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STATE

Jury acquits defendant in 2003 drug slayings

EDINBURG (AP) — A Hidalgo County jury on Thursday acquitted a man accused in the gangland slaying of six men in January 2003.

Roberto Rodriguez Cantu was one of 13 indicted in the massacre, which police say was carried out by the Tri-City Bombers gang.

So far three men have been sentenced to death, two have pleaded guilty, and one is on death row for a separate slaying. Three others have had charges against them dropped, one still awaits trial and another two remain on

Cantu was accused of being a plotter behind the massacre and driving gang members to the scene of the crime.

NATION

Fire in Bronx kills 9, injures many

NEW YORK (AP) - Screams poured from the burning building along with smoke and flames: "Help me! Help me! Please! Please!" Bystanders looked up to see a woman toss two children out the window one at a time to those below.

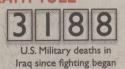
The scene unfolded early Thursday during New York's deadliest fire in nearly two decades - a blaze that killed eight children and one adult, part of an extended family led by African immigrants who shared a row house near Yankee Stadium.

WORLD

Gls, Iraqis capture suspected insurgents

BAGHDAD (AP) - U.S. and Iraqi troops captured eight suspected insurgents Thursday in raids north of Baghdad as part of a campaign to prevent insurgents from regrouping outside the city during the ongoing security crackdown. The operation took place in Duluiyah and the Jabouri peninsula — a bend in the Tigris River about 55 miles north of Baghdad — part of the Sunni areas around Baghdad where insurgents have fled since the crackdown in the capital began last month.

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Democrats: 2008 troop withdrawal

By DAVID ESPO ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) -Bush's war policy that drew a blunt troops out of Iraq.' veto threat in return.

spokesman Dan Bartlett.

House Democratic leaders vowed Democrats took control of the House constitution to amendments. Thursday to pass legislation setting and Senate, Speaker Nancy Pelosi

Officials said the deadline would

security operations, distributing oil Little more than two months after revenue and opening his nation's

Pelosi said Democrats would add a deadline of Sept. 1, 2008, for the of California said the bill would set their war-related provisions to the withdrawal of U.S. combat troops "dates certain for the first time in the administration's request for nearly date of March 31, 2008, for the from Iraq, a challenge to President Congress for the redeployment of our \$100 billion to pay for the fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The plan is to bring the bill to a "It would unnecessarily hand- be accelerated — possibly to the end vote by the end of the month, making only to protect U.S. personnel, train cuff our generals on the ground, of 2007 — if the government of Iraqi it the first major test of the Demo- and equip Iraqi forces and carry out

and it's safe to say it's a non-starter Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki failed crats' power since they rode a wave of counterterrorism operations. "We for the president," said White House to meet commitments for taking over anti-war voter sentiment to midterm election victories last fall.

> Across the Capitol, Senate Democrats readied a less sweeping challenge to the commander in chief.

withdrawal of combat troops — but no deadline. The measure says U.S. forces could stay beyond that date

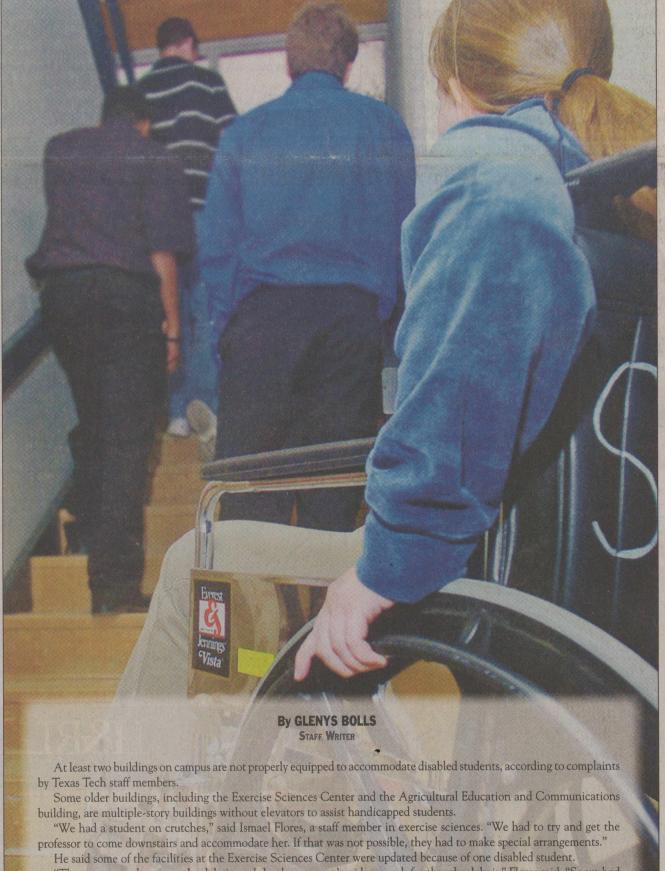
can't stay in Iraq forever," said Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., the majority

Reid has considerably less leeway than Pelosi, since Senate rules give Their version would set a target Republicans greater power than their counterparts have in the House.

> Presidential politics also figure in his calculations. Illinois Sen. Barack Obama, a candidate for the White

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Lack of elevators affects disabled students



"There was a student in a wheelchair, and the doors weren't wide enough for the wheelchair," Flores said. "So we had a few things changed, like we put in showers for disabled people. I wish we had the funding to put in an elevator, but we

Mary Lou Flom, an administrative business assistant in the Agricultural Education and Communications building, said her department experienced a similar situation several years ago with a student who was permanently paralyzed from

"We tried to get an elevator put in then, but we were told it was too expensive," she said. "He was here for three years, and all we could do was provide his needs downstairs."

Because the Agricultural Education and Communications building has a computer lab on the second floor, the department had to move a computer workstation downstairs for the student. Flom said students who are temporarily disabled are not as fortunate.

"People on crutches have to hobble up the stairs," she said.

Other buildings on campus do not have elevator access through their own buildings. Instead, students must enter through

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PHOTO ILLUSTRATION BY COLEMAN MOREFIELD

Bush travels to improve relations in Latin America

By TOM RAUM ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAO PAULO, Brazil (AP) — President Bush sought to reverse an impression of U.S. neglect as he opened a weeklong tour of Latin America on Thursday. Street protests awaited him.

Bush's trip was intended to promote democracy, increased trade and cooperation on alternative fuels. The president and his advisers also hoped his visit would offset the growing influence of leftist leaders, such as Venezuela's Hugo Chavez.

As he flew here on Air Force One, Bush's national security adviser brushed aside Chavez's provocations. "The president is going to do what he's been doing for a long time: talk about a positive agenda," said Stephen Hadley.

Police clashed with students, environmentalists and left-leaning Brazilians, some waving communist flags, ahead of Bush's visit. Riot police fired tear gas after more than 6,000 people held a largely peaceful march through the financial district. And in the southern city of Porto Alegre, more than 500 people yelled "Get Out, Imperialist!" as they burned an effigy of Bush outside a Citigroup Inc. bank branch.

Meanwhile, the police commander of Colombia, which Bush will visit on Sunday, said authorities had thwarted leftist rebel plans to disrupt Bush's visit to Bogota. "We have taken measures to neutralize them," said Gen. Jorge Daniel Castro, Colombia's highest-ranking police officer.

Bush played down the protests in interviews ahead of his trip with Latin American news organizations.

"I am proud to be going to a part of the world where people can demonstrate, where people can express their minds," he said in an interview with Univision. And he told CNN En Espanol: "The trip is to remind people that we care."

Chavez, aligned with Cuba's Fidel Castro and a fierce critic of Bush, is marking Bush's trip with a rival tour of the region.

On Saturday, the Venezuelan leader will speak at an "anti-imperialist" rally in a soccer stadium in Buenos Aires, Argentina, about 40 miles across the Plate River from Montevideo, where Bush will be holding talks with Uruguay's president, Tabare Vazquez.

Hadley, Bush's national security adviser, told reporters that instead of worrying about Chavez, Bush was "going to be focusing on those countries and those leaders that have the right model and the right ideas for a better Latin America."

In addition to Brazil, Uruguay and Colombia, Bush is also visiting Guatemala and Mexico.

Bush did not plan visits to any countries that have moved into Chavez's sphere of influence, including Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador and Nicaragua. Bush and Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula

de Silva are expected to announce an "ethanol alliance" on Saturday aimed at creating quality standards for the alternative fuel while joining forces to promote more ethanol use in nations lying between Brazil and the United States. Silva, in turn, has said he will press the U.S.

Congress to repeal or scale back the 54-cent per gallon U.S. tariff on sugar-based Brazilian ethanol. Bush and Silva also were expected to talk about efforts to salvage the World Trade Organization talks — the so-called Doha round

— that collapsed in discord last summer over farm subsidies and other disputes. But he probably can't look to Bush for much

help on that score. Gordon Johndroe, a White House spokesman, said tariff matters are "up to

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TechExpress fast-laned to Raider Card

STAFF WRITER

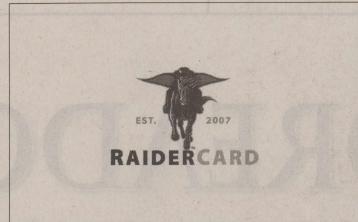
Soon Texas Tech will have to say goodbye to TechExpress and hello to Raider Card.

The University ID office launched a competition in October in which students were encouraged to send in ideas to rename the ID card, which currently acts a prepaid debit card. Students were not allowed to use the words "cash" or "bucks" in their proposed names.

Robin Capt and Adam Beierman are credited with creating the new name.

