



## Dorm catches fire during band camp

By Andrew Wood/  
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In the heat of the summer, the smoke in a Texas Tech dormitory was quickly extinguished before a potential fire developed.

At approximately 8:40 a.m. on Wednesday, two of the band camp

members a cloud of smoke in room 1124 of Weymouth Hall while trying to establish a nightlight. The heat produced from the incandescent light accumulated, and produced smoke as a result. After the smoke detectors went off, the smoke was extinguished to prevent the fire and minimal damage

was done.

Police Assistant Chief, Major Gordon Hoffman, said that the fire began from the teenagers misuse of the light utility.

"Well, the fire started as a result of club towels being placed under the light bulbs," he said.

Hoffman also said that the

damage was minimal, and that everyone was safe.

"Fortunately, there was limited damage," he said.

The primary damage reported was the cabinets and light fixture.

D'Aun Green, Unit Associate Director for Housing and Residence Life, says that the smoke was

quickly removed as result of the emergency system prepared by the University.

"Around 9 a.m., we called the fire department, we heard the smoke detector for a potential fire, and they came up to the eleventh

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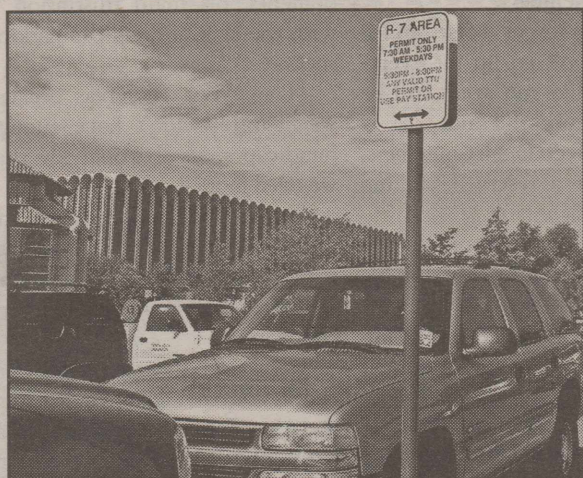


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**PARKING MIGHT BECOME** difficult for faculty and staff with Traffic and Parking's new temporary policy.

## Parking changing policy on spaces

By Andrew Wood/  
The Daily Toreador

With the recent developments coming from Traffic and Parking, faculty members may have to walk further, while digging deeper in their pockets.

A recent, yet temporary, development in faculty parking may result in irritation amongst the Tech faculty.

For faculty members who have a reserved spot, Traffic and Parking has instructed the faculty to stay in their designated spot, instead of coming to a reserved area.

Buddy Knox, director of Traffic and Parking, says that the latest changes are only temporary, and that the faculty should not be bothered.

"When the dust settles, it will be no big deal," he said.

Due to delayed plans to reorganize the format for faculty parking, the staff members are instructed to stay in their reserved spots, instead of seeking the general reserved area.

Knox says that this will make it easier for the Traffic and Parking department to conduct the survey, before restriping the parking lot.

Knox also says that the delay should be no longer than three months.

"Although everyone is up in arms, it only just delayed," he said.

Knox claims for the changes to be diminutive, and will be forgotten after the survey is complete.

"It's no big deal, everyone is worried," he said

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## Tech student named Miss Texas

By Jay Langley/  
The Daily Toreador

They say the third time is the charm. For Texas Tech student Morgan Matlock, it took five. Matlock won the Miss Texas Pageant in Fort Worth on Saturday.

Matlock, a psychology major from Fort Worth who would have been a senior this fall, defeated 42 women from around the state. Under pageant rules, Matlock cannot attend college during her reign as Miss Texas.

"It is a full time job," Matlock said. "I will be making about 400 appearances this year."

Some of the appearances, Matlock said, include speaking at schools and singing the national anthem at sporting events. After her reign, Matlock said she plans on returning to Tech.

Matlock said winning the Miss Texas pageant has been a dream of hers for a

while.

"I have dreamed of this moment my entire life," she said.

The shock of actually winning has not sunk in yet, Matlock said.

"It's still new. I haven't gotten used to introducing myself to people as Miss Texas yet."

Matlock took a year off from pageants before becoming Miss Fort Worth and eventually winning the Miss Texas pageant. She worked at a car dealership in Fort Worth. The time off helped her, she said.

"I think I matured a lot working in the business world," Matlock said. "I grew as a person a lot more."

The maturing and growing process, Matlock said, helped her prepare for this year's competition.

Matlock said her real passion in life is singing.

"One of the reason's I started competing

was because I wanted a place to sing," she said. "The opportunity to perform is what lured me in."

During the talent competition Matlock sang "Don't Rain On My Parade."

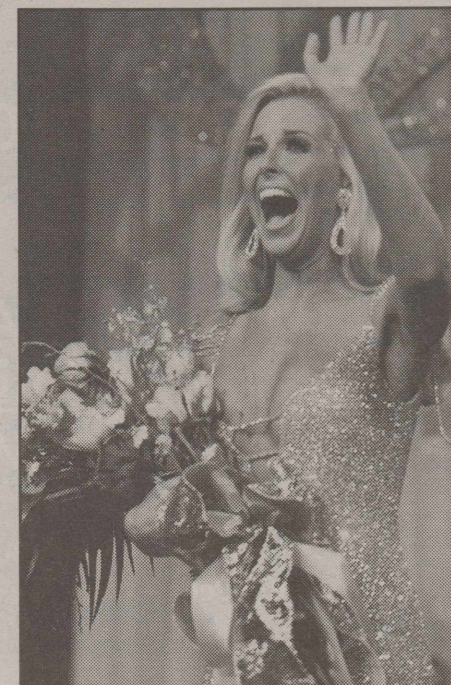
Besides singing at events, Matlock said she looks forward to speaking to kids at schools about the dangers of verbal abuse.

"Professionally, I want to be a guidance counselor someday," she said. "I love working with kids."

Patti Stapp is the owner of First Impressions, a company that specializes in cosmetics and jewelry. Stapp has also served as the executive director for the Miss Amarillo pageant for 15 years. Stapp worked with Matlock in 2002 when she was Miss Amarillo.

"We prepare the girls for the competitions," Stapp said. "People don't realize how much preparation these girls have to go

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**FORMER TECH STUDENT** Morgan Matlock won the title of Miss Texas Saturday.

## Fire

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floor of Weymouth Hall," he said.

Green said that she was present after the incident.

Green reported that the band camp members used the towels as a creative way to lessen the glow, while trying to rest for the night.

"Two band campers were trying to not have lights, so they put towels over the incandescent lights and incandescent heat."

The teenagers reportedly placed the towels under the light for 12 hours before the smoke surrounded the floor.

Green said that she doesn't find fault with the band camp members, and the main concern was lack of suitable judgment.

"These are young kids, and what looked like a good idea wasn't," she said. "It's just like with college kids."

Green also said that a major factor into investigating such circumstances is the purpose.

"We asked for their intent, and it wasn't anything bad," she

said. "They just didn't use good judgment."

Green said the problem was quickly resolved, as the campers continued on with their regular festivities.

"Any damage sustained will be billed to their parents," she said.

The dilemma was solved with the Housing and Residence Life department, as well as with the band camp.

"Members hold to their own disciplinary procedures," she said. "We just want restitution."

Green said Wednesday's possible hazard resulted in an addition to rules and guidelines for the campers, as well as residents.

