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Bush, Gorbachev open historic Middle East peace talks

by DAVID CRARY
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MADRID, Spain — For the first time in more than four decades of bloodletting, Israel and all its Arab foes sat down together, listening warily Wednesday as President Bush urged them to forge a "territorial compromise."

Bush and Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev opened the historic Middle East peace conference in Madrid's ornate Royal Palace, then left center stage to the participants.

The opening session was marked by a hard-

line speech from Egypt's foreign minister, who called for full Israeli withdrawal from the occupied lands.

The conference began against the backdrop of threats of more violence in the Middle East. In Lebanon, thousands of Islamic protesters demonstrated against the talks, chanting "Death to America, Death to Israel!" In Iran, a hard-liner said all conference delegates should be killed.

"Peace will only come as a result of direct negotiations," President Bush told the delegates at the opening session, calling for territorial compromise as a means of finding peace.

"It would be unforgivable to miss this opportunity," Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev told the assembled delegates.

U.S., Israeli and Arab officials acknowledged deep uncertainty about the next phase of the peace process — separate bilateral talks between Israel and Syria, Lebanon, and a Jordanian-Palestinian delegation.

Asked if the dates and venues for these talks were set, Secretary of State James A. Baker III said, "No."

The participants were seated at a T-shaped table designed so the foes would face each other at a slight angle rather than head-on.

No national flags were displayed. One Israeli delegate extended a hand to a Lebanese woman in the chamber but was spurned.

Palestinian delegate Saeb Erekat was clad in the black-and-white checkered headdress favored by Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat.

The PLO has been banned from the talks because Israel regards it as a terrorist organization. The organization was palpably present, with a monitoring delegation in town.

Jordan's foreign minister acknowledged afterward it had made him tense to even be in the same room as the Israelis, let alone across

a table from Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

"It is not a dinner party," he said curtly.

Another first was the attendance of Syria, the most hard-line of Israel's neighbors. Syrian and Israeli negotiators have never met except to negotiate a military armistice in 1949.

Zohair Jannan, head of the foreign press department at the Syrian Foreign Ministry, told The Associated Press the Syrians would pull out of the talks if Israel does not stop building Jewish settlements in the occupied lands and begin to withdraw.

MHMR seeks public election awareness

by JENNIFER SANDER
THE UNIVERSITY DAILY

The Lubbock Regional Mental Health Mental Retardation Center hosted a press conference Wednesday in order to gain public awareness for the November 5th bond election that includes Proposition 4.

If passed, the proposition could result in \$3.5 million in funding for the Lubbock Regional MHMR Center to construct and furnish a 30 bed mental health in-patient facility.

Currently, the population served by Lubbock Regional MHMR includes Lynn, Lubbock, Cochran, Crosby and Hockley counties and has local access to only five in-patient beds. The CSU at UMC is available only for brief stays.

The situation restricts appropriate treatment and makes frequent transfers to state hospitals necessary, which in turn makes family involvement difficult and increases the expense for local taxpayers.

Sen. John T. Montford, D-Lubbock, sponsor of the bill, Lubbock County Judge Don McBeath, Sheriff Sonny Keese and Brian Shannon, Lubbock Regional MHMR Center Board of Trustees member, spoke at the conference in support of the bill.

Family members of mentally ill patients who have experienced problems obtaining local in-patient mental health care attended to offer information to make the public aware of the problem.

"This is what I call South Plains determination," Montford said. "We need to pull together when we take care of the citizens in need of health care. We cannot leave the mentally ill behind. They need our help. This is desperately needed in Lubbock."

Montford said if the people will get out and vote on this issue, the quality of life in the South Plains, as well as Texas, will improve.

County Judge Don McBeath said that it is unfair for patients to have to stay in a distant hospital away from family and friends because family involvement is important for recovery. McBeath is responsible for signing off the paperwork when a person is placed in a mental health facility.

"The need for this facility is impossible to articulate," he said. "My signature places people under a system," he said. "When space is overloaded at the facility at UMC, people are placed into a sheriff's car and transported to a hospital two hours away. This is not good for the system or the patient."

"The healing process involves family," McBeath said. "When a patient is two hours away, the family can't always be involved in that process. A city this size needs to heal our own, not send them elsewhere."