Delores Harper, manager of nating on her homework. University ID office, said the name change was needed because Tech- and just wrote down some ideas," Express no longer will be accepted Capt said. "I was really just trying off campus with the exception of to avoid writing my paper. Some new card were Raider Debit, Varsity and Double T bookstores. were serious and some were funny. I Matador Money, Guns Up Exdebit function of TechExpress, we couldn't use it. One of my ideas ceived for winning the contest expires June 1.

Capt, a graduate student from Lubbock studying higher education, said she decided to enter the contest one night while procrasti-



COURTESY IMAGE/Tech I.D. Office

"I sat down for about an hour The university's contract with wrote some that were kind of mak-press and Double T Debit. Wells Fargo, who facilitates the ing fun of the word 'money' since was 'Raider Rubles,' but it turns out included a Tech backpack and they went with a more simplistic an iPod Shuffle. name, and I think it is appropriate

> for Texas Tech." Harper said Capt and Beierman

were chosen out of a pool of 80 applicants, many of whom had multiple entries. Among the other names submitted for the

Capt said the prizes she re-

Beierman could not be reached for comment.

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Grant program to bring more art to Hub City

By NAOMI KASKELA STAFF WRITER

A new Festival, Arts and Enindividuals in Lubbock because of the opportunities it provides.

An announcement was made concerning the program.

Freddy Chavez, staff liaison to support. Civic Lubbock, Inc., said the funds available for the grant depend on proceeds of the Lubbock Music

\$80,000.

Joe Arredondo, director of Landspeak for Texas Tech overall, he is excited about the new program and the lack of "strings attached" to it.

"I think it's a marvelous thing get funding through the hotel/motel yet. tax money," he said.

grant money for, but he is looking community.

tertainment Grant Program has about," he said. "It's not like Tech been met with excitement by some funds everything we do, we have to go out and get grants and get additional support.'

Arredondo said he brings in exby Civic Lubbock, Inc. on Monday hibitions for Landmark Arts and is Civic Lubbock Inc. concerning responsible for finding the financial

> "I'm looking forward to applying and seeing which project could be funded," he said.

The stipulations for individuals This year, Chavez said the grant to be eligible for the grant program money available is a little more than include the project being be a nonprofit organization within the Lubbock city limits, Chavez said. The mark Arts, said while he does not City of Lubbock continues to grow in terms of grant money available information. for programs involved in the arts.

heard so far are positive, but approgram is April 1, Chavez said. because many of us lost the ability to plications have not been received Individuals interested can get ap-

Arredondo said the new grant Inc. at 775-2242.

which programs he will apply to get and will also draw people to the

"Here at Tech we get a lot of 'This is one that I'm excited traffic because people come from all over the country," he said.

However, he said not as much support comes from the community, which he hopes to change.

According to information from the grant program, it is "not to be confused with the Local Grant/Special Event Funding grants offered by Civic Lubbock Inc., which is funded through Civic Lubbock's profits from the concessions and Select-a-Seat operations or the Cultural Arts Grant Program which is funded through Hotel Occupancy Tax and administered by Civic Lubbock Inc.," according to the

The deadline for submitting Reactions Chavez said he has an application for the new grant plications by calling Civic Lubbock

Currently, he said he is not sure program should support local art > naomi.kaskela@ttu.edu

Protesters aim to fight war funding

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some their home communities.

Rep. Rahm Emanuel's office in Chicago was targeted on Thursday.

headed off before getting into House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's office in San Sometimes, they remain for hours the group down to a conference

In Washington, peace activists dressed in pink showed up recently at the Senate offices of presidential hopefuls John McCain and Hillary Rodham Clinton.

The protesters haven't abandoned the larger, more familiar gatherings at college campuses, major cities and monuments in Washington. But in recent weeks, they have been turning Emanuel's office on Thursday perup at congressional offices, vowing to formed skits about the consequences alternative, we want to put some stay until they get pledges that lawmak- of war, read names of U.S. troops pressure on them to do the right ers will vote against more war funding killed in Iraq and told stories about thing," said Gael Murphy, co-

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"We really see it as an extension They were welcomed by a staffer opponents of the Iraq war are taking of lobbying," Jeff Leys, co-coordiinto the lobby of the congresstheir protests straight to Congress nator of Chicago-based Voices for man's office. - staging "occupations" in lawmak- Creative Nonviolence, said of the ers' offices on Capitol Hill and in office occupations. "The aim is to testers don't even get through the keep going back time and time and front door. time again.'

A day earlier protesters were from a handful to a few dozen. office on Wednesday. Before they Sometimes, they stay for minutes. could enter, a Pelosi staffer ushered before police move in.

Organizers count more than 140 arrests so far. Most involve charges of trespassing or disorderly conduct.

During the occupations, the protesters sit, stand, sing, chant, their sights on Republicans, like pray, ring bells, and read letters from McCain. But they're also lining American troops sent home to their up against Democrats, like Pelosi,

The eight demonstrators at the very beginning. — or until they are forcibly removed. Iraqi children hurt in the fighting.

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npany expense

Sometimes, though, the pro-

About 20 demonstrators gath-The protesters number anywhere ered outside Pelosi's San Francisco room seven floors below, where many voiced frustration that Pelosi was not being aggressive enough in seeking an end to the war.

The anti-war groups are setting who were opposed to the war from

"Those who know there is an founder of Codepink, an anti-war group with a name that serves as a poke at the Bush administration's color-coded terror alert system. Pink, the group says, represents

Occupations have been held at the offices of Sens. Richard Durbin of Illinois and Barbara Mikulski of Maryland, and Reps. Marcy Kaptur of Ohio and David Obey of Wisconsin. All four Democrats voted against the 2002 measure authorizing the war.

Earlier this week, Obey was confronted outside his Capitol office by war opponents, prompting a heated exchange in which Obey shouted at one women who wanted him to vote against money for the war.

WORLD EVENTS IN BRIEF

N.Y. mosque leaders sentenced to 15 years

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Two sentenced Thursday to 15 years in I'm guilty. federal prison. The former imam,

"I never had any intention to leaders of an Albany mosque who harm anyone in this country," me who was chosen. I was not were snared in an FBI sting involv- said Aref, a 36-year-old Kurdish a criminal," he said. "I was not ing a fictional terror strike were refugee. "And I don't know why even thinking of committing a

Pizzeria owner Mohammed Hos-Yassin Aref, professed innocence sain, a founder of the Masjid As- October for their roles in a money before his sentencing and criti- Salam mosque, said in a voice choked laundering scheme involving an cized the government's treatment with emotion that he knew nothing FBI informant who posed as an about bombs and terrorism.

"I do not know why it was crime.'

The two were convicted in illegal arms dealer.

AP Enterprise: Military rescue could kill U.S. hostages

The Bush administration ap- similar hostage situations. pears increasingly focused on Additionally, the Justice Dedrug-trafficking leftist rebels in by the United States. Colombia.

negotiations or take other dip- Gonsalves, Tom Howes and Sunday.

undertaking a risky military partment refuses to consider Colombia, or FARC. rescue of three Americans held exchanging the Americans for

WASHINGTON (AP) - lomatic steps of the kind used in Keith Stansell, who were captured in February 2003 by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of

"I'm deeply concerned about hostage more than four years by two Colombian guerrillas held their fate," President Bush said in an interview with RCN TV The Bush administration of Colombia on Wednesday, be-Current and former U.S. of- denies neglecting to pursue all fore he left on a five-nation trip ficials say the U.S. government avenues to safely free the three to Latin America. Bush visits has failed to engage in routine men — contract workers Marc Bogota, Colombia's capital, on

Thai veterinarians announce first elephant birth in Asia using artificial insemination

Thursday that an artificially species. inseminated elephant has given

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) first in Asia that could be a crucial ephant Hospital at the Thai Ele-- Thai veterinarians announced step in conserving the endangered

The baby Asian elephant was birth to a bouncing baby boy - a born late Wednesday at the El-

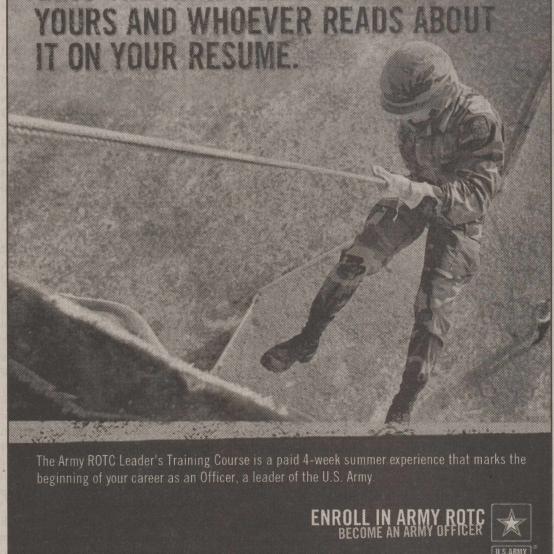
phant Conservation Centre in the northern Thai town of Lampang, said Sitthidej Mahasawangkul, head of the hospital. The 220pound male calf was healthy and could walk immediately, he said.

The mother was also doing well, Sitthidej said.

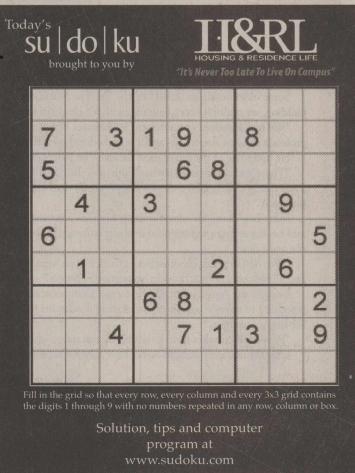
"This is the first time that artificial insemination is successfully carried out in Thailand and in Asia," he said.

