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## Tech tabs Hocutt as new AD Regents approve university chapel

By JOSE RODRIGUEZ and BRIAN HOWARD  
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Texas Tech officials announced the hiring of Kirby Hocutt as the university's next athletic director Friday, ending the search for Gerald Myers' successor at a position he has occupied since 1996.

Myers is set to step down on May 31, while Hocutt was in the middle of his third year as the athletic director at the University of Miami.

Hocutt will be the 13th athletic director in Tech history.

"It is with great pleasure that I accept the position as director of athletics for Texas Tech," Hocutt said in a statement Friday. "I am excited about this tremendous opportunity and look forward to working with the university leadership, coaches, staff and student-athletes as we focus on advancing the department of intercollegiate athletics."



HOCUTT

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### HOCUTT'S RESUME

- 38-year-old native of Sherman
- 4-year letter winner at KSU as linebacker
- Bachelor's degree from KSU in 1995
- Worked at OU from 1999-2005,
- Master's degree from OU in 2005
- Became AD at Ohio on June 29, 2005
- Announced as Miami's AD on Feb. 8, 2008
- Announced as Texas Tech athletic director Friday

## Professors weigh in on censorship Experts compare policies

By KASSIDY KETRON  
STAFF WRITER

The United States, in the past, has made failed attempts to censor its citizens' First Amendment rights, and the same thing can be seen happening in Middle Eastern countries.

Tim Nokken, an assistant professor in political science, said governments generally prefer to give fewer opportunities for freedom of speech. The difficulties Middle Eastern countries are facing is the question of providing freedom and protection from government interference is more complex than a simple answer can provide.

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## Aldawsari makes first court appearance in WMD case

### Judge sets next hearing for March 11

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By TOMMY MAGELSSSEN  
NEWS EDITOR

Former Texas Tech student Khalid Aldawsari was arraigned at 9 a.m. Friday in Lubbock's Federal Building and United States Courthouse.

He was arrested late Wednesday on charges of attempted use of a weapon of mass destruction. If convicted, he could receive a sentence of life in prison.

Aldawsari entered the courtroom in handcuffs and shackles, wearing a blue Lubbock County Jail jumpsuit with faded white lettering on the back, escorted by two U.S. marshals. A total of four U.S. marshals provided security in the courtroom.

"He was clean shaven, regular haircut, hair combed over, blue jeans, some kind of nice dress shirt usually — I mean, he seemed like a normal guy to me."

**Jimmy Woods**  
Former classmate of Aldawsari's



Khalid Ali-M Aldawsari was arrested late Wednesday and charged with attempted use of a weapon of mass destruction.

During the arraignment, Aldawsari spoke only six times. He said "yes" to six questions from Judge Nancy Koenig, confirming the correct pronunciation of his last name and confirming he understood his rights. Aldawsari, a Saudi Arabian citizen in the United States on a student visa, also confirmed he had been in contact with the Saudi Arabian consulate.

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PHOTO BY SAM GRENADEIR/The Daily Toreador

KHALID ALI-M ALDAWSARI, a Lubbock resident and former Texas Tech student, is escorted during his arraignment Friday in Lubbock's Federal Building and United States Courthouse. He was arrested and charged late Wednesday with attempted use of a weapon of mass destruction.

## Event encourages, celebrates women in engineering

### Associate dean: Number of women in college is Texas Tech record

By CHOIS WOODMAN  
STAFF WRITER

The Society of Women Engineers and engineering sorority Alpha Omega Epsilon hosted a Pink Engineering Dinner on Thursday night in the Matador Room of the Student Union Building. Stephanie Hearn, Society of Women Engineers president and one of the

coordinators of the dinner, said the dinner is held as a celebration of women in engineering.

"We often forget how fun engineering is because we get stuck in our books and homework," Hearn said. "So every year we get together and celebrate the accomplishments of women in engineering."

She said the celebration is in place

for those women who have chosen a "non-traditional" major for females.

Hearn said the women in the College of Engineering need to form a unity because there are so few females in engineering.

"As female engineers, we need to stick together to encourage each other to achieve more," she said.

The event featured several guest speakers, including Dean Fontenot, senior director of Tech T-STEM center and professor in the Edward E. Whitacre Jr. College of Engineering. Fontenot presented the "History

of Women in Engineering" segment of the dinner to the young women. She presented the history in the form of a test in her PowerPoint presentation.

She encouraged the women in attendance to make a difference as women in the profession of engineering.

"The women in this room are among a long line of female engineers," Fontenot said. "Someday, you will make a pathway for future female engineers."

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## Community Calendar

### TODAY

#### Senior Studio BFA Group Exhibition

**Time:** All day  
**Where:** School of Art, Studio Gallery

#### So, what is it?

The School of Art presents an art exhibit organized by the senior seminar class featuring work by graduating studio majors. The exhibit features work in media including ceramics, jewelry design and metal smithing, painting and drawing, photography, printmaking, and sculpture. The exhibit is on display until March 11. A reception will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. March 4.

#### Tunnel of Oppression

**Time:** 3 p.m.

**Where:** Student Union Building, Matador Room

#### So, what is it?

Tunnel of Oppression is an interactive program that takes a look at the stereotypes, biases and discrimination that exist in society. As participants journey through the tunnel, a light will be shined on the thoughts, beliefs and actions that broaden inequalities in the areas of race, gender, religion, sex, ability, sexual orientation, appearance and class. The goal of the program is to raise awareness on these issues to inspire efforts for the promotion of social change.

#### Out of Luck Band

**Time:** 10 p.m.

**Where:** Bash Riprock's

#### So, what is it?

Enjoy live music and a game of pool or foosball at this long-lived bar and grill. Out of Luck is a mixture of rock 'n' roll and

psychobilly played with the energy of punk rock.

#### Sprott and Ballew

**Time:** 10 p.m.

**Where:** Lone Star Oyster Bar,

34<sup>th</sup> Street and Flint Avenue

#### So, what is it?

Enjoy shrimp, scallops, oysters along with favorite classics performed by John Sprott and Jesse

### TUESDAY

#### Texas Tech Baseball

**Time:** 5 p.m.

**Where:** Dan Law Field

#### So, what is it?

Cheer on the Red Raiders as they take on the University of Nevada at Las Vegas Rebels.

#### Manny Rodriguez

**Time:** 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

**Where:** Stella's

#### So, what is it?

Enjoy fine dining or complimentary hors d'oeuvres accompanied by smooth jazz at this New York-style Italian cuisine restaurant.

#### Seth Savage Band

**Time:** 10 p.m.

**Where:** The Blue Light

#### So, what is it?

Support this Red Raider alumnus and relax to his original Texas Country music at this Depot District venue.

#### Open Jam

**Time:** 10 p.m. to 2 a.m.

**Where:** Skooner's Grill and Bar

#### So, what is it?

This open jam welcomes all styles, from electric banjo to jazz sax to classic rock 'n' roll. Acts may play alone or with host-band support. Drums and PA are provided.

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# School of Law Gala honors two distinguished alumni

By **TRAVIS BURKETT**  
STAFF WRITER

The seventh annual Texas Tech School of Law Gala and Distinguished Awards Dinner took place Friday evening in the Merket Alumni Center.

The purpose of the gala, put together by the law student organization Phi Alpha Delta, was to honor alumni of the School of Law.

Susan Fortney, interim dean, and Paul Whitfield, Horn Professor, said the event is a special occasion for the university and the law school.

"It gives us a chance to celebrate the accomplishments of our students, faculty, staff and graduates. In particular, we are thrilled to honor two of our outstanding graduates," she said.

Robert Black, class of 1980,

received the Distinguished Alumnus Award. Barbara Runge, class of 1974, was presented with the Distinguished Service Award.

Fortney said Black, president-elect of the bar association, has put in many hours working toward improving the legal profession, and Runge has been dedicated to assisting the law school and community members at every turn.

Black is the first Tech graduate elected president of the Texas state bar, Fortney said.

In his acceptance speech, Black said he has been impressed with the growth of Tech's law school.

"It gives me great pride to know and to see what this law school has become, and I know it will continue upward," he said.

Runge said being named as

the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award is an honor and one of the highlights of her career.

Runge also said her education at Tech helped in preparing her for her career.

"We were armed with a great broad-based legal education and ready to practice law," Runge said. "The work ethic that we practiced in law school served us well in the real world."

The ceremony also awarded several current law school professors for their performance and research, and acknowledged three new staff members that have joined the law school: communications director Tina Dechausay, foundation manager Lisa Gree and assistant dean of admissions Stephen Perez.

Also recognized were stu-

dent teams that won championships in court competitions, such as the Moot Court Team, which won nationals, and the Negotiations Team, which won internationals.

Fortney said the Tech School of Law, founded in 1967, is currently ranked 17th in the nation and wants to continue its success, as well as continue to contribute to the community.

"One thing our law school tries to do is encourage pro-bono service," she said.

Runge said she believes though the law school has made many significant changes, the quality is still intact.

"Texas Tech School of Law has always had some of the best law professors in the nation," she said, "and this is true today as it was years ago."

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## Bailey announces new Distinguished Staff Awards

By **CAITLAN OSBORN**  
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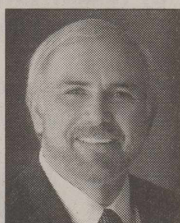
Texas Tech president Guy Bailey has chosen to replace the decade-old Quality Service Awards Program with the Distinguished Staff Awards as an incentive to promote greater competition and individual recognition among faculty members.

Bailey said there will be six categories within the Distinguished Staff Awards, and the number of awards will differ by section. There are fewer categories with this program than with the Quality Service Awards, Bailey said, which he believes will

make the recognition more special.

"We felt the number of awards that were handed out each year did not necessarily provide as much recognition to the individual staff member," he said. "We wanted to make that the main purpose of the awards."

Both full- and part-time faculty members can participate in the new awards program. According to the awards application, a co-worker, supervisor or customer may nominate any



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benefits-eligible Texas Tech or Texas Tech University System staff member.

Nominations begin April 1 and end June 1. Bailey said the first Distinguished Staff Awards Ceremony will take place this fall.

While he believes it is important for faculty members to be recognized as a group, Bailey said he believes this program will help recognize greater individuality among university workers and make them feel more like an integral part of the university.

"The individual staff members achieve great things with their co-workers," Bailey said, "but we wanted to make sure

that those individual traits that make up a collective group are recognized. While we do offer a group award in the new program, we believe that each individual person is what makes Texas Tech a unique and rewarding place to work and go to school."

Bailey said he hopes the new awards program will become a long-standing tradition for the university.

"Texas Tech has the best staff, and this awards program is meant to recognize how great the staff is," he said, "and we hope it will show them that they are truly valued members of the Red Raider family."

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# Censor

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"One of the lasting impacts of these movements is almost going to have to be some sort of concessions on the parts of the government," Nokken said, "whether they're newly created governments or reformed existing governments to provide people with what we consider very basic freedoms."

While the U.S. government can strain people's rights, Nokken said, it cannot prohibit the basic rights of the First Amendment.

Nokken said the U.S. has had its fair share of times of trial, but its opportunity for peaceful transitions of power and the ability to elect its own officials set it apart from other countries.

"We are fortunate to lack a lot of deep ethnic and religious divisions that have kind of helped create divisions of conflict in those societies," he said. "A whole bunch of combinations of unique factors that define American society have worked together to help us with such things."

Sam Bradley, an associate professor of advertising, said when negative things about a country are being posted on the Internet, that country does what it can to put a stop to it.

Internet can be slowed down for a period of time, Bradley said, but no stop can be put to it.

"It's a cliché now to say something has gone viral on the Internet, but still an apt metaphor," Bradley said. "We can't stop the spread of the common cold, for example, despite the fact that all of the humanity would like that. It finds a way to spread. The same thing with information."

Bradley said it is counterproductive of countries to attempt to limit the speech of their citizens because information will find a way to get out into the open.

Citizens will fight harder to get information out when their country tries to prohibit them, Bradley said. Cases have been seen where these citizens will make phone calls to people in other countries and tell them to post information on the Internet, he said.

"So you've slowed it down by 60 seconds. Is that advantageous? No, probably not," he said, "and you've helped align countries and people's citizens of places like the United

States who value the freedom of information."

Bradley said the U.S. might have not been interested in what is going on in the Middle East, but because it is a free speaking country, its people became concerned when they learned of the attempts of information restriction.

In a pre-digital world, Bradley said it was easier for the government to censor, but not completely stop, the flow of information. In any warfare, one of the first tactics is to try to stop the other side's ability to transfer information.

"I think one of the very interesting points of this, especially Egypt, is that this is a movement predicated on freedom, yet the immediate connection is that the military takes control of the country and suspends the constitution," Bradley said, "and because it's based in freedom, people seem pretty supportive of that."

Bradley said it's difficult to find other examples where the American people have been supportive of a regime change that led to the military taking power of a country and seizing the constitution.

Jessica Smith, assistant professor of electronic media and communications, said with outlets like

Twitter and Facebook, citizens can voice their opinion and share with the world what is going on in their countries, which, in turn, can encourage others to speak their minds.

The Internet is an outlet that has only been available for the last couple of years, Smith said, and it has proved difficult to suppress.

Although Egypt was able to find a means to slow down the flow of information within the Internet and prove it is not unstoppable, Smith said there are too many ways to get around any kind of restrictions.

Smith said one of the problems most dictatorial governments may have with the Internet is they are not eager to for the rest of the world to see their country's descent.

Another problem, Smith said, is when citizens start speaking up and encouraging others to do the same, it can cause the descent to grow.

"When people are speaking out, the rest of the world takes notice, and I think that's probably a couple of reasons that social media has been powerful in that situation," Smith said.