McBeath added mental illness affects every corner of

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Pumpkin painters

Tracy Knowles, left, a freshman vocal performance major from San Diego, Calif., and Rachel McKenna, a freshman political science major from Plano, draw faces on pumpkins at the Tri-Delt lodge. The pumpkins are for kids with cancer.

CAN, SPARC join forces for Lubbock AIDS patients

by AMY COLLINS
THE UNIVERSITY DAILY

The University Center's Community Action Network will be working in conjunction with the South Plains AIDS Research Center this Saturday to paint the interior of one of the two homes established in Lubbock for persons with AIDS.

Doug Grier, activities specialist at the Student Association office, said he chose this project because volunteer participation for this organization has been neglected in the past.

"I like to choose organizations which really need our help," Grier said. "These projects involve a small number of people doing a lot of worthwhile work."

CAN members volunteered to work in conjunction with Meals On Wheels, which delivers meals to lower income elderly people in the Lubbock area. The success of this volunteer program has prompted CAN to make it a monthly project.

"We got a really positive response from people wanting to volunteer," he said. "We were even turning volunteers down."

Grier said the project has not experienced a large amount of participation as have previous projects.

"This project involves a lot more physical labor," he said. "Also, there remains a lot of nervousness about AIDS."

He said that although volunteer participation was lower than previous projects, it was not impossible. Ten volunteers will be work-

ing with community action network members on the painting project.

"This is another reason why I chose this project," he said. "I want to promote awareness that volunteers can help with the SPARC foundation just like muscular dystrophy."

"The most important thing people should remember is that Community Action Network is here to help the community any way we can," he said.

The house belongs to the SPARC foundation and is established for persons with AIDS who have lost insurance coverage, spent thousands of dollars a month on medical bills and receive no family support.

"These homes help these people get back on their feet," he said. "Residents pay only as much as they are able to in rent."

Law grading policies questioned

by JULIE COLLINS
THE UNIVERSITY DAILY

Texas Tech's School of Law faculty meeting turned into a lively discussion concerning the topic of the implementation of a formal grading policy at the law school Wednesday night.

Currently, the law school does not have a formal grading policy. Law students expressed concern at the meeting concerning the growing number of students graduating from law schools across the state who leave those schools with higher GPAs than those who graduate from Tech.

Likewise, students expressed fears about the possibility of not being able to compete with other Texas law school graduates for jobs in the increasingly competitive market due to their current GPA standards.

Frank Newton, dean of Tech's law school, said the school is currently collecting information from other law schools across the state dealing with grade distributions, formal grading policies and class rankings in order to accommodate the law school and its students upon graduation.

"We are currently soliciting the information for faculty as well as student use," Newton said.

Newton also urged law students to think collectively as well as individually concerning differing viewpoints for a formal grading policy.

T.J. Biczko, a third year law student from Dallas, said while other law schools across the state encourage their students to perform well and graduate from law school, he said Tech law school administration has adopted an apathetic tone to student needs.

He said upon entering Tech's law school, he was given a lecture that stated if a student looks to the right of him and then to the left of him, chances are one of those individuals on either side will not graduate from the law school.

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Brrrrrr!

Stacey Mincey, a freshman architecture major from Lubbock, anxiously awaits the bus Wednesday afternoon in mid 40s temperatures. Mincey braved the cold and freezing rain to make class.

Happy Halloween!

News

Texas Tech President Robert Lawless, right, discusses his vision of the university, his definition, steps and time frame for Tech as a research university, his opinion about the changing demographics of the population of Texas, and what he views as the crisis in higher education.

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Sports

What do Texas Tech defensive end and the Energizer bunny have in common?

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Weather

The ghosts and ghouls have brought in dreary weather to accompany Halloween, as today's forecast calls for the possibility of up to two inches of snow by noon,

and a high reaching only the mid 30s. Winds will be out of the north-northeast at 10-15 mph. The snow should clear through tonight and Friday morning, with a low in the low 20s.

Students offer personal anxiety-relieving tips

by KIMBERLY WAINWRIGHT
THE UNIVERSITY DAILY

Anxiety affects the lives of all students at one time or another. Problems related to anxiety are extremely common among Texas Tech students, said Cheryl Tyler, director of Thompson Hall.

