

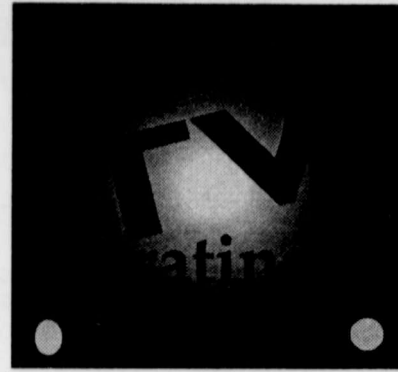
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Texas Tech students were not affected by a bad batch of influenza shots. Read about how the flu can be prevented.

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Chancellor looks to move on campus

by Kristi Rieken/UD

Chancellor John T. Montford soon could be spending his nights as well as his days on the Texas Tech campus.

At a special meeting Dec. 13, the Tech Board of Regents approved the sell of a house intended to be the chancellor's residence that had served as the Tech president's house in years past. Tech officials hope to use revenue from the sale of the house at 4603 21st St. and additional private donations to construct a residence on campus for the chancellor.

"Regents approved the sale of the



Montford
Jim Crowson.

Montford never lived at the 4603 21st St. residence, and Crowson said the house is not on the market yet, but officials are in the process of doing so.

As for why the current residence was not sufficient, Crowson said regents simply wished to have the chancellor's residence on campus.

house that the university owns, and, in the interim, a house will be leased for the chancellor and his family," said Deputy Chancellor

Tech Board of Regents approves sale of president's former home

"It would just be better ultimately for the chancellor's house to be on campus," he said.

One Tech student said she thought building the chancellor's house on campus would be a good idea.

"Building the house on campus would be practical," said Jenny Harland, a sophomore music major from Abilene. "Since the chancellor is the leader of our campus, I think it would be the start of a nice tradition for him to live on campus."

Regents have not devised a time-

table for the construction of the new residence, which depends heavily on how long it takes to sell the university-owned house.

A definite location for the on-campus residence has not been decided, Crowson said.

"The location for the house is under consideration and will be included in the Master Plan for the campus," he said. "It will probably be off of 19th Street between the Market Center and Boston."

The building that was renovated

two years ago to become the Market Alumni Center once served as the president's residence. The alumni center is between the Horn/Knapp Residence Complex and the women's gym.

In other business, Montford presented to the Board of Regents a strategic plan for the future development of Tech and TTUHSC.

This involved hiring five to six salespersons to raise money and increase Tech's endowment, enhancing faculty retention and recruitment and raising the standards for student ad-

mission. Regents also authorized David Smith, president of the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, to enter into a contract between TTUHSC and a company in Atlanta.

The company will develop and recommend an automated system for managed health care to be used by TTUHSC.

Also approved was the funding of capital projects at Tech and TTUHSC to be used in the future.

Regents also established priorities for the projects to be funded.

Future unknown for department

by Ginger Pope/UD

Two months have passed since the department of engineering technology merger was announced, but Texas Tech engineering students still do not know its future.

The recommendations committee for the College of Engineering is at a standstill with talks of the merger, said Zack Patton, committee member and a senior electrical engineering technology major from Abernathy.

"We have had four meetings, and not much progress has been made,"

Patton said. "It has mainly been Ronald Pigott giving background information about the department."

College

of Engineering Dean Jorge Auñón initiated the committee in November after engineering students protested his decision to merge the department of engineering technology with civil, mechanical and electrical engineering.

Auñón notified students and faculty members Nov. 7 he would reconsider the decision to merge the departments, and he formed a committee of faculty members from the departments of civil, mechanical, electrical engineering, engineering technology and two engineering students, as reported in *The University Daily* Nov. 18.

Pigott, chairman of engineering technology and a committee

member, said the holidays have slowed down the committee's progress and also said he thinks Auñón will implement the committee's recommendation.

The department of engineering technology is waiting for a decision from Texas Attorney General Dan Morales on whether information regarding the merger needs to be released to engineering students.

Students requested information in forms of memos, letters, reports and e-mail from administrators Nov. 6 through the Texas Open Records Act.

Because Tech administrators would not completely release the information requested, students requested Morales make a statement

whether Tech administrators should release the information.

"If the attorney general wrote back saying the information does not have to be released, then we will probably put it to rest," said Renee Vaughn, Tech associate general counsel.

If Morales decides students should get the information, the general counsel probably will give it to them, Vaughn said.

But Vaughn also said Morales' decision does not have to be enforced.

If a state agency such as Tech decides it stands in a position not to release information, students can take more formal legal steps such as a lawsuit, Vaughn said.

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Photos by Wes Underwood/UD



▲ **The Snow bowl:** The winter wonderland gave many Texas Tech students the opportunity to goof off on the first day of classes. Brandon Dakroub and Matt Roberts tackled Phil Crow at the fields outside the Student Recreation Center Monday afternoon.

◀ **On the right track:** The Texas Tech grounds maintenance crew went to work clearing the snow and ice from the roads and sidewalks around the Tech campus.

Frigid first day

Winter weather welcomes students

by Laura Hensley/UD

Freezing temperatures, ice and snow welcomed Texas Tech students back to campus Monday for the first day of classes.

As temperatures dipped into the teens, Tech students donned their heaviest winter garb to trek across campus throughout the all-day snowstorm.

Although the wintry conditions made driving and walking hazardous, there were no accidents or injuries reported to Tech's University Police Department, said UPD Sgt. Dan Hale.

He attributed the lack of accidents to the weekend-work of the grounds maintenance crew.

"Maintenance did a wonderful job of preparing the campus for the first day of school," Hale said.

Grounds maintenance workers began making the campus safe for driving and walking during the weekend by sanding, shoveling and salting main intersections and side walks.

"We have been cleaning snow off walks, sanding and de-icing since Saturday night," said Dewey Shroyer, director of Tech's grounds maintenance.

Even with the precautions, some students still found themselves slipping and sliding as they traveled across campus to class.

"It's pretty slick in places," said Leigha Jennings, a sophomore agriculture economics major from Electra. "The worst place I've seen is right in front of the UC (University Center).

"I've seen people almost bust it."

Although ice and snow covered streets and walkways, students braved the harsh weather and headed to class.

