phase in December and the project will be completed in late 2008. This project will cost an estimated \$34.3 million.

Mason said the fourth phase will be the construction of the interchange at Interstate 27 and Fourth Street. She said the project will cost \$60 million, begin in 2009 and be completed in late 2011 or early 2012.

She said the last phase is to build the main lanes from Lubbock to Wolfforth. The project will cost an estimated \$50 million and begins in 2012. The project will be completed in 2014 or 2015, Mason said.

Randy Hopmann, district engi-

neer for the Lubbock district of the Texas Department of Transportation, said funding for the project comes from federal and state dollars.

Hopmann said the Department of Transportation is moving the playa lake back to its original location at 19th Street and Quaker Avenue under the supervision of engineers because the Marsha Sharp freeway will go through the current location at the corner of Quaker Avenue and Brownfield Highway.

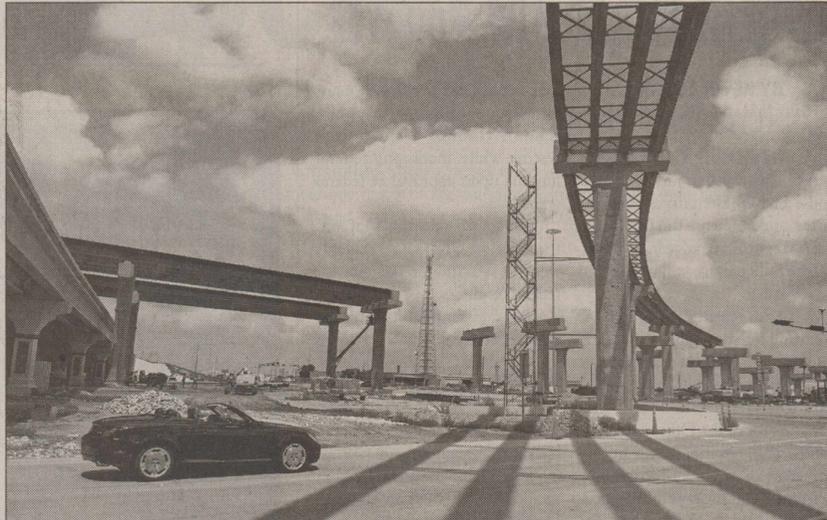
Mason said he believes traffic inconveniences may occur at the intersections where construction is being done, but traffic will continue to run smoothly.

"The Marsha Sharp Freeway is part of our traffic infrastructure," Mason said. "We want it to keep up with growth and handle traffic in the region."

Jones said there have been obstacles in construction.

"We have had numerous design changes we are resolving," Jones said. "We have been challenged with utility conflicts."

He said everyone in his company has their eye on the schedule, and they have been working well with the Texas Department of Transportation



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CARS PASS UNDERNEATH the skeleton of a future overpass for Marsha Sharp Freeway at West Loop 289.

to move forward with the project. Jones said the project could be completed ahead of schedule.

He said Granite Construction Co. has really enjoyed working with the Texas Tech staff and students.

"They have been very helpful,"

Jones said. "We want to be good neighbors. We are working right on campus and we plan to do work in a professional nature."

Hopmann said students will need to abide by the traffic signs in construction, but he appreciates students'

patience with the construction.

"We understand the construction is causing inconveniences for students," Hopmann said. "We appreciate the students' understanding and cooperation."

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## Textbooks way too expensive for students

(U-WIRE) HONOLULU — College students know all about the cost of textbooks, and how deeply bank account balances sink after the required trip to the campus bookstore each semester. Since most textbooks are priced in the \$100 range, the sum of book costs is approximately 25 percent of tuition for an in-state University of Hawaii at Manoa student attending full-time.

"The price of books is ridiculous. You get a few super expensive ones, and that's it. Students practically have to take out loans to cover them," said Huma Akbar, a UH summer student majoring in physiology and neurobiology at the University of Connecticut. "Actually, I've heard of someone who really did that," she added.

At UH, an average student will spend approximately \$400 on textbooks for a semester. According to a National Association of College Stores study in 2004, the average cost for a new textbook was \$52.36.

A report in 2005 by the U.S. Government Accountability Office found that textbook prices had risen by about 186 percent from 1986 to 2004. Starting this summer, the U.S. House of Representatives' Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance will analyze textbook cost trends in order to make recommendations on steps to alleviating

rising prices.

The California Student Public Interest Group examined the cause of rising textbook costs in a 2004 report. The non-profit organization found that publishers print new editions of the most popular texts every three years. New editions contain minimal changes, but publishers price them higher than previous editions. This has caused texts to rise 35 percent in five years, more than double the U.S. inflation rate.

"There seems to be a new edition out every semester. These so-called new editions aren't even 'new' they just flip the chapters around and force students to all buy new copies at outrageous prices," returning student Jason Tsujimura said.

Textbook bundles, which include CDs and other supplemental materials, also contribute to rising textbook costs. Publishers claim that professors prefer students to have textbooks that come with "extras."

"I don't think those textbooks are useful. I think it's more important how much students have to pay than how many colors they get to look at while they're reading," UH professor Neil Gowensmith said. "I want to save the students some money, and the publishers shouldn't charge so much for that additional, well, I would call it 'bullshit.'"

Students' textbook bills are not high on administrators' prioritized

agendas and demand less attention, according to some UH students and professors.

"Since textbook cost is simply not an issue about which the University of Hawaii at Manoa administration sends out e-mail memos, it's up to students to find ways to lower book costs," said Chris Peace, a UH psychology major. "Buying used textbooks is a well-known option that would cut textbook publisher's profits until they made textbooks affordable."

Purchasing textbooks from Web sites, such as www.half.com and www.bestbooks.com, is an option for students on a budget who are tired of being ripped off by textbook publishers.

Alternately, many UH students organize a used textbook swap to trade used books instead of selling them back to the bookstore and buying other students' used books at an inflated price.

"Since undergraduate classes are pretty much the same for all students, I usually just trade off books with some of my friends," sophomore Jesse Tanabe said. "It's a lot cheaper, and we get twice as many books as we pay for."

Huma Akbar had not tried this method of book-buying but agreed with its sensibility.

"Sounds like a plan to me," she said.