Anxiety means suffering from mental distress. Due to different stress factors, there are different types of anxiety.

The most common type is situational anxiety. This is experienced before taking a test, before giving a speech or after procrastinating top priorities.

"I feel that I suffer from situational anxiety more than anything," said Lisa Weatherly, a freshman business administration major from Friona. "Trying to make good grades is really hard for me. I never had to study in high school and now that I'm here, I'm

having trouble learning how."

Chris Ori, a sophomore pre-physical therapy major from Orange, said, "I'm a procrastinator so it's hard for me to deal with anxiety. Sometimes I wake up in a cold sweat because I know I'm putting something off too long."

Some people suffer from generalized anxiety which is not caused by one specific problem, but from many different factors caused by everyday life. This type of anxiety is often found in relation to long-term anxiety and

can sometimes create physical



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problems.

"Symptoms related to anxiety include an upset stomach, ulcers, headaches and even diarrhea," said Tyler. "Long-term anxiety is also a very high contributing factor in suicides."

Minor tranquilizers and anti-depressants are among prescribed medications for persons suffering from anxiety. However, most people deal with anxiety by using their own methods.

"When I get stressed, I go work out and lift weights. It helps me bring my problems into focus," said Donald

Marshall, a sophomore management information major from Grand Prairie.

Chris Edens, a senior agricultural science major, said, "I think hanging out with my friends and just getting away from my problems is the best medicine for anxiety."

Other students feel that isolation is the best method for dealing with stress.

"I just sit and be quiet. It helps me to remain calm," said Shawn Jackson, a sophomore recreation and leisure services major from Boling. "If a person just sits and worries, it makes things worse. If you keep smiling, your problems will get better."

Although some students seem to get caught up in their anxiety, others seem to just sit back and relax.

"You have to take things one day at a time," said freshman Shawn Felix. "Don't worry about your problems. If they don't go away, they don't go away."

MHMR officials hoping for passage of Proposition 4

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the Lubbock community. He said most people will see Proposition 4 as a prison issue, but "buried in there" is the 30-bed MHMR proposition, which should be top priority for every resident in the community.

Keesee said that as he spoke during the press conference, about four people

were probably being transported to Big Spring State Hospital. He added that over the weekend, six mentally ill patients were locked up inside the Lubbock County Jail because there was no room for them anywhere else.

"It is absolutely inhumane and inexcusable that anyone allow people who are sick to be locked up in a place for criminals. Nobody should be

locked up for being sick," he said.

Twelve to 14 million Americans suffer from serious mental illness, and the Lubbock Regional MHMR center serves approximately 922 chronically mentally ill persons each year.

Margie and Loyd Stinson's son John, of Lubbock, was diagnosed with schizophrenia in 1981.

He was a 21-year-old Texas Tech

student at the time and a member of the Tech band. Their son was placed in the Lubbock County Jail and then transported to Big Spring State Hospital.

Margie Stinson said that there was no place else for him to go. She and her husband said that there is a great need for the proposed 30-bed psychiatric facility.

Campus briefs

Graduate fellowship programs available

Graduate fellowship programs for students seeking a degree in fusion energy, nuclear engineering, health physics, radiation waste management, industrial hygiene and computational science, sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy and administered by Oak Ridge Associated Universities provide full payment of tuition and fees, stipends and the opportunity for experience at a Department of Energy laboratory.

For applications or additional information contact Sandra Johnson or Bridget Gross, ORAU Fellowship Programs, Oak Ridge Associated Universities, Science/Engineering Education Division, P.O. Box 117, Oak Ridge, Tenn. 37831-0771, or call (615) 576-2600 or (615) 576-8503.

Weymouth sponsors trick or treating tours

The Weymouth Hall Council is sponsoring guided tours of trick or treating for children 6th grade and younger today from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Parents are welcome and refreshments will be served.

All proceeds will be going to the Ronald McDonald House and donations will be accepted at the door.

Alpha Phi Omega hosts weekend conference

Alpha Phi Omega is hosting a regional conference at the Sheraton Inn Friday to Sunday.

