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Bourne reaches some platform goals

SA president increases student athletic seating

by Laura Hipp

The University Daily

When Student Association President Curt Bourne was elected to the position last spring, he promised to make Tech's student government computerized and more accessible to students.

"I would like for each student to be able to access my agenda and therefore hold me accountable for my actions," he said in his presidential platform.

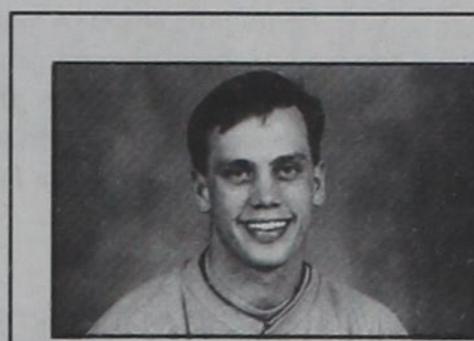
Bourne also claimed campus safety, student e-mail addresses and student seating at athletic events as issues important to his election and presidency.

The SA home page through Tech's World Wide Web site should be hooked up by the end of the year, he said.

"It needs to be proofread and have graphics added to it," he said. "It will be up before I leave office."

Students will be able to contact senators, reference SA executive officers' platforms and learn about SA events, he said.

Currently, the SA president's office and the SA conference room are the only rooms with computer access, said Tom Shubert, UC ac-



Curt Bourne
SA President

Platform goals:

- increased campus safety
- more student seating at Tech athletic events
- student accessibility
- e-mail accounts



tivities specialist said. The president's office has a computer, but the conference room does not.

Deana Otts, SA external vice president and a senior agricultural communications major from Throckmorton, said she hopes there are

enough funds to buy a computer for the conference room. The computer would be available for all senators to use.

"I do not feel the SA Office has been computerized to allow the most efficiency and access for students," Otts said.

The SA's home page is being developed to inform students about what the SA is doing, said SA president-elect Geoff Wayne, a senior accounting major from Lubbock.

"He has done a good job of initiating the process," Wayne said. "This will lay the groundwork for communication with students."

Bourne said he would work to improve seating at the men's and women's basketball games in last year's platform and did assist Athletic Director Bob Bockrath in installing bleachers in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

"The bleachers put 300 students closer to the action," Bockrath said.

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Clowning Around

Parades, fun abound at Tech

by Xochitl Duarte

The University Daily

Children's parade through the human sciences building initiated the sixth-annual children's circus.

Children from the Child Development Center dressed up in costumes and paraded through their playground, around the human sciences building, through the El Centro lounge and back to the CDC.

Students in the Laboratory Experiences with Young Children class were responsible for planning both the parade and circus, said Cathy Nathan, director of the CDC.

The circus allowed students in the class to interact with children in a different environment, she said.

The theme for this year's parade, "Under the Big Top," allowed students to plan various activities that would be both fun and educational.

Each student in the course was responsible for planning at least one activity in the circus, said Julie Wells, a junior human development major from Garland.

"We had to turn in lesson plans two weeks in advance which had to be approved," she said.

The circus was designed to experiment with alternative ways to teach children, she said.

In the course, students learn techniques to interact and teach the children, but the lab allows students to actually see what works, Wells said.

"I've learned a whole lot by just working with the kids in the lab," she said.

Students planned puppet shows, bean-bag tosses, face-

painting areas and other activities that allowed students to have fun, Wells said.

"The fun part about it was that the students didn't know they were learning," Wells said. "The children were so busy having fun, they didn't realize they learned about shapes, colors, numbers and textures."

Lubbock-area children participate in the CDC as well as children with campus connections.

"Many of the children in the CDC are the children of students and faculty, but there are some that are just from the community," Nathan said.

The CDC is an accredited educational program, she said.

"Our center models high standards because we are teaching our students, and they are evaluated periodically on their performance," Nathan said.

The CDC is financed partly by the tuition the parents of the children are required to pay and partly funded by Tech to pay for maintenance and utilities, she said.

"We have two full-time teachers in the CDC that teach our students how to interact and better educate the children," she said.

The playground the CDC has built has been fully funded by the human sciences department, Nathan said.

The money has been raised through various fund-raisers, she said.

Funny business: Three-year-old Divya Farias (left) and 3-year-old Abigail Thomas enthusiastically watch a magician perform his act during the sixth annual children's circus Thursday afternoon at the child development center. Children enrolled at the CDC dressed in costumes and participated in a parade and various activities.



Faculty discusses policies

by Charles Melton

The University Daily

The effect of the U.S. 5th Circuit Court's ruling on Texas Tech's admissions is unknown, but it will not affect Tech's hiring practices according to some Tech faculty and staff.

"It is an important issue, and it is going to have some effect on us, but not nearly like the University of Texas," said Tech Faculty Senate President Murray Coulter.

There is not much a faculty senate or an action group can do beyond what is being done, he said.

"The effect of the ruling is probably unknown, because it is not an action only Tech has taken," said Marty Grassel, Tech director of new student relations.

The ruling may lessen some of Tech's ability to show how important diversity is to the university, she said.

"I think on the part of those students who may be affected by the ruling, it affects our ability to demonstrate our diversity to them," she said.

The ruling will not affect Tech's affirmative action plan in employment hiring practices, said Julio Llanas, Tech affirmative action director.

"We are still trying to comply with affirmative action law and regulations, which are very clear," he said.

"If we receive federal funds, we must have an affirmative action plan."

Tech's graduate school currently is in the process of reviewing its admission practices as it relates to affirmative action and underrepresented groups, said Troy Johnson, Tech director of graduate school admissions.

"We are being very active in reviewing our policies," he said.

"As a graduate school we have an interest in having diverse representation, and our interest doesn't change that."

Tech's graduate school was taken by surprise when the court ruled race cannot be a factor in admissions, he said.

"The tenor in the country tends to be heading this way, and the action in California showed that," he said.

Tech's Honors Program should not be affected by the court's ruling, said Tech Honors Program Director Gary Bell.

"We are very interested in getting minorities and underrepresented groups into our program," he said.

"We have never admitted students to our program on the basis of race or ethnicity."

It is important to have diversity in the university and in the honors program, he said.

"I think diversity is essential, but it has to take place based on meeting qualifications," he said.

Texas sues U.S. tobacco industry

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas on Thursday became the largest state to sue the tobacco industry, seeking to recoup more than \$4 billion spent on tobacco-related illness and to halt advertising it says targets children.

"The day of reckoning is at hand," State Attorney General Dan Morales said in announcing the lawsuit filed against the nation's biggest tobacco companies in federal district court in Texarkana.

"We are confident that the jury will see through the tobacco industry's smokescreen and decide the time has finally come for these dealers in death to pay for the pain

and suffering they have caused us all," Morales said, predicting the case would come to trial within a year to 18 months.