"We'll just place more rules on the door hangers and if they are found guilty of arson, we press charges," she said.

Anna Henry, director of the band and orchestra camp, said the procedure to dissolve the smoke was well executed.

"It was pretty cut and dry, and everything was conducted as it was supposed to."

Henry said that the occurrence happened, as a result of the teen-

agers' not thinking clearly.

"The kids were just trying to create light," she said, "They're middle school boys and I'm sure if they had thought, it'd be different."

Henry said that the smoke was a pure accident from the adolescents.

"The kids took it seriously as possible," she said. "Do I think it was handled properly? Yes," she said.

Henry said that this was the first time that such an incident occurred in her thirty years as band camp director.

Green reported that the department was thankful that the only alarm set off was the smoke detector, instead of the sprinklers.

The sprinklers set off 70 gallons per minute, Green said, and the water would have been wasted without cause soaking the floor.

Henry said that she was grateful for the way the university had the right strategy for the occurrence.

"Because we were being very careful," she said. "The university had everything wonderfully in place."

The band and orchestra camp will conclude on July 16.

## Parking

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The survey is set to begin for next week.

While Traffic and Parking expects a mixed reaction from faculty members, other faculty members feel as if the situation is another way to lose a greater portion from their salary.

Roxie Sammons, data processor for Technology and Operational Systems Management, says that the monetary increases are to be expected.

"Parking is too high. I'd say they need to quit trying to keep up with the Jones'," she said.

Sammons said that she did not expect any foreseeable improvements, and expressed concern for the future of herself, as well as fellow faculty members.

"It's going to get worse, and if pay raises don't go up for everyone, people like me won't still be around for a job," she said.

To some Tech faculty members, the need for a reserved parking space is significant.

Atila Ertas, professor of mechanical engineering, said that his reserved spot is essential.

"Even though prices are going high, I have to have a reserved

space," he said.

Ertas insisted that arriving to the classroom on time is an important priority.

"I don't have time to hunt for a spot," he said.

Teresa King, senior business assistant for the school of civil engineering, believes that faculty members should be able to park closer to their department.

"I think we don't park close enough to our building," King said.

Dennis Patterson, assistant professor of political science, feels that the parking fee is still relatively small, as compared to one of his former universities.

"I came from a university, and to park, it was thirty times more than it is here," he said.

Patterson said that instead of being upset with the latest developments, his main frustration is with the lack of handicap parking spots.

"I am very, very bias because we definitely don't have enough handicap spots; I would say that we need more."

Traffic and Parking said the temporary guideline is one of many changes being made, and that most developments will benefit everyone.

Knox said the commuters will benefit from the addition to the commuter's parking lot, being split in to the north and west regions on campus. He also reported progress in the construction of new parking lots.

"We're also building new lots," he said. "I would just tell the others to be patient."

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# Blowing breathalyzer test can be bad decision for some

By Clara Cobb/  
The Daily Toreador

At 2 a.m. it's a long drive home, no matter what the distance, when the lights begin flashing in the rear-view mirror.

Whether or not to blow for a breathalyzer test remains an individual decision according to law experts at Texas Tech.

"Well, failure to provide a test if requested will result in an automatic driver's license suspension," Jill Taylor-McCall, managing director for student legal services at Tech, said. "Every circumstance is different. Not everyone would want to lose their driver's license. It's kinda

tricky. People know how much they have had to drink."

According to Texas Transportation Code, section 524.022 a refusal to submit to the taking of a breath specimen will result in a 90-day driver's license suspension if the person's driving record shows no alcohol or drug related enforcement contact in the previous 10 years.

If a person shows one or more alcohol or drug related enforcement contact in the previous 10 years, then their license will be suspended for one year.

Taylor-McCall said a person who does not blow in a breathalyzer will not avoid an alcohol charge, but rather will simply not surrender evidence.

"When somebody gives a breath specimen — if they blow — that evidence will be used against them later on," she said. "Just refusing to blow won't avoid the criminal charge. It's just the case against you that won't be as strong without a breath specimen."

According to Texas Transportation Code, section 524.012, if a person surrenders a breath specimen exceeding the legal limit and is convicted of a DWI or DUI, the same driver's license suspension laws apply to the charge.

Texas Penal Code section 49.01 defines "alcohol concentration" as the number of grams of alcohol per 210 liters of breath and "Intoxi-

cated" as not having the normal use of mental or physical faculties

*“Just refusing to blow won't avoid the criminal charge.”*

— JILL TAYLOR MCCALL  
Managing Director, Student Legal Services

by reason of the introduction of alcohol or having an alcohol concentration of 0.08 or more.

Taylor McCall said there may be consequences in addition to the arrest or charge.

"Most employers are concerned about convictions, not arrests only," she said. "If this happens to you on campus, there are consequences for violating the student code of conduct."

Major Gordon Hoffman, Tech Police Department, also said individuals need to take individual responsibility and use good judgment in a situation where a breathalyzer test is requested.

"If they refuse, then there's consequences," he said. "There are some penalties if you don't succumb to the test."

## Wilson names Mitemeyer interim dean for HSC School of Medicine

Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center President Dr. M. Roy Wilson recently selected Dr. Bernard Mitemeyer as the interim dean for the School of Medicine.

Mitemeyer, a professor in the

Department of Surgery at the HSC and a former surgeon general of the U.S. Army, said he is glad to accept the position and help continue the school's pursuits until a new dean can be found.

"As they say in the army, we need to keep the wheels running," he said. "There are some very important programs on the clinical side, the educational side and the research side going on, and we need

to keep them moving in the right direction."

This is not the first time Mitemeyer has stepped in as the dean for the School of Medicine: He served as executive vice president

and provost of the HSC from 1986 to 1996, and served concomitantly as dean for three of those 10 years.

Mitemeyer's responsibilities as dean will begin July 18.

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## Second Hollywood 'golden age' losing luster

Everyone has their vice. Some go for the more conventional cigarettes and alcohol while others can't get enough of reality TV. My primary indulgence has always been the movies. Sitting in cool theater on a hot day watching an interesting film is my definition of an afternoon well spent.

But as of late, my fellow movie addicts and I have not been making it to the theater. With sales down 9 percent so far this year, the film industry is clearly shaken. If the trend continues, I foresee massive changes in the way moviemakers do business.

In high school, a friend of mine argued that we were witnessing Hollywood's second Golden Age.

The first Golden Age began in

the 1920's with the formation of studios, popularization of actors and actresses, and leaps forward in film technology with sound and artificial lighting. The age ended in the late 40's with declining attendance and new competition in television.

In our time, we have seen similar events transpire. So many movies are being released that any town of reasonable size has a multiplex, the public's love affair with celebrities has grown to the point of ridiculousness, and the development of CGI animation and a keeping-up-with-Joneses mentality in special effects have revolutionized how movies are made.

So while my friend was probably right, it also seems that this new Golden Age is coming to an end. Now, ticket sales are threatened by a disinterested audience and a new

rival in the DVD. For the past three years, profit margins have been declining for studios. According to the Los Angeles Times, theater admissions for 2005 are down 10.4 percent from last year and 8 percent from 2003. Summer admissions are down 14 percent from 2004 and 9.5 percent from 2003.

Why has Hollywood lost its steam? A recent Gallup poll found that 50 percent of people say they go to the movies less often than they used to, with a third of the people questioned saying they would rather watch movies at home. Rising prices was the second most popular reason.