The purpose of the convention is to acquaint different college students with one another as well as provide service to the community. They will be gathering books to donate to groups that are in need as well as seminars at the hotel.

Local Red Cross chapter hosts award dinner

There will be a volunteer and recognition and award dinner to honor and recognize special service given to the South Plains Regional Chapter of the American Red Cross. Dinner will be served at 5 p.m., Nov. 10 at 2201 Ave. X. RSVP by Nov. 4, at 765-8534 between 8:30 a.m. and 4:45 p.m.

Mozart's Requiem performed this weekend

Mozart's Requiem will be the fourth presentation of the 1991-92 Vesper Concert Series sponsored by the music department of the First United Methodist Church. This special All-Saints concert will be held on Sunday at 5 p.m. in the church sanctuary located at Broadway and Avenue M.

There is no admission charge, but reserved section tickets are available at the at the First Methodist music office. For more information, call the church music office, 763-0781.

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AIR FORCE

Local band heads into new territory after winning 'Battle of bands'

by JOEL BURNS THE UNIVERSITY DAILY

When Scott Thompson, Brian Findley and Lyn Taylor get together, it is for one purpose — to play classic rock 'n' roll.

The trio comprise the local band Head First.

Head First formed with the purpose of being a musical and recreational outlet for the members. Two and one-half years later the same three men that formed the band are still keeping to that goal.

But the band is not just limiting itself to its original focus.

The group is now broaching new horizons.

"Our playing started out as more of

a habit, but has since turned into something else," said drummer and vocalist Scott Thompson.

The band has taken a more serious attitude toward the business aspects that lie before it.

Head First plays mostly rock 'n' roll cover tunes and all three members sing in addition to playing the various instruments they use for each of those songs.

"We're somewhere in between ZZ Top and The Kingsmen," Thompson said. "We try to play a little of everything but our main thing is classic rock."

In addition to the cover songs the band plays, the three have created some original cuts.

"All of our original songs are col-

laborative efforts," said guitarist and band founder Taylor. "There is no single song writer in the band."

Bassist and lead vocalist Findley agreed, "Everyone mostly writes their own parts and we put it all together."

"'Dream of Me,' 'Big Little Sister,' and 'Could She Be the One,' are three original titles that we are trying to push hard," said the band's manager, Jerry Edge.

Edge, who also manages other area bands, said Head First will continue to work on original songs and that he hopes to have the band in the studio to record a new album within the next three months.

All songs on the planned album will be original songs on which the band is currently working.

Edge's connection to the band came this past summer when he encouraged the members to compete in the Buffalo Springs Lake Battle of the Bands. The members agreed and came away with first place out of 16 entries at the contest.

"I wanted to see how the band could do. They took first place and

things have skyrocketed since."

After taking top honors at the battle of the bands, Head First has played at such local venues as On Broadway, Bash Riprock's and Spinnaker's.

Head First also has had gigs in Midland, Abilene, and Amarillo and is making plans to expand the area they would like to cover.

The band is currently playing each night this week at Chelsea Street Pub in the South Plains Mall. The group takes to the stage each night at 9 p.m.

In addition to club venues, Edge said the band also would like to start performing at parties such as fraternity or wedding parties.

But there is still one lagging question about the band.

When asked about the origins of the band's name, Edge said it was Taylor's choice.

"He (Taylor) picked it because it is a name that makes people wonder what it means — that's why," Edge said.

Head First will play through Sunday at Chelsea Street Pub. There is no cover charge.



Head First

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THE Daily Crossword by I. Miller