The lawsuit — which follows legal action by six other states but is the first filed in federal court — marks the first governmental allegation that the tobacco industry has violated federal mail and wire fraud statutes, federal racketeering laws and federal conspiracy laws, according to Morales.

It also alleges violations of state and federal antitrust laws and public nuisance laws. It addressed not only cigarettes but other tobacco products.

Student pub committee selects new editor

The *La Ventana*, Texas Tech's yearbook, will move in a different direction with Aleesa Miller, the 1996-97 editor. Miller was chosen by the student publications committee on Thursday.

"We had an exceptional candidate," said Gary Elbow, student publications committee chairman. "It was an easy decision."

Miller, a junior journalism and English major from Plainview, said she is excited to be next year's editor. She is the 1995-96 *La Ventana* copy editor and has been on *La Ventana* staff for three years.

Miller said she wants to improve *La Ventana*'s marketing efforts.

"I want to try some new ideas in



Miller

Student organizations also should express what they want on their pages, she said.

Teamwork is important and this year's *La Ventana* staff has worked well together, Miller said.

"I hope this year's yearbook will be chosen as a Pacemaker award finalist like last year's book," she said.

Miller said she does not expect any controversial issues like last year's yearbook. *La Ventana* was criticized by the Tech Student Senate last semester for a story concerning marijuana use that appeared in the 1994-95 *La Ventana*.

"We do not intentionally try to cause controversy," she said. "Sometimes things we cover are."

marketing to increase the sales," she said, "hopefully, by making the location of the mugshots more convenient."

Miller said she wants to take the mugshot pictures from locations around campus.

"I want to convey to groups that we are doing the pages for them," she said.

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Marriage, same-sex or not, seems poor solution to traditional living



CHRIS WALTERS
UD columnist

My sister told me earlier this week that she'd been listening to some religious radio station here in Lubbock, which airs James Dobson's program "Focus on the Family." His topic that evening was same-sex marriage, and she said he was bouncing off the walls with condemnation for it.

It's obvious we all have entirely too much free time on our hands when we can become this outraged over other people's private behavior or beliefs. I admit, I'm as bad as the rest of them — I seem to get outraged every day. For instance, take this Dobson fellow. I didn't hear his sermon so I can't argue with any specific point. I assume, however, that whatever he said would be something I would argue with.

I think we need to reorganize our national discussion about homosexual marriages. ("I didn't even know we were having a national discussion!" you say). We are caught up in all these unprovable, individual moral beliefs and ignoring the real issue, which is, how will same-sex marriages affect those who are forced to attend?

I've thought about this a lot since this morning, when I realized I had to write one of my typical, well thought out, high-quality journalism type of editorials. I think there's a good side and a bad side to impending homosexual marriage. This is sexist, but the good side is when men and men marry, and the bad side is when women and women marry. It's that simple.

Two men make no trouble for a wedding, if only because all the costumes for the wedding can be rented for not much money. Which is a good thing, considering neither family would be bound by tradition to contribute a cent to the ceremony. But whoa, what a rehearsal dinner they would have!

But how would two women manage it? Would they wedge themselves down the aisle together? Would this mean everyone sitting nearest the aisle have to lean away to keep from being whacked with taffeta? If instead they both had separate processions, can you imagine the length of the ceremony? See, in two-men marriages they'd both already be at the front when it began, which would knock a couple of minutes off the duration. This is important to anyone who has had to sit through or take part in a marriage ceremony.

I personally do not support the idea of same-sex marriage any more than I support traditional marriage. Pound for pound, a marriage seems a poor solution to living. I realize some would argue that the family unit is good for children, but I say hey, that's why the gods gave us nursery schools and children's television programming.

But that doesn't mean I'm going to condemn people who marry. It's their life, not mine. And I grow tired of hearing bigots denouncing people with different interests.

Homosexuals constitute about 2 or 3 percent of the population. This is hardly a revolutionary group. And if I understand correctly, the debate is over whether homosexuals should marry other homosexuals, not whether they should be allowed to require heterosexuals to marry them.

I think it's safe to assume that the probability a heterosexual will somehow be randomly selected and forced into a gay marriage is pretty much nil.

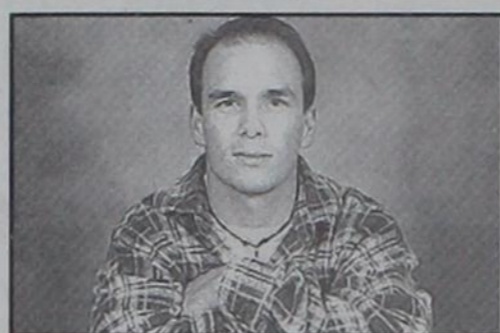
Now I must ask all the easily offended readers out there to please not write to me with quotes, or with instructions on what part of scripture I should read. I don't have the time or the interest to go borrow someone's Bible.

Come closer, those of you who like to do this, because I want to share with you a bit of truth you seem to have missed: most people don't care what you think the Bible says. The odds are that you have not, at this early age, correctly interpreted the full Christian canon, so back off on the moralizing.

I'm not trying to force my views on anyone. I'm just saying shut up. It's never pleasant to hear someone push negative, restrictive views on others, especially when that someone attempts to add weight to his prejudices by placing the responsibility for them on a religion. No one should have to marry (in fact, I don't encourage it), but everyone should be allowed to.

Chris Walters is a senior English and sociology major from Lubbock.

Bam deserves support from Tech fans



DARCY ROSIE
UD columnist

On Jan. 28, 1996, I cheered for the Pittsburgh Steelers. I boasted about former Texas Tech University football star—Byron "Bam" Morris.

In a state where the Dallas Cowboys reign supreme, I wholeheartedly backed the black and yellow on Super Bowl Sunday.

This was not done out of some longstanding commitment or support for the Steelers, but for Bam.

At last count he was the only alum-

nus of Tech on the playing field that Sunday.

He scored a touchdown and had the most yardage that day, but it wasn't enough as the silver and blue went on to win their fifth NFL championship that day.

Regardless of team allegiance, most everyone shared in Bam's success. People bragged of his association with this institution. It is easy to be a friend and cheerleader when things are going well.

The true test of commitment begins when success gives way to failure and mistakes.

In the midst of the NCAA tournament, and the best season in Red Raider basketball history, Bam was charged with possession of marijuana.

Let the commitment test begin.

It frightens me to think that for as much excitement, pride and joy Tech athletes bring to the fans, it could all

“Providing he (Bam) is able to overcome this problem, it should be buried.”

be forsaken with one bad decision.

For the years of joy they bring to fans, people seem quick to show their displeasure for a star gone awry.