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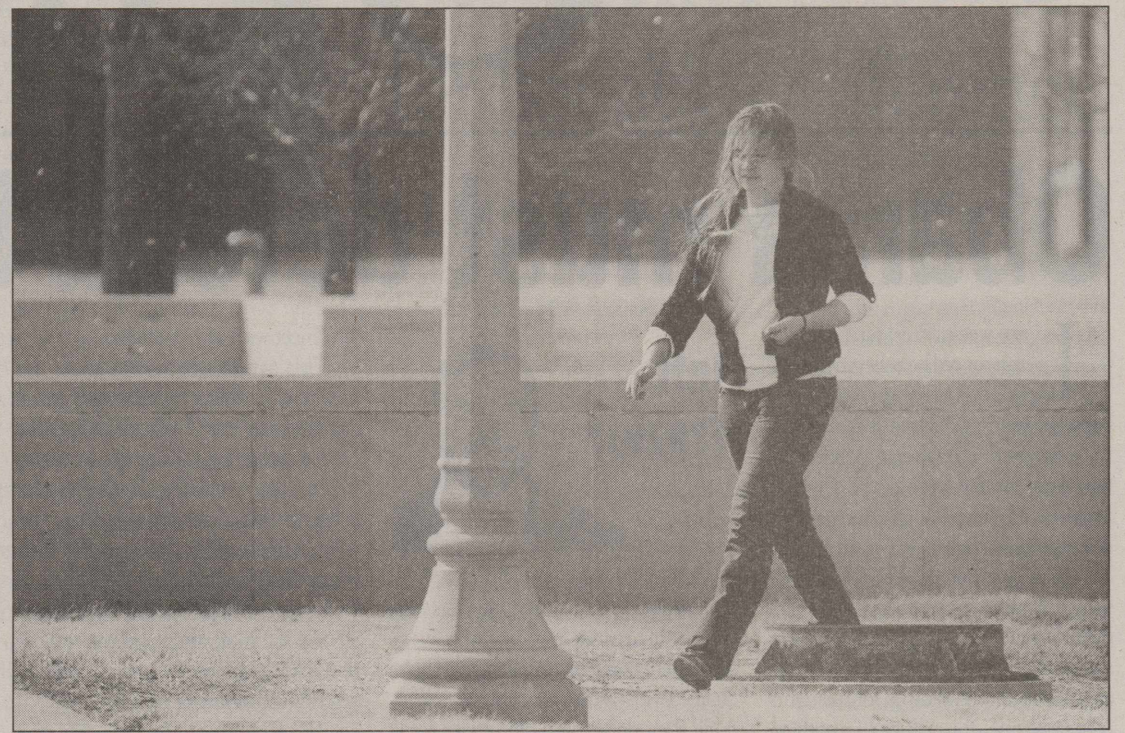
**JESSICA SMITH**  
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR  
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**SARAH MILLER**, A sophomore honors arts and letters major from Lubbock, walks through dust and wind in the courtyard outside of Murray Hall on Sunday. This weekend the National Weather Service released Dust Storm, High Wind and Fire Weather Warnings for Lubbock County and surrounding areas.



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# WANDERING IN THE WIND



# WMD

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The 20-year-old attended Tech from August 2009 to January 2011. He previously attended an English as a Second Language program at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn.

Aldawsari attended South Plains College this semester after leaving Tech because of poor grades, according to court documents.

Though initial reports indicated Aldawsari would receive counsel from a public defender, Lubbock attorney Rod Hobson represented him at Friday's hearing.

Hobson declined to comment when reached by phone, but he did release a statement stating Aldawsari has entered a plea of not guilty to the charges.

In the statement, Hobson said he believes Aldawsari cannot receive a fair trial in Lubbock because "the press coverage has been very one-sided and biased."

"This is not 'Alice in Wonderland,' where the Queen said, 'First the punishment, then the trial.' This is America, where everyone is entitled to the presumption of innocence, due process, effective representation of counsel and a fair trial," Hobson said in the statement.

Aldawsari's detention hearing is set for 9 a.m. March 11.

The former Tech student kept mostly to himself and rarely spoke to neighbors, reports indicate. He lived alone at The Centre at Overton Park.

Tech student Sally Dierschke said she lived right across the hall

from Aldawsari. She said they never spoke, and she likely could not have recognized him as her neighbor if she walked by him on the street.

"I'm still trying to wrap my mind around it entirely," the senior food science major from Wall said. "It's just so weird that I was sleeping a few feet away from what was going to be a bomb."

Dierschke said she came home from class at around 11 a.m. Wednesday and saw a lot of "ordinary-looking people" standing around the building, which was unusual to her because they were sort of "looking me up and down."

At around noon, she said, Dierschke left her apartment and saw what appeared to be 12 to 13 people in Aldawsari's apartment. She said there was a person taking pictures, but she was not sure what was going on.

At the time, she thought he might be moving out, or maybe pictures were being taken for some kind of brochure, she said. It wasn't until later she found out the truth.

One of Aldawsari's former classmates said he was "freaked out" when he first found out about Aldawsari's arrest.

Jimmy Woods, a sophomore chemical engineering major from Flower Mound, said he first met Aldawsari when they were both freshmen at Tech in August 2009.

Woods said he was in a homework study group with Aldawsari that met once or twice a week for their chemical engineering seminar class. The study group consisted of four to five people each meeting, Woods said, and their teacher, Micah Green, assigned the

groups. There were about 35 people in the class, Woods said.

When the group first met, he said, the members introduced themselves and said where they were from.

"I remember he was saying he was from the Middle East," Woods said. "He came over here on scholarship from some company, and he hoped to get a degree in chemical engineering so he could work for them later on."

Woods said he first heard about the arrest when he was on Facebook and saw a friend had posted a link to a story.

Woods recognized Aldawsari from the mug shot, but he said the picture does not remind him of the shy young man with whom he had classes.

"The picture you see in the paper is a lot different from what I knew him," Woods said. "He was clean shaven, regular haircut, hair combed over, blue jeans, some kind of nice dress shirt usually—I mean, he seemed like a normal guy to me."

Woods said Aldawsari seemed like he was at school to learn, and he always brought a good work ethic to the home-

work group. They would normally meet for at least an hour in either the library, Student Union Building or Livermore Center, Woods said.

He said they would usually talk about things like how each person's day was going at the beginning of the meetings, but he does not remember specifics.

Woods said he never believed Aldawsari was "weird" in any way, but he did not put in much effort to get to know him that well. However, Woods said he would have hung out with him if Aldawsari seemed like he wanted to.

"He just seemed normal, straight-forward guy," Woods said. "I mean, nothing ever, like, clicked that—sometimes you get weird vibes from people, but nothing, never. He came to all the meetings, punctual on time to do his stuff, and that's all I got from him."

"He was always there to help out the group. He was actually one of the few members who was there to help out usually."

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By Jeffrey Lease 2/28/11

**ACROSS**

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5 Double reed instrument

9 Bit of campaign nastiness

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16 Croatian-born physicist Nikola

17 '1968 sci-fi classic remade in 2001

20 Jewish

21 Rotten

22 Conference including Duke and UNC

23 'Chill competitions

28 Liver secretion

30 'What's up...?'

31 Clean the floor

32 Was victorious

33 Dissertations

36 It can be airtight or waterproof

37 Fishing pole

38 Rank that goes with the first parts of the answers to starred clues

40 Support garment

41 Slightly

43 Jump (on) suddenly

44 Tennis call

45 Keg party attire

47 Band-Aid and Barbie, e.g.: Abbr.

48 Like much wine and cheese

50 'Reason for rhinoplasty

52 Rover's warning

53 Corn unit

54 Inexpensive brand

58 '1980 Disney comedy about an all-night puzzle-solving race

63 Overindulge, as kids

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## Obama must defend DOMA

Last week, President Obama announced he believed the Defense of Marriage Act, which bans gay marriage at the federal level, to be unconstitutional, and therefore he would not commit Department of Justice resources to defend it in court against constitutional challenges.

An unprecedented action, this decision demonstrates President Obama's definition of the "change" he promised in the 2008 election. While many will herald Obama for standing up for the rights of homosexuals, this decision has nothing to do with gay rights and everything to do with removing checks and balances placed on executive power.

Since the inception of this nation, the legislative branch has made the laws, the executive branch has enforced those laws and the judicial branch has weighed those laws against one another and against the Constitution to decide how they interact with one another.

The Department of Justice, a division of the executive branch, must both prosecute those who break the laws of the United States and defend challenges made by citizens against those same laws. The freedom to decide which laws they will enforce and which ones they will not belongs to Congress, and Congress alone.

Additionally, the ability to decide what laws passed by Congress mean belongs exclusively with the Judges and Justices Courts, ultimately vesting in the Supreme Court of the United States.

**Jeff Frazier**



When Congress passed the DOMA and President Clinton added his signature, it became law, charging every subsequent president to its defense. Those charged with the defense of our laws must fulfill their duties with objectivity, for if they choose which laws to enforce, the purpose of Congress becomes null and void; to do so sets a dangerous precedent that will destabilize the legal system of the United States.

Fast-forward to the year 2013. President Obama loses his bid for re-election, and a Republican president replaces him. The new president cites Obama's precedent decision not to defend DOMA and declares that the Department of Justice will no longer enforce the health care bill passed in 2010, any and all violations will not result in prosecution, nor will any challenges to its constitution-

ality meet with any resistance.

This action effectively grants the president the ability to unilaterally repeal any law passed by Congress with no due process and no legal challenges, a massive step towards removing the checks and balances on executive power.

A former magician once said that politics and magic have much in common, primarily that when the right hand attracts the most attention, the real action takes place in the left — perfectly describing this situation.

The Defense of Marriage Act will be unconstitutional, and if so, it should either be repealed by Congress or challenged in the courts, much like how the Health Care Act of 2010 currently faces repeal efforts and constitutional challenges. However, for the executive branch to unilaterally take upon itself the powers assigned to both the legislative and judicial branches constitutes a massive grab for power.

For two years, President Obama had a supermajority in the Senate and a massive majority in the House of Representen-

tatives. If, as he claims, he believed DOMA to be unconstitutional, why did he not propose even one bill in that time to repeal it?

Why were no actions taken to right what he calls a terrible wrong when he had the clear power to do so? Why, only now, when he can use the excuse that he could not pass a bill through the Republican controlled House, does he take action on this issue?

Homosexuals nationwide, rather than celebrating this "victory" for their cause, should take great offense at having an issue so close to their hearts twisted, abused and used as a pawn in this new stalemate/power struggle between a newly elected Congress and a president still determined to assert his power as if he faces no opposition.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, on Friday, announced her introduction of a bill to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act. This must be the procedure used to decide DOMA's fate in the future, a fervent debate between elected representatives charged with the power to pass and repeal laws, not a unilateral action of an executive who must defend those laws regardless of their personal views or desire for power.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Vote wisely for SGA

Thursday's Student Government Association Senate meeting was nearly adjourned after only five minutes because they could not organize enough members to call a quorum.

There were seven senators who showed up at least 15 minutes late, not to mention the nine who were completely absent.

Two of those who were late were executive office candidates Brian Roberts and Ethan Jordan. Other senators negligently tardy were Zachary West, Roshan Sharma, Matt Pippin, Sean Crenshaw and Rahul Kanungoe.

I personally feel this behavior was disgusting, not to mention these senators were absent because they were reportedly campaigning. If the welfare of the student body and the student government means that little to these people, they should not be running for re-election, especially for executive office.

Following the 20-minute delayed start, TECHsans for

Concealed Carry on Campus addressed the senate, whose attention was, at best, unfocused. Following their presentation, SGA Senate business continued as usual, which is not impressive, to say the least.

As the mess they call a senate meeting was ending, it was topped by a point of information by Sen. Katelyn Stanglin, noting the reason for the late start was due to the supposed campaigning by the Mayants/Jordan/Robert's team and senator associates (minus Mayants, as she was presiding over the senate).

Conveniently, Mayants, being the president of the senate, was able to adjourn the meeting before it got completely out of hand.

Hopefully, following next week's election, we will be able to see a more competent SGA. Vote wisely.

**Shelby Breen is a junior political science major from Katy.**

### SGA should be held accountable

I attended a Student Government Association meeting on Feb. 24 and struggled to stay for the duration. Frankly, the "get-together," as it should be called, was laughable.

It's discouraging that the people a small portion of students out of the entire student population at Tech chooses as representatives ideally have no accountability procedures in place.

SGA insists they want to be as similar as possible to the U.S. Congress, as seen in Senate Bill 46.26, yet they do not even keep track of how senators vote. One would think this would have already been a mechanism that was in place, but then again, it might go to show the embarrassing lack of interest by the constituents (students) in the senators chosen to represent them.

The meeting, which was scheduled to begin exactly at 7

p.m., was put off because they did not have quorum or enough senators in attendance to begin a deliberative assembly. The legislative session did not begin until 15 minutes later, and even then, many senators were not in attendance.

Important legislation was discussed, such as proposals regarding the review of the budgets for various SGA accounts or the allocation of seats per college for the next legislative session.

To make matters worse, decorum was thrown out of the window, and the lack of seating in the meeting room does not allow for the idea of transparency.

Shouldn't our representatives be held accountable for such appalling behavior?

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## Texas lawmakers wasting time, money

Texas is in a bit of a pickle. The state faces a massive budget shortfall, declining trust in the state government and a bleak future for public school students.

Since the constitution of this state only lets our legislature meet every other year, every day is precious. As a constituent, I would expect the elected leaders to focus on the important issues our state faces, such as the aforementioned budget gap.

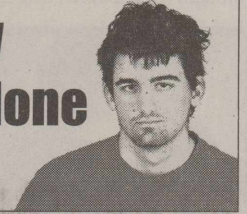
Unfortunately, the state government seems to be focusing more on pandering to partisan rhetoric than to the important issues.

There are certain measures that can be taken in financial emergencies such as the one we are currently in. Raising taxes, cutting administrative costs, limiting state funds to nonessential agencies and reducing the expenses of government employees are all tough, but plausible, measures that should be considered.

Rather than making a tough decision about how to solve this crisis, the Republicans running the place appear to have their hands in their ears yelling loudly while proclaiming it's not a big deal.

Texas' lawmakers have decided certain legislative bills, which are not urgent

**Tony Cardone**



in the slightest, are far more important. Among the governor's so-called emergency legislation are bills about voter ID and abortion sonograms.

Unquestionably, both of these are terrible bills. It's probable both of these bills will be challenged in court, costing the state money and legal resources defending them.

But the debate shouldn't be about whether these are right or not at this time. The debate should be about why, when the state is threatening to cut thousands of teachers from the public school system, money from state health facilities and higher educational funding, lawmakers like Jeff Wentworth are talking about a concealed carry bill.

I would expect someone in executive office to reign in his lawmakers, much like the president works to get the U.S. Congress working. Instead, the governor is touting how the small business sector

is driving job creations. He's in Washington for a convention talking about how stripping unions of their rights in Wisconsin is the greatest thing since sliced bread.

To be fair, Gov. Perry isn't standing still on everything — on Friday, he created the Task Force on Unfunded Mandate, a supposedly non-partisan committee whose sole purpose appears to be to validate the governor's theory that federal mandates are killing baby seals in Houston.

Also, according to his official website, the governor has voiced his support for both the anti-abortion bill and the federal House of Representatives' HR 1, the balanced budget resolution — an issue for which there is neither impact for the state of Texas nor on Gov. Perry.

To me, this is just abnormal. If I were out of gasoline in my car, my first concern would not be about the waffles I just bought in the back seat. I would be concerned about where I would be getting a tank of gas. Stalling by talking on the phone to a friend about the current state of the federal government's finances will not get me any gasoline, either.

It's slightly less confusing when one takes a step back and looks at the bills

and how appealing they are to the far-right conservatives, who Perry thinks inhabit the state.