## Owners feel construction may be bad for business

By **PAUL ROBERTS**  
STAFF WRITER

The sight of orange cones and dump trucks have become commonplace on Fourth Street north of campus, and business owners along that street said they wonder if the construction will ever be complete.

Randy Hopmann, the Lubbock district engineer with the Texas Department of Transportation, said the Marsha Sharp Freeway project consists of five phases and is expected to be finished by the year 2013. However, with roads being torn apart and orange cones slicing the road in half, store owners and customers said they wish the project would be done soon.

Torrey Roberts, a manager of Hastings Entertainment at Fourth Street and University Avenue, said it is just something the business owners have to deal with.

"They had to block all of our entrances for two months," Roberts said. "People thought we were closed down."

Roberts said business has been damaged by the construction and customers will be pleased when they can enter the store parking lot without a twenty-minute detour.

"It will be nice to have it finished," he said. "Currently, it is difficult for customers to enter the parking lot."

Hopmann said access to all of the commercial businesses along Fourth Street will be maintained throughout construction, and following the completion of the freeway, the accessibility of these businesses will be substantially upgraded. Hopmann said the Department of Transportation will work as close as possible with these store owners to make sure no business is lost.

"We maintain at least one access point into every business," Hopmann said. "This helps people find the driveway among the orange barrels."

Roberts said there has been some teamwork between the city and these businesses.

"The city has been cooperative. They have notified Hastings of any changes of construction that takes place," Roberts said. "This is something we want to work together to fight through."

Hopmann said there are several ways to insure each phase is finished as quickly as possible. Included is a monetary bonus for contractors who finished ahead of schedule.

One local bar owner, who wished to leave his name and business confidential, said he was promised the construction in his business's area would be done by June. It is now August, and the orange cones are still visible from his store window.

"I don't want to be critical of the job. It is something that has to be done," the bar owner said. "But it has

a negative impact on our business."

The bar owner said he is aware of the progress of the project and even compliments the expected outcome. However, he said he cannot get over damaged business.

"There was not one but three months where my business did not come out in the positives," the bar owner said. "This is the first time ever that this has happened to my business."

Tona Link, a manager at Nothin' Butt Smokes, said she is upset at the lack of business and about the muddy pit in the parking lot outside the store.

"Our sales have definitely dropped" she said. "People complain that there is nowhere to park, and the traffic gets backed up, so they just go to other stores."

Link said she believes the construction is annoying as well.

"It is so loud. We hear them hammering away all day long," she said. "The construction shouldn't be taking this long."

Noisy afternoons and lack of businesses are not the only consequences, Link said.

"The mess is causing many problems," she said. "Dirt is everywhere and it fills our store."

Link said she wonders when business owners can expect things to go back to normal, when their parking lots were not half the size and dotted with potholes full of mud.

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## Ball State U. students won't get 24-hour library access

BY **BRITTANY GERIG**  
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(U-WIRE) MUNCIE, Ind. — Ball State University's Braken Library offers a place to study, reference materials and a large collection of both hard and Internet data — but only until 3 a.m.

Despite plans to change library hours to 24-hour access Sunday through Friday, the hours from last year will continue at least through this year.

Arthur Hafner, dean of University Libraries, said Student Government Association Chief of Staff Ashley Johnson first proposed expanding library access to 24 hours Monday through Thursday in Fall 2005. The idea then went to O'Neal Smitherman, who oversees the university libraries.

After discussions between administration and student government, two pilot tests ran last year to determine the value of increasing library access. The first test took place from the time the library opened at 10 a.m. Dec. 11 until the library closed at midnight Dec. 16.

"The outcome of the project was mixed," Hafner said. "It provided some flexibility to students for coming to Bracken Library to use the resources, although overall participation was not high."

The second pilot test ran April 9 through May 5. During this time, the

library was open continuously from 10 a.m. April 5 until midnight May 5, with Saturday hours from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

After the two tests, Hafner said the administration found that the cost of the extended hours was greater than the anticipated benefit to students and that the staff felt that resources could be better spent helping more students earlier in the evening. During the pilot tests, library staff struggled with staffing, building cleanliness, parking and even student safety as parents were concerned about students working past 3 a.m., Hafner said.

The pilot tests showed expanding hours was not financially justifiable, student government President Asher Lise said. Data suggests only 10 to 15 students a night used the library from 3 a.m. to 6 a.m. during the non-finals week portion of the pilot test. Fifty to 75 students a night used the library during the expanded hours of both fall and spring finals weeks, and Lise said the student government would push to have the library open for 24-hour access during finals week this year.

"It would be nice to know students have the flexibility to go to the library whenever they want," sophomore Emily Hoham said. "But with the library only closed a few hours a night during the week, it really isn't absolutely necessary."

Since 2002, library hours in-

creased from 95.5 hours to 120.5 hours per week, with summer and holiday access increasing by about 22 hours a week.

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# Proposed bill would augment Pell Grants

BY KEVIN ZELAYA  
DAILY NEBRASKAN (U. NEBRASKA)

(U-WIRE) LINCOLN, Neb. — A bill approved in June by a U.S. House of Representatives subcommittee could increase the Pell Grant by \$100 starting next year.

The bill's passage will be debated in November.

With increasing energy costs, mounting inflation rates, decreasing state budgets and three years without an increase to the Pell Grant, a \$100 boost seems modest, said Craig Munier, director of the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Munier said the cost of an education over the last 25 years has outpaced federal funding for need-based programs like the Pell Grant.

"The cost of an education has increased by 4.8 times," Munier said. "And the maximum Pell Grant has only increased by about 2.25 times."

Other provisions of the proposal would keep federal funding for high school mentoring and college preparation programs, like Upward Bound, Talent Search and Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs for another year.

Cay Yamamoto, the director of educational access and TRIO Programs at UNL, said she has to battle every year to retain funding for her programs.

"Every year for the last three years, the Bush administration has tried to eliminate Upward Bound and Talent Search," Yamamoto said.

She said the current administration has opted to cut funding for both programs, which serve pre-college students, in favor of the No Child Left Behind Act.

Congress passed the No Child

Left Behind Act in 2001. It mandates accountability in public schools through standardized testing while increasing federal funding upon approval of federal guidelines.