I don't condone, in any way, what Bam may have done, but it would be wrong for me or anyone else to turn our backs on him. He made a mistake and he'll be judged accordingly. For fans to leave him now after piggy-

backing his success for so long would be two-faced and wrong.

Being a football hero doesn't prevent him from making mistakes, nor should it save him from paying the price of those mistakes.

If he did the crime, he should do the time. However, Tech fans should support him, not belittle him.

For people across the country Bam will be just another overpaid athlete gone bad. To Red Raider supporters he should be seen as a friend who needs their support. Like most people in his situation, Bam probably just wants to put this incident behind him and start anew.

Providing he is able to overcome this problem, it should be buried. He has brought too much joy to people for one mistake to haunt the remainder of his career.

Darcy Rosie is a senior public relations major from Sylvan Lake, Canada.

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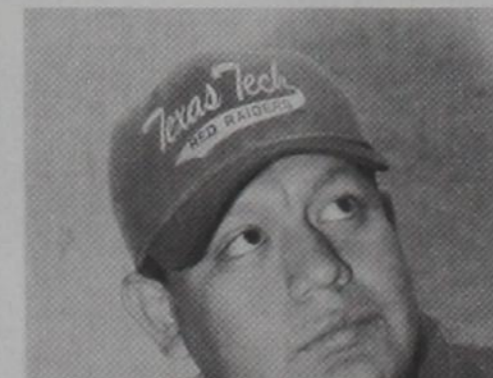
"I never really got involved until someone in my sorority was running (for senator), so I really don't know."

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Bourne

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Bourne also originally wanted to improve campus safety, especially for students traveling to campus by walking or riding a bicycle.

Bourne said he looked at putting bicycle paths through the campus, but it was not feasible with the Tech's campus design.

"There is not a big safety problem right now," he said. "Everybody needs to just watch out for each other."

The senate passed a resolution to post bicycle laws on campus, said Student Association Internal Vice President Matt Freeman.

"That was the only thing done for campus safety, and it was by a senator," said Freeman, a senior political science major from Lubbock. "I never really worked with him so I do not know what he has done."

Ottis said she was not aware of any projects implemented to increase campus safety or inform students about student service fees.

"Many times executive officers are not able to adhere to their platforms," she said.

"When you are not able to adhere to do that, you should initiate other projects and ideas. I think it is important to do that."

Bourne planned a student tailgate party after the Tech vs. University of

Missouri football game, she said.

"I think it was not successful because of weather conditions," she said.

This year Bourne wanted to involve more minority students and Tech athletes in the SA, he said.

"Most minorities have more experience in leadership roles than anyone else," he said.

Bourne attributes some of ineffectiveness of his term to the poor relations between himself and the other executive officers.

"The SA office did not run as smooth as it could have, but we did get a lot done," he said. "If we had three people working together we could have done more."

Teleconference focuses on Affirmative Action policies

by Brian Lacy

The University Daily

Affirmative action policies were discussed by some of the top experts in the field via satellite Thursday in a conference titled "Going Beyond Affirmative Action."

Texas Tech's Division of Student Affairs sponsored the event in the University Center Senate Room.

Panelists, who were broadcasting

live from Alexandria, Va., included James Early, professor of Cultural Programs at the Smithsonian Institute, Erlinda Medina, director of Center for Transfer Students at the University of Arizona and Clint Ford, director of National Higher Education Conference on Black Student Relations. The round-table discussion dealt with issues all students and faculty at Tech should be concerned with, said Jenny Passow, assistant at the Univer-

sity Division of Student Affairs.

"So much is happening with regards to affirmative action now, especially with the case dealing with the fact that race can no longer be a factor in determining whether or not an individual can enter college," Passow said. "What we mainly focused on is getting the attention of Tech's administration because we are trying to gather information from people who are really well versed on this topic."

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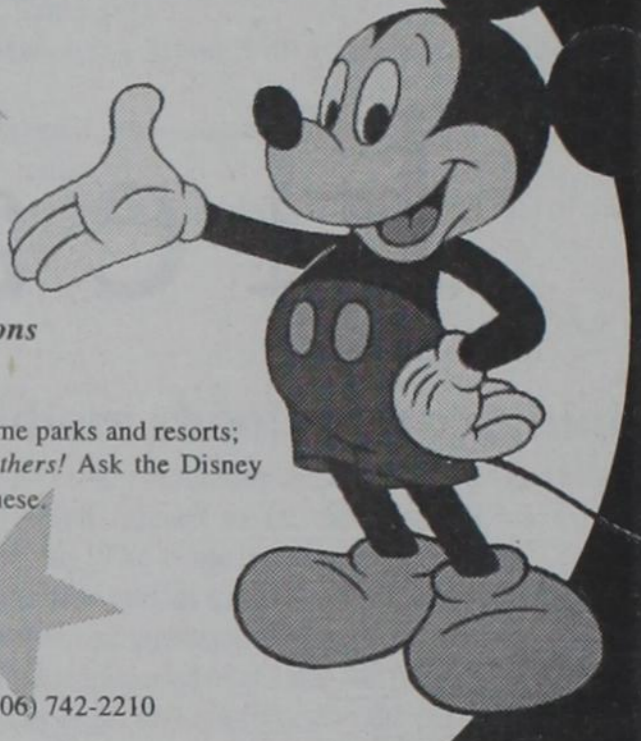
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Lubbock, Tech aim to improve biker safety

by Carrie Kilman

The University Daily

For many Texas Tech students, driving a car is not the only way to travel to and from campus.

Some students, like graduate student Vinnie Harris, opt instead for two wheels and the open air.

Harris, a graduate student from Grants Pass, Ore., bikes to Tech every day instead of driving, traveling three miles between home and school.

Like his fellow cyclists, however, Harris said he does not see Lubbock as the biking-haven found in other college towns.

"Lubbock is not a biker-friendly town," he said. "When we ride on the road, people flip us off and honk at us. They don't respect our right to be on the road."

Harris' biking woes soon may be relieved, thanks to a request by the Lubbock City Council for funds

to upgrade the city's bike routes and some help from the Student Senate.

The council approved the request Thursday and will ask the Texas Department of Transportation for \$160,000 in federal funds to create 14 miles of bicycle lanes on city streets and 100 miles of bicycle routes through Lubbock.

City officials met with representatives from local cycling clubs to determine methods of improvements, said City Transportation Planner Marsha Allen.

The proposal, which includes neighborhoods of interconnected bike paths, has the support of both Lubbock cycling organizations.

The Tech Senate answered the campus bicycle problem with a senate resolution requesting bicycle rules be posted around campus to make students more aware of the rules.

"Texas Tech students have not been informed about bicycle operating laws

“ Lubbock is not a biker-friendly town. ”

Vinnie Harris, Texas Tech graduate student

on campus," the resolution states. "Students are currently being ticketed for violations on campus at the rate of \$25 per ticket."