Preaching government responsibility is nice, I suppose. Gov. Perry and the Republicans have complete control over the direction this state is taking, which is rather scary. But when the time comes to practice government responsibility, it appears the Grand Old Party doesn't want to make the tough choices.

There are choices. None of them are particularly appealing, from using the rainy day fund, to raising taxes, to allowing casinos in the state. But the grown-ups in charge seem to not care all that much.

The governor, I'm sure, is well aware of the mockery he and his Republican friends threw at the state of California during the campaign season. Texas isn't in a much better place, and unlike in California, nobody in this state seems to want to do anything about it.

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## Worldwide industry useless with nine billion mouths to feed

Exhaust pipes, industries and factories of all types, and even our own breathing are raising CO2 levels and the power greenhouse effect at a rate that we are doing absolutely nothing significant to control at this point.

Granted, there are efforts being made to decrease this problem, such as hybridizing the auto industry and harnessing solar and wind energy to power worldwide economic growth.

But another problem, which I believe to be linked inextricably to the first, is one people as a whole do not seem to be very aware of. I am referring to the growing threat of our own population growth.

Being a geography major, I have been taking notes on this sort of thing for a long time, and the lectures I have listened to lead me to believe several things based on well-established facts. The growing ability of the medical community to extend our lives is obviously construed as a very good thing, and I submit that it will also contribute to population overgrowth.

**Zach Morrison**



The fertility age range will remain the same no matter how long we live. That, combined with the fact that this life extension occurs much more in developed countries, leads to an entirely new set of causes for our problems.

The population-doubling rate for the United States is roughly 224 years, a healthy number that allows us plenty of time to find a way to double our resources to handle such a population.

On the other hand, underdeveloped countries, often with corrupt, irresponsible governments, are also the ones whose growth is going to cause shortage problems the world over.

Take Niger, for example. This African nation has a population-doubling rate of about 25 years. According to the online "World Fact-book" at CIA.gov,

the population of Niger is currently just more than 15 million, making it more than 30 million by the year 2036.

This growth, and the much larger growth of the unfortunately large number of underdeveloped nations all over the world, will bring the world's population up to roughly nine billion by the year 2050.

This week, Yahoo.com published an article that claims Earth will be "unrecognizable" by the year 2050. It was here I learned some significant numbers that correlate to our population growth.

The first and most significant is the fact that in order to feed these teeming masses, we have to unite the world in a common goal, something that has never been done before.

Next, and even scarier, we have to find a way to produce enough food to feed ourselves. To do this, according to Yahoo's sources, we will have to produce as much food in the next 40 years as we have in the last 8,000.

To connect this to my earlier point about our industry, these issues go hand in hand. By making more concerted efforts to make industry a solar, wind- and

even nuclear-powered process, we save our atmosphere and our ground resources, such as fossil fuels and forests. By doing this, we lower CO2 output dramatically.

Combine that with the extra oxygen produced by saved trees and a human effort to revive the practice of setting aside much larger amounts of fertile land for agriculture and we have more food for our exploding population, and more photosynthesis to offset the greenhouse effect in our atmosphere.

Our technological and economic advancement does not have to go hand in hand with the slow demise of our planet. It is entirely possible to, with the resources we still possess, reverse the causes of global warming and starvation and by doing so give ourselves the time to actually enjoy the advances we are making.

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## Virginity not that uncommon

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I recently decided to watch "Skins" on MTV. I wanted to see what all the hype was about. I kept hearing about how it shows teens having sex and doing drugs. I believe this show is part of the reason why many people think this is going on among all young adults. The show depicts one virgin in the group of friends who is trying to lose his virginity. At the end of the first episode, he is called an embarrassment for still being a virgin.

What students do not realize: One out of every four college students is a virgin, according to Kathleen Bogle, researcher and author of "Hooking Up." A Smarter Sex Survey on SmarterSex.org similarly discovered that roughly "32 percent of male survey participants have not had intercourse, compared to 18 percent of female survey participants."

In Bogle's view, students are talking about sex more than they are having it. Renee Renna, a senior communications major at the University of Tampa, said, "With everything that is portrayed on TV and in media, it's hard not to think that [students are having more sex]. I think they aren't having sex as often as it has been portrayed. The media has a way of over-exaggerating things and blowing things way out of

proportion." Renna, a virgin, said she chooses to abstain from sex because she is waiting for the right person.

She is not the only student who has decided to remain a virgin on campus. Gabi Gonzalez, a sophomore biology major, is also a virgin. She chooses to wait for a few reasons, including her faith and because she has seen friends regret their decisions to have sex and that the relationships have not lasted. "I want the person I have sex with to be committed to me for the rest of my life," Gonzalez said.

In a June 2010 "Her Campus" article, "The Black Sheep: Virgins in College," Victoria Uwumagorie wrote, "According to the CDC, those who choose to maintain their virginity past age 18 ... do so because of religious or moral qualms, fear of pregnancy and simply because they just haven't found the right person."

Other UT students like Russell Forsythe, a sophomore elementary education major, also believe students are not having as much sex as they say. "The guys talk about it to sound cool, but really they sound dumb," Forsythe said.

"The average person doesn't have sex every day, but they hear about it at least once a day," said Greg Byer, a sophomore psychology major.

All but one student interviewed believed that students talk about sex more than they partake.



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Tech president Guy Bailey appointed a seven-member search committee in December, with a plan to hire Myers' successor as soon as possible in order to make the transition smoother once Myers leaves.

Bailey said the offer was officially made to Hocutt late last Thursday after approval by the board of regents.

"We extended an offer to Hocutt late last Thursday evening, and he officially accepted the position Friday morning," he said. "He'll be in town this

upcoming Tuesday and Wednesday to attend a press conference regarding his hiring as our new athletic director."

There were numerous reasons leading Tech to offer the position to Hocutt instead of other possible candidates, Bailey said.

"He's an experienced athletic director of a major BCS school, and he is very highly regarded in the business," he said. "He is from Sherman, Texas, and played college football at Kansas State under Bob Stoops, so he has Texas roots and is experienced with our conference. We think he will be a good fit."

In Hocutt, a 38-year old native of Sherman, Tech athletics gets a man with experience in the Big 12 Conference having served

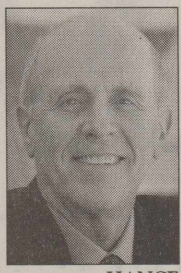
as a student-athlete and associate athletic director.

"As a former student-athlete and administrator, I am very familiar with the Big 12 Conference and look forward to returning to my home state of Texas," Hocutt continued in the statement.

Hocutt's experience in the conference begins with his days as a linebacker at Kansas State, where he spent five years as a student-athlete.

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**KENT HANCE**  
TEXAS TECH  
CHANCELLOR



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"This is a great day for Texas Tech University and for the future of all 17 of our intercollegiate sports," Tech chancellor Kent Hance said in a statement Friday. "Kirby is a visionary in the business of college athletics, and we believe that he will grow our athletics department into one of the best in the country."

Toward the end of his run with Sooners athletics, Hocutt worked as the associate athletics director, before becoming the athletic director at Ohio University on June 29, 2005.

In Hocutt's three years at the helm for Ohio, the school won a total of 11 team championships, and four Bobcat coaches earned Mid-American Conference Coach of the Year honors.

Hocutt's rise in college athletics continued with Miami, where he was introduced as the school's athletic director on Feb. 8, 2008, and officially began his tenure in Coral Gables, Fla., on June 1, 2008.

Notable moves by Hocutt include the hiring of Al Golden to coach the Hurricanes football team.

Hocutt's work was recognized in 2010 when he was named to *Street & Smith's SportsBusiness Journal* "Forty Under 40" list, which honors young executives in sports business—Hocutt was the only athletic director on the list.

As of press time Sunday, a time and location for Hocutt's official press conference had not been announced.

But Hocutt has not wasted time getting things started as the new Tech athletics director.

Following the Lady Raiders' 57-48 win against Oklahoma

State on Saturday in United Spirit Arena, Tech coach Kristy Curry said Hocutt had already reached out to her, leaving a voicemail on her phone.

Curry said Myers' contributions to Red Raider athletics will not be forgotten, but is excited to see what Hocutt brings to the table in the near future.

"I mean, Coach Myers means so much to all of us, and we're so thankful for what he's done for so many student-athletes over the years," Curry said. "You know, now it's time to pass it on to Kirby, and we're so proud that he's going to be leading the way, and we all look forward to working with him. We're really excited."

On Thursday, Tech regents also approved the construction of a chapel to be built on campus.

The \$3 million campus chapel, funded by two private donations of \$1.5 million each, will be built at the corner of 19th Street and University Avenue.

"It will be built using private funds and will be used for weddings and various other services," Bailey said. "Its uses will extend to current students, former students and alumni."

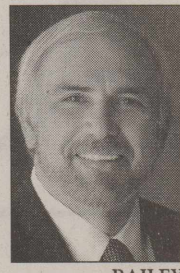
While the chapel may help the university bring in a small amount of extra revenue, Bailey said that is not necessarily one of the reasons it is being built.

"We like for things to always pay for themselves," he said, "but the chapel is being built as a resource for the entire campus to use."

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**Researcher selected for aquatic conference steering committee**

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George Cobb, a researcher at The Institute of Environmental and Human Health (TIEHH), has been selected for the steering committee for an aquatic conference. The conference takes place next month.

Cobb said the steering committee has many responsibilities and it is an honor to be a part of this one. There are two other members on the committee. The conference takes place March 29 through March 31 in Monterey, Calif.

"The steering committee plans the whole conference," Cobb said. "We come up with topics that should be discussed at the conference and choose who we want to invite to the conference."

Cobb said he was selected to be a part of the committee because of his friendship with Geoff Scott, a researcher at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) in Charleston, S.C.

"Geoff Scott is also a member of the steering committee," Cobb said. "A professor at California State, Santa Barbara, is also on the committee."

Cobb's colleagues said Cobb will make a great addition to the conference. Todd Anderson, professor of environmental toxicology at TIEHH, said Cobb is a revolutionary in his field.

"One of the dilemmas of our profession is collecting data without harming the subject," Anderson said. "Cobb discovered that instead of testing birds for different toxins they might have been exposed to, we can test the shell of the egg that bird was hatched in instead of testing and potentially harming the actual bird."

Cobb has made an influence on different professors in different departments. Andrew Jackson, professor of civil and environmental engineering, said he has seen Cobb speak at conferences before.

"Dr. Cobb is very knowledgeable in his field," Jackson said. "He has national and international influence. Dr. Cobb is well-known, and I think he will make a big impact on the conference."

Cobb said the itinerary is still being determined; however, he hopes to lead a few discussions during the conference.

Jackson said he and Cobb worked together multiple times during their time at Tech. Jackson and Cobb met 13 years ago at Tech.

"In engineering, we are more involved with the fates of the contaminants we study," Jackson said. "Dr. Cobb is more involved in the effects of contaminants. We usually compare samples since our research is opposite of each other."

Since the conference is near the ocean, Cobb said there will be some oceanic sampling happening.

"Here at TIEHH, we deploy people to collect aquatic samples," Cobb said. "These people send back a syringe full of liquid. This liquid has been collected on a sorbent material and is much easier to handle than 80 pounds of water."

Anderson agrees Cobb will make a great addition to the conference. Anderson said he and Cobb work in the same department at TIEHH.

"I work with Dr. Cobb on a daily basis," Anderson said. "I know he will plan an organized conference and he is connected enough and respected enough to pull in a large audience."

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**Women** ←  
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Elise Welsh, vice president of Alpha Omega Epsilon, strongly emphasized that WCOE women should be leaders.

"All of the women in this room are leaders," Welsh said.

She told the women to get involved in an organization if they were not previously in one. Not just the sorority, but any organization.

Senior associate dean and industrial engineering professor John Kozba spoke about the enrollment trends for women engineering students.

Kozba said the 403 women in the College of Engineering is a record for the school.

"The percentage of engineering students who are women has been steadily increasing and is currently over 11 percent," he said. "Unfortunately, the national average is around 20 percent, so we still have a lot of work to do."

The event capped the Pink Engineering Day that took place Thursday during the WCOE's Engineering Week.

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## 'Vagina Monologues' depicts real stories of domestic abuse

By SYDNEY HOLMES  
STAFF WRITER

With news stories like the Chris Brown and Rihanna assault scandal, it is no question violence against women exists in today's society.

The V-Day Lubbock Coalition aimed to raise awareness for domestic abuse in its performance of "The Vagina Monologues" on Saturday.

"The Vagina Monologues" is a play based on interviews with real women talking about real problems they have with society and the way it portrays them. All proceeds went directly to Women's Protective Services and Victim's Violence.

Amanda Evans, a graduate student studying counselor education from Las Cruces, N.M., portrayed a woman with an "angry vagina," a monologue she has been doing for the past five years.

Evans said people don't talk about violence against women enough, and she believes female abuse often gets swept under the rug. "I've worked at Women's

Protective Services for over two years," she said, "and I think one of the main problems is that people believed all these myths about violence and sexual assault. Like, 'What happens in the home stays in the home.' She asked for it, those kinds of things."

"I think what happens is that people think they're against it, but as a society they condone it because of the place women are in."

Evans said changing society's perspective is difficult, but she is doing her part.

"We're not all going to have the same passion when it comes to violence, but when we're all working toward the same thing and spreading the word," she said, "that's going to

be the most beneficial thing." Students are not the only ones getting involved in V-Day and helping combat media violence. Some Tech professors also participate.

Linda Kaye Larrabee, a sociology instructor at Tech, has made a reputation for herself in "The Vagina Monologues" in the past five years. Larrabee explained the importance of addressing female abuse in such a bold way in West Texas.

"I think it's all the more important in Lubbock because it is such a conservative place, and we don't talk about things that are uncomfortable," she said. "We don't talk about violence against women, and, therefore, it's ignored. We need to get it out there."

Though V-Day is not an anti-male organization, Larrabee said much of the responsibility in changing female violence lies within the men of our society.

"We have to change the awareness of the males," she said. "What one of our counselors tries to do is tell men to use their strength for good purposes."

One of the few males in attendance was a sophomore history major from Grand Prairie, Adam Peña. He said he is in full support of raising awareness.

"It's honestly something you don't hear every day, and it is good that they're getting the message out," he said. "In this way, it was serious; it was funny; it was dramatic. It's a different step to take."

Regardless of political affiliation, religion or any other ideology, Lubbock citizens joined together to promote female safety and security.

"We need to teach women that they don't have to tolerate it, and teach men not to do it," Larrabee said.