Yamamoto said last year was the first time UNL TRIO students went to Washington to lobby for federal funding.

She said funding for Student Support Services, which is a part of TRIO that serves college students, was safe.

"We got some very strong Congress people that are TRIO backers," Yamamoto said.

The TRIO programs, which include Student Support Services, Upward Bound and Talent Search, were introduced in the 1960s as part of the Higher Education Act of 1968.

She said the number of minority and underprivileged students going to college could fall if funding for pre-college TRIO programs was cut.

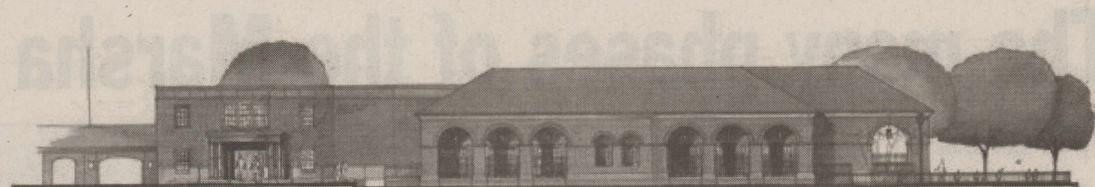
"You would see a drop in the number of students period," Yamamoto said. "Borderline students are more likely to say, 'I'll get a job in a meatpacking plant.'"

Khoa Chu, a freshman mechanical engineering major, said an increase in Pell Grants is a good thing because it helps a lot of minority students pay for school.

Chu, a recipient of a Pell Grant, said Upper Bound activities like campus tours and leadership workshops helped prepare him for college.

He said that the program gave him college experience and that the funding is well deserved.

"The programs are very helpful," Chu said. "If they cut funding, it would ruin a lot of kids' futures."



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PATTY GARCIA, CENTER, a teacher at the Child Development Research Center shows Joey McCarty, right, and Soonin Kim how to create a vortex in a bottle Monday afternoon at the opening of the new CDRC, located next to the Human Sciences Building.

# It's all for the children

Tech's new Child Development Research Center opens doors

BY SARAH WHETSTONE  
STAFF WRITER

The new Child Development Research Center, part of an \$8 million project enhancing the College of Human Sciences, opened its doors to 110 children Monday.

The structure, located on the corner of 15th Street and Akron Avenue,

serves Tech as well as the City of Lubbock. It is a research and observation center for human sciences majors in addition to a day care center for the public, said Stacy Johnson, associate director of the center.

Students studying early childhood and human development, apparel design, physical therapy and adaptive physical education will benefit from the center, Johnson said.

"We serve as a research site as well as a site for student observation for lots of different majors," Johnson said. "It reaches across lots of different colleges on campus, not just human sciences."

The building is equipped with faculty offices, a secure lobby area, six classrooms, a locker room, a kitchen, a meeting room, child proof outdoor porticos, security and research cameras, and three observation rooms. It provides a safe environment for the children and a hands-on, close-up look at child development for human sciences students, Johnson said.

"It's part of their (human sciences students) degree plan that they have experience with children up until the age of five," Johnson said. "There are two teachers in each classroom who

have at least a bachelor's degree and some have master's degrees in early childhood development. There are also undergraduate student assistants who are here for course credit."

Brandon Prins, an assistant professor of political science, sends his son to the center and said he was happy with the building and the faculty. Prins said that despite a long waiting list, he can send his son to the Child Development Research Center thanks to the building's increased size.

"It seems fantastic," Prins said. "It's a beautiful classroom. The faculty and teachers seem like they have a good handle on how to run the classroom, and this is a really nice way to observe the kids without disturbing them."

Dana Wilde, a senior early childhood development major from Garden City, said working with toddlers and the center has given her first-hand knowledge of teaching as a profession.

"It's helpful because we have a lot of new technology," Wilde said. "The new toys that we have are better. My experience here has been a lot along the lines of teaching, but not yet having a certificate. Working here has showed me what it would be like

to be a teacher."

Project manager Rick Richeda said the project was completed to plan.

"We still have some landscaping to do, but it had to be opened by Monday for children," Richeda said. "We will not be over budget."

Richeda said the new building will allow the center's program to be under one roof instead of being split into different buildings, as it was previously.

"They are enhancing their program and expanding their research facilities," Richeda said. "Bottom line is, it is going to serve more children than we had before."

The \$8 million raised to fund the project came from private donors, foundations and fundraisers, like the tile painting fundraiser, Johnson said.

"Former students, staff members, college students and parents paid thirty dollars for a tile and painted them," Johnson said. "We used the tiles on the walls all around the inside of the CDRC. We were able to paint a tile that became a permanent part of the building."

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# Happy Scientists

New Experimental Sciences Building offers state-of-the-art research

BY LIZ BOYD  
STAFF WRITER

The new Experimental Sciences Building has been housing research scientists from several disciplines to expand research and encourage scientific collaboration since the doors opened in November.

David Dorsett, building director, said the 127,000-square-foot facility gives research scientists more room and is functional for a variety of activities.

"The majority of our staff love it here," Dorsett said. "We have also used this building for receptions and various presentations."

Michael Allen, associate vice president for research, said the \$37 million building is of the highest quality.

"This is a state of the art building that would compare with anything in the United States," Allen said.

Allen said the building has facilities for life sciences, agriculture and

engineering.

Complete with several labs without isolating barriers, Allen said the building is a great place for scientists to work together and conduct research.

Allen said researchers were spread out all over campus before the new building was built.

"Now we have a place for our researchers to call their own," he said.

Along with more space and technology, the building holds a "Level Three" Biological Safety Lab, Dorsett said.

Biological Safety Labs can range from "Level One" to "Level Four," based on the substances and pathogens being handled, Dorsett said.

Dorsett also said the Level Three lab in the Experimental Sciences Building is equipped to handle high level experiments dealing with diseases.

"This is a very advanced lab," Dorsett said. "We can control the temperature and lighting in each individual space by the touch of a button."

Controlling climate is possible throughout much of the building, Dorsett said, and plant growth chambers in the basement of the building must be handled delicately. Dorsett said scientists can change the temperature, humidity and carbon dioxide in these chambers, which is important for research procedures.

