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U.S. planned to attack Taliban before Sept. 11

By Hope Yen/Associated Press

telligence information they needed to strike

directly at Osama bin Laden. Clinton and Bush administration officials fruitlessly sought a diplomatic solu-



tion to get the al-Qaida leader out of Afghanistan, a federal panel said Tuesday.

Not until the day before the Sept. 11 at- al-Qaida leaders to elude capture.

tacks did U.S. officials settle on a strategy to overthrow the Taliban Afghan government if sion on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United WASHINGTON (AP) — Lacking the in- a final diplomatic push failed. That strategy was expected to take three years, the independent commission investigating the attacks said in one of two preliminary reports.

U.S. officials feared that a failed attempt on bin Laden could kill innocents and would opposed any large-scale military operations President Bush's former counterterrorism co-

In the end, it said, pursuing diplomacy over

The panel, formally the National Commis- Powell said. States, presented its findings as it began hearings with top-level Bush and Clinton administration officials. The aim was to question thing we could, everything we could think of, the years leading up to Sept. 11.

Secretary of State Colin Powell stressed American public and Congress would have implicit rebuttal to criticism in a new book by testify Wednesday.

"President Bush and his entire national military action allowed bin Laden and other security team understood that terrorism had

Likewise, former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright told the commission that President Clinton and his team "did everyour people and disrupt and defeat al-Qaida."

The commission's staff has spent months only boost bin Laden's prestige. And the administration efforts to fight terrorism, an interviewing Clinton and Bush administration officials and poring over documents. Its preliminary findings will be considered by the 10before the September 2001 attacks, the report ordinator, Richard Clarke, who is expected to member panel, which plans to issue a final report this summer.

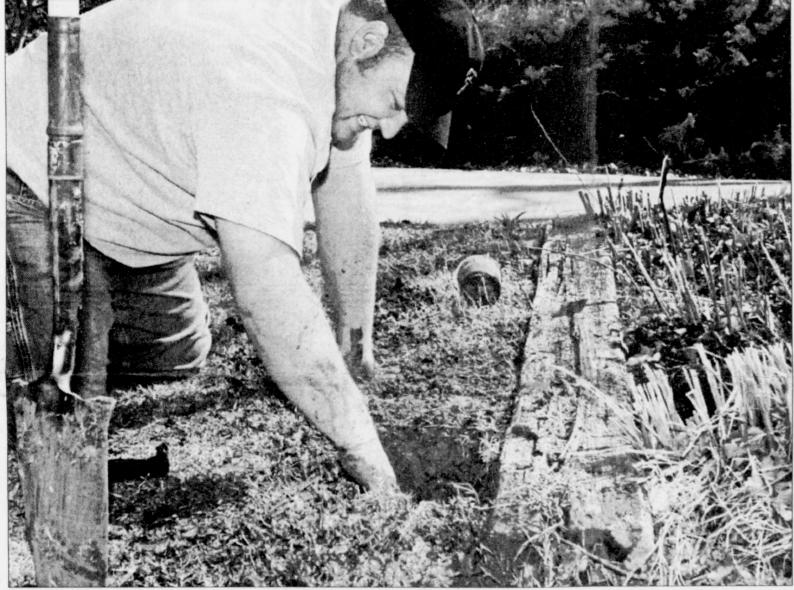
Among the staff findings:

- U.S. officials were concerned that to be among our highest priorities and it was," Taliban supporters in Pakistan's military would

warn bin Laden of pending operations. The U.S. government had information that the former head of Pakistani intelligence, Hamid Gul, as a private citizen, had contacted Taliban leaders in July 1999 and assured them that he officials on their efforts to stop bin Laden in based on the knowledge we had, to protect would provide three or four hours of warning before any U.S. missile launch as he had the "last time" — an apparent reference to a failed 1998 cruise missile attack on bin Laden.

 Pentagon counterterrorism officials prepared a strategy urging the Defense Department in September 1998 "to take up the gauntlet that international terrorists have thrown at our feet." But the paper was rejected by a

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DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily

STUDENT ASSISTANT FOR the horticulture gardens and greenhouses, Ty Thurmana, fills in a hole after fixing a leak in an irrigation pipe for the Maxmillian sunflower bed in the garden area on Tuesday afternoon. Thurmana is a senior human development and family studies major from

Crime

Former Tech employee to face felony charges

By Michael Castellon/ The University Daily

Federal drug and firearm charges are expected to be brought against a former Texas Tech employee who is at the



center of a theft investigation involving stolen university property, authorities said Tuesday.

Justin W. Elliott, a former welder for the university's physical plant, and Michael Metzgar, a 12-year plant employee who worked as a lead operator

bock County grand jury earlier this pipe, which officers believed to be month in connection with the theft of university-owned tools, computers and an ultrasound machine.

A search of Elliott's residence resulted in the recovery of a number of items that had been reported stolen from the university. Police reports indicate that during the search, police discovered a handgun, drug paraphernalia containing cocaine residue, and books titled "Practical Firearm Suppressors" and "Silencers from the Home Workshop.'

While searching a vehicle at at the plant, were indicted by a Lub-fire .12 gauge shotgun shells, and a ous times.

similar in design to those in one of the curity camera from the Flint Avenue instructional firearm suppressor books, according to police reports.

Maj. Gordon Hoffman of the Tech Police Department said the discovery will likely result in the filing of charges that are expected to be turned over to ATF officials.

"There will most likely be a filing of possession of paraphernalia and weapons charges, which will most likely be turned over to the ATF," he

Elliott's residence, police officers also sometimes used pass codes and keys discovered two items police describe to enter restricted storage areas on as types of "booby traps" designed to campus to steal the property at vari-

Elliott confessed to stealing a se-Parking Facility after being shown surveillance footage of a man in the area at the time the crime was believed to have been committed.

Authorities questioned Elliott after an officer spotted an SUV believed to have been used in the theft, which belonged to Elliott's girlfriend, a Tech employee, according to reports.

During the initial stages of the investigation, Metzgar walked into Tech Police Headquarters and returned a According to police reports, Elliott stolen projector and ultrasound machine, believed to have been stolen from the university's Athletic Depart-

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Public Affairs

Tech student gets five years in prison

PRICEY PENALTY: Sophomore has to pay \$10,000 in fines for assault with deadly weapon.

By Sally Gunter/The University Daily

A Texas Tech sophomore was sentenced to five years confinement and a \$10,000 fine for a Sept. 14, 2002, accident that left another student paralyzed from the chest down.

Benjamin Unruh, an architecture major from Allen, was indicted in November 2002, on three counts of intoxicated assault with a deadly weapon.

The 137th District Court Judge Cecil G. Puryear ruled to allow Unruh to finish his spring semester at Tech and report to the county jail on May 8

Until then, Unruh will be electronically monitored and have a curfew from 10 p.m. until 6 a.m. He is not allowed to drink or be in the presence of Assistant Criminal District Attorney George Leal said young, middle-

ed and old people can all learn the same lesson from this case. "I think it sends a message," he said. "Our citizens are tired of seeing

intoxicated charges." Consequences of drinking and driving affect more than just the driver,

"Two lives have been affected by this," he said. "They asked one of their friends to be the designated driver, and he didn't take it seriously...now he gets to go to the penitentiary because of that."

Defense attorney Floyd Holder declined to comment regarding the sen-

According to the police report, Unruh was traveling north on Boston Avenue in a 1997 Acura when he ran a flashing red light and struck a car driven by Mike Greiner. Brian Zadorozny, the passenger riding with Unruh, was transported to University Medical Center. He was conscious when emergency personnel arrived at the scene.

