

Red To Black to offer free financial advise to students

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Peer financial planners are eager to give Texas Tech students free financial advice during the Red To Black annual Financial Education Week.

Red To Black provides free financial services to Tech students, including financial planning, counseling and seminars, said Red To Black coordinator Sergio Garcia.

"The idea behind this week is to help inform students that there is a need for financial education," Garcia said. "We want students to know what resources are available to them, in terms of credit and loans."

Peer financial planners at Red To Black can help students make financial decisions ranging from selecting and using a credit card to investment options and identity theft.

"Red To Black is here to give free advice," said Taylor Nipp, a peer financial planner. "We're trying to reach out to students who may not even be aware about the free help we offer."

For students interested in receiving free financial advice, Daniel Tiprajn with Red To Black said he suggests students utilize the events available this week.

Red To Black's peer financial planners agree that debt is one of the most asked about topics when it comes to finances, which is something that will be addressed in the events this week.

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RED TO BLACK PEER FINANCIAL PLANNER

Although Nipp and Tiprajn said they do not believe students are naïve about finances, they said students are misinformed.

Tiprajn attributes some of the misinformation to people's avoidance of asking questions about their

finances. "Finances are taboo, and nobody really wants to talk about it," Tiprajn said.

This week, the organization is spreading financial education by setting up a booth at the Student Union Building from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. today and Thursday. Additionally, Financial Education Week will include remote counseling from 9 a.m. to noon today in the Wall/Gates and Stangel/Murdough Residence Halls.

Students will have further opportunities to learn more about financial matters Thursday with "Dollars and Sense: Money Management Tips That Have Everyone Talking," according to a university news release. This presentation will cover financial subjects useful to college students. "Dollars and Sense" will be in the Soap Suds Room in the Student Union Building Thursday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and again from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Friday, Red To Black's Financial Education Week will feature guest speaker Manisha Thakor, who co-authored the financially-oriented book "On My Own Two Feet." Thakor will speak from 11 a.m. to noon in the University Library Room 153.

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Former Tech student and regent to interview with Chancellor Hance

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Texas Tech alumnus and Regent Jim Sowell will visit the Tech campus to be interviewed by Chancellor Kent Hance during the chancellor's class at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Room 169 of the Human Sciences building.

Catherine Page, the chancellor's assistant, said it is beneficial for students to hear from someone who has life experience and is successful.

She said the chancellor attempts to schedule interviews with people he believes are extraordinary leaders to speak about obstacles and successes from first-hand experience.

It also helps the students to see someone in person and listen to his or her real-life account instead of reading it from a book, Page said. Hance chose Sowell because he is a distinguished alumnus, a former board member and a personal friend of the chancellor.

This will be the third interview

in Hance's leadership-based seminar this semester.

Sowell, who graduated from Tech in 1970, formed a construction company in 1972, which is now one of the largest subdivision developers in the state. Sowell also has served on the board of directors of several New York Stock Exchange companies.

From 1999 to 2001, he served on the Tech Board of Regents as the board's chairman and also was the president of the Boy Scouts of