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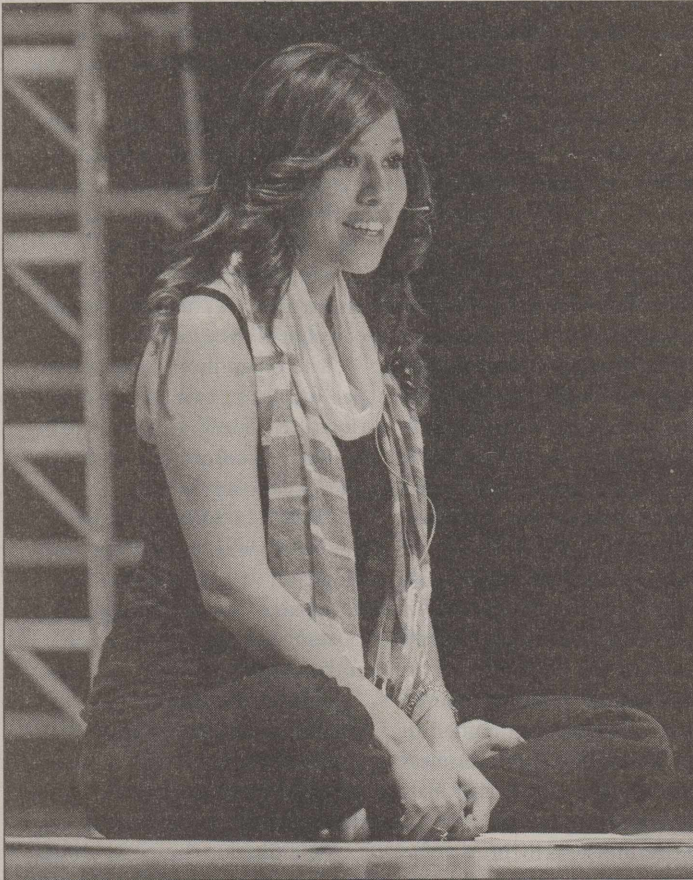


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GLORIA LERMA, A sophomore human development and family studies major from Houston, practices her monologue, "The Vagina Workshop," during rehearsals before V-Day Lubbock's presentation of "The Vagina Monologues" on Saturday in the Scottish Rite Learning Center.

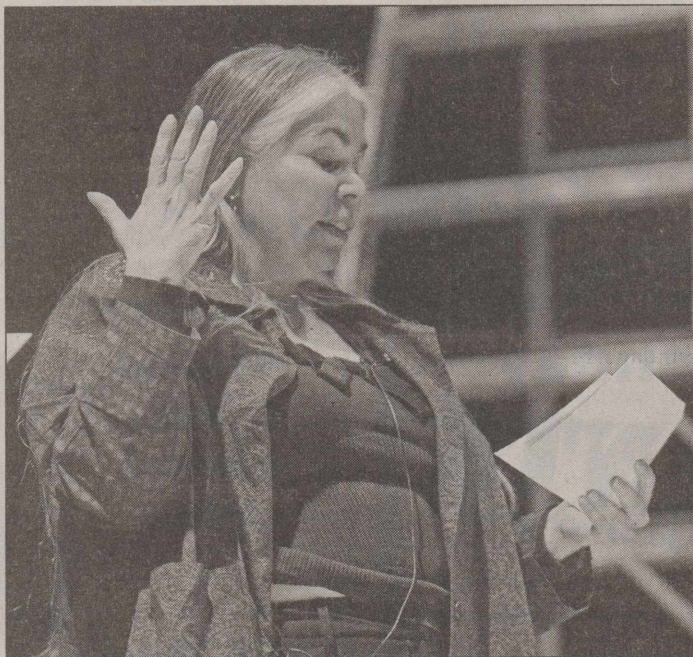


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ANISA ZVONKOVIC, V-DAY Lubbock faculty adviser, practices her part of the introduction during rehearsals before V-Day Lubbock's presentation of "The Vagina Monologues" on Saturday in the Scottish Rite Learning Center.

## Sibling Weekend brings families together, recruits

By HALLIE DAVIS  
STAFF WRITER

Though most students begin filling out college applications late in their high school careers, recruitment begins much earlier.

Texas Tech hosted its annual Siblings Weekend on Friday and Saturday for 8- to 15-year-old brothers and sisters of students.

Starting on Friday, the weekend was full of events for students and their siblings to attend. After registration, students and siblings could have dinner and then participate in a scavenger hunt, visit the 3-D animation lab, and see magician and comedian Derek Hughes.

Describing both the show and the weekend as "awesome," eighth-grader Krys Johnston said she enjoyed getting to go on stage for part of Hughes' act.

"I've always been dreaming of going onstage with someone famous," she said. "I never thought it would be a magician, but this will work."

Johnston attended sibling weekend with her older sister, DJ Smith, a freshman special education major from Lubbock.

"It has all been really fun," she said. "I'm not much of a school activities person, but this is great."

On Saturday, participants had breakfast at the Frazier Alumni Pavilion and then could attend a lecture by Albert Sacco, the dean of the College of Engineering, and Dominick Casadonte, a chemistry professor, about what to expect when coming to college.

Participants could then watch the football team practice and spend the rest of the day at the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center doing everything from decorating cookies to playing dodgeball.

Siblings received free access to every part of the rec center, manager Dustin Wimmer said.

The siblings of all ages seemed to enjoy the activities, said junior Adam Womble, a communications design major from Martin's Mill, who worked the event.

"They were the most well-behaved group of kids I've ever seen," Womble said. "It blew me away."

After the afternoon at the rec center, siblings could attend the Lady Raiders game for free and have dinner in United Spirit Arena.

"It shows the faculty and staff and everyone cares," Womble said, "not just about the student; they also care about their families."

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## Event gives weather advice

By SYDNEY HOLMES  
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The American Meteorological Society at Texas Tech hosted Severe Weather Awareness Day at the Science Spectrum on Saturday.

The event was created to educate Lubbockites about the dangers of weather and, since the weather in Lubbock often changes quickly, to also teach people about severe weather safety.

Jennifer Daniel, a master's student in atmospheric science from Arlington, is the president of the American Meteorological Society at Tech and was responsible for putting the event together. She said it is important for West Texans to understand why weather happens.

"We have a lot of different kinds of weather here in Lubbock," she said. "We feel it's important, especially coming into the severe weather season, to have families come in here and learn about weather safety in a fun, family environment."

Daniel explained the severe weather season is when storms become more intense and far more dangerous. She gave a few tips concerning how citizens can remain safe.

"Be prepared," she said. "Knowing what could come and having a plan ahead of time — that's probably the biggest thing we want people to leave here with. If there's severe weather, already know what you're going to do."

Chelsey Hopson, a sophomore marketing major from Allen, attended the event.

"I'm doing extra credit for my lab (teaching assistant)," she said. "But I think it's a really good way to learn stuff for my class."

Hopson said Lubbock weather has had a significant effect on her.

"Well, I grew up in the Dallas area, so I have only one kind of weather," she said. "Then I come to Lubbock, and it's completely different, and as we're learning stuff in class, it's kind of crazy to see exactly what goes into the weather here."

Another more well-known weather enthusiast in attendance was Steve Divine, weather forecaster for news station KCBD.

Divine explained the high stresses of his job, including how reporting the facts of severe weather while keeping the viewers calm has proven difficult.

"Getting people to realize that something significant may occur is hard, but you always have to keep in mind that it is a forecast," he said. "So it's going to unfold always a little bit differently than what the forecast is."

Though severe weather can sometimes be threatening, Jennifer Daniel said Lubbockites need to keep one thing in mind: "It's all about preparation."

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# Football

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"We've got a long way to go; we're not a real good team right now."

The scrimmage, Tech's first of the spring, began at 11:10 a.m. Saturday, consisted of 113 total plays and was open to the public.

Many familiar faces were on hand to showcase their abilities, such as the frontrunner for the open Tech quarterback spot, Seth Doege, and defensive players such as sophomore safety Cody Davis and junior linebacker Sam Fehoko.

Others, however, were limited to very little or no action at all.

Tech offensive coordinator Neil Brown said he and the other coaches had planned to limit some players' workload to open up opportunities for others.

"We purposely didn't get Eric Stephens much work," Brown said. "I think he got two carries ... I wanted to get Aaron Crawford a lot of work; we did, especially in short-yardage situations."

Crawford, given the chance, made the most of it.

The junior running back led all Red Raiders in rushing, accumulating 118 yards on the ground on 18 carries. Crawford spent most of last season as a third-string, situation-based running back behind Baron Batch and Stephens.

Freshman Ronnie Daniels, an early enrollee, could argue he was the biggest surprise of the scrimmage — Daniels rushed for 67 yards on 10 carries and scored two touchdowns.

Daniels said he is still in the process of adjusting to the college lifestyle.

"It feels a little weird because we're supposed to be in high school," he said, "but, I mean, just being around a lot of players aiming towards the same goal you are — it's comforting."

One of those freshmen aiming toward the same goal as Daniels is linebacker Blake Dees, who logged eight total tackles, putting him in a tie for second among all defenders.

Dees' current situation on defense resembles that of former Red Raider Bront Bird's predicament during spring football last year: a position change to accommodate a new defensive coordinator and scheme.

"I've never run (the 4-2-5) defense before," Dees said. "I've

never played middle linebacker before, but coming in here, I'm just trying to learn it all and do what I can."

Tech defensive coordinator Chad Glasgow was not available for comment after the scrimmage.

In the early going, Glasgow's scheme showed signs of having the stinginess of the units he once coached at TCU, where the Horned Frogs' have been ranked No. 1 nationally each of the last three seasons.

Glasgow's defense forced errors on behalf of quarterbacks Doege and Scotty Young, both throwing interceptions to defensive backs Russell Polk and D.J. Johnson.

That did not stop Tech's crop of gunslingers from eventually breaking through for some scores.

Leading all quarterbacks in yards and touchdowns was Doege, who threw for 246 yards and three scores. Doege completed 17-of-26 passes on the day.

Receiving the next biggest portion of the snaps was redshirt freshman Jacob Karam, who recorded two scores through the air to go along with 116 yards and zero interceptions.

Karam, a dual-threat quarterback, did fumble the ball twice.

Freshman Scotty Young also threw a pick, while early enrollee Michael Brewer threw for a score, rounding out the production from Tech quarterbacks.

Doege, the first-team signal caller

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**BLAKE DEES**  
LINEBACKER  
TEXAS TECH

for the time being, said he was pleased with some of the things he did but wants the offense to move quicker in its entirety.

"I felt pretty good on my pre-snap reads," Doege said. "I need to get the guys going a little faster again with the tempo. Overall, I felt good with my throws and

my pre-snap reads."

The scrimmage marked the end of the Red Raiders' opening week of spring ball, giving Tech a little less than four weeks before the spring game.

Offensive coordinator Brown said his offense, and the team as a whole, participated in a solid scrimmage.

But Brown was disappointed with the team's lack of leadership and excitement Saturday.

"The disappointing thing was we really had a lack of emotion at the start of the scrimmage," Brown said. "I didn't think we were really excited about being out here, and this is an emotion game."

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# Tech loses first game of season to BYU, wins two against NIU

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By **JOSE RODRIGUEZ**  
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Dan Spencer got his first opportunity to see how the Red Raiders would respond to a loss Saturday, after BYU dealt Tech baseball its first loss of the season, 8-3, on Friday.

The Red Raiders (7-1) bounced back nicely, responding with a six-run, first inning effort against Northern Illinois on Saturday — and Sunday.

"I like those sixes in the first (inning)," Spencer said following Tech's 15-3 win Saturday. "But the important part was the two (two-run innings) behind it and just keeping it on them a little bit and not giving them a real chance to get back in the game."

The six-run inning catapulted the Red Raiders to an easy win Saturday, as Tech starting pitcher Robbie Kilcrease took care of the rest by going seven innings on the mound, striking out six batters and giving up three earned runs on 105 pitches.

Tech ensured the victory by adding a two-run third, fourth and fifth inning to accompany a three-run seventh inning.

The Red Raiders combined to score 29 runs in two games against the Huskies. Tech scored a total of 43 runs in its previous six games.

Freshman utility player David Paiz said the offensive outburst during the weekend is a testament to the teachings of assistant coach Jim Horner.

"It's just concentrating on the middle of the field. Coach Horner in the cages just has us just working the middle and away, going to right field — think that helps a lot."

Sunday's 14-8 victory against the Huskies, however, did not



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TEXAS TECH PITCHER Daniel Coulombe throws a pitch during the Brooks Wallace Memorial Classic during Tech's 8-3 loss to BYU on Friday at Dan Law Field.

come as easily as Saturday's. One factor made sure both teams' path to victory would be difficult — the weather.

Wind gusts of more than 35 miles per hour, plus the mixture of dust, made for a difficult playing environment.

But Spencer said the weather should never be an excuse for his Red Raiders, seeing as how they get to practice in it all the time.

"We should be able to win the wind, there's no doubt about that," Spencer said. "We should be able to win in the wind and the dirt."

The wind factored into a few drops or misjudged plays by defenders from both squads, and made some hits possible that normally would not have come about.

Paiz said he does feel a difference when batting in such conditions, but it is more of a negative when playing defense.

"I think it's more defensively," he said. "At the plate, I think I

feel the same in the wind."

Excelling at the plate were Paiz and sophomore Jamodrick McGruder, both recording three hits. For Paiz, it was his second consecutive three-hit game, his third of the season.

McGruder, on the other hand, did something he, or any other Red Raider for that matter, has not done since last spring — hit two triples.

Northern Illinois' Troy White also hit two triples Sunday.

Tech shortstop Kelby Tomlinson tied McGruder in the RBI category, tallying three on a 2-for-5 performance.

The Red Raiders went back to their aggressive base-running ways, stealing a total of three bags to help set up several scoring opportunities.

That showed up in the box score, despite the fact Tech left 12 men on base.

But Spencer said the bottom line was his players made more plays when it mattered.

"But you know, we did enough to win," Spencer said, "we pitched just enough to win, we swung the bat enough to win and we made most of the plays."

The Red Raiders do not have much free time before having to get back on the field, though — Tech hosts UNLV at 5 p.m. Tuesday and at 1 p.m. Wednesday.

Following that, No. 3 TCU comes to town for a series all of the players have been waiting for.

Although the Red Raiders fell just a couple of plays short of being undefeated, first baseman Stephen Hagen said the turn of events during the weekend is something the team could build on entering a crucial week of play.

"It was good coming in the week, and we end up losing to BYU and being able to come back and score a bunch of runs the next two games is kind of what we needed going into this next week to face UNLV and TCU," Hagen said.

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# Win

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Trips to the charity stripe were key from this point on as the Lady Raiders scored nine of their final 16 points from the free-throw line. Tech finished the night 14 for 20 from the foul line.

The clinching shot came from Morris with 1:32 left in the game as she drained a clutch 3-pointer, giving Tech a five-point lead and eliminat-

ing any hopes of a Cowgirl comeback. This was the only field goal of the second half for Morris.