But with these delicate and precise chambers and labs, it is important to maintain power at all times and avoid power outages, Dorsett said.

The Experimental Sciences Building boasts an advanced generator system in the event of a power outage, Allen said.

Susan San Francisco, research scientist in biotechnology and genomics, said she is pleased with the new building and, more specifically, the space.

San Francisco said she started in her department with four instruments and minimal space, but the program grew and needed more.

The new building has helped facili-

tate her and her colleagues' research interests much more adequately, San Francisco said.

"This has been wonderful," San Francisco said.

San Francisco also said the encouragement to collaborate has been well-received.

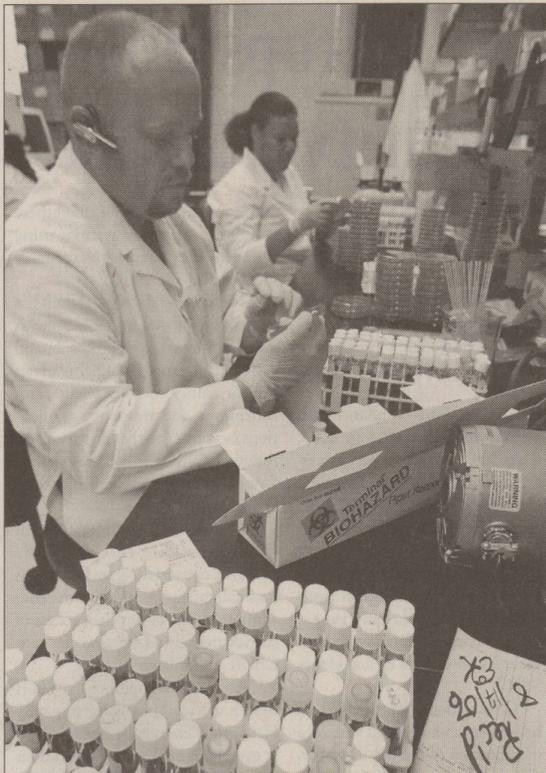
The Center for Biotechnology and Genomics works with other researchers, such as staff from the Health Sciences Center.

Allen said the building will mostly be used for research, but some graduate classes and labs will be held there in the fall.

From researching grocery store meats to configuring the genetic breakdown of cotton, the Experimental Sciences Building is sure to produce interesting research results, Allen said.

"This is a great building and it will really help research grow at Texas Tech University," Allen said.

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TYLER STEPHENS, FOREGROUND, a doctoral student studying food safety from Marion, and Angela Laury, back right, a doctoral student studying food safety from Chicago, streak for isolation.

## OSU admits Libyan student after 26-year gap

BY JACOLYN COSGROVE

DAILY O'COLLEGIAN (OKLAHOMA STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) STILLWATER, Okla. — Oklahoma State University is home to thousands of students from multiple countries and diverse backgrounds. As classes began Monday, it also became home to the first Libyan student to attend academic courses at a U.S. university in 26 years.

Bahaeddin Elhmidi, a chemical engineering freshman, said his first day of classes was "good."

"I met nice people and nice teachers," Elhmidi said. "I got to see this place more."

Some freshmen find themselves lost on campus, but Elhmidi said he found his way thanks to a kind stranger.

"I found this really nice lady and she showed me the way," Elhmidi

said.

Elhmidi said he is taking college algebra, chemistry, introduction to engineering and composition I for international students.

Although his courses are taught in English rather than his native language, Arabic, Elhmidi said he did not have trouble understanding his chemistry class.

"I didn't have any difficulties," Elhmidi said. "The class teaching assistant showed us the lab manuals, and she was very nice. The class was very nice."

Originally from Tripoli, the capital of Libya, Elhmidi hadn't been to the U.S. before this year.

"Most of the U.S., I didn't know about," Elhmidi said. "My idea about the U.S. was everybody's busy, the streets are crowded and there's gangsters on the streets," Elhmidi said.

Yousif Sherif, an OSU research associate in biochemistry and molecular

biology, has been helping Libyan students with the transition from Libya to Stillwater.

Sherif, a native Libyan, told Elhmidi that being in Stillwater, he probably wouldn't find such images of America.

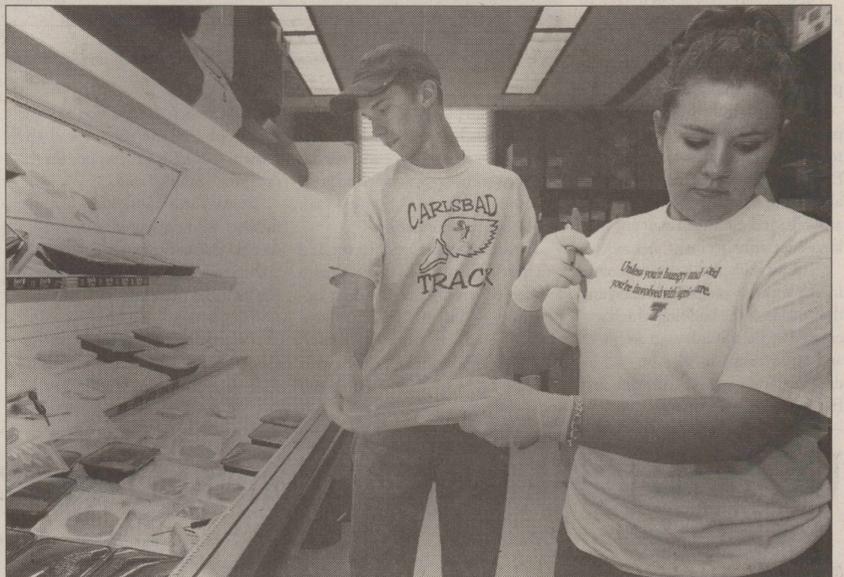
"You're in Stillwater, Oklahoma," Sherif said. "It's one of the safest towns."

Elhmidi said now that he's seen America, Stillwater and the campus, he is beginning to like it.

"I'm really thinking of finishing my bachelor's degree here," Elhmidi said.

If Elhmidi wasn't at OSU, he said he'd probably be studying at a university in Tripoli, which he said wouldn't be that different academically.