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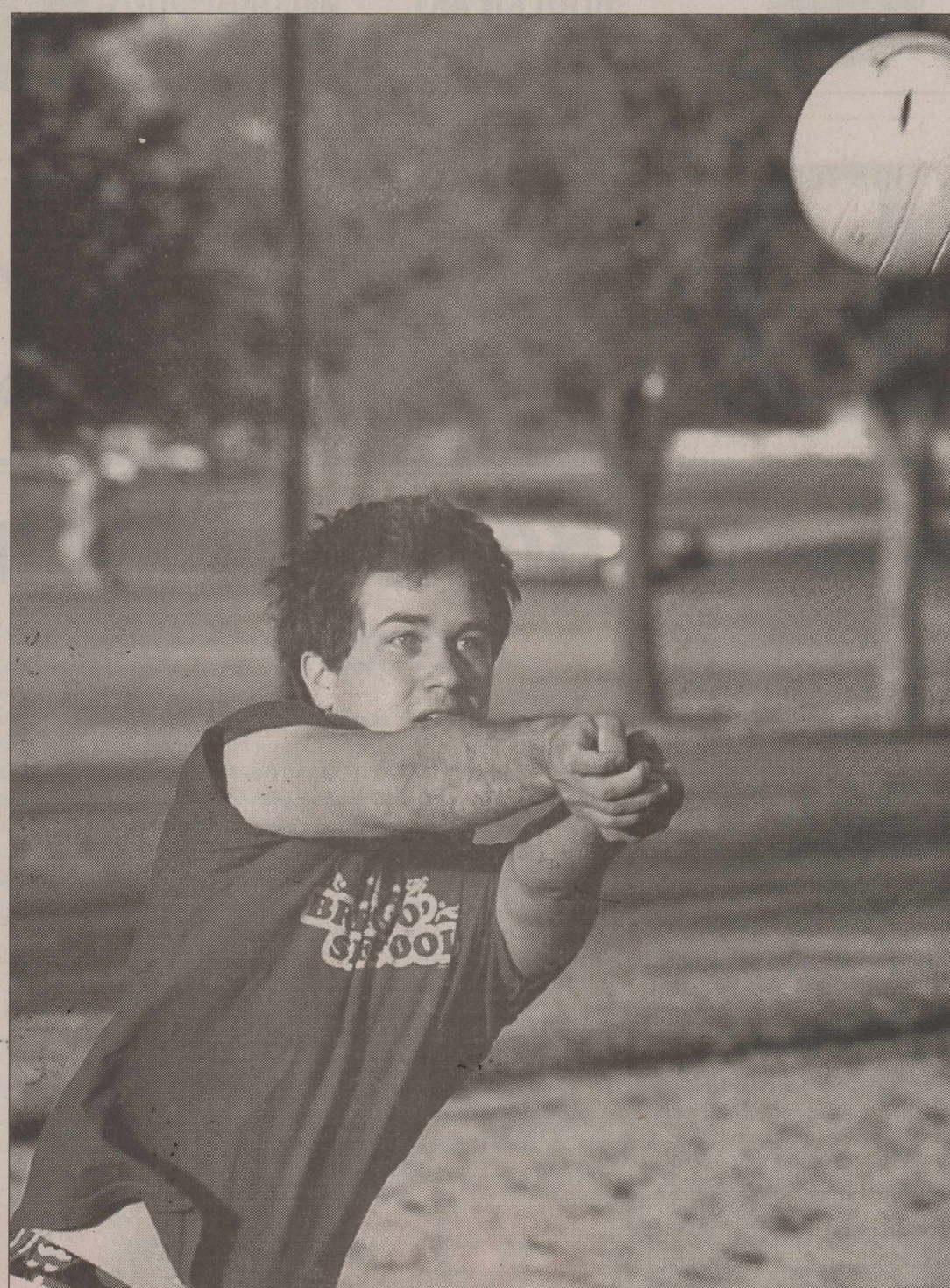


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RYAN EHRLICH, A sophomore English major from Rockwall, plays sand volleyball with his friends Tuesday afternoon at Urbanovsky Park.

Curb Your Anxiety Day aims to alleviate student stress

By DEBRA CHAPMAN
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If students are feeling the stress of finals or just feeling stressed in general, Curb Your Anxiety Day could help to alleviate stress.

The event, which is free, will take place from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. today in the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center and will have a wide variety

of activities for students.

There will be chair massages as well as massage technique sessions for couples. According to the Student Counseling Center Web site, www.depts.ttu.edu/sc, there also will be stress and anxiety screenings, yoga every half hour, wellness booths, an on-site chiropractor and free keva juice for those who participate.

Tom Golightly, a staff psychologist and coordinator of outreach

and educational programs at the Student Counseling Center, said he wants students to take care of themselves.

"It is a really stressful period as we head into finals," Golightly said. "This is to educate how one can take care of themselves during a stressful time. Taking time to do self-care things that doesn't involve alcohol or substances can be very beneficial, not just for mental health, but for academics as well."

Golightly said there will be counselors from the Student Counseling Center to screen stress and anxiety levels, as well as to answer any questions about the center. At the Counseling Center, students can have eight sessions with a counselor for free.

