

Link in prostitutes' murders sheds light on situation

By Brittany Barrientos/The University Daily

The idea of prostitutes wandering the streets may not necessarily be what comes to mind when people think of Lubbock. However, the issue of prostitution recently has been brought into the public eye.

Earlier this week, the murders of two Lubbock County prostitutes were linked together and prostitution stings continue to limit both prostitutes' and solicitors' presence on local streets.

The murders took place in July 2003 and April 2004.

Despite all the attention prostitution is receiving, Special Operations Sgt. Rob Mayne of the Lubbock Police Department said the actual crime rate is consistent with previous years.

"I would say the rate is just holding steady," he said. "Many prostitutes are in jail, but a new generation is coming up."

Mayne said the primary places prostitutes solicit are in the Overton area. He said north and east Lubbock are the most problematic areas, especially around avenues P and Q.

Linda DeLeon, the City Councilwoman for District 1,

which encompasses northeast Lubbock, said prostitution has been an ongoing problem in Lubbock.

"(The prostitution problem) has existed for many years," she said. "You just have to enforce the rules."

DeLeon said one afternoon she saw prostitutes congregating near a bus stop, which happened to be dropping off elementary students. She said she called the police and asked them to ensure prostitutes would not be around when children are getting transported to or from school.

Mayne said officers previously have focused on eliminating prostitution, but now the focus has widened to

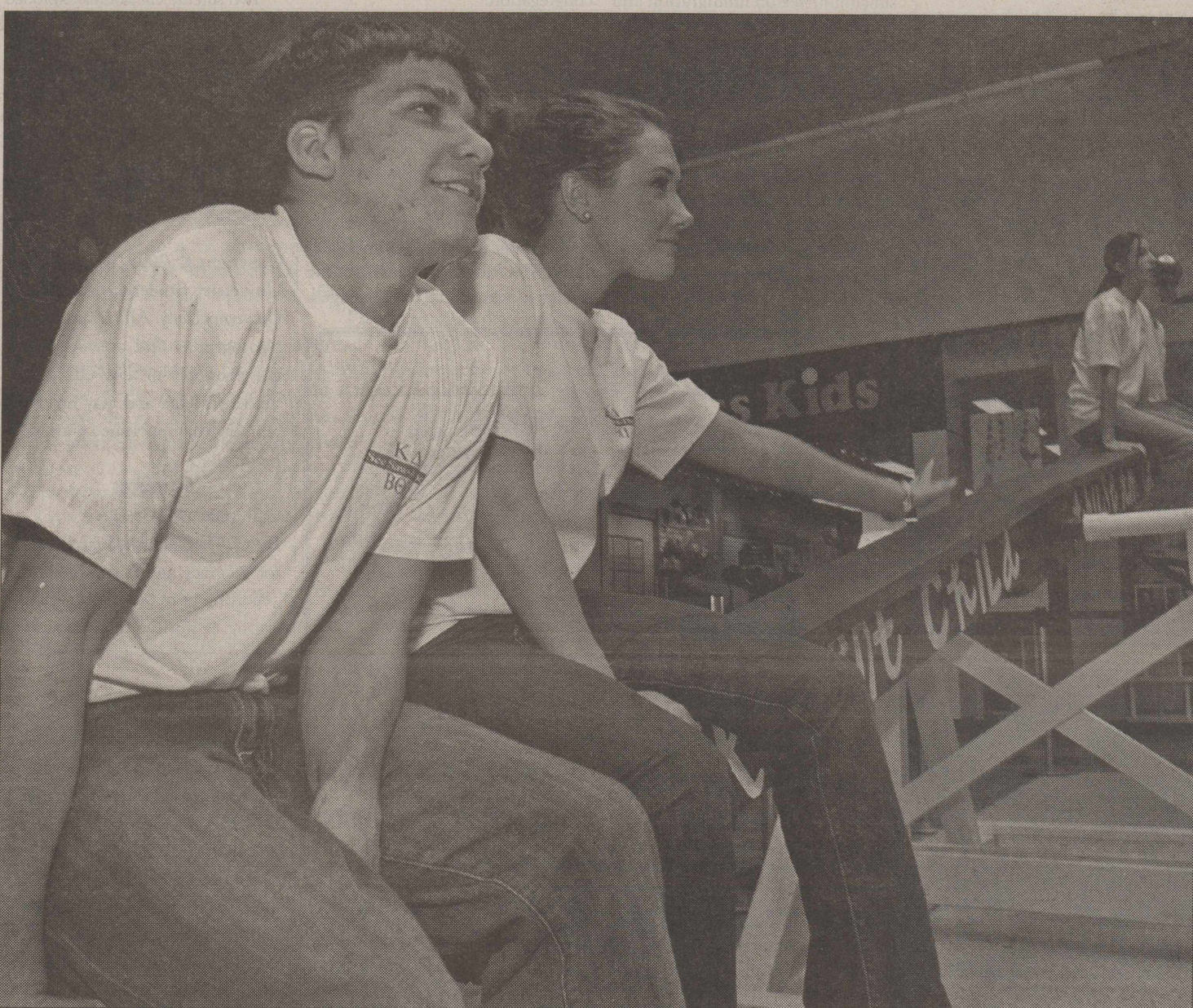
concentrate on narcotics and gangs.

However, Mayne said prostitution stings still are common. A sting was executed Feb. 23, when a female officer went undercover and two men were arrested, he said. There are approximately five prostitution or solicitation arrests per month.

Assistant Chief of Police in charge of investigations for the Lubbock Police Department Thomas Esparza said there has not been a shift in focus, but the responsibilities have been expanded for further efficiency.

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Teetering FOR Tots



DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily

JOEY DUHON, A freshman undecided major from Dallas, and Emily Arledge, a sophomore business major from Lubbock, participate in the 48-hour Kappa Delta and Beta Theta Pi See-Saw-A-Thon outside Mervyn's department store in the South Plains Mall Thursday afternoon with Jessica Mastroianni, a freshman business major from Mesa, Ariz., and Ryan Clark, a freshman pre-medicine major from Meridian.

See-Saw-A-Thon attempting to raise money for child abuse center

By Jeremy Martin/The University Daily

Katie Kelinske said she sat on a seesaw for five straight hours last year. She was not trying to get her name in the record books or win some kind of schoolyard bet. She was raising money to fight child abuse.

Five hours on a bobbing wooden plank is a long time, Kelinske, a sophomore public relations major from Austin, said. But after a few hours, she got used to the ride.

"I read a lot of magazines on the seesaw, actually," she said. "After a few hours, I grew accustomed to it."

Kelinske's sorority, Kappa Delta, is holding its 18th annual See-Saw-A-Thon to raise money for the Lubbock Children's Advocacy Center and Prevent Child Abuse America. The fund-raiser lasts for 48 hours throughout a four-day period. The seesawing commenced at noon Thursday in front of Mervyn's

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Sketches released of two 'persons of interest' in slayings of judge's relatives

By Mike Robinson/Associated Press

CHICAGO (AP) — A federal judge whose husband and mother were slain execution-style in her basement is vowing to return to the bench, and police were searching for two "persons of interest" seen near the home.

Police released sketches of the two men, saying they want to interview them based on witness statements. One, a man in his mid-20s, was seen in a car near the home of Judge Joan Humphrey Lefkow. The other, a man in his 50s, was wearing dark coveralls and a dark knit cap. Both are white.

In an interview published Thursday, the judge said she always knew her job could put her at risk but never thought it would endanger her family.

"I think we all sort of go into this thinking it's a possibility, but you don't think it's going to happen to you because it's so unthinkable," she told the Chicago Tribune.

Lefkow, who is now in protective custody along with her four daughters,

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Some educators upset with No Child Left Behind act

By Meghann Lora/The University Daily

The federal No Child Left Behind Act has some Lubbock educators upset about double standards and financial burdens.

Educational spending in the United States totals more than \$850 billion, and about 90 percent of that comes from state, local and private sources, according to the U.S. Department of Education

Web site, www.ed.gov.

President Bush signed the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 into law to ensure stronger accountability, more flexibility and increased federal support for education. State legislators across the nation are attempting to lessen the amount of control the act has on public education.