Opting for a three dollar rental instead of a small fortune on movie tickets seems reasonable to me. I'll take "Chappelle's Show" on DVD any day over a sappy chick flick that

took less thought than a term paper proposal.

For the movie industry to survive, it needs to reduce the cost of making movies. They should cut corners where they can, the most obvious being the absurd salaries of stars and starlets. Hollywood's mainstream should take note of the huge profit margins enjoyed by small budget films like "The Blair Witch Project," which cost around \$80,000 to make and earned over \$120 million.

Focusing on witty, original writing and production rather than elaborate explosions and overpaid,



James Hershberger

overrated stars and starlets is key to increasing profits. This is most evident in the failure thus far in this summer of remakes.

Placing new stars in old plots is not catching the public's attention, as indicated by the absenteeism in theaters. Tech students quoting "Napoleon Dynamite" well past the point of obnoxiousness, on the other hand, indicates an interest on unconventional, quality storytelling.

Hollywood's longest slump in 20 years may be a temporary annoyance or a sign post to the end of an era. Regardless, bringing prices down is the key to luring us movie fans back to the silver screen.

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## Hawkeye sees American concern in China's rapid rise

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(U-WIRE) IOWA CITY, Iowa — Last month in the Chinese industrial city of Tangshan, I retreated with a fellow student to a crowded McDonald's, seeking a break from Chinese cuisine. While we enjoyed our reassuringly processed meals, a young Chinese girl sat across from us with a friend and an ice-cream cone and struck up conversation. She was 15 years old, had been learning English for 10 years, and spoke as well as an American her age. Students, she said, were encouraged to talk to foreigners, but she'd never met one before.

Tangshan, a city of 3 million some 85 miles from Beijing, is hardly a Chinese backwoods, but this girl's experience wasn't unique. Stares from passersby were common, and even in Beijing, many Chinese were fascinated with my

very non-Chinese hair. This despite the omnipresent signs of Western culture, from the McDonald's to the cars and clothes. China is still visibly a developing nation, but it's developing fast — which may not be entirely good.

Before the specter of international terrorism overtook our consciousness, Bush administration officials worried that China might be America's biggest foreign-policy challenge of this century. It's an idea they haven't quite abandoned and probably shouldn't.

China's increasing demand for natural resources — oil not least among them — may bring it into direct competition with the United States in the most sensitive parts of the world.

China's diplomacy could cause serious trouble, and not just for us. Whatever the faults of George W. Bush's foreign policy, promoting democracy and human rights is

hardly bad. Meanwhile, as Joshua Kurlantzick reported in The New Republic in June, China is actively courting resource-rich, democracy-poor states such as Iran, Venezuela and Sudan. Given the links between tyranny and terrorism, this is bad news in many ways.

It's likely that China's political-economic model stresses sovereignty over democracy and human rights because it serves the Chinese government's interests at home. This is the bigger problem: The people I spoke to in my three weeks there seemed to admire American culture and freedom, but they aren't running the country. China's political culture is developing much more slowly than its economy — its people may be richer, but they aren't really free.

Still, talk of confrontation with China is worse than premature. We should use our example and our

growing economic ties to persuade Chinese — today's leaders, but especially tomorrow's — that democracy is a strength of the American model. But China's distance, physically and culturally, is a challenge. America, especially since 9/11, has hardly been welcoming.

Spectrum magazine reported in June that the number of Chinese allowed student visas fell more than 20 percent between 2001 and 2004. And the students know it.

If China becomes a global superpower, then the world, and China itself, can benefit from an America that is as open and friendly as that girl in McDonald's made China seem. It shouldn't be enough to make Chinese familiar with our products or our policies: They should be familiar with us.

The specter of a powerful, hostile China is still very avoidable — and one we should very much want to avoid.

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# Sales slump at national box office

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Superheroes may have saved the day again for theater and studio executives.

With the release of "Fantastic Four" in theaters last weekend, the box-office's 18-weekend streak of having lower grosses than the corresponding 2004 weekend earnings

came to an end. The film brought in \$56.1 million and led the weekend's sales which totaled \$148.9 million, compared to the \$148.2 million brought in during the same weekend last year, according to boxoffice Mojo.com.

Scott Baugh, an assistant professor of English who teaches classes in film studies at Tech, said

several factors could contribute to the box-office's lower earnings this year.

"There are lots of different variables there," he said. "I'm not sure there's one reason why this is going on."

One clear reason for the decreased movie attendance, Baugh said, is this summer's lack of quality films.

"It may be stating the obvious, but I don't think, this summer, there has been anything really compelling to take them to the theater," he said.

Baugh said with the increased technology the internet has brought, people have many more entertainment options today than they had previously, which may make theaters a less popular option.

Terrell Falk, vice president of marketing communications for Cinemark USA Inc., said she disagrees with the way the box-office's earnings have been presented in the news.

"The media hype on this is basically not accurate," she said. "Things are down, but it's because there have been less films

released."

Falk said there have been seven fewer major films released this year than there were at the same time last year, and cites this as the primary reason for the disparity.

Three of the top ten largest-grossing films of all time, "The Passion of the Christ," "Spider-Man 2" and "Shrek 2," brought in a combined amount of nearly \$1.2 billion and were all released by this time last year.

Also, some films are released during the week, and the weekend sales only account for box-office earnings from Friday through Sunday.

"Star Wars: Episode III - Revenge of the Sith" came to theaters on a Thursday, and its weekend total came to \$2.6 million, which did not include earnings from its opening night.

However, the movie has brought in \$371.5 million so far, already making it the ninth-highest-grossing film ever.

Whether or not the opening-weekend grosses properly reflect

the box-office's economic status can be debated, but this year's overall box-office earnings as of Tuesday are 10 percent less than 2004's year-to-date earnings.

Bill Myers, a senior business major from Houston, said he rarely attends a movie on opening night.

"It's too much hassle," he said. "I'm more into enjoying quiet viewing as opposed to all the pomp and all that stuff."

Myers said he also enjoys the practical and economic benefits DVD rentals offer over the more expensive theater.

Tamara Whitesell, a junior from Dallas majoring in biology, said she often goes to movies on opening night because of the atmosphere.

"For certain movies, there's a lot more anticipation, and people dress up sometimes," she said.

The price of tickets in Lubbock is one of the main drawbacks for her when going to movies, Whitesell said, and having consistent student discounts would encourage more people to go.



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A BOX OFFICE employee at Cinemark Tinseltown Lubbock waits for movie-goers Monday morning.