"We want to see how high anxiety levels are," Golightly said. "If they want to seek treatment, we will do that as well."

If a student does not want to talk to a counselor, the computer kiosks in the recreation center will be set up to do a stress screening online.

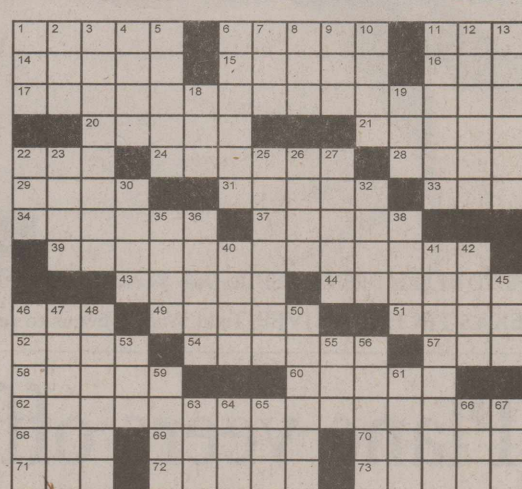
"Come by and see the booths that are there," Golightly said. "There are a lot of things you can do in five minutes."

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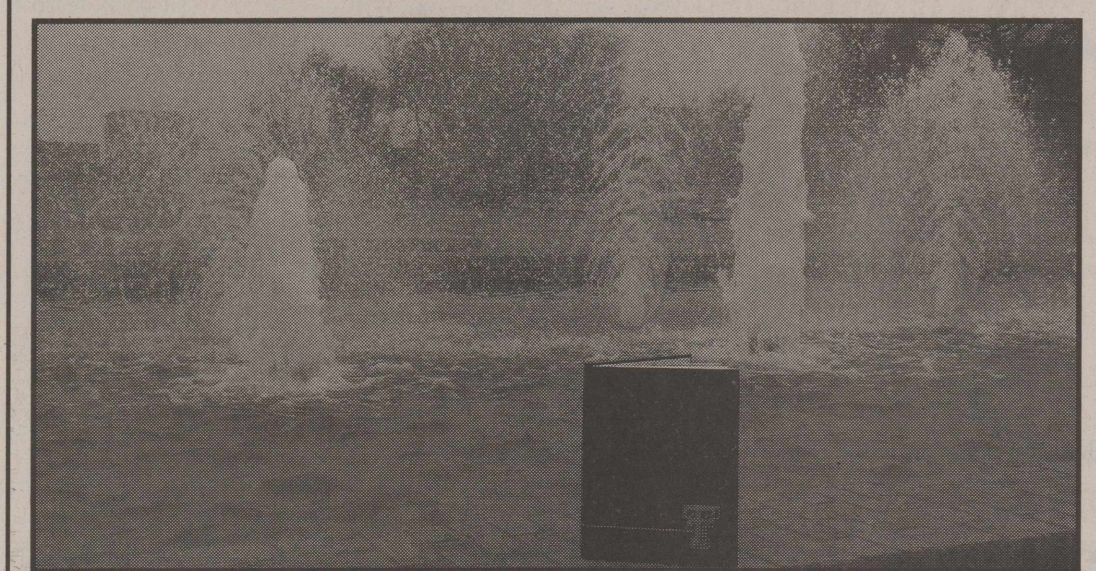
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Women's Studies program to address sexual assault

By LONDON CLARK
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A public forum on sexual assault prevention will educate students to party with caution as summer break approaches.

Texas Tech Women's Studies Program and the Student Counseling Center will host: "Drinking, doping and date rape in Lubbock: What you need to know about sexual assault" at 6 p.m. today in the Human Sciences building Room 169. A question-and-answer session will follow the panel discussion on rape and assault prevention. The event is open to the public.

Representatives from the Tech Police Department, the Lubbock Rape Crisis Center, Planned Parenthood and Tech's Division of Student Affairs will facilitate the panel discussion.

As the end of the semester approaches and students begin to celebrate, Laura Calkins, director of Tech's Women's Studies Program, said the public forum is intended

to raise awareness of sexual assault and rape.