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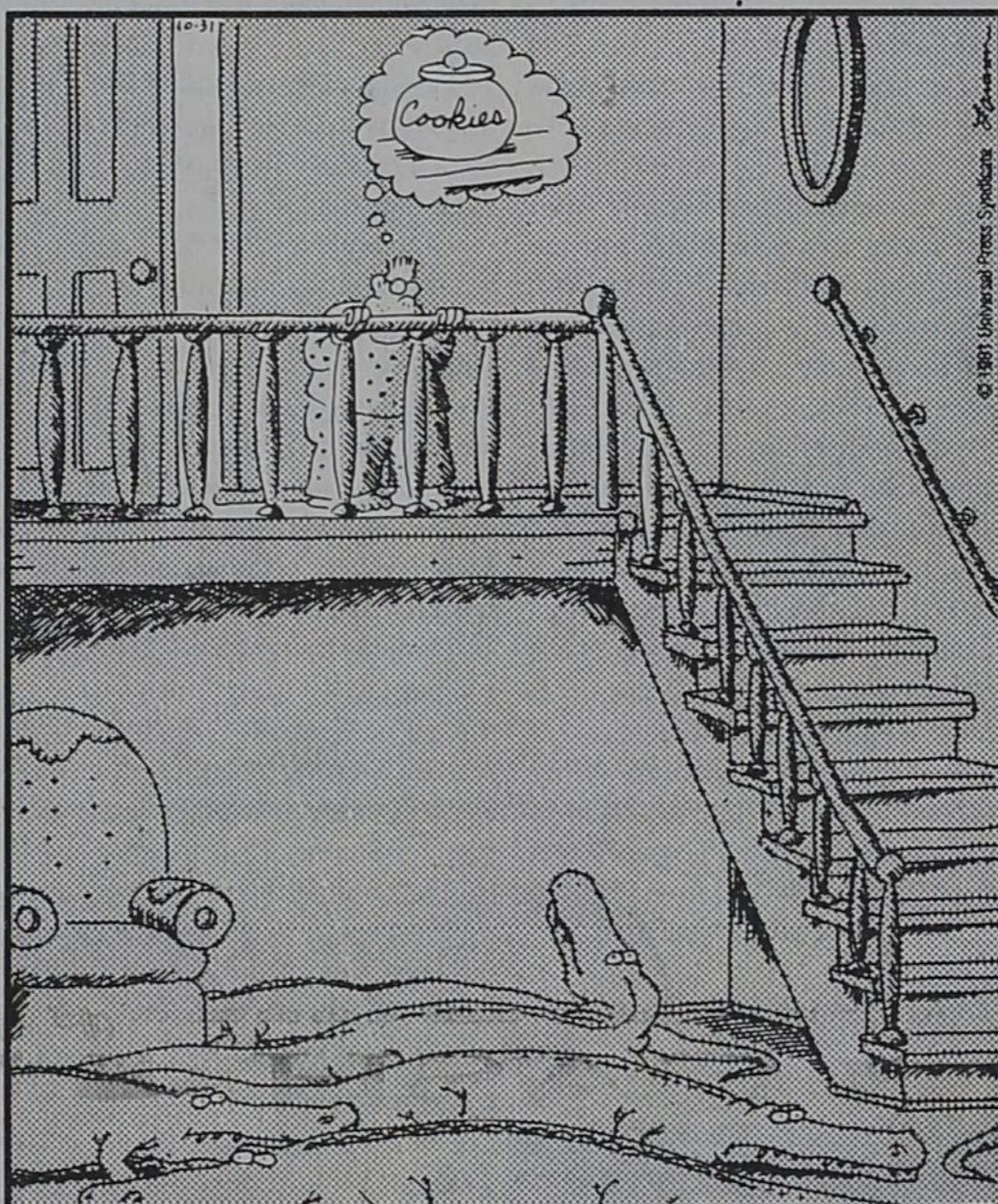
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29 City on the Mohawk
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33 Appointments
34 Skips
37 Kind of consonant
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THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



The nightly crisis of Todd's stomach vs. Todd's imagination

Return of the son of the Hub that ate the City

Off Campus:

• Uncle Nasty and Squarehead will play at 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday at On Broadway, 2420 Broadway. There is a cover charge of \$3.

• Eddie Beethoven and The Sons of Fun will play at 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Main Street Saloon, 2417 Main. There is a \$3 cover for singles and a \$5 cover for couples. Thursday night is Soul Night featuring classic soul tunes from the '60s and '70s starting at 9:30 p.m. There is no cover.

• The Raven Band will play at 9 p.m. Thursday through Saturday at Chelsea Street Pub, South Plains Mall. There is no cover.

• The Robin Griffin Band will play at 9:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday at Bash Riprocks, 2419 Main St. Cover charge is \$3.

• Teysa will perform at 9 p.m. Sunday at the Iguana Club, 2408 4th St. There is a \$2 cover.