According to the National Education Association Web site,

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Police to question Islamic militant

By Zarar Khan/Associated Press

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — A convicted Islamic militant was turned over Thursday by a court to police for questioning into the killing of Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl and two failed assassination attempts against President Gen. Pervez Musharraf, authorities said.

WAR ON TERROR

Mohammed Sohail was arrested in Karachi on Wednesday after a shootout with police.

Sohail was wanted in the killing of Pearl, who was kidnapped Jan. 23, 2002, in Karachi while researching a story on Islamic militancy.

A police official said on condition of anonymity Wednesday that Sohail is believed to have made the grisly video in which the American journalist was beheaded.

In 2003, a court in Karachi sentenced Sohail to death in absentia for a May 8, 2002, bombing near the Sheraton Hotel in Karachi that killed 11 French engineers. Two other militants, who are in custody, were also given death sentences in the attack.

On Thursday, the judge in Karachi allowed police to interrogate Sohail for five days, said Mohammed Younas, a police investigator.

Judge Mehboob Ali Dhayo ordered that the militant be produced in the court again on March 7, Younas said.

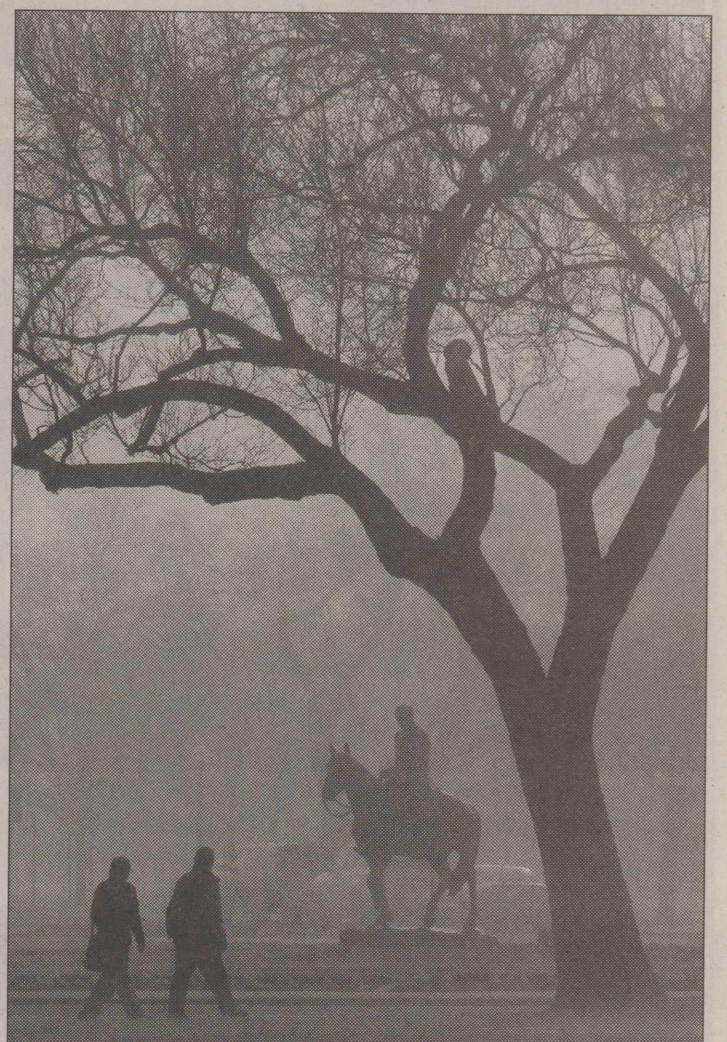
Sohail, in his 30s, was taken to the court with dozens of armed policemen escorting him. He was handcuffed and his head was covered with a hood when he was transferred to a police pickup truck after the court hearing.

Younas said Sohail also will be questioned over suspicions he had surveyed the street in Rawalpindi, a city near the capital, Islamabad, where militants targeted Musharraf with two car bombs within 10 days in December 2003.

The president was not harmed in either attack but 17 people were killed in the second attempt on his life.

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MISTY MORNING



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STUDENTS WALK TO class through the fog, which spread throughout the Texas Tech campus Thursday morning.

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Death rate higher on rural roads

WASHINGTON (AP) — People are being killed on rural, non-Interstate roads at more than double the rate for all other routes, a private group says, blaming narrow roads, sharp curves and a lack of money for safety improvements.

More than half of traffic deaths — 52 percent — in the United States between 1999 and 2003 happened on rural, non-Interstate roads and highways, according to a study released Thursday by The Road Information Program. Traffic on these

roads accounted for only 28 percent of travel.

In 2003, there were 2.72 deaths per 100 million miles traveled on non-Interstate rural roads compared with .99 deaths per 100 million miles on all other roads.

"Rural drivers are being put at an unacceptable risk because many of these roads lack desirable safety features," said Frank Moretti, research and policy director of the private transportation research group.

Narrow lanes, limited shoulders,

sharp curves, pavement drop-offs and roadside hazards such as trees and utility poles are dangerous for drivers.

The majority of rural traffic accidents happen when motorists leave their lane and either strike something off the road or collide with a car traveling in the opposite direction, the study said.

The study reported an average of 22,127 traffic fatalities each year on rural, non-Interstate roads between 1999 and 2003; in that same period, an average of 42,301 people were killed each year in traffic accidents on all roads.

From 1990 to 2003, the fatality rate on roads other than non-Interstate rural routes decreased by 32 percent.

Moretti said money for road safety projects is badly needed to make rural roads safer.

Congress is currently working on reauthorizing a new long-term federal surface transportation program, which may increase funding available for safety improvements. The current program expires at the end of May.

The study also found: Arizona, Florida, South Carolina, Montana and Kentucky had the highest rates of traffic fatalities per 100 million miles of travel on rural, non-Interstate roads.

The states with the largest number of rural, non-Interstate traffic deaths between 1999 and 2003 were Texas, California, Florida, North Carolina and Pennsylvania.

The Rundown



Texas leads nation Computer disk, DNA Bombers target Iraqi in migrant no-shows lead to BTK suspect police, killing six

DALLAS (AP) — Illegal immigrants in Texas disregarded deportation hearings last year at a higher rate than those in any other state, according to Justice Department statistics.

Roughly 40 percent of illegal immigrants scheduled to appear in Texas courts failed to show up in 2004, compared with a national average of 23 percent, documents show.

Texas' number of migrant no-shows has increased three years in a row, a pattern some experts blame in part on the increasing number of non-Mexican illegal immigrants, who are arrested but frequently not detained.

Non-Mexican immigrants are often released on low bails or their own recognizance because of a lack of detention space, so many experts say they have no incentive to appear in court.

Mexicans who try to immigrate illegally and are stopped at the border generally return home voluntarily.

Rep. Solomon Ortiz, D-Corpus Christi, who was expected to testify this week before the House subcommittee on immigration and border security, said the practice of releasing illegal immigrants could pose a threat to national security.

"It's a process that is broken," Ortiz said. "Until we send a concise and clear message to those countries that 'We are going to pick you up, and you're going to be deported and we're going to make you go through due process,' they're not going to stop coming in."

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — Dennis Rader came to his pastor in January with a floppy disk, saying he had the agenda of a church council meeting and needed to run off copies on a printer. The pastor obliged.

The head of Christ Lutheran Church inserted the disk into a computer, thinking it was nothing out of the ordinary. That routine act may have cracked the BTK serial killer case.

Last Friday, four law enforcement officers came to Pastor Michael Clark's church with a search warrant and asked who had access to the computer. An electronic imprint in a disk sent to a Wichita TV station by the BTK killer had been traced to the church.

The officers, speaking softly but firmly, then said Rader had been arrested as the suspected BTK killer.

The pastor was stunned. Three times, he asked them to repeat it. "The world changed that very moment," Clark would later tell his congregation.

A computer disk appears to be among the key pieces of evidence that led police to Rader, the 59-year-old church council president and former Cub Scout leader who was charged Tuesday with 10 murders in the BTK killings that terrorized this city throughout three decades.

Though police have been tight-lipped about why they believe Rader is the BTK killer, some details of the evidence against him have emerged.

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Car bombs killed six policemen and wounded 15 in new attacks on Iraq's security services Thursday as political factions wrangled over putting together a government.

