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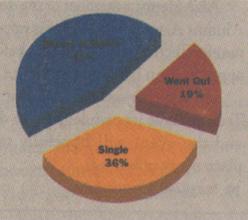
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Drill Sgt. who posed nude discharged from military

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — An Air Force drill sergeant who posed nude for Playboy magazine has been removed from active duty, she said Wednesday.

Whether that amounts to an honorable discharge, as Michelle Manhart also says, is unclear.

Manhart, who appeared in a six-page spread in Playboy's February issue, said she got word Friday that she was removed from "extended active duty" and was also told that she was demoted in rank from staff sergeant to senior airman.

NATION

GOP opposition to Bush plan forms

WASHINGTON (AP) — Breaking ranks, a small band of House Republicans declared their opposition to a troop buildup in Iraq on Wednesday, and President Bush appeared resigned to passage of a non-binding measure disapproving of his decision. "I'm going to make it very clear to the members of Congress, starting now, that they need to fund our troops," the president said, looking past this week's debate toward congressional action next month on his request for nearly \$100 billion for the military.

WORLD

Baghdad sweep meets little resistance

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Thousands of U.S. troops swept house-to-house through mostly Shiite areas virtually unopposed Wednesday in the opening phase of the long-awaited Baghdad security crackdown. But four U.S. soldiers were killed outside of the capital in an area not covered by the operation. Elsewhere in Baghdad, Iraqi soldiers and police set up new checkpoints across the city of 6 million people, snarling traffic and forcing people to walk across bridges jammed with cars and trucks.

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Bush says cannot prove Iran ordered lethal weapons to Iraq

By **TERRENCE HUNT**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — Challenged on the accuracy of U.S. intelligence, President Bush said Wednesday there is no doubt the Iranian government is providing armor-piercing weapons to kill American soldiers in Iraq. But he backed away from claims the top echelon of Iran's government was responsible.

Bush, at a news conference, also said he would fight any attempt by the Democratic-controlled Congress to cut off money for the war. "They need to fund our

troops and the need to make sure we have the flexibility necessary to get the job done," he said.

The House is expected to vote Friday on a nonbinding resolution opposing Bush's decision to send 21,500 additional troops to Iraq.

The meeting with reporters in the East Room was Bush's first news conference since Dec. 20 and the first since he announced the troop buildup in Iraq. The four-year-old war hangs heavily on his presidency, and Bush's approval rating in an Associated Press-Ipsos poll in February matched an all-time low of 32 percent.

Iran was a dominant theme of

reporters' questions because of conflicting statements about U.S. intelligence in Iran and recurring speculation that Bush is looking for an excuse to attack the Islamic republic, which is believed by Washington and its allies to be seeking nuclear weapons.

Defending U.S. intelligence that has pinpointed Iran as a hostile arms supplier in Iraq, Bush said, "Does this mean you're trying to have a pretext for war? No. It means I'm trying to protect our troops."

There have been mixed signals in the administration about Iran's involvement in supplying Shiite groups in Iraq with a particularly

lethal type of roadside bombs known as explosively formed penetrators.

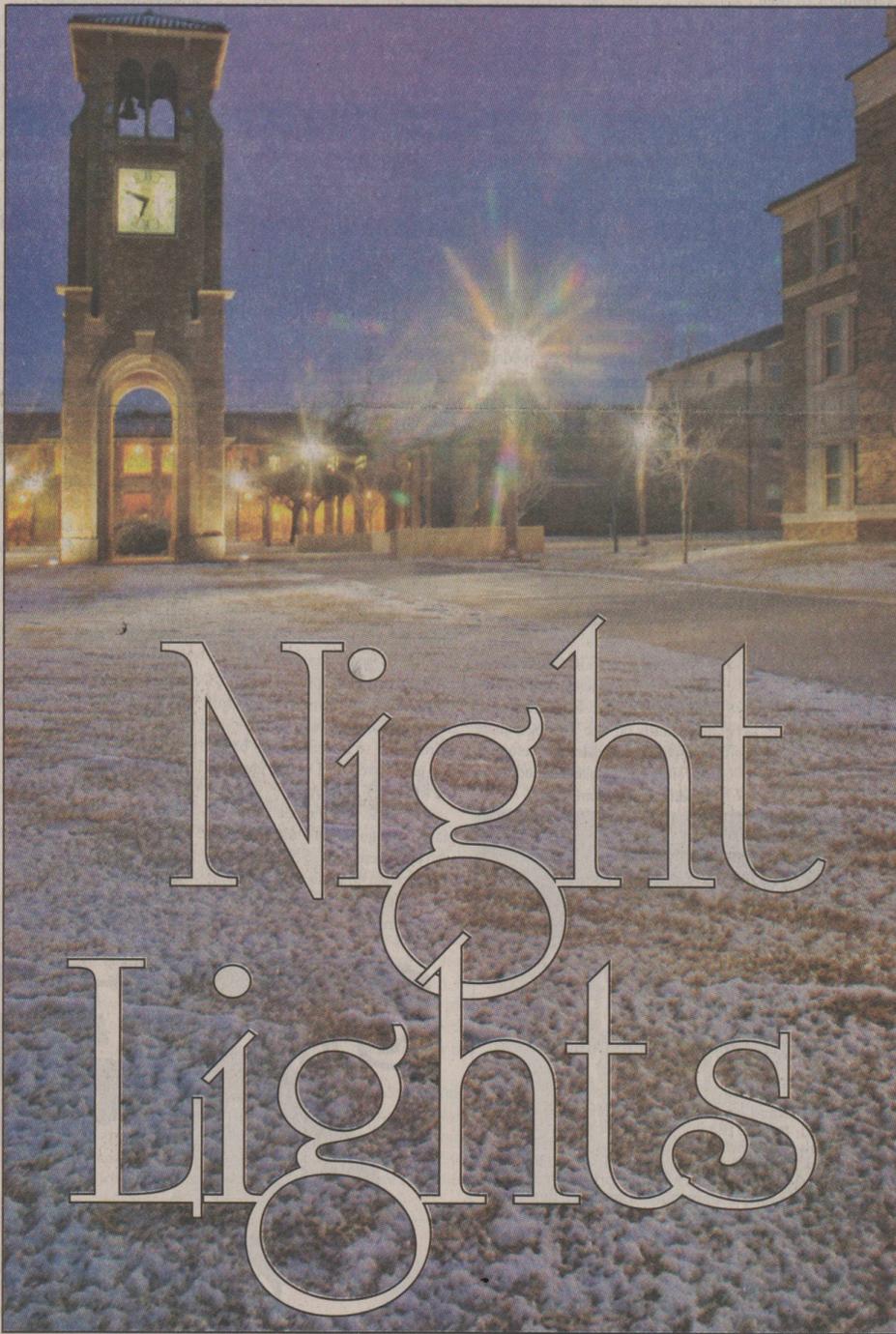
Three senior U.S. military officials, at a weekend briefing in Baghdad, said the highest levels of the Iranian government had ordered the weapons smuggled into Iraq. They based their claim on the belief the weapons are moving into Iraq through the Iran's Revolutionary Guards elite Quds Force.

But Gen. Peter Pace, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said later he was not ready to conclude that Iran's top leaders were behind the attacks. Some lawmakers also have questioned the administration's statements.

Wading into the debate, Bush said the Quds Force was instrumental in supplying the weapons — "we know that," he said — and that the Quds Force was part of the Iranian government. "That's a known," he said. "What we don't know is whether or not the head leaders of Iran ordered the Quds Force to do what they did."

Pressed again on the subject, Bush displayed some irritation and said, "Whether (Iranian President Mahmoud) Ahmadinejad ordered the Quds Force to do this, I don't think we know. But we do know

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A LIGHT DUSTING of snow covered the Texas Tech campus Wednesday evening after the latest round of cold weather. KELLY MATHERLY/The Daily Toreador

Former, current Tech football players indicted

By **PAUL ROBERTS**
STAFF WRITER

Two former Texas Tech football players and one still listed on the roster were indicted Monday for the burglary of a habitation that occurred Oct. 27.

Tech football player Julius Howard and former players Jerred Rashad Hunt and Dimitri Lott faced a Lubbock Grand Jury Monday for the felony charge of burglary of a residence. According to police reports, they are accused of stealing a laptop worth more than \$2,000 and an iPod music player worth \$350 from a residence in the 5400 block of Jarvis Road in late October.

Immediately following the incident, Lott, 19, and Hunt, 19, were forced off the team. However, coach Mike Leach said in a previous interview they were kicked off for several reasons, not just the burglary alone. Howard, a 19-year-old redshirt freshman linebacker from Irving, remains on the roster.

Leach and Tech Athletic Director Gerald Myers declined to comment about the indictment or whether further disciplinary actions against Howard will be taken. A spokesman for Leach and Myers said these types of incidents remain internal.

Lt. Scott Hudgens of the Lubbock Police Department said the residents of the house called the police around 3 a.m. after finding two of the suspects inside their house upon returning from their garage.

Hudgens said the suspects fled the house once the resident walked in and saw them.

The three football players were picked up by a patrol officer on the 1700 block of Indiana Avenue shortly after the incident took place.

Police said the victim of the burglary gave a description of the suspects' vehicle, which led to the traffic stop and arrest.

In a previous interview, Leach said Hunt was dismissed for failure to show up to team meetings, classes and other things of that nature; Lott, a freshmen offensive lineman from Missouri City, was dismissed for violating team rules.

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Officials disagree on campus alcohol sales

By **BEN MAKI**
STAFF WRITER

While federal law states any person 21 years of age or older may consume alcohol, the rule does not apply within Texas Tech campus parameters.

Some Tech officials said allowing students to drink on campus would not be an option that made sense financially or logistically.

James Brink, senior vice provost, said a reason for the rule is the Board of Regents wanted no alcohol on campus.