One difference is at OSU "there's a bigger chance to practice my English," Elhmidi said.



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AUSTIN VOYLES, LEFT, a freshman animal science pre veterinary major from Cotton Center and Michelle Tittor, right, a graduate meat science major from Lubbock, perform research on natural microbial agents.

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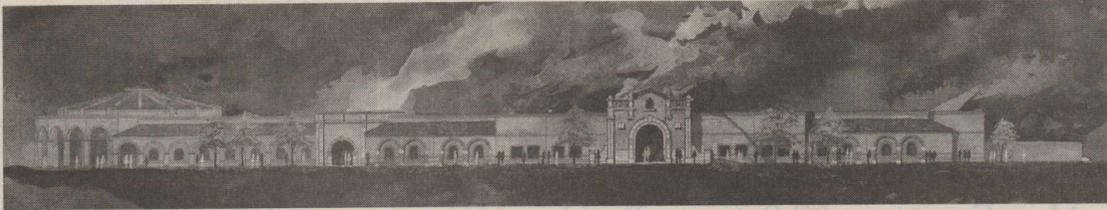
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## Extended work pays off for new studies building

By **NAOMI KASKELA**  
APPRENTICE

Spanish renaissance architecture combined with original metalwork creates the facade of the new Outreach and Extended Studies building.

Construction on the building, which is located on Indiana Avenue adjacent to the International Cultural Center, began in August 2005 with completion set this October.

"We looked at a bunch of different locations," said Michael Ellicott, vice chancellor for Facilities Planning and Construction. "(The old location) was good for off-campus customers, but not for Tech."

According to project details posted on the Facilities Planning and Construction Web site, the 30,000 square-foot building contains offices, workrooms and meeting spaces.

"It probably took about a week to make the move," Ellicott said.

He said the challenge was keeping the department working during the process of the move.

The estimated budget for the project is \$8.5 million, however the total should be closer to \$8 million, Ellicott said. One percent of money allotted for construction was put into artwork, and another 1 percent into landscape enhancement, he said.

The artwork in this project comes in the form of metalwork adorning the outside of the building which was created by Lars Stanley, an architect and artist from Austin, who said he drew inspiration from Outreach and Extended Studies and the natural



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STUDENTS EXIT THE new facade of the Tech Outreach and Extended Studies Building.

grasses of the plains. "(Outreach and Extended Studies) sends out seeds of knowledge that fly out over the web, flower and grow into something else," Stanley said. "It's about transformation."

The Outreach and Extended Studies Web site said the program focuses on giving everyone an opportunity to obtain a quality education through distance education programs. These include dual-credit courses, credit by examination and independent study courses.

"Our design is (inspired) by the philosophy of the school and the natural grasses as a metaphor for the program," Stanley said.

Stanley was chosen out of three finalists who presented proposals to Cecilia Carter Browne, Tech's public art manager, and other members of the facilities planning and construction department.

"We wanted the gates to be site-specific," Browne said, "something that was meaningful to OES."

The decision to use ornamental

ironwork was made because it is frequently seen in Spanish renaissance architecture, Browne said.

"The design of the building has an influence on the gates," Stanley said. "The overall feel of the piece has to be integrated to the design of the Spanish architecture."

"I think [the building] is going to be really gorgeous," Browne said. "It's nice to be able to integrate the work into the structure. It really adds to the building."

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## CSU drops Social Security numbers

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(U-WIRE) FORT COLLINS, Colo. — As of last week, students won't have to dole out their Social Security Numbers on campus anymore.

To come into compliance with a statewide bill passed in 2003, Colorado State University has issued all students a new eight-digit identification number — a CSUID — that replaces the use of their Social Security Number.

The bill mandated that "no post-secondary educational institution in Colorado may issue a student identification number that includes all or part of a student's SSN."

CSU's identification system had to be changed, but due to a modification of the old ID system this past summer, CSU obtained a waiver to not have the law go into effect until fall 2006.

Coming into compliance with the bill was not the only reasoning behind the switch, officials said.

"Our biggest reason is to protect student identity," said William Haid, executive director for Enrollment Services. "It has been this way for 15 years (using SSN as student ID), but as there is more

and more concern with ID theft there is a desire to get away from using Social Security Numbers as a primary identifier."

Over the past decade, ID theft has become a more serious problem with a broader access to the Internet and a greater range of SSN being given out for things such as credit card, cell phone and insurance applications, according to the Identity Theft Resource Center, which provides information for victims and volunteers about identity theft.

To come into compliance with Colorado laws, the entirety of CSU had to be converted. Haid said that is no small task as he, along with other administrators, began the process of converting all old SSN to the new CSUID in January.

"It is a very comprehensive effort that has a campus-wide impact," Haid said. "Everybody has to use it, so everybody has had to convert their systems."

This ranged from faculty having to erase SSNs in the system to all students being required to obtain a new ID card that has their new CSUID number on it and is lacking any part of their SSN.

"It's better security," said Bianca Garcia, a senior psychology major. "But I'm not ready to memorize another number, so it's good that our new numbers are on our new cards."

## PUDDLING AROUND



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A TEXAS TECH student jumps over a puddle near the curb of Drive of Champions, near Jones AT&T Stadium, after a rainstorm hits the Hub City.

## UC-Berkeley students cautioned to guard privacy online

By **JOELLE BROWN**  
DAILY CALIFORNIAN (UC-BERKELEY)

(U-WIRE) BERKELEY, Calif. — Viruses are no longer the only thing computer users in dorms are cautioned against.

For the first time, campus computing workshops are warning dorm residents about the lack of privacy in online social networks such as Facebook and MySpace. Students must attend the workshops to gain residential Internet use privileges.

In addition to preparing students for privacy issues, the workshops also provide information on bandwidth and security.

"We want to raise awareness among residents," said Manager

of Residential Computing Dedra Chamberlin. "Students need to realize everything is public until they make it private."

The college online directory Facebook has boomed in size since its creation in 2004 and now has 7.5 million users. MySpace, a social network geared toward general users, boasts more than 100 million members.

Facebook, MySpace and other similar networks can facilitate access to personal information such as phone numbers, addresses and screen names, leading to safety concerns such as stalking, Chamberlin said.