"As the term winds down," she said, "partying winds up."

Calkins said the panel will discuss date-rape drugs and their effects, in addition to strategies to stay safe during social interaction. She said she encourages students to travel in groups, watch out for their friends and take responsibility for each other.

She said drugs, such as Rohypnol, can be placed in food, alcoholic and nonalcoholic drinks while at a bar, parties, restaurants or other public places. The discussion will provide strategies to educate students of sexual predators' scams and plots.

"[Drugs can be put in a drink] while you're in the loo, looking the other way, playing pool or sitting there with your laptop open, ensconced in your e-mail with your coffee," Calkins said.

Lane Powell, a faculty adviser for Tech Council on Family Relations said the problem is becoming more prevalent in the college community.

There has been an increase in the number of cases reported to the Lubbock Rape Crisis Center.

Powell said being informed and cautious about sexual assault can make all of the difference to reduce vulnerability of becoming a victim.

"When you have a university town, in areas where there are bars and music venues," Powell said, "sexual predators have many easy targets."

Erin Ritchey, a graduate student in human development and family studies, said practicing safety while out with friends is the most effective preventative measure against sexual assault and rape for both men and women. She said more safety structures in place will decrease the occurrence of incidents.

Ritchey said she encourages male students to attend the event to learn how to take a more proactive role in protecting friends and family from sexual assault.

"We want to raise the awareness," she said. "Period."

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MUSIC-INSPIRED FLOWERS



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AT THE 2008 Floral Show in the Plant Science building, Emily Hanson, a sophomore business major from College Station, judges the floral arrangement based on the classical song "Dance of the Sugar Plum Fairies" as a class assignment Friday morning.

'Super Size Me' director Looking for 'Osama bin Laden,' sorta

(AP) — "Where in the World Is Osama bin Laden?" It's a question to which Morgan Spurlock probably never really intended to find the answer.

To say that the "Super Size Me" director's latest documentary is a gimmick would be a gross understatement. It's also a given — that's Spurlock's trademark modus operandi. Just as nobody put a gun to his head and made him eat McDonald's for 30 days straight in his amusing 2004 debut, no one forced him to visit some of the most dangerous places on the globe seeking the elusive al-Qaida leader.

The journey — which takes him from his New York home to such countries as Egypt, Morocco, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Afghanistan and Pakistan — isn't just reckless but selfish. He says he was inspired by the impending birth of his first child to find bin Laden and hoped to make the world a safer place. Yet he leaves his wife, Alexandra, at home

to worry about him as he repeatedly puts himself in harm's way over several months. (Spurlock admits in the film's production notes that his wife objected to him taking this trip with a baby coming — and who could blame her? — but he went anyway, in the name of entertainment.)

After an animated introduction in which he depicts himself battling bin Laden mano a mano, video-game style, Spurlock prepares himself for the various perils that lie ahead by working out, getting all his shots, undergoing kidnapping training and learning what to do should a live grenade tumble into his path. It's a "Rocky"-esque montage.

Then as he jets from place to place, he provides glib, oversimplified tidbits about Mideast history along the way: the Islamic Revolution as a cartoon; al-Qaida biggies on baseball cards. But he also grows his beard out and wears local dress whenever possible in a futile but well-intentioned attempt

at blending into his surroundings.

The one useful thing to emerge from Spurlock's travels are the discussions he has with regular folks about bin Laden, the United States, world relations and their personal dreams. These parts feel enlightening and real, and reflect Spurlock's regular-guy relatability, which has always been his strongest asset.

He does seem genuinely interested in getting to know these people, and humbled by their hospitality. A law student in Egypt invites him over to his apartment to spend the evening with him and his family; on the opposite end of the economic spectrum, a Moroccan man takes Spurlock to dinner at the 200-square-foot house in the slums where he grew up and where he and his wife are now raising their own family. With a son on the way, Spurlock asks whether his new friend has any parenting advice; later, we'll see young Laken arrive in an underwater birth.

Despite such substantive moments, the silliness is far from over. Spurlock has a little fun trying out a rocket launcher with members of the U.S. Army in Afghanistan.