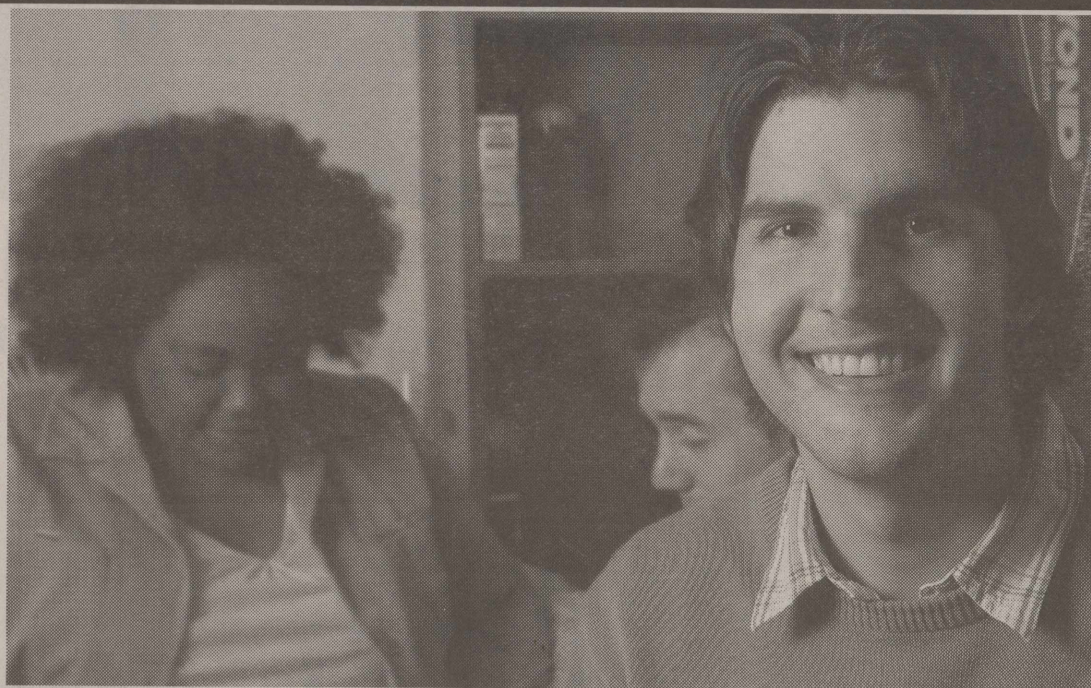
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# Graduate lands MTV reality show

By Jay Langley/  
The Daily Toreador

No cell phones. No iPods. No Britney Spears. Sarah Bray, a 2003 Tech graduate, went back to in time as part of MTV's new reality series "The 70's House."

The premise of MTV's new reality show is a "Real World" style show, with a 70s theme. Twelve young people are put in a house without the amenities of 2005. They must wear 70s clothes, talk 70s lingo, and compete in 70s-style competitions. The competitions include roller-derby dance-offs and 70s-style game shows. In the end whoever survives the competition will walk away with prizes provided by Hewlett Packard.

Bray who, graduated with a degree in theatre, said she did not

know what to expect before the competition began.

"I heard it was a retro reality show," Bray said. "But I had no idea it was going to be a 70s theme."

Due to contractual obligations Bray could not say how far she made it in the competition.

She said she is happy that the producers shed her in a positive light.

"On 'The Real World' they concentrate on the drama between the housemates.

But on this show the producers are more concerned with the competitions side of the show."

Besides a few embarrassing moments, Bray said she enjoyed her time on the show.

"I cannot dance at all. That was a little embarrassing," she said. "But it was one of the most fun experiences of my life."

She made some life-long friends on the show, she said

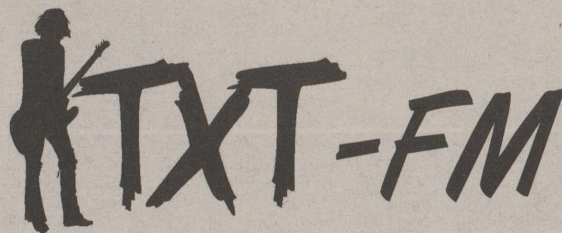
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through."

Stapp said preparation is the key to winning any pageant.

"What the girls have to realize is that there is always more than one girl at the competition who is ready to be Miss Texas," Stapp said. "You want to be one of those few who are ready to be Miss Texas and then leave it in the hands of the judges."

Stapp said she has become close to Matlock since working with her in 2002.

"We as a Stapp family knew she would be Miss Texas someday," she said. "We have great aspirations for her future."

Hilee Mulligan, who graduated from Tech in 2004 with a degree in business, also competed at the Miss Texas pageant this year. Mulligan competed as Miss Wichita Falls. Mulligan met Matlock through Miss Lubbock pageants and have been friends since the fall of 2002.

"Morgan is a sweetheart," Mulligan said. "She has a genuine heart and is my best friend."

Mulligan said the general public has a misconception about girls who compete in pageants.

"People assume that we are just walking billboards," she said. "I think that they got to know what I like to call 'my Morgan,' the good hearted person that she is."

Carroll Fuller is Matlock's business manager. She is in charge of bookings, billings, itinerary, and marketing. Fuller said the future looks bright for Matlock.

"Just based on the phone calls I have received in the three days since she won I think Morgan is going to be in high demand this year," she said.

Matlock will move on to the Miss America pageant in January.

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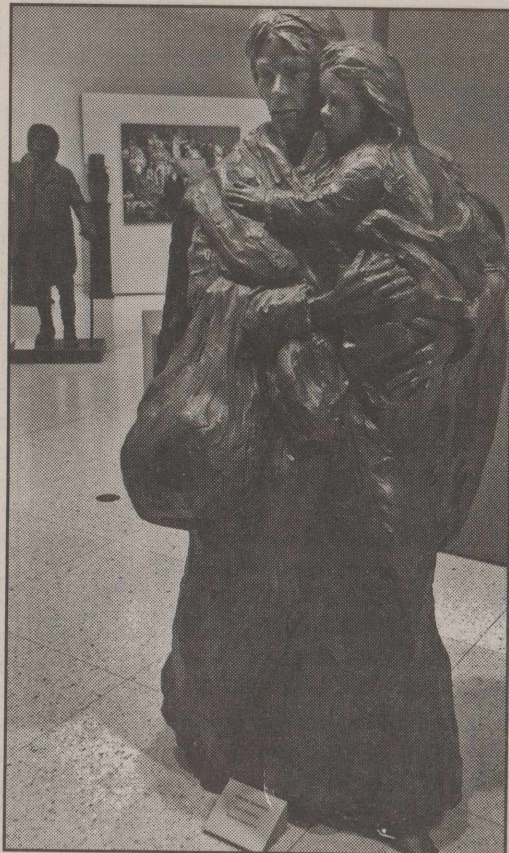


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**THE IRISH MADONNA** from Glenna Goodacre's "Inspirations from the Irish Memorial" is on display at the Texas Tech Museum.

## Goodacre exhibit at museum

The Museum of Texas Tech University received the traveling exhibition, "Glenna Goodacre: Inspirations from the Irish Memorial in Philadelphia," for display in their collection until Oct. 9.

Peter Briggs, the art curator for the museum, said the piece recognizes Irish immigration during the Great Hunger of the 1840s.

"It celebrates, acknowledges the immigration of the Irish people and the contributions they've made," he said.

The Great Hunger, or Irish Potato Famine,

destroyed the main source of food for much of the Irish population, and it resulted in millions dying or seeking refuge in other countries.

"There was just this massive immigration to the U.S.," Briggs said. "This represents the various Irish people getting off the boat and coming to the United States. Some of them died in the process."

The exhibit can be viewed for free at the museum, located at 3301 4th Street, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, from 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday and until 8:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

Goodacre, a Lubbock native, created several works which permanently remain in Lubbock, including her "Park Place" sculpture outside Tech's Human Sciences building.

Some of Goodacre's art is displayed in Washington, D.C., like the "Vietnam Women's Memorial," and her rendition of Sacagawea appeared on the golden dollar coin issued in 2000.

## Heath Sciences Center to help with Medicare pilot program

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services recently selected the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center to host a pilot project aimed at reducing Medicare costs by lowering recipients' medical expenses through increased management of care.