Alcohol is allowed to be served on campus

if the group that wishes to have it available submits a form to Hospitality Services at least 15 university working days in advance.

Brink said even though Hospitality Services can serve alcohol, it should not be served when undergraduate students are present.

"We have kind of an unwritten policy that says if there are undergraduates present, we don't serve alcohol," Brink said.

Reports of accidents involving students and alcohol come across Brink's desk on a regular basis, he said.

"I'm kind of torn about this," he said. "I

look at the police blotter and nine out of 10 are MIPs (minor-in-possession citations), DUIs (driving-under-the-influence citations) or public intoxication, and on the other side, I see that the way to handle alcohol is to be exposed to it early on so that you can learn how to handle it. Just like you learn to handle anything carefully and that's why the forbidden fruit is so much sweeter. It wasn't a thousand years ago that I was in college, but I remember what the temptations were. I also remember what the consequences were, but it seems today the consequences are much greater."

Brink said college students need to be accountable for their actions.

"At what time does one become a responsible person?" Brink said. "It used to be the case that you could drink at 18. I frankly don't know why you shouldn't be able to now. If you can die for your country and vote for the president, why can't you exercise that responsibility with alcohol?"

He said a bar in the Student Union Building is an option Tech might consider.

"I would much rather see a modest tavern or

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Car chase leaves two injured

By PAUL ROBERTS
STAFF WRITER

A suspect on the run from police was transported to the University Medical Center Monday after he crashed his vehicle during the chase, police said.

Jose Luis Gonzales, 29, and Martin Martinez, 43, both were injured in a vehicular accident when Gonzales wrecked a stolen 2002 GMC pickup truck into Martinez's vehicle at the intersection of Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and East Eighth Street.

Police said they were attempting to arrest Gonzales for allegedly stealing the GMC pickup. According to reports, police found Gonzales at the Carriage House Motel in the 900 block of East Slaton Highway. When police attempted to make the arrest, Gonzales fled the parking lot in the stolen vehicle, police said.

According to police reports, Gonzales allegedly attempted to run

over multiple police officers during the chase.

Lt. Scott Hudgens of the Lubbock Police Department said Gonzales struck a police vehicle during his attempted escape, but none of the police officers were injured.

According to reports, Gonzales fled the parking lot, prompting a brief car chase.

Hudgens said Gonzales was chased to the intersection of Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and East Eighth Street where Gonzales crashed the stolen vehicle into Martinez' vehicle, causing Martinez' vehicle to flip onto its side.

Hudgens said Gonzales and Martinez were transported to the UMC with serious injuries.

A hospital spokesman said Martinez has been upgraded to satisfactory condition as of Wednesday afternoon, though they could not disclose any more information because of an ongoing police investigation.

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U.S. to allow many more Iraqi refugees to come to America

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration agreed Wednesday to greatly expand the number of Iraqi refugees allowed into the country and to pay more to help Iraq's Arab neighbors cope with the human tide fleeing increasing violence and economic hardship in their country.

The decision to allow about 7,000 Iraqis to come to the United States answers mounting political and diplomatic pressure on the administration to do more to remedy the consequences of a war it largely started. Only 202 Iraqis were allowed in last year.

The administration also said it will immediately contribute \$18 million for a worldwide resettlement and relief program. The United Nations has asked for \$60 million from nations around the world.

Although the United Nations estimates that 3.8 million Iraqis have fled their homes since the war began nearly four years ago, the United States has allowed only about 600 to settle in the United States.

The U.S. proposal also includes plans to offer special treatment for Iraqis still in their country whose cooperation with the U.S. puts them at risk. Expanding

visa programs for those Iraqis would require legislation in Congress, State Department Undersecretary Paula J. Dobriansky said Wednesday.

Some 2 million Iraqis have left their country, and an additional 1.8 million are believed to have relocated inside Iraq. The refugee flow has increased sharply as sectarian violence has increased over the past year. The

numbers have overwhelmed the hospitality of Arab neighbors such as Syria and Jordan.

The United Nations says most of those who have been uprooted have no desire to come to the United States, and want to return to their homes in Iraq when fighting stops.

But allies, U.N. diplomats and lawmakers of both parties have recently told the administration that the small number of Iraqis the U.S. has allowed in looks miserly.

Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., told Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice at a hearing last week that the United States could bring in 7,000 Iraqis this year — exactly the number announced Wednesday.

The move is a step in the right direction, considering the United States is a "chief cause" of the refugee problem, said Carolyn Saour, an Iraqi-American Christian living in Houston. Still, 7,000 "is severely low for the amount of damage that's been done over the years," she said.

The United Nations wants to resettle 20,000 of the most vulnerable refugees this year. U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees Antonio Guterres called the U.S. pledge "a relevant contribution."

Guterres has implicitly criticized the United States in the past for allowing other nations to shoulder so much of the burden. He met with Rice on Wednesday, and afterward described a "very frank and very positive discussion on how to work better."

Asked if the U.S. contribution was, in essence, too little too late, Guterres was diplomatic.

Alumni gather in Austin to raise support

By MAGGIE KIELY
STAFF WRITER

AUSTIN — More than 100 Texas Tech alumni visited the State Capitol Tuesday to promote their university and let state officials know Tech supporters are affluent in counties all across the state.

The group of alumni met with the Texas House of Representatives and Senate, and official proclamations were approved announcing the day "Red and Black Day."

After the proclamations, alumni split into groups to visit with individual officials on a more personal basis.

Peggy Maxwell, a member of the Tech Alumni Association Board of Directors, said the senators, representatives and members of their respective staffs were invited to a reception at the end of the day. The invitation came in the form of a bottle of wine dressed

as the Masked Rider.

"We are here promoting Tech on Capitol Hill," Maxwell said.

Maxwell said it is important for elected officials to be aware of how many Tech alumni and students are in their districts.

"There are about 10,000 Tech alumni in Tarrant County alone," Maxwell said.

Tarrant County includes Fort Worth.

Bill Dean, executive vice president and CEO of the Tech Alumni Association, said the event was the second of its kind, and he thought it proved to be successful.

"There was a great turn out of alumni," Dean said. "It is not good if just a bunch of people from Lubbock show up."

Dean said alumni showed up from places like San Antonio, the hill country and the Dallas/Fort Worth area.

It is nice for elected officials to know how many alumni are in their

districts, Dean said.

"Maybe they will pay a little more attention to Tech," he said.

Among those present at the reception was Tech Chancellor Kent Hance and Tech President Jon Whitmore.

The reception consisted of two separate buffet tables and performance by a solo country artist. Most people were dressed in red and black, and cocktails were available.

"It is a huge success," Hance said. "There are over 15 senate representatives here."

Hance said alumni did a great job of spreading the Tech message throughout the capitol.

"The message is that Tech does a great job and we are out to educate people as much as possible," Hance said. "For the bang on the buck, Texas Tech is the best choice in education."

Whitmore said he is grateful for the alumni association.

"The turnout is excellent, and the

enthusiasm and support within this group spreads," he said.

David Romness, legislative director for Rep. Tracy King (D), said he came to the reception in place of King to support higher education, specifically at Tech.

"A lot of state representatives went to Tech," Romness said. "It is definitely important for the legislative process (to recognize this)."

Romness said most large public schools in the state of Texas have legislative days. The University of Texas and Texas A&M University conducted their legislative days on the same day sometime last week, he said.

Alan Henry, a member of the Tech Alumni Association, said it is important for Tech to get its word out before appropriation bills start forming.

He said this was the first year for Tech to have its own legislative day, and the event will hopefully take place every other year.

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Weapons

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that they're there and I intend to do something about it. And I've asked our commanders to do something about it. And we're going to protect our troops." Ahmadinejad has denied Iran was behind the attacks.

Democrats on the Senate Armed Services Committee emerged from a classified briefing Wednesday saying they wanted more information about Iran. The committee chairman, Sen. Carl Levin, said it was unclear to him precisely what the admin-

istration knows about the Tehran government's ties to the weapons found in Iraq.

"There seems to be some disarray," said Levin, D-Mich. He said he eventually hopes to see some declassified information on the subject.

Bush came into the news conference after receiving a briefing from Baghdad by Gen. David Petraeus, the new commander of U.S. forces in Iraq.

Bush said he talked with Petraeus about coordination between Iraqi and coalition forces, and that while it seemed to be good, more work was needed on developing an efficient command-and-control structure.

Bush responded carefully when

asked about Russian President Vladimir Putin's accusations Saturday that the United States was undermining global security and provoking a nuclear arms race. The depth of Putin's criticism surprised U.S. officials.

Bush said Putin was "the same strong-willed person" he has known since 2001 and there is a "complicated relationship" between Washington and Moscow.

On other matters, Bush said:

—The agreement announced Tuesday to shut down North Korea's nuclear program in exchange for fuel assistance was "a good first step." He said he strongly disagreed with former U.N. Ambassador John Bolton

that it was a bad deal.

—He will not comment on the 2008 presidential race. "I will resist all temptation to become the pundit-in-chief."

—He will not comment on whether he authorized members of his administration to leak the identity of Valerie Plame, a one-time CIA officer whose husband, former ambassador Joseph Wilson, criticized the administration's case for the Iraq war. Similarly, Bush refused to say whether he might pardon I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby, the former aide to Vice President Dick Cheney. Libby is on trial on charges of lying and obstructing the investigation into the Plame's identity.

Utah mall reopens, shops make repairs 2 days after teen opened fire on customers

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A shopping mall where five people were gunned down this week reopened Wednesday, as authorities tried to figure out why a teenage Bosnian immigrant committed the rampage and how he got his hands on a gun.

FBI agent Patrick Kiernan, in Salt Lake City, said the bureau had no reason to believe Sulejman Talovic, who was killed by police, was motivated by religious extremism or an act of terrorism.

"It's just unexplainable," Kiernan said Wednesday. "He was just walking around and shooting everybody he saw."