• Jeff Patterson will play at 10 p.m. Saturday at Town Draw, 1801 19th St. There is a \$2 cover charge.

• Blue Oyster Cult and Uncle Nasty will play at 8 p.m. Sunday at West L.A., 5203 34 St. There is a \$11.50 cover charge.

• Snufalupagus with Air Biscuit will play at 10:30 p.m. Thursday at Kitchen Club, 2411 Main. There is a \$3 cover charge. The Benefit for the Visually Impaired Student Associa-

tion featuring Touch at 10:30 p.m.

Friday. There is a \$4 cover charge. Arcane with special guest star Battlescar at 10:30 Saturday. There is a \$3 cover charge.

Out-of-town:

• Ground Zero will play at 9:30 p.m. Saturday at Steamboat, 403 6th St., Austin.

Comedy:

• Chris Foncesa headlines Joe's Froggy Bottoms Comedy Club, 6602 Slide, in a show featuring Russ Rivas. The show is for adults only. Show times are 8:30 p.m. Thursday, 9 p.m. Friday, 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Saturday and 8:30 p.m. Sunday. Ticket prices are \$7.50 Friday and Saturday, and \$5 Thursday and Sunday.

On Campus:

• Quadriga will perform at 8:15 p.m. Saturday in Hemmle Recital Hall in the music building.

Poetry:

• A series of poetry reading and music will be performed at 10 p.m. Friday at The Rodman Art Gallery and Coffee Bar, 1604 A N. University Ave. There is a \$1 door charge. Scheduled performers are Amy Genova, Mark Lickman, Christopher Carson and Sue Barker.

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KIM. Happy Birthday Little Spook. Love Mom and Tanner.



Jackson confident in Raiders' chances against Longhorns

by CHARLES POLLET
THE UNIVERSITY DAILY

Texas Tech's Shawn Jackson may be found interrupting opposing offenses, much the same as the Energizer bunny interrupts fake commercials.

The sophomore defensive end recharges for every game, coach Spike Dykes said, and never quits.

"He's (Jackson) like a wind-up toy. He's got those big batteries in there where he just keeps going," Dykes said.

"A lot of people lead because they are smart and astute, and they're all

those big, long words that mean good things, but he leads by just going out and getting it done".

Having started the last two games, the Boling product has already racked up 25 tackles, 14 solos. He is in ninth place for total tackles for the Red Raiders this season.

Jackson said he may not be the quickest learn, but he will try until he gets it right.

"I listen to what the coaches say, and if they say I'm doing something wrong, I'll make it right," he said.

"Sometimes it takes me a while, but eventually I get it down."
"He's a lot of fun to coach, and he's



Jackson

a lot of fun to be around," Dykes said.
Dykes also said that Jackson's presence has a positive impact on the other players.

"He's getting better. He plays with a lot of enthusiasm, and he plays with a lot of effort," the Tech coach said. "He's a guy who's electrifying. I think his presence has been stimulating for other people."

Jackson has been one ingredient that has helped the Raiders come together as a unit. However, the defensive end gives the credit to the team.

"Earlier in the year, maybe the defense would have a good game, and the offense would have a good game the next week. But for the last two games, we've played together as a whole, and I think that's why we've been winning."

To raise its streak to three consecutive wins, Tech must defeat Texas in Austin Saturday.

The Raiders downed the Longhorns in Memorial Stadium in 1989, but the previous victory away from Jones Stadium was in 1967.

Jackson said the key to beating the Horns is believing in Tech's ability. "If you sit there and think you can't

beat them, you won't," he said. "You have to have belief in what you can do, and it will happen."

Jackson said Saturday's game will be a dogfight, but the Raiders will prevail. And the win should give Tech the momentum to finish the season without a loss.

"They're (the Longhorns) kind of cocky and think they'll drive the ball down our throats. But, if we can play together as a team, we will win," Jackson said.

"If you can beat Texas, you can beat anyone."

For the Raiders, anyone consists of Arkansas, Baylor and Houston. But

Jackson said Texas is the opponent that matters.

"This is our biggest game of the year," he said. "I truly believe if we can get past Texas, we should win the rest of our games."

If that should happen, Tech would be 7-4 and possibly receive a bowl invitation. And that's exactly what Jackson wants.