Tech English Instructor Jurgen Heise, a member of the Chaparral Cycling Club, said simply posting signs may not alleviate all of the problems.

"We need more of an educational campaign on the Tech campus," Heise

said. "I think there should be a push to make certain areas on campus accessible to cyclists — in front of the library, for example."

On campus, the biggest biking problem is the relationship between cyclists and pedestrians, he said.

Off-campus, the biggest problem facing cyclists is with the drivers.

Another problem cyclists encounter is the availability of places to ride, said Heise, who rides about 10,000 miles every year.

"The road conditions we have aren't very easy for cyclists, but a bigger problem is that we don't have any bike lanes," Heise said.

"Some drivers see bicycles as toys for children. They have complete disregard to the cyclist's right to the road."

Mark Payne, a senior international economics major from Abilene and president of the Tech Cycling Team, said he was glad city officials decided to improve Lubbock biking conditions.

Tech Student Senate passes organizational funding bill

by Laura Hipp

The University Daily

The 1996-97 Student Senate organizational funding bill was passed by the senate with three amendments Thursday night.

The Association for Computing Machinery requested an increase of \$300.

They received \$150.

The Association for Computing Machinery is the only professional organization in the College of Engineering, said Brad Poteet, a senator from the College of Engineering and senior mechanical engineering major from Lubbock.

"There were getting half of what other professional societies get," Poteet said.

The organization competes and brings recognition to Tech, said Clint Freeman, a senator from the College of Engineering and junior construction technology major from Farmington, N.M.

"They spent 53 percent of their funding last year," said College of Business senator Chris Wright, a sophomore management information systems major from Lubbock.

The organization does not participate in fundraising efforts, said senator-at-large Geoff Wayne, a senior accounting major from Lubbock.

"A \$300 increase was too much," Wayne said.

The Society of Manufacturing Engineers received a \$100 increase to bring their funding to \$500.

"They help engineering students learn about what they will be doing," said Ryan Smith, a senator from the College of Engineering and sophomore environmental engineering major from Dallas.

Last year the organization had eight members, Smith said.

This year their membership increased to 50 members.

The Society of Engineering Technology received \$300 in funding, which was an increase of \$125 from what they were originally allocated.

"If we give them a boost, they give Texas Tech a boost," he said. "There members have doubled in a year."

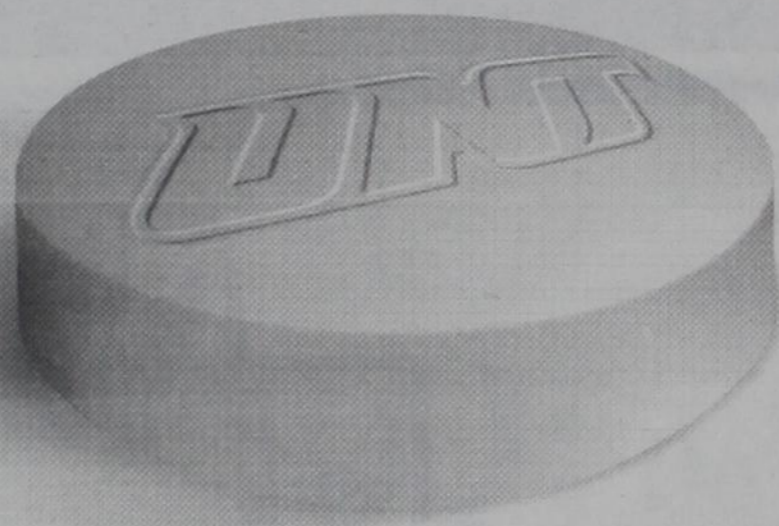
Each Tech student organization that applied for funding also received an extra \$3.88 because of a \$435 surplus.

The senate worked hard this year, said internal vice president Matt Freeman, a senior political science major from Lubbock.

"There were a lot of first-year senators," Freeman said.

More senators wrote legislation this year than in the past, he said. Next year's senate will accomplish even more.

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Combest to support line-item veto in Congress

by Brent Dirks

The University Daily

A line-item veto passed the U.S. Senate Wednesday by a vote of 69 to 31, allowing any president to veto specific portions of a spending bill.

The House debated the line-item veto Thursday, which was included in the Debt Limit Bill, said Keith Williams, press secretary for Rep. Larry Combest, R-Lubbock.

"The bill is assumed to be passed by an overwhelming majority in the House," Williams said.

Combest has gone on record to support the line-item veto for a number of years, and will vote for the bill when a vote is taken in Congress, he said.

"The line-item veto is good be-

cause it will give any president the power to control spending," Williams said.

Congress is willing to give the next president of the United States the power to veto certain lines of spending bills, he said.

The only reason the line-item veto was passed is because the Republicans promised they would do it during the last election, said Michael Turner, president of the Texas Tech University Democrats.

"It's not something for Clinton, but it was something to show they could come through on one of the many promises that they have made," Turner said.

The line-item veto as a whole is a good thing because it will really enable the pork in spending bills to be

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Keith Williams, press secretary for Larry Combest

thrown out, he said. The House will pass the line-item

veto bill, and Clinton will sign it, Turner said.

"The House will pass it because they know they need to start passing promises that they have made," he said.

Dan Isett, president of the Tech College Republicans, said the line-item veto was passed by the Senate because the Republicans are moving into a new era.

"The new era of budget cutting techniques now gives the power to the president to cut out single items in a bill," Isett said.

With the line-item veto, it is less likely there will be extra spending in a bill, he said.

Isett said he assumed Clinton would sign the bill because Clinton said he would after the House passes the bill.

World briefly

Pope hopes to make trip to Bosnia

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II told a Bosnian delegation on Thursday that he wanted to visit the shattered republic as soon as possible.

"It is time for reconstruction," he told the officials, and urged forgiveness between the recently warring sides.

"God willing, I hope to bring this message of peace and reconciliation even to Sarajevo as soon as possible," the pope told the officials, who included mayors.

The pope canceled a trip to the Bosnian capital in September 1994 for safety reasons.

Also Thursday, Polish President Aleksander Kwasniewski invited the 75-year-old pontiff to visit his homeland next year.

The visit would coincide with celebrations marking the 1,000th anniversary of the death of St. Adalbert, Poland's patron saint, and with the International Eucharistic Congress.

The congress is scheduled for May 25-June 1 in the southwestern city of Wroclaw.

Man found dead in Vietnam hotel

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) — An American who was helping to raise housing funds for handicapped and orphaned Vietnamese was found dead in his hotel room, his Vietnamese hosts said Thursday.

The cause of death was unknown.

Jeffrey Huch, 37, of Santa Cruz, California, was director of a U.S. aid group, the National Committee for Vietnam Friendship Village, that works with the Vietnamese Veterans Association to build housing for the needy near Hanoi.