The increased usage of online social networks has also complicated relations between students and university officials on campus and in

colleges nationwide, she said.

The sites, on which students post photos and exchange comments, can allow college officials to view documentation of student code of conduct violations such as underage drinking.

Many universities nationwide are now struggling with how to enforce policies based on evidence obtained from online networks.

At the University of California at Berkeley earlier this year, coaches of the track and field team reportedly discovered Facebook photos of athletes violating the team's policy barring alcohol consumption during the season. The coaches responded by holding a meeting about the policy and threatening the athletes with removal from the team.

"For me, it illustrated the consequences of putting too much information online," said junior pole vaulter Katie Morgan. "I felt violated that

someone was checking up on me, but at the same time, I saw it coming."

Chamberlin said she hopes the workshops will encourage students to think about the information they are sharing online.

"If something happens, we don't want students to say 'How come you didn't warn us?'" she said.

Many students, however, said they are already familiar with the privacy dangers present in online social networks.

"I've heard it before," said incoming freshman Andy Stokols, who said he did not plan to alter his privacy settings based on what was presented in the workshop.

Sophomore dorm resident Carla Prado is also familiar with the privacy dangers posed by online social networks.

"I think what residential computing is doing is pretty effective," she said.

## Arkansas bookstore offers textbook shopping alternative

By **JEFF WINKLER**  
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(U-WIRE) FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — University of Arkansas students will have an opportunity this semester to trade their books with hardly a middleman as the University Bookstore begins its Hog Auction program.

The program is off to a slow start, but University Bookstore Director Ali Sadeghi said he hopes to work out all the kinks to create the ultimate campus Web

site for eBay-like trading.

"It is our mission to help students as much as possible," Sadeghi said. "If students go to class with the lowest cost books then we have done our mission."

The mission came at a cost of \$5,000 for the UA to purchase the license for the online auction program. Former UA students Robert Auten and Donald Medor created the program as part of Medor's senior project in computer engineering.

After one semester of paying nearly \$400 for books, Medor thought to

himself, "man, this is getting of hand," he said.

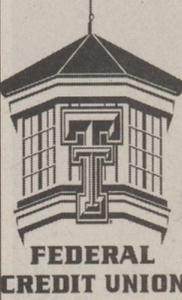
Medor and Auten then created the program currently being used.

The original Hog Auction program not only served as a Web site where students could auction and buy their books, but also as a search engine that would allow students to find the cheapest book online or at the stores.

PayPal, an online monetary service, will provide students a way to exchange funds through e-mail.

Although the UA bookstore wanted to include the search engine in the program, there has been opposition from the Arkansas Legislature.

Senator Sue Madison, a member of the Joint Insurance and Commerce Committee, which has been overseeing the increasing price of college books, said she has been working to keep the price of books down for students, but that it is not right for the state to sponsor a program that would seek books from out-of-state-vendors.



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# Tech students' one-stop-shop

Student Wellness Center to house all medical, mental health facilities

By JOSH HULL  
STAFF WRITER

Many students on campus may have noticed the construction project near the corner of Flint Avenue and Main Street.

What many students may not know is the project, which will house all of Texas Tech's student medical and mental health facilities, will become the one-stop-shop for all their on-campus student wellness needs.

According to facilities planning and construction the \$9.9 million Student Wellness Center, which will open Jan. 6, will house both the Student Health Center and the Student Counseling Center within its 43,804 square-foot facility.

Jan Childress, associate vice-president for student affairs, said the new Wellness Center will provide both the faculty and students a seamless health care experience.

"The whole wellness concept is just huge for us right now," Childress said. "In order for students to do well in class you have to feel good."

Childress also expressed enthusiasm for the Center's centralized location on campus. She said the proximity to the residence halls and the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center will give the students convenient access to the Center that has been lacking in the past.

"It's going to be a state-of-the-art facility for the medical staff," Chil-

dress said. "That has got to benefit the students by providing the best possible health care that we can provide."

Along with the administration, the faculty of Student Health Services is also very excited about the move into their new building.

Evelyn McPherson, managing director of Student Health Services, and Dr. Kelly Bennett, medical director of Student Health Services, both agreed that the facility will provide visibility the program has been lacking.

"A student comes to Student Health for student care, and most have never been here," McPherson said, referring to the Student Health Center's current offices in Thompson Hall.

Dr. Bennett said she believes the visibility would add credibility to the department as well as reaffirm the focus of the program.

"For one thing, the pharmacy will triple in size," Bennett said. "It will be easier to see where the focus on student wellness is."

While visibility is a major benefit of the new facility, McPherson and Bennett both said the increase in efficiency will make the student health experience more student friendly. An increase in space, which is a big factor in the increased efficiency, will also improve employee morale, Bennett said.

"This building (Thompson Hall)

is only 67 yards long," Bennett said. "The new building will have a real break room for the faculty, including tables and chairs."

Bennett said the focus on student wellness will also grow to include the relationship between mind and body.

Improved communication with the Counseling Center will allow a strengthening of an already strong bond between the two programs, as well as creating new opportunities for collaboration, Bennett said.

Eileen Nathan, director of the counseling center, said the new facilities will give the department an option for growth that does not exist in West Hall.

"We're bursting at the seams over here," Nathan said. "The new building will allow us to continue growing and showing students the connection between mind and body."

One of the new features of the Wellness Center will be a bio-feedback lab. Nathan said this lab would provide students the opportunity to see how the state of their body, from temperature to breathing rate, affects their level of relaxation. This will include a series of relaxation visualization programs that creates an interactive experience for the student to learn from while having fun.

"In the lab everything will be at the students' fingertips," Nathan said. "Once they're ready they will be shown how to use the equipment



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THE STUDENT WELLNESS Center will house Texas Tech's medical and mental health facilities for students, replacing Thompson Hall. The new \$9.9 million facility is scheduled to open in December 2006.

and left to explore the programs on their own."

Nathan said the Counseling Center will continue to work with the medical staff to improve the quality of their existing programs.

The growth opportunities provided by the Wellness Center are not limited to the programs within the building.

Michael Ellicott, vice chancellor for facilities planning and construction, said he believes the new build-

ing also adds to the growth of the Tech campus as a whole.