"I like snow but I don't like walking to class in it," said Leslie White a junior business management major from Bedford.

"I'm used to it — I just got back from a ski trip." While some students enjoyed the snow and cold, others did not welcome the wintry weather.

"Some people didn't bother coming to school today," said Brett Lindstrom, a senior marketing management major from Plano.

"The line in the Bursars Office was kind of a pain but it gave me some time to defrost a little."

Many students boarded the Tech Citibuses in order to get to class, causing overcrowding.

"I haven't caught a bus all day," said Jeremy Garcia, a freshman biochemistry major from Lubbock, huddled at a bus stop.

"They are so full. My fingers are numb, and I even have gloves on. The weather is so crazy around here it will probably be 80 by the end of the week."

Although warmer temperatures sound good, the cold is expected to last most of the week. The National Weather Service reports that highs will reach the mid 30s and 40s today and Wednesday.

Jones' case may hit roadblock

Washington (AP)—The Supreme Court aggressively questioned both sides Monday in a battle over the sexual-harassment lawsuit against President Clinton, expressing skepticism about judges managing a president's time yet leery of having him appear above the law.

As the politically charged case was argued just one week before Clinton's second-term inauguration, the justices gave little indication whether they will let Paula Jones' lawsuit go forward while he is in office.

A decision, which could affect future

presidents, is expected by July.

The hour-long argument did not address the merits of Jones' allegation that Clinton propositioned her in a Little Rock hotel room in 1991 when he was governor of Arkansas. Clinton has denied her allegation and has said he cannot recall ever meeting the former Arkansas state employee.

Instead, lawyers debated whether any part of the case can proceed during the next four years. The court has never before been asked to decide if a sitting president can be sued over acts unrelated to his job, whether they took place before or during his term.

Search begins for Curl's replacement

by Jason Cox/UD

The search committee formed to find a replacement for long-time College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources Dean Sam Curl is on schedule to recommend a replacement near the end of this semester.

"All in all, I would say it (the search) is on track, and I'm optimistic we'll find a good individual," said David Schmidly, dean of the Texas Tech Graduate School and chairman of the search committee.

The committee met before the semester break to create a position description and job announcements, Schmidly said. Advertisements for the position appeared in Friday's



Albin

issue of the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, and several other publications also will carry the ad.

Tech faculty and student groups in the College of Agriculture can nominate individuals for the dean position. About half a dozen nominations have been received, Schmidly said.

All colleges of agriculture and natural resources in the country have received letters describing the position, he said. One or two applicants have responded.

The committee will accept applicants until

March 15 and will take several weeks to review the candidates, Schmidly said. On-campus interviews will occur in April and May.

Robert Albin has been the interim dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources since Curl's departure.

Marvin Cepica, associate dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, said Albin has carried on with projects, Curl began, as well as beginning his own.

"Things are going to move forward, and I personally believe Dr. Albin will do an excellent job making that so," Cepica said. "It was natural for him (Albin) to be in this position."

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Their View

Resolutions see little dedication as year rolls on



Brooks Boyett/columnist

A new semester has begun. It's time to get back in the swing of things.

We students have to read and write and study and do all that other academic stuff. We also have to try and make sure we keep our New Year's resolutions.

Now, I've never been one to make a New Year's resolution.

In fact, I've never done such a thing in my life. I get tired of all these magazine articles and news reports about New Year's resolutions.

I also hate it when people ask me, "What's your New Year's resolution?" Sometimes I want to say, "To not talk to you. But now I've already broken it, you jerk. You've ruined my whole year!"

But this year, I figured, what the heck.

Maybe a New Year's resolution will actually improve me as a person and make me feel better about myself. Unfortunately, we are two weeks into 1997 and I have yet to find anything to resolve about, if in fact resolute is actually a word.

Anyway, making a New Year's resolution really is harder than it would appear to be. Each year, most people simply make the resolution to lose weight. Sadly, I'm a little on the thin side.

Losing weight would be hazardous to my health. Personally, I think this New Year's resolution stuff discriminates against us skinny folk. We can't go the easy route like everyone else we have to get creative.

Maybe I could just decide that I'll work out every day and build my body into a buff, Greek-god-like mass of muscles. I really could use the exercise. But the few times I've gone to the Rec Center weight room, I've felt a little out of place. Those people in their are just a tad to serious for me.

In fact, they kind of scare me.

They all grunt and yell and make those little veins in their necks pop out and turn their faces bright red.

And that's just when they have to take out their ID card in order to check one of those leather weight lifting belts. So I've decided building up my muscles really isn't for me. Besides, unless you're an American Gladiator, since when is "How much can you bench press?" one of the questions during a job interview?

I probably ought to resolve to write a column that actually has a point each and every week. One that shows hours of thought and research, hours and hours rewriting and rewriting until a perfect masterpiece has been completed.

That would make for an excellent New Year's resolution, not only for me, but for the three or four of you who actually read my columns.

Unfortunately, I don't have hours and hours to work on my weekly column. I really only have one or two hours a week. So what you see is what you get, no matter how silly or pointless or unfunny my column turns out to be.

I doubt that I'm ever going to come up with a resolution for this year any time soon. Maybe I should just make the resolution to come up with a New Year's resolution for 1998 by Dec. 31. I can do this same thing every year for the rest of my life. I'll simply resolve to resolve the next year.

What a concept.

Brooks Boyett is a junior advertising major from Amarillo.

Your View

Students deserve better service from offices

To the editor: I realize that Texas Tech University is a big school and that they really have a desire to help us receive our education.

But, I also realize that Texas Tech is a business — and like any other business, they have to listen to the consumer.

So, as a consumer, I would like to mention a few things that really need to be looked at.

First, how many people enjoyed that add/drop line at the University Center Monday?

Why can't Texas Tech do something that has been done by other universities since the early '80s — phone registration. It's a beautiful concept and I don't see what is taking so long to get this implemented. Second, what is the deal with the bursar's, the admissions and the loan offices opening at 8:30 a.m.?

All that means is that students with

8 a.m. classes and/or 9 a.m. classes can't possibly go. I thought these places were suppose to be a service to the student.

I missed one of my classes because of this.

Finally, am I the only one that registered last semester and didn't receive a loan check until this week and, as a result, was cut out of my old registration?