He had arrived Sunday for meetings with the association, according to association official Huynh Van Trinh.

Staff members at the Huong Duong Hotel entered Huch's room Wednesday afternoon after failing to get any response when they knocked on his door, Trinh said.

They found him dead, lying in bed, with no obvious signs of injury, he said.

Huch's body was taken to a hospital and the U.S. Embassy said it was helping to arrange an autopsy.

Huch visited Hanoi once before, in 1994, with a delegation of Santa Cruz officials, Trinh said.

He is survived by his wife.

African soldiers shoot German man

LOME, Togo (AP) — Soldiers manning a roadblock shot and killed a German diplomat after he refused to let them search his car, the government said Thursday. The suspects were later arrested.

The victim was identified only as a German Embassy employee who performed administrative and technical duties.

According to a communique read over state-run radio, the victim was stopped late Wednesday night at a roadblock in the capital Lome.

Such roadblocks are common in cities throughout West Africa and often are used by soldiers or police to extort money from drivers.

The victim, who was driving alone, stopped for the soldiers, but when they demanded to search his car he sped off. Soldiers opened fire on the vehicle, killing the man.

The communique did not say how many soldiers fired or how many were arrested.

Togo's government described the shooting as "deplorable."

HIV-resisting blood cells might help fend off infection

NEW YORK (AP) — People who manage to avoid infection with the AIDS virus despite repeated exposure might be protected by certain blood cells that actively resist HIV, a study suggests.

HIV normally infects so-called CD4 blood cells readily. But CD4 cells from people who avoided infection were found to be unusually resistant, perhaps through overproduction of anti-viral chemicals.

A second study found that in people who are infected, certain immune system genes may strongly affect how long they can go without developing AIDS.

The studies, in the April issue of the journal *Nature Medicine*, may someday lead to new ways to prevent infection and help in deciding how and when to treat infected people, researchers said.

Scientists found that CD4 cells from people who have avoided HIV infection despite repeated exposure required about 200 times the normal dose of HIV to become infected in the laboratory, said researcher William A. Paxton.

Studies of the most resistant cells found they were pumping out about 10 times the normal levels of substances called chemokines that are known to quash HIV's reproduction in the test tube.

The chemokines may be protecting the cells and the people the cells came from, said Paxton, of the Aaron Diamond Research Center and New York University School of Medicine.

A researcher unconnected with the study, Dr. Neil Simonsen of the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg, said his work with Kenyan prostitutes who have avoided HIV infection despite very high risk did not find their CD4

cells to be particularly resistant. He said he doubts CD4 cells play a role in infection-resistant people.

Paxton's work involved 25 people with no sign of HIV infection despite having repeated homosexual or heterosexual sex with infected people.

While their CD4 cells could not resist infection completely, even a partial resistance could make a big difference in a person's getting infected because the HIV dose from a sex act is low, Paxton said.

Besides CD4 cells, HIV infects cells lining the rectum or vagina, Paxton said.

He theorized that if the virus cannot then proceed to infect CD4 cells, the infection may remain localized and get wiped out by the immune system.

Simonsen said immune system cells other than CD4 might be responsible for making some people unusually resistant to HIV infection.

The study on immune system genes is reported by Dr. Richard Kaslow of the University of Alabama at Birmingham and colleagues elsewhere.

They identified seven gene variants or variant combinations that appeared to promote longer lag times between infection and AIDS and 13 that seemed to shorten the interval.

Men with the most favorable overall genetic profiles had lag times about seven years longer than men with the least favorable profiles.

If the findings are confirmed, such genetic profiles might eventually help doctors choose which infected people to treat early with anti-HIV drugs and how intensely, Kaslow said.

Shuttle crew says farewell to Mir

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — With bear hugs and teary eyes, space shuttle Atlantis' astronauts said goodbye to the crew of Russia's space station Mir and then sealed the hatches Thursday, leaving Shannon Lucid behind for a five-month stay in orbit.

Later in the day, Atlantis' crew was scheduled to unlatch the shuttle from Mir after five days of docked flight about 250 miles above Earth. The shuttle is scheduled to return to Earth on Saturday.

The farewell ceremony was a sentimental moment for all eight space travelers, but especially shuttle commander Kevin Chilton. He wiped his eyes and wrapped his arms around Russian cosmonauts Yuri Onufrienko and Yuri Usachev.

"We know we'll see Shannon

again when she comes back," Chilton said. "But there's a big ocean between Russia and America, and we're not so confident, or sure, or certain I should say that we'll ever see our two friends Yuri and Yuri again." He paused to regain his composure, then added: "In person."

Usachev said he wished they could stay together longer, "but Shannon is with us now ... and we'll do the good work that needs to be done."

With that, the astronauts and cosmonauts clasped hands and then retreated to their respective spacecraft for the undocking.

Lucid is the second American —

and the first U.S. woman — to live aboard Mir. When she returns to Earth in August aboard a shuttle, the 53-year-old biochemist and mother of three grown children will have spent more time in space than any other American.

NASA cut short the shuttle's mission by one day because of bad weather in the forecast at Cape Canaveral, Fla., and a leak in one of the steering systems used for descent. Atlantis will return to Earth with five astronauts.

It will be the first time a U.S. spaceship comes back with fewer people than it left with.

"I guess you'd normally get in trouble for coming back one person short," Chilton said, "but this time I think we'll get a pat on the back." Mission Control gave Lucid a

pep talk before she left Atlantis for the last time and floated into Mir: "Want you to really enjoy and take in everything on this flight that you're about to do. You're a very lucky person to get to do it. It won't always be easy."

Hoping to make her stay as enjoyable as possible, NASA has promised her a better selection of food and more frequent contact with family and friends than Dr. Norman Thagard, the only other American ever to live on Mir. During the five days that Atlantis and Mir were docked, the crews hauled more than two tons of equipment, water and other supplies to the Russian station.

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Kevin Chilton, space shuttle commander

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Drug reduces brain damage from stroke

BOSTON (AP) — An experimental new drug powerfully protects stroke victims from catastrophic brain damage and may someday be given to virtually all such patients, researchers say.

Strokes are the nation's No. 3 killer after heart disease and cancer, striking about 500,000 Americans annually.

Until recently, there was no treatment.

Now it appears there are two.

In December, researchers showed that TPA — tissue-plasminogen activator — widely used heart attack medicine — reduces the chances of brain damage if given quickly after a stroke.

Now, another team has found that a different medicine seems to work just as well and may be useful for many more patients.

"This is definitely the most exciting time ever in the history of strokes," said Karen Putney, vice president of the National Stroke Association.