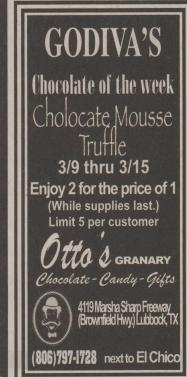
"We hope that this will help increase the elephant population in Thailand which have been declining for the past several decades."

An Asian elephant impregnated through a similar method by German veterinarians gave birth in Israel in December to what was the 11th Asian elephant to be born using this method, according to Israeli news reports at



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Child development center sponsor child fun run

By RICHARD CAMPANARO STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech Child Develop-Human Sciences Week Thursday 174 days of attendance.

is to go in a scholarship fund for to engage in a variety of age-apunderprivileged children.

named in honor of Cathy Nathan, acts as a lab school for students in who is retiring in August.

CDRC, said the scholarship is set up professionals. to supplement the tuition of children center's child care program.

is \$593," Nathan said. "We have school."

site, http://www.hs.ttu.edu/cdrc/, the will be able to now." center, which was founded in 1931, the children of faculty, staff members, while serving a good cause.

students and local residents. There is a \$50 non-refundable application fee, a \$60 non-refundable registration fee and a \$30 annual activity fee for ment Research Center sponsored a children more than two years old, in fun run/walk fundraiser as a part of addition to tuition, which is based on

Nathan said the center has a The money raised by the event high-scope curriculum for children propriate activities, such as music Margie Collins, office manager programs, small-group science activifor the CDRC, said the benefit was ties and math concepts. The center the College of Human Sciences to Cathy Nathan, director of the observe and participate with CDRC

Jennifer Horton, office assistant whose families cannot afford the with the CDRC, said her daughter is enrolled in the program and par-"Full-time tuition per month ticipated in the fun run/walk.

"I wouldn't want her to be anychildren from 6 weeks (old) to 6 where else," Horton said. "I think years (old), until they go to public (the scholarship) will benefit the kids because people who otherwise According to the CDRC Web wouldn't get to come to the center

She said she believes the fun run provides a developmental program for is a good way for the kids to have fun



KELLY MATHERLY/The Daily Toreador

CHILDREN AND VOLUNTEERS from the Child Development Center walk around campus Thursday afternoon for Human Sciences and FIT Tech Walk/Run. The money raised for the walk will go to the Cathy Nathan Endowment Scholarship Fund.

Josh Merkel, a freshman energy pated in the event. commerce major from Katy, said he group of 4-year-olds and 5-year-olds the kids will have fun."

"I love the Masked Riders, and the works with the Masked Riders, a kids are great," Merkel said. "I think

enrolled at the CDRC who partici- > richard.campanaro@ttu.edu

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"To get into the Ag build- something about it."

ing, you have to go into the ond floor. You'd be stuck on were available for comment. either the third or first."

Range, Wildlife and Fisheries buildings that need them. Mangement building.

rector of Student Disability of them." Services, said his office deals # glenys.bolls@ttu.edu

primarily with procedures that assist disabled students inside the classroom.

"I'm not aware of any proba second building and cross lems," he said. "A lot of students a breezeway to get to their in wheelchairs don't register destinations. This is the case with our office because they for the Plant Sciences and don't need classroom assistance. Agricultural Sciences build- If I got a complaint about elevator access, I would certainly do

Phillippe said he would refer Food Tech building, go up the such a student to Kay Dowdy, elevator and cross over the the director of academic support breezeway," Flom said, "but facilities resources, or Elizathe breezeway connects to the beth Burns, who specializes in third floor of the Ag building, Americans with Disabilities Act so you couldn't get to the sec- compliance, neither of whom

Flores said he feels like his Similarly, the Plant Sci- hands are tied because the curences building is elevator-ac- rent lack of funding does not cessible through the Goddard allow elevators to be put in the

"We're in a no-win situa-If one needs an eleva- tion," he said. "There's just no tor," said Jean Kavanagh, an way to accommodate disabled associate professor of land- people. If they have class up scape architecture, "one goes here, the institution must do over to Goddard and crosses things for them. The students are our main concern, and we Larry Phillippe, the di- try to make sure we take care.

Samrurai guidance to help student organization to work for student's ideals

By MAGGIE KIELY STAFF WRITER

Government Association elections, several Texas Tech students have dedicated toward serving the students for the greater good of the university.

Damian Bayona, one of the founders of the Upper House organization, elections.

"We came across a lot of people who are really in-tuned and passionate about of them. the university," Bayona said, "and we wanted to give them an outlet."

Sekiguchi Komei for advice in forming conflict." the organization.

Komei is a samurai from Japan was in town and wanted to meet him

who practices and teaches Japanese swordsmanship around the world. He is the 21st direct inheritor of the After campaigning in the Student style of Yamauchi family draw cutting

"He is just one of many people that decided to form a student organization we look for guidance from," Philip said, "we need an individual like Sekguchi who is just so at peace and so confidant in what he does."

Walt Bushy, owner of a Japanese said the idea to start the group came martial arts center in town, said only to him and Philip Pride while the the instructors who Komei licenses are two were campaigning for the SGA allowed to teach his style of the swordsmanship. There are five representatives in the United States; Bushy being one

"(Komei) is a national living treasure," Bushy said. "He travels the world Philip Pride, who also founded teaching in order to bring harmony the group, said they wanted to look to and peace. His goal in life is to stop the organization is still starting from

Pride said he heard the samurai

for guidance.

martial arts," Komei said through a translator. "Throughout my activities I like to preach what peace is, because throughout martial arts we can share tions felt by the SGA. pain, bliss and effort. I believe that throughout these activities, love, reverence and friendship will emerge."

Komei said through a translator, if they become an obstacle. in order for people to be able to comtalents and skills with each other. He said he believes one of the main problems with the current situation of the world is materialism.

"People have to start from zero," Komei said through a translator.

Pride said he believes the meeting with Komei was great timing because zero and they can more readily take his input and put it into action.

number of the students who share the he believes every student at Tech has Some of the issues he said students had concerns with were the leisure pool and how alienated many student organiza-

will be working together with the SGA, he will not be afraid to confront them

Todd Markello, the third founder municate better, they must share their of the Upper House organization, said one of the goals of the group is to get people excited about coming to Tech for academics, not because it is a party

> "We are going to do that by asking questions, debating and discoursing," Markello said.

Pride said members of the organization will be recruited by going around to different students, organizations and faculty members and talking with them Bayona said he was shocked by the about ideas to improve Tech. He said

"My world peace boils down to same concerns and beliefs as he did. - an idea of how the university could be better and one of the purposes of the organization is to collect these ideas and act on them. "Basically we are going to break

Pride said while he hopes the group down the barriers of the five pillars of the university —students, staff, faculty, administration, alumni - and make them more of a cohesive unit so we can kind of disseminate needs and wants better," Pride said.

If a student comes to him with a concern or issue, he said the group will try and create a solution to help

"We can do small things, but if something large is presented to us, we are not intimidated," Pride said. "We will take on any and all things that health of the university, no matter how little, how small, large, whatever."

Pride said his meeting with Komei



WALTER ROSADO/The Daily Toreado SEKIGUCHI KOMEI IS a samurai from Japan who practices and teaches Japanese swordsmanship around the

humbled him and made him realize what the group is really for.

"By making Tech better," he said, "it produces students that are more inare beneficial to the overall academic tuned with the world around them and more capable of making change.

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I Hate Religion

hile saying religion is the worst thing that has ever happened on earth most likely is punishable by death in West Texas, I believe it is certainly the truth. Jesse Morrell of Open Air Outreach ministries may not be the best example of religious fanaticism, but he certainly religion.

death are completely justifiable through various religions. When we look back through history, more blood has been shed in the name of religion (not necessarily God) than any other cause.

The Crusades and even the war in Iraq have been fought with religious undertones. President George W. Bush famously told reporters he was "driven with a mission from God," and God told him to "fight those terrorists in Afghanistan" and "end the tyranny in Iraq."

If God actually exists, I'm sure he provide medicine to the sick? would take issue with an unjust war being blamed on Him. But God isn't necessarily the biggest issue in my "war on religion"; it's the way people interpret good Samaritan. the intent of religious texts.

oppressed by Christianity. Up until that and should not contain hatred or the 21st century, the Bible was used to discrimination. justify everything from lynching African hate under the guise of "God's word."

More recently, though, homosexuals have borne the brunt of religious hatred.

With people like Pat Robertson, good things to happen. Jerry Falwell, Paul Volle and most repugnantly, Fred Phelps of "God Hates Fags" fame, blaming everything and spirituality. What I do take issue from Hurricane Katrina and 9/11 to with, though, is dogma. Doctrines of the downfall of the United States on hate and separation are unacceptable. homosexuals and calling homosexuality a "disease" and "mental illness" only is there is a distinct possibility God exfueling the hate fires.

extremely homophobic, and we actually had to enact hate crime legislation. It seems like it would be a no-brainer or even atheist. punishments should be stronger in cases in which someone is killed for no reason ists, put your hatred and ignorance aside. other than his or her sexual orientation, God never told you to hate anyone; it's race or religious affiliation.

In 2001, the American Religious stand and accept. Identification Survey found 76.5 percent of Americans considered themselves "Christian."

Is it coincidental a majority of Christians in a nation equals profound bigotry Christianity explicitly opens the door most important people on the planet. for hate against homosexuals.

While religion may justify oppression and hate, I am not closed-minded enough to believe every follower of any given religion is full of hate. I would even venture to say the number of "good" Christians far outweighs the bad. The problem is, though, the good Christians don't get the good press.



In a lot of cases, we don't hear about exemplifies everything wrong with the good things Christians are doing because the Christians who are hating Hate, discrimination and even people in the name of God "outshine" (sadly enough) their actions.