"If we want to grow, we need to get the non-academic functions out of the academic corridor," Ellicott said. "When we consolidate people into one building, it helps a lot with parking. After the new building is completed, the parking in Thompson Hall will go back to the students."

With all the excitement in the Student Health Services office,

there is still one thing that Evelyn McPherson wishes she could change about the new building.

"I think the term 'Quack Shack' is dated," McPherson said. "When I went to school, that term may have been accurate, but at this facility, as well as the new one, we provide students access to board-certified physicians with a passion for college students. I think that is what makes the difference."

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## Fire safety upgrades made, still no AC

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Students living in the Bledsoe, Gordon or Sneed residence halls can sleep a little more soundly this year in the aftermath of the summer's \$5.8 million Life Safety Upgrades.

Rick Richeda, project manager of the undertaking, said all three buildings were fully sprinkled with both fire suppression and fire alarms.

Richeda said the construction, which began in June and was wrapped up in late August, was completed swiftly thanks to solid work by the project team.

"It was a very difficult job, but everything was done on time," he said, deeming the finished product "excellent."

Michael Ellicott, vice chancellor for facilities planning and construction, said the fire marshal strongly recommended that all residence halls in the state be sprinkled in the aftermath of a dormitory fire that broke out in the late nineties.

Still, he said there were no safety hazards in Tech's residence halls prior

to the upgrades.

"All buildings complied with the codes when they were built," he said. "It was possible to evacuate quickly in the event of a fire."

Nick Ward, a freshman range, wildlife and fisheries management major from Richmond living in Sneed Hall, said he feels comfortable knowing the recent renovations have made his residence safer.

"It's nice to know that if there is a fire there is stuff to put it out and let me know it's there," he said.

Future updates in the realm of creature comforts could be in the near future for many Raiders residing on campus.

A potentially refreshing answer to the Hub City's sweltering heat might be next on the horizon for students living in the Bledsoe and Sneed complexes, Richeda said.

"We are looking at air conditioning at Bledsoe and Sneed," he said. "Still, this is not yet authorized."

If approved, work on the project could start as early as December, Richeda said. Then in May, the portions of the residence halls in which

students live would be equipped with air conditioners.

Students offered mixed reactions concerning the topic of cooler living conditions.

While Ward said he felt the Sneed Residence Hall was hot during the day, he said it cooled down nicely at night.

"I don't know if they truly need air conditioners," he said.

Conversely, Gregg Garner, a freshman pre-med student from Wink, said he feels the idea of installing air-conditioners into the Bledsoe/Sneed duo would be great.

He said although he originally chose to live in an un-air-conditioned residence hall for financial reasons, he underestimated how hot it would become.

"I was like, 'Hey, they're \$1,000 cheaper than the other dorms,'" Garner joked. "No, they're alright. I don't have a problem with them."

For more information on the various construction projects across the Texas Tech campus, visit the Web site <http://www.fpc.ttu.edu>  
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## U.S. Senate bill would boost education, homeland security

(U-WIRE) HONOLULU —

The chance to get federal scholarships to learn a new language or specialize in a scientific field intrigued Rebecca Ramos, a music education major at the University of Hawaii. "Free money just to learn a language? Sounds good to me," she said.

If the same holds true for most UH students, then a bill in a U.S. Senate committee might help the nation gain more scientists, foreign language experts, engineers and mathematicians.

The Homeland Security Education Act, which would be enacted if the bill passes, outlines a series of

scholarships and grants for many different schools around the country. The funds would go to students who want to or who already excel in certain fields in which the United States lags behind other countries in terms of general education and expertise.

According to the House Science Committee, 36 percent of undergraduates in Germany received their degrees in science and engineering. In China, the corresponding figure is 59 percent, and in Japan it is 66 percent. In the United States, the share is 32 percent. In the case of engineering, the U.S. share is 5 percent, as compared with 50 percent in China.

The bill also aims to entice more

students from elementary schools and beyond to study in the fields of science, foreign language, engineering and mathematics to strengthen the country for the future in global economics and national security, said Sen. Daniel Akaka, D-Hawaii. Akaka, along with Democratic Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois, wrote and introduced the bill to the Senate in 2001.

"We don't have enough people fluent in languages to deal with material of other countries," Akaka said. "Prior to 9/11, the information that the intelligence had could not be translated fast enough because there was not enough personnel."

## ISU increases punishments for alcohol violations

BY GUADALUPE ROSALES  
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(U-WIRE) NORMAL, ILL. — Students who choose to violate the Illinois State University alcohol policy will now have to pay a higher price.

Along with being written up, students usually receive a university drinking ticket and have to take an alcohol prevention class. This year the alcohol prevention class will cost students \$20 more than it did last year.

"The class now costs \$70. Each student will be receiving a workbook that goes along with the material," Kerri Calvert, health promotions coordinator, said.

Calvert said that the content covered in the class has not changed.

"It is still a prevention class,

but there is a lot of information provided in the class to help students who choose to drink in a safe manner and at a low risk for their safety and for the safety of those around them," Calvert said.

Although the price of the class increased this year, the fines have not, according to Anne Newman, coordinator of Community Rights and Responsibilities.

"The fine for the first offense is \$50, second is \$150, third is \$200 and the fourth is \$250," Newman said.

Newman said students who choose to drink should be responsible about their actions.

"Typically if a student drinks, nine out

of 10 times they just go to their room with no problems. If students choose to drink, they should make responsible choices and not draw attention to themselves. If they

do this they can lower their risk of finding themselves in trouble with the university," she said.

According to Michael Sullivan, south-central night operations supervisor, the ISU alcohol policy includes many things a student may be unaware of.

"Students who are 21 or older are allowed to bring alcohol only in Hamilton-Whitten and Atkin-Colby residence halls and there is a limit on the amount of alcohol a person can bring in," Sullivan said.

Sullivan said more students get caught violating the policy on the weekends.

"During the week students don't drink as much, on the weekends they try to get sneaky and that's when they are caught," Sullivan said.

Students are only allowed to consume alcohol in their own room and everyone in the room must be 21. Additionally, if students want to transport alcohol it has to be sealed and there should never be alcohol in a public place within the residence halls.