Greiner told the police officer that Unruh pulled in front of him while he was driving east on 19th Street. He was unable to avoid hitting the other

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DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily

RYAN MCDOUGAL, A freshman business major from Graham, practices punting on the recreation fields on Tuesday afternoon. McDougal is trying to walk on to the Red Raider football team and was warming up before his 3:30 p.m. tryout. Tech will begin spring football practice today. See story on page 6.

Health Care

Medicare to go broke in 2019 if changes not made

By Mark Sherman/ Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) - Medicare will have to begin dipping into its reserves this year and without changes will go broke by 2019 seven years earlier than expected because of rising health costs, trustees warned Tuesday.

The deteriorating financial picture for the program, which will start a new seniors drug benefit in 2006, provided fuel for an already-hot political debate in which both parties are courting gray-

ing baby boomers in this year's elections for control of the White House and said Social Security's finances remained Congress.

Democrat John Kerry said the report showed President Bush had squandered on tax cuts money that could rescue Medicare. The White House sought to blame the program's problems on

rising health costs, and not the drug benefit Bush signed in December. Medicare is the government's main health care program for older and disabled Americans.

The trustees' annual projections for hospital care also contributed to the

the same and the program's projected insolvency date remained

The new Medicare law will swell program costs by more than \$500 billion over 10 years and more than \$8 trillion over 75 years, according to the re-

As they did last year, the trustees said that projected lower tax receipts devoted to the program and higher expenditures

growing financial problem.

The drain on the trust fund and projected costs for other aspects of Medicare, including doctor visits and prescription drugs "raise serious doubt about the sustainability of Medicare under current financing arrangements," the trustees said.

Without offering specifics, the trustees - four of six are senior administration officials — said Congress would have to act soon to fix

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car, he said. Greiner, a junior architecture student from Las Cruces, N.M., was not treated for any injuries at the location, but he said he did have a back injury that later needed medical atten-

The car driven by Greiner, a 1997 Nissan Altima, belonged to Ryan Rosenboom, who was the only passenger. Rosenboom, a junior architecture and business administration major from Mansfield, said he did not suffer any injuries. The car had front-end dam-

According to the report, Unruh staggered to the patrol car, and the officer detected a mild odor of alcohol on Unruh's breath.

After performing several field sobriety tests, the police officer arrested Unruh for suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol.

Bill Morgan of the Lubbock Police Department said Unruh's blood alcohol content registered at .11. The legal limit is .08.

Unruh declined to comment to The University Daily.

Rated R

Zadorozny is now living with his family in Lucas, where he is enrolled in Kline Community College. Zadorozny declined to comment to The University Daily.

His mother, Diane Zadorozny, read a letter to Unruh after the sentencing was announced that expressed her sorrow concerning the entire incident.

"My heart goes out to you," she said. "I know you did not mean Brian

As Unruh cried, Diane Zadorozny continued in her speech to explain the difficulties and limitations her son faces as a paraplegic.

"He is still really frustrated," she said. "He can't even brush his own

Never drink and drive, Diane

"I do forgive you Ben, but the consequences of that night do go on," she said. "I hope you make this really difficult time account for

After Diane Zadorozny finished, Unruh turned to Zadorozny in tears

"I truly am sorry Brian," he said. "I think about you every day."

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WASHINGTON (AP) - The retail price of gasoline hit an alltime high Tuesday - nearly \$1.74 per gallon nationwide — reflecting strong demand, tight supplies and the high cost of oil, AAA reported.

AAA, formerly the American Automobile Association, reported that motorists are now paying \$1.738 per gallon for self-serve regular unleaded gasoline, one-tenth of a penny higher than the previous record set Aug. 30 of last year. Premium unleaded costs more than \$2 a gallon in many parts of the country.

"Unstable gasoline prices make budgeting for fuel costs extremely difficult for families and businesses," AAA said in a statement.

The Orlando, Fla.-based travel agency gets its data from Oil Price Information Service of Lakewood, N.I., which collects retail price information from 60,000 locations

Gasoline prices traditionally rise between March and May as refiners temporarily shut down their plants in preparation for the peak summer driving season, when special clean-burning blends of fuel are required. These shutdowns shrink supplies.

The Rundown



same-sex marriage

ATLANTA (AP) - More than

two dozen black pastors added their

voice to the critics of same-sex mar-

riage, attempting to distance the civil

rights struggle from the gay rights

movement and defending marriage as

a union between a man and a woman.

himself to the black community, he

doesn't know what suffering is," said

the Rev. Clarence James, an African-

James and 29 pastors rallied late

Monday with their supporters at an

Atlanta-area church where they

signed a declaration outlining their

sure state representatives to approve

a constitutional ban on gay marriages,

Georgia House as soon as this week.

to state leaders Wednesday or Thurs-

day, says same-sex marriage is not a

civil right, and marriage between a

man and a woman is important be-

cause it's necessary for the upbring-

tire civil rights movement," the state-

ment said. "People are free in our

nation to pursue relationships as they choose. To redefine marriage, how-

ever, to suit the preference of those

choosing alternative lifestyles is

gal in Georgia, but supporters of the

Same-sex marriage is already ille-

"To equate a lifestyle choice to racism demeans the work of the en-

ing of children.

which will be considered again by the

The declaration, to be presented

The declaration is meant to pres-

beliefs on marriage and religion.

University.

NEWTON (AP) - A man sentenced to life in prison for killing a 21-year-old woman apparently hanged himself in a hospital, southeast Texas law officers say.

Folmar told the Beaumont Enter-

"Derek had a serious, serious mental problem from the wh2ole time we were (dealing) with him and we knew that," Folmar said, adding that the diagnosis was bipolar disorder. "That's the reason he was not convicted of capital murder and given the death

Hoffpauir pleaded guilty in New-

Hamas leadership

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) -Israel threatened to kill the entire leadership of the Islamic militant group Hamas after assassinating its founder and hinted Tuesday that Yasser Arafat could wind up on the hit list in the future.

The accelerated strikes at Hamas are part of an attempt to score a decisive "When the homosexual compares victory ahead of an Israeli withdrawal from the Gaza Strip. Israel does not want to be seen as being driven out of the strip by militants, who already are claiming American studies professor at Temple

The tough talk came on the same day Hamas hard-liner Abdel Aziz Rantisi was elected as the new leader of the Islamic militant group in Gaza. The 54-year-old pediatrician replaces Sheik Ahmed Yassin, who was killed in an Israeli airstrike early Monday.

Early Wednesday, about 25 Israeli tanks entered the Khan Younis refugee camp in southern Gaza, residents said. Israeli military officials said the operation was aimed at clearing an area used by Palestinian gunmen.

Hours earlier, Israeli gunboats opened fire off the coast of Gaza, targeting fishing boats and piers, witnesses said. No one was hurt. The Israeli military said the gunboats fired at a suspicious

Also late Tuesday, an armed Palestinian was killed as he approached a Jewish settlement in Gaza, Army Radio re-

Around the same time, Israeli helicopters opened fire at guerrillas setting up rocket launchers in south Lebanon, the military said. Lebanese officials said two guerrillas were killed and one wounded.

Rantisi, who has pushed for accelerating attacks on Israel and rules out all compromise, told tens of thousands of cheering Hamas supporters at a soccer stadium that he was chosen in secret elections. One by one, senior Hamas officials got up and swore loyalty to him.