> But, not everything about religion is bad. When organizations use their congregations to feed the poor and provide care to the sick, then "God's" purpose has been fulfilled. I think religion provides space for a lot of good work to be done, but the good certainly is overshadowed by the bad.

> Even with the good Christians do, is religion really necessary? Should God have to tell us to feed the hungry and

No. We should feed the hungry because they're hungry. I think that's the only justification necessary for being a

Morals certainly can exist outside In the United States, African Amerof religion, and I firmly believe they icans and homosexuals have been should. Moral codes should be simply

With Christianity, though, morals Americans to denying them the right to seem pretty contradictory. You should vote. The Ku Klux Klan and other white turn the other cheek, but take an eye supremacy groups often preach their for an eye? Love your neighbor - unless

It doesn't make any sense to me. Religion has certainly done good things for society, but it's not at all necessary for

I definitely don't have anything against personal relationships with God

As an agnostic, I certainly do feel ists, but no God I ever could believe It is no secret the United States is in or worship would hate anyone, least of all someone who was born homosexual, black, Muslim, Buddhist

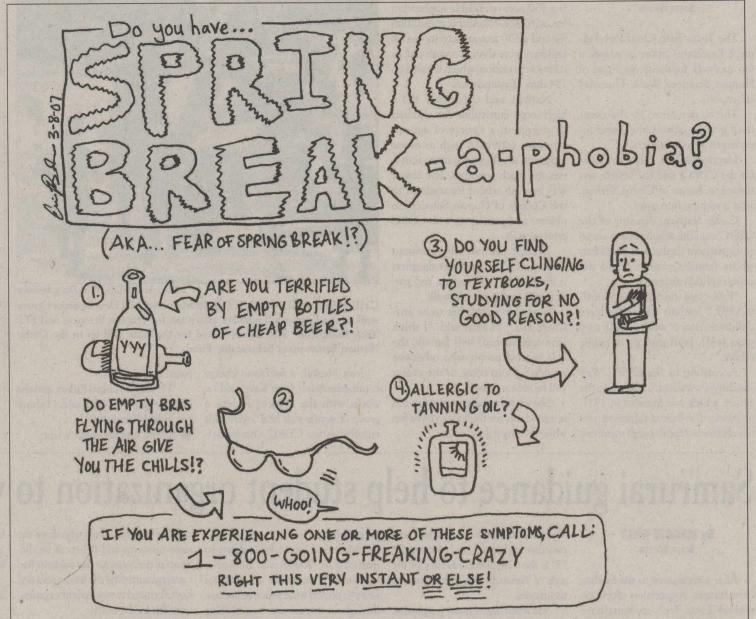
> So, to all you religious fundamentaljust easier for you to hate than under-

To all you Christians who are actually doing the work of God, thank you. Mother Teresa, Feed the Children and other organizations who have taken the Bible to heart rather than taking it up against homosexuals? Absolutely not. as a sword to inflict hate are among the

> It is them, not Jerry Falwell, Pat Robertson or Fred Phelps, who will

inherit the earth. Pending God exists, of course.

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pen-air teaches tolerance, sort of

arch 2, Open Air Outreach ministry visited our campus. A week later, many people on campus are still talking about it. While I certainly don't agree with the ministry's messages to our student body, I have to admit they did do one good thing: They taught our campus a lesson about what it really means to phlets and willing to talk to anyone who be socially, culturally and religiously will listen and many who won't. tolerant.

done definitely has shown how some they don't even know us.

But before I get into that, I think it's important to discuss the history of open-air preaching. Open-air preachmessage.

— and certainly on a public university's campus. It is traditionally the most widely used form of preaching.

Many of us associate open-air corners of big cities, passing out pam-

For some of you, this might equate Not that I find the ministry's evanto nothing more than a mild nuisance, gelists to be any of those things. But, something to ignore until you are out the discussions held on campus about of earshot. Others find these preachers insulting and disrespectful ways. They

other people's views - and how many modern, big-city intersections, people spread what are now the major religions

ing basically means preaching in a preacher as well. He traveled through public place - a place where anyone many places, sharing a message he called can walk by and hear a preacher's the word of God. Some liked what he had to say, and many didn't. Still, history was This could mean in a public park changed because of his words and the intolerance of those around him.

But today, it seems many students have forgotten what tolerance really means. Usually when we discuss this preaching with evangelists on street topic, we're talking about racism or sexism in the terms that have been

equality between men and women in all aspects of society. We don't usually talk harming students with its message. about tolerating those we think might

ministry said a lot of things many of us would consider to be hateful or intolerant. They talked about homosexuality in ways that could be considered offensive to anyone, not just homosexuals. They talked about other religions in

whether or not Open Air Outreach insulting or invasive, feeling they are talked about the people on this campus tions entail, with all the intolerance should be allowed to do what it has accusing us of violating a religion when and degraded us, attempting to pull stu-showcased in the free-speech zone March dents into arguments just to make some 2, there is one thing the ministry was people on campus are tolerant of But long before pamphlets and sort of point at the students' expense.

were using this type of preaching to Outreach ministry from returning to campus would be a display of our own intolerance. The ministry's members are The biblical Jesus was an open-air expressing their opinion, even if it's an Outreach ministry decides to grace opinion you don't like or want to hear.

your opinion, they must have that freedom as well. If they preach intolerance and hatred and you don't like it, it would show only hypocrisy to be hateful and intolerant in return.

I know some people on campus be- at adrian.martinez@ttu.edu.

the biggest issue for the United States. lieve this issue goes beyond just freedom We talk about slavery, civil rights and of speech; that it's a matter of the ministry violating Texas Tech policies and verbally

Some Tech officials have said if they were informed of some of the things the Members of the Open Air Outreach ministry was saying, they would have been able to remove the ministry from campus. But, the fact no student did inform the officials tells me no student was harmed in a way that would merit such an action.

Besides, with all the power the First Amendment and its many interpretanever able to do: force us to listen. While But, to want to ban the Open Air they have the power to preach, we have the power to ignore, and that is a form tolerance too.

So, the next time the Open Air our campus with its presence, you have If you want the freedom to express options. Listen if you wish. Ignore if you must. But should you retaliate with intolerant actions? Never.

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Three attacks on a successful democracy

The other day I was waiting for one of my classes to start when I overheard some girls gossiping. The first girl said, "Did you hear that Britney Spears shaved her head?" The other responded like a hysterical bride on speed, "Oh my God, no way! Are you serious?" Of course, half the class joined in on this thought-provoking simply do not want to face the reality conversation

After listening for a while, I couldn't resist joining in myself. I said loudly, "I'm glad to see that we have our priorities set straight."

their familiarity with current news that might have some actual impact on their lives.

I was disappointed, but not surprised, to find the majority of my fellow classmates choose to pay attention to celebrity lifestyles more than they pay attention to people suffering in Third World countries, the political turmoil in the Middle East or any other contemporary problem.

Democracy is being assaulted on three fronts by its own citizens. As in the example above, the first problem, the form of simple escapist entertainment provided by senseless sitcoms, ridiculous "reality" shows and god-aw-

of celebrities such as overdosin' Annie and debaucherous Brit.



of the world as it is today.

It is much easier to immerse yourself in escapist entertainment than to think about torture at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, children in Uganda or the I made a couple of inquiries into constitutionality of the Military Commissions Act.

> to ignore the world cannot properly participate in a democracy, which — in turn — leads to poor government.

The second part of the threepronged attack comes in the form of

I was talking to my roommate today about the subject of this column when he said he is currently suffering from

Though he is very politically knowledgeable, he is under the impression that of avoidance, comes to light in there is simply no use becoming actively engaged in political issues.

other people are apathetic or oblivious to important events, there isn't And, of course, the personal lives anything that can be done to make things better.

Sadly, I all too often hear the Avoidance is used by people who phrases "My vote doesn't count" or are destructive to a democracy.

"I hate that problem, but I'm just one person; I can't do anything."

guide their own fate through the democratic process, they doom themselves and others around them to being guided by a minority of special interests.

The fact is one person can make a difference; he or she can start a movement and mobilize others to a cause.

up, and look at the wave of change it

comes from blind adherence to others' Obviously, someone who chooses political philosophies. One disturbing example for me personally comes from my own mother. She likes George W. Bush and dislikes Hillary Clinton. I hate them both.

> In the past, I often have tried to figure out why she likes Bush, and never have I been able to get a clear, rational answer from her.

> One day we started talking about disliking Clinton. I thought finally she might open up and explain why she dislikes the woman without having to worry about arguing with me. Nope.

He made it clear that because most plain why she disliked Clinton. I can via e-mail, and I can give you some only assume others vastly shape her information on different groups. ideas about politics.

based on rational evidence and thought

I know it is easier not to re-evaluate old, long-held beliefs that may be When people make no attempt to socially unacceptable to question, but the fact is this is more dangerous than being apathetic or escaping.

Someone who blindly adheres and votes helps shape policies that are unlikely to be in that person's — or the country's — best interest.

I know many of you have opinions One notable example is Rosa about politics that may lead you into Parks. One day she decided not to get one of these three categories. However, I highly encourage people to critically evaluate their ideas about the world so The third aspect of the assault as to make this country function in the best way possible.

Our generation is the future of this country, and we have the responsibility of ensuring a sensible, efficient government that works in the best interest of the people.

It is also my hope more students actively start participating in the American-governing process in a responsible way. Voting is just the first step to this participation; students should join political-advocacy groups that correspond with their beliefs or other groups that sponsor awareness.

