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## Colombian paramilitary member pleads guilty

HOUSTON (AP)—A member of a Colombian right-wing paramilitary group has pleaded guilty to participating in an attempt to acquire anti-aircraft missiles, grenade launchers and other powerful weapons in exchange for \$25 million worth of cocaine.

Diego Alberto Ruiz Arroyave was one of 14 right-wing paramilitaries from the United Self-Defense Forces of Colombia, known by its Spanish initials, AUC, extradited in May to the United States in connection with the drugs-for-arms deal.

**NATION**

## Bus driver in fatal California crash arrested

WILLIAMS, Calif. (AP) — A bus driver with a string of motor vehicle offenses and a history of substance abuse was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence of drugs Monday after his casino-bound charter bus ran into a ditch, killing eight people.

Investigators also said the bus had an invalid license plate, and they were looking into whether the driver had proper permits to operate the vehicle. The bus ran off the road Sunday while taking passengers to a Sacramento gambling hall. About 30 people were injured.

**WORLD**

## Taliban, Afghan officials meet in Saudi Arabia

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — A former Taliban ambassador said Monday that the hard-line militants sat with Afghan officials and Saudi King Abdullah over an important religious meal in Saudi Arabia late last month as the insurgency raged back home.

Abdul Salam Zaeef, the Taliban's former ambassador to Pakistan, denied that the get-together could be construed as peace talks. But President Hamid Karzai has long called for negotiations with the Taliban, and the meeting could spur future initiatives.

Taliban spokesman Qari Yousef Ahmadi said Monday that the militant group is independent from al-Qaida. The U.S. and other Western countries will never accept a peace deal

**DEATH TOLL**

**4178**

U.S. military deaths in Iraq since fighting began

SOURCE: Associated Press, confirmed by the Department of Defense

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# Wall Street tumbles amid global sell-off

By **JOE BEL BRUNO & TIM PARADIS**  
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NEW YORK (AP) — Wall Street suffered through another extraordinary and traumatic session Monday, with the Dow Jones industrials plunging as much as 800 points — their largest one-day point drop — before recovering to close with a loss of 370. The catalyst for the selling, which also took the Dow below 10,000 for the

first time in four years, was investors' growing despair that the spreading credit crisis will take a heavy toll around the world.

Investors have come to the realization that the Bush administration's \$700 billion rescue plan and steps taken by other governments won't work quickly to unfreeze the credit markets.

That sent stocks spiraling downward in the U.S., Europe and Asia, and drove investors to sink money into the relative safety of U.S. gov-

ernment debt. Fears about a global recession also caused oil to drop below \$90 a barrel.

"The fact is, people are scared and the only thing they're doing is selling," said Ryan Detrick, senior technical strategist at Schaeffer's Investment Research. "Investors are cleaning out portfolios and getting rid of everything because nothing seems to be working."

The selling was so extreme that only 264 stocks rose on the NYSE — and 2,986 dropped. That's a telling

sign considering the stock market is considered a leading economic indicator, with investors tending to buy and sell based on where they believe the economy will be in six to nine months.

Monday's stock trading extended what has been an exceptional stretch of volatility, in which triple-digit drops in the Dow are becoming almost commonplace; in the past week, the blue chips have fallen more than 1,100 points, or nearly 11 percent. This latest decline indicates

that investors are becoming more convinced that the country is leading a prolonged economic crisis that is shifting to other nations.

"The market view is shifting from looking just at the misery of the financial sector to the global economy," said Georges Ugeux, chairman and chief executive of New York-based Galileo Global Advisors. "There are enough indication that two things are happening: The crisis is spreading to other sectors, and that it is becoming global."



## Activists visit Lubbock to promote organic farming



PHOTOS BY KERRY LENTZ/The Daily Treador

DANIEL BOWMAN SIMON (left) and Casey Gustowarow (right), creators of the White House Organic Farming Project, are pictured with an organic garden on top of the WhoFarmMobile bus, which they brought to Lubbock Friday to promote a petition for an organic farm at the White House.

By **TINA L. ARONS**  
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Daniel Bowman Simon and Casey Gustowarow travel the country in a redesigned school bus to spread the word about the White House Organic Farm Project, their plan to petition for an organic farm at the White House.