The Shiite Muslim-dominated United Iraqi Alliance and a Kurdish coalition, which emerged from the Jan. 30 elections with the two biggest blocks of seats in the National Assembly, made little headway in their talks on combining forces to select the leaders of the new government.

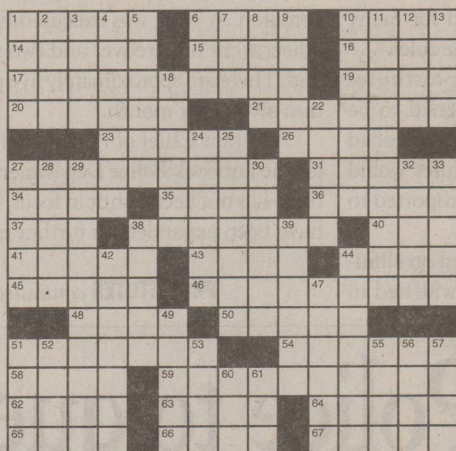
Meanwhile, interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi, whose party finished third, denied rumors he had given up his effort to stitch together support from other groups, including the Kurds, that would allow him to remain prime minister.

Forming Iraq's first democratically elected government is a key step in the U.S. plan for stabilizing the country, and insurgents have been striking at Iraqi police and military forces seeking to undermine the effort.

Two suicide car bombs exploded outside the Interior Ministry in eastern Baghdad and killed at least five policemen and wounded nine, the defense ministry reported.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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- 1 ___ and Gomorrah
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 - 16 Put one's foot down?
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 - 19 Mountain lion
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 - 21 Belief without holidays?
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 - 37 Kanga's kid
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 - 41 Concise
 - 43 Old slave
 - 44 Lake formed by Hoover Dam
 - 45 Simpson or Astaire
 - 46 Natural singers
 - 48 AMA members
 - 50 Draws closer
 - 51 Squirms
 - 54 Puget Sound city
 - 58 Tip
 - 59 Flexible principle?
 - 62 Fencing sword
 - 63 Service station job?
 - 64 Choose by vote
 - 65 Boringly studious person
 - 66 Type of curl
 - 67 Quench, as thirst
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By Robert H. Wolfe North Woodmere, NY 3/4/05

Thursday's Puzzle Solved

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- 10 Free from strife
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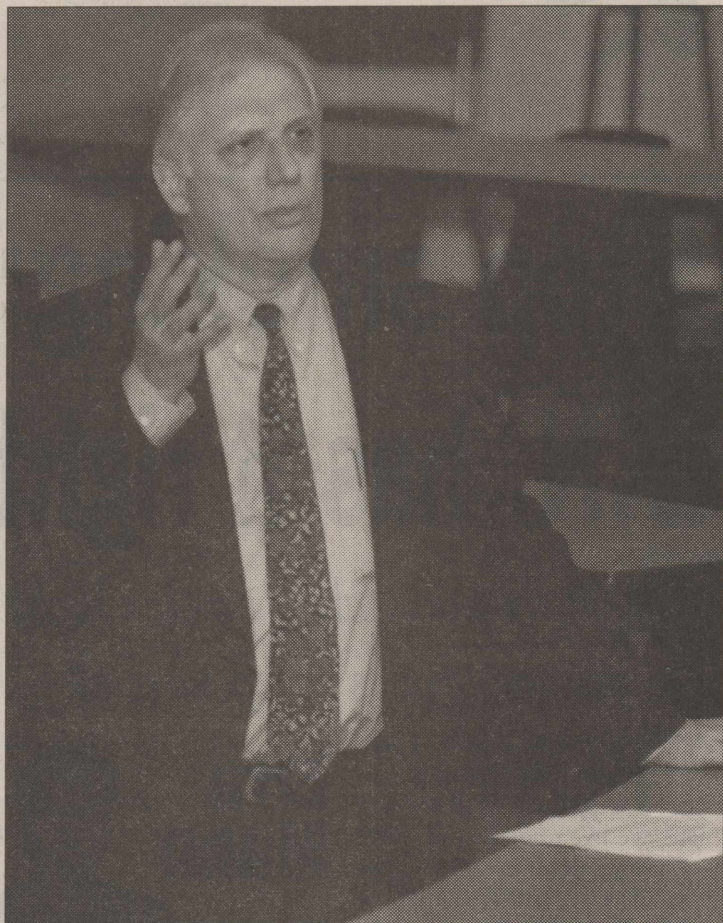
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Pay to print policy discussed at SGA meeting



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DON DYAL, DEAN of Libraries, discusses the new pay to print policy being implemented at the Texas Tech Library.

By Brandi Fleming/
The University Daily

The Student Government Association's meeting Thursday focused on concerns about the recently implemented printing fees in the University Library.

Don Dyal, dean of libraries, said for students to understand the fee, they must understand the history of the printing problem.

"University Library fees were used three years ago to fund summer school, and at that time, a student library usage fee was imposed on students," he said. "The issue boils down to the state more than Texas Tech."

The nature of library economics that is more money is needed than is available, Dyal said.

"Free printing was actually never free in any sense," he said. "It was costing about 3 percent of our annual budget."

Dyal said three main issues were focused on in deciding

how to resolve the printing issue.

"First of all, platoons of people that are not Tech related are printing in the library

smart student does not have to print anything; they can e-mail to themselves or put it on a disk."

Many students have complained the charge was hidden and the student body was not notified about the new charges.

TechAnnounce was another method used to spread the word of the new library printing fee, Dyal said.

"The main point is that we should guard our resources and use them for their intended purpose," he said. "In recent years there has been a rapid erosion of state support for higher education."

Dyal said he applauds the efforts of the SGA to engage the community in this issue.

Nathan Nash, SGA internal vice president, said the SGA will take an active role in finding another way to deal with library printing costs.

"It is our responsibility to seek alternatives and to keep the students from being double taxed for any service," he said. "SGA wants to alleviate the student printing fees and also help (Dyal) find the funds needed for library costs."

A bill written by the budget and finance committee for allocation of funds to student organizations is in its first reading, but will not be up for discussion or amendment until

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— DON DYAL
Dean of Libraries

The third issue was the question of why new technology was not being used in place of printing, Dyal said.

"We were spending \$10,000 a month on paper alone, and that equals out to about \$300,000 a year," he said. "A

don't know why because that has not been a problem in past years," Dyal said. "Most of the students seem to get their information from The University Daily, but we never could get anything printed about the new fees."

Law school increases admissions, is competitive with other schools

By Kelly Gooch/
The University Daily

The Texas Tech School of Law has seen a 12 percent increase in the number of applications it has received this year.

Wesley Cochran, law professor and chairman of admissions, said the reason for the increase is a new assistant dean who has made contacts with pre-law advisers and law school-bound students.

Cochran said the law school controls its admissions process.

"More people are learning about Texas Tech (law school) than ever before," he said.

Walter Huffman, dean of the law school, has been making connections throughout the state of Texas and urging alumni to help with recruiting, Cochran said.

Terence Cook, assistant

dean for admissions and recruitment, said the law school is expanding recruitment efforts in several ways.

The law school previously relied on faculty to recruit new applicants; however, now the assistant dean is devoted solely to recruitment, Cook said.

"It's a difference of having someone do it in their spare time and someone do it full time," he said.

Law school students and faculty have started to attend more events on a national level, including forums in Chicago and Los Angeles, Cook said.

"The idea behind it is to increase the overall applicant pool," he said.

Nevertheless, the law school is still recruiting in

Texas, Cook said.

The law school is putting more emphasis on black colleges and universities to increase diversity at the law school, and will check into the Army and other branches of the military as well, Cook said.

Texas residents must make up 80 percent of the law school's enrollment, and more applications have meant more difficulty in terms of processing, Cook said.

"The real difficulty lies with the applicants," he said.

The law school has a 47 percent enrollment rate. Cook said he would like to see a class size of 235 students

with the potential to expand to 400.

"We are a whole lot of people's first or second choice for law school," he said.

Cook said the law school has had nine applications for every available seat this year.

"The competition for seats has become more sharp," he said, "You never have too many applicants to review."

This year the law school,

with a committee, will review what has worked in terms of recruitment and what has not.

Cook said the main priority of the law school faculty is to be efficient with the amount of existing resources.