Armed with a .38-caliber pistol, a shotgun and a backpack full of ammunition, Talovic shot nine people, five fatally, at the Trolley Square shopping center Monday before he was stopped by police, including an off-duty officer from Ogden.

"We are Muslims, but we are not terrorists," the boy's aunt, Ajka Omerovic, said Wednesday at the family's house.

She rejected any religious motive and said the family can't explain the shooting. The Talovic family fled Bosnia for Utah in 1998 "to be free," she said.

Talovic's parents do not speak English and did not answer their door. Omerovic, who was visiting them, said that the boy's mother is distraught and that his father — her brother — normally works long hours in construction.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives is investigating how the 18-year-old got the pistol.

"You can buy long guns at 18. That's not a problem. The handgun he shouldn't have had, so obviously we're going to look at where he got that gun," said Lori Dyer, in charge of the local ATF office.

Omerovic said Talovic never displayed any guns. "We want to know who sold these guns to him," she said.

Less than 48 hours after the shootings, police tape was removed from the parking lot as the mall reopened,

although it was up to each shop owner whether to resume business.

"We're opening the mall, not in the sense of business as usual, but to let the healing begin," said Tom Bard, an executive at Scanlan Kemper Bard Cos. of Portland, Ore.

Tim Reynolds, carrying his nearly 2-year-old son, Sam, on his hip, came to the mall to get a candle for his wife. He said he wasn't worried about safety.

"It was so random that it happened in Salt Lake," he said.

Twenty-five of the mall's 36 stores remained closed, along with one of its five restaurants, mall spokeswoman Alicia Bremer said.

Cabin Fever, a card shop where many of the shootings took place, was to stay closed until Feb. 21. "We really needed a little bit more time for ourselves and to show our condolences," co-owner David Dean said.

Outside the shop Wednesday there were free Valentine's Day cards and a sign that read: "Don't forget to tell someone you love them today." A worker was repairing pillars damaged by shotgun blast outside the shop and a Pottery Barn Kids store.

Outside the mall, candles and flowers were left as memorials to those killed, who were identified as Jeffrey Walker, 52, Vanessa Quinn, 29, Kirsten Hinkley, 15, Teresa Ellis, 29, and Brad Frantz, 24.

Four people who were wounded remained hospitalized Wednesday, two in critical condition, two in serious.

Talovic worked for two months as a general laborer at Aramark Uniform Services, an industrial launderer and uniform-rental company, manager Trent Thom said. He appeared for his regular shift on the day of the shooting, he said.

Talovic's mother took him out of high school at age 16 to work, Salt Lake City school district spokesman Jason Olsen said.

Talovic and his family moved to the U.S. after living as refugees in Bosnia for five years, people close to the family still living in Bosnia told The Associated Press. Talovic was only 4 when he and his mother fled their village of Talovici on foot after Serbian forces overran it in 1993, they said.

"Many left the village, but only a few made it," said Murat Avdic, a friend of the family.



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Terri Burke

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Abner Euresti

Abner Euresti, managing editor at KCBD in Lubbock, provides input in policy decisions and daily news coverage, and has the final approval of all news content. He has received numerous awards for education reporting excellence, including statewide awards from several education organizations. The anchor team of Abner Euresti and Karin McCay went on-air in 1979, and began prime-time anchoring the following year. Observers consider this to be the longest-running TV news anchor team in the country. Their newscast is the latest recipient of "Best Newscast," Texas AP Broadcasters Division III, an award they have won several times.



Phil Record

Phil J. Record, a native of Fort Worth, Texas, has been a newspaperman more than half a century, spending most of those years at the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. Record first went to work for the newspaper in 1944 as a copy boy. He retired as ombudsman for the newspaper Dec. 31, 1997. He continues as an occasional columnist for the Star-Telegram. He joined the Journalism Department (now the Schieffer School of Journalism) faculty at Texas Christian University in January 1999 as a professional-in-residence and teaches journalism ethics. He is former national president of the Society of Professional Journalists, the nation's largest journalism organization. He is former vice president of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas.

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U.S., Britain rank last in child welfare

BERLIN (AP) — The United States and Britain ranked at the bottom of a U.N. survey of child welfare in 21 wealthy countries that assessed everything from infant mortality to whether children ate dinner with their parents or were bullied at school.

The Netherlands, followed by Sweden, Denmark and Finland, finished at the top of the rankings, while the U.S. was 20th and Britain 21st, according to the report released Wednesday by UNICEF in Germany.

One of the study's researchers, Jonathan Bradshaw, said children fared worse in the U.S. and Britain — despite high overall levels of national wealth — because of greater economic inequality and poor levels of public support for families.

"What they have in common are very high levels of inequality, very high levels of child poverty, which is also associated with inequality, and in rather different ways poorly developed services to families with children," said Bradshaw, a professor of social policy at the University of York in Britain.

"They don't invest as much in children as continental European countries do," he said, citing the lack of day care services in both countries and poorer health coverage and preventative care for children in the U.S.

United States questioned the comparisons made by the study, while Britain said it failed take into account recent social improvements.

The study also gave the U.S. and Britain low marks for their higher incidences of single-parent families and risky behaviors among children, such as drinking alcohol and sexual activity.

Britain was last and the U.S. second from the bottom, in the category focusing on relationships, based on the percentage of children who lived in single-parent

homes or with stepparents, as well as the percentage that ate the main meal of the day with their families several times per week. That category also counted the proportion of children who said they had "kind" or "helpful" relationships with other children.

The report's authors cautioned that the focus on single-parent families "may seem unfair and insensitive" and noted that many children do well with one parent.

"But at the statistical level there is evidence to associate growing up in single-parent families with greater risk to well-being — including a greater risk of dropping out of school, of leaving home early, poorer health, low skills and of low pay," the report said.

On average, 80 percent of the children in the countries surveyed live with both parents. There were wide variations, however, from more than 90 percent in Greece and Italy to less than 70 percent in Britain and 60 percent in the U.S., where 16 percent of adolescents lived with

stepfamilies.

Bob Reitemeier, chief executive of The Children's Fund charity in Britain, said the UNICEF report also showed that less than half of British children reported good relations with their peers.

"That really jumped off the page," he said, citing concerns about the competitive, ratings-based school environment in Britain and higher reported incidences of bullying and fighting. "The environment for these young people is quite negative."

The study ranked the countries in six categories, based on national statistics: material well-being, health and safety, education, peer and family relationships,

behaviors and risks, and young people's own subjective sense of well-being. Both the U.S. and Britain were in the bottom two-thirds of five of the six categories.

The U.S. finished last in the health and safety category, based on infant mortality, vaccinations for childhood diseases, deaths from injuries and accidents before age 19, and whether children reported fighting in the past year or being bullied in the previous two months.

Britain finished at the bottom in behaviors and risks, which considered factors such as the percentage of children who had breakfast, ate fruit regularly, exercised, were overweight, used drugs or alcohol, were sexually active or became pregnant.

COOKIE LOVE



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LEANDRO PILEGGI, A sophomore international business major from Sao Paulo, Brazil and Ashley Chollar, a junior mathematics major from San Antonio, decorate cookies for Valentine's Day Wednesday in Murray Hall.

Texas cities among ten offering citizenship test

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A new citizenship test designed to make applicants think about questions rather than just memorize answers makes its debut Thursday in two Texas cities.

Volunteers will try out the new questions in San Antonio and El Paso, which are among the 10 cities nationwide offering the pilot naturalization test as part of a federal effort to revamp the exam for 2008.

The 140 or so draft questions on the pilot test cover U.S. history and government but are designed to be concept-oriented, as opposed to many current questions that require memorization of historical facts.

"You don't have to put a lot of thought process into something you could just memorize," said Myrna Garza, a district adjudications officer for U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services in San Antonio. "This will help you ... understand what's actually happening, the reason for it."

Garza said the pilot test covers the same general subject matter but requires "a little more thought process." One question, for example, asks: "What does the judicial branch do?" The three answers accepted as correct are: "reviews and explains laws," "resolves disputes between parties" and "decides if a law goes against the Constitution."

The reading and writing portions

of the exam are also being revamped, but only slightly, Garza said.

To pass, test-takers must orally answer correctly six of 10 pilot questions on the civics section of the pilot test. If they don't pass, they can simply take the regular test afterward.

"It doesn't affect them in any way if they do not pass the (pilot) test," Garza said.

The other cities that will start administering the pilot soon are Albany, N.Y.; Boston; Charleston, S.C.; Denver; Kansas City, Mo.; Miami; Tucson, Ariz.; and Yakima, Wash.

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services mailed letters to people eligible for the pilot test ahead of time and plans to administer it to 6,000 volunteers in the 10 cities. Other test-takers will continue to take the current exam.

After the question tryouts, the government will spend a year honing and whittling them to 100, with consultation from community groups and educators.

To design the new test, USCIS got input from scholars, test development contractors and English as a second language experts.

"I want to make sure that people understand this is certainly not to make the test more difficult," said USCIS spokeswoman Maria Elena Garcia-Upson. "We will continue to accept immigrants literally from countries A to Z. We just want to make sure that when they're (reciting) the

oath of allegiance, raising their right hand at the time of the ceremony, that they understand our process here in this country and what our forefathers stood for."

Explosion kills 11 members of Iran's elite Revolutionary Guards

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — A car bomb killed 11 members of Iran's elite Revolutionary Guards on Wednesday in the deadliest attack in years near the Pakistani border, and Iran accused the United States of backing militants to destabilize the country.

A Sunni Muslim militant group called Jundallah, or God's Brigade, which has been blamed for past attacks on Iranian troops, claimed responsibility for the bombing, according to the semi-official Fars news agency.

An al-Qaida-linked group of the same name has carried out attacks in neighboring Pakistan. Iranian officials say the militants in southeast Iran find a safe haven in Pakistan, but it is not clear whether the two groups are connected. Pakistani officials say they are not.