The new drug, citicoline, is the first of a group of so-called neuroprotective drugs, which shield the brain from a destructive chain reaction started by a

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Karen Putney, vice president of the National Stroke Association

In a study, the drug appeared to limit the size of the stroke, speed up recovery and improve victims' mental functioning.

The study was paid for by the maker of citicoline, Interneuron Pharmaceuticals Inc. of Lexington, Mass.

Especially noteworthy are the medicine's lack of side effects and its apparent success even when given to a patient many hours after stroke symptoms begin to occur.

TPA, in comparison, must be given within three hours of the start of symptoms.

Even when used properly, 6 percent of patients suffer disastrous bleeding inside their brains.

Because of the drug's limitations, most stroke patients probably will not be able to take it.

Citicoline could be much more widely used.

"Because it's so safe and can be given up to 24 hours after a stroke, I think it will be an important breakthrough," said Dr. Wayne Clark, who headed the team that tested the drug at 21 hospitals.

Interneuron Pharmaceuticals has not yet asked the Food and Drug Administration for approval to sell it. Clark, director of the stroke center at Oregon Health Sciences University, presented the findings Thursday at a meeting of the American Academy of Neurology in San Francisco.

The researchers enrolled 259 stroke patients, who were randomly assigned to get either dummy medicine or one

of three different doses of citicoline within 24 hours of the start of their symptoms.

The best dose turned out to be the smallest, 500 milligrams daily.

The doctors found that 53 percent of patients given this amount had full recovery on a scale that measures their ability to take care of themselves, compared with 33 percent in the placebo group.

The outcome of the study "was too good to be true, but it was true," said one of the drug's inventors, Dr. Richard Wurtman of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Dr. Steven Warach of Beth Israel Hospital in Boston said that assuming citicoline holds up to further testing, "I think this drug will be given to the majority of stroke patients."

Most strokes occur when a blood clot gets stuck in an artery in the brain, choking off the supply of oxygen.

Patients tend to worsen in the days after a stroke.

This is because the breakdown of dying brain cells releases chemicals that harm surrounding tissue.

Actress answers pressing questions

(AP) — After her rough-and-tumble work in "Broken Arrow," actress Samantha Mathis is being heralded as this year's Sandra Bullock — a girl next door who can keep her cool and manage to look good while breaking a sweat in an action-adventure flick.

Mathis tones it down for her latest film, "Jack and Sarah," in which she's an American nanny in London helping a single father (Jack) raise his daughter (Sarah).

1. In your latest film, you're a waitress and then a nanny. Did you ever have odd jobs along the way to becoming an actress?

Mathis: When I was 13, I got a job working at a clothing store on Rodeo Drive, of all places. We sold Rodeo Drive T-shirts with fringe and beads on the bottom of them — totally early '80s.

When I was 15, I sold frozen yogurt with all my friends. We sort of took over the store, called Yogurt Delights.

Complete the sentence: The best thing about London was...?

Mathis: Tea and scones in the afternoon. I just love that tradition and those scones with the clotted cream and the raspberry preserves.

Even when we were shooting, we got to have tea in the afternoon. It was terribly civilized. I think we should embrace that tradition here. Let's just stop at 4 p.m. and chat for just 10 minutes!

3. The worst thing about London was...?

Mathis: When I came into the country, it ended up being this complete nightmare.

They hadn't had my work papers ready for me so they said, "Just go through customs and say you're a tourist." ... I ended up spinning this huge lie. ... They threw me in to this detention center for six hours.

The upshot of it was they ended up taking my passport, they gave me 24 hours to get my work permit and then I had to leave the country to come back through customs.

So the producer sent me to Paris for a day.

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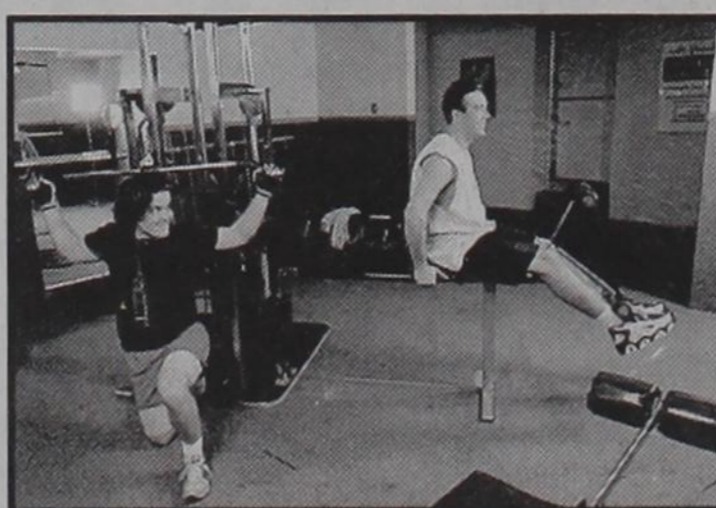
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White Sox beat Rangers 4-3

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Kirk McCaskill picked up his first victory of the spring, allowing three hits over two innings as the Chicago White Sox edged the Texas Rangers 4-3 Thursday.

McCaskill hadn't pitched since March 20 when he gave up two runs and four hits in four innings against New York.

But he allowed only an unearned run in the first against Texas for his first victory in five appearances.

The White Sox, who now have won eight of their last 10, took the lead for good with two runs in the second.

The White Sox took the lead Lyle Mouton scored on Darren Lewis' grounder to short and Chris Snopce scored on Chad Kreuter's grounder to short.

Japan opens its doors to MLB

NEW YORK (AP) — Talk about long road trips: The Seattle Mariners may open the 1997 season in Japan.

Baseball officials, who just completed negotiations to play regular-season games in Mexico this August, are discussing a deal in which Seattle would start next season in Japan, possibly against the Detroit Tigers.

"We hope it will happen. We think it's a good idea," said John Ellis, the Mariners chief executive officer.

Two years ago, officials began negotiations for a trip that would have had the Mariners and Tigers finish 1995 spring training with two exhibition games in Japan, then play two regular season games there before returning home.

That deal, which also included a postseason all-star tour of Japan following the 1994 season, was a casualty of the strike, which wiped out the 1994 World Series and delayed the '95 season.

The Mariners' majority owner is Nintendo Co. Ltd. of Kyoto. The Tigers would be a natural opponent because they have Cecil Fielder, who in 1989 hit 38 homers for Hanshin in Japan's Central League.

In 1994, lawyers had begun drafting agreements for a \$5 million deal that whose sponsors would have included Dentsu Inc., an advertising company, and the Yomiuri Shimbun newspaper.

Dentsu set a deadline of that June 13 for the deal. According to a person involved in the talks, who spoke on the condition he not be identified, the deal came apart when owners refused to commit to playing the games even if there was a work stoppage. The players' association, according to the source, was willing to make a commitment.