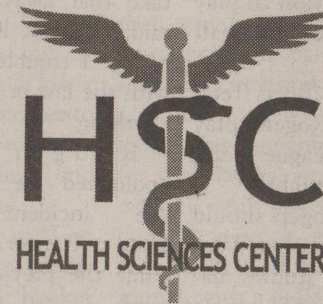
The HSC is one of six organizations selected nationwide and will work on the project, named Texas Senior Trails, with Trail-Blazer Health Enterprises and the Texas Tech Physician Associates.

Lorri Velten, the director of managed care at the HSC and the project administrator for Texas Senior Trails, said the program is aimed especially at Medicare beneficiaries with high-cost, chronic conditions.

"We're going to try and help patients learn about their chronic

pain so they can help themselves, and we can help their providers," she said.

Many recipients do not know the proper place to go to treat their pain, Velten said, and expensive emergency room visits result in wasted money.



Educating Medicare participants on how to deal with their pain and stay healthy is one of the main aims of the program, Velten said, and this program will be compared to

a control group to test the efficiency of the new methods.

"Hopefully, it will make Medicare last a lot longer for those of us who hope to get it in the future," she said.

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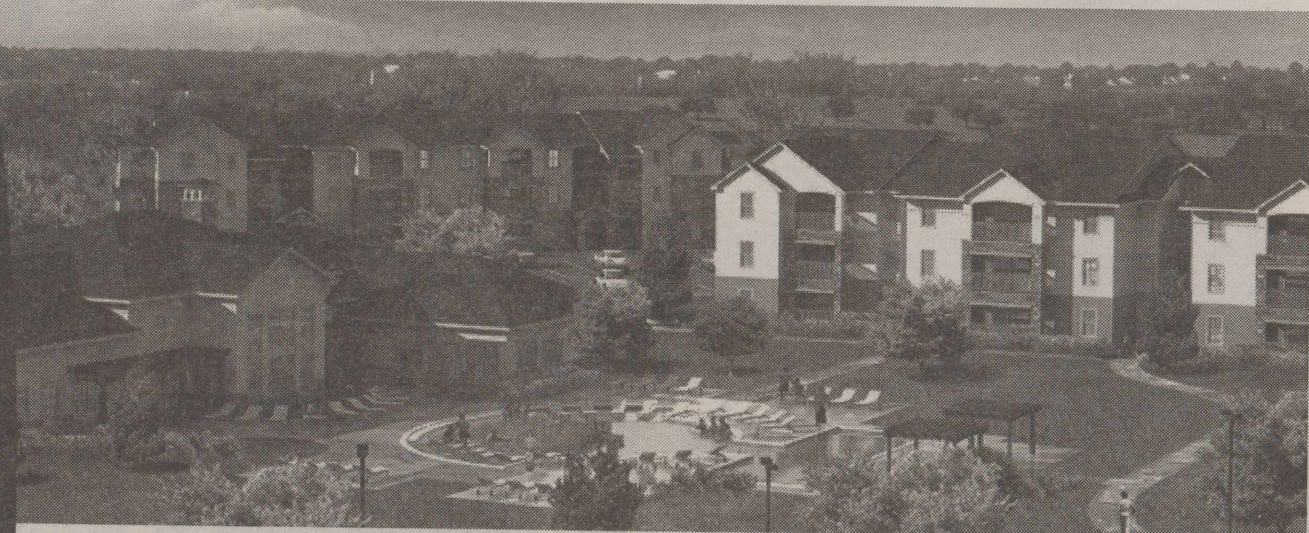
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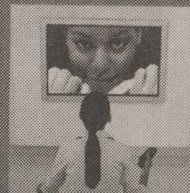
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## Techsans support Rogers, Rangers

By Clara Cobb/  
The Daily Toreador

Controversy over Kenny Rogers' outburst toward a photographer recently lead to surrounding attention that the Texas Rangers pitcher should not accept an invitation to play in the Major League Baseball All-Star game.

However, fans at Texas Tech were glad to see Rogers play for the American League team, which won Tuesday night.

"I think Kenny Rogers should have played," Christopher Winter, a senior general studies major from Katy, said. "There's a lot of athletes that have done a lot worse."

Winter watched part of the game, and had watched sports commentary on the incident.

"I thought it was overblown a little bit," he said. "You have a bad day, people come after you, and you overreact."

Like many baseball fans at Tech supporting Rogers, Winter is a Ranger fan.

Brian Thompson, restaurant hotel and institutional management major from Clarendon, is

also a Rangers fan.

Thompson said All-Star status was about the performance on the field, not off the field and Rogers made the right decision playing in the game.

"He was elected to do it. I think one bad incident shouldn't take that away," he said. "It's not like he got I trouble with the law or anything."

Rodger apologized for the incident after a Ranger's game the previous week.

Thompson said he thought Rogers was not sincere enough in his apology, however, Rogers did not deserve the scrutiny that surrounded the incident.

"Granted, Rogers was out of line — but the camera guy was totally overacting his injuries," Thompson said. "He had a camera thrown over his shoulder and he went out on a stretcher. Give me a break."

Thompson was glad to see the American League win.

Law students Rich Varner, from

Tyler, and Matthew Kornegay, from Forth Worth, said they blamed the mass media for the hype around the Rogers incident.

"The Kenny Rogers incident is an example of what is wrong with the media," Varner said. "Kenny Rogers attacked a cameraman, and the media blew it out of proportion. Obviously he shouldn't have gone after the camera, but it wasn't that big of a deal."

Kornegay said the incident was a completely different situation from the way it was portrayed.

"The Kenny Rogers incident is a perfect example of the media feeling the need to protect its own," he said. "It was completely blown out of proportion by the media."

Varner said he believes the incident received so much attention because it received so much exposure.

"It got blown out of proportion because it was on SportsCenter every night," he said. "Kenny Rogers is an all-star, deserved to be an all-star, end of story."