NEWS

Convicted killer Pastors rally against Israel vows to kill commits suicide

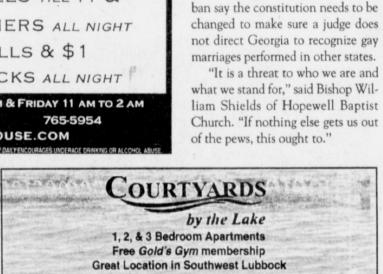
Richard Derek Hoffpauir Jr. of Orange had been on suicide watch since his arrest in May. He apparently wounded himself Friday and was transferred from a state prison psychiatric unit in Jester to a Galveston hospital, said Newton County Chief Deputy Larry Folmar.

prise in Tuesday's editions that Hoffpauir, 22, appeared to have hanged himself at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston.

ton County to capital murder in exchange for a life sentence.

He was sentenced in August.





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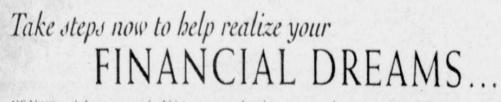
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Bulimia can lead to purging, intense feelings of guilt, shame.

By Beth Aaron/The University Daily

EATING DISORDERS

(Editor's note: name of the woman recovering from bulimia has been changed to Sue.)

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and family studies major, said she first started dealing with her eating disorder at 10 years old. Now, at 19 she has been in recovery for three years.

"My mother had always dieted when I was younger," she said. "I picked up books and read

Sue said her parents were sometimes critical of her weight. She said she believes pressure to be thin for extracurricular activities also may have contributed to her eating disorder.

She said she began to realize she had a problem with food thoughts at about 14 but was able to hide her disease from loved ones until she reached

"It was really easy to hide because I had straight A's," she said. "Everything else was going fine."

Marilyn Massey-Stokes, Texas Tech associate professor of health, exercise and sport sciences, said bulimia usually onsets before the age of 25, whereas anorexia typically develops during adolescence.

Sue said she is classified as bulimic, but just as anorexics have bouts with bulimia, she, too, dealt with periods of anorexic behavior.

Bulimia is defined as frequent episodes of binge eating, almost always followed by purging and intense feelings of guilt or shame. Sue said she could never bring herself to purge by throwing up.

"Exercise was the one thing I could get away with because I could tell them I was healthy, and

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One trustee, Health and Human Ser-

vices Secretary Tommy Thompson, how-

ever, said preventive-care benefits in Medicare and coordinated care for

chronic illnesses that are part of the new

The report quickly became presiden-

Democrats said the lack of new jobs

in the economy is responsible for lower

receipts from wage taxes. Kerry blamed

"George Bush's irresponsible tax breaks

for the wealthy and his giveaway to the prescription drug companies" and said the

system would be broke by the time people

50 or younger reach retirement.

law would help to contain costs.

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nothing was wrong," she said. "I'd eat a whole lot and then go exercise for hours."

Ann Thompson, a nutritional consultant, said the most common form of purging is exercise.

"Exercise, you see, is healthy," she said. "But if it gets to the point where if you don't do it you feel guilty, it becomes a form of purging."

Thompson has worked with countless eating disorder patients. She said the youngest patient she has ever worked with was an 8-year-old male. The oldest patient she has counseled was a 72-year-old

Men are the fastest growing group to be affected by eating disorders, said Thompson. They too, are starting to feel the weight of society's preoccupation with appearance.

Up to 5 percent of college women in the United States are bulimic.

At her very lowest, Sue said she was unable to walk. She said she went through four hospitals before entering recovery. Her parents' concern was a turning point, she said.

"My parents told me I had one more chance," she said, "or they'd plan my funeral and I'd have to

Bulimia is a life-threatening disease can lead to heart problems caused by a fluid imbalance in the body, hair loss, nail breakage, dehydration, receding tooth enamel and malnourishment. In some cases, Thompson said, bulimics can destroy the gastrointestinal tract or rupture the esophagus and hemorrhage to death.

Sue said as a result of her eating disorder, she has osteoporosis, liver and kidney damage and heart problems. Her medical conditions continue to improve, catching up to her mental progress.

"I still go to a lot of support groups," she said. "Eating disorder recovery takes longer than most recoveries.'

Sue said she managed to turn negative thoughts around by focusing on schoolwork, writing in her journal, attending support groups and helping others to seek help. She said she plans to eventually open her own eating disorder clinic.

Though the exact cause of eating disorders is hard to pinpoint, Thompson said bulimia, like anorexia, often stems from the inability to control things in one's life. Stress builds, she said, and bulimics often turn to weight loss to make themselves feel better.

"It becomes like you can't see where you want to go," she said. "I've put this in my mouth and now I have to get rid of it; maybe if I weighed five pounds less, I'd feel better about myself."

Indicators that someone may be struggling with bulimia include frequent trips to the bathroom after meals and secretiveness about eating or restroom use, Thompson said.

"The way someone looks - that is not an indicator," she said.

Bulimics tend to keep a normal weight compared to anorexics. Initially, bulimics will drop an extreme amount of weight, but many times sufferers become so starved they cannot withstand their

"One of the saddest things about it is you think you're doing it to lose weight," she said.

Once food is reintroduced to a malnourished system, however, the body will cling to whatever nutrients become available to try and prevent starvation, therefore storing fat and continuing feelings of low self-esteem.

Sue said anyone suffering from bulimia or any kind of eating disorder should not be ashamed to ask for help. The Center for the Study of Addiction can find qualified counselors, physicians and confidential support groups to pave the way for recovery.

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deputy undersecretary as "too aggressive."

- Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld told the commission that "he did not recall any particular counterterrorism issue that engaged his attention before" the Sept. 11 attacks, other than using unmanned aircraft against bin Laden.

- In a secret diplomatic mission, Saudi Arabia won a commitment from the Taliban to expel bin Laden, but Taliban leaders later reneged.

"From the spring of 1997 to September 2001, the U.S. government tried to persuade the Taliban to expel bin Laden to a country where he could face justice," the report said. "The efforts employed inducements, warnings and sanctions. All these efforts failed."

Shortly before the attacks, the Bush administration was debating how to force bin Laden out. At a Sept. 10, 2001, meeting of second-tier Cabinet officials, officials settled on a three-phase strategy.

The first step called for dispatching an envoy to talk to the Taliban. If this failed, diplomatic pressure would be applied and co-

vert funding and support for anti-Taliban fighters would be increased.

If both failed, "the deputies agreed that the United States would seek to overthrow the Taliban regime through more direct action," the report said.

Deputy national security adviser Stephen Hadley said the strategy had a three-year timeframe.

The report described Saudi Arabia as "a problematic ally in combating Islamic extremism," citing lax oversight of charitable donations that may have funded ter-

The Clinton administration had early indications of terrorist links to bin Laden and future Sept. 11 mastermind Khalid Sheikh Mohammed as early as 1995, but let years pass as it pursued criminal indictments and diplomatic solutions to subduing them abroad, the commission's report said.

Clarke, who was Bush's counterterrorism coordinator and a holdover from the Clinton administration, said in a book out this week that he warned Bush officials in a January 2001 memo about a growing al-Qaida threat after an attack on the USS Cole in Yemen but was put off by National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice.

Rice "gave me the impression she had never heard the term" al-Qaida, Clarke wrote.