In Tel Aviv, he tags along with an Israeli bomb squad and applauds the remote-controlled robot for successfully destroying a suspicious package that contained a bikini. "Good job, HAL," he jokes, and gets R2-D2ish bleeps in response.

Then he bangs us over the head with a concluding voiceover, informing us of something we've surely deduced on our own already: It's a

small world after all. "We all want the same things for our families," he intones brightly, as if buoyed by this recent discovery himself — things like health, happiness, a good education.

Meanwhile, his wife is back in Manhattan by herself (except for the camera crew, of course) having early contractions and telling him about them on the cell phone.

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The Tech Activities Board is giving all Texas Tech students the opportunity to play "The Price is Right" game show for free at 8 p.m. today in the Student Union Building Allen Theatre.

Marcie Blair, a senior business management major from Austin, said the theatre can seat almost 1,000 people, and the contestants will be selected randomly, like on the television show.

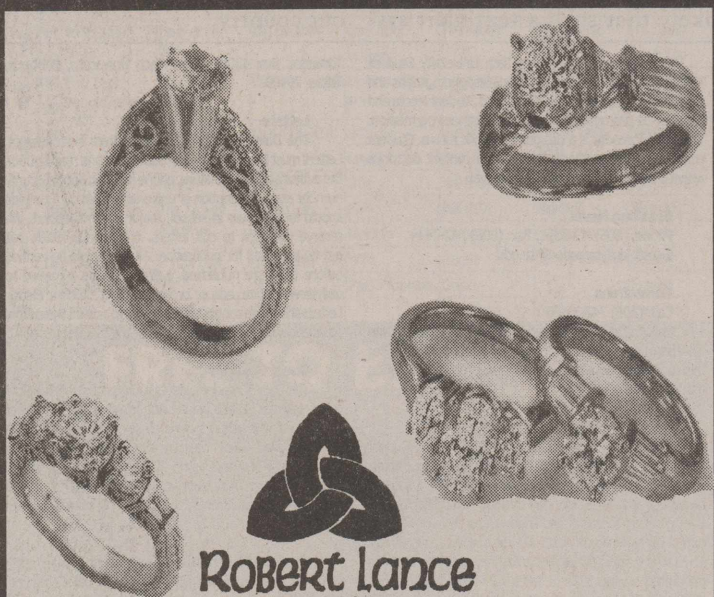
She said contestants will have

the opportunity to win prizes and play games, some of which are featured on the show.

"Plinko" and "It's in the Bag" are some of the games that will be played, Blair said, that may be familiar to people who watch "The Price is Right." The game show today will also feature an 8-foot wheel that was built to play "Wheel of Fortune," like in the TV game show of the same title.

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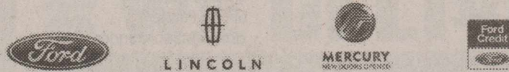


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Softball sweeps doubleheader against UTSA

By ALEX YBARRA
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The Red Raider softball team would love to have the rest of its games in Lubbock.

With a sweep of UTSA in a doubleheader, 6-1 and 2-0 Tuesday at Rocky Johnson Field, Tech (14-31) snapped a four-game losing skid and has won its last six games at home.

Tech junior righthander Alex Watkins (1-4), who struck out four in two innings of relief in the first game, continued her solid play as the starter in the second game.

Watkins pitched her first career shutout, allowed a career-low one hit, and struck out a career high eight batters to record her first win of the season. She later said pitching the final two innings in the first game calmed her down heading into her start.

"I guess I was just in the pitcher's zone," said Watkins, who dropped her ERA from 5.42 to 4.20. "It felt good; all the teammates were pumped up, they were pumping me up. We were just feeding off each other's energy."

Watkins went down with an injury to her throwing hand against Hawaii on March 14, and has slowly worked her way back onto the field. She pinch hit against Kansas two weeks after she went out and started at Missouri, where she allowed five runs in 1.2 innings pitched.

"About two weeks ago, I started coming back, started getting my snap back and everything," Watkins said. "Right now I'm back where I was in Hawaii before (the injury), so 100 percent right now, 110 percent after this win."