Yolonda Sewell, a third-year law student from Fort Worth, said she is glad more people are applying to the Tech law school.

Sewell said she has gone to various places throughout the United States to recruit for the law school.

People are realizing the Tech law school produces quality attorneys.

"Word of mouth is the best way to get things across," she said.

Law schools around the United States have encountered a 3 to 4 percent decrease in the number of applications received, Sewell said.

Because the Tech law school has had a 12 percent increase, the law school appears to be in good standing.

"It sets us right up there with schools that are nationally recognized," Sewell said.

Many students Sewell said she talked to believe the Tech law school is competitive with other schools in the nation.



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Incidents with Internet must mean heightened caution

I'm not quite a technophobe. I'm more of a techno-hesitant. And by techno, I really mean Internet.

As the Internet has grown, so has peoples' dependence on it. What was once just a nerd's paradise is now everything and anything you could want.

From ordering groceries to e-mailing friends after your death — you can do just about anything on the Internet.

This vast information superhighway can be a dangerous thing. Keeping with the highway analogy, the Internet is full of potholes, detours and horrible accidents just waiting to happen — and of course sexy solicitations in dark corners.

As with every type of media, there are bound to be those who use the medium for pointless and dumb purposes.

The Internet is no exception. People take up valuable cyberspace with some of the most asinine things. I remember when diaries were supposed to be private and hamsters ran-around-on-a-wheel. No more. The Internet has brought us online diaries, 700 different hamster dances and too much other crap to list. But these annoyances can be filtered out or put on blocked lists.

Sarah Looten



The worst part about the Internet is the potential it can't quite reach. Vast and endless as it is, it still is prone to bugs, errors, glitches and human mistakes.

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I was wooed by the simplicity and immediacy of on-line bill pay. I reveled in the ability to shop at 4 a.m. for obscure foreign albums. And I was thankful for the secure ability to pay instantly over the Internet. I was

lulled into a false sense of security, though.

One after another, Internet financial dealing came to bite me in the backside.

A hacked PayPal account lead to an unauthorized \$165 to one of those cheery yet shady online casinos.

A misplaced decimal point led to an overpayment of more than \$1,000 on a credit card. A swanky yet very confusing transaction screen allowed me to schedule credit card payments for the next three years.

A double click instead of a single click bought the whole entire Amazon rain forest. (That last one didn't really happen.)

I'm not the only not so tech-savvy person out there. Lots of people have fallen victim to the Internet. From accidentally ordering the wrong kind of monkey food to identity theft — the effects can be anything from a mere hassle of a refund to months and months of headaches. It's enough to make you miss the taste of envelope glue.

The time saved by simple online dealings doesn't seem to be worth all the time lost spent correcting

mistakes.

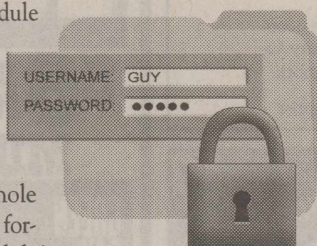
Obscure customer service numbers must be hunted down for Web sites. And if Amazon.com doesn't want you to have their phone number, you'd better be prepared to spend some time looking for it.

Banks have to be contacted. Customer service has to be called back. Information has to be verified, re-verified and then re-verified at least 129 more times.

The fact that things can go so awry is disheartening. Convenience and easy accessibility are some of the biggest things the Internet had going for it.

But until technology catches up with technophiles and their hacking abilities and my ability to make mistakes, I think I'll take my chances with the postal service.

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TECH TALKS BACK

Bike paths imperative to the campus, safety of riders — but nothing's been done

Now that we're well into the E.I.T.Tech program, I feel it's time to bring up the lack of bicycle paths on campus. On one of my rides, I decided to check out the new commuter lot on the other side of the hospital.

I was saddened to see the new roads have two narrow lanes in either direction without room for a bike path or shoulder. This is the new route for Indiana Avenue, so

traffic will be fairly heavy. Without an adequate shoulder, these roads won't be safe for cycling.

The northern branch of the road, leading to Quaker Avenue, also is too narrow for a shoulder. This road leads to an area of great expansion, including many new apartments and duplexes rented to students. With only two lanes to handle the traffic that had run on Quaker and Indiana, there will

be no room for bikes.

Once again, it appears the construction planning has completely ignored the need for bike paths. A bike path or wide shoulder on the new Indian Avenue construction would help reduce congestion, give students more freedom in choosing transportation, and could even reduce the number of buses (and those costs) on campus.

We enjoy mild weather with a long cycling/running season. We have a large cycling team and many recreational riders. We have a number of cyclists who risk life and limb to commute to campus. Why then are bike paths such a low priority?

— Tom Heisey, coordinator, Teaching, Learning and Technology Center

Stop smoking: U.N. has it right

The organization taking people's health into their hands beneficial to all

Human beings rarely recognize something presents a problem until it's too late. We like to soak in our own ignorance despite the dangers around us. We will even kill ourselves slowly by giving in to nasty habits such as smoking.

I'm astounded how a product that literally kills its customers can be allowed to prosper. We ban devastating drugs in the same category as heroine and Ecstasy, but our government allows smoking, which is equally deadly.

Fortunately, the United Nations and the World Health Organization took the initiative to save us from ourselves.

Signed by 168 countries, the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control acts as an international treaty in which participating countries promise to lower the number of lives lost to smoking.

The accord encourages efforts from raising prices and taxes, regulations preventing second-hand smoke and the removal of ads targeted toward children to cracking down on smuggling.

I say go for it; anything that can stop 1,200 Americans from dying every day deserves a chance.

Of course, the United States remains one of the 111 countries without current ratification. We need to express our voice and make it clear we want our country to be a part of the prevention. If citizens allow politicians to decide the fate of tobacco use, the ratification will die or mean nothing, allowing smoking to grow as a hazard.

This treaty must be fulfilled because public health comes first. Tobacco companies will not act without pressure and those people, who choose not to smoke, deserve the clean air they desire.

First of all, if we expect to use common sense, public health comes first. When people smoke, they subject their heart and lungs to a form of torture. Despite the early morning horoscopes, cancer is more than a zodiac sign.

Those who feel threatened by the ban claim the tobacco farmer would be out of a job. Sure, losing your primary source of income puts a damper on things, but I think changing careers to save millions of lives makes a lot more sense. I'd rather lose my job than stick it out, sending countless victims to their maker.

I don't know about you, but the same warning labels and truth commercials only reach so far. The surgeon general made known the dangers of lighting up for a reason. By the way, heart disease is not that feeling of being rejected by your dream girl.

Furthermore, tobacco companies will not give in unless a lot of pressure piles on. These conglomerates care more about making money than the lives they ruin. It may be the billionaire policy; it would be the same as telling Bill Gates to stop being so successful.

Ezra Mann



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Right and wrong often blur when green clouds your vision. What's one death every 6.5 seconds when you earn enough money to fill a bathroom stall?

Finally, people who choose not to smoke deserve to breathe a little clean air. Often, businesses can lose profit because non-smokers do not want to inhale the poisons.

I know several restaurants in which I would like to eat or pool halls I could hang at, but I don't, because the smoke concentration makes breathing unbearable. One man's nicotine makes another want to evacuate his bowels.

The treaty would make smoking at home easier to knock as well.

Children shouldn't suffer because mom and dad can't kick a habit they started in their teens. Families can be separated, because there is a chance not everyone wants to burn their esophagus.

Instead of destroying families by killing one out of three smokers, make a difference and give life that much-needed value.

The Framework Convention on Tobacco Control represents an opportunity to take the first step in curing the world of smoking.

I know I'm ready to see the human race move beyond this ugly chapter.

Smoking can be defeated if we place the health of our citizens first, do the job the tobacco company refuses to see beyond their own greed and make it to where we all can breath without thinking twice.

Society thrives on making change and taking the first step will lead ours to a future we can all count on.

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Graduate school may open new doors

By Miles Blankenship/
Contributing Writer

While the interests of many Texas Tech students might only lie in getting a bachelor's degree and beginning a career, some students at Tech's graduate school have discovered the benefits of pursuing a master's degree.

Luis Crotte-Pardo was working for a French embassy when he decided to return to school and pursue a master's degree. After three months of classes in which he learned to speak English, Crotte-Pardo found himself at Tech.