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Theft

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ment, but declined to tell police how he acquired it. Metzgar declined to be interviewed by police, and left headquarters pending a conversation with his at-

In addition to the pending federal charges, Elliott is charged with theft by a public servant and burglary of a building.

Metzgar remains charged with two counts of theft by a public servant.



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ast year 16 members of the Texas Tech German Club traveled to Germany during Spring Break to assist in aiding the Germans in a recovery effort following one of the worst floods in history in August 2002.

It became a media field day because the war in Iraq broke out while we were in Germany, and the Germans' sentiments regarding the war were never kept secret. The idea of a group of American students participating in an international gesture of goodwill amidst the controversial cloud of war is one any journalist would love.

This year 16 more students, myself included, traveled to Germany, again to do what could be done to help complete the process of flood recovery. In the intervening year, however, much of the enmity A youth group from a local church between governments of the

wo nations has subsided. Prior to our departure, I had assumed that our 15 minutes of fame had long since passed, and we likely would not receive the same red carpet treatment from the Germans that we had enjoyed in 2003

I could not have been more wrong.

One might think of southern hospitality as un-

matched, but I guarantee no one in Mississippi could ever match the generosity demonstrated by the locals in Grimma, the city where we helped. Though the the kindness we observed remained utterly incredible.

to actually do any work as so many of the city's residents only wanted to do things for and with us. The list of instances of hospitality is extensive and praiseworthy.

food restaurant invited the entire group of 16 students plus our two sponsors to eat a full Indian meal plus beverages at no cost to us. We easily consumed at least \$300 worth of food, and, amazingly, she would not even accept the money we tried in vain sors for us to spend the week with us,



to leave as a tip.

GERMANS

A group of local youth invited us to their Jugendhaus, which is a place where all the local kids go to hang out and relax with friends. They grilled bratwurst, served up vats of potato salad and doled out free beer. We played various quiz games, battled tested our German skills and talked about the differences and similarities between our two cultures.

also invited us to hang out with them. They served us spaghetti, which, although quite tasty, seemed moderately anoma-Bad Schandau lous. Regardless, we spent an evening of cross-cultural exchange with them that was also quite simply great.

Another Texan and I befriended a German

of the same obscure German country music band that I had discovered during my first trip to Germany nearly two years ago. We left Germany with CDs, books, analysts have repeatedly discussed the rift media coverage was considerably smaller, T-shirts and movies, all of which he gave to us out of his own generosity.

The people who deserve the greatest We often found it difficult to find time admiration and appreciation for the success of the trip are the members of the Checkpoint Charlie Foundation, a Berlin-based organization that commits itself to the betterment of German-Ameri-For example, the owner of an Indian can relations. We raised our own money to fund our plane tickets, but they essentially foot the rest of the bill, most notable room, board and all in-country transportation.

Furthermore, they provide two spon-

In the past year, experts and political analysts have repeatedly discussed the rift between Germany and the United States, inspired by the disagreements regarding the war in Iraq. The only place where there is a rift, however, is in the media and between the governments of the respective nations.

helping to clear up the inevitable complications of the language barrier as well as to keep us from getting too terribly lost. Without our sponsors Nicole and Kirsten, the trip could have easily devolved from an organized effort in international cooperation into a stare contest between two nationalities that have no idea how to communicate with one another.

So what though? After all, why should named Andre who was a fan one give a damn if the Germans were nice to us? What impact does that have on the rest of the world?

In the past year, experts and political between Germany and the United States, inspired by the disagreements regarding the war in Iraq.

The only place where there is a rift, however, is in the media and between the governments of the respective nations. For a small band of Texans and the citizens of a small town in Germany, there is no rift. In fact, to these people, the German-American relationship has never been stronger.

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How the Iraq War adds up

Add one year, subtract one dictator, zero weapons of mass destruction found, countless Iraqis freed equals priceless

ust more than one year ago, President George W. Bush stood in front of the United States, and the world, and said the U.S. Armed Forces were going into Iraq. Mission — to find and destroy weapons of mass destruction and remove Saddam Hussein from power.

That was his plan. A year later, what has harsh reality done to that plan? Consider the numbers.

Well, 573 Americans have died. Hundreds more have lost limbs, eyes, mobility, and sometimes sanity and peace. Millions of tears have been shed, hundreds of through, thousands of hearts stopped up a phone.

Hundreds of Iraqis, too, have been killed since the war began, both friendly and hostile to the United States. One member of the fledgling Iraqi Governüâng Council was assassinated.

Billions of dollars have been spent already, and billions more have been set aside for further military occupation and for the rebuilding of Iraq.

Zero weapons of mass destruction have been found.

One dictator has been removed while several of his statues have been toppled, people. His two sons, each of whom had a history of cruelty so brutal it's almost inconceivable, have been killed.

Several of the card deck of the 52 most wanted men have been captured or killed, while dozens more are still in no matter how few, is always worth somehiding somewhere.

The numbers don't quite add up. It's tion of the United States. about 15 wins to countless

losses. It's almost a

Only almost, though. Not quite. It's not hopeless or a waste of resources because of the victories that can't be counted or measured, but are victories nonetheless.

Countless women who been brutally raped by Uday Hussein are Islam who have always been oppressed, are free. The Shiite and Sunni sects are living side by side, if not in peace, then in tolerance.

Many, many lives were saved from Saddam's cruel regime. Yes, many people die each day, both American and Iraqis. But they're giving their lives for a cause, for freedom, for their countries. I interviewed a man once who had just lost a friend in Iraq. He said he realized just how much his friend loved those people he had never met, because he was willing to sacrifice everything so the Iraqis could be free.

One year later we are infinitely better. off than we were, because evil men have been destroyed and a vicious government has been toppled along with its statues. I've struggled with this war in Iraq because I just didn't know if we could really justify the cost. But we can. Saving some lives,



One year later we are infinitely better off than we were, because evil men have thousands of sleepless nights suffered been destroyed and a vicious while shaky hands open a letter or pick government has been toppled along with its statues. I've struggled with this war in Iraq because I just didn't know if we could really justify the cost. But we can. Saving lives, no matter how few, is always worth somebrought down by the fury of hundreds of thing. Fighting for freedom is the foundation of the United States.

thing. Fighting for freedom is the founda-

The only thing I can say about Bush doing something. Bush has convictions about moral right and wrong, and he's acting on hem. Like it or not, give him that. I don't know all the ramifica-

tions this war with Iraq will cause. But I could have respect and stand behind our president because he has the courage to act on what he free from that fear. The Kurds, a sect of believes, and I can give no higher compli-

Cut the man some slack. No, he's not perfect. He's made some bad decisions as president. Everyone who makes decisions makes some bad ones — Bush's just happen to be more visible and more far-reaching. But he's making the best decision he can based on the information he has; I firmly believe that. He's trying.

I'll close with a few more numbers. In the last Iraqi election, 100 percent of voters logged a vote for Saddam Hussein. Bush, meanwhile, has 52 percent of Americans' support, according to a March 21 USA Today/CNN/Gallup poll.

Funny how freedom adds up the way

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'One nation under God' lawsuit appeal pledges to be a case of judicial madness

By Bradley Aldrich/The Reveille

(U-WIRE) BATON ROUGE, La. -Someone at the Supreme Court deserves a raise for a stroke of scheduling genius.

Sandwiched between the first two nerve-wracking weekends of NCAA tournament play, today's hearing of Elk Grove Unified School District v. Michael A. Newdow — the "one nation under God" case — will provide a bit of public competition to fill the void left during the NCAA tournament's downtime. Just call it "judicial madness."