The blast represented a sharp flare-up of violence in the remote southeast corner of Iran, near Pakistan and Afghanistan, that has long been plagued by lawlessness. The area is a key crossing point for opium from Afghanistan and often sees clashes between police and drug gangs.

At the same time, Jundallah has waged a low-level insurgency in the area, led by Abdulmalak Rigi, a member of Iran's ethnic Baluchi minority, a community that is

Sunni Muslim and is present in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Rigi has said his group is fighting for the rights of impoverished Sunnis under Iran's Shiite government.

Five of those behind Wednesday's explosion were arrested, Soltan Ali Mir, a local Interior Ministry official,

told the official Islamic Republic News Agency. The Fars news agency reported four arrested and cited officials saying they were not Iranian citizens.

Iranian officials blamed "insurgents" and "terrorists" for Wednesday's bombing — and accused the United States of backing them to sow instability in Iran.

"This was done by a group that gets support from America," the Islamic Republic News Agency said, quoting unidentified officials.

Iran has increasingly raised the alarm that the United States may attack it or try to foment an uprising against the government as the standoff between the two countries has escalated in recent weeks over the country's nuclear program and over the turmoil in Iraq.

President Bush on Wednesday repeated accusations that Iran was supplying weapons to militants in Iraq and vowed to stop the support. The U.S. has also built up its military presence in the Persian Gulf and has vowed action against Iranian operatives in Iraq.

Iranian officials have often raised concerns that Washington might incite members of Iran's many ethnic and religious minorities against the Shiite-led government, which is dominated by ethnic Persians.

Wednesday's bombing took place at about 6:30 a.m. near Zahedan, capital of Sistan-Baluchestan province, when a car packed with explosives pulled to a stop in front of a bus carrying members of the Revolutionary Guard.

The car exploded, killing 11 guards and wounding 31, the provin-

cial governor, Hassan Ali Nouri, told IRNA. He said one attacker was also killed in the blast, and IRNA said others in the car fled just before the bomb went off.

Iran has faced several ethnic and religious insurgencies that have carried out sporadic, sometimes deadly attacks in recent years — though none have amounted to a serious threat to the government.

Besides the violence in the southeast, ethnic Arab Sunni militants have been blamed for bombings in the western city of Ahvaz — including blasts in 2006 that killed nine people. Iranian Kurds based in northern Iraq have also stepped up incursions into Iran.

Hossein Ali Shahriyari, a lawmaker representing Zahedan, accused U.S. ally Pakistan of allowing a "safe haven for insurgents" operating in southeastern Iran. In parliament on Wednesday, he called on the government to press Islamabad to crack down on its side of the border.

Little is known about the Jundallah militant group. Iranian state media and officials avoid even using the name — apparently to play down the image of an organized opposition group operating on the country's soil.

In December, Jundallah claimed responsibility for kidnapping seven Iranian soldiers in the Zahedan region, threatening to kill them unless group members were freed from Iranian prisons.

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Make music, not babies

Listen. Can you hear it? That's the sound of another child being born. Well, not the literal sound because that would be gross and you might be eating a tuna sandwich or something while reading this.

Alan Brown



According to the National Center for Health Statistics Web site, the preliminary estimate for births in 2005 was 4,140,419. That's 11,343.6 babies a day; 472.7 an hour; 7.9 every minute. This doesn't seem like such an outstanding figure when juxtaposed with the overall population of the United States — currently estimated at 301,164,983 by the U.S. Census Bureau. This is, however, too many babies. I'll explain why.

Through simple observation, I have noticed people don't know how to raise children properly. It could be they know how to, but they just don't do it. Blame it on laziness or exhaustion, but I constantly witness parents who behave as if their children aren't impressionable and don't need steady guidance and love.

I'll go ahead and get it out of the way: I don't have children. So I'm no expert on this subject, and I can't speak from personal experience as to the difficulty of being a parent.

All I know is I know two people who made the decision to have kids and were honestly prepared for the endeavor. They wanted to have children together and wanted to do the best job they could. There was discussion, not yelling. Opinions were shared and rational thought co-existed with love. My older sister witnessed all of this from the womb. She told me about it when I arrived three years later.

I understand not every relationship is like this, but there's a reason. With each relationship, you grow as a person and learn new things, just as you would in a college course. To grow and better yourself, you must take these things you learn and apply them appropriately.

Eventually, if Chuck Woolery sees fit, you will find the love of your life and not screw it up. The boggling aspect to all of this is that so many people either rush into things or simply are blind to the fact their relationships don't stand a chance.

We've all felt that "newness" — that intense seemingly loving feeling for someone we have just entered into a relationship with.

This emotion is generally accented by sexual activity, but if you just give it some time, it will go away.

Some people choose to ignore this fact and decide it would be better to get to know this person after they have legally committed themselves to one another. It's like an impulse buy at the grocery store.

So now there are two people who are married, and they find out they don't really love each other. Sometimes a pregnancy precedes this. Other times, it causes the sad realization. On certain occasions, it has been said a pregnancy was the result of the two individuals trying to fill a void in their relationship. Are Americans hell-bent on ruining their lives? Is common sense the giant panda of human thought?

Even if a child is born to two parents who love each other and actually want to spend the rest of their lives together, this guarantees nothing. From my view, parenting is one of the greatest challenges a human can take on. So why do millions just sign right up for it every year? Millions don't decide to climb Mount Everest, so why would they accept the life-long responsibility of another being?

I think many people don't fully understand what it means to have a child. To me, it goes beyond the magnitude of marriage. A marital union is shared between two consenting adults (given you don't live in Alabama).

They choose to get married. A child doesn't choose to be born. Any parent owes it to his or her child to provide that child with the necessary tools to function in this world. To do otherwise is selfish and negligent.

It all comes down to responsibility. There's no getting around whose fault it is and there really are no excuses. So next time you think about having a child, write a song. You can call it your own and go around and show it to everyone.

Perhaps you could climb a mountain. Or, simply volunteer at your neighborhood day care and get spit-up on for a couple hours. And for heaven's sake, keep it real.

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EMERGENCY ROOM

LOVE? I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT. I DO KNOW I'M GONNA SUE THE GUY'S DIAPER OFF.



We'll miss you, Amanda

Every week I sit in a large room, filled with computers, on the second floor the Student Media Building. I'll sit at a computer with a ridiculous-sized screen, put on some Death Cab for Cutie or The Shins or Spoon and start typing away.

I usually write about the absurdity of everyday life. It's fun and easy for me. Every week, 800 words from my head are printed about how dumb people are ruining the world and how we should strive to stop stupidity. Every week, I have no trouble observing the world and what it means to me.

This week, however, the words are not coming so easily.

On Feb. 7, I received word that a dear friend of mine, Amanda Gillit, passed away after battling brain cancer for almost a year. There are no words to explain what my heart felt that day. But, that's not what I want to write about.

More so, there aren't any words to explain what kind of person Amanda was. She was fun,

Justin Dove



but "fun" isn't good enough. She was vibrant, loud, bright, infectious with laughter, but those words don't do her justice. Suffice it to say, there aren't enough words in the English language to help me describe Amanda — cliché as that may seem.

I met Amanda at J&B Coffee waiting to see The Sloppy Meateaters. We started a conversation there that lasted about six years. Our love of music brought us together, and the conversations usually consisted of her telling me which bands she thought were good and how horrible I thought they were. (I still will not agree that Emery is a good band.)

I left Lubbock for a short time, and she moved to Dallas to go to school at the University of

Texas at Arlington. We kept in touch sporadically, but whenever we talked, I was reminded of how much fun we had together and how I missed having her around.

I returned to Lubbock in January 2006 to finish school, and she came back in April after doctors discovered her first tumor. Afterward, we'd frequently discuss how Lubbock is some sort of black hole we could never escape from. I argue this is true. For all of you reading this, you're never leaving here. Sorry.

In the months that followed, Amanda never lost hope or optimism, and fun was to follow her wherever she went. She was always the life of the party. She relished the attention, and she always knew how to make me laugh. Usually, it was via a baby voice she would employ when nothing else worked. I think I would laugh just to get her to quit talking — that voice annoyed me.

Whenever a dull moment presented itself, Amanda would

brighten the mood. Many times we would drive around Lubbock singing along to Get Set Go having the time of our lives. Plus, I've never known anybody to have so much fun figuring out which wig to buy next.

Even during the times when all concern should be directed toward her, she was constantly thinking of others.

In August, she left me a phone message that was simply, "I need to see you. I have something important to tell you." Of course I feared the worst, but she just wanted to give me a basket of Fiji water and balloons to commemorate my first year of sobriety. I think I was upset with her at first for scaring the hell out of me, but she said something funny, and we proceeded to have a great night celebrating with friends, cooking steaks and consuming dubious amounts of ice cream.

I hope some day Amanda's selflessness will infect me so I can pass it on to others. I realize human relationships are what are most important, and loving each other is the greatest gift anybody could ever give.

Life is too short to be angry, to hate others and to not be tolerant of others. There's no reason to harp on differences and hold grudges. Infect others with happiness and enjoy the music. Learn about the differences of others and savor the fact everybody's not the same.

In passing, Amanda's wish is that we would donate time or money to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., which treated Amanda while she battled cancer. To donate, visit the St. Jude Web site, www.stjude.org.

For those looking for something local, the Volunteer Center of Lubbock, www.volunteerlubbock.org, is a great place to start.

Let us not forget how fortunate we are to be able to donate our time and help others. The joy we may bring out in others should be the utmost joy we can bring out in ourselves. I know Amanda spent her life loving that she could make so many people incredibly happy.

I don't think I've ever met anybody like Amanda, and the place she holds in my heart will never be vacated. We love you Amanda, and we miss you dearly.