"I knew that I was not doing the best I could do," he said. "I wanted to keep going with my education because there are so many possibilities in life, and I didn't want to be limited to just one."

Crotte-Pardo also said former teachers motivated him to go back to school and pursue teaching.

"I hated my teachers growing up," he said. "I thought that there was a better way to teach, and I wanted to show my old teachers that you didn't always have to be hard and boring."

Howard Fisher received his undergraduate degree in speech communications from Minnesota State University-Moorhead in 1992. After he graduated, he found work in radio

and television. After moving to Lubbock so his wife could attend Tech, Fisher found himself working in health care; while the money was good, he realized his career was not going in the direction he wanted.

"The pay was a lot better than anything I'd done in mass communications," he said. "But it still was not what I wanted to do. I just decided after I had been promoted so many times that if I ever wanted to get back into mass communications, I should do it before I was promoted too far and couldn't turn down the money."

Fisher said he had always wanted to teach at the college level, and knew he needed to enroll in graduate school in order to be qualified to teach college courses.

"Since I was already in Lubbock and had no plans of going anywhere for a while, I thought, 'Here's this wonderful university, let's see if they

have a master's program," he said. "The College of Mass Communications did, and I started here in 2003."

After being absent from the classroom for 10 years, Fisher said he was nervous about returning to college to begin the master's program at Tech, but has been surprised by his ability to pick up where he left off a decade ago.

"I didn't know if I could survive going to classes, taking notes and reading the text," he said. "And it was nice to come back and see that I could do those things."

While Fisher is glad he returned to college to attend graduate school, he said he would advise upcoming graduates to go into the professional world before graduate school.

"I would say get out of school for at least a couple of years," he said. "Don't go to straight into the master's program for a couple of reasons. First, when I received my bachelor's degree, I was

so burnt out on school that the last thing I wanted to do was go back for more schooling. I know that I wouldn't have done nearly as well then as I am now. And, it was nice to get out of college and see what employers really expect."

Kendra Bednarz graduated from Tech in December 2004 and wanted to continue her education by going to graduate school. But her work schedule, along with plans to get married in April, kept her from taking the courses.

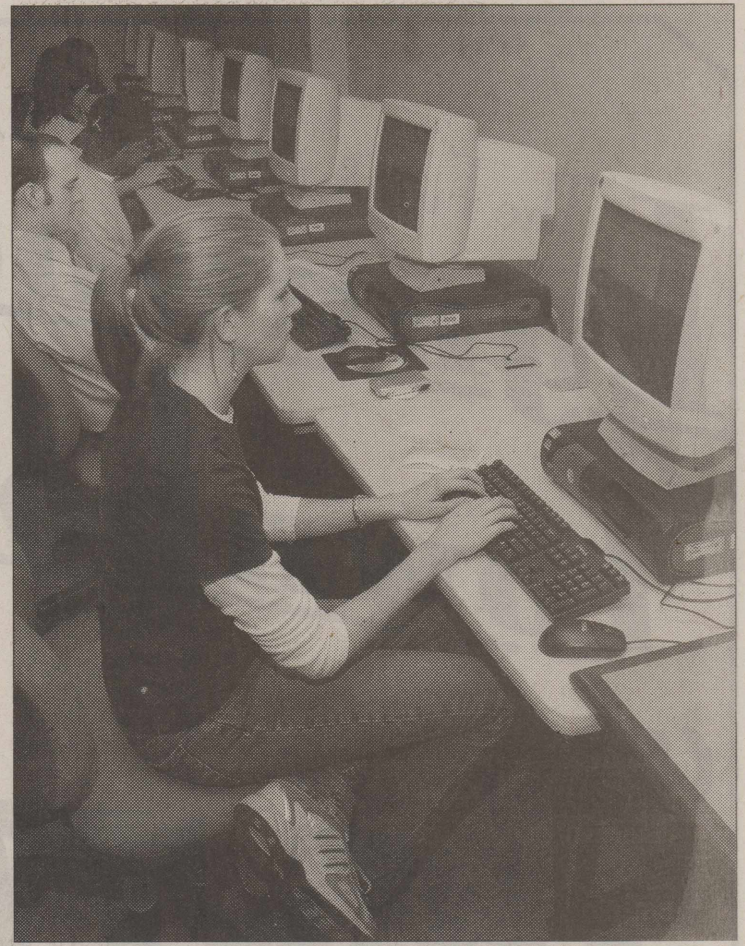
"Graduate school is expensive," she said. "And the classes are throughout the day, so I couldn't bend my work schedule enough to allow me to take classes and work. Also, the hours wouldn't transfer, and since I'll be moving, it wouldn't make much sense to start something that I couldn't finish."

Bednarz said she plans to try to attend graduate school after things have settled down and she will have more flexibility with her time.

"I still want to further my education," she said. "And I know that I'll be able to do that and also be in a position to get an increase in pay when I have completed the master's program."

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—HOWARD FISHER
Went Back to School to get Master's Degree



MEMBERS OF THE Personal Financial Planning Association met in the computer lab in the Human Sciences building to write letters to troops stationed abroad.

Fund-raiser

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Mervyn's department store in South Plains Mall.

The volunteers climbed back on the playground equipment at 6 a.m. today and will not climb down until after the mall closes tonight.

The seesaw is more than 15-feet long and can accommodate two or three people on each side. The Beta Theta Pi fraternity, which is helping sponsor this year's event, built the seesaw.

Patrick Farley, a member of the fraternity, is helping out at this year's event. Because the seesaw is larger than average, Farley, a sophomore marketing major from Lubbock, said the ride can be a little frightening.

"It's scary up there," he said, looking at the oversized teeter-totter. "I'm not a professional seesawer or anything, so I get scared I'm going to fall off."

Kelinske, who is participating in the event for her second year, said the risk of falling down is all too real.

"I fell off twice last year," she said. "I was pretty high up once. Somebody came off the other side, and I flew up in the air."

Despite the risk, she said no one has ever been seriously hurt on the seesaw.

Mike Betancourt, a forensic interviewer at the Lubbock Children's Advocacy Center, said the center appreciates the hard work and play the organizations put into the fund-raiser.

"Being a non-profit organization, we love anyone who gives us money," he said, "But we especially love the Kappas."

The event is a big fund-raiser for the

center, Betancourt said. The center will receive 80 percent of the money raised, and the rest will go to Prevent Child Abuse America.

When a child in Lubbock makes an accusation of child abuse or molestation, Betancourt said, the advocacy center videotapes the child's statement so he or she does not have to be interviewed by several different agencies.

Making an accusation is a traumatic experience for children, Betancourt said, so anything that can reduce the number of times they have to be interviewed about the incident is beneficial.

In addition to videotapes, facility upkeep and staff salaries, the money will go to buying teddy bears, blankets and books for the center. After children are interviewed, Betancourt said, they can choose one of the objects to take with them. Hopefully, he said, the object will give the child a little comfort in during the trying experience.

The See-Saw-A-thon is raises money because it is different, Betancourt said. People may be quicker to notice a collection jar if it is set out next to college students riding on a teeter-totter.

"It's a unique fund-raiser," he said. "I think people pay more attention to it than they would a typical golf tournament or something like that."

Kelinske, who helped organize the event, said her sorority has raised more than \$8,000 so far at this year's fund-raiser. Kappa Delta and Beta Theta Pi will be out at the mall, seesawing and accepting donations today until 10 p.m., Saturday from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 10 p.m.

Act

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www.nea.org, the federal government is projected to fall short of fully funding No Child Left Behind Act programs by more than \$20 billion.

Pam Leftwich, student assessment coordinator for the Lubbock Independent School District, said the No Child Left Behind Act evaluates students' reading and math scores in to determine a school's rating. She said the state of Texas had standards in place to assess schools before the No Child Left Behind Act was passed.

"Now we're under two standards," Leftwich said. "We may have some campuses that meet the state standard with flying colors and do not meet the federal standards."

Leftwich said the federal standards are not higher than state standards, but they are different. This causes problems for schools because they do not know which guidelines to follow.

"We're playing by different rules," she said. "The state is trying to meet with the federal government to try to align the standards."