The storyline even mirrors that of a traditional postseason match-up, with a steely, determined underdog (Newdow) won't be at full strength, however, and faces a major lineup adjustment follow-

recuse himself from the case.

Newdow, as you may recall, is a California atheist with degrees from both law and medical schools. Upset that his daughter was forced to recite the "under God" component of the Pledge of Allegiance, he decided to sue, charging that forced recitation of the pledge violated the First Amendment's establishment clause.

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, by a 2-1 vote, upheld his complaint in the summer of 2002, setting the stage for today's appeal hearing. Newdow, who is arguing the case himself, will face off consent of the governed. against Solicitor General Theodore (the U.S. government). The government the Pledge is just an "official tianity, and religious belief in general. acknowledgement of our nation's religious heritage." His view is supported not will result in a 4-4 tie, in which the case the

ing Justice Antonin Scalia's decision to only by the President, but also by official decision of the lower court will be affirmed. briefs submitted by the Senate and House of Representatives.

> The Government's case rests on uneven ground, as it must argue within the framework of a Constitution and Bill of Rights which make no explicit mention of any deity.

> There is also, of course, talk from the right of the deeply held religious views of our founders, most of which should be dismissed as politically motivated hogwash. The founders, philosophical rationalists and fiery radicals alike, advocated a government ordained not by God, but which derived its power from the rationally calculated

Check out (www.dimensional.com/~randl/ Olson, the government's top-dog attor- founders.htm) for the most reliable and welltaking on an established, favored power ney. Olson has filed a brief arguing that sourced look at how the founders viewed Chris-

Many legal experts predict Scalia's absence

What will follow is anyone's guess, but

with "under God" removed from kids' routine, it will surely involve some sort of cataclysmic upheaval (similar to the apocalyptic events which have followed in the wake of gay marriage).

The Supreme Court is now faced with a less than appealing choice — uphold 200 years of shaky secular reasoning, or decide once and for all that yes, children, there is a God, and you had better acknowledge that each morning.

A timeless, lucid opinion from decades past gets lost in all the debate about whether or not the big guy is really there, and whether or not he actually likes America. Writing for the Court in 1943, as it struck down compulsory Pledge recitation by an 8-1 vote, Justice Robert Jackson offered lasting insight into the nature of what it means to be an American.

His words remained applicable through decades. Contemplation of them reveals the foolishness of a divisive, semantic fight over required acknowledgment of belief.

In the opinion Jackson wrote, "Compulsory unification of opinion achieves only the unanimity of the graveyard ... There is no mysticism in the American concept of the State or of the nature or origin of its authority. We set up government by consent of the governed, and the Bill of Rights denies those in power any legal opportunity to coerce that consent ... If there is any fixed star in our constitutional constellation, it is that no official, high or petty, can prescribe what shall be orthodox in politics, nationalism, religion or other matters of opinion or force citizens to confess by word or act their faith therein." "Under God" or no. these words must not be forgotten.

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Carrey movie a ray of brilliance

In a mediocre time of the year for the movies, "Eternal Sunshine of Lthe Spotless Mind" is a film that makes it easy to forget all the sloppy films we've had to endure since Janu-

That's fitting, as the film directly deals with an imagined technology to erase troublesome memories.

One of the most brilliant and uniquely gifted screenwriters working in Hollywood today, Charlie Kaufman, may not be a household name, but his writing flavor is unmistakable.

His wonderful script for "Being John Malkovich" was nothing short of genius, and 2002's "Adaptation" gave us a unique insight into how the mind of this writer works.

Even when he adapted Chuck Barris' autobiography, "Confessions of a Dangerous Mind" last year, his presence in the script was still detect-

Now comes "Eternal Sunshine," a deeply written and dark romantic comedy that raises issues of human psychology, ethics and love — a diz- it means hiding her under a buried zying maze in itself.

But the film goes further by tak- childhood. ing us inside the mind of its central character as he deals with suppressed memories, dreams and the feeling of being trapped inside his own head.

Weird, you say? You don't know the half of it.

Carrey), a self-loathing introvert, whose journal entries have the definite Kaufman touch.

"Why do I fall in love with any woman who shows me the least bit formance of his career as he conof attention?" he writes.

But Joel does fall in love when he meets his polar opposite, Clementine guy who started his career by talk-(Kate Winslet), a wild and extroverted woman whose hair color is us depth with his roles in "The usually representative of her emotional disposition.

however, Clementine goes to a clinic called Lacuna Inc. that has developed a way to erase troublesome memories. She has her entire memory of Joel de-

clinic and meets the Lacuna staff: Dr. overshadow the emotional energy Howard Mierzwiak Wilkinson), his assistant Mary (Kirsten Dunst), and his two techni- inconsistencies, including the abilcians Stan (Mark Ruffalo) and ity for Joel to only occasionally Patrick (Elijah Wood). Joel decides hear the voices outside his head to go through the treatment to erase Clementine from his memory.

Joel is put to sleep one evening, nonetheless. and the technicians come to jack into his brain with their laptop comput- which are nearly inevitable and ers and start erasing. The film, then, splits in two as we jump back and forth between what is going on in Joel's head, and the reality outside his mind.

decides that he wants the process erase stopped. After most of the bad memories of Clementine are gone, he starts to encounter the good ones.

Joel must find a way to wake himself up and tell the erasers to stop, or he must find a way to hide the memory of her under a long-forgotten or suppressed memory — even if



Jim Carrey gives the finest performance of his career as he conveys deep and desperate longing in his lost character. This, from the guy who started his career by talking out of his

anus. memory of humiliation from his

While the film is purposefully confusing at times, Kaufman has not dug a hole too deep for him to

get himself out. There also is the inclusion of some tangent storylines that, on The film opens on Joel (Jim the surface, appear to be gratuitous, but prove to be vital as the film careens through its twists and

Jim Carrey gives the finest perveys deep and desperate longing in his lost character. This, from the ing out of his anus. He has shown Truman Show" and even "The Majestic" but here he stretches When the relationship goes sour, himself more than he ever has be-

Music video director Michel Gondry was an excellent choice to helm this project. He never lets the free-flowing movement from In an act of revenge, Joel visits the dream to reality and back again (Tom of the story.

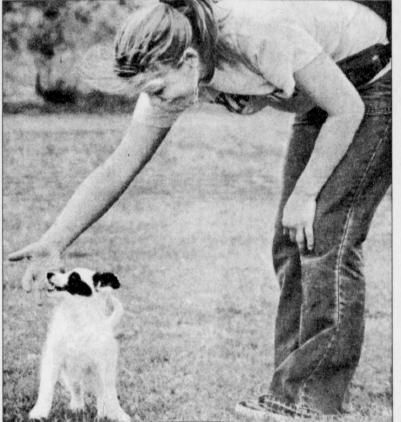
Although there are a few small when it is convenient, are fascinating concepts, but inconsistent

Despite the few discrepancies, even permissible with material this far-fetched, "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind" is a wonderful film that will leave a lasting impression on viewers' memories that Midway through the process, Joel even the Lacuna people couldn't

EPPLER'S RATING:



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DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily TARA JOHNSON, A restaurant, hotel and institutional management

major from Temple, playes with Xoe, a 7-week-old border collie in Urbanovsky Park on Tuesday afternoon.

Jackson wants man to return memorabilia

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) - Michael Jackson contends a New Jersey man had no right to costumes, letters and other possessions that helped fill a warehouse with his famous family's tion company owner, said Tuesday.