If you would be interested in join-We even agreed she could not ex- ing any such groups please contact me

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Warmer weather may be heading to West Texas

STAFF WRITER

hit close to home, impacting water renewable energy resources. supplies and influencing droughts this century.

we make," said Katharine Hayhoe, a research associate professor of atmospheric science at Tech. "We the next few decades, but once you remain the same. start to talk about 50 years from now, we can expect to see major ter," Hayhoe said. "By the middle age rainfall. We could have a lot power worse. changes like 15 degrees."

the effects of global warming could like switching from fossil fuels to and the ground."

warmer, but how much they get agencies and private industries peratures have risen, but global powerful in the last 50 years. warmer depends on the choices in researching the environmental warming has not yet been deterimpact of energy use and green- mined to be the cause. house-gas emissions.

expect to see an increase of two mate change would be water short- areas that already experience Hayhoe said. or three degrees (Fahrenheit) over ages, even if precipitation rates drought experience more severe

of the century, we're going to need more extremes. One thing that

Texas Tech researchers believe members of society make choices rates of evaporation from our lakes getting warmer."

She said another result of cli- pact," Cobb said. "We could see more warm water feeding them,"

change could be limited to five the same water levels we have eclipse our records. Over the past lieves global climate change is a the summer of 2006 was the second or seven degrees Fahrenheit if today because we will see higher few years, high temperatures are natural, continual cycle of warm- warmest on record since records

Hayhoe said the number of Cat-

"We're not getting more hur-

Steve Devine, morning weath-

Hayhoe said the temperature 40 percent more rain to maintain we've noticed is we're starting to erman at KCBD-TV, said he be- Climatic Data Center Web site, ing and cooling.

Steve Cobb, science and opegory 4 and Category 5 hurricanes, no proof that anything humans 74.5 degrees Fahrenheit — short According to Hayhoe's Web erations officer at the National as ranked according to the Saffir- do is actually causing the planet of the record 74.7 degrees set in and hurricanes in Texas during site, http://temagami.tosm.ttu.edu/ Weather Service in Lubbock, said Simpson scale, has doubled in the to warm," Devine said. "There is 1936. Hayhoe said research on khayhoe, she has collaborated with the National Weather Service last 35 years, and hurricanes have a hypothesis, and a lot of people human contribution and natural "Temperatures are going to get several universities, government acknowledges average global tem- become 70 to 80 percent more agree that it's doing a little some- contributions to climate change thing."

The Dust Bowl of the 1930s is ricanes, but we're getting more an example of a severe drought and "There could be a lot of im- powerful hurricanes because there's climate change that has occurred in the past, he said.

cool," Devine said.

According to the National about ituedu

began in 1895. The nationally "Right now, there actually is averaged summer temperature was have led her and the majority of scientists to the conclusion that people have significantly increased greenhouse-gas levels.

"There is no scientific de-"People thought we were going bate over whether it's humans Powerful hurricanes could co- to keep having extensive droughts or whether it's a natural cycle," drought, and areas that get a lot incide with rising ocean levels, and then some time around the Hayhoe said. "Now we have a lot 'We will not have enough wa- of rain could get more than aver- she said, making their destructive late '40s or early '50s, it started to of debate about what's going to happen and what we're going to

Democrats

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House, told reporters the measure includes some of the key provithis year setting a March 31, 2008, liberals to come aboard, and they have our troops policing a civil House measure. war," he said.

Iraq, roughly 60,000 are combat she intended to vote no, and Rep. in the deficit. forces and the rest are support Sheila Jackson Lee of Texas said she

Bartlett attacked the House supporting it. measure in comments to reporters aboard Air Force One as Bush flew Cardoza of California said a meet-military spending bill, along to South America. "Obviously, the ing of moderate and conservative with \$1.3 billion in tax cuts that administration would vehemently Democrats produced strong ex- cleared earlier in the year. oppose and ultimately veto any pressions of support. "I think that was described today," he said.

House Republican leader, led the GOP counterattack.

"General (David) Petraeus the American people." should be the one making the ily involved in crafting legislation of Colorado. designed to end U.S. participation in the war.

days to come up with an approach pected to vote in favor. on the war that would satisfy liber-

funding without driving away more quest for military operations in moderate Democrats unwilling to Afghanistan and \$3.5 billion for be seen as tying the hands of mili- veterans' health care and meditary commanders.

sions of a bill he introduced earlier greatest concern was persuading Reed Army Medical Center in target for withdrawal. "It expresses were hoping anti-war organizations the central insight that we can't would come out in favor of the rise \$12 billion over the admin-

Of the 141,000 U.S. troops in of California said she told Pelosi the spending to prevent increases would have a very difficult time"

legislation that looked like what this legislation gives the generals adequate flexibility to do what they Rep. John Boehner of Ohio, the need to do on the ground," he said. against Iraq ran into turbulence "At the same time it gives a certain from lawmakers concerned about finality that is being demanded by the implications for Israel.

Officials said a Wednesday night decisions on what happens on the meeting of first-term Democrats ground in Iraq, not Nancy Pelosi produced little opposition. "For me or John Murtha," Boehner added, it supports the troops, supports the referring to the Pennsylvania veterans and holds the president ac-Democrat who has been heav- countable," said Rep. Ed Perlmutter

Democrats can afford only 15 defections and still be assured of Pelosi and other Democratic passing their legislation in the leaders have struggled in recent House. Few Republicans are ex-

Seeking support, the leadership

als reluctant to vote for continued added \$1.2 billion to Bush's recal programs at facilities such as Democratic aides said their the recently criticized Walter

Washington. Domestic spending would istration's request — and there Liberal Rep. Maxine Waters apparently were no plans to offset

Searching for votes elsewhere, Pelosi signaled she was considering adding a House-passed At the same time, Rep. Dennis minimum wage increase to the

A provision to require Bush to get authorization from Congress to take major military action

CAR DOCTORS



KELLY MATHERLY/The Daily Toreador

JOEL FRANKO, A mechanic for Scott's Care Care, performs preventive maintenance during the free car clinic in the band parking lot south of the Student Union Building Thursday afternoon.

Latin America

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expected to weigh in on the dispute.

Among those participating in Thursday's protests were environmentalists and social groups who oppose the biofuels project, fearing that Brazil may clear pristine jungle to ramp up sugarcane cultivation.

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Sun and sand doesn't mean students should catapult caution to wind

By HALEY DAVIS STAFF WRITER

For many Texas Tech students, classes, hang out with friends and just because students leave behind precautions are still important to bear trips in mind.

males and more than 43 percent of college females reported being drunk on a daily basis during spring break. Yet, of during their vacation.

Students traveling to classic springsafety measures to make sure their in hotels and condominiums apply. property doesn't get stolen.

blinds and locking all doors in homes are access to their hotel rooms. among the safety measures suggested on the Web site. Setting automatic timers open," he said. "Don't leave your doors and time, that is an unrealistic option for for lights and radios to come on periodi- open."

cally is an easy way to make a potential burglar believe someone is occupying the residence.

Now that everything is taken care of spring break is a time to forget about at home, it's time to get to the destination. While a vacation presents students enjoy an alcoholic drink or two. Yet, with the opportune time to relax and enjoy themselves, safety should not their daily responsibilities, simple safety be overlooked, especially during road

According to the College Safe Web According to a University of Wissite, before embarking on a vacation, consin study, 75 percent of college students should make sure their automobiles are in tune. Travelers should check all belts, hoses and tires on their automobiles. If something appears to not over-indulging with alcohol is only one work correctly, students should immediof many risks students should be aware ately take their problems to a car-service center to get everything checked out.

Once students get to their actual break destinations packed with fellow spring-break destinations, a new series of vacationers may want to follow a few issues to be cautious about while staying

Warren Durfee, a general manager According to the Web site www. at the Sheraton Hotel on South Padre collegesafe.com, cars, houses and apart- Island, said one big mistake students ments all should be secured before make is leaving their doors open. Durfee students hit the road. Removing all said students should keep their doors valuables from automobiles and closing closed to limit how many people have

"Most people leave their doors



FILE PHOTO/The Daily Toreado TEXAS TECH STUDENTS enjoy their spring break on the beaches of

Durfee said another issue to avoid on

Durfee said students usually don't think about securing their valuables until something has already been stolen. He said he advises students not to bring valuables with them during their springbreak vacations, but he knows in this day

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spring break is drinking too much.

If students are going to drink, they should make sure to eat something first, according to the College Safe Web site. Students also should not use fake identification to order to drink because many popular U.S. spring-break destinations have undercover sting operations to catch

Kara Stringer, a sophomore public relations major from San Antonio, said she is going home with friends for her vacation. Stringer said she had a few tips for fellow college students.

Stringer said students traveling to South Padre Island during the break need to be aware of police officers patrolling Padre's beaches. She said the officers will be on the lookout for underage drinkers.

Those who are of legal age to drink should be careful not to drink and drive, according to the College Safe Web site. Students also should carry with them maps of their hotel or condo in case they don't remember how to get back.

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Cinema event to bring independent films to life

By JEREMY REYNOLDS STAFF WRITER

Film historian Rob Weiner is slated to host the Outsider Cinema Film Exploration event at the Louise Hopkins Underwood Center for the Arts Saturday.

short films deemed "outsider cinema," which Weiner described as movies made outside of the major studios.

Weiner, a Hub City librarian, said all of the short films to be shown are important — even in modern cinema.

be "King of the Jews," which won the grand prize in the non-fiction genre at the USA Film Festival and the Best Experimental Film award at the Humboldt International Film Festival in 2001.

"The film is about one Jewish said. man's journey into anti-Semitism and his fear of Jesus during his young years," Weiner said.

The second film of the night cinema." will be "Page of Madness," which is a 1926 film made in Japan.