Senior forward Teena Wickett was the only other Lady Raider to break into double-digits as she racked up 11 points. Tech junior forward Kierra Mallard led the way on the glass, grabbing 10 rebounds.

Budke said he has seen a change in the Lady Raiders since the last time the teams met in Stillwater, Okla., a few weeks ago.

"To me, they look like a more confident team," he said. "They look like they understand the roles a little bit better of who needs to do what and when, and they're very efficient."

This victory came after Tech got blown out, 84-60, in College Station on Tuesday.

The Lady Raiders will have to keep that bounce-back mindset going into the final week of the season as they travel to Texas on Wednesday and No. 16 Oklahoma comes to town

Saturday. Both of these teams beat Tech earlier this season.

Morris said being resilient in this league is important, and this team knows how special this season can be.

"We never lost confidence," she said. "I think we had a tough game there, but we know and we never question how far we can make it even in the NCAA tournament. So I think we're going to stay positive like we have been."

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# SPORTS

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## OSU beats Tech 70-68

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Jean-Paul Olukemi lost his spot in Oklahoma State's starting lineup Saturday, but in the end, he won the game for the Cowboys.

The sophomore swingman scored 20 points, including the final six points for his team, and Oklahoma State broke a four-game losing streak by beating Texas Tech 70-68, boosting the Cowboys' hopes for a postseason bid.

Olukemi's three-point play put Oklahoma State (17-11, 5-9 Big 12) ahead 69-68 with 25.4 seconds left. After Texas Tech's Mike Singletary traveled with 8 seconds left, Olukemi was fouled and made one of two free throws. John Roberson missed a contested 3-point attempt at the buzzer that would have given Texas Tech (12-17, 4-10) the win.

"We needed a win badly and I think we played like we did," said Oklahoma State's Marshall Moses, who scored 14

points on 7 of 9 shooting.

Olukemi had started Oklahoma State's previous 11 games, but with the Cowboys struggling, coach Travis Ford opted to relegate Olukemi to the reserve role he'd played earlier in the season. Ford said he hadn't liked Olukemi's approach in recent games.

"You need to sit guys down at times, just sit them on the bench," Ford said. "I did that to him and he responded. I should have done it a long time ago. He may need some more of it. I told him after the game, 'Man, JP, whew! Great game, but you're not out of the doghouse yet.'"

Oklahoma State had harbored hopes of receiving an at-large NCAA tournament bid until the losing streak. Ford said that as the regular season winds down, the Cowboys need to focus on earning a possible trip to the National Invitation Tournament.

## FRESH FACE SHOWCASE

### Newcomers on display during first scrimmage

By JOSE RODRIGUEZ  
SPORTS EDITOR

Texas Tech football hosts its 2011 Spring Game on March 26, but until then, Saturday's scrimmage at Jones AT&T Stadium is the best and only indicator of what the 2011 Red Raiders could do on the field.

The final product, of course, is far from finished.

"I thought it started out pretty good defensively, then we ended up a lot better out on offense," Tech coach Tommy Tuberville said. "A lot of guys with stage fright; first time in a scrimmage in the stadium and had some good efforts."

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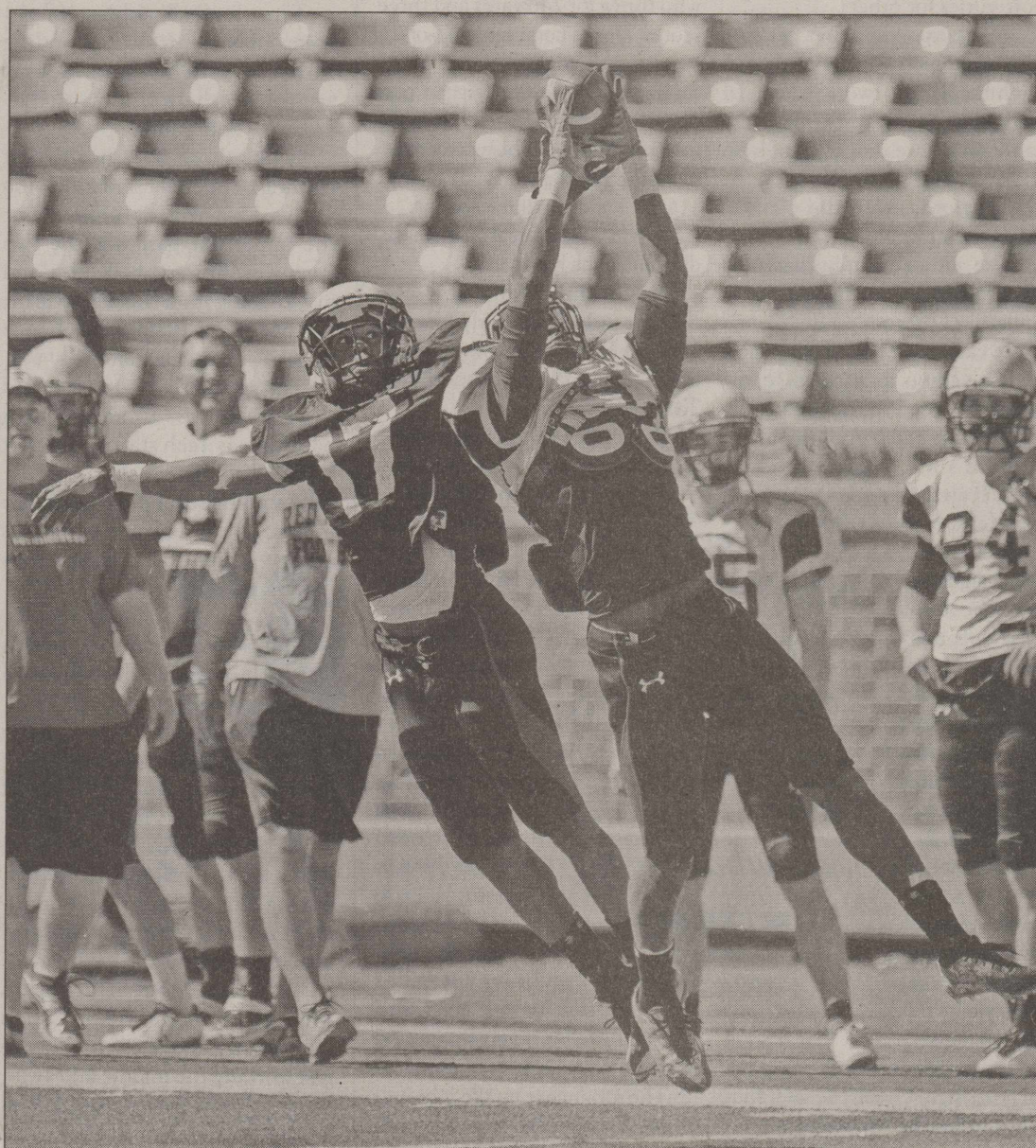


PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador  
TEXAS TECH WIDE receiver Shawn Corker catches a pass while defensive back Jeremy Reynolds defends during the football team's first scrimmage Saturday at Jones AT&T Stadium.

## Lady Raiders get 20<sup>th</sup> win

By JOSHUA KOCH  
STAFF WRITER

Behind Texas Tech sophomore guard Casey Morris' 17-point performance Saturday, the Lady Raiders recorded their 20th win of the season beating Oklahoma State 57-48.

This is the first time Tech has reached the 20-win mark since the 2004-05 campaign, when it finished 24-8.

After the game, Cowgirls coach Kurt Budke said with this victory the Lady Raiders have earned a trip to the tournament. Tech coach Kristy Curry responded to that statement and said that may be so, but the season is not over yet and there is work to still be done.

"I think what's important is I just try to get my team to understand that we've got two great opportunities next week and that we need to embrace that opportunity better than we did today in spots," she said. "Hopefully I got their attention, and we'll continue to work on that Monday."

"But it's the time of year as a player that you really need to just grab a hold of and make sure that you make the most of it because it's about opportunity, and we have a great opportunity next week. All we need to do is worry about Texas and winning the next game, and let our tournament hopes take care of themselves."



PHOTO BY BRAD TOLLEFSON/The Daily Toreador  
TEXAS TECH CENTER Teena Wickett and Cowgirls forward Toni Young battle for a loose ball during the Lady Raiders' 57-48 victory against Oklahoma State on Saturday in United Spirit Arena.

Despite the score being in favor of the Lady Raiders (20-8, 7-7 in Big 12 Conference play) when the final buzzer sounded, the win did not come without a fight.

The game started with a 19-4 run by the Lady Raiders, and it looked as though they were going to make easy work of the Cowgirls (15-12, 3-11). Oklahoma State was not going to lie down, firing right back with a 10-0 run to pull within five, but the Cowgirls had no answer for Morris in the first half.

Back-to-back Morris 3-pointers ended the first half with Tech leading 31-23. The sophomore finished the game with all of her field goals coming from behind the 3-point arc.

The victory looked to be in hand, but with nine minutes and 38 seconds left in the game, the Cowgirls grabbed their only lead in the midst of a 14-2 run. Oklahoma State's lead was short-lived as Tech reclaimed it with 6:46 left in regulation and never let up again.

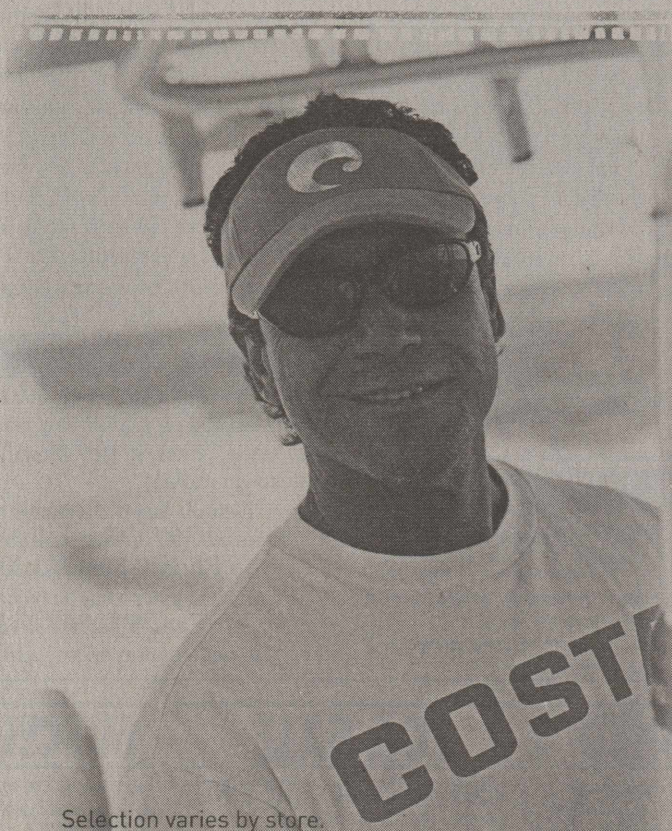
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# New Facebook status update options applauded by gay users

NEW YORK (AP)—Jay Lassiter is no longer "in a relationship."

Let's clarify that: Lassiter, a media adviser for political campaigns who lives in Cherry Hill, N.J., is still with his partner of nearly eight years, Greg Lehmkhuo. But since Thursday, when Facebook expanded its romantic-status options, Lassiter's profile there echoes his relationship's legal status: "Domestic partnership."

It may not be a life-altering change. After all, you can call yourself anything you want on a social network. And Facebook is merely that.

But, Lassiter notes: "I'm no different from all those other Facebook users whose identity is tied up with their Facebook pages, for better or for worse."

And so, he says: "It's high time. It's an affirming gesture. It's sort of one tiny step for gays, but a giant leap for gay rights."

Facebook's addition of civil unions and domestic partnerships to the list of relationships its users can pick from came after talks with

gay rights organizations, including GLAAD, the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation.

The social network has "sent a clear message in support of gay and lesbian couples to users across the globe," said GLAAD's president, Jarrett Barrios. "By acknowledging the relationships of countless loving and committed same-sex couples in the U.S. and abroad, Facebook has set a new standard of inclusion for social media."

He added that the new status options, available to Facebook users in the U.S., Canada, Britain, France and Australia, will serve as an important reminder that legal marriage is not an option for gay couples in most states.

Only Iowa, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Washington, D.C. allow same-sex marriages. This week Hawaii becomes the seventh state to permit civil unions or similar legal recognition for gay couples.

Of course, there's also a Facebook option to say "It's complicated" — and that's exactly how some users

felt about the new changes. Because, for people both gay and straight, more options mean more decisions to make: What exactly is my relationship, and what should I call it?

"You go into a store and there are 27 kinds of soda, and sometimes it would be easier if there were just Coke and Pepsi," explains Erik Rueter, who works in marketing at an educational nonprofit institution in Pittsburgh.

To Rueter, the essence of his relationship is crystal clear: He and his partner, Robb, will be together forever. "We complete each other's sentences," he says. "We'll be sitting there in the nursing home, gumming up each other's food, chasing each other in our wheelchairs."

Two years ago, Rueter, 34, proposed to his partner on bended knee, despite the fact that in Pennsylvania they cannot marry. They've been engaged ever since, and that's been his Facebook status — until Thursday, when he changed it to domestic partnership.

But Rueter is conflicted about

the change.

"Part of me wants to go back to 'engaged' — because I still am," he says. "Part of me wants to say 'married,' as in, 'I don't care what the law says.' And part of me says, 'It's just Facebook!'"

And then ANOTHER part of Rueter tells him just how powerful and influential Facebook is, with well over 500 million users across the globe. "Just having the option to say, 'This is what my relationship is' is a really good thing," he says.

It can be a good thing for some straight Facebook users, as well. Michael Stimson, a Scot who lives in Marseille, France, is not married to his partner, Izzy (short for Isabelle), but they live together and have a young son. He's just changed his status from blank to domestic partnership.

For Stimson, it helps to clarify to other users with whom he's chatting that he is not, well, available. "People do flirt with you on the Internet," he says. "I like to put them in the picture a wee bit, so there's no confusion."

# Las Vegas wedding chapels deal with love recession

LAS VEGAS (AP)—Las Vegas' love life is in the dumps.

Fewer than 92,000 couples married in or around Sin City last year. The last time the city of drive-through wedding chapels married fewer people, it was 1993.

The wedding industry hopes Valentine's Day provides some much needed sizzle, but they aren't betting on it.

With it falling on a weekday, the celebration isn't expected to be as hot as year's past when lovers took advantage of the day falling on a weekend to go to the altar.

The love recession is a real heart-ache for Vegas.

"The volume is down," said Joni Moss, a longtime Las Vegas wedding planner and founder of the Nevada Wedding Association, a business group. "The number speaks for itself. And people are just spending less."

Small mom-and-pop chapels have been hit the hardest, Moss said.