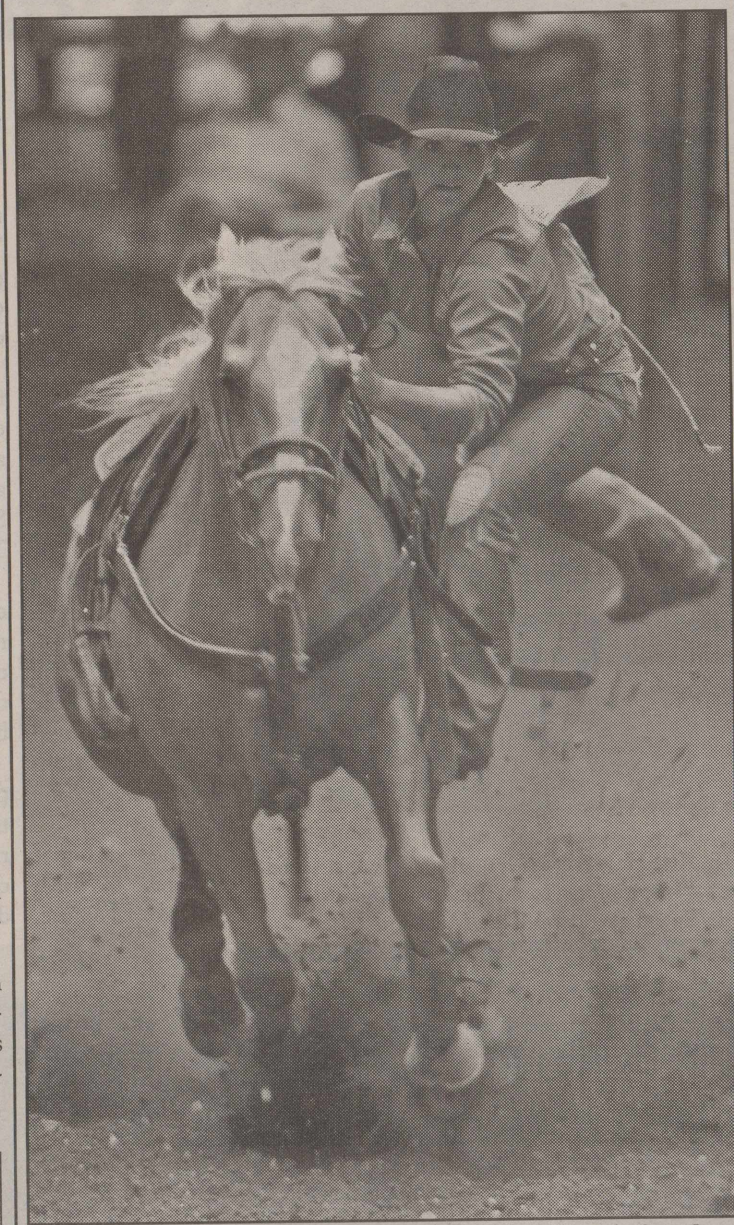
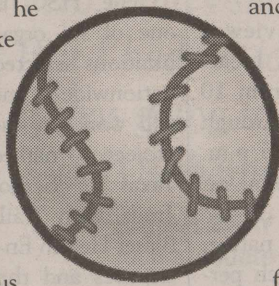


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# NHL lockout ends with floating salary caps

By Jeremy Reynolds/  
The Daily Toreador

After 301 days, 30 empty arenas and an army of upset fans, the NHL Players' Union and NHL owners have come to an agreement in principal that would bring the players back from the golf courses and onto the ice.

The lockout, a result of the players' refusal to accept a salary cap, wiped out the 2004-2005 season, ended Wednesday with a 600-page proposal for a new collective bargaining agreement. This is an open window for hockey players in Lubbock who play on the Cotton Kings.

Paul Floroni, player/assistant coach, said he was pleased when he heard the news of the agreement.

"This means more doors are open for players to move to the next level," Floroni said. "It's going to revamp and spark an interest in the sport."

One concern many have about the NHL losing an entire season is if the fans will come back. Floroni said the die-hard ones will return but, aside from that, it is unknown.

"Both sides were in the wrong," Floroni said. "An agreement could have been hammered out long ago and I'm mad about that."

The owners locked the players out because the players refused to accept a salary cap, among other changes.

Floroni said the players do not run the players' union. Corporate lawyers run the union, who Floroni said, do not care about the players.

Matt Marshall, director of broadcast/media and community relations and marketing for the team, said the new agreement would include a floating salary cap.

That means that the salary cap would vary depending on the team. If a team has high revenues,

such as teams like the Dallas Stars and the Colorado Avalanche, then their salary cap would be higher than a team such as the Phoenix Coyotes.

"It's a similar agreement to what is in basketball," Marshall said. "A team can not spend more than 54 percent of their revenue on players' salaries."

To draw more interest in the sport, Floroni said, the league is coming up with ways of making it more appealing.

Nothing is finalized, yet, but plans are in the works for removing the red

the more skilled players.

Games will not end in ties anymore; at the end of regulation, if a game is tied, then the teams will go into a shootout.

"I can't believe it took them so long to put in the shootout," Floroni said. "It's exciting for the fans to see because you're going to get players out there with some really cool moves."

Floroni also said he felt teams should lower ticket prices in order to get fans to come back and see the games, and to get new fans.

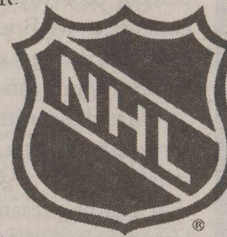
Sports fans in West Texas are not generally renowned for their hockey enthusiasm.

Michael Rodriguez, a senior general business and marketing major from Lubbock, said he never took the time to sit and watch a hockey game.

"Kids don't grow up playing hockey here," Rodriguez said.

He said he thought if there were more youth hockey leagues in Lubbock and surrounding cities, then younger children would be more inclined to play because it is something new and different.

The new collective bargaining agreement is waiting for the players' approval and an official announcement should come next week. A draft lottery will be held at the end of the month with a draft coming a few days later.



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# Local business owners oppose A&M game's move to Dallas

By Jeremy Reynolds/  
The Daily Toreador

The announcement of a possible move to Dallas for the Texas Tech and Texas A&M football

game could be more than six months away, but local business owners are making their voices heard now.

The Lubbock Chamber of Commerce conducted a survey of

the business community and its general feel of what a move from Lubbock to Dallas for the game would entail for their businesses.

Eddie McBride, president of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce, said he received 448 responses.

"It was an outstanding response," McBride said. "We got a 16 percent response rate."

Of the 448 who responded, 40 percent took the time to write in comments. McBride said that it is uncommon to get even 10 percent to write comments.

He said the initial reason for the survey was to get a feel of the community as well as gain information that can be presented to the athletic department so they can make a more informed decision.

McBride said 90 percent of the business owners who answered the survey were opposed to the move,

and 63 percent said home-game weekends have a positive impact on their business for the year. Nineteen businesses said the impact for them is more than \$100,000.

"I like to see games stay on the campus from a business and student perspective," McBride said. "All homes games are big games for the business community. There is a great relationship between Texas Tech and the city of Lubbock."

McBride said that Tech students believe that the city does nothing for them and does not care about them one way or another. He said that that is not true and city does care about what happens on the Tech campus.

Christina Roe, manager at Chili's Bar and Grill, said home football games have a significant impact on her business.

"We wouldn't get the extra business that we usually depend

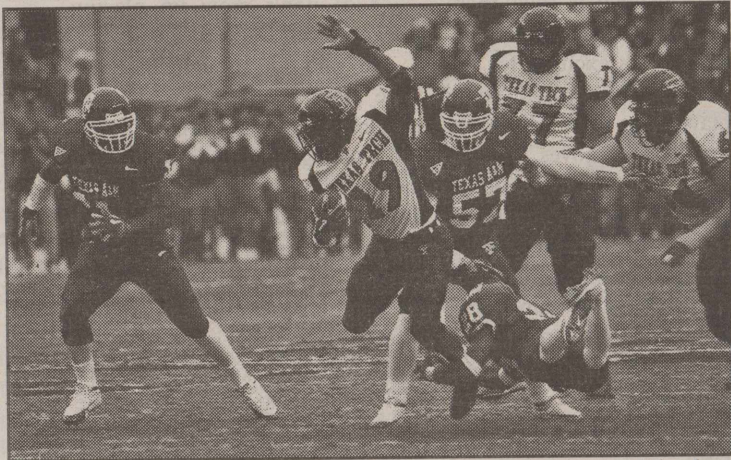
on in the past," Roe said. "I don't think it is fair to anyone."

Troy Davidson, general manager for TGI Friday's restaurant, said he feels very strongly about the game staying in Lubbock. He said moving the game is bad for the economy and for the university.