Weiner said the hour-long film be qualified as a good movie, even

by today's standards. This is one of the first films directed by Teinosuke Kinugasa, who later went on to become one of the more popular Japanese directors.

"It does not look dated at all," Weiner said. "Everything about it could have been made today. If The center will showcase three someone redid it exactly the same way today, it would still hold up."

The movie is about a man who takes a night job as a janitor at an asylum in hopes to of freeing his wife, who is imprisoned there.

The last film of the night will be "Cool Air."

The 1999 film directed by Brian The first film of the night will Moore is based on a short story by gothic author H.P Lovecraft. The film revolves around a writer who moves into a boarding house in the summer of 1925 and befriends a doctor.

"The movie questions the boundaries between life and death," Weiner

According to a press release, Weiner will start the evening out by discussing what qualifies as "outsider

The films will by shown at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Underwood Center for the Arts at 511 Ave. K. For more was made so strongly it still can information call (806) 762-8606. → jeremy.n.reynolds@ttu.edu

South by Southwest kicks off festival season

By NATHAN TRIFONE THE DAILY REVEILLE (LSU)

(U-WIRE) BATON ROUGE, La. — As the first signs of spring begin to roll in and flowers begin to

The season began this week with the start of South by Southwest in Seattle, Wash.

tural elements of an area's art, food Festival in New Orleans. and music into one weekend drawfestival goers every year.

Music festivals are nothing new to the world, but since the years up across the country.

Jared Ganczak said he thinks your inner party animal.'

festivals are a good way to bring people together in a way unlike any other because festivals attract people who are into music and art not just hippies.

"I'm a very musical person," he said. "I have an appreciation for a lot of difblossom, another less well-known ferent music. I've experienced a lot of season is upon us — music festival music from the orchestra to blues bars to rap concerts. I don't think festivals limit the audience.'

Other notable festivals during the Austin, Texas, and will continue 2007 season are Bonnaroo Music and throughout the summer until the Arts Festival in Manchester, Tenn., culmination with Bumbershoot in Wakarusa Music and Camping Festival in Lawrence, Kan., Coachella in Indio, Each festival combines the cul- Calif., and Jazz Heritage and Music

Lewis Edwards, associate producer ing in hundreds of thousands of of Jazz Fest, said music festivals, like Jazz Fest, exist as a way to show people how to celebrate life through music.

Maybe it's more true here than else of Woodstock, new festivals like where, just this sort of will to celebrate," Langerado Music Festival in Sunrise, he said. "In a way, festivals show people Fla., and 10,000 Lakes Festival in how to party. For even people that are Detroit Lakes, Minn., have sprung not used to exerting celebratory energy, you come to Jazz Fest, your going to find

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MA	(:15) Auto B.	Regis and Kelly	Price Is Right	Divorce Court	Paid Program	The View (HD)	Tyra Banks
IU:30	Good			Divorce Court	Paid Program		
2 mmm	Auto B. Good	Jeopardy!	Young and the	Judge Alex	Paid Program	Victory Life	Dr. Keith Ablow
	Mister Rogers	Jeopardy! (HD)	Restless (HD)	·	Paid Program	Paid Program	
PM	Needle Arts	News	News	ment A semifinal (Live)	Cosby Show	All My Children	Access
12:30	Fine Art	Days of Our	Bold & Beaut.		Cosby Show		Extra
. PM	Real Moms	Lives	As the World Turns		Roseanne	One Life to Live	People's Cour
:30	PlaceOwn				Roseanne		
- PM	Puppy		Guiding Light	Big 12 Basket- ball Tourna- ment A semifinal (Live)	What I Like	General Hospi- tal	Cristina Court
	The Lions	Inside Edition			What I Like		Court
- PM	Reading	-	Judge Joe		Reba	Paid Program Insider	Ellen De- Generes
3:30	Cyberchase		Judge Joe	Softman (Live)	Reba		
# PM	Clifford	Dr. Phil	Judge Judy	Maury	Bemie Mac	Rachael Ray	Fox 34 News First@Four
4:30	Arthur	PERSON NA	Judge Judy		Bernie Mac		
- PM	Maya	News	News	Access	Still Standing	News	Friends
	Bus.Report	News	CBS News	Family Feud	Still Standing	ABC News	Simpsons
, PM	Newshour With Jim Lehrer	News	News	Big 12 Basket- ball Tourna- ment A semifinal (Live)	King Qu.	News	Jim
0:30		Wheel (HD)	Millionaire		King Qu.	Entertainment	Raymond
-y PM	Wash, W.	1 vs 100	Billy Graham		Friday Night SmackDown!		House "Spin" (HD)
:30	Now		TV Special				
8 PM	My Music: Las Vegas Movie Songs "Heroes" (HD)	Close to Home "Protege" (HD)	(:20) Big 12 Basketball		Wife Swap	Wedding Bells (HD)	
O PM		Law & Order "In Vino Veritas"	NUMB3RS "De- mocracy" (HD)	-Tournament A semifinal (Live)	Will & Grace	20/20	Fox 34 News@Nine
9:30					Will & Grace		
***************************************	Bus.Report	News	News		Sex and City	News	Seinfeld
10:30			(:35) Late Show (HD)	** "Rocky IV" ('85) Syl- vester Stallone vs. Dolph Lundgren.	Sex and City	(:35) Nightline	Frasier
PM					The Nanny	(:05) ET	Friends
*********	News	(:35) Late Night	(:35) Craig Fer- guson		Mad About	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	Scrubs
MA AM	Destinos				Cops		Cheers
12:30	Destinos	(:35) Last Call	Paid Program	Jim	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program

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*******	Saddle Club		Madeline	Lubbock	Scooby-Doo	Emperors	Ninja Turtles
:30	Zoom		Sabrina Anim.	Housecalls	Johnny Test	Replacements	Viva Pinata
Q AM	Design Squad	Babar	Trollz	Paid Program	Legion	So Raven	Ninja Turtles
*:30	Heartland	Dragon	Horseland	Lubbock	The Batman	So Raven	Yu-Gi-Oh!
IO AM	Texas Parks	3-2-1	Ashley Show	Pollard Ford	Spider Riders	Hannah	Yu-Gi-Oh!
:30	Chronicles	VeggieTales JaneDrgn Jacob 2-2 Paid Program	Conference USA Basket- ball Champion- ship From Memphis (HD)	Saturo	Monster	Suite "Election"	Chaotic (HD)
I AM	RS' Europe			Used Cars	Beakman's	Rangers	Saturn
:30	Garden			Paid Program	Beakman's	Rangers	Paid Program
PM	P. Allen			"Warriors of Virtue" ('97, Action/Adven- ture) Angus Macfadyen.	Farscape	NBA Access	Paid Program
30	This Old	Paid Program	Semifinal (Live) (HD)			Greg Garrett	To Be An- nounced
, PM	Workshop	Snowboarding			America" ('97, Action/Adven- ture) (PG)	Coll. B-ball.	
:30	HomeTime	U.S. Grand Prix				Paid Program	
A manage	Woodwright's Antiques	Golf Pods Championship		Paid Program Paid Program		NASCAR Racing Busch	
- PM	Roadshow	(Live) (HD)	Big Ten Bas- ketball Tourna- ment A semifinal (Live)	Paid Program	** "Never Been Kissed" ('99, Romance) Drew	Series in Las Vegas (Live) (HD)	To Be Announced
3 :30	The Art of			Wife and Kids			
- PM	10						
4 30				Roeper	Barrymore.		
	Barbecue Uni-			Access Holly-	Bemie Mac	Paid Program	American Idol Rewind
5 30	versity with	NBC News	ball Champion- ship From Los Angeles (Live)		Still Standing	ABC News	
, PM	Steven Raichlen	News		Extra	King Qu.	News Insider	CSI: Miami
6:30		Wheel Fortune			King Qu.		
	Daniel	** "The Ital-	CSI: NY "Fare	World Music	The Shield	"The Sixth	Cops
7:30	O'Donnell: Can You Feel the		Game" (HD)	Awards Cover- age of the 18th annual awards gala	"Breakpoint"	Sense" ('99, Drama) A psy- chologist helps	Cops
PM			Shark "Dr. Feelbad" (HD)		Shield "Domi- noes Falling"		America's Mos
8:30							Wanted
PM	Country Pop	have it pilfered from them.	48 Hours Mys- tery	9	Masterminds	'see dead peo- ple'. (HD)	Fox 34 News
7:30	Legends				Masterminds		Sports OT
PM		News	News	Alias "The	Cold Squad	News	Seinfeld
1U:30		Saturday Night	(:35) Westmark	Frame"	"Dead Soldiers"	(:35) Entertain-	Mad TV
I PM		Live	(:05) Victory	Star Trek "A Wolf in the Fold"	Stone Undercover "Cash Call"	ment Tonight	
:30	Limits		(:35) Family H.			Paid Program	The Winner
MA C	Monty Python Poker After Dark	Poker After	Without a Trace	"Native Son"	Girls Behaving.	Paid Program	American Idol
14:30		"Light Years" ((86) Victor Love.	Girls Behaving	(:35) Exposure	Rewind	