While negotiations have not even reached that stage for any games next year, Ellis and Mariners president

Chuck Armstrong say they are hopeful.

"I talk to Dentsu every day," Brosnan said. "They are a very good partner and are very in tune to what we would like to see happen. I think they would be prepared to discuss whatever project we and-or the players' association are interested in."

Lauren Rich, the union's No. 3 official, said players haven't been approached yet about a trip next year. The deadline for owners to give the union a tentative 1997 schedule is July 1.

The New York Mets and San Diego Padres are scheduled to play the first regular-season games outside the United States and Canada, a three-game series at Monterrey, Mexico, from Aug. 16-18.

As part of the Mexico deal, players will have their per diem increased \$240 a day, from \$60.50 to \$302.50, and all players will get single rooms.

Tech track squads head to El Paso

Both the Texas Tech men's and women's track squads will continue the outdoor season this weekend at the UTEP relays in El Paso.

Highlighting the meet for the Red Raiders will be sprinter junior Dion Miller, who provisionally qualified for the NCAA Championships with a time of 10.49 in the 100-meter dash.

Morris free on \$25,000 bond

ROCKWALL (AP) — Former Texas Tech and current Pittsburgh Steelers running back Byron "Bam" Morris posted a \$25,000 bond Thursday on a charge of possession of cocaine, officials said.

Morris, 24, had been free on another \$25,000 bond for possession of marijuana since his arrest last week.

The leading rusher in this year's Super Bowl was indicted Tuesday on two felony drug possession charges, both of which are punishable by two to 10 years in prison and a maximum \$10,000 fine. An arrest warrant for

Morris was issued late Tuesday on the cocaine charge. Morris showed up to post bond Thursday afternoon, said Rockwall County Assistant District Attorney Rick Calvert.

Authorities searching Morris' impounded luxury car said they found 1 1/2 grams of cocaine Monday. The leased car was impounded after officers found more than six pounds of marijuana in the trunk during a traffic stop last Friday.

Morris won the Doak Walker Award following his junior year at Tech in 1993.

THE Daily Crossword by Randall J. Hartman

ACROSS
1 Throat warmers
7 Pursue
10 Stygian
14 Victoria's consort
15 — in the Family
16 Pelvic bones
17 — a pin
18 Jose's uncle
19 Winglike
20 Buck of India
21 On the briny
22 — Hari
23 Book by Dr. Seuss
26 Large sea bird
27 Posed for a portrait
28 Petroleum
31 Nick and Nora's dog
33 Grab onto
37 Cause for
41 Not as many
42 Architect
43 — tree (held at bay)
44 Integers: abbr.
46 Dull people
49 Notion
55 Light beige
56 Breathing sound
57 Elsa's cries
59 Razorbacks
60 Sprightly being
61 Spanish-speaking community
62 Shampoo additive
63 Always, to poets
64 The A in CIA
65 New Jersey five
66 Peer into
67 Parting waters, once?

DOWN
1 Without
2 Shoe feature
3 Make uneasy
4 Laces again
5 Spanish dictator
6 Aves.
7 Have — (be eccentric)
8 Outsider
9 Crows over
10 Twice the radius
11 Islam deity
12 Gaucho's lasso
13 Gold measure
21 — of Honey
24 Author Paton
25 Jumble
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29 Anger
30 Ball four location?
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Annual Red-Black Spring Game gives football players chance for friendly competition

by Arni Sribhen

The University Daily

Tech fans can get a glimpse of the first Big 12 entry from Texas Tech's football program when the Red Raiders play in the Red-Black Spring game.

The game, which Tech coach Spike Dykes said will be as evenly matched as possible, will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday at Jones Stadium.

"It's more of the halfway point than the end," sophomore wide receiver Nasser Ayyad said.

"We have six practices after the game, but it's a fun deal where our families and fans can come and see us."

Tech returns 15 starters off the squad that finished 9-3 and ranked No. 20 by *CNN/USA Today* Coaches' poll. Highlighting the returners for Tech

is junior running back Byron Hanspard and junior quarterback Zebbie Lethridge.

The key change for the Red Raider offense may be at the coordinator's spot where Rick Dykes replaces Dick Winder, who left to be the offensive coordinator at Oklahoma.

"It's just two different styles of coaching, the system is still the same," Ayyad said.

"Coach Winder likes to motivate with his voice and that's not Coach Dykes style. I enjoy that style of coaching. It puts a more positive light on practices."

Defensively, the Red Raiders face the task of rebuilding a defense that ranked among the best in the nation.

Gone from the lineup are All-American performers Zach Thomas and Marcus Coleman, but several play-

ers are willing to fill those roles.

"I enjoyed my two years behind Marcus," said senior raiderback Jody Brown. "I'll just try to fill his shoes and contribute the best I can to this team. We all realize that (Coleman, Thomas and Shawn Banks) are gone, but at the same time we have to move on and accept they are gone."

Brown said both he and his defensive teammates are ready for

Saturday's game.

"I'm looking forward to the game," he said. "We've been practicing for two weeks, and now we get a chance to show what we can do."

Regardless of the atmosphere, junior kicker Tony Rogers said the Red Raiders will take the game seriously.

"It's a friendly competition," he said. "But once we hit the field, everyone on the team will be enemies."

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Tyner key to jump starting Texas A&M

by Jared Parcel

The University Daily

The Texas A&M baseball team will take on Texas Tech in a four-game series scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. today at Dan Law Field.

Scheduled to lead off for the Aggies and face Tech starting pitcher Matt Miller is freshman Jason Tyner.

Tyner has started all 32 games for the No. 15-ranked Aggies, who enter the contest with a 24-8 record overall and 5-3 in Southwest Conference action.

"He's been a great lead-off hitter for us," said Texas A&M head coach Mark Johnson. "He creates a lot of pressure on the defense by being able to get on base. For a freshman to come in and do what he's done, it's special. He's the stereotypical lead-off hitter that you usually don't have made to



Tyner

order."

Tyner is fourth on the Aggie team with a .388 batting average and a team-high 50 hits. He has hit four doubles, driven in 16 runs and walked 14 times, compiling a .488 on-base average while starting as the left fielder or designated hitter.

But Tyner is taking things in stride, playing for an Aggie team that came within one game of the NCAA College World Series last year.

"I haven't really felt any pressure," said the left-handed hitting Tyner. "I figured, as a freshman, no one expected me to produce. The better I do though, I feel a little pressure to keep it up."

Tyner finished his high school career at Beaumont West Brook with a

.455 batting average, 92 runs scored and 60 stolen bases. He is the only player in West Brook High history to collect more than 100 hits, tallying 115 hits. His .477 batting average and 6-2 record as a pitcher in his senior year earned him district Most Valuable Player honors.