A lawsuit filed Monday in U.S. District Court in Los Angeles also seeks to close a Web site created by Henry V. Vaccaro Sr. to show off the

Jackson is demanding his things back, but Vaccaro said he already has sold the goods to a European buyer.

"It's gone," Vaccaro, a construc-

Vaccaro, 63, said he was awarded the Jackson family's possessions following nine years of legal wrangling stemming from a failed business venture that wound up in bankruptcy court.

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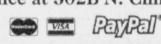
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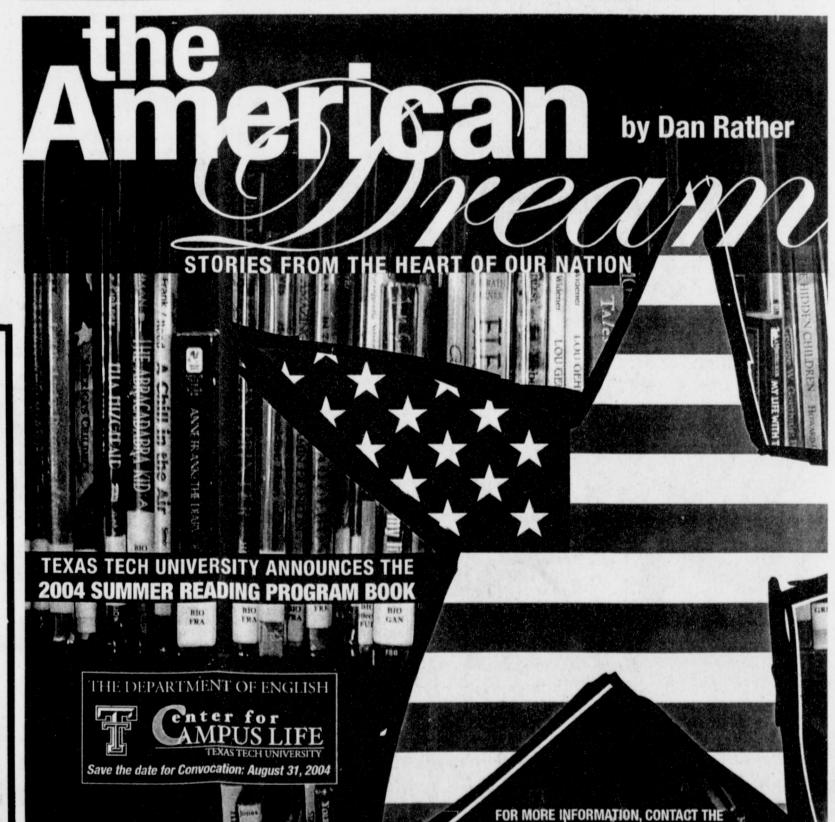
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Two A&M players suspended indefinitely

suspended indefinitely after they were charged with alcohol-related offenses and accused of shouting

said the team will consider allowing in a statement. "First and foremost, center Geoff Hangartner and offen- they had to address their actions in sive lineman Cole Smith to return front of their teammates."

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COLLEGE STATION (AP) - after they attend a multicultural Two Texas A&M players have been course, perform 24 hours of community service and complete an alcohol awareness program.

"These young men have to meet several criteria to be considered A&M coach Dennis Franchione back on the squad," Franchione said

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Predetermined sites change NCAA Tournament advantage

By David Wiechmann/ The University Daily

sub-Regional. The NCAA went to win 81-77. predetermined sites in the postseason for the first time, and it has resulted in a stir of controversy and upsets.

Lower seeded teams received home court advantages in head-to-head games in the first and second rounds. One such pairing happened in Tech's sub-Regional, pitting No. 5 seed Louisiana Tech against No. 12 seed Montana, on the Lady Grizzlies home court.

It was a matchup that could very well have had a different outcome if it had been played on a neutral site said Louisiana Tech coach Kurt Budke.

"It just so happened that Montana was at home this year," he said. "Nobody's crazy about the system, but that's the system we're in, so we just go out and play. I think Texas Tech feels the same way. I don't think they played their best game (Saturday against Maine) either. Sometimes

change your game a little bit."

MISSOULA, Mont. — For the by double digits and came back in chos' confines of the Thunderdome in first time in seven seasons the Texas the second half to take a double-digit the first round and lost by 27 points. Tech Lady Raiders did not open the lead of its own before the wheels fell UCBS then defeated No. 3 Houston in NCAA Tournament by hosting a off and the La Tech came back to the second round 56-52.

found in nearly every region.

No. 5 Florida had to play on the home court of No. 12 New Mexico in the first round in the Midwest. Florida won that game, however. One team that did not win its game on a lower seeded team's home floor was, No. 7 seed in the Midwest, Rutgers. The Scarlet Knights lost to would like to see the NCAA re-evalu-No. 10 Tennessee-Chattanooga in the ate the situation and put every team on opening round.

The Sweet 16 and Elite Eight for the Midwest will be played in Norman, Okla., which would mean a possible game between No. 3 OU and No. 2 Vanderbilt. The home court advantage could lead the Sooners to an Elite Eight pairing with No. 1 Tennessee.

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Big 12 teams are not the only squads

Colorado, the sixth seed in the East, the tournament. She said if home Montana trailed Louisiana Tech faced UC-Santa Barbara in the Gau-

Mismatches in the brackets can be opponent's home court in the second round against No. 7 Minnesota

> in the Mideast, and No. 3 Boston College will be on that it should be earned," she said. No. 6 Ohio State's floor in the second round.

Is this good for women's basketball to create home court advantages for lower seeded teams?

Tech coach Marsha Sharp said she a neutral floor come tournament time.

There are gonna be more upsets in women's basketball this year, I can tell you that, and I think that's what the committee wanted," she said.

Some of the upsets Sharp said would happen did, and she said she has always been on the side against

7,500 people screaming at you can benefiting from the predetermined sites. does not create a level playing field in court advantage is going to exist in the postseason, it should go to a team that deserves it because of its seed.

> "I've been on the record for two or three years that I am an opponent of Kansas State will find itself on its predetermined sites; I have since the very first time I heard the concept, only from the perspective that if you're going to do it on home court situations

> > For Sharp the solution is simple get rid of home court advantage if predetermined sites are going to be used. For her, the best thing for women's basketball is to create an equal opportunity for every team on the floor. Going completely to neutral sites, like the men's tournament, would remove the debate.

"I do think the guicker women's basketball can go to neutral sites and get it off home court the better," Sharp said. "I've said it all along, the site is more important than the seed. There's no reason to penalize people. It makes it a skewed, unfair tournament because there are a couple of one seeds that are gonna host, and there are a couple having predetermined sites because it of one seeds that are on the road."



Red Raiders begin spring team practice

Official spring workouts begin for the season's 11-game schedule. Red Raider football team today at 3 p.m. For Texas Tech it means the beginning moves for Tech, however, as some of of the long process to prepare for next the games have been moved around

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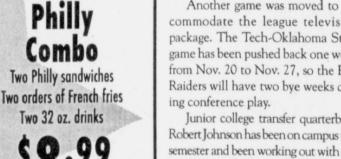
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The offseason was not without to give the schedule a new look than originally planned.

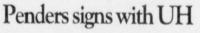
Because of a fall holiday at the University of Kansas, the game between Tech and the Jayhawks has been moved from Oct. 16 to Sept. 25. The time change gives Tech a bye during Big 12 Conference play in between games against Nebraska and Texas, both games are at home.