Tech coach Teresa Wilson said she believes it was beneficial that Watkins pitched against a UTSA team that matched up nicely for the Big Spring native.

"It's good for her to get to work against a team that is more susceptible to the off-speed pitches," Wilson said.

Tech's Jennifer Corkin got the scoring started in the second game with a two-run single in the first, which was all Tech needed to secure the game behind Watkins.

Watkins went

three up and three down through the first three innings before UTSA's Rudi Cantu hit a leadoff single in the fourth. Cantu would get caught stealing during the next at bat, and Watkins retired the next two batters on a pop fly and strikeout.

UTSA's Janelle Nickels (3-3) pitched a tight game after the first inning, allowing only two more hits and no runs.

UTSA (18-21), Tech's second straight Southland Conference opponent at home, departs Lubbock with an eight-game losing streak after scoring only one run in the series.

Tech's Montana Patin went 2-for-2 with 4 RBIs in the first game, hitting her sixth home run of the season in her first at bat, a two-run shot to left center that gave her three home runs in her

last four games.

After earning the loss in each of her last three appearances, Ashly Jacobs (7-12) got the win in five innings of work with four hits and one run.

Winning road games presents the main problem at this point of the season for Tech, who has lost eight straight road games, including series at Kansas, OU and, most recently, Missouri.

"Honestly, everyone gets very excited to play (at home)," Tech catcher Robyn Wike said. "We want to make Texas Tech look good, so it's not fun to lose at your hometown when everyone is counting on you."

The Red Raiders will try to end their losing ways in Big 12 road games with a game against Texas at 6 p.m. Thursday in Austin and a two-game series with Baylor beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday in Waco.

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TEXAS TECH SOPHOMORE Leah Ledger slides into second base on a hit at the bottom of the fifth inning Tuesday afternoon against UTSA at Rocky Johnson Field.

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with his play on the field, but also with the personality he has.

"It's always good to have Todd back," Britton said. "He brings a lot of energy. He's always funny. He works hard. He's good."

Todd Walker is going through the usual difficulties of spring practice, but he is glad he is totally removed from his major injury.

"My injury from surgery is

totally healed," he said. "I got a bunch of nicks and bruises, but that's how spring football is. Just trying to get through it all. Trying to get in the rotation."

Last season, Todd Walker under went many rehabilitation efforts to make a full recovery the best way he could.

Although Todd Walker went through many obstacles to get back on the field, his mental state was aimed toward being positive and hoping to play in 2008.

With Grant Walker now out of eligibility and aiming for the NFL Draft, Todd Walker said



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TEXAS TECH RECEIVER Todd Walker stretches for a catch in the Red Raiders' 2006 game against SMU. Walker sat out the 2007 season because of injuries.

he still keeps contact with his brother, but knows the toughest part was not playing during his brother's last season.

"That's actually the worst part about it, because it was his senior year," he said. "I'm the reason he came here, was to play with me. We went to high school together, college together. His senior year, me just sitting in the stands, is probably the toughest part."

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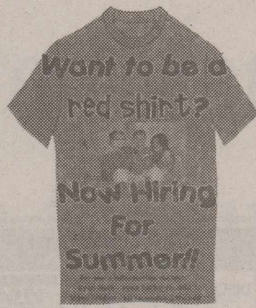
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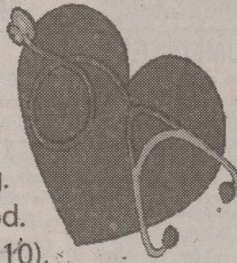
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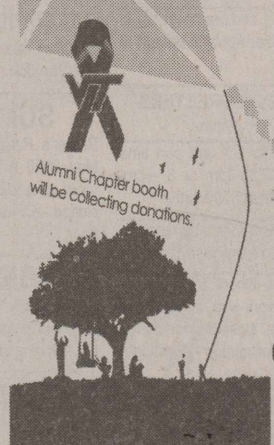


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Call 742-3474 for more information
 Student Counseling Center
 Sponsored by: The Student Counseling Center, Rec Sports, and Student Health Services.