The Financial Aid Office and the Bursar's Office have got to get this together. So, where did I end up going?

That's right.

Back to that "line" at the UC to find out that I had to completely change my schedule. So for those Tech administrators that are reading this, remember, you are not working for the only college we have to choose from and, more importantly, the only college we have to sink our hard-earned money into.

Scott Clayson, junior electrical engineering junior

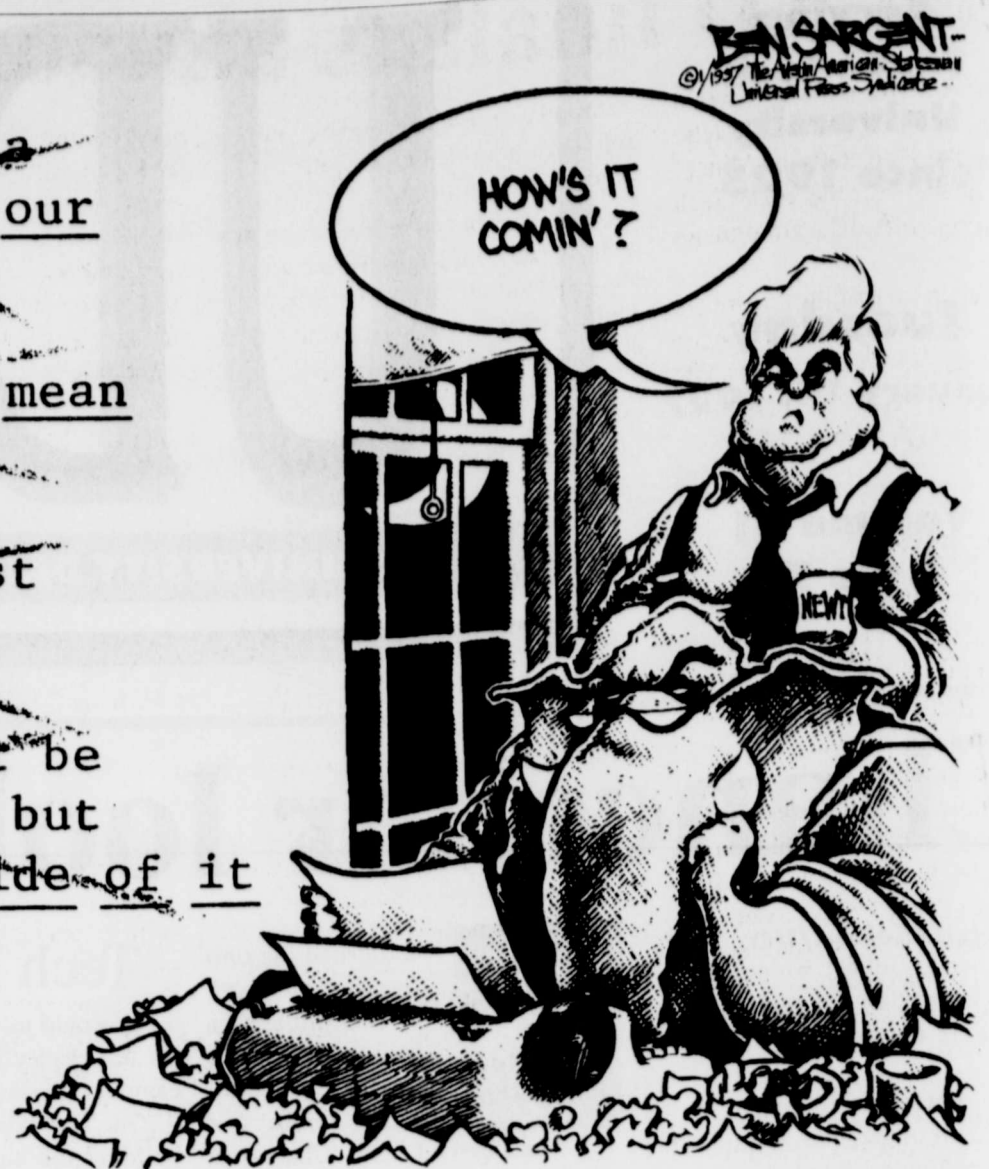
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Readers Ask

Readers Ask is a column printed in *The University Daily* every other Tuesday to answer students' questions about health issues. Drop boxes are set up in the University Center, West Hall and Student Recreation Center. Not all questions are answered, but most topics are discussed. All questions are answered by Jo Henderson, Student Health education coordinator.

Question: I've been feeling down over the holiday break and now that I'm back at school, I'm not bouncing back. It's not like I'm suicidal or anything, but I could use some advice on how to feel better.

Answer: Psychologists say three things give your life meaning: something to do, something to love and something to hope for. When you lack any one of them you can feel empty and down. If you haven't made a New Year's resolution yet, you may want to assess how these three things figure into your own life. First, you need something to do. This means any physical or mental activity that feels worthwhile. It can be important work such as research or pure fun like tennis or juggling. Maybe it's important for you to volunteer some time to a charity (check out the options with University Center Activities) or campaign for a cause. There's probably something important you intend to do someday but just haven't gotten around to yet. You might be healthier if you take time to do it now. Second, you need something to love. This can be your family or a pet or your alma mater. Maybe you love listening to music or playing chess. If you love flowers or flying you ought to find a

way to make them part of your life. The third thing is something to hope for. Hope looks toward the future. You may hope for a new job, a raise or the opportunity to take a special trip during the upcoming months (like spring break). Hope can give you motivation to keep moving and growing.

Question: I read that one in 10 drivers are legally drunk or have some type of problem in driving safely on the average weekend evening. Besides the obvious, how can I know if someone driving in front of me is dangerous?

Answer: Look for unusually wide turns, hugging the center line or driving left of center, driving at excessively fast or slow speeds, stopping suddenly without any apparent reason, inconsistent turn signals, driving with their windows down in cold weather or with the drivers head stuck out of the window, and, of course, the weaving and swerving we expect to see from someone under the influence. If you encounter any of these, maintain extra distance between you and the other person and be prepared to stop suddenly.

If by chance, the driver is behind you, turn right at the next intersection so they can get on past you and if they are headed toward you in traffic, try to slow down and move to the right and stop.