No Child Left Behind requires all districts and schools receiving federal Title I funds to meet state Adequate Yearly Progress goals, according to the Department of Education Web site.

Leftwich said Estacado High School did not make federal ad-

equately yearly progress for two consecutive years and is rated as a school in need of improvement by the federal government. She said parents have the option of transferring their children out of a school that has not made AYP for two consecutive years. Estacado was rated academically acceptable by the state.

"They did not meet AYP for their math scores at 10th grade," Leftwich said. "They had to offer school choice. I think they had very few that chose to do so."

Leftwich said the federal standards have limited the number of students who can be tested on a lower grade level.

"The federal government says there can be know more than 1 percent of students testing off grade level," she said.

Texas has a large number of special education students, Leftwich said.

"Texas has maybe 12 percent off grade level," she said. "That's a big difference from 1 percent. That has definitely affected the ratings for most of the districts in Texas."

Paul Frazier, Estacado principal, said the high school has more special education students who require testing accommodations than the No Child Left Behind Act allows.



COTTON KINGS COLLEGE NIGHT
Fri., March 4, 2005 at 7:05 p.m.
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*Must have a valid student-ID. Tickets can be picked up at the door on game night or in advance at the Kings office at 1309 University Ave next to the Varsity Bookstore. All tickets courtesy of Civic Lubbock.
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Prostitutes

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Special operations officers work with problems such as gangs, narcotics and alcohol violations as well as with prostitutes, Esparza said.

"Prostitution is a misdemeanor, and they usually get a slap on the wrist. If we can get stiffer penalties and higher charges (for other crimes being committed by prostitutes), we're going to go with that," he said. "We saw a need to cross-train officers so they can do more than one job — reach their full potential."

Sgt. Greg Perrot from the Lubbock County Sheriff's Department said prostitution is a priority at the Sheriff's Department and people are continually arrested for the crime.

"I don't think our city is being overrun by (prostitution), and I do not think it is ignored by law enforcement," he said. "But it would be naive to think it is not a problem in Lubbock."

A major reason prostitution is in the public eye now is because of the murders that have taken place in the past few years, Perrot said.

"Unfortunately, we have seen over the last two years two homicides of prostitutes," he said.

Prostitution is defined by the Legal Explanations Web site as the profession of conducting sexual acts for money. It is a crime throughout the majority of the United States.

Militant

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Sohail is believed to have been a close aide of Aqmad Hussain Farooqi, one of al-Qaida's reputed point men in Pakistan.

Farooqi, who was killed in a shootout with police in Nawabshah in the southern city of September, is believed to have masterminded the attacks along with a Libyan al-Qaida operative, Abu Faraj al-Libbi, a fugitive being sought by Pakistani authorities.

Sohail, was among six people who fired on police from a motorcycle during a confrontation with authorities Wednesday. The shootout began when the men were asked to stop at a routine police checkpoint. The five others fled, but Sohail fell off a motorcycle and was captured.

Slayings

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told the *Chicago Sun-Times* she will return to the bench. "Nobody is going to intimidate me off my duty," she said.

Investigators hope that physical evidence found in the basement where Michael Lefkow, 64, and 89-year-old Donna Humphrey were killed will point to specific suspects.

The shootings came a month before white supremacist Matthew Hale was to be sentenced by another judge for soliciting an undercover FBI informant to murder Lefkow.

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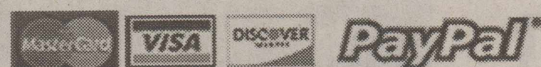
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Tech's 'House' requires twisted sense of humor

A little bit of violence is sexy, isn't it? It's OK to admit it. Our society craves it and spends millions of dollars being entertained by it. We're also fascinated with it, wondering what goes through the mind of an insane killer, and becoming excited with conspiracy theories.

Wendy MacLeod's "The House of Yes," finishing its run in the Texas Tech Lab Theatre this weekend, takes that idea to a higher level.

The fact that two characters re-enact the John F. Kennedy assassination as foreplay is kinky and strange; that the two are brother and sister is shocking. What's even more surprising is "House" is an engrossing and entertaining comedy that's as dark as the secrets kept within the play.

The entire show takes place in the small Pascal family home that currently is being bombarded by a hurricane.

Mrs. Pascal (Marushka Wolverton) is an up-tight lush who used to get around so much she really does not know to whom each of her three children belong.

She first had twins, Marty and Jackie-O, and later had Anthony.

Marty and Jackie-O always have had a unique bond. In fact, they came out of the womb with Jackie-O holding onto Marty's penis.

Foreshadowing? Like you wouldn't believe.

Now Marty (Ryan Barbe) is returning home for Thanksgiving after being gone for six months. But he has brought a guest, Lesly (Beth Scheckel), for whom no one is thankful.

Jackie-O (Karen Moore) is on heavy meds, and has just been released from a mental institution. She has an obsession with the Kennedy family, and also with her twin brother. She almost loses it all over again when she finds out Lesly is

James Eppler



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DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily
LESLY (BETH SCHECKEL) soothes frantic Marty (Ryan Barbe) during the play "The House of Yes." The production is directed by Rebecca Fields in Tech's Lab Theater.

Marty's fiancée.

Let the games begin.

While Jackie-O works to demean naïve small town girl Lesly, she attempts to re-seduce her brother into some more of their kinky games of old.

Karen Moore gives a cheery and eerie "come hither" performance, as she revels in Jackie-O's ruthless humor and sexual prowess.

The sexual tension between Jackie-O and Marty is palpable as she works to lure him back into their incestuous web, and he battles the temptation.

Meanwhile, younger brother Anthony (Kevin Ten Eyck) tries to get Lesly to go for a roll in the sack.

It's an awkward and funny scene as Anthony seeks to get a mercy lay out of Lesly, who is starting to have weird suspicions about her fiancé.

Mrs. Pascal watches all of this with spying eye and drink in hand.

MacLeod's dialogue consistently is sharp, but never bothers to fully develop her characters. At a scant 75 minutes, the play leaves little time for character growth, and unfolds all of the play's secrets in the last few minutes.

Lesly may be the only fully realized character in the show, as the

naïve onlooker whose past is not as complicated.

As for the Pascal family, it feels like these characters are much deeper and complex than MacLeod gives them credit for. They feel more like caricatures than characters.

That said, Tech Theatre's production is consistently entertaining. Director Rebecca Fields gives a fairly straightforward interpretation of the risky material. Her direction is suitable, if uninspired.

The same goes for Ryan Barbe, whose performance as Marty is a bit like dry toast. He does, however, come out of his shell in later scenes.

Kevin Ten Eyck is a talented performer, but he almost blows it by going over the top with Anthony. He then complicates his performance with a vague variety of emotions and feelings that fit his character well.

"The House of Yes" raises some interesting questions, not the least of which is, what can be defined as normal, and is it ever too late to get there?

MacLeod's play necessarily requires one to have a slight streak of sickness to enjoy it.

What can I say? I had a lot of fun watching it.

■ Eppler is The UD's movie critic. E-mail comments and questions to James.D.Eppler@ttu.edu.

Martha Stewart made the best of prison

ALDERSON, W. Va. (AP) — From scrubbing floors to raking leaves, Martha Stewart spent the past five months performing the sort of tasks ordinarily done by the hired help.

She also foraged for dandelions and other wild greens, concocted recipes in a microwave and even ate from the vending machines, heaven forbid.

That could all come to an end as early as Friday, when the foremost authority on gracious living gets out of prison in time for the spring gardening season.

Instead of working for pennies a day at the Alderson Federal Prison Camp, Stewart will once again col-

lect her \$900,000-a-year salary while serving five months of home confinement at her Bedford, N.Y., estate for her part in a stock scandal.

Margaret Roach, editor in chief of Martha Stewart Living Omnimedia, tells fans Stewart has passed the time in prison much as she does at home.

The terms were just redefined: "Exercise" meant walks around the prison grounds with daughter Alexis and a nightly yoga class with fellow inmates. "Crafts" became crocheting, creating a ceramic nativity scene and taking part in a Christmas decorating contest.

During her stay at the women's prison in the Appalachian hills

nearly 300 miles from Washington, Stewart was on maintenance duty, scrubbing floors and cleaning offices. Some inmates complained to the tabloids that she was given a cushy job, claiming the 63-year-old Stewart was spared snow-shoveling duty.