"If you are caught with someone in the room under 21 you end up being written up. Write ups can get nasty especially if you are underage," Sullivan said.

"Typically if a student drinks, nine out of 10 times they just go to their room with no problems."

— ANNE NEWMAN  
Illinois State U. Coordinator of Community Rights and Responsibilities

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# Discovery Mall to bring beauty to Tech campus

By ANNA SCHUMANN  
STAFF WRITER

The construction of the Discovery Mall attempts to beautify the campus and make it more pedestrian-friendly, said Michael Ellicott, vice chancellor for facilities planning and construction.

According to construction plans, the Discovery Mall, which is located between the Mass Communications building and the engineering building, will connect the engineering key to the clock tower between Murray Hall and Carpenter/Wells.

Part of the \$1.2 million project is complete, but the final estimated time of completion is December 2006. Plans include the construction of several sidewalks and lights and the planting of many live oak or red oak trees, similar to the trees planted in Memorial Circle.

Ellicott said one main goal of the mall is to create a walk that would group all academic buildings together.

"We want to mark the outer edge of where the academic area is supposed to be," Ellicott said. "We want to get all academic buildings inside a 10-minute circle."

The Experimental Sciences Building and Murray Hall were built accordingly, he said.

Original master plans for this project, drawn up in 1997, attempted to develop two pedestrian crosswalks, one going from east to west and one going from north to south.

The mall features a sculpted arch designed to maintain the Spanish architecture on campus. The arch was designed by Jesus Moroles. According to his Web site, Moroles has done sculptures for the City of Houston, the University of Oklahoma and the *Dallas Morning News*, as well as for private organizations.

In a phone interview, Moroles

said when he was commissioned to do the sculpture for the Discovery Mall, his only guideline was to create something monumental.

"The school was working on creating a corridor, a thoroughfare for students, like in D.C.," Moroles said. "This was meant to be a gateway, a portal."

Moroles said the name of the piece, "Lapstrake," to him means "the strata of the earth." The layers in the arch are rough and polished, like students getting polished in school, he said.

The gateway, Moroles said, is meant to appear as if it teeters back and forth.

"It looks precariously stacked," Moroles said. "It's like a balancing act."

Moroles also designed the arch outside of the experimental sciences building. He said these two arches together are designed to be landmarks for the school.

The sunset granite used to build the arch by the Experimental Sciences Building, Moroles said, was built to feel like people are walking through a sunset.

Though his name is on stones next to these arches, Moroles said he does not put his name on his work.

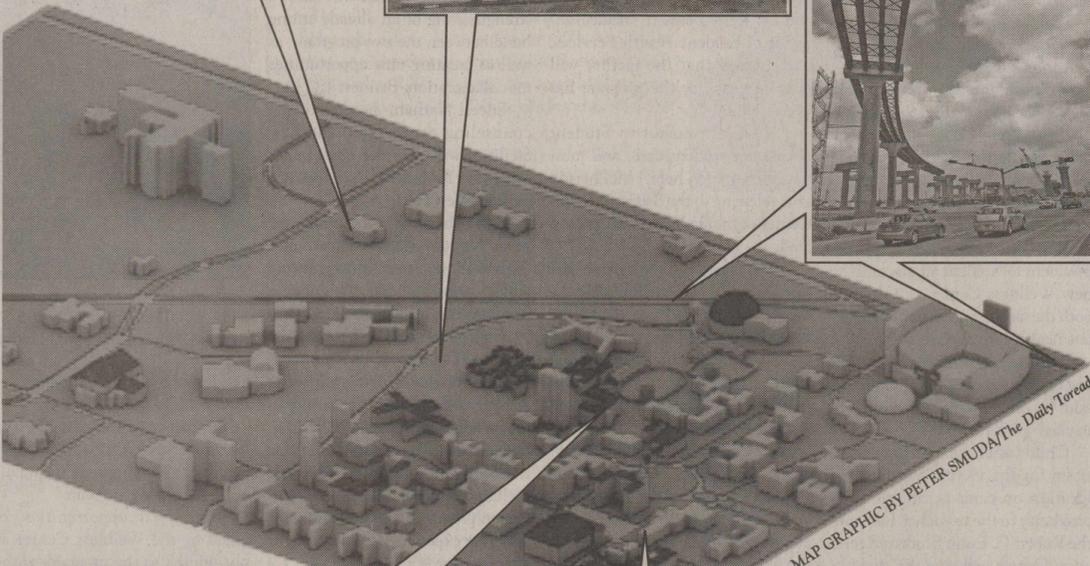
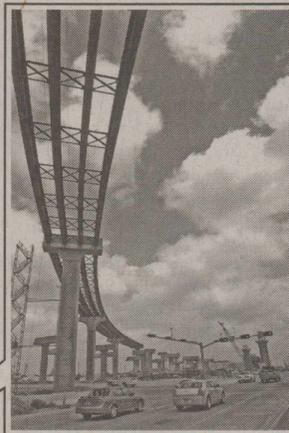
"I don't like to sign my work," Moroles said. "It's kind of old-fashioned in the digital age. I don't like people to be distracted when they look at art by trying to make out a name."

Further down the mall near the Experimental Sciences Building, Moroles said, are medallions with carvings on them. He said he believes people will recognize the carved images, but they are not right in front of people's faces.

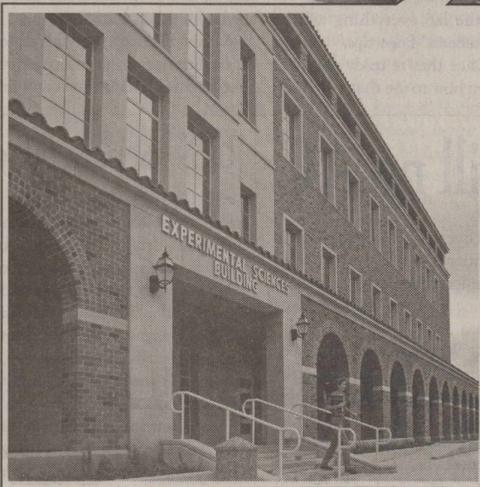
"Each carving is something you have to discover," Moroles said. "Maybe that's where they got the name."

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