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- AM	Noddy	Today (HD)	Cake	Awaken	Bible Society	Pollard Ford	Paid Program
:30	Bob		Dance R.	Total Health	In Touch	Lord's Way	Paid Program
O AM	George	Reporter	Sunday Morn-	Paid Program		Feed the	Believer
0:30	Buster	First United	ing	Paid Program	Key of David	Prophecy	Eddie Trice
MA	Signing Time!	Meth. Church		Access Holly-	Paid Program	In Touch	FOX News
30	Thomas	Meet the Press	Nation -	wood	Paid Program		Sunday
EO AM	Destinos		Hour of Power	Extra	Critter Gitters	Si se puedel	Encounter Truth
1U:30	Destinos	Southcrest Baptist Church			Kid Guides	This Week	
B B AM	Special		Road to the Fi-	First Baptist	Real Life 101		Paid Program
:30	Business	NHL Hockey	nal Four	Safari Tracks	Ultimate	Paid Program	Paid Program
PM	Motorweek	Teams TBÁ (Live) (HD)	SEC Basket- ball Champion- ship From Atlanta (Live) (HD)	Paid Program	*** "Six	Paid Program	To Be Announced
12:30	Texas Monthly			Paid Program		Paid Program	
, PM	Religion			* * "The Fac- ulty" ('98, Hor- ror) Jor- dana Brewster, Clea DuVall.		Paid Program	
:30	McLaughlin	The second				Paid Program	
- PM	Dr. Andrew	(Live) (HD)				NBA (HD)	
4:30	Weil's Guide to		Big Ten Bas- ketball Cham- pionship From Chicago (Live) (HD)			TBA (Live)	
- PM	Eating Well			Paid Program			NASCAR Racing Nextel Cup in Las Ve- gas (Live) (HD)
5:30	You On a Diet			Paid Program			
# PM	With Dr. Mi-			Star Trek "Space Seed"	All of Us (HD)		
4:30	chael Roizen				Girlfriends		
- PM	Back Care Ba-	Paid Program	NCAA Selec-	Smallville "Ar- rival"	Game (HD)	ABC News	
5:30	sics: Yoga	NBC News	tion Show		Everybody	B Knight	
6 PM	Lawrence Welk	Dateline NBC	60 Minutes	Alias "Taken"	Pussycat Dolls "The Auditions"	Funniest Home Videos	
- PM	Raina English:		Amazing Race: All-Stars	Alaska" ('99,	7th Heaven	Extreme Makeover	Simpsons
:30	From My Heart						The Winner
O PM	Soundies: A	Deal or No Deal	Cold Case (HD)	Comedy) Rus- sell Crowe, Hank Azaria.	Americas Next Top Model	Desperate Housewives	Family Guy
8:30							The Winner
OPM	Musical History Hosted by Mi- chael Feinstein	The Apprentice	Without a Trace "Deep Water"	Smallville "Mortal"	Will & Grace	(:01) Bros. Sis. (HD)	Fox 34 News
7:30					Will & Grace		Sports OT
IO PM		News	News	'70s	Sex and City	News	Red Raider
1U:30	Roadtrip (HD)	Inside Ed.	(:45) Without a	Red Raider	Sex and City	(:35) B Knight	CSI: Miami Mu
E PM	Globe Trekker	Sports	Trace	Paid Program		(:05) Entertain-	derina Flash"
:30		Whacked	(:45) Westmark	'70s "Ski Trip"		ment Tonight	24 'Day 3: 12:0
MA CE	Country Boys	News	Paid Program	Jerry Springer	Farscape	(:05) Victory	PM-1:00 PM"
14:30	4	Paid Program	Paid Program			Skiing (T) (HD)	Seinfeld









TURF SHOW: Tech players display talents for NFL scouts at Pro Day

By ADAM COLEMAN AND **BEN MAKI** STAFF WRITERS

Several senior football players attempted to improve their draft stock at Texas Tech's Pro Day Thursday.

At least 13 NFL scouts were on hand to conduct workouts for Tech players hoping for a shot at making it to the professional ranks.

Players participated in the 40-yard dash, shuttle drills, three-cone drills, bench press, vertical and broad jumps. Some athletes also were asked to perform position-specific drills.

The 40-yard dash, shuttle and threecone drill times were not made available, nor were broad-jump distances.

Wide receiver Joel Filani said he was satisfied with his workouts at the NFL Combine in Indianapolis and did not attempt to improve on them Thursday. The only event Filani participated in was the three-cone drill.

Indy; if you didn't do so well you can come back here and try to do it again," Filani said. "The thing about it is they only take the best times, so I think that's a good advantage for us."

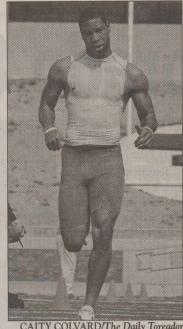
Filani said six or seven teams have shown a strong interest in him, and he is trying to keep in shape for individual workouts for teams in the future.

In the 2006-07 season, Filani caught 91 passes for 1300 yards and scored 13 touchdowns.

Receiver Jarrett Hicks said he believes he did well at the combine, but Thursday's Pro Day.

"I think I caught the ball well and ran pretty well, but I think after leaving there, I definitely wanted to go out there and do it again," Hicks said. "I had a little more to prove. We got a lot. of nerves worked out in Indy and it's always good to go ahead and do it one more time, get it all worked out, and we

had a pretty good show today." Hicks said he did not anticipate running the three-cone drill until he worked out for NFL scouts on the University of Houston campus, but



CAITY COLVARD/The Daily Toreador JARRETT HICKS

Houston's Pro Day for a third chance to improve his draft status.

"The original plan was to go ahead and do it back home at U of H," Hicks said, "but after they kind of get into you and your competitive juices get flowing, you go out there and compete with the rest of the guys, and I think I did a good job of doing that."

Hicks caught 25 passes for an average of 13.4 yards per reception in the 2006-07 season and scored two touchdowns in six games played.

Both receivers said they just wanted he still had more to show the scouts at to get a chance in the NFL, but it is uncertain if they will be drafted.

Hicks recorded a 37-inch vertical jump, while teammate Robert Johnson was credited with a 30-inch vertical. Johnson benched 225 pounds 11 times. Hicks and Filani did not participate in the bench-press drill.

While Hicks and Filani participated in drills at Indianapolis, Johnson was not invited to the NFL Combine after collecting 89 receptions for 871 yards and 12 touchdowns in 12 games this

Offensive lineman Glen January did the scouts convinced him to change not take part in the bench press and had



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his plans and participate in the drill. a 27-inch vertical. Offensive linemen participate in Pro Day after working out for all 32 teams at the NFL Combine.



CAITY COLVARD/The Daily Toreador **BROCK STRATTON**

There were also five Tech defensive "Obviously you want to do well in He still plans to go to the University of Gabe Hall and Manny Ramirez did not players who worked out Thursday, including defensive end Keyunta Dawson, defensive tackle Chris Hudler, defensive

Brock Stratton and defensive tackle physical preparation is over with." Dek Bake. Dawson had a 33.5-inch He also led the team in sacks last season with six.

Dawson said considering he did not get the chance to participate in the combine, Pro Day was a good opportunity to show scouts his ability.

"It's important for me," Dawson said. "I got some times earlier in some all-star games, and it's important for me to come out and get a good showing. For the most part, I did. I wanted to come out over. and prove something and it was great for me to have the opportunity."

Stratton benched 225-pounds 33 times in his Pro Day workout, after leading the team in total tackles last season with 88.

Pro Day can be stressful, but being ready is the key to having a successful

"It can get the best of you if you let it," he said. "You just have to treat it like it's a game day and just prepare yourself

back Antonio Huffman, linebacker the best you can mentally because the

Huffman, who finished last season vertical jump in his Pro Day workout. with two interceptions and one touchdown, was the only defensive back from Tech to participate in Pro Day. Huffman finished the day with a 30-inch vertical jump and participated in several defensive back drills for individual scouts.

The defensive players now face the possibility of individual workouts or waiting until the NFL Draft.

Stratton said for him, it all comes down to waiting now that Pro Day is

"There's a lot of anticipation, but it's just a waiting game," Stratton said. "Just do what you can do and see what the Lord has in store for you."

Huffman said some scouts told him he might be a free-agent pick-up, but Stratton said the experience of the only thing that matters to him is an

opportunity to play in the NFL. "Maybe free agent, but all I ask for is a shot," he said. "That's what it is. I'll take it, and I'll be happy with that."

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Tech baseball heads to Whataburger Classic

By WES SKIPWITH STAFF WRITER

The Texas Tech baseball team travels to Corpus Christi to face its toughest competition so far this year at the Whataburger College Classic this weekend. The field for the Classic includes Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, No. 8 Rice and No. 23 TCU.

The Red Raiders (13-6) enter the tournament after splitting their midweek series with UNLV 1-1. This home and its first appearance in the

first conference series."

Classic Friday. A.J. Ramos is scheduled No. 1 ranking and has key wins over a three-game series sweep of Vermont. to start on the mound for Tech. Ramos is 4-1 this season with a 1.91 ERA and leads the Big 12 with 33 strikeouts.

The Islanders' offense is led by Jason Graham and Josh Plumaj. Graham tops the team with a .433 batting average, 29 hits, and 17 RBIs. Plumaj, last week's Southland Conference Hitter of the Week, is batting .400 with a .760 slugging percentage and four home runs.

Scheduled to start on the mound for A&M-Corpus Christi is pitcher Will will be Tech's second series away from Norman — 3-1 with 21 strikeouts and

Saturday, Tech will face-off against "This trip should be a fun time for Rice (11-7), who is coming off a 2006 these guys, but we're treating it as a campaign where the team finished 57-13. business trip," Tech coach Larry Hays After winning Conference USA's regular said. "It's our last tune up before our season and tournament championships, the team lost in the College World Series Tech will face A&M-Corpus semifinals to eventual-champion Oregon Christi (12-6) in the first game of the State. Rice earned the 2007 preseason

No. 8 Cal State Fullerton and No. 17 Nebraska.

Tech is scheduled to start Aaron Odom — 3-0 this season with a 2.30 ERA and four saves — on the mound against the Owls. He will be matched up against a Rice offense led by Joe Savery and Aaron Luna. Savery, the 2007 Conference USA Preseason Player of the Year who leads the Owls with a .303 batting average and 20 hits. Luna is currently batting .286 and leads the Owls with 13 RBIs, three home runs and a .540 slugging percentage.