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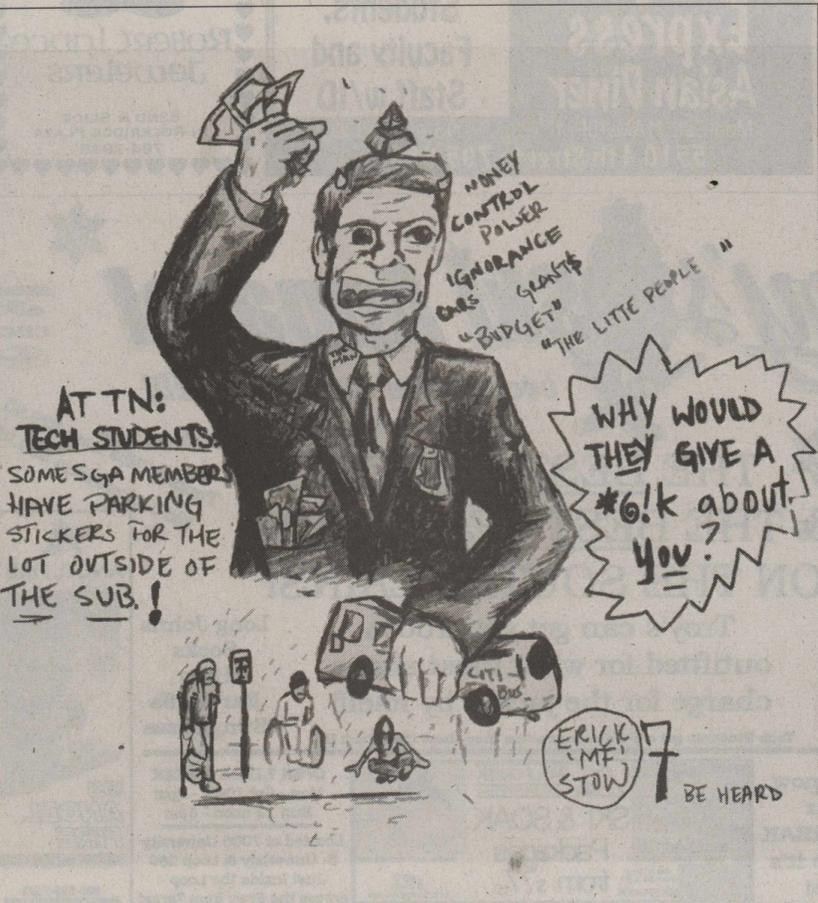
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WORLD EVENTS IN BRIEF

Libby lawyers rest case in CIA leak trial

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorneys for former White House aide I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby rested their case in the CIA leak trial Wednesday after a day of legal wrangling over classified information and whether additional witnesses could be presented.

Special Prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald called no rebuttal witnesses, ending the testimony phase of the trial. Closing arguments are scheduled for

Tuesday.

The final day of testimony in Libby's perjury and obstruction trial had been billed as a blockbuster. Attorneys said for months that Libby and his boss, Vice President Dick Cheney, would testify for the defense.

But Libby's attorneys reversed course Tuesday and said neither man would testify, leaving Wednesday to fight over whether NBC newsman

Tim Russert could be called back to testify and how much evidence jurors would hear in Libby's absence.

The change in who would testify prompted U.S. District Judge Reggie B. Walton to reverse course, too. He told defense attorneys that if Libby didn't testify he would not allow some classified information to be presented to the jury as Libby's defense team had planned.

Storm ties up travel, closes schools

NEW YORK (AP) — Blowing snow and sleet glazed windshields and roads across the Northeast and the Midwest on Wednesday, messing up Valentine's Day flower deliveries and wrecking couples' plans for romantic dinners.

The storm grounded hundreds

of flights and forced the closing of schools and businesses from Kentucky to Maine. Many of those stuck at home had no heat or lights because of blackouts that affected more than a quarter-million customers.

"I'm just trying to figure out

where to take my wife for Valentine's Day," said Skip Daniels, the emergency management director in Sussex County, N.J.

Blizzard warnings were posted for parts of New Hampshire, Massachusetts and Maine, where as much as 2 feet of snow was possible.

U.S. says anti-U.S. cleric al-Sadr fled to Iran

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The mystery over the whereabouts of Muqtada al-Sadr deepened Wednesday with the U.S. military spokesman saying the Shiite militia leader had fled to Iran, his supporters insisting he was still in Iraq — and no sign of the anti-American cleric himself.

A senior U.S. official said Tuesday in Washington that al-Sadr left Iraq for Iran ahead of the security crackdown in Baghdad. That raised con-

cern over al-Sadr's ability to direct his militia, which could fragment into uncontrollable gangs in the absence of its leader.

On Wednesday, the chief U.S. military spokesman, Maj. Gen. William Caldwell, said only that al-Sadr "is not in the country" and that "all indications are in fact that he is in Iran."

Caldwell said U.S. authorities have been tracking al-Sadr's move-

ments for months. He would not speculate whether al-Sadr fled to escape the crackdown.

But the mercurial al-Sadr, who is not believed to have visited Baghdad in more than two years, often drops out of public view for weeks or months at a time. He failed to turn up for a planned speech Monday in the southern city of Najaf, where he lives, and has not been seen in public since Jan. 3.

Al Franken to seek nomination in Senate race

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Al Franken announced Wednesday that he will run for the Senate in 2008, making it clear that the comedian and author of "Rush Limbaugh Is A Big Fat Idiot" wants to be taken seriously as a political figure.

Franken said he would seek the Democratic nomination to challenge Republican incumbent Norm Coleman and immediately acknowledged

the doubts voters may have about electing a former "Saturday Night Live" performer.

"Minnesotans have a right to be skeptical about whether I'm ready for this challenge, and to wonder how seriously I would take the responsibility that I'm asking you to give me," Franken said in a video on his Web site.

"I want you to know: Nothing means more to me than making gov-

ernment work better for the working families of this state, and over the next 20 months, I look forward to proving to you that I take these issues seriously," he said.

Franken's announcement came on the final day of his show on the liberal radio network Air America. His decision instantly makes him a serious contender and brings national attention to the race.

Ancient coin undermines legend of Cleopatra's beauty

LONDON (AP) — So maybe Mark Antony loved Cleopatra for her mind. That is the conclusion being drawn by academics at Britain's University of Newcastle from a Roman denarius coin which depicts the celebrated queen of Egypt as a sharp-nosed, thin-lipped woman with a protruding chin.

In short, a fair match for the hook-nosed, thick-necked Mark Antony on the other side of the coin, which went on public display Wednesday at the university's Shefton Museum.

"The image on the coin is far from being that of Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton," said Lindsay Allason-Jones, director of archaeological museums at the university, recalling the 1963 film "Cleopatra", which ignited the tempestuous romance between the two stars.

The notion that Cleopatra was not in Taylor's league was hailed as a revelation in British newspapers on Valentine's Day, though the image is hardly a discovery.

Replicas of the denarius can be found on eBay, and images on other ancient coins are no more flattering.

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Mass Comm to discuss ethics

By GLENYS BOLLS
STAFF WRITER

As part of Ethics Week, the College of Mass Communications is hosting a panel discussion today from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Allen Theatre to address ethical issues journalists face.

Robert Wernsman, a Texas Tech journalism professor and former newspaper owner, publisher, editor and reporter, will be moderating the discussion.

"I'm steering the ship, but the panelists are the ones who are going to be expressing their opinions," Wernsman said. "My real hope is that we're not going to just hear people of this professional caliber complaining and whining. We need to understand why it is this way. If we can understand why, perhaps someday the students who are in that audience will be able to force change and produce responsible journalism."

The panel will consist of four media professionals: Phil Record, a former Fort Worth Star-Telegram associate-executive editor; Terri Burke, editor of the Abilene Reporter-News; Abner Euresti, anchorman and managing editor at KCBD-TV; and Pete Brewton, a Tech journalism professor, lawyer and former reporter for the Houston Chronicle and the Houston Post.

"I hope we talk about anonymous sources," Brewton said. "The pros and cons and use of anonymous sources, the protec-

tion of anonymous sources, and reporters divulging sources. I find that very interesting."

Burke said she hopes to talk about the media's involvement in a community.

"My outlook is different today on that issue," Burke said. "Previously, I didn't do a lot. I thought that to do that would affect my ability to cover the community. I was reluctant for that reason. But now it's different. It's more challenging, but I know the community better because I've been out there more."

As the only lawyer on the panel, Brewton said he may talk about things media lawyers do and do not deal with in today's media.

"Media lawyers mostly deal in employment laws now," Brewton said. "Things like libel and privacy issues, we don't deal with a lot. Open records, either. News organizations rarely go to the mat anymore, and by that I mean filing lawsuits. News organizations are reluctant to sue the government for open records. It's unfortunate, because that might make journalism better. But you know, lawyers shouldn't have to tell journalists how to be ethical."

Wernsman, who teaches Principles of Journalism in the College of Mass Communications, said he thinks the panel discussion will be a valuable learning experience for his students.

"I'm willing to bet that they are going to have verified for them many theories that we discuss in Principles," Wernsman said. "But, verified by the people who are doing it, who are

involved."

As a Tech graduate, Euresti said he is glad his alma mater is doing so much to prepare journalism students for their future professions.

"I appreciate that the organizers are bringing in people in the business to give students their point of view," Euresti said. "The professors and teachers have experience, but this is our job, we do this every day. Learning about journalism is one thing, hearing about the practical application is another."

At the panel discussion, a certain amount of time will be set aside for questions from the audience.

"I'll be interested to see what the students are interested in," Brewton said. "If they've got tough questions to ask journalism professionals, this is the chance."

Burke said she would like to be asked the tough questions.

"I think a good lively discussion benefits everybody," Burke said. "That's the joy of journalism, having debates. I hope the students challenge me, and I hope I challenge them."