Question: I used one of my roommates prescription medicines. I know, you're going to gripe at me for doing it, but it worked for my roommate and didn't do a thing for me. Why?

Answer: You're right. Are you nuts? You can never be sure that the

drug your roommate is taking will work for you, let alone the consequences of deciding to become your own doctor and taking something without knowing how it will react in your body. There are a couple of rules you should know about all prescriptions. No medicine is expected to be effective 100 percent of the time for 100 percent of the people who use it, since many factors — diet, for example — can have an influence. Ask your health care provider if you are not convinced that the medication in being effective for you. Second, don't expect to receive a prescription every time you consult your doctor. Realize that your doctor may have the choice of more than one treatment for the condition — physical or mental. As your health care provider decides which therapy is best, you may want to discuss with him/her the reasons for selecting a particular treatment. To prevent possible lethal side effects, never take prescription drugs belonging to someone else. The dosage may be too strong for you. You may have an allergic reaction to it or, if you have a chronic condition, it might aggravate it (example: if you have high blood pressure you shouldn't take a decongestant).

Question: I made a New Year's resolution to lose weight. Give me tips to succeed.

Answer: 1. Find an exercise you like such as rollerblading, step aerobics, walking, jogging, swimming, lifting weights, playing sports or whatever. Then, pick a time of the day that you can consistently devote to your exercise. Figure it this way — every day I devote 30 minutes to shower and get ready for the day, so I'll devote 30 minutes every day to exercise. It's not an option. 2. Eat reasonably and don't skip meals. Skip-

ping meals slows your metabolism. Your body feeling deprived for food for a long time and not knowing when it will see food again, holds on to every calorie rather than functioning on an even keel.

This eventually leads to slower metabolism and weight gain. You're better off eating breakfast, a mid-morning snack, lunch, a mid-afternoon snack, supper and an evening snack while watching how much you are consuming and the calorie and fat content. This works great for those of us who have the hungries all the time when trying to take off pounds. It's better to eat smaller meals and eat them more often than big meals spaced far apart. 3. Eat the good stuff and forget the fattening junk food. Drink milk vs. Coke, an apple vs. candy bar, a bagel vs. a doughnut or a baked potato vs. french fries. 4. Late at night when you're writing that paper or cramming for that test, avoid the urge to overindulge in junk food or hit the local all-night convenience stores. Instead, save time, money, gas and empty calories by grabbing a piece of fruit or popping popcorn without butter or excess salt. 5. Boredom, blues or sincere hunger can trigger the desire for food. When the urge hits wait five minutes. You can write a letter, run an errand or call a friend. If it doesn't subside, then eat something.

Be careful eating in front of the TV since your concentrating on the entertainment and not how much you're putting in your mouth. In case of setbacks, don't give up.

Each day starts a clean slate. You've failed only when you fail to try. If you need help with your weight and exercise goals, call Student Health Services at 742-2848 and make an appointment with our wellness educator.



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Tech AD finalists announced

Interim Athletic Director Gerald Myers and Jeff Schemmel, athletic director at the University of Minnesota, are finalists for the Texas Tech AD position, officials announced Monday.

In December committee members narrowed the more than 50-person list of applicants to four candidates. Officials hope to make a final decision within the next month.

Monday's announcement, however, does not rule out the other two remaining candidates — Robert Sweazy, vice president for research at Tech, and Paul Krebs, senior associate athletic director at Ohio State, said AD search committee chairman John Burns.

The committee has not decided whether Sweazy and Krebs will be asked back for second interviews be-

cause committee members have had trouble contacting the candidates' references, Burns said.

"We want to talk with the references, and they may or may not be asked back for interviews," he said. "But right now Schemmel and Myers are definite."

Schemmel's interview is Jan. 29 through 31, Burns said. Myers' interview has not been scheduled.

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"Usually it takes about 60 working days for the attorney general to respond, but it can take longer," she said.

No estimations can be made at this time as to when the committee can make a presentation to Auñón, but both Pigott and Patton said they believe excitement among students and faculty has died down.

"I'm not quite as worried," Patton said. "Students seem to think it's settled some, too."

Michael Parten, a committee member and associate professor of electrical engineering, said the committee has researched how other universities handle engineering technology.

"A number of us have dug up information as to what other colleges do," Parten said.

Texas A&M University placed its department of technology within its College of Engineering, and the University of Houston has a separate College of Engineering Technology, Parten said.

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Schmidly said the committee probably will receive several applications from internal candidates, which would speed up the process of hiring a new dean. Because of the time involved with relocating an external candidate, it would be longer before he or she could assume the dean position.

The committee aims to recommend a candidate soon, but searches for qualified administrators are becoming more difficult and time consuming, he said.

Schmidly said the speed of the search is slowed because people

are losing interest in assuming administrative positions.

"Fewer people are opting for administrative positions than 10 or 15 years ago," he said. "Administration is tougher now because resources are declining and opportunities to build programs are limited."

However, the committee expects to have a qualified applicant pool from which they will select the new dean.

"I'll be disappointed if we don't wind up with 25 to 50 good applicants," Schmidly said.


"I think we're going to attract a lot of people that want to seriously look at the position."

Correction: The hours of operation for the Southwest Collection were incorrectly reported in Monday's issue of *The University Daily*. The correct hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and closed Sunday. *The UD* regrets the error.

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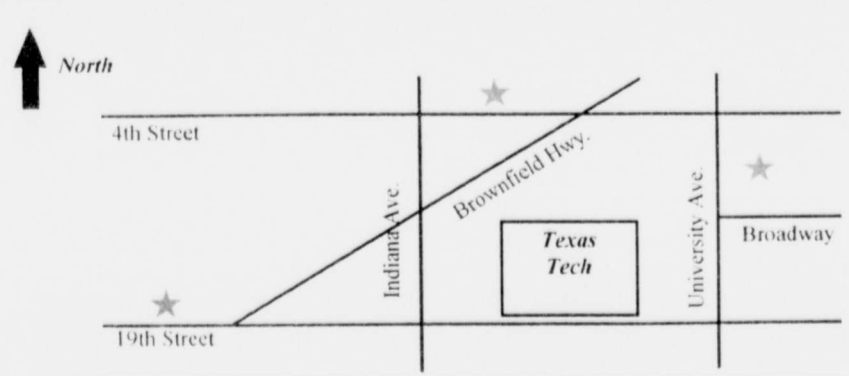
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Tech not affected by vaccine recall

by Amy Gallagher/UD
The recent recall of some influenza vaccines does not affect most students at Texas Tech.