Another game was moved to accommodate the league television package. The Tech-Oklahoma State game has been pushed back one week from Nov. 20 to Nov. 27, so the Red Raiders will have two bye weeks dur-

Junior college transfer quarterback Robert Johnson has been on campus this semester and been working out with the team. He and freshman Graham Harrell complete the nation's No. 2 quarterback class this season, according to TheInsiders.com.



Spring workouts will conclude with the annual Red-Black Game on April 17, at Jones SBC Stadium.

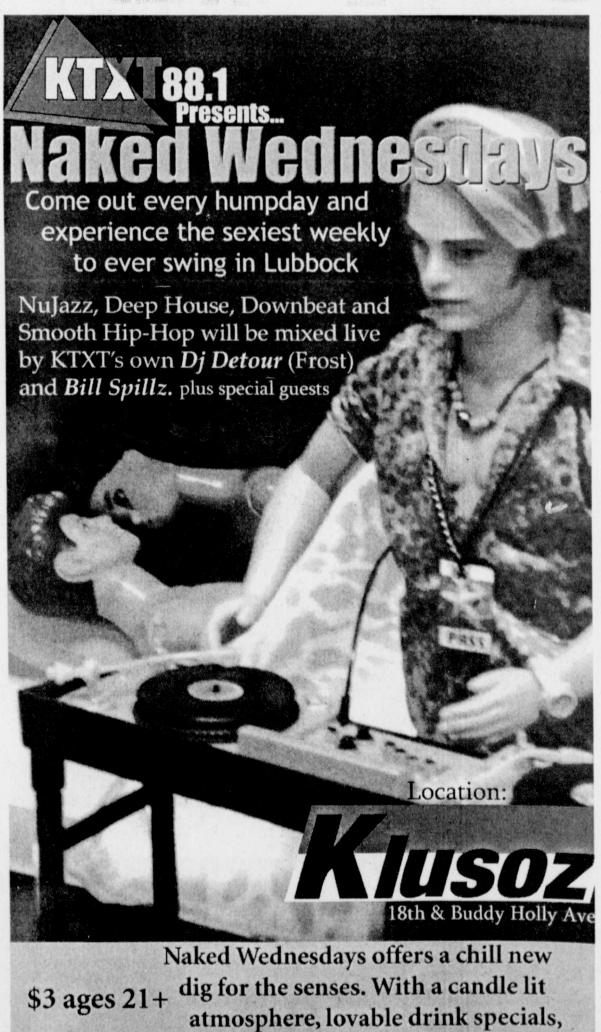


HOUSTON (AP) - Tom Penders was hired Tuesday to coach at Houston, the once-powerful program that hasn't won an NCAA tournament game in 20 years.

Penders and the university agreed to a five-year contract, but terms weren't finalized, officials said. Penders, a coach at Texas for 10 years, replaces Ray McCallum, who was reassigned March 8 after going 44-72 in four seasons.

"I feel like I am coming back home. I am excited about this opportunity here at the University of Houston." Penders said. "It is both a dream and a desire of mine to bring the Cougars back to national prominence and compete for a national championship."





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Track opens outdoor season with success

By Adam Boedeker/ The University Daily

Texas Tech track coach Wes Kittley was a happy man on Saturday as his team kicked off the outdoor track season, which has always been the main concentration of Tech's team.

It was not just the fact the spring season began that had Kittley rejoicing, but one performance in particular from one of his stars.

Junior Albert Booker surprised Kittley with his first outdoor 400meter of the year, running a 45.64 to give him a personal record, school record, regional qualifying time and what Kittley said was probably the fastest time in the country this early on in the season.

"I didn't have a dream in my life that he would run that fast in the first meet and break the school record," Kittley said. "I wouldn't be surprised if it's the best time in the nation for the first week out. It was definitely the highlight of the weekend."

Kittley said Booker persevered despite the 30 mph Lubbock winds.

"It was just unheard of to run that good in the conditions we had," he said. "It had to have affected him physically, but it didn't affect him mentally. I was really proud of him for being so mentally tough."

Booker said he did something that he does not do very often - surprise himself.

"Yeah, it surprised me that I got out like that," he said. "I wasn't tired after the race, but I thought I ran a little slower than I did. When I found out (Kittley) had me at a 45.4 it was a lot faster than I thought I had ran."

As for Booker's chances in regionals and nationals, Kittley said he initially thought Booker would have the best chance of scoring in the 200, but now he is not sure.

"I thought before last week it'd be the 200," Kittley said. "The (400) is so tough, but I don't know, if he's gonna run that good he's gonna have a chance to be an All-American in

Junior Matt Stewart also set a regional qualifying time in the 200 with a time of 20.93 and a personal record in the 400 with a 46.62.

Stewart said he has been looking forward to outdoor season and believes the team got off to a good start on Saturday.

"(Outdoor) is what we look forward to," he said. "It's good to get those (regional qualifying) times out of the way in the first meet and see what we can do in the Big 12."

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He said his and Booker's running was surprising to him as well.

"It surprised us a lot because we were running (those times) at the end of the year last year," he said. "To start off this year running like that is a good sign."

Will Stewart run the 200 later in the season? Fat chance, he said.

"I just jumped in (the 200) to get ready for the sprint medley relay at Texas Relays because I run the first 200 of that," he said. "I don't think they'll let me run the 200 because it's hard to run that and the 400. Only special people like Albert can run both."

As a team Tech garnered 27 gold finishes during the TTU Invitational.

The Red Raiders travel to El Paso this weekend for a meet at Texas-El Paso in which they will face some competition from within the Big 12 with Oklahoma and Texas A&M making the trip as well.

Stewart said the upcoming meet will be a good measure of where the team stands at this point

"They're gonna score the meet as a team so we can see where we stack up against other teams," he said. "A&M was third in (conference) in outdoor last season and we were fourth. OU has a good (4x400) relay team too so that will be good for us, and there's a fast track so it will be good to run another fast time."

Overall, Kittley believes the team is setting itself up for a successful outdoor campaign.

"Regionally and nationally you've got our men's and women's 4x400 relay teams, Jonathan Johnson in the 800 and Booker in the running part," he said. "Then you've got (discus thrower) Jason Young and our pole vaulters."

Kittley said those athletes could



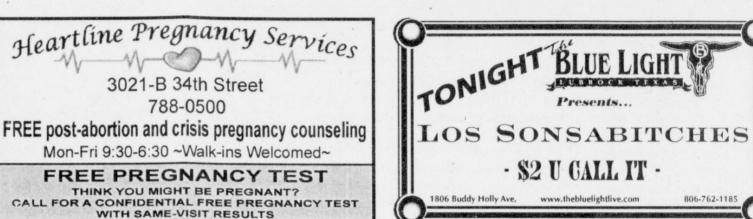
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CHAD PHARIS LEAPS over the bar in the high jump during the Texas Tech Invitational on Saturday at R.P. Fuller Stadium. Pharis finished first with a jump of 6-feet-9.75 inches. The men's and women's teams combined for 27 first-place finishes.

high in the national standings.