Starting on the mound for Rice is Ryan Berry — 2-0 with a 3.71 ERA and

For the last game of the Classic, Tech takes on TCU, the defending Mountain West Conference regular season and tournament champs, who posted a 39-23

record in 2006. TCU (10-4) is coming off

Scheduled starting pitcher for Tech,

Colt Hynes, is 1-1 on the year with a 5.33 ERA. Starting opposite Hynes for TCU will be Seth Garrison, who leads the Horned Frog bullpen with a 1.59 ERA, 23 strikeouts and three walks.

TCU's strength this season has been at the plate. The team has a combined batting average of .304, with Keith Colon leading the way with .432. Steven Trout is second on the team in batting averages with .377. He leads the Owls in hits, with 20 and RBIs, with 17.

The Classic is held at Whataburger Field, which is home to the Corpus Christi Hooks — a minor-league affiliate of the Houston Astros.

Tech's first game is scheduled for 3 p.m. Friday with the next two games scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday and noon

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SPORTS

Zeno leads Tech past Colorado 81-71

By JAY LANGLEY NEWS EDITOR

OKLAHOMA CITY — In the Big 12 Championship, Tech coach did what he asked me to do." Bob Knight had a conversation forward's play.

on the sideline, and I was really than the Buffaloes in the victory. pleased with the way he reacted with what took place."

Colorado cut Tech's 12-point line.' lead in the second half to three, by scoring 14 points over the last line.

4:57 en route to tying a career high with 28 points.

"I had got taken out," Zeno said, "(Knight) told me I was going to sit second half of Texas Tech's 81-71 on the bench or I was going to go victory over No. 12 Colorado in the out there and play. I felt like playopening round at the Phillips 66 ing, so I went back out there and

Tech (21-11, 9-7 Big 12) shot Martin Zeno regarding the junior 43 percent from the floor versus 50 percent for Colorado. But the Red "We had a little discussion Raiders made 23 more free throws

"It's very difficult," Colorado over the period where we had to coach Ricardo Patton said. "Parplay to win the game," Knight said. ticularly when guys, you know, are "It wasn't really a discussion; it was really able to attack the middle of kind of a one-way conversation. your defense and get to the foul to play defense, is at the free throw

Knight said he was happy with and Zeno responded to his coach his team's ability to get to the pressure off today," Jackson said. in ultimately the best conference in Big 12 Tournament.

free-throw line," he said. "We try his rebounding." to maneuver and get people in the bucket."

Tech had four players in double figures, including Zeno and Jarrius men," Patton said. "We got down he said. "I got to work. Jackson, who had 13 points, while in the game but stayed the course shooting just 3 of 10 from the floor. In their first Big 12 Tournament games, Tech junior guard Charlie Burgess and freshman forward Decensae White added 13 and 12 points, respectively.

Jackson, Tech's senior All-Conference guard, said it was important Patton said. "I am at peace with up in the absence of his typical high-scoring game.

"Charlie got to the line, knocked America and to have walked the

"I have always wanted us to down some big shots — and De- sidelines with some of be a team that can score from the censae with his open threes and the best coaches in the

Colorado (7-20, 3-13) was led position where they get a half a by senior guard Dominique Cole- not know where or step or a step and they can go to man, who scored 25 points and what he will be doing grabbed eight rebounds.

"I was really proud of our young and had our chances.'

Before the season, Patton announced the 2006-07 campaign would be his last at Colorado, making Thursday's loss his last as head coach for the Buffaloes.

"I'm at peace with who I am," 'Discussion' is being very liberal line. That's where we weren't able for other guys on the team to step the job we've done. And I am at peace with moving on. It becomes another chapter in my life, and I "Decensae and Charlie took the feel very fortunate to have coached

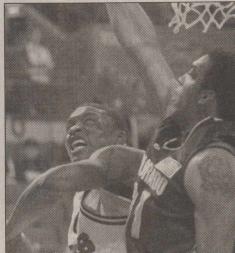
game."

Patton said he does next season.

"I'm a working stiff," So if you go down to Wendy's and you hear a familiar voice saying 'Can I take your order?' - it may just be me. I got to work. That's the only thing I know how to do."

As the No. 5 seed, the Raiders' future is a match-up with No. 4 Kansas State today in the quarterfinals of the

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STEVE LEWIS/The Daily Toreado

TEXAS TECH'S MARTIN Zeno led the game with a career high 28 points against Colorado Thursday in Oklahomas City. The Red Raiders play Kansas State today at 2 p.m. in the quaterfinals of the Phillips 66 Big 12 Tournament.

Knight: Despite today's game, both teams should be in

By STEPHEN MONAHAN SPORTS EDITOR

OKLAHOMA CITY — Regardless of the outcome of today's quarterfinal match-up with No. 4 Kansas State, Texas Tech coach Bob Knight believes go over our last game with Kansas both teams belong in the NCAA Tournament.

in view of the record they have in this Tokyo." league, if there wasn't any game played (today), should be in the NCAA Tournament," Knight said after Thursday's 81-71 victory over No. 12 Colorado. "I think that's a pretty good tribute to (Kansas State coach) Bob Huggins and his players."

In the first round of the Phillips 66 Big 12 Tournament against Colorado, No. 5 Tech (21-11, 9-7 Big 12) was sparked by junior forward Martin Zeno, who tied a career-high with 28 points against the to get into the tournament," Jackson Buffaloes at the Ford Center.

nament play, Knight said his team will to play." review the Wildcats' games since the Red Raiders' 62-52 victory Jan. 8 in Manhattan, Kan., and come prepared to play.

We just go (Thursday night) and State and what they've done since, and just say 'Here's what we got to do," he "They're a team that I think that, said. "It isn't like we're going to attack

> In the two teams' lone meeting of the season, senior guard Jarrius Jackson led the game with 23 points, and Zeno added 12 more. Only junior guard David Hoskins scored in double figures for the

For Jackson, each game in the Big 12 Tournament means one more critic to silence as the Red Raiders try to obtain a bid for the NCAA Tournament.

"We know (Kansas State is) trying said, "and people just been telling us >> stephen.monahan@ttu.edu

With the guick turnaround in tour- we wasn't in, so we will come ready

Zeno, who scored 14 points for the Red Raiders in the final five minutes against Colorado, said Kansas State (21-10, 10-6) has developed into a stronger team down the stretch of the season.

"I think they are all gelling at the end of the season," Zeno said. "People know their roles; they know how the coaches coach, where the coaches roll from. It will be a very tough game."

Knight said one or two bad games in a season should not hinder a team's chances of reaching the tournament after finishing fourth in a tough conference like the Big 12.

"I don't think you can put one game against an entire season, or two games against an entire season," Knight said. "I think they should be in it. You know, I think we should be in it. Hell, I think Kansas ought to even be in it."

Tech to battle Washington and Arizona State in tourney

By JEREMY REYNOLDS STAFF WRITER

After posting a losing record in a tournament for the first time this season, the Texas Tech softball team is aiming for better luck at Arizona this weekend.

Last week, while playing several of the top-ranked programs in the nation, Tech finished 2-3 in the Fullerton Worth Tourna-

Coach Teresa Wilson said her team played well throughout the tournament, despite the record.

"The caliber of competition ington. was very good," she said. "We games. Last year, we wouldn't have over the weekend. been able to stay with them."

The level of competition will not change much this weekend

as the Raiders will take on No. 10 Washington (15-6) and No. 6 Ari-nament, Parker said her team could zona State (21-2).

Wilson said her squad will face some of the top pitchers in the nation over the coming weekend. She said playing against the best

the Big 12/Pac 10 Challenge in teams and players in the United States will only help her squad prepare for Big 12 Conference play.

"We won't be surprised by any- the week. thing," she said.

Heather Tarr, and assistant coach, Eve Gaw, played for Tech coach

Ashley Parker said she is looking played these teams to one-run forward to playing the ranked teams

"We're excited and really looking forward to this tournament for a while now," she said.

As for the Fullerton Worth Tourhave come out with a few more victories, but she wasn't disappointed in the squad. She said she thought her team played well throughout the weekend.

Jennifer Corkin, a junior infielder, said last weekend's losses motivated the team to practice harder during

"We're working on the little de-Washington should be familiar fensive things," she said. "That will with Tech because the team's coach, improve on the little mistakes we had last weekend."

Robyn Wike, a junior infielder, Wilson while she coached at Wash- said playing harder teams has made her squad better equipped to handle programs in the Big 12.

"We're going to win the Big 12," she said, "because all the teams we're playing against are ranked higher than any team in the Big 12."

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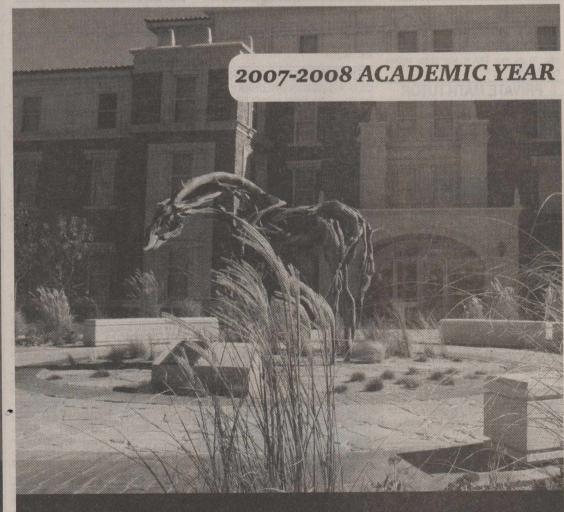








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