In Nevada, 85 percent of all marriages start in Clark County, which includes Las Vegas, and almost five percent of all marriages in the country become official near the neon marquees and smoky gambling halls of the Las Vegas Strip.

While Nevada was 35th in the nation in population in 2009, it's fifth in marriages, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

Marriages peaked in the county in 2004, when 128,250 couples tied the knot. Fewer people said "I do" in each subsequent year.

Nevada wedding professionals said the longtime drop in new marriage licenses is not a reflection of Las Vegas's waning popularity. They blame the double-barrel woes of a national recession and the ebbing interest in the holy state of matrimony.

Local governments, which issue marriage licenses, are also reeling from the loss of wedding income.

Clark County made more than \$7

million in its wedding prime in 2004. Last year, wedding-related revenue dwindled to roughly \$5.5 million. Coupled with declining property taxes, the wedding bust is a real bruise, County Clerk Diana Alba said.

"It does affect the revenue that comes in," she said. "It is a major part of the tourism."

To help offset declining revenue, the clerk's office stopped offering 24-hour wedding licenses in 2006, Alba said.

"The marriage demographic is aging," she said. "The baby boomer generation is all getting old. Marriage goes in and out of fashion and I think right now it is not as fashionable to get married."

In good years, Las Vegas weddings pump \$643 million into the local economy, said Alicia Malone, a spokeswoman with the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority. About 1 million people visit Sin City each year to attend a wedding, she said.

To make up for the wedding downturn, chapels are encouraging long-time couples to renew their vows and promoting commitment ceremonies for gay grooms and brides. Gay marriage is prohibited in Nevada.

At Viva Las Vegas Wedding Chapel, business was up 20 percent in 2010 compared with 2009 partly because of the chapel's outreach to already married couples, said Brian Mills, general manager.

The chapel offers the kind of wedding frills Las Vegas is famous for: couples can get married by "Alice Cooper," "Tom Jones," and "Marilyn Monroe," among other celebrity impersonators. In the most popular package, the bride can roll down the aisle in a vintage 1964 pink Cadillac driven by an Elvis Presley-lookalike.

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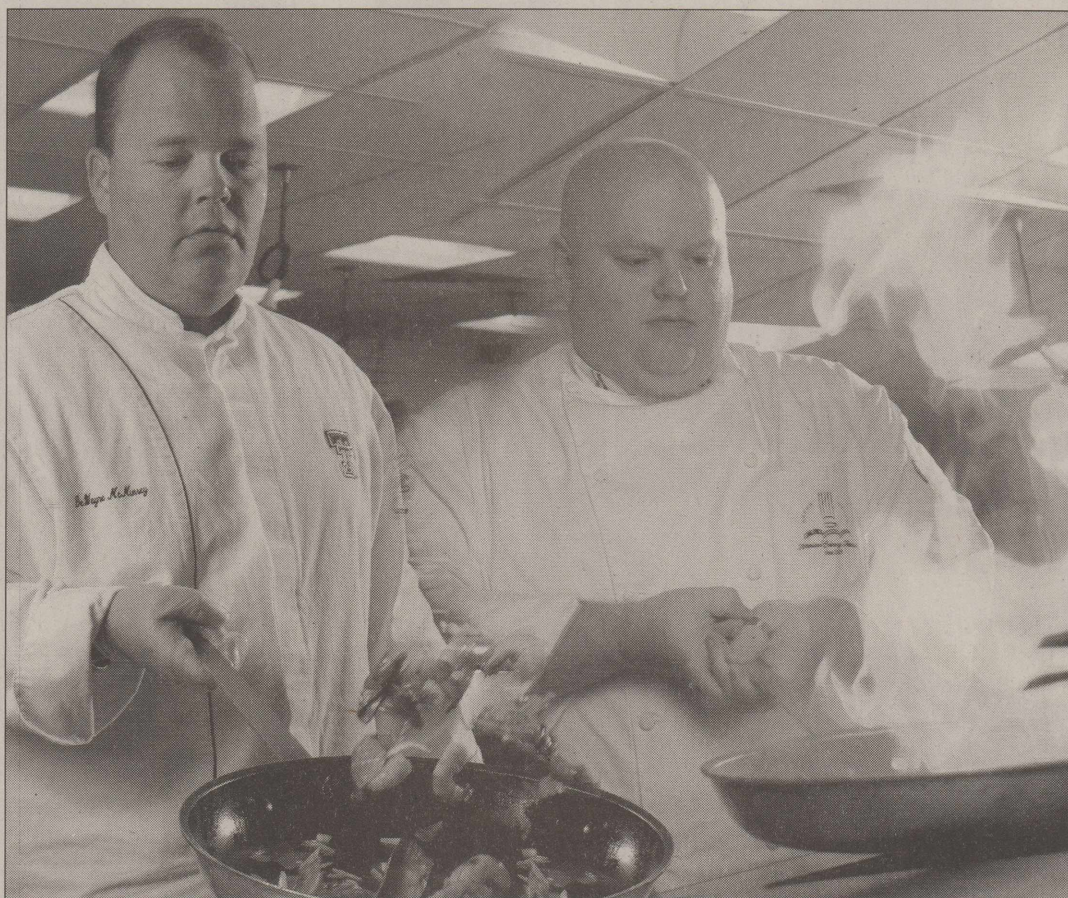
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# On-campus dining plan the way to go

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Today's college students have plenty of things to keep us busy. Undeniably, in a world this fast paced, not having enough time is one thing that links most of us together.

When I am on campus, food is the last thing I want to worry about and now I don't have to! Getting a commuter dining plan has become the answer when my stomach starts calling. Now when I grab a bite to eat I never have worry about carrying cash and it's a lot quicker than paying with a credit card because my plan is right on my student ID. The best thing about my commuter dining plan is the discount! I actually save money when I eat with my com-

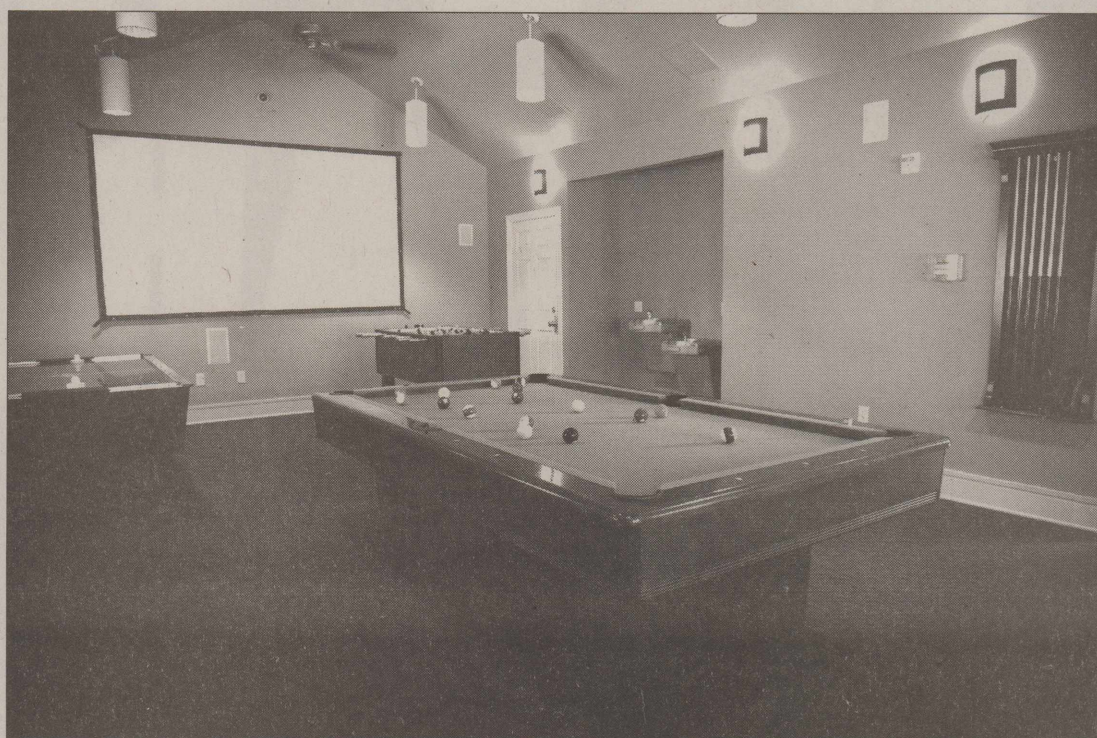
muter dining plan!

What surprised me the most about my commuter dining plan was the fact that it's accepted at every Hospitality Services location on campus and the food choices are endless. In addition to Chick-fil-A, The Union Bistro and all the great choices in the Student Union Building, I found a huge selection of food venues all across campus. No matter where my classes are there is a Sam's Place Mini-market just around the corner so I am never far from food. Plus there's Sam's Express kiosks in the School of Engineering, School of Law, the Health Science Center and now the Library!

Whether I'm looking for a quick snack or complete meal, my commuter dining plan allows me to eat where I want, when I want. There are three different plans to choose from which made it easier for me to get the right plan. Plus, I was able to add my commuter dining plan directly to my tuition statement. I purchased my commuter dining plan online from Texas Tech Raiderlink, but you can also add them in the ID/Raider Card Office in the SUB or from [www.raidercard.ttu.edu](http://www.raidercard.ttu.edu).

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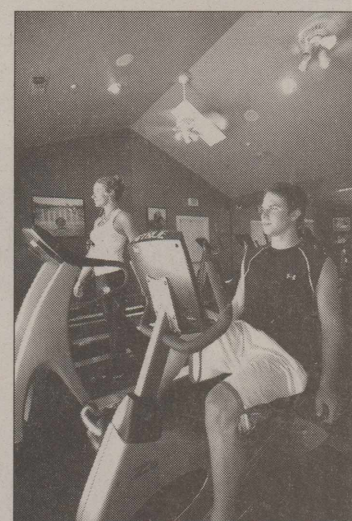
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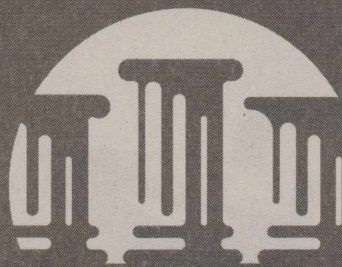
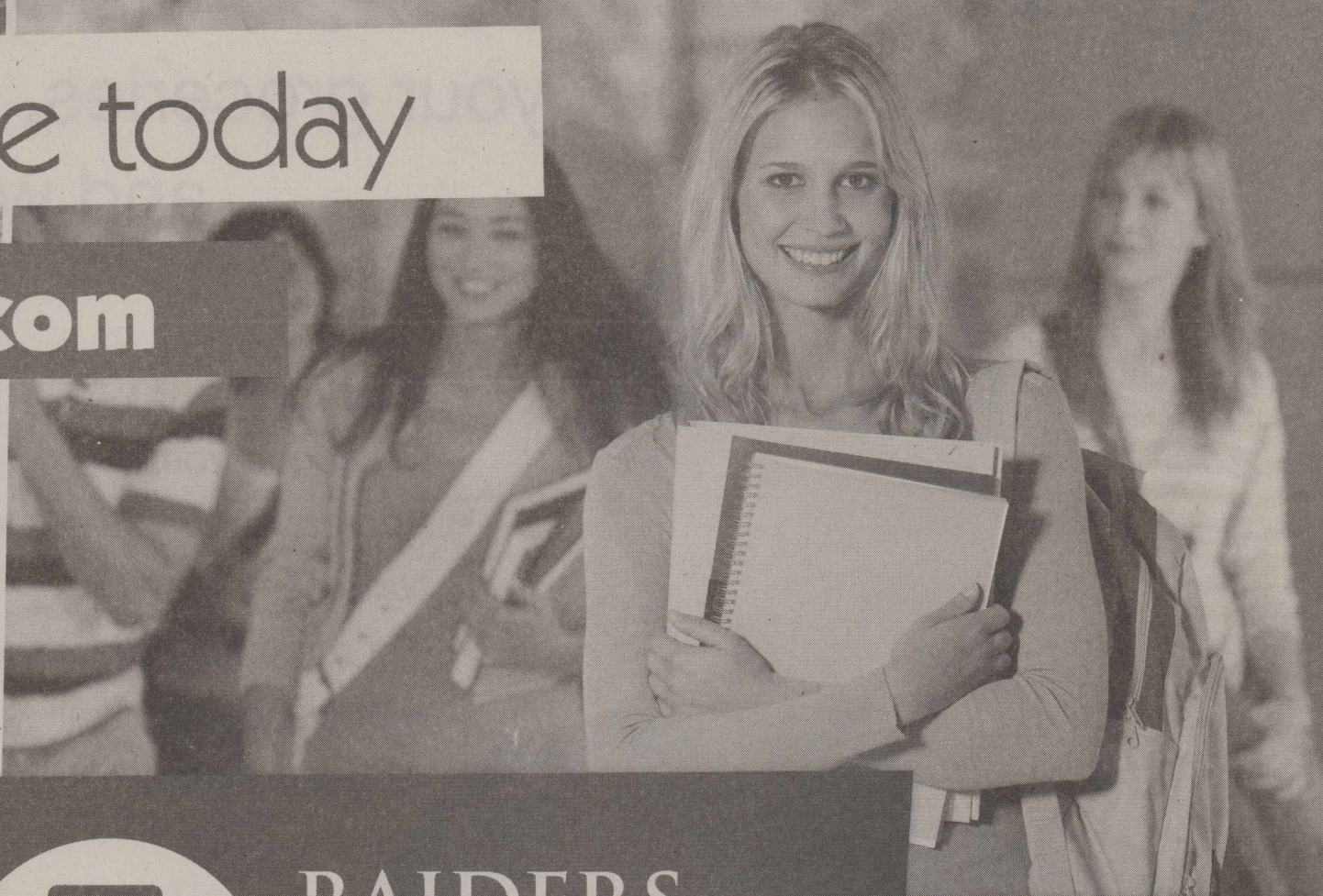
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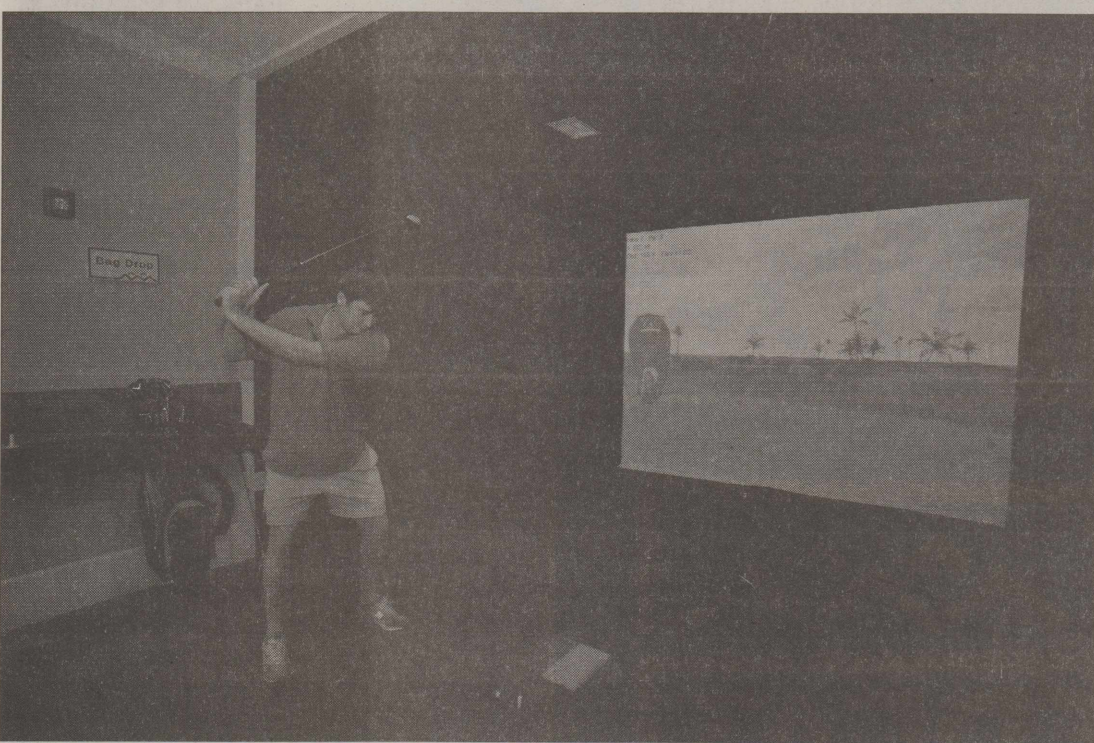


living here isn't just the privacy of the cottages- it's all of the activities and amenities. My friends always want to come to my place!"