"We need to be more invested in food security and reducing the amount of traffic that is generated by food moving through the country," said Simon, a 28-year-

old New York University and University of the Pacific alumnus. "If the president is eating out of his own yard, it would send a very positive message."

The two men began their trip Aug. 4 and they said their goal is to travel the country as they make their way toward Washington, D.C. in the days leading up to November's election.

The duo arrived in Lubbock on Thursday with their unusual bus and spent several hours Friday morning encouraging the Lubbock community to sign the petition, which has about 2,000 signatures from people

who support local organic produce.

Simon said the bus, called the WhoFarmMobile, was designed by Stefan Sagmeister and Ben Cohen of Ben & Jerry's. It was created by fusing two miniature school busses together with one bus turned upside-down on top of the other.

On top of the modified bus is an organic garden.

Gustowarow said the WhoFarm project is a positive attempt to create change.

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# Tech cracking down on bicycle parking violations

By **MATT COBB**  
STAFF WRITER

Here is a warning to all bicycle riders: Be careful where you park.

Texas Tech's University Parking Services will start enforcing their impound policy for all illegally parked bicycles, in order to make parts of the campus more accessible to visually impaired students.

Bicycles may not be secured on shrubs, trees or any architectural structures, according to the university's parking rules and regulations. Any bicycle that is in violation of this policy is subject to being impounded.

"There are a lot of bikes that are being chained to handrails, and visually impaired students are not able to easily access the library or the Student Union Building," said Heather Medley, marketing and training coordinator for Tech's University

Parking Services.

The University Parking Services decided to start cracking down on its enforcement policy because they received an increase in the amount of complaints from visually impaired students, she said.

Most of the reported bicycle-parking issues are taking place in between the University Library and the SUB, Medley said. Bicycles are being attached to handrails and trees, rather than their designated racks.

Starting this Wednesday, warning tags will be placed on bicycles that are illegally secured, said Brian Brand, parking enforcement manager for Tech's University Parking Services. This includes bicycles that are chained to handrails and light posts.

"We are going to start impounding bicycles at the end of this week or the

beginning of next week," he said.

Anyone who gets their bicycle impounded will have to pay a \$10 citation and a \$40 impound fee in order to get it back, Brand said. All bicycles will be stored at the impound lot, which is located on Fourth Street, next to Tech Police Station.

Several new bicycle racks will be placed between the library and the SUB by today, he said. This should provide approximately 30 to 40 additional spots to secure bicycles. These additional racks are being relocated from other areas on campus.

Even though additional bicycle racks are being placed outside of the SUB, the old racks were not being completely utilized, Brand said. There are usually open



PHOTO BY KARL ANDERSON/The Daily Treador  
A BICYCLE LOCKED to a tree Monday outside the Student Union Building.

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**TODAY**  
Sunny

High 74 Low 49



**Wednesday**  
Sunny

High 80 Low 52



**Thursday**  
Sunny

High 80 Low 56



**Friday**  
Sunny

High 81 Low 52



**Saturday**  
Scattered T-Storms

High 72 Low 50

## Tech captain unhappy about prospect of hockey-less Hub City

By **BRIDGET DE STEFANO**  
STAFF WRITER

Members of Texas Tech's hockey team have a new opponent: the Lubbock City Council.

For about 30 players on the team, it has been a tough month, and the team's captain, John Griffith, is worried about the fate of his favorite sport in West Texas.

"(The team has) just tried to keep hockey here," said Griffith, a senior architecture major from Dallas. "This is our home and we need to keep it."

Griffith, a defenseman who wears the No. 12 jersey, said he was born in the Hub City and that growing up in an area without access to ice rinks or hockey was unbearable.

When he moved to Dallas as a 7-year-old, that all changed.

He was hooked on the game. His first encounter with hockey happened at about the same time the Dallas Stars came to the Metroplex.

Griffith recalled a time during his childhood when hockey was a new sport in Dallas. The number of ice rinks and the number of players increased significantly in the area after the Stars moved in and began sponsorships, which led to the sport's popularity in the area today.

"I've seen hockey grow in Dallas just from the grassroots to what it is today, and a lot of the guys that are on the Tech team who have been there from day one have seen it also," he said. "So we know that hockey can

grow in Lubbock."

Griffith said he played for Plano West High School, a hockey "powerhouse."