The College of Mass Communications is planning to produce a DVD of the event. Wernsman said he hopes to get good questions for the panelists, and he expects to have a good discussion.

"With the four people we have, I hope we have the best ethics panel discussion on this campus," Wernsman said. "And if we don't, the others are pretty darn good."

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Dow reaches new closing high

NEW YORK (AP) — The Dow Jones industrials set new highs Wednesday when stocks extended their gains for a second day after Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke told a Senate panel the economy should grow modestly this year and that he expects inflation will continue to ease.

The combined gains Wednesday and Thursday were the Dow's biggest since Aug. 15-16.

Wall Street, which had faced some concern about whether Bernanke might sound a hawkish note on inflation, welcomed his benign remarks. While investors might debate whether the Fed will lower short-term interest rates later this year, Wall Street appeared more confident the central bank was at least likely to leave rates unchanged, as it has in recent meetings.

Investors pleased by a sense that the overall economy is doing well managed to look past a Commerce Department report that retail sales were essentially flat in January amid slumping automobile sales. It was the weakest showing in three months and below what Wall Street had forecast.

New \$1 coin features George Washington

WASHINGTON (AP) — George Washington's birthday celebration will have a golden tinge this year. Millions of new gold-colored dollar coins bearing the first president's likeness are being introduced in time for the festivities.

The question is whether people will reject them as they did the two previous \$1 coins.

U.S. Mint officials are hoping they have overcome the problems that doomed the Susan B. Anthony and Sacagawea dollars. Coin experts are skeptical.

The new \$1 coins, the first in a series featuring four presidents a year, were to go into circulation on Thursday,

just before next week's President's Day celebrations.

Learning from past mistakes, the Mint is making sure the coins will be widely available so people will not be disappointed when they show up at banks looking for the coins.

So far the Federal Reserve, the Mint's distribution agent, has placed orders for 300 million of the Washington coins. Many have already been delivered to commercial banks under orders not to begin selling them to customers until Thursday.

"For the vast majority of Americans, they will be able to get the new dollar coin on the day that we issue it," Mint

Director Edmund C. Moy said in an interview with The Associated Press.

The changing design with a new president every three months is an effort to match the phenomenal success of the 50-state quarter program that has attracted more than 125 million collectors.

While the government is making a more concerted effort to promote the dollar coin this time around. Coin experts, however, said they are not convinced that the results will be much different from the widely avoided Anthony and Sacagawea coins.

Lubbock community meets to discuss downtown future

By NAOMI KASKELA
STAFF WRITER

Hub City residents were given the opportunity to add input concerning the redevelopment of downtown Lubbock at a meeting Tuesday night. Members of the Downtown Redevelopment Commission and other city government leaders and individuals involved with the project presented three scenarios for Lubbockites to look over and comment on.

Cheryl Brock, a senior financial analyst in Business Development who is involved with the commission, said an estimated 350 residents attended the public meeting.

Texas Tech students comprised part of the crowd as well, she said, and they have added their own input about the redevelopment.

Mayor David Miller encouraged citizens to add input because he said the goal of the night was for everyone to present ideas.

Bill Vitek, principal-in-charge with EDAA, the business firm hired by the commission, challenged residents immediately.

"I will give you your challenge early this time," he said. "At our third meeting, come back again, come back with two friends."

According to the Downtown Redevelopment Commission Web site, EDAA is "an internationally renowned design firm hired ... to analyze existing conditions and provide a vision for what downtown

Lubbock can become."

Vitek said the scenarios that were presented were only ideas.

"That's just what these are tonight," he said, "just alternatives."

Tuesday's meeting represented the alternative-development scenario part of the process, he said.

The three scenarios of what downtown Lubbock could look like in 2020 are defined as the Campus Plan, the Bookend Plan and the Crossroads Plan. Citizens were split into groups by table and they discussed plans together with the help

of a moderator.

According to a slide show presentation, in both the Campus Plan and Crossroads Plan, government buildings downtown would be consolidated into one area.

In the Bookend Plan, the buildings would be in two separate locations.

A majority of the groups liked the idea of the government buildings being consolidated and preferred either the Campus Plan or Crossroads Plan.

Linda DeLeon, councilwoman for District 1, said her group chose the Campus Plan as the preferred plan, but they also took what they liked out of the other plans, as well as new ideas, and combined them.

Other ideas presented in the three scenarios included residential areas, a new hotel, a visitor's center, a baseball stadium, a movie theater and a performing-arts center.

DeLeon said she felt the event went well.

"I thought it was a tremendous success," she said. "We had that whole hall filled with people interested."

DeLeon said she was unable to stay the whole time during the initial meeting in November, so she wanted to come to this meeting to see what progress had been made.

A draft of the project-vision statement, which is pending approval from the City Council, was available for residents to look over as well.

According to the statement, "Lubbock's Downtown Core represents a true, sustainable urban center... In 2020, Downtown Lubbock will be celebrated for its vitality, experienced as part of the fabric of everyday life, and looked upon as a model of sustainability for residents and visitors alike."

David Driskill, an associate professor of architecture, was a moderator for one of the groups.

He said what he saw Tuesday night was what he was expecting to witness.

"It's going to happen, and it's going to happen quickly," he said.

Tech architecture students have been involved in the project since last summer, he said.

"One of the recommendations we're looking at is literally relocating the College of Architecture downtown," Driskill said.

This would be a way of making the downtown area a learning environment, he said. However, the initial response for the recommendation was not completely positive.

"We have come from extreme doubt to openness," he said.

The next meeting is scheduled to take place in April, and DeLeon said she thinks the input of each group of residents will be considered before then.

"What I think is going to happen is they're going to take input from each of the tables and put it together," she said.

The night was only about planning, Brock said, as costs for the project have not yet been estimated.

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Alcohol

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lounge in the Student Union Building and just card like you would any place else," Brink said. "You could go in and have a beer in the afternoon or a cocktail or have a glass of wine with a sandwich. The bartenders there would have the same responsibilities of a commercial bar."

Sam Bennett, director of Hospitality Services, said bars on campus would not be financially plausible.

"They have explored it in the past, but pubs aren't popular or successful on campuses," Bennett said. "It would also be a touchy situation

to have a pub. It would be a liability and trying to control the underage drinking."

Not all schools have policies like those of Tech.

According to the University of Texas Web site, the café in its Student Union Building offers a full bar.

Ruth Jacobs, associate director of communications for Colby College in Waterville, Maine, said the whole idea for alcohol being sold on campus started in 2004 when two student government officers, one of whom was an international student and the other who had studied abroad, noticed there was a different culture about drinking in the United States.

They wanted to show moderation is the key to drinking.

The two then got consent from the dean of students, the dean of their college and began a program where, in one specific corner of a predetermined dining hall, there is a bar that serves beer and wine with dinner on Friday nights.

There is a bouncer at the entrance of the bar with a list of students at Colby College who were 21 years of age, and students have to show their IDs to get in. Students are only allowed two tickets at the door, which they can redeem for a beer or a glass of wine at the bar.

Jacobs said the program started at Colby in November 2004 and is still in place. There have been no instances of students attempting to abuse the program.

Brink said it would be tough to regulate a system like that at Tech because it would be hard to regulate friends passing tickets back and forth.

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Toy companies turn to Web for increased sales

NEW YORK (AP) — As kids keep getting plugged into the Internet, toy makers are following them online.

At the annual American International Toy Fair this week, toy makers showed playthings like Power Rangers helmets which store secret missions found online, plenty of online games and even devices that take kids to secure Web sites where they can play activities without wandering into the darker corners of the Internet.

"Toy companies are looking at where kids are playing and targeting product against it. Younger and younger kids are becoming more comfortable with the Internet," said New York-based toy consultant Chris Byrne.

Children as young as three years old are using the computer, said Julia Fitzgerald, vice president of marketing at VTech Holdings Ltd.

The company showcased the Whiz Kid Learning System, a learning pad that comes with a USB drive to connect to the computer, enabling books and activities to come to life. The system also has an icon button on the computer screen which children can click onto, connecting them to an online site for more games and activities.

VTech launched the popular V.Smile learning system in 2004 and followed with a portable handheld version to capitalize on video games, so it was time to come out with a learning system that would connect to the computer, she said.

"We have become a download nation," said Fitzgerald, noting that children are constantly downloading music to their digital music players.

According to Nielsen/Net Ratings Inc., an Internet research company, the number of online users in the 2-to-11 age group rose 19 percent to 15.1 million in December 2006, from 12.6 million in December 2002.

The latest strategy comes as the nation's toy industry has been under pressure to bring back children bombarded with other entertainment options from iPods, cellphones and online community sites.

Toy companies are looking online to make even traditional stuffed animals look modern. For example,

MGA Entertainment Inc., the maker of Bratz dolls, unveiled Web-Pups under its Rescue Pets brand. The plush dogs come with registration codes that children input onto the site Web-pups.com to access games and activities.

Neil Friedman, president of Mattel's Mattel brands division, said new security technology is helping to fuel interest in these toys. Mattel's Fisher-Price brand is showcasing Easy-Link Internet Launchpad, where parents can plug a character figure like Elmo and be taken directly to the game-section of the character's Web site like sesamestreet.com.

Hasbro Inc.'s Tiger Games division is also marketing Net Jet, a game system that offers preteens 40 online games with titles such as "Super Soaker" and "Mission Paintball." It features a controller that children plug into the computer's USB port and unlock by inserting game keys that instantly launch them into the online game experience of their choice. Gail Carvelli, a spokeswoman at Hasbro, said that one of the big benefits in offering these online games is that Hasbro can enhance and update the games without asking parents to buy new ones.

The games and activities have to be compelling enough for parents to pay for them, or they'll resort to a slew of free online sites available, stressed Stephanie Oppenheim, publisher of Oppenheim Toy Portfolio, an independent guide to toys and other media.