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Cassie McCay, from The Retreat at Lake Tamaha says, "The Retreat has the comforts of home with the vibe of college. I wouldn't live anywhere else." The Retreat at Lake Tamaha is the winner of the Multifamily Executive National Student Housing Project of the Year Award. This award speaks to the well-rounded, ultimate lifestyle that only The Retreat can provide.



## NYC sale of Lena Home's belongings nets \$316,000

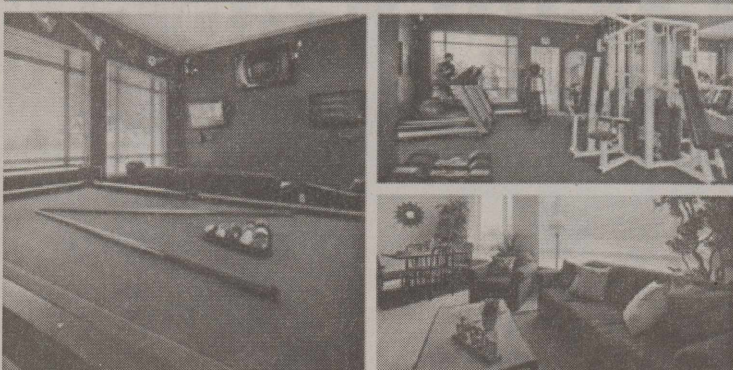
NEW YORK (AP) — The estate of sultry jazz singer and actress Lena Home has sold some of the fancy gowns, jewelry, fine art and books that filled her New York City apartment.

The auction of more than 200 items brought a sales total of \$316,000 Wednesday at the Doyle New York auction house. That was double the total the sale was expected to bring in.

Among the items sold was a small Louis Vuitton trunk with stickers inscribed "Lena Home Hayton" that went for \$20,000. It had been estimated at up to \$700.

Other items also sold well above their estimated. A reversible mink coat by Home's favorite designer, Giorgio di Sant' Angelo, sold for \$8,125. It had been estimated to bring in up to \$500.

But an abstract painting by artist Charles Alston that was expected to bring up to \$50,000 was sold for \$20,000. Home died in May at age 92.



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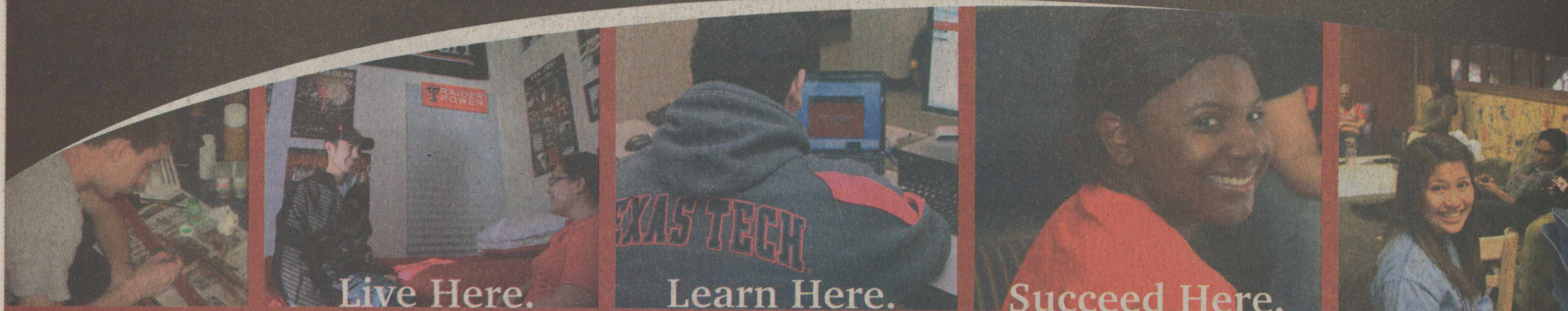
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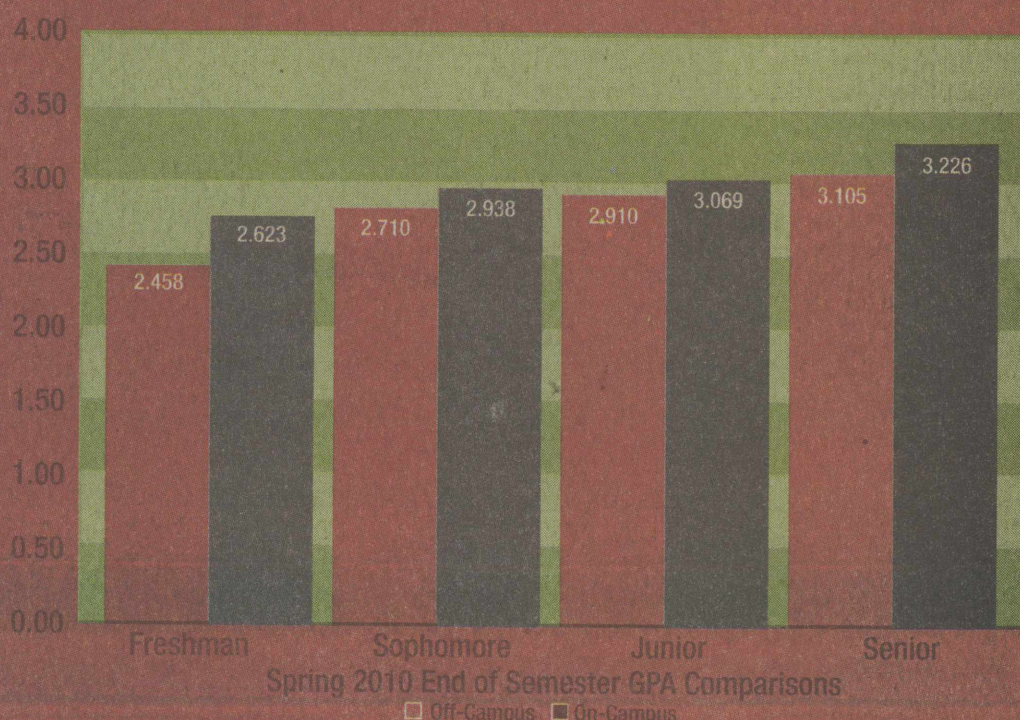
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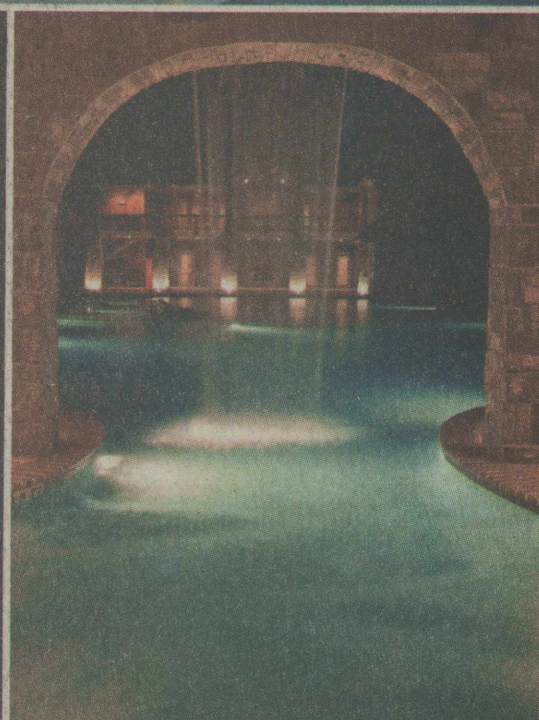
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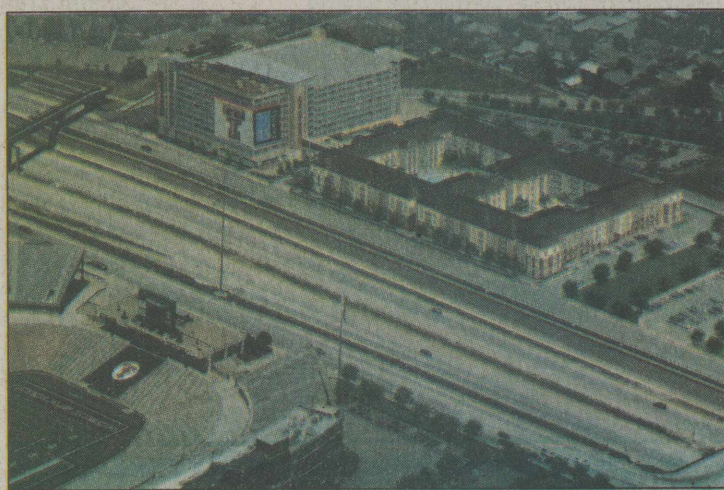
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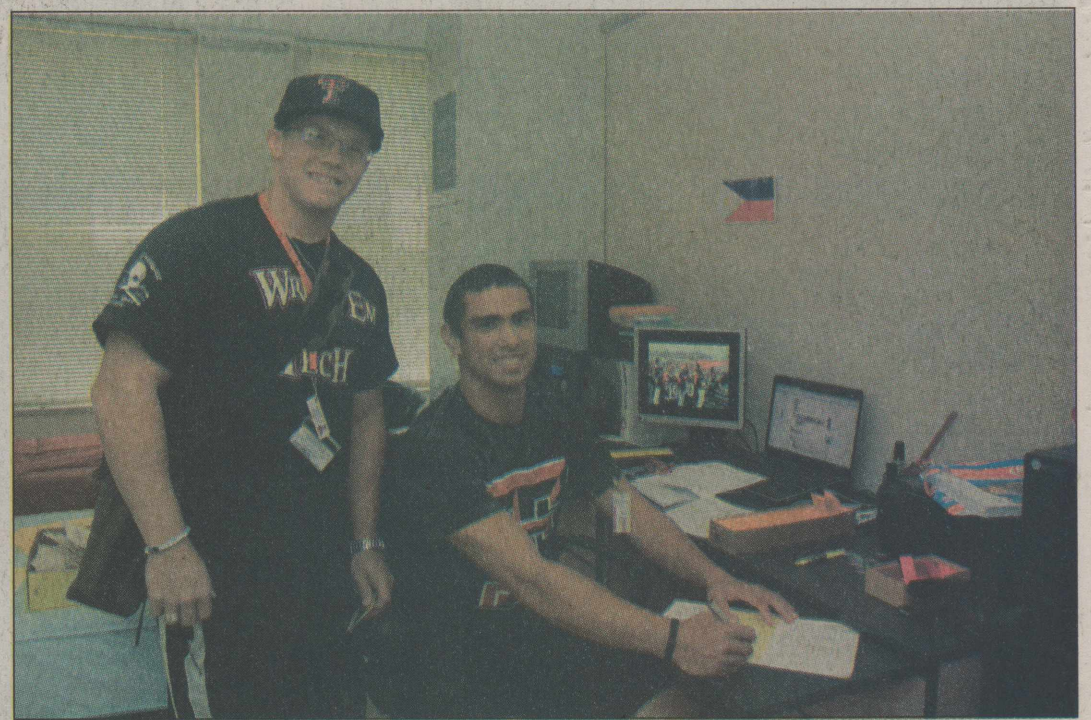
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ing Communities and what each offers its participants please visit [www.housing.ttu.edu](http://www.housing.ttu.edu).

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# Jefferson's books found in Mo. university library

(AP) — Dozens of Thomas Jefferson's books, some including handwritten notes from the nation's third president, have been found in the rare books collection at Washington University in St. Louis.