Hockey gave Griffith the op-

*"He's kinda like the mom of the team and yet he seems to be handling everything so well."*

**KEVIN MAYOUX**  
TEXAS TECH  
ASSISTANT TEAM CAPTAIN

portunity to become a seasoned traveler, he said, by playing throughout the United States and Canada.

Relationships and friendships, Griffith said, are the best things he has gained from playing hockey.

Friend and assistant team captain, Kevin Mayoux, said it is easy to follow Griffith's lead because he is "always really optimistic."

Griffith keeps his teammates focused on their goals, Mayoux said, while urging them to keep up with their responsibilities and studies.

"He's kinda like the mom of the team," he said, "and yet he seems to be handling everything so well."

Now in his second year as captain, Tech hockey coach Paul Fioroni said, Griffith "is a born leader — regardless if he has the letter on his jersey or not — the guys respect him very much for his work ethic and knowledge and skill of the game."

Griffith is changing lives on and off the ice, Fioroni said.

"He's helping guys with their studies and helping guys clean themselves up if there's any kind of alcohol or possible drug issues," Fioroni said. "He's very positive and has a great outlook on life."

Despite his love for the game, Griffith said, pursuing a graduate degree and becoming an architect comes first.

He said some of the players, including himself, will have the opportunity to play professional hockey overseas after graduation.

"But I know I could be way more successful doing the architecture thing," he said, "than riding around on a bus."

As an aspiring architect, Griffith said, he would like to specialize in designing large commercial buildings like ballparks and hotels.

In his spare time as an architect, he said, he will help the Tech hockey team in any way he can. If nothing else, he plans to coach youth hockey leagues.

The debate over Lubbock's non-renewal of the team's contract to play at the City Bank Coliseum boils down to approximately \$1,300 that the team owes Lubbock.

This amount represents the

cost of utilities for the coliseum. During a town hall meeting on Sept. 29, according to an article written in *The Daily Toreador*, the team's opponents argued the team's debt to the city was as high as \$4,000.

"We told them right from the get-go — when they first said to get out and it was over \$1,300," Griffith said, "we said we'll write you a check for double, right now, on the spot."

Underlying the opposition to renew the contract, Griffith said, is a "bad relationship" between the city and the previous minor-league hockey team — The Lubbock Cotton Kings — which went bankrupt before the 2007-08 season.

The Tech hockey team picked up the Cotton Kings' contract for the venue, he said, and is "kind of paying for it now."

Tech ice hockey is recognized as a varsity sport, Griffith said — in line with Tech cheerleaders and the Goin' Band from Raiderland — but it still is not NCAA sanctioned.

Because hockey is a new sport to Lubbock and there are not any high school hockey teams, he said, "it's been a tougher sell."

Griffith, Mayoux and Fioroni agree that remaining optimistic is the best way to get through this situation. The teammates and their coach said they want to see not only Tech's hockey program flourish, but also local high school and youth hockey programs grow as well.

The Tech hockey team and its supporters are awaiting another meeting with city council



KEN MUIR/The Daily Toreador

**JOHN GRIFFITH**, A senior architecture major from Dallas, is the captain of the Texas Tech Club Hockey team.

on Thursday that will decide whether or not a contract will be renewed. A 4-3 vote will be needed to renew the contract.

"Keep supporting us and keep making those contacts to the council and to the chancellor,"

Fioroni said. "Tech hockey has the joy of running all of the hockey here in Lubbock and the surrounding South Plains area. And once it's gone, it's gonna be gone."

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## WhoFarm

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"We're not necessarily asking people to drop everything and go be farmers," he said, "but, if you can buy local produce, why not?"

The unique bus, Simon said, is a great way to "start having conversations with everyone, from grandmas to truck drivers."

Gustowarow said the vehicle's organic garden is symbolic of their message.

"If we can grow food on the top of a bus driving across the country," said Gustowarow, a 27-year-old McDaniel College alumnus, "then why can't the president grow something on the front lawn, or other people grow something in their back yards?"

Gustowarow said he faced several challenges when he initially planted the garden on the bus, but currently he can grow vegetables like lettuce, spinach and broccoli and herbs like parsley and basil.

"I wanted corn," Simon said, laughing, "but it would've gotten smacked by the overpasses."

Gustowarow said eating local organic food has many benefits.

"It's healthier if you know where your food is coming from," he said.

"It promotes the local economy," Simon continued.