Some of the tabloids said Stewart skirted the rules behind bars, stealing crabapples from trees and taking eggs from the dining hall to make egg salad in her room. Some inmates even took to calling her the Contraband Queen for allegedly hoarding items off-limits to prisoners in their rooms. Her lawyer David Chesnoff said he had not heard such allegations.

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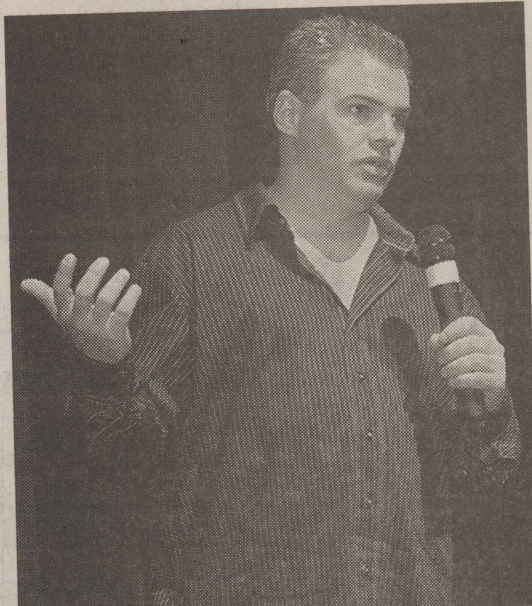
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LIVING WITH AIDS

CANDID COMEDY: Mike DeStefano speaks to students about how he became addicted to drugs and how he deals with his terminal disease.



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MIKE DESTEFANO SPEAKS to Tech students Wednesday night about the consequences of alcohol and drug abuse.

By Clara Cobb/The University Daily

Comedian Mike DeStefano looks like someone's uncle or father. He does not look like someone who is HIV positive.

"I have been through hell — hell — but I didn't give up on myself," DeStefano said. "I am sorry. It turned out pretty damn good."

At a lecture Wednesday in Texas Tech's Allen Theater, DeStefano used comedy to share his serious story with students, hoping to promote education in the Lubbock community about HIV and AIDS.

He grew up in the Bronx in what he called a tough Italian neighborhood. His father was physically abusive, his mother suffered from severe depression and he said there was no intimacy in his home.

He started drinking when he was 12 years old to hide his low self-esteem and bad self-image.

"I don't even know why I was doing it that first time," he said. "I remember feeling so good; I wanted to feel that way again. I didn't want anyone to know I was depressed. Alcohol was numbing."

He overdosed for the first time at 15 on homemade

red wine.

"My father said, 'Don't worry, he'll learn his lesson,'" DeStefano said. "All I learned was to drink white wine."

For DeStefano, alcohol led to other drugs. His depression made him feel shameful and isolated, but drugs made him feel good.

"Putting drugs in your body is a total act of insanity, and I did it," he said. "I loved the way they made me feel good. That's where my addiction process started."

At age 15, he began using cocaine.

"If I didn't start using cocaine, I would be an alcoholic," he said. "Cocaine definitely cured my alcoholism. Let me tell you something: Crack cocaine is not good for you."

DeStefano said at this time in his life, his purpose was getting high and finding an even better high.

He said he once stole a truck full of golf balls, believing it was full of video games, to get money to buy drugs.

"They weren't even the new golf balls," he said. "They were the old kind, like at the driving range with the yellow stripe around them. I stole a truckload of golf balls, you guys!"

At age 17, DeStefano tried heroin for the first time.

"I physically could not function unless I had heroin in my body. When I got to that point, it no longer worked anymore," he said. "I didn't know what do. When did the drugs stop being fun? I hated

myself."

DeStefano had dropped out of school. He said he used to ride the subway into Manhattan to the Hunter College stop, but to get methadone. He got off the subway with students his own age who were going to school.

At 18, DeStefano overdosed again. To him, this was a wake-up call.

"I was on heroin one day, and I got my G.E.D. I didn't even know I had one," he said. "I was so high when I took the test, I didn't even remember."

DeStefano enrolled at Queens College at 19. He said he wanted to go into counseling to help people.

He later discovered his friend was dying of AIDS. At the time, AIDS was considered a homosexual male disease.

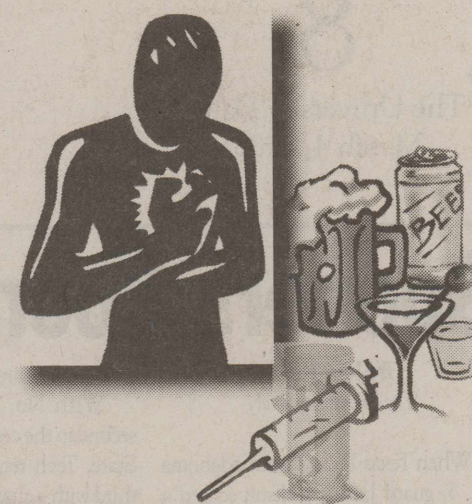
"We did our drugs and had our fun. We were supposed to be clean; only gay guys could get it," DeStefano said. "This isn't supposed to happen, not years later, not after you get your act

together."

DeStefano said he remembered his friend dying. His friend looked yellow, and he was skeletal, maybe 70 pounds.

"It was the first time I ever told a man I loved him," he said. "I said, 'I love you man, you're my friend.'"

DeStefano's friend died shortly thereafter.



"I was so scared — so afraid. I can't express the emotion. Still, I have no words for it, except it is the worst feeling in the world."

— MIKE DESTEFANO
Comedian

Six months later, DeStefano was tested for HIV and AIDS. His test came out positive.

"I was so scared — so afraid," he said. "I can't express the emotion. Still, I have no words for it, except it is the worst feeling in the world."

DeStefano said he was 22 years old at the time and he wanted to die.

"There was no medicine back then, no hope," he said. "I was so depressing to live with; I wanted to die as a consequence of my teen years."

For 15 years he has been HIV positive, but he said his immune system is above normal.

"The virus isn't detectable in my body, because I laugh and have a good time," DeStefano said. "I got the good AIDS. I am chubby; it made me fat."

Ali Mitchell, a freshman business major from Amarillo, attended DeStefano's lecture. She said putting a face with the disease was important for her.

"I think a lot of people, especially in Texas — we're pretty conservative here — really don't talk about the things he did," Mitchell said. "He was just so comfortable, the way he could talk about it."

DeStefano said everyone has a purpose in life, and he has found his purpose in comedy and health education.

"You guys, like, saved my life, because my life has a purpose, and that's to be here with you guys," he said. "It's been a long time, I've been living with these particular problems. You realize the suffering makes you a better person."

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Sooners boom into Lubbock

By Joey Kirk/
The University Daily

When Texas Tech played Oklahoma Feb. 5, guard Jarius Jackson scored a career-high 32 points against the Sooners. As a sophomore, he still has two years to top it.

But for seniors Ronald Ross, Devonne Giles, Curtis Marshall and Joey Hawkins, Saturday is their last chance to play in the United Spirit Arena — and to play Oklahoma in the regular season.

At 5 p.m., the Red Raiders (18-8, 10-5 Big 12) host the Sooners (22-6, 11-4) for each team's final game before going to the Big 12 tournament next week in Kansas City, Mo. This game means more

than just gaining a win. With No. 20 Oklahoma tied for second in the conference with Oklahoma State, Tech remains one game back in third with a chance of its own to tie if the Raiders win this weekend.

The last time Tech played Oklahoma, the Sooners were ranked No. 16 in the nation and were on a 14-game winning streak.

The Raiders snapped it with an 88-81 victory in Norman, Okla. Tech held Oklahoma's leading scorer Taj Gray to six points during the game, which he has been averaging 14.8 per game since.

The Sooners are bringing five consecutive wins and a strong rebounding power in Kevin Bookout, who has aver-

aged 6.3 rebounds per game this season, to Lubbock.

Kansas will secure the top spot in the Big 12 with a win against Missouri Sunday, and Oklahoma State has the opportunity to take second place alone if it defeats Texas Saturday in Stillwater, Okla.