The recalled vaccine, Fluogen, was manufactured by Parke-Davis, a pharmaceutical company based in New Jersey. Parke-Davis distributes to many hospitals and clinics.

Patricia Smith of the Fluogen Hotline said the recall was a voluntary safety measure. She said only 11 lots of the vaccine were recalled for decreased effectiveness, and revaccinations were being administered. She also said Parke-Davis is only recommending those people in high-risk categories for revaccination.

People at a high risk of influenza include the elderly and those with chronic medical conditions.

A recent report in the medical journal *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report* supports Smith's comments. The cause of the decreased effective-

ness of Fluogen is unknown, and some people may require revaccination. However, the article states, revaccination is not recommended for young adults, including healthy people who received a shot from a recalled lot.

Representatives from University Medical Center, St. Mary of the Plains Hospital and Lubbock Methodist said these local hospitals do not use Parke-Davis for flu vaccinations. Tany Brown, chief pharmacist at

Texas Tech Student Health Pharmacy, said Thompson Hall also does not use the Fluogen vaccine. Student Health uses an influenza vaccine from Cannaught, another national pharmaceutical company.

Brown said it is beneficial for college students to receive an influenza vaccination.

"Students are often in closed environments and exposed to a lot of people," Brown said.

Closed environments, such as buses and classrooms, increase the

chances of catching a virus, she said. Students can catch the flu regardless of the presence of a local outbreak.

"Students scatter over Christmas time," Brown said. "They can carry back a virus from another city."

Thompson Hall currently is administering flu shots for \$7 and will continue to do so for several months, she said.

There are other things students can do to help prevent catching the flu, she said.

Brown said vitamins can help the body fight viruses. She said drastic temperature changes when moving from outdoors to indoors do not cause the flu but can irritate bronchial passages.

"Wash your hands a lot," Brown said. "Doorknobs and desks can transfer the virus."

"Don't eat or drink after people, and avoid breathing air around someone who is coughing or sneezing."

Flu prevention

- Flu shot, cost: \$7
- Wash hands often
- Do not eat or drink after anyone
- Take plenty of vitamins
- Avoid breathing air around anyone who coughs or sneezes a lot

Reese nears closure, reuse plans to be decided

by April Castro/UD
As the final training mission at Reese Air Force Base approaches, the Reese redevelopment committee nears finalization of future uses for the 3,000 acres northwest of Lubbock.

"Right now we are in the final planning stages, to conclude during the first week of February," said Eddie McBride, executive director of the Lubbock Reese Redevelopment Authority. "We are continuing to have work sessions to further develop the plans for the land."

The decision to close Reese was made in 1995 by the Base Realignment and Closure committee, as a result of federal government cutbacks.

Recommendations for the land will be presented by a consultant from Pathfinders, the Dallas-based marketing firm contracted by the city of Lubbock last year to identify other uses for Reese, at a public hearing set for Feb. 19, he said.

"The consultant will give the recommendations and ask the public to

comment on different aspects of the plan," McBride said. "We want to make sure the public is involved and aware of what is going on."

Some of the 3,000 acres of Reese to be reused by the city include airfield and aviation facilities, as well as housing.

"In the reuse plan, we want to make the transition to civilian aviation and industrial aviation," McBride said. "We don't necessarily want to serve as an airport, but do things like refurbishing engines and older planes — we want to complement Lubbock International Airport."

South Plains College will continue to offer classes at the base.

The committee plans to coordinate with SPC and possibly Texas Tech to form a pilot training school, he said.

Other plans for the facilities include the possibility of light and commercial manufacturing.

"For the housing area, we are looking at either developing them (the houses) ourselves or selling them," McBride said. "It is a possibility that we will bring big

companies into the area and let them use the houses for their employees."

The original 3,200 jobs expected to be lost by Reese's closure will be partially countered with 3,000 jobs brought to the Lubbock area by the bases redevelopment plan.

We want to make sure the public is involved and aware of what is going on.

Eddie McBride, executive director of redevelopment committee

Letter bombs sent to Arab newspaper's UN, London bureaus

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Two letter bombs sent to the U.N. bureau of an Arab-language newspaper forced the evacuation of part of U.N. headquarters Monday, hours after a letter bomb exploded at the newspaper's London offices.

The bomb at the *Al-Hayat's* London offices injured two people, one seriously, in an intensifying and mysterious mail-bomb campaign against the Saudi-owned newspaper.

The two bombs found at the United Nations had been fitted into

greeting card-sized envelopes, U.N. spokesman Fred Eckhard said. Late Monday, police were summoned for a third time after a suspicious parcel was discovered.

The first apparently arrived at the United Nations Friday through the

U.S. Postal Service, remained over the weekend in the central mail room and was discovered about 11 a.m. by guards screening parcels at a distribution center. Guards then began inspecting all the mail, discovering the second letter bomb late Monday.

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Election important to residence halls

by Tomi Rodgers/UD

Texas Tech students living in south campus residence halls will be affected by results from Saturday's Lubbock City Council special election.

The election will determine a mayoral candidate to replace David Langston, who resigned to run for Texas Senate and a new District 3 City Council representative.

Former District 3 representative Windy Sitton resigned in November to run for mayor.

Sitton's resignation brought in three prospects for District 3 — Lubbock residents J. David Nelson, Landa Gamble-Jones and Carlos A. Leal, Sr.

District 3 includes the southern strip of the Tech campus — where Weymouth, Chitwood, Hulen, Clement, Wall and Gates residence halls are located — as well as neighborhoods south of 19th Street.

In a previous interview with *The University Daily*, Sitton said that as a City Council representative, the biggest student-related issues with which she dealt were housing and parking problems.

Observing the concerns of many District 3 residents, candidate and Tech graduate David Nelson said he is concerned about neighborhood safety, police protection, property value and zoning laws.

"We want to make sure we're running an efficient and least-costly city government," Nelson said.

"I think that the people are looking for someone to be a strong leader that is knowledgeable and informed."