"We do about 30 percent more on the Tech A&M weekend," Davidson said.

Hotels such as the Howard Johnson Inn look forward to Tech home games and moving one could hurt their overall business. Jay Patel, general manager of the hotel, said his business would lose approximately \$10,000 in business if the game were moved.

"Hotels and restaurants are starving in October and November," he said. "Because there is no other business besides the Tech football games."



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LOCAL BUSINESSES ARE fighting to keep the Tech vs. A&M game in Lubbock.

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814 DOVER. 3/2/2. Central H/A. W/D hookups. Out pet okay. Available now. \$850. New carpet. John Nelson Realtors. 794-7471.

ADORABLE 3/2, 3/1, 2/1 hardwoods floors, new fence. Close to Tech. 535-1857.

### ALL NEW

3/1/1, 2817 38th, Many upgrades, for August, \$990/month or sell \$87,500. Celeste 789-0477.

### ATTENTION! NOW AVAILABLE

The Village Townhomes now has two 3/3/2 homes available for August 6th move-in. The nicest homes in the area, \$1050 rent, \$600 deposit. Hurry! 773-2543.

ATTN: TECH Students. Nice 2/1 Mobile Home for Sale - Holiday M/H Pk#133-All Appliances-\$7500. 432-264-8576.

AVAILABLE AUGUST 1. 6000 block of 3rd St. 3/2/2. W/D hookups. All kitchen appliances. Fireplace. \$1050/mo. Call Melissa at Anderson Realtors, owner/broker 793-3361, 252-0159.

### BEAR CREEK

1 bedroom, all bills paid except water. 2 bedroom, with w/d connects. Remodeled, new windows, new doors, storm doors, ceramic tile and saltillo tile flooring. Beautiful landscaping. Approved pets welcome. Virtual tour at [www.lubbockapartments.com](http://www.lubbockapartments.com). 4203 18th, 791-3773.

### BEAR FLATS

4204 17th. New 2002. Loft style 1 bedroom. Hardwood floors, metal ceilings, stucco walls. Washer/dryer connections. Exterior: stucco, iron rails, metal roof. Virtual tour at [www.lubbockapartments.com](http://www.lubbockapartments.com). 791-3773. 18 new units under construction available this fall.

### CLOSE TO CAMPUS

Cute 1/1 Totally redone, appliance, fans, water pd. Rent: \$395 Owner/Agent Stephanie 806-543-8847.

### COMING UP!

Near Tech: we have some wonderful 1-2-3-4 bedroom homes. Nice appliances & lovely yards. Close to campus. Short leases available on some properties. Pet fee. See Ann at 4211 34th (near 34th & Quaker) afternoon between 1-5. 795-2011.

### COOL TREES

2310 B 33rd. Big 2/2/2. \$795. August 15. 794-7471.

### DEERFIELD VILLAGE

3424 Frankford. Green fields, trees, shrubs, and flowers. New Stucco walls, metal roofs, and red tile porches. New ceramic tile flooring. W/D connects in some. Approved pets welcome. New fenced pet park under construction. 792-3288. Like nothing else in Lubbock! Ask about specials. Take a virtual tour at [www.lubbockapartments.com](http://www.lubbockapartments.com).

DOWNTOWN LOFT Apartment. Very large. 2 Bedroom, one bath. \$850/month. 747-0193.

EFFICIENCY, 1912 B. 16th, \$325; 2br/1ba, 2412 B. 46th, \$495; 1br/1ba, 2316 B 14th, \$325; 2br/1ba, 1712 28th, \$495; 2br/1ba, 7406 A Waco, \$495; 3/2/2, 5528 93rd, \$795; 3/3/2, 5808 B 96th, \$850; 3br/1ba, 2511 21st, \$975; 3/2/2, 8101 Sherman, \$950; 3br/2ba, 6117 B 37th, \$595; 3/2/2, 4815 59th, \$1050; 4br/2ba, 2824 65th, \$800. Call Pipkin Properties 797-3030.

### EFFICIENCY

Nice. \$375 bills paid. 2430 REAR 21st. Call 470-7037.

### FANTASTIC !

Tech Terrace Area: spacious 2 bedroom home. 2 bath. Sunroom. Hardwood floors. Nice appliances. W/D. Garage. Storage. Lovely fenced yard. \$800 + pet fee. Lease today for August 15th. Call Ann 795-2011.

### FIRST MONTH FREE.

2/2/1 duplex with many extras. \$795/month. Call 789-8028 to see.

### FREE RENT!!!

3/3/2, Brand new Town Homes. Minutes from Tech. Open house 2-5 p.m. 602 B North Englewood Call now! 241-7055, 441-0069.

### GET A WASHER & DRYER

When you sign your lease! 3/3/2, brand new! Quiet neighborhood. Open today from 2-5 p.m. 602B North Englewood. 241-7055, 441-0069

### GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD! 2/1 duplex.

Appliances, W/D connections. Yard. 2115-29th #B \$450/250. 787-2323, 789-9713.

### HOMES FOR RENT

2 & 3 bedrooms. Arena, stalls, round pen, horse walker on site. Ten minutes from campus. Available now. 470-6185.

### IDEAL LOCATION

Tech Terrace Area. 2 bedroom home. 4 blocks off campus near 23rd & Boston. Appliances. Lovely wood floors. Lease today for July 15th. \$695 + pet fee. 2605-23rd. 795-2011.

LARGE 1 & 2 bedroom apartments. Close to Tech. Hardwood floors, ceiling fans, new paint. \$450-\$575. 773-5249 or 632-2114.

NEAR TECH 3/2/1. Washer/dryer hookups. CH/A. Nice yard. Fireplace. Pet considered. 602 Chicago. \$800 + bills. Call 535-7011.

### LEASE TODAY FOR AUGUST 1ST

Remodeled 1 bed garage apt on 26th. Twelve blocks off campus. New carpet, paint, appliances. Nice fenced yard. \$285. Pet friendly with pet fee. Call ann at 795-2011 for appointment.

### MOVE FOR FREE!!!

3/3/2. Brand new Town Homes. Open today 2-5 p.m. Call now to guarantee your lease. 602B North Englewood. 241-7055, 441-0069.

NEAR TECH nice 1 bedroom rear apartment. Monitored alarm. \$365 + electric. 2204 29th REAR. 535-7011.

NEAR TECH, quaint 1 bedroom house. Tile floors, French door. \$450/mo. 2508 B Avenue X. 252-4958, 797-5229.

NEW 3/2/2 townhouse. 5840 7th. Fresh-painted. Great neighborhood. Yard maintained. Patio. Garage door openers. \$850. George Property Management. 795-9800

NEW 3/3/2. Yard maintained. Northwest Lubbock close to Tech. \$1300/mo plus deposit. Howard 925-785-1617, Justin 806-632-2114.

### NEW MANAGEMENT

Great locations: Sacramento Apartments, 4312 17th, 792-0828; Jackson Square Apartments, 4304 18th, 791-3773; Whispering Oaks Apartments, 4301 16th, 799-1821; Moderate rents. Excellent units. 1's & 2's.

NICE 2/1. Carpet. Central heat/air. Hardwood floors. \$775/month. Owner will help with utilities. 2430 21st Street. Call 470-7037.

NICE 3/2. 2 story recently updated. Refrigerator, sprinkler system. Low rent and deposit. 2317 93rd Place. 438-9074.