Baseball Tournament Winners: Ruff's Crew



Matt Bickham, a member of the Men's Lacrosse Sport Club, plays against Baylor last Friday.

Outdoor Pursuits

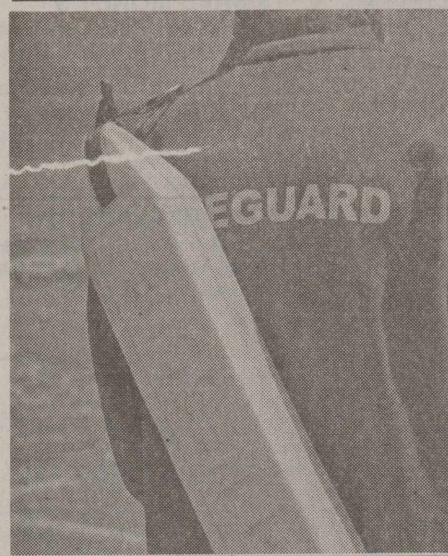
Palo Duro Day Hike
 Deadline: April 24
 Trip Date: April 26
 Trip Cost: \$20



Intramurals

Looking for something to do now that it's nice outside???? Come out and play intramural Sand Volleyball!!! Sign-ups for volleyball end today in room 203 of the Student Rec Center. You can play co-rec, men's or women's. The format of play will be set once all teams are signed up so THE MORE THE MERRIER!! For more information call the Intramural office at 742-2945. Or stop by Rm. 203 to sign up!

Aquatics Center



Lifeguard Challenges

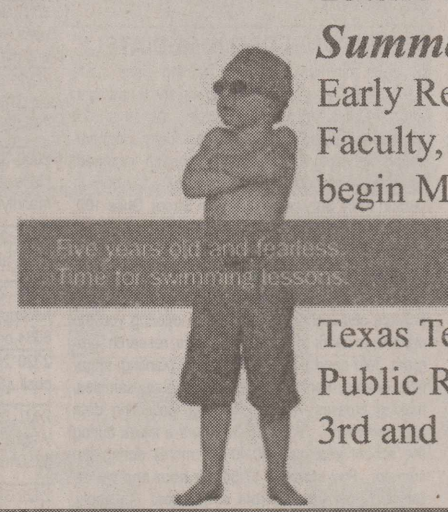
Are you currently certified and about to expire? Are you certified by another agency other than American Red Cross? We have a challenge system especially for you! Update your certification by taking this Red Cross challenge course. The cost is \$75 (\$40 for CPR/AED only). These challenges take place on the following dates/times:
 Friday April 18th 3-6pm

Lifeguarding Class

Become a certified American Red Cross Lifeguard. This course includes lifeguard techniques, standard First Aid, and CPR for the professional rescuer. Cost is \$130 for Texas Tech students and faculty/staff and \$140 for the community (includes the book and all certification costs).
 April 19th - 27th
 Sat/Sun 8am - 6pm
 May 11th - 16th
 Sun; Mon-Fri 8am- 6pm; 5-10pm

Youth Learn to Swim Summer Sessions!

Early Registration for Tech Faculty, Staff and Students begin May 2nd at 7:00am.



Texas Tech and General Public Registration on May 3rd and 8:00am.

student union

coming together in the union

Check out the Union's Newest Residents!



Recycling is now available at the Student Union. Containers for cans, newspapers and plastic bottles located throughout the building.



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for more information - call (806) 742-3636 or visit www.sub.ttu.edu



activities

whats coming up at the union

The Price is Right
 Wednesday, April 16
 SUB Allen Theatre | 8:00pm

Rock the Plaza featuring This Providence, Mayday Parade and My American Heart
 Friday, April 18
 SUB West Plaza | 6:30pm

Student Organization Academy -- Spring Training
 Saturday, April 19
 SUB | 9:00am - 2:00pm

The Original Butt Sketch Artist
 Wednesday, April 23
 SUB | 11:00am - 2:00pm

Arbor Day
 Friday, April 25
 Memorial Circle | 11:00am - 3:00pm

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