Nelson stressed the importance of Tech students living on campus to vote.

"We want to encourage all Tech students registered to vote in Lub-

bock to vote," Nelson said.

Leal, a graduate of Sul Ross State University in Alpine, agreed with Nelson on the significance of Tech students' votes.

"Students vote for the leaders of the future and are the minds that are contributing to the political process," Leal said.

Leal said he decided to run for City Council with alternative ideas.

"I figured they (city hall) needed more diversity and more of a challenge," he said.

Leal said he is very much in favor of refurbishing and restoring the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum, which is located on the north side of the Tech campus, but he said he does not see the coliseum as being competitive with the future United Spirit Arena.

"The Coliseum is very active and viable," Leal said.

"If we put it in the right hands, it can be a complement to the arena."

As a City Council representative, Leal said he would be interested in increasing law enforcement and creating a Police Community Relations Program to work with area youth in sports and recreation.

"I'm very productive and positive in minimizing conflicts and maximizing cooperation," Leal said.

Local businesswoman Landa Gamble-Jones decided to run for City Council from a different perspective.

"We need to have equal representation and different points of view," said Gamble-Jones, who owns a local salon.

Gamble-Jones encourages the idea of implementing a student pub on the Tech campus and favors attracting more entertainment and cultural events to the area.

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Black hole

Researchers close to solving space mystery

TORONTO (AP)—Supermassive black holes, once known only in theory, may be sucking in gas and stellar matter at a voracious rate in the center of virtually every galaxy in the universe.

That's the conclusion of astronomers who say new observations by the Hubble Space Telescope have detected the "celestial fingerprint" of three black holes, including one that is a half-billion times more massive than the sun. A survey of 15 other galaxies suggest that 14 of them also have black holes.

The discoveries are the strongest observational evidence yet for black holes, an exotic and elusive object first predicted by Albert Einstein in his theory of general relativity.

"The mystery hasn't been solved yet, but we are convinced we have found the body," said Scott D. Tremane of the Canadian Institute for Theoretical Astrophysics and a member of a team of black-hole hunters.

"Einstein's relativity theory is correct," said one astronomy slide. "Cosmic vacuum cleaners are real."

The black-hole studies were presented Monday at a meeting of the American Astronomical Society.

Perhaps the most violent and powerful points of energy in the universe, black holes form when matter gathers at a single place, often from a collapsing, massive star. This point, drawing in more and more matter becomes so dense that nothing can escape, not even light. It becomes black and unseen. Anything caught up in its center is removed forever from the rest of the universe.

"Black holes," said Ralph Narayan

of the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, "are the ultimate victory of gravity."

To find evidence of the galactic black holes, the astronomers analyzed the motion of stars and superheated gas near the center of galaxy clusters 50 million light years from Earth. The extreme velocity of the stars showed they were being towed by a powerful gravity force.

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Scott D. Tremane, member of a team of black-hole hunters

Gas, accelerated near light speed, is heated to a trillion degrees.

From these observations, the astronomers could calculate the mass of the object sucking in its neighbors. One black hole, in the constellation Virgo, was estimated at 500 million times more massive than the sun. Another was 100 million times the sun and the third was 50 million.

"There is something there, it weights a lot, it is completely dark and we can't think of anything else it could be," said Tremane.

The force of a black hole's gravity is so great that whole stars nearby are

pulled into a spiral motion. Gas whirls about the center at such speeds that it soars to temperature unknown anywhere else and bursts bright with energy. A black hole cannot be seen, but its effects on nearby stars and gas clouds are highly visible.

An international team of astronomers that conducted the black-hole search said the findings suggest these results:

— Supermassive black holes are common, dwelling in the center of nearly every large galaxy, including the Milky Way.

— The mass of a black hole is proportional to the host galaxy. The larger the galaxy, the more massive the black hole.

Doug Richstone of the University of Michigan, leader of the team, said the galactic black holes may be "fossil quasars," or the remnants of a special type of star that collapsed after 100 million years or so.

Quasars, now rare, once were the most luminous and energetic objects in the heavens. Those that have studied are the most distant and oldest objects in the universe, said Tremane.

"They are so powerful that it defied our thought to find a way to fuel them," said Tremane.

"The only viable source would be an infall of material into a supermassive black hole."

Though the black holes are voracious in their gravitational appetite, Tremane said, they will never swallow whole galaxies that have millions of stars.

If the receiving star is a black hole, Narayan said, only about 1 percent of the energy is radiated.

World War II veterans given medals for duty

WASHINGTON (AP)—Vernon Baker was standing in the White House with glistening eyes and a brand new medal around his neck, but his mind was on the Italian mountainside where he earned his place in history when he took out German gun posts and killed nine enemy soldiers with a gun and hand grenades.

He thought of the other black men who fought beside him and died around him as they awaited reinforcements that never came.

"We've all been vindicated," Baker said.

"Those that are not here with me, thank you, fellas, well done and I'll always remember you."

Baker, of St. Maries, Idaho, was one of seven black soldiers awarded the Medal of Honor Monday for World War II valor that was overlooked by the Army of a tense, segregated era.

Medals were awarded posthumously to Staff Sgt. Edward A. Carter Jr. of Los Angeles; 1st Lt. John R. Fox of Cincinnati; Pfc. Willy F. James Jr. of Kansas City, Mo.; 1st Lt. Charles L. Thomas of Detroit; Pvt. George Watson of Birmingham, Ala.; and Staff Sgt. Ruben Rivers of Hotulka, Okla.

Fox, James, Rivers and Watson were killed in action.

Carter died in 1963 and Thomas died in 1980.

"We're just happy the country we believe in has done this," said Thomas' niece, Sandra Thomas.

"My uncle was a humble man. He believed in this country and he fought for it. I believe young people need to take a lesson from this."

In presenting the medals, President Clinton praised the seven men for fighting selflessly "to lead the forces of freedom to victory" in spite of the freedom they didn't have in their native America.

"They were prepared to sacrifice everything for freedom even though freedom's fullness was denied to them," Clinton said. "Now and forever, the truth will be known about these African Americans who gave so much that the rest of us might be free."

Baker said he never thought about receiving the Medal of Honor — the military's highest honor for bravery in battle — because he considered his heroic exploits his duty.