"I don't want to go home for Christmas. I want to go to a bowl game," he said.

To accomplish that goal, the Raiders don't need to ask Santa Claus, they only have to play inspired football, Jackson said.

Tech to face former coach

McWilliams' departure still in Raiders' minds



RYAN HYATT

Contrary to popular belief, I don't hate David McWilliams. I don't

like him, and I don't really respect him, and I don't think he could coach his way out of a paper bag (especially if it's maroon in color), but I don't hate him.

Yes, Tech plays Texas this week, and emotions will be running high. At least on one side of the ball, that is.

Allow me to bring some of you young 'uns up to speed.

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Jackson confident in Raiders' chances against Longhorns

by CHARLES POLLET
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Texas Tech's Shawn Jackson may be found interrupting opposing offenses, much the same as the Energizer bunny interrupts fake commercials.

The sophomore defensive end re-charges for every game, coach Spike Dykes said, and never quits.

"He's (Jackson) like a wind-up toy. He's got those big batteries in there where he just keeps going," Dykes said.

"A lot of people lead because they are smart and astute, and they're all

those big, long words that mean good things, but he leads by just going out and getting it done."

Having started the last two games, the Boling product has already racked up 25 tackles, 14 solos. He is in ninth place for total tackles for the Red Raiders this season.

Jackson said he may not be the quickest learn, but he will try until he gets it right.

"I listen to what the coaches say, and if they say I'm doing something wrong, I'll make it right," he said. "Sometimes it takes me a while, but eventually I get it down."

"He's a lot of fun to coach, and he's



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a lot of fun to be around," Dykes said.

Dykes also said that Jackson's presence has a positive impact on the other players.

"He's getting better. He plays with a lot of enthusiasm, and he plays with a lot of effort," the Tech coach said. "He's a guy who's electrifying. I think his presence has been stimulating for other people."

Jackson has been one ingredient that has helped the Raiders come together as a unit. However, the defensive end gives the credit to the team.

"Earlier in the year, maybe the defense would have a good game, and the offense would have a good game the next week. But for the last two games, we've played together as a whole, and I think that's why we've been winning."

To raise its streak to three consecutive wins, Tech must defeat Texas in Austin Saturday.

The Raiders downed the Longhorns in Memorial Stadium in 1989, but the previous victory away from Jones Stadium was in 1967.

Jackson said the key to beating the 'Horns is believing in Tech's ability. "If you sit there and think you can't

beat them, you won't," he said. "You have to have belief in what you can do, and it will happen."

Jackson said Saturday's game will be a dogfight, but the Raiders will prevail. And the win should give Tech the momentum to finish the season without a loss.

"They're (the Longhorns) kind of cocky and think they'll drive the ball down our throats. But, if we can play together as a team, we will win," Jackson said.

"If you can beat Texas, you can beat anyone."

For the Raiders, anyone consists of Arkansas, Baylor and Houston. But

Jackson said Texas is the opponent that matters.

"This is our biggest game of the year," he said. "I truly believe if we can get past Texas, we should win the rest of our games."

If that should happen, Tech would be 7-4 and possibly receive a bowl invitation. And that's exactly what Jackson wants.

"I don't want to go home for Christmas. I want to go to a bowl game," he said.

To accomplish that goal, the Raiders don't need to ask Santa Claus, they only have to play inspired football, Jackson said.

Tech to face former coach

McWilliams' departure still in Raiders' minds



RYAN HYATT

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So Tech and Texas will play a football game this Saturday in Austin. Some people will want to beat Texas because of that scoundrel McWilliams. Some will want to beat Texas to get over that feeling of Tech being the bastard stepchild. Some will want to beat Texas because they take all our oil money and waste it on all those tree freaks down there.

That's a shame.

The only real reason we should want Tech to beat Texas is because we want to see Tech win its third SWC game in a row and pull itself back into the conference race. It shouldn't be an issue of beat Texas, but rather an issue of Tech winning.

The real victory will take place when we put Tech first and everyone else secondary. After that, things like respect and recognition will take care of themselves.

Of course, if Tech were to beat Texas and the noose around McWilliams' neck did get a little tighter, you might see a smile slide across my face.

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