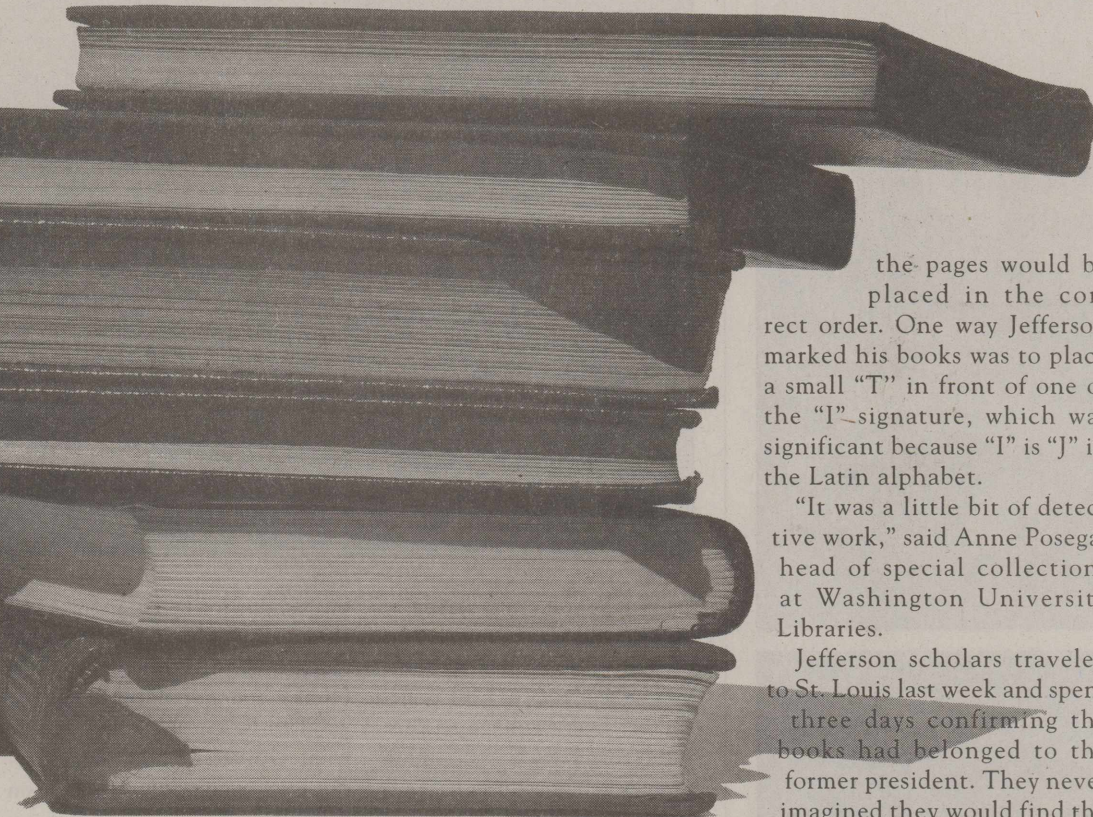
Now, historians are poring through the 69 newly discovered books and five others the school already knew about, and librarians are searching the collection for more volumes that may have belonged to the founding father.

Even if no other Jefferson-owned books are found, the school's collection of 74 books is the third largest in the nation after the Library of Congress and the University of Virginia.

"It is so out of the blue and pretty amazing," said Washington University's rare books curator Erin Davis of the discovery that was announced on President's Day.

The books were among about 3,000 that were donated to the school in 1880 after the death of Jefferson's granddaughter, Ellen Wayles Randolph Coolidge, and her husband, Joseph Coolidge.

There was no indication at the time that any of them had belonged to Jefferson. But it turns out that 2 1/2 years after



the pages would be placed in the correct order. One way Jefferson marked his books was to place a small "T" in front of one of the "I" signature, which was significant because "I" is "J" in the Latin alphabet.

"It was a little bit of detective work," said Anne Posega, head of special collections at Washington University Libraries.

Jefferson scholars traveled to St. Louis last week and spent three days confirming the books had belonged to the former president. They never imagined they would find the books in one place.

"I think the assumption was either they were with the family or dispersed," Tay said.

Among the significant finds is an architectural book that Jefferson consulted when he designed the University of Virginia. Jefferson didn't write in his books as much as some of his contemporaries, but his handwriting is clearly visible in the book. In another book, they found a small scrap of paper with Greek notes in Jefferson's hand.

A few of the volumes have been placed on display, and the school is welcoming Jefferson scholars to review the newly discovered books. But the search is far from over.

"We think we are going to find more treasures," Tay said.

Jefferson's 1826 death, his library of 1,600 books was sold to settle debts. Ellen Coolidge's grandfather helped oversee her schooling when she lived at his mountaintop estate at Monticello when she was a teenager and young adult.

She was eager to acquire some of her grandfather's books, and her husband wrote her brother-in-law, Nicholas Trist, and told him what they wanted him to buy them at the auction. They were particularly interested in books that contained Jefferson's notes or other marks.

"My dear N. — I beg you to interest yourself in my behalf in relation to the books; remember that his library will not be sold again, and that all

the memorials of T.J. for myself and children, and friends, must be secured now! — this is the last chance!" the letter reads.

Two researchers, Ann Lucas Birlle and Endrina Tay, began searching for what became of the couple's library last year. The researchers' big break came in October, when they learned the Coolidges' daughter and son-in-law had a relationship with one of the founders of Washington University and donated the books to the school.

In the hand-pressed books that were common in Jefferson's day, printers would place the letters of the alphabet — called signatures — at the bottom of some pages so that when the books were bound,

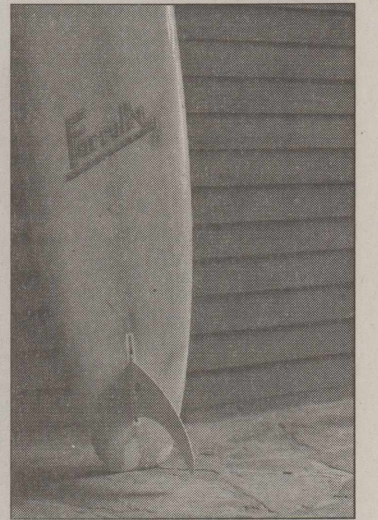
# South Padre's wind, waves are perfect for water sports

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, (AP) — South Padre Island is famous as a spring break destination, with concerts, bikini contests and plenty of partying by the college kids who flock here by the tens of thousands throughout March. But South Padre isn't just beaches, bars and dance parties. It's also home to a major water-sports scene, with year-round surfing, kiteboarding, windsurfing and other activities.

South Padre sits on the south end of the 34 mile-long Padre Island, which is the longest barrier island in the world. On the ocean side of the narrow strip, the island is bordered by the Gulf of Mexico, while three blocks to the east, the bay side sits on Laguna Madre Bay. South Padre Island has a small year-round population, about 5,000, but spring break and summer vacations bring a million tourists a year. March is the busiest month after the summer months, with massive events like the Coca Cola Spring Break party at the Isla Grand Beach Resort attracting crowds of 12,000 to 18,000 college students daily for much of March.

But even spring-breakers will find plenty to do here aside from partying and lying on the beach: deep-sea fishing, parasailing, golfing, horseback riding, banana boat rides. For nature-lovers, there are over 300 species of birds, a turtle rescue center that offers tours, and boat rides to see dolphins. Riding the shuttle from the Brownsville airport across the 2 1/2-mile-long Queen Isabella Memorial Bridge, I spotted a sign warning of low-flying pelicans as one swooped off to my right.

A steady airstream in spring and fall make Laguna Madre



Bay a popular place for activities that rely on wind, like kiteboarding and windsurfing. Except for a narrow shipping channel, the water is just 3 to 4 feet deep from the island most of the way across to Port Isabel on the mainland several miles away. The shallow, calm water on the bay side makes it easy for water-sport beginners to right themselves. Waves provide more of a challenge on the Gulf side for surfers and boarders with more experience. In March, water temperatures range from low to high 60s, with air temperatures from the 70s to 80s. Full wetsuits aren't usually needed, though some spring breakers may pair a wetsuit shirt with bikini bottoms or shorts.

With a couple of friends, I headed to a local surf shop, Island Native, to rent surfboards and take a lesson. We piled into a pickup truck and took off for the jetties at Isla Blanca Park, about a two-minute drive from the shop. Dave Nowak, co-owner of Island Native and an avid surfer, has been in South Padre since 1980. He says he's lived in many other places, including California, but prefers the friendly, laidback surf community here.

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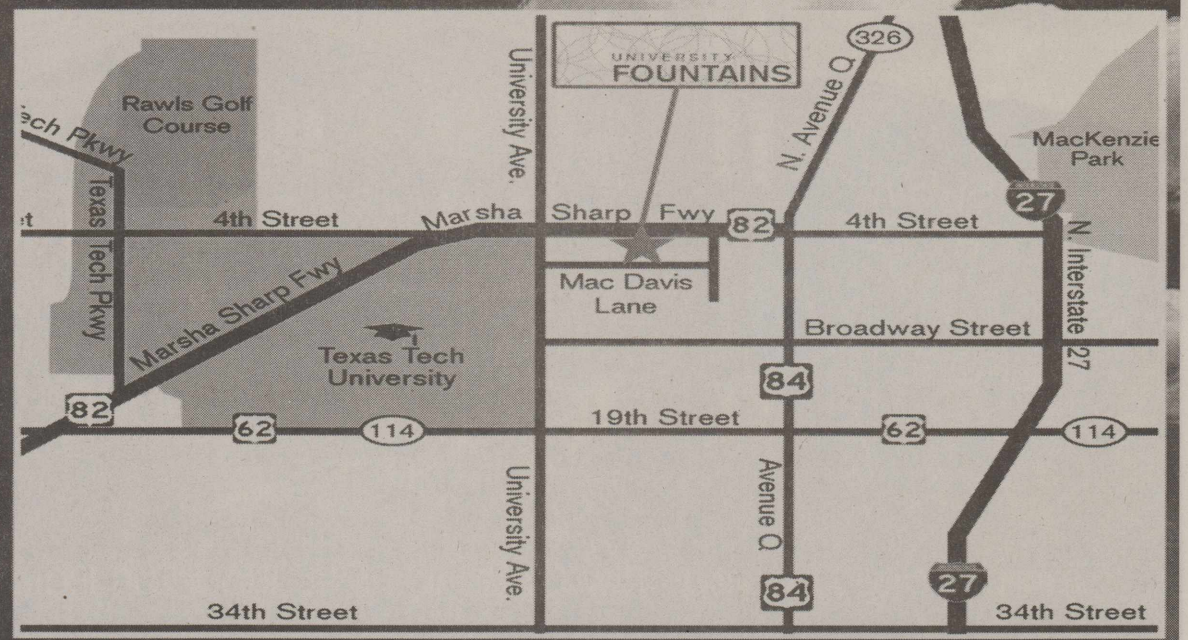
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# Why ULofts is the best place for you

When my freshman year at Tech was coming to a close, my friends and I began looking for apartments for our sophomore year.

At that time there were really only three apartment complexes within walking distance, so I chose to live at the one that was closest one to Tech at that time.

It ended up that this complex wasn't right for me— for starters, the "fitness center" consisted of a treadmill in a closet with a mirror hanging on one wall to presumably make the closet look bigger. Needless to say, I moved from that complex to the one right behind it.

My experience at that second apartment was far from pleasant as well.

At this time, a few more apartment complexes were opening around Tech. By the time my lease was up at the second apartment complex, I was tired of living with roommates and needed a one bedroom. ULofts had just opened and I had a friend who had already signed a lease there, so I signed a lease as well for my first one bedroom apartment.

This was a completely different living experience than the previous two complexes where I had lived.

First of all, the quality of everything inside the actual apartment was much nicer— actual granite in the bathroom and kitchen instead of Formica, glass end tables and coffee tables instead of cheap laminate wood and ceramic tile instead of laminate flooring in the bathroom and kitchen.

Aside from this, the whole complex was quieter than the previous ones I had lived at. I believe this is because there are only one and two bedroom units as opposed to two, three, and four bedroom units at other complexes.

Besides the quality of the apartment and the quieter atmosphere, I felt much safer at ULofts because the building is enclosed.

For example, at the other complexes I lived at, the buildings were open to the outside and therefore anyone had access to your front door.



At ULofts, there is secured access to all entry points to the building and there are security cameras lining the hallways for extra safety.

The things that I liked best about ULofts versus the other nearby complexes that I lived at previously were the sense of community

with fun events, raffles, contests, and drawings, the location (closest apartment complex to Tech), and the inclusiveness of the rent (fully

furnished, washer and dryer, all bills paid with no caps).

If you are looking for an apartment to live at, whether you are

just getting out of the dorms, or are unhappy at your current complex, I would suggest living at ULofts— it will be a step worth taking.

## Diet soda tied to stroke risk, but reasons unclear

LOS ANGELES (AP)—It's far from definitive proof, but new research raises concern about diet soda, finding higher risks for stroke and heart attack among people who drink it everyday versus those who drink no soda at all.

The beverage findings should be "a wakeup call to pay attention to diet sodas," said Dr. Steven Greenberg. He is a Harvard Medical School neurologist and vice chairman of the International Stroke Conference in California, where the research was presented on Wednesday.

A simple solution, health experts say, is to drink water instead.

Doctors have no chemical or biological explanation for why diet soda may be risky. It could be that people who drink lots of it also fail to exercise, weigh more, drink more alcohol or have other risk factors like high blood pressure and smoking. However, the researchers took these and many other factors into account and didn't

see a change in the trend.

"It's reasonable to have doubts, because we don't have a clear mechanism. This needs to be viewed as a preliminary study," said lead researcher Hannah Gardener of the University of Miami.

But for those trying to cut calories, "diet soft drinks may not be an optimal substitute for sugar-sweetened beverages," she said.

The numbers come from the Northern Manhattan study, which enrolled about 2,500 adults over 40 in the New York area from 1993 to 2001 through random phone calls. Half are Hispanic and one-fourth are black, making it one of the few studies to look at these risks in minorities, who have higher rates of stroke.

Participants filled out a standard survey about their diets at the start of the study, and their health was tracked for nearly 10 years. In that time there were 559 strokes or heart attacks, 338 of them fatal.

Daily diet soda drinkers (there were 116 in the study) had a 48 percent higher risk of stroke or heart attack than people who drank no soda of any kind (901 people, or 35 percent of total participants). That's after taking into account rates of smoking, diabetes, waistline size and other differences among the groups.

No significant differences in risk were seen among people who drank a mix of diet and regular soda.

Earlier studies have tied diet and regular soda consumption to greater risk of diabetes and a group of weight-related problems called the metabolic syndrome.

Some diet soda critics have suggested it can promote a sweet tooth, affecting behavior and how much of a person's diet comes from sugary sources rather than healthier fruits, vegetables and grains.

These sorts of studies just observe groups of people and are not strong enough evidence to prove risk.

"It's too preliminary to suggest any dietary advice," but other big studies should look at this question, Gardener said.

Greenberg, of the stroke association, called it "a real-world" look at possible risk.

Dr. Maureen Storey, senior vice president of science policy for the American Beverage Association, said in a statement that there is no evidence "that diet soda uniquely causes increased risk of vascular events or stroke."

"The body of scientific evidence does show that diet soft drinks can be a useful weight management tool, a position supported by the American Dietetic Association. Thus, to suggest that they are harmful with no credible evidence does a disservice to those trying to lose weight or maintain a healthy weight."

The beverage group's statement also noted researchers didn't adjust their results for family history of stroke. Gardener, the researcher, said that's not "a substantial weakness."

The same federally funded study also looked at a more conventional health risk—salt. It found higher risks for people eating more than 1,500 milligrams a day. That's the limit the American Heart Association recommends, but last week's new dietary guidelines from the government say it's OK to have a little more.

Researchers found that stroke risk rose 16 percent for every 500 milligrams of salt consumed each day. Those who took in 4,000 or more milligrams of salt had more than 2.5 times greater risk of stroke compared to those who limited themselves to 1,500 milligrams.

A teaspoon of salt contains about 2,300 milligrams of sodium. About three-fourths of the salt we eat, though, comes from processed foods, especially tomato sauce, soups, condiments, and canned foods.

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