### NICE HOUSES

1, 2 & 3 bedroom houses near campus. 796-0774. Check our new website at [www.toadstoolproperties.com](http://www.toadstoolproperties.com).

NIFTY 1 bedroom garage apartment on 21st. Separate bedroom. Appliances. Alley entrance. W/D hookups. Fenced yard. Private parking. \$295 + pet fee. Lease today for August 1st. 795-2011.

### PEPPERTREE

Three bedroom and two bedroom available. Beautiful trees, great location, pool, laundry, some fireplaces. Ask about specials. Take a virtual tour at [www.lubbockapartments.com](http://www.lubbockapartments.com). 5302 11th. 795-8086.

### QUAKER PINES

2 bedroom townhome. New ceramic tile flooring. Ceiling fans, patios, beautiful landscaping. 16th & Quaker. 799-1821.

### SAINT FRANCIS VILLAGE

2 bedroom, so large you may never see your roommate. Brand-new central air. See to believe. Approved pets welcome. Virtual tour at [www.lubbockapartments.com](http://www.lubbockapartments.com). 4110 17th. 792-0828.

SUPER CLEAN brick duplex 3719 B 30th. 2/1. Dinetette set, range, refrigerator, dishwasher, washer/dryer furnished. \$590 + utilities. 806-797-5359.

### SUPER CUTE

2/1/1, 2312 32nd, hardwoods + extras, for August, \$740/month or sell \$69,500. Celeste 789-0477.

### TECH SPECIAL

Free first month. 4/2. \$995/mo., \$800 deposit. 1910 21st. Call 544-7820.

### TECH BUS ROUTE

BRANCHWATER 4th and loop. Two bedroom flat and townhouses. W/D connects in some. Saltillo or madi gras tile. Beautiful landscaping, colorful awnings. Take a virtual tour at [www.lubbockapartments.com](http://www.lubbockapartments.com). Ask about specials. Furnished or unfurnished. 793-1038.

### TECH CUTIE

Big 3/2/1. 2613 32nd. Many extras. \$990 +. August 15. Call Celeste 789-0477.

TECH TERRACE, 2, 3 and 4 bedroom houses for rent. Hardwood floors, central h/a. 797-6358.

### THE VILLAGE TOWNHOME

New 3/3/2. Yard Maintained. Extremely Nice. Call Amy 773-2543 or Joel 773-2544.

### WINDSOR TOWNHOMES

Two bedroom, two-story townhouse. 2020 5th St., close to Tech. Over 800 sq ft. Security fence, private backyard. \$375/mo. Pets welcome. Also, please call for 1 or 2 bedroom apartments on 14th street. Ask about our new carpet deal, 441-6866 or 762-3726.

### FOR SALE

36" TV for sale. 36" Toshiba TV for sale. 2 years old in great condition. \$350 OBO. Call for info. 806-535-6705.

CLOSE TO TECH. 2429 21st. \$62,900. Key & lock box. 787-0756.

FURNITURE/WASHER/DRYER. 2 year old Queen bed (Box/Mattress/Frame), huge 5/7 12-drawer dresser, table w/4 chairs, washer and dryer. All for \$200. 806-441-3809.

NICE 3/2. Loft. Hardwoods, new central h/a, new roof, hot tub. Good location. Currently being updated. Ready by August 1. 2306 29th Street. 1800 + square feet. \$89,000. 470-7037

PERFECT FOR Tech Students: 4211 44th, 5/3, \$99,950; 101 D Troy, 2/2 townhouse, \$89,950. 790-5884.

SUPER LOCATION! 4417 26th. Near Tech, medical & park. 3/2/1 brick. \$79,950, 806-794-5954

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### ROOMMATES

\$450 3/2 house bills included. Looking for 1 roommate, wireless internet, cable, large backyard, pets allowed, near 4th & Frankford, Call Lee @ 806-543-7708.

2 FEMALE ROOMMATES wanted to share 3/2/2 townhome, W/D included. \$350 plus utilities. Prefer studious, non smoker/drinker. 254-291-2498

FEMALE ROOMMATE needed. Serous 21 year old senior looking for roommate to share 2bed/2bath apartment starting Aug. 12th. \$325/mo + 1/2 utilities. 214-789-7018.

FEMALE ROOMMATE ASAP. Cute 3/2 house! Washer/dryer. DSL. Only \$375/month. All bills paid! 214-542-3076.

FEMALE ROOMMATE needed. Brand New Village Townhomes. 3/3. \$350/mo. Call for more info 361-798-6801.

FEMALE ROOMMATE wanted to share 3bed, 2 bath, 2 car garage townhouse. Newly built townhouse with new washer, dryer, stove, oven, central heat & air & balcony and wireless internet. \$450 including bills. We study and have jobs so need someone clean and responsible. Across from super Wal-Mart & 10 min. from Tech. Call soon! 5845 7th St. 806-535-1956.

FEMALE ROOMMATE wanted. Share 3br/2ba Duplex. Includes washer/dryer, dishwasher, comp. room, sep. baths. \$300/mo+1/2 utilities. Available Aug. 1. Call Kristi 830-719-9099.

RESPONSIBLE ROOMMATE needed. 12 month contract, \$400/month, all bills paid. Cable tv/internet. Washer/dryer. ADT security. Call Danny 543-8740.

ROOMMATE NEEDED ASAP male or female roommate for 3/2 house minutes from campus. Beautiful floors and features inside, huge backyard-PETS WELCOME! \$15 application fee only (no deposit!) Only \$266 per month plus LOW BILLS! Call today! 713-858-5200.

ROOMMATE NEEDED Female, Nonsmoker, No pets. 5318 49th. Virtual tour on classified.yahoo.com 214-557-5838.

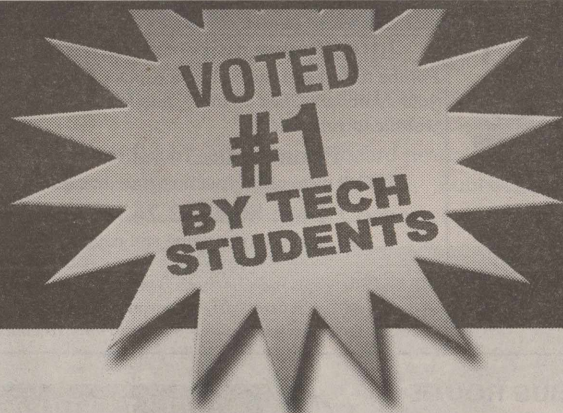
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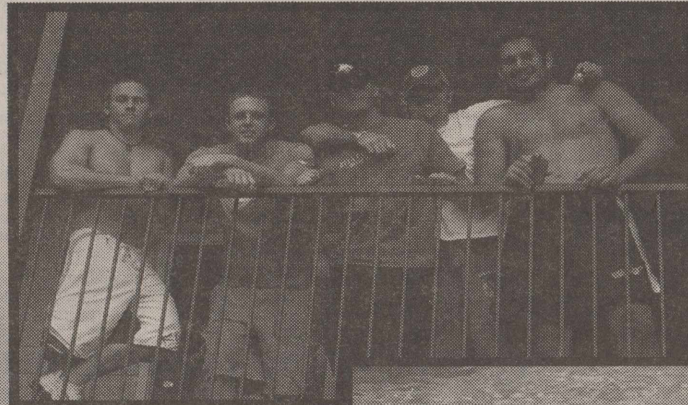
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