"I was a soldier and I had a job to do," Baker said about his service.

But Clinton said Baker and the others belong alongside the nation's greatest war heroes.

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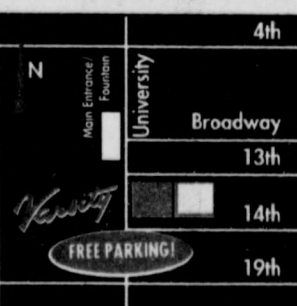
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Juice may fatten children

CHICAGO (AP) — Drinking more than a cup and a half of fruit juice a day may make preschoolers fat or stunt their growth, a study suggests.

No single juice was implicated in the study of 168 healthy youngsters, but the ones who drank more than 12 ounces a day tended to be shorter or fatter than other preschoolers.

The findings, published Monday in the January issue of the journal *Pediatrics*, suggested that

preschoolers who fill up on juice may be getting too much sugar or missing out on more nutritious foods.

"Until other studies prove otherwise, it seems prudent for parents and caretakers to limit young children's consumption of fruit juice to less than 12 fluid ounces a day," the researchers said in the journal, published by the American Academy of Pediatrics.

The researchers looked at 94 2-year-olds and 74 5-year-olds.

Tune in...or out?

Television rating system important to some Texas Tech students, parents

by Sebastian Kitchen/UD

The new television rating system may not mean much to some Texas Tech students, but Shelley Wesson is an exception.

Wesson, a senior elementary education major from Artesia, N.M., is married and considering the prospect of having children.

She believes the system is on the right track to helping parents decide what their children should and should not watch.

"I think it's a good idea," Wesson said.

"I am married. We are going to have kids fairly soon. I will have to start thinking about that (what the children watch) pretty soon."

The new rating system requires television stations to rate the shows that appear on their station, with all news and sports programs being exempt.

The model television is using much resembles the one the movie industry has had in place for years. Cable channels HBO, Cinemax and Showtime also have ratings systems in place.

Parents then can decide at the start

of the program if they want their children to watch or not.

"From a parental standpoint, I think it's good," said Audrey Key, KLBK administrative assistant.

"I have a 7 year old it will affect. From a TV standpoint, it takes a lot to get going."

The station must put an icon in the upper left hand corner of the screen for at least 15 seconds at the beginning of the program to identify its rating.

The system was effective immediately for children's shows, beginning at the start of January, she said.

Stations will have until the end of the first quarter of 1997 to begin showing ratings icons for all of their shows.

Shows labeled "Educational" and "Informational" for children must contain a rating and a provide a target age group, Key said.

"We must now provide our ratings to television guides and magazines," she said. "Although, they are not bound to print it."

Key said she believed *TV Guide* has agreed to carry the ratings in their weekly publication.

TVY...suitable for all children

TVY7...suitable for children less than 7

TVG...general audience

TVPG...parental guidance

TV14...content parents may find unsuitable for children less than 14

TVM...mature audience only, unsuitable for children less than 17

source: Audrey Key, KLBK administrative assistant

"Some are already coming down from the network on the satellite with the ratings on them," Key said.

She said networks rate the shows that are sent to them via satellite.

However, television stations have to rate the syndicated shows they carry.

The general manager and promotions staff of KLBK decided what to rate the shows they carry.

The ratings program will help the

parents who care what their children are watching monitor the content of the shows better, she said.

The ratings are centered around age brackets, with cut-offs at 7, 14 and 17.

"It is a good idea for the kids, but most parents already know what they want their kids to watch," said Amber Schreckenbach, a junior Spanish major from Fredericksburg.

"It might help a little."

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8:00	Sesame Street			Gwenevere Paid Program		Peter Pan Aladdin
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10:00	Lunchbox Mr. Rogers	Sunset Beach	Price Is Right	Paid Program L. & Shirley	Caryl & Marilyn	Rosie O'Donnell
11:00	Arthur Magic Bus	Leeza	Young and Restless	Beverly Hills 90210	All My Children	Mattlock
12:00	Grilling Motorweek	News Days of Our Lives	News Beautiful	Jenny Jones	News Heat Of The Night	Heat Of The Night
1:00	Painting Barney	Another World	As The World Turns	Maureen O'Boyle	One Life To Live	Baywatch
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3:00	Arthur Wishbone	Little House	Maury Povich	Dinosaurs Step/Step	Ricki Lake	Spiderman Beetleborgs
4:00	Creators Bill Nye	Oprah Winfrey	Seinfeld Jeopardy	Paid Program Dating Game	Montel Williams	Power Ranger Step/Step
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Burden of winning now rests on Tech's shoulders



Brent Dirks/sports reporter

The home-court winning streaks for both Texas Tech basketball teams are over, and just maybe for the better.

The Tech men's 35-game Lubbock Municipal Coliseum winning streak came to a close Saturday on a last-second prayer from much improved Colorado guard Chauncey Billups with 0.5 seconds left on the clock.

The basket gave the Buffaloes an 80-78 victory. The loss was the first one for Tech since Feb 5, 1994, a 89-88 loss to Texas A&M.

Tech coach James Dickey said he warned the team not to automatically assume that a win will come when the Red Raiders are at home. "As I told my players you can't fall into a sense of security because your at home that your going to win," Dickey said.

Before the men's streak ended, the Lady Raiders lost their 33-game home winning streak Dec. 18 at the hands of defending national champion Tennessee, 79-71. After that, a 78-56 Big 12 Conference blowout loss to Oklahoma State put the Lady Raiders Big 12 championship hopes in jeopardy and signaled their second home loss in four games, something unprecedented for Tech in the 1990s.

Lady Raider coach Marsha Sharp said Tech has lost confidence that they can win in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

But maybe it is time for both the Lady Raiders and the men's team to start winning games by the quality of there play instead of depending on home court advantage to win the games for them.

With the streak gone, no matter how much it was on the minds of players, coaches and fans, it is time to get back to what matters, winning Big 12 games.

From the day both streaks began to receive national prominence, teams have been gunning to kill the streak. Now that two teams did, the pressure can be put back where it belongs, on the shoulders of the teams.

Brent Dirks is a sophomore journalism major from Lubbock.

