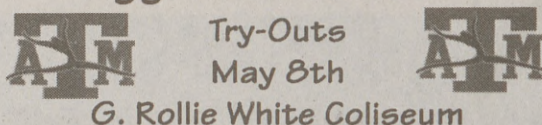


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## FISH



BY R. DELUNA

## Dancer

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to talk to me," Hart said. "I was so beautiful all the way." Erin Trampe, Blevins' mate and best friend, said Blevins enjoyed dressing up going out, but that she was afraid to go hunting or something of the like.

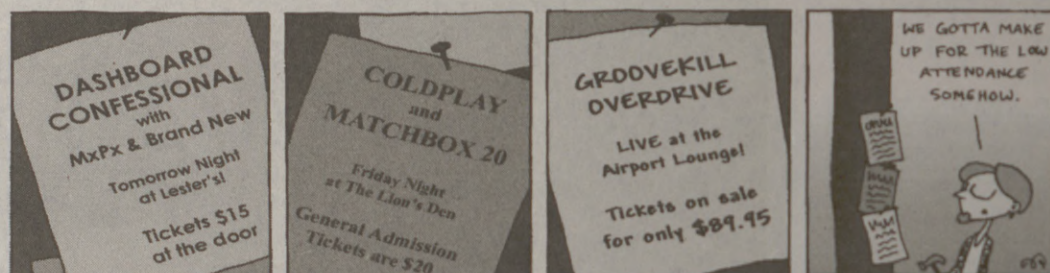
"She was always up for a challenge," Trampe said. Hart said team members wear a rhinestone pin with a rhinestone on their uniforms in remembrance, and will dedicate year's performances to Blevins.

A scholarship fund is in process of being established in Blevins' name, Hart said.

Team members said they miss all the little things Blevins brought to their lives such as staying up late at night and talking and providing them a shoulder to lean on.

"Brooke was so happy, full of life," Trampe said. Bible verse sums her up: "Live life and live it abundantly."

## NOISE & POLLUTION



BY JOSH DARWIN

## PUN BOY



BY: WILL LLOYD

## Prof

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her lungs collapsed, but doctors managed to stabilize her. She underwent three surgeries and spent 12 days in ICU before being released from the hospital Dec. 15.

Since being released, Ochoa has moved back to College Station and spent time with Geneczko, who took an unpaid leave of six weeks from a job in Florida. The two had originally planned to hike Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania on Jan. 1, but friends threw Ochoa a surprise 50th birthday party instead.

"All the support and prayers helped me get through it all," Ochoa said. "At one point I had monks, Buddhists, Muslims and Christians all lifting me up in prayer. Such things you never dream of."

At the time of her accident, Ochoa had been training for the Walt Disney World marathon — her third race. Ochoa said she feels fortunate to have been in such good shape.

"Had I not been in the shape that I was in, I might not have made it," Ochoa said.

She now walks three miles every day and hopes to complete the upcoming LaHoya 5K. Ochoa has been attending rehabilitation three times a week to repair muscle damage — specifically nerve damage to her left leg — but she hopes to fully recover by the end of February. In

the meantime, she says she will continue to work on her research via teleconference and will spend time with friends who have helped her through her recovery.

"I think Dr. Ochoa has been an outstanding teacher who cares deeply about her students," said Walter Bradley, A&M professor emeritus of mechanical engineering and longtime friend of Ochoa. "I think it's amazing to go through what she has gone through and be able to survive and make such a rapid recovery. It makes me furious that innocent people are often killed or maimed for life by careless and irresponsible behavior."

A grand jury trial will begin this week in the case against the SUV driver, but Ochoa has no intention of attending. She says she will accept whatever punishment the legal system provides but that she hopes her story will warn people about drinking and driving.

"We should emphasize that drinking and driving don't go together. Real lives are lost in the process," she said.

Although she said the near-death experience did not change her life in any significant way, she said she is glad to be alive.

"She's a beautiful lady that is very generous to all people and dedicated to whatever she pursues," Geneczko said. "The pain caused by the uncertainty of her survival should make people think about drinking and driving."

## Bush

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"Twenty-eight months have passed since Sept. 11, 2001, over two years without an attack on American soil — it is tempting to believe that danger is behind us. That is understandable, comforting and false."

Campaigning in Hampshire, Democratic candidates struck back.

"He's not making America safer," said Ken "Hardworking Americans" see through this president's effort to wrap his radical agenda with a compassionate bon," said former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, the place finisher in Iowa. "It's smoke and mirrors designed to hide the stark fact that he has no real plan for our future," said retired Gen. Wesley Clark.

Bush faced an election closely divided over the nation's direction. Americans are even split on his handling of domestic issues such as education, health care and energy, and just half approve of his handling of the economy, polls suggest. A strong suit remains foreign policy, especially his handling of terrorism. Bush's job approval among voters in an AP poll early this month was 56 percent, a relatively strong position at this stage of a re-election campaign.



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