Security will also be a key issue, Oppenheim noted; parents will need to feel safe that children can't get around the game system and venture elsewhere.

WEEKLY REVIEW

Jumbo Joe's equals jumbo-sized portions, 'average Joe' taste

I've often driven by Jumbo Joe's various locations and wondered just what it was like. Finally, on Tuesday night, I decided to find out.

Taking a group of friends, I entered Jumbo Joe's on Avenue Q to find all of one customer in the restaurant. I was surprised when I entered to find a quaint, clean, classic burger-joint atmosphere. I like how Jumbo Joe's looks on the inside — the classic booths and red-and-white-checkered table cloths add a homey touch. There was no talking, no music, no noise. I wondered if Jumbo Joe's was always this quiet.

I approached the front counter to consider my options. The daily special, ordered by one of my companions, consisted of chicken-fried steak, green beans, mashed potatoes and salad, which all looked good.

However, I opted for a classic hamburger and tater tots.

Soon after we settled into a booth, a waitress came forward and set down a small plastic bowl of salad. It didn't look overly appetizing, and I noticed while my friend ate a lot of her chicken-fried steak and mashed potatoes, she left most of the salad in its bowl.

We waited only 10 minutes for the rest of our food, which the staff also brought out to us. I did not notice a significant difference in size between the jumbo burgers and the regular burgers. I suppose that's why the difference in price is only a few cents.

I was ready to enjoy my meal, but while it was hot, I was freezing. I surmised that either the heater was not working well or was not turned high enough because I sat at my booth shivering while I tried to eat.

The tater tots were crispy and good — I suppose no tater tots are particularly special — at least none

Anne M. Shepherd



I have tried. These did nothing extraordinary besides remind me of "Napoleon Dynamite."

The burger was well-cooked and the bun was crisp around the edges. I concluded during the meal that while I won't go through the day craving a Jumbo Joe burger, their burgers would satisfy any craving for a good old regular hamburger.

The notable thing about Jumbo Joe's is the size of the portions. The chicken-fried steak meal was comprised of a colossal amount of food, and all the burgers were big — jumbo or not. Any portion of my plate that was not covered by hamburger was covered by tots, so I certainly have no complaint on the amount of food I received for \$5.84. The meals are no cheaper than Whataburger's or Wendy's, but they certainly offer more food for the price.

After finishing my dinner, I ordered a chocolate shake for \$2.59. It was a thick milkshake and huge in size; yet unfortunately it was not very chocolaty and not worth its price — even with the large serving.

I liked Jumbo Joe's. I had a good time there, I had enough to eat and all of it tasted good. However, there was just nothing special about it. I don't know what else to say except when I left, I asked myself how it was, and all I could come up with was "so-so." No thumbs up, no thumbs down, but just in between. It seems that is the only way to describe it. I suppose Jumbo Joe's picked a good name for itself — it offers a lot to eat, but the food has just an "average Joe" taste.

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Bob-bing for laughter, shooting for the limelight

Saget speaks out about hosting new show, raunchy new film

By JEREMY REYNOLDS
STAFF WRITER

Danny Tanner might sigh and shed a tear when he sees a penguin marching across tundra to find the love of its life, but Bob Saget sees a chance for a joke about doing the "reverse cowgirl."

Saget, through the years, has gone from being one of the raunchiest comedians to take the stage to one of the most beloved fathers on American television. Most recently, he has landed a job as the host of the new game show "1 vs. 100."

"I get a lot of people coming up to me and saying 'you're not as dirty as I thought you'd be,'" he said. "And I'm like, 'what'd you expect?' Who even cares if you're not 'that' guy?"

Saget has a girlfriend, a daughter and an ex-wife, all of whom keep him from being too over-the-top, he said.

"I have my hall monitors around me all the time," he said. "But, my stand-up is a walking disclaimer."

His new show, which he said he laughs at every time he explains it to someone, focuses on one contestant standing alone and answering questions against 100 men and women. If the contestant can outsmart the group of 100 opponents, he or she wins \$1,000,000.

"I'm a lame duck, and it took me a while to understand the rules," he said, "but I get it now."

Saget, while working on the show, is also busy promoting his new DVD "Farce of the Penguins."

The film, a parody of "March

of the Penguins," features a cast of comedy actors like Lewis Black, Jason Alexander, Jason Biggs and Dane Cook voicing the roles of penguins.

"This is an R-rated film," he said. "It has penguins having sex and cussing. It's meant for a college crowd. I wouldn't show this film to my 14-year-old daughter, but sadly she's already seen about half of it."

The movie was released direct-to-video a few weeks ago. Saget said he has been surprised and happy with the sale of the DVD as well as the number of people renting the movie from Blockbuster.

Saget said he thought of the idea of doing a spoof of "March of the Penguins" after watching the film at a friend's house and narrating the

action on screen.

"It's the same thing stoners would do at midnight," he said. "I'm a 9-year-old boy with a toilet sense of humor. One minute I'm saying nasty stuff, but then next moment I'm back in father-mode."

National Geographic Films turned down Saget when he approached producers at the studio with the idea, so he said when he did finally get a studio interested, he had to find stock footage of penguins that didn't come from National Geographic.

"My friends did cameos for me," he said. "Just as a favor so they could be a part of the dirty-penguin movie."

Recently, Saget has worked hard to shed his image of being the father on "Full House." He made a cameo

in the film "The Aristocrats," in which he tells his version of what is considered to be the dirtiest joke of all time. He also made a brief appearance on the television show "Entourage" as a pot-smoking, drug-taking version of himself.

"That's not me at all," he said. "I have no problem doing the big things in front of a millions of people."

By "big things" Saget means hosting "1 vs. 100," "America's Funniest Home Videos" and acting in "Full House."

"I know one of the biggest demographics for ('1 vs. 100') are kids seven (years old) and under," he said. "They see me there, and they know me from 'Full House.' The show still has a life with today's children."

Saget said he tried to keep some of his humor and stand-up jokes in his new show, which is why he thinks "1 vs. 100" is completely different from the other big game show on NBC — "Deal or No Deal."

"We don't have brief cases, and I'm willing to full-frontally touch someone," he said. "My show ... it's like selling vacuum cleaners, 'hey I made this product, do you want to watch it? It'll clean out your house.'"

Saget works on other projects in addition to his work as a television host. He said he acted in a play last year where he played a man who had a nervous breakdown every night.

"I might be interested in doing something serious again," he said, "because my father just died."

Men seeking paternity of Smith's baby may not prosper

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Men are lining up to claim they are the father of Anna Nicole Smith's baby. But they could be mistaken if they think paternity will automatically mean a pot of gold.

Instead, they could be stepping into a monumentally complex, multinational legal fight over the child. Moreover, it is not at all clear whether the little girl is a million-dollar baby, as some seem to think.

For all anyone knows, the voluptuous former centerfold, who died at age 39 last week under mysterious circumstances, may have set up a trust or employed some other means of keeping the father of her baby from getting his hands on her fortune.

Wayne Munroe, an attorney representing Smith's estate in the Bahamas, hinted at just that, suggesting there may be provisions in her will that could undermine any

great expectations among potential fathers.

"They may think that you get a finding and a court order and you get to live on the child's money," said Munroe, who has access to Smith's will. "But they are in for a rude awakening."

"They're going to find out this woman was much smarter than they thought," he said. "They will only have the responsibility for maintaining this child."

The question of how much money the child might stand to inherit remains murky. Smith was involved in a decade-long legal battle over the estate of her late husband, oil tycoon J. Howard Marshall II.

Smith initially won a \$474 million judgment, but it was thrown out on appeal. However, the U.S. Supreme Court said the former Playboy centerfold deserves another day in court. The case is still pending.

Smith also made money from a TV reality show and as a spokeswoman for the diet supplement Trimspa. She borrowed money to buy a \$900,000 mansion in the Bahamas

Whoever is going to claim to be the father had better get a good lawyer in the Bahamas

— ALEXANDRA LEICHTER
Beverly Hills Family Law Attorney

and she was left with large legal debts involving the drug-related death of her son, Daniel.

"It's a very, very confused case," said Beverly Hills family law attorney Alexandra Leichter. "Whoever is going to claim to be the father had better get a good lawyer in the Bahamas."

That's where little Dannielynn, Smith's 5-month-old daughter, is living with Howard K. Stern, who is listed as her father on her birth certificate and is the executor of Smith's will.

Stern, Smith's boyfriend, is among at least three men who are claiming to be the father. The others are photojournalist Larry Birkhead, who has filed a paternity claim in Los Angeles, and Prince Frederic von Anhalt, the husband of Zsa Zsa Gabor. He claims he carried on a decade-long affair with Smith. (A former Smith bodyguard has also said he, too, had an affair with Smith, and may be the baby's father.)

Birkhead is pressing for DNA testing of the baby and Smith's body

to establish who is Dannielynn's father, and the results would almost certainly settle the question. But the matter is tied up in court.

Normally, there is no need for DNA testing on the mother in a paternity case. But tensions and suspicions are running so high that Birkhead asked for genetic material from Smith to guard against a baby switch.

A Bahamian judge has issued an injunction preventing the baby from being taken out of the country until the custody case is resolved. Smith's mother, Vergie Arthur, is also vying to be appointed guardian of the girl.

With two states — California and Florida — and two countries involved in the legal fray, jurisdictional questions could overwhelm the central issue of paternity.

Many men who father children don't want to be found after they are born. But in this case, there are

motives to come forward.

"One is they actually want to raise the child because they love her," said Leichter, who has practiced family law for 34 years and handled her share of celebrity cases. "The other motive is money. You wonder if so many fathers would be coming forward if this was a child born in a tenement on the south side of Chicago."

Munroe sounded weary of the conflicting paternity claims and predicted there will be "a lot of bad behavior" before the matter is resolved.

"Some German chap came into my office today and claimed he is the father," he said.