Tyner said he has turned to top returning players such as catcher William Shiflett, first baseman Jeff Bailey, second baseman Rich Petru, third baseman Jason Stephens, left fielder Chad Allen and center fielder Ryan Huffman to learn how to handle different situations.

"I've learned a tremendous amount from the older guys," Tyner said. "They've taught me things like when to move runners over in key situations. Just watching them play, I've learned a lot. Each team plays me differently so I have to adjust to each

situation. I just go out and try to do my best.

"It's been a lot of run throughout this whole season. I didn't expect to contribute as much as I have."

But for Miller, 7-1 on the season and tied with Ryan Brewer for the conference and team lead with seven wins, he knows what his job is.

"It's huge every inning to get the first guy out," said Miller, a junior left-hander. "When you get the first guy out, the odds of a team scoring are reduced. From a mental aspect, it helps tremendously. Just like hitting is contagious, getting guys out is contagious."

Following Miller today, Tyner and the Aggies are slated to face freshman Monty Ward and senior Ryan Brewer in Saturday's 2 p.m. doubleheader and junior Jeff Peck in Sunday's 1 p.m. single game.

Ham slams way to dunk title

BRONX, N.Y. (Special) — Darvin Ham made it two in a row Thursday as he won the NCAA slam dunk contest at Rose Hill Gymnasium on the campus of Fordham. Lance Hughes won the contest last year as a Red Raider.

"It feels good to win," Ham said after the contest.

"Now I don't have to worry about Lance Hughes bothering me about losing."

Ham defeated Memphis' Michael Wilson in the four-round event whose winner was decided by a call-in vote from around the nation. Each finalist had 30 seconds to impress the nation with their abilities.

Wilson was the first finalist to

go, but failed in his attempt to make a ball rack-leaping dunk and had to settle for one with less difficulty.

Ham was second and after missing one dunk, completed his own ball rack-leaping dunk. Ironically, this is the same type of dunk Hughes used to win the contest last year.

Santa Clara's Steve Nash won the NCAA three-point contest, also held Thursday at Rose Hill Gymnasium.

Ham said he was fortunate to win because the field of competitors was tough.

"I appreciate this award," he said. "I wanted to give Texas Tech some more respect."

Tech softball looks for first home win against OSU

by Chris Parry

The University Daily

Texas Tech begins a new era in athletics as softball comes to Lubbock for the first Big 12 conference game against a former Big Eight opponent.

The Red Raider softball team will host Oklahoma State for a three-game series, starting with a doubleheader scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. Saturday at Berl Huffman Complex. The second game follows shortly after and the third is to be played at noon Sunday.

Freshman pitcher Emily Hayes said Tech is anxious to step back out on the field after taking off two weeks fol-

lowing the Red Raider Invitational. "We are coming off a long absence and we are looking forward to playing," she said.

Tech, 3-23 overall and 0-2 in conference play, is searching for its first home win. Tech coach Renee' Luers-Gillispie said the Red Raiders are primed for the upcoming games against the Cowgirls.

"We finally got over our injuries and that helped out tremendously," she said. "We now have our starting lineup back and are ready to go against OSU."

The Cowgirls come into this weekend's games with a 15-11 record,

winning their last game against Oregon State. Oklahoma State is led by senior Cindy Smith, who brings her .494 batting average and 13 stolen bases to Lubbock. Smith has an on-base percentage of .542, 14 RBIs and two home runs this season.

Hayes said she knows she has her work cut out for her against Smith.

"The main thing I want to do is keep everything low and away from (her) power zone," Hayes said.

The Cowgirls also sport sophomore Stephanie Little, a first-team All-Big Eight selection last year. Little is second on the team in hitting with a .391 batting average to go along with three

home runs and 18 RBIs. Luers-Gillispie said Tech has to play tough against Oklahoma State.

"We know that all we have to do is go out there and play a good game and I think we are capable of that," she said.

Tech has played well against ranked opponents, picking up wins over New Mexico State and Colorado State. Luers-Gillispie said Tech is a different team coming into this weekend's match-up.

"They are a bit more relaxed than they have been in earlier games," Luers-Gillispie said. "If our pitching is on, we will be competitive with them."

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Red Raiders, Aggies battle for top spot in Southwest Conference

by Jared Parcell
The University Daily

Texas Tech head coach Larry Hays summed it up best when he said there will be a showdown at Dan Law Field between the Red Raiders and Texas A&M.

The two teams are scheduled to collide at 7 p.m. today in the opener of a four-game series. Tech and Texas A&M will resume play at 2 p.m. Sat-

urday with a doubleheader and complete the series with a single game slated to begin at 1 p.m. Sunday.

"It should be a great series," Hays said at his weekly press conference, Monday. "Last year, this was the toughest series for us. We know each other fairly well. It'll be a challenge for us and a great weekend for baseball."

Tech enters the weekend meeting at 31-4 overall and in first place in the

Southwest Conference with a 6-2 conference mark. The Aggies (24-8, 5-3) trail the front-running Red Raiders by one game in the race for the final SWC regular-season title.

The second-ranked Red Raiders also are looking at the 15th-ranked Aggies in the rear view mirror in team batting, pitching and fielding.

Led by left fielder Matt Kastelic's .437 batting average and All-American third baseman Clint Bryant who is

hitting .424, Tech has a conference best .341 batting average as a team.

Leading the charge for Texas A&M is outfielder Johnny Hunter, who is batting .413 and third baseman Jason Stephens, who has a .411 batting average. The Aggies have a .333 team batting average.

"It's an important series in the fact that it is a four-game series," Tech pitcher Matt Miller said. "We need to stay hot because both teams are trying

to win a conference title."

A pair of left-handers are scheduled to battle on the mound in the opener.

Miller, at 7-1 on the year with a 3.30 ERA and 62 strikeouts, is expected to start the opener for Tech. Sophomore Matt Blank (4-2, 4.17 ERA, 37 strikeouts) is slated to start for the Aggies.

Monty Ward (4-1, 4.33 ERA, 50 strikeouts) and Ryan Brewer (7-1, 2.72

ERA, 49 strikeouts) will start the two games for the Red Raiders on Saturday and will be opposed by Jamie Smith (2-2, 4.33 ERA, 25 strikeouts) and Shane King (5-0, 3.59 ERA, 20 strikeouts).

Jeff Peck (5-0, 5.52 ERA, 23 strikeouts) will square off against John Sneed (5-0, 5.67 ERA, 22 strikeouts) in the finale.

The Red Raider staff leads the conference with seven complete games, 286 strikeouts and a 3.85 ERA. Texas A&M has four complete games, tied with Texas Christian for second and a 4.56 ERA.

"Strong pitching and strong defense is the key," said Brewer.

"If you don't let the other team score runs, they can't win. That's impossible to do over a four-game series, so pitching and defense become important. The hitting will take care of itself."



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