Larry Noland, a local organic farmer, said locally grown produce often offers a better selection and variety of vegetables.

"When you grow your own plants, they just taste better," he said. "I don't know why, but they just do."

Simon said he came up with the

idea for the WhoFarm project after hearing Alice Waters' acceptance speech for the 2008 Global Environmental Citizen Award, an honor from the Harvard Medical School's Center for Health and the Global Environment.

One of Walter's visions, he said, is an organic garden at the White House.

At the time, Simon said, he was enrolled in an urban planting class at New York University, and the class caused him to become concerned about how many miles food travels before reaching its destination.

On average, food in the United States travels 1,500 miles in trucks that individually can cause the same amount of damage to roads as 9,600 cars, according to a 2004 analysis from the Agriculture Research Center at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

"It doesn't have to be that way," Simon said. "To be moving food around the country like that doesn't make much sense."

So, he said, he called Gustowarow, whom he met while serving as a U.S. Peace Corps volunteer in the Philippines, and pitched him the idea for the organic farm project.

Gustowarow said he was working on an organic farm at the time but decided it was important to quit his job and join the cause.

"It's one action that can have a large impact on hopefully everyone in the nation," he said.

Cynthia McKenney, an associate professor of horticulture at Texas Tech, said it is "crazy" that the United States imports food from across the world.

"You're adding a lot of extra mileage," she said, "and a lot of extra cost."

Economically, rising fuel costs make this a good time for a movement promoting locally grown produce," McKenney said.

"One way to reduce some of that cost is to reduce charges for freight," she said.

According to a report by John Ikerd, an economist and former professor at the University of Missouri, it was estimated that American farmers, on average, make only about 20 cents on each \$1 spent on food. The remaining 80 cents goes to pay for processing, transportation, packing and other marketing costs.

Although the United States was founded on independence, Simon said, it now depends on corporate entities for produce.

"We need to return our country to our agricultural roots," he said.

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## Teen athlete's killing lamented in Ice Cube video

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The unlikely stars of Ice Cube's new video are the grieving relatives of a 17-year-old high school football star who was shot to death outside his home.

The song "Why Me?" speaks out against senseless violence and gun crime devastating communities. Cube says Jamiel Shaw Jr.'s family is a powerful illustration of the pain that lingers after a murder.

"It just was a tragic, tragic story of why," Cube says. "Young people are dying for no reason all over the world that don't know why. It's ugly, everywhere."

Shaw had been on track for a college sports scholarship when he was gunned down in March a few yards from his house in a working-class neighborhood south of downtown Los Angeles. His

mother was serving in the Army in Iraq at the time.

Pedro Espinoza, an illegal immigrant and suspected gang member who had been released from jail a day earlier on weapons charges, has pleaded not guilty to murder.

Prosecutors say Espinoza drove to Shaw's neighborhood and shot him after asking him about his gang affiliation. Police have said Shaw was never in a gang.

The rap video begins with the tightly framed, sorrow-filled faces of Shaw's parents and aunt. His father recounts a final conversation with his son.

"To drive this home, it was only right to use real family and not use a bunch of actors," Cube says.

His video features photographs of dozens of other crime victims blowing from a tree, then across the sand in the desert. It also depicts a young man in a football jersey being gunned down on a street. As he lays dying, he asks, "Why me homie, why me?"

Espinoza's early release from jail led the Shaws to call for the passage of "Jamiel's Law," which would push Los Angeles police to crack down on illegal immigrant gang members.

Cube says the video is not meant as an endorsement of the move.

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Puzzles by PageFiller

In Sudoku, all the numbers 1 to 9 must be in every row, column and 3 x 3 box. Use logic to define the answers.

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Solution to yesterday's puzzle

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8 AM	Super Why	Clifford	Sesame Street	Dragon	Word	Martha	Barney	Sewing News
9 AM	Sesame Street	Dragon	Word	Martha	Barney	Sewing News	Dewberry	Creative
10 AM	Dragon	Word	Martha	Barney	Sewing News	Dewberry	Creative	Place
11 AM	Martha	Barney	Sewing News	Dewberry	Creative	Place	Betw. Lion	Reading
12 PM	Sewing News	Dewberry	Creative	Place	Betw. Lion	Reading	Arthur	WordGirl
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**Presidential Debate 8:00PM**