In the end, however, Bahamian law will apply as long as the baby is living in the territory, he said. Any action in California or Florida courts would have no effect in that nation.

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Earned heart: Dale Jr.'s worth more than he realized

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) - He's NASCAR's most popular driver, with a devoted fan base known as The Red Army. He's mobbed at tracks, stars in commercials with Jay-Z and routinely is invited everywhere from the MTV Music Awards to parties with the Playboy playmates.

Yet for a long time, Dale Earnhardt Jr. didn't seem to realize his worth. "You don't like public opinion or media opinion to sway your decisions, but in this case, I have a real bad habit of being way too modest about my position in this sport," Earnhardt said. "A lot of people, including the media, have sort of helped me understand what I'm actually worth — what the situation really is."

The deal is Earnhardt's contract with Dale Earnhardt Inc. is up at the end of the year. Apparently, he finally received the memo that he holds all the cards.

He opened Speedweeks at Daytona International Speedway by announcing he wants majority stake in DEI, the company formed by his late father and now run by his stepmother, Teresa.

"I think in any set of business negotiations, you've got to ask for it (all)," said Max Siegel, new president of global operations at DEI.

"When people don't want the most and the best for themselves, and they're not pushing me to be the best I can possibly be, you've

got to wonder why you're in business with them."

But it took the past six weeks for Earnhardt to recognize he had the power to ask for the moon.

Last December, he was offended when Teresa Earnhardt seemingly questioned his commitment in an interview with The Wall Street Journal. He went public with his frustration during pre-season testing here, opening his heart and describing an icy relationship with his stepmother that "ain't no bed of roses."

Sympathy and support for Junior came pouring in from fans and even rival drivers Jeff Gordon and Kevin Harvick, who referred to Teresa as "a deadbeat owner."

Now, Junior finally has made it clear he wants to stay at DEI, provided he gets what he wants. If he doesn't, he just might walk and take sponsor Budweiser with him.

The beer company has closely tied itself to Earnhardt as a pitcher, and its DEI deal also is up at the end of this season.

It adds up to what promises to be the most closely watched contract negotiations in NASCAR history. It's also a major

distraction that could derail his entire season.

Some predict this is the year he'll finally win his first Nextel

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— DALE EARNHARDT JR.
NASCAR Driver

Cup championship. For that to happen, Junior will have to make sure the contract issue isn't carried into the race track every

weekend and that his personal situation doesn't derail the entire DEI organization, which includes Martin Truex Jr. and rookie Paul Menard.

Truex said he doesn't believe it will be an issue.

"Everybody knows what their job is," he said. "We go to the race track or to the shop every day. And none of that changes as far as what everybody is doing and what they're working on and what they're trying to accomplish. I don't think it distracts anybody."

DEI will do its part to prevent it from happening, Siegel said. Even though Teresa Earnhardt has removed herself from negotiations, the team president said her top priority is getting a deal completed and winning a championship.

Junior's been on an upswing since a disastrous 2005 season that saw him miss the Chase for the championship and finish a career-worst 19th in the standings. It all went awry when the

higher-ups at DEI mistakenly decided it would be a good idea to swap Earnhardt's crew with teammate Michael Waltrip's.

It put Junior in a huge hole early in the season, and he had his old crew back for the final 10 races of the year. Recovering was hard. The No. 8 team made terrific inroads last season — he finished fifth in the points but was mathematically eligible to win the title down the stretch.

Although the late Earnhardt won seven championships, none of them were with DEI, whose only titles were the four Busch crowns won by Earnhardt Jr. and Truex.

It's reasonable to believe Junior's team will be even better this year.

"Teresa wants to win a championship as bad as anybody in this sport," Siegel said. "She's focused, and she's putting things in place, focusing all the resources so we can support ... motorsports and all the drivers to do that very thing."

Waltrip used form of jet fuel

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) - Michael Waltrip's team was accused of trying to boost horsepower with an illegal substance — possibly a form of jet fuel, a person with knowledge of the NASCAR investigation told The Associated Press on Wednesday.

The substance was found inside the intake manifold of Waltrip's new Toyota Camry before qualifying for the Daytona 500 on Sunday. NASCAR seized the part and shipped it back to North Carolina for analysis, and spent all day Wednesday pulling parts and pieces from under the hood.

NASCAR is continuing the investigation, and penalties were forthcoming.

The manifold is a part of the engine that supplies the fuel/air mix to the engine cylinders. Waltrip's team coated the inside of it with an illegal substance that is believed to be a gelatin form of jet fuel, according to the same official, who requested anonymity because NASCAR had not finished its investigation.

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Lady Raiders edge No. 19 Nebraska

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Patrice Edwards hit two free throws with 24 seconds left then blocked a potential game-winning shot to push Texas Tech to a 70-69 win over No. 19 Nebraska on Wednesday night.

Texas Tech (15-11, 6-6 Big 12) survived three scoring chances for Nebraska (21-5, 9-3) in the final 8 seconds.

Nebraska's Kelsey Griffin missed a pair of free throws with eight seconds left. But teammate Yvonne Turner grabbed the rebound, going up for a short jumper that Edwards blocked out of bounds.

Griffin got the inbounds pass, drove the lane and tried to force a pass to Jelena Spiric that the Lady Raiders knocked out of bounds. Kiera Hardy missed a long 3-point shot at the buzzer that hit the rim and bounced off.

Texas Tech, which led by six at half, built an eight-point margin on Edwards' inside shot that made the score 49-41 with 12:41 remaining. Most of the Lady Raid-



TEXAS TECH FORWARD Alesha Robertson dives on the floor after a loose ball during a game against Kansas State Sunday at the United Spirit Arena.

ers' advantage at that point came from hitting 7 of 9 3-point shots.

Nebraska came storming back, putting together a 16-5 run, taking the lead on Turner's 3-pointer with 9:13 remaining and going up 57-54 after Turner stole the ball and hit a layup 14 seconds later.

The Lady Raiders retook the lead with four straight free throws. The game seasawed in the final eight minutes with Texas Tech leading by as many as three.

Nebraska went up 69-68 on

Hardy's driving layup with 1:20 left.

LaVonda Henderson led Texas Tech with 17 points, hitting 8 of 10 shots. Edwards had 16 points. Raquel Christian had 12 for the Lady Raiders, Brooke Baughman added 11 and Alesha Robertson finished with 10.

Hardy had 16 points to lead Nebraska. Danielle Page had 14 points for the Huskers, Chelsea Aubry had 12 and Griffin ended with 10 points.

Tech's Martinez one of top players in Big 12

By ADAM COLEMAN
STAFF WRITER

Starting at the No. 6 spot as a freshman, senior Texas Tech men's tennis player Dimitrio Martinez has used his leadership skills to earn his current No. 2 position.

Martinez, a senior from Saltillo, Mexico, has been a part of the men's tennis program that has seen success in recent years with 12- and 13-win seasons and an appearance in the NCAA Division I men's tennis tournament.

Martinez said he has seen himself become a better player each year he has been a Red Raider.

"I look back to my freshman and sophomore years, and my game has matured," Martinez said. "The hard work, tough schedule and competition of the Big 12 has helped me."

In his freshman campaign, Martinez posted an 18-14 record in singles competition and a 3-3 record in doubles, but Martinez was not affected by a sophomore slump, finishing the 2005 spring season with a 14-0 singles record and a 3-0 doubles record.

Tech coach Tim Siegel said Martinez has one of the best work ethics he has seen at Tech.

"He's a great guy, he's a great person, he's very unselfish and he's very team-oriented," Siegel said. "On top of that, he is as hard as a worker that I've ever had in 15 years at Texas Tech."

Martinez's path to a collegiate tennis career may be different from that of other athletes. Before his time at Tech, Martinez played amateur tennis, winning the Mexican National Tournament to qualify for the 2005 World University Games in Istanbul, Turkey.

Martinez is from a sports-or-

ented family, as his father was a National Fútbol Champion in 1971 at the Universidad Tecnológico de Monterrey. His father was also on the 1984 Mexican karate team, which competed in the world championships. Furthermore, Martinez's older brother played tennis at the University of Springfield, where he was named team MVP his senior season.

Martinez said Tech was the place to be when it came to choosing where to play tennis at the college level.

"Basically, the coaching staff from Tech helped me come here," Martinez said. "Coach Siegel is one of the most respected coaches without question."

Martinez's improvement did not stop after his sophomore season as a Red Raider. He continued his run of success in his junior year by winning the National Qualifying Tournament in Mexico City, advancing to the World University Games in Izmir, Turkey.

In 2006, Martinez finished with an overall record of 13-6 and 3-3 in Big 12 conference play and was named to the 2006 Academic All-Big 12 first-team and All-Big 12 tennis singles



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DIMITRIO MARTINEZ, A senior tennis player from Saltillo, Mexico, qualified for the World University Games by winning the Mexico City National Qualifying Tournament last year.

first-team. He was also named Big 12 Player of the Week in March 2006.

Siegel said the future still has many possibilities for Martinez.

"No matter what he does, he will be a success," Siegel said. "He is one of those guys that will be very hard to replace because of all the things he brings to the team."

Martinez said when he is done at Tech, tennis will definitely remain in his future.

"I still have one more semester before I graduate," Martinez said, "but tennis is my life."

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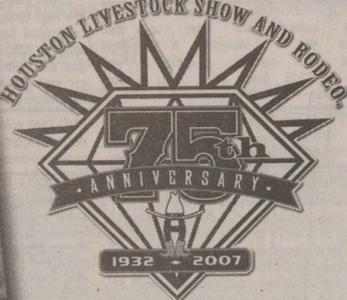
Thursday, March 15, 10:15 p.m.
GARY KYLE

Friday, March 16, 10:15 p.m.
BONNIE BISHOP

Saturday, March 17, 7:15 p.m.
JOHNNY BUSH

Sunday, March 18, 7:15 p.m.
GARY P. NUNN

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