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Summer Camp Counselor

Applications are being accepted for students interested in becoming a counselor for the Recreational Summer Sports Camp. Our camp is structured around children ages 7 - 13. Three counselors are assigned to 24 - 30 children. The camp is designed to improve the sport skills of children, but the emphasis in on FUN! Summer Sports Camp is offered Monday thru Friday 8 am – noon; however, a counselor's day is 7:45 am to 12:15 pm. The current stipend for counselors is \$6.50/hr. Interested counselors need to be available from June 2nd - July 23rd. Come by the Rec Sports office Room 203 of the Recreation Center and fill out an application. Applications are due by Wed, April 21st. The contact for this job opportunity is George Juarez, 742-3351.

4 on 4 Officials

Missed the first meeting of the 4 on 4 Flag Football Training and still want to officiate? Don't fret! Come to tonight's meeting. We are still taking Flag Football officials. Our meeting tonight will be in Room 206 in the Student Recreation Center at 6:30 pm. So, if you still want to get out and throw some flags and blow some whistles, come join us tonight.

FITNESS/WELLNESS

Mountain Bike Race This Sunday

The annual Natural High Mountain Bike Race has a division for all mountain bike riders from Beginners to Experts so come join the fun on Sunday. Registration will be held from 11:30 am - -12:30 pm with the first race beginning at 1 p.m. at the Martin Luther King Course. Entry fee is \$4 Tech and \$6 community. This is a great time to start your racing career or test your skill in the Sport or Expert classes. Great prizes and drawings. Check www.recsports.ttu.edu for course descriptions.

Tennis Classes Begin Next Week

Now is a great time to learn and/or improve your tennis game. USA Tennis 1-2-3 is a beginner class. It meets on M/W from 5:15-6:15 March 29-April 21. If you know the basics but want to play singles and doubles as well as get some instruction, join the Team Tennis program which meets from 6:30-7:30 pm M/W. The cost for both classes is \$20 which must be paid prior to joining the class.

INTRAMURALS

More Tennis! IM Tourney Coming

It's time again for the Intramural Sports Tennis Singles tournament. Entries needed to be filled out in the Intramural Sports office, Room 203 of the Rec Center by 5:00 pm on Tuesday March 30th. Play will begin on Thursday, April 1st. There will be a Men's Competitive and Recreational League and Women's Competitive and Recreational League. There is not a +charge to participate in this event, so dust off the racket and grab a couple of your friends and come out and hit some yellow balls back and forth to each other.

Basketball Rankings

MEN'S		WOMEN'S	
1.	Ice Cold	1.	Pi Phi
2.	Phi Delt 'A'	2.	JTG
3.	Bourbon n Blues	3.	Team Roxbury
4.	Dynasty	4.	G.A.T.A.
5.	Gottie Boys	5.	KKG 'A'

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Caprock Canyon

Day Hike Saturday, April 3rd

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beautiful canyon and escape the worries of tests and the daily grind.

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Tune in Next Week for A New Adventure...

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Intramurals

Tennis Singles **Bench Press** Multiathlon

Special Events

Lifeguard Training - Session 1 Mountain Bike Race Lifeguard Training - Session 2 Bike Maintenance Clinic

Entries Due

April 1 April 7 April 12

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STUDENT RECREATION CENTER HOURS

Open Recreation Hours

Mon. - Thurs. 6a.m. - Midnight Friday 6a.m. - 10:30pm Saturday 9am - 9pm noon - 11pm Sunday

Aquatic Center Hours

3:00pm - 8:45pm

Saturday-Sunday Monday - Friday 2pm - 6:45pm 6:30am - 8:45am Noon - 1:20pm

The road is coming to an end...

IM Basketball Finals - Sun: 6pm/Mon: 7pm **United Spirit Arena**

AQUATIC CENTER

Spring Lifeguard Classes Starting Now

Don't wait until it's too late to register! This could be your last chance! Classes are filling quickly.

Want to learn lifesaving techniques? Do you want to work outside this summer? Don't wait until it's too late to register! Become a Certified American Red Cross Lifeguard. This course includes Lifeguarding, Standard First Aid, and CPR for the Professional Rescuer. The cost is \$120 for TTU students. Books are included in the course cost.

Session 2 Sat/Sun 8am-5pm Session 3 T/Th 7-10pm Sat/Sun 8am-5pm Session 4 Sat/Sun 8am-5pm Session 5

Mar. 27 - Apr. 4 Mar.30 - Apr. 29 Apr. 17 - Apr. 25

May 16 - May 22

Call 742-3896 to learn more about Lifeguarding Classes or stop by the Aquatic Center to register

Adult Beginning Swimming Class

For those of you who have always wanted to swim but were afraid to try, this course is for you! Basic water skills and safety will be taught by an American Red Cross instructor. The cost is \$25 for TTU and \$ 30 for community. April 5th - 26th (M/W) 630-730 pm

Intermediate Swimming Class

Can you swim but want to work on your stroke? Come in and register for adult intermediate swimming classes. Water skills and safety will be taught by an American Red Cross instructor. The cost is \$25 for TTU and \$30 for community. April 5th - 26th (M/W) 730-830 pm

Water Polo Anyone?

Did you play in high school? Never played before? Now you can take part in this exciting game while getting some great exercise. We will set the pool up for drop in water polo on THURSDAY Nights from 6:30-8:30 pm. Come and join us for the fun!

OUTDOOR PURSUITS

Easter Weekend Adventure Trips April 9-12

Capitan Wilderness Backpacking

The Capitan Wilderness offers great views of the West Texas Plains and the surrounding Mountain Ranges of New Mexico. This is a great trip for the first time backpackers to experience the sport of backpacking or for the experience backpackers to stretch their legs for their upcoming summer season.

Colorado River Canoeing

Come join us on a 30-mile paddle of the Colorado River in Central Texas. This is a self-contained canoe trip where we will pack the canoes with the supplies that we will need for 3 days. The trip coordinators try to organize great meals to feed the hungry paddlers at the end of each day. The scenic attributes of the river are high limestone bluffs, vistas of rugged cedar-covered hills, and the existence of one of the most spectacular waterfalls in Texas.

To begin your adventure, checkout our website at www.recsports,ttu.edu or call 742-2949. Sign-ups going on now, so register you and your friends today at the Outdoor Pursuits Center.

Upcoming Outdoor Pursuits Workshops

Bike Maintenance Class

Thursdays in April

This is a great workshop that will help you become confident in repairing and tune-up your own bike. This class will follow the curriculum of Park Tools maintenance school.

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This class is intended to introduce outdoor enthusiast to the sport and art of fly-fishing. Participants will gain essential information for their development as a fly fisher.

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Don't miss out on your chance to make sure that you still have the best opportunities!

When to reserve a room:

March 18-23 - Single Room Requests Accepted March 29 - Same Room March 30 - New Room/Same Hall or Complex

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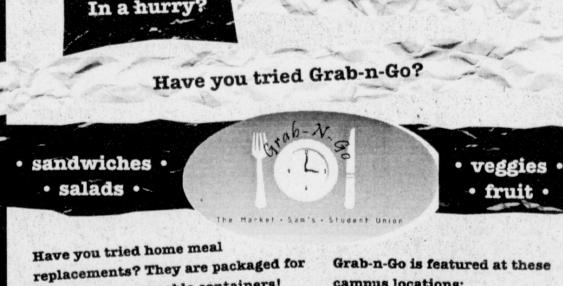
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- · King Ranch Chicken
- Grilled Lime Chicken
- · New Orleans Mashed Potatoes
- · And lots more...

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Grab-n-Go is featured at these campus locations:

 The Market at Stangel/Murdough

No time to stand in line?

- All Sam's Place locations
- · Dining Detour (in the SUB Ballroom)

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