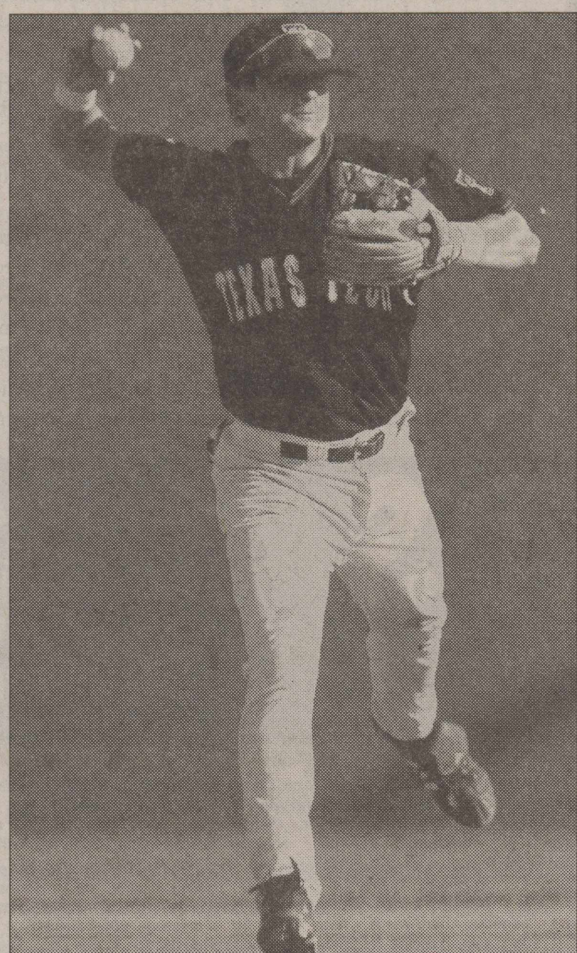
The Raiders will finish above the Longhorns (19-9, 8-7) for the first time since the 1997-1998 season when Texas ended in 10th and Tech was ranked seventh.

Coach Bob Knight's first season at Tech, 2001-2002, the Raiders tied with the Longhorns for third in the Big 12.

Read a complete preview for tonight's game this afternoon online at www.universitydaily.net



SECOND BASEMAN CAREY AVANTS throws the ball during Tech's 8-0 win against Texas-Arlington Tuesday at Dan Law Field. Avants had one hit and one RBI in that game. Avants is tied for the team lead in triples with two through Tech's 13 games this season; he is batting .265.



DAVID JOHNSON/
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Lady Raiders fall short of title

WACO (AP) — Chelsea Whitaker had 16 points and eight assists, many at key times for Baylor, and the seventh-ranked Lady Bears clinched their first Big 12 regular season title outright with a 79-69 win against No. 13 Texas Tech Thursday night.

Baylor (24-3, 14-2 Big 12) won all 14 home games this season and stretched its homecourt winning streak to 17 since a loss to Texas Tech late last season.

The Lady Raiders (21-6, 12-4) missed a chance to share their fourth Big 12 title and dropped to the No. 4 seed in the Big 12 tournament in Kansas City next week.

Already assured the tournament's top seed, the Lady Bears made sure they did not have to share their

first title with Texas Tech and No. 11 Texas (20-7, 13-3). Baylor led the entire game and shot 62 percent (30-of-54).

When the game ended, confetti and balloons showered from the rafters, and Whitaker stood on the scoring table holding a newspaper proclaiming the Lady Bears "champions."

LaToya Davis led Texas Tech with 19 points and eight rebounds, while Cisti Greenwalt and Judith Smith had 14 points each. Greenwalt blocked three shots, pushing her season total to a Big 12 record 93.

The Lady Raiders got within 42-39 early in the second half, then Baylor scored three straight baskets and its lead dropped below seven points only twice — never closer than five.

BIG 12 SNAPSHOT

Men's Basketball Standings

| School | Over. | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | W-L | W-L |
| Kansas | 12-3 | 22-4 |
| Okla State | 11-4 | 21-5 |
| Oklahoma | 11-4 | 22-6 |
| Tech | 10-5 | 18-8 |
| Texas | 8-7 | 19-9 |
| Iowa State | 8-7 | 16-10 |
| A&M | 7-8 | 18-8 |
| Nebraska | 7-8 | 14-12 |
| Missouri | 6-9 | 14-15 |
| Kan. State | 5-10 | 15-11 |
| Colorado | 4-11 | 13-14 |
| Baylor | 1-14 | 9-17 |

Women's Final Standings

| School | Over. | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | W-L | W-L |
| Baylor | 14-2 | 24-3 |
| Texas | 13-3 | 20-7 |
| Kan. State | 12-4 | 21-6 |
| Tech | 12-4 | 21-6 |
| Iowa State | 12-4 | 22-5 |
| Nebraska | 8-8 | 16-12 |
| Oklahoma | 7-8 | 15-11 |
| Kansas | 5-11 | 12-15 |
| A&M | 4-12 | 14-13 |
| Missouri | 4-12 | 10-17 |
| Okla State | 2-13 | 7-18 |
| Colorado | 2-14 | 9-18 |

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Baseball tests grit under Dan Law lights

By Bryan Wendell/
The University Daily

College nights typically conjure images of fun times and diversions at local clubs or bars, but a Texas Tech starting pitcher said these nights have an entirely different meaning for him.

"Throughout the week, if I do know that I'm starting, I try to stay away from going out on Wednesday or Thursday nights," said junior pitcher Billy Carnline. "I'm more of a homebody when I know I'm going to pitch; that way I've got all my energy and everything focused toward the game."

Carnline gets the nod Saturday in Tech's weekend series against the Northern Iowa Panthers (3-4); sophomore Randy Gattis will start Friday, and Sunday's starter still is unknown.

Pitching coach Travis Walden said senior Joe McCoy will be evaluated by a doctor today to see if he is ready to start Sunday after back problems have benched him.

The Red Raiders open the series at 6:30 p.m. today at Dan Law Field, followed by an 11 a.m. Saturday start and a 1 p.m. Sunday game.

Tonight's game will be Tech's first home game of the season under the Dan Law lights.

Coach Larry Hays said he hopes the

night game will not impact the 12-1 start Tech has enjoyed.

"(Playing under the lights) is just something we've gotta get used to," Hays said. "We got to play under the lights down at Midland and TCU, and hopefully it won't be any effect other than positive as far as our (fan turnout) is concerned."

Junior third baseman Joseph Callender said the lights will make little difference to him.

"It's just another game; under the lights will be a little different, but it's not going to be a really big deal, though," he said.

Callender has been successful at the plate recently, going 3-for-4 in Tech's last game, an 8-0 win against Texas-Arlington. He said he attributes his success to preparation, not luck.

"I just spend a lot of time up here at the field, and all the hard work has paid off pretty much; that's about it," he said. "The only real superstition that I have is doing the same thing at the plate before an at bat. I dig a hole, move over some dirt and take a practice swing."

Callender said this routine is nothing new for him.

"I've been doing that as far back as I can remember," he said. "I just try to do

the same routine every time I come back up to the plate."

Habitual actions like those do not enter into Carnline's pre-game preparation, though.

"I'm not really a superstitious kind of guy," he said. "I know a lot of the guys on the team have certain rituals or music they listen to or food they eat before the game. For me, I wake up that morning, start thinking about the game and come out here and play."

Carnline's strategy paid off Sunday in Midland at the Rockhounds Classic. he pitched seven innings and tied his season-best strikeout mark with six in a game against Texas-San Antonio.

As for Walden, he said he gives his pitching

"They pitch for today and don't worry about tomorrow."

— TRAVIS WALDEN
Texas Tech
Pitching Coach

ers a motivational speech before each outing.

"Every day is the same for me. I tell them every day they come out here this may be their most important outing or their most important opportunity for their career," he said. "They pitch for today and don't worry about tomorrow."

So far that inspirational message has worked.

Tech's ERA of 3.85 after 13 games is the best for a Red Raider pitching staff since the 2001 season when that squad posted an ERA of 3.73 after its first 13 games.

Hays said he been pleased with the tests his team has passed so far, but is still looking to solidify his team's rotation and lineup.

"The entire rotation, the roles of pitchers and our batting lineup have not been nailed down yet," he said. "We've just got a lot of work to do, and game experience is the only way to do that."

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