Lady Raider offensive woes continue

by **Heath Robinson/UD**

The Texas Tech Lady Raiders spent two games last week shooting themselves out of first place in the Big 12 Conference.

Unfortunately for Tech coach Marsha Sharp and her players, it could take the rest of the season to shoot themselves back into the spot they vacated.

Entering Wednesday's game against Oklahoma State, the Lady Raiders stood at No. 7 in the nation, 9-2 on the season and 1-0 in conference play.

But following a 22-point home loss to Oklahoma State and a 63-49 loss at Colorado Saturday, Tech dropped to No. 14 in the nation and is ahead of only Texas A&M and Missouri in the conference standings.

The Lady Raiders don't have to look far to see where the problem lies. Offensively, Tech has failed to shoot better than 40 percent in any of its last four halves of basketball. Included in that stretch is a first half against Oklahoma State in which the Lady Raiders shot 21.4 percent. Leading scorer Alicia Thompson, slowed by flu-like symptoms, has shot 33 percent, while No. 2 scorer Rene Hanebutt has shot 32 percent.

Sharp said she believes the problem with the Lady Raider offense is correctable.

"I don't think the problem is effort," Sharp said.

"If it was, I think we would have a

"I put it in the back of my mind and just concentrated on playing basketball."

Tech sophomore guard Julie Lake on losing her starting job

bigger problem. I think it has more to do with shot selection than anything else. There have probably been a lot of times where we missed the extra pass."

Going into the game at Colorado, Sharp benched guards Julie Lake and Melinda Schmucker in favor of senior Sandy Parker and freshman Keitha Dickerson.

Lake and Schmucker still grabbed the majority of the minutes, but neither has performed well from the field. Lake has shot 33 percent the last two games, while Schmucker is shooting 25 percent.

Despite Dickerson shooting a team-high 46 percent from the floor the last two games, Sharp said Lake and Schmucker will return to the starting lineup for Wednesday's home

game against the Oklahoma Sooners (6-8 overall, 1-2 Big 12).

Lake said she believes the benching last game did not affect her play.

"I just tried to block out not starting," Lake said. "I put it in the back of my mind and just concentrated on playing basketball."

"It was a little odd, because I have basically started since I came here last year. But I don't think it affected my play."

As for the shooting woes, Lake believes the problem is mental.

"I believe that we just have a mental problem right now on offense," she said.

"We are not shooting well as a

team, it's not like this is bothering just a few people. I think we have a mental block right now, but that will change."

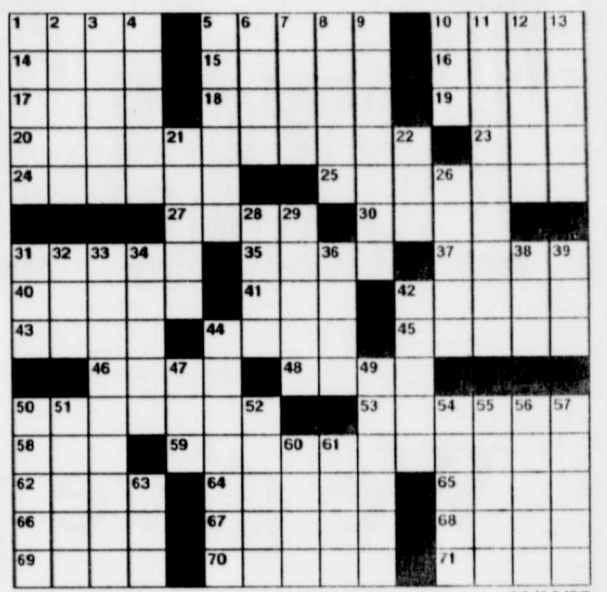
According to Sharp, the change is needed quickly, as the Lady Raiders face critical home games against Oklahoma and Saturday against Kansas State.

"I have set our goal as to get a bye into the second round of the conference tournament," Sharp said. "That means we have to finish in the top four in the regular season. We have a long way to go to reach that now."

"If we don't take care of these next two home games, then we won't have much of a chance at all."

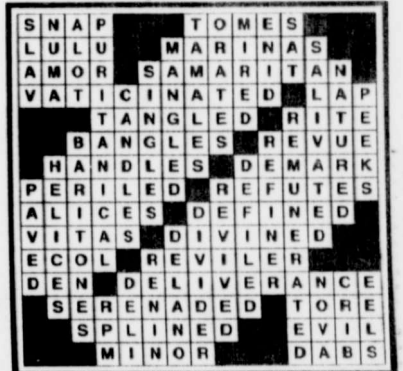
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by Alan Olschwang

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Women's track prepares for indoors

by Heath Robinson/UD

The snow may be falling and the temperature may be dropping, but the Texas Tech women's track team is warming up for the indoor season that starts at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Athletic Training Center.

The women's track team is beginning preparation for its first track meet of the 1997 indoor track season. The indoor season consists of three meets — all in Lubbock — and culminates in February with the Big 12 Conference championships in Lincoln, Neb. Qualifiers will continue competing at the NCAA championships in March.

Tech coach Liz Parke said she expects her team to give their all when they start to compete in the meets.

"All the kids come in with a really

great attitude," Parke said. "They are going to have to make up their mind if they want to succeed."

Parke, who has been the women's track coach at Tech for the last five years, is ready for track season to start after training the entire fall semester.

Tech's long distance program developed after freshman Leigh Daniels qualified for the Big 12 Cross Country Championship in November. The development continued as she took part in the NCAA Women's Cross Country Championship.

Parke said while the long distance program looks to be solid, the sprint department is lacking in experienced runners.

"We are short in the sprint department," Parke said. "But we are slowly

getting a more well-balanced team."

High jumper Cheryl Gardner competed in the Southwest Conference and is now ready to take on the challenge of the Big 12.

"I know the competition is going to be tough," the junior said. "It is kind of exciting to see all of this new competition though."

Tech coach Kirk Elias, who coaches women's long distance and women's cross country, expects the Big 12 to be difficult.

"I am very well aware of this conference," Elias said. "I know there are other teams that are going to be good like Texas, Colorado and Nebraska, who are clearly exceptional teams."

Nebraska, who dominates the track field, also brings in the top-

ranked runners as well as jumpers, Elias said. Baylor, along with Texas and Colorado, are expected to place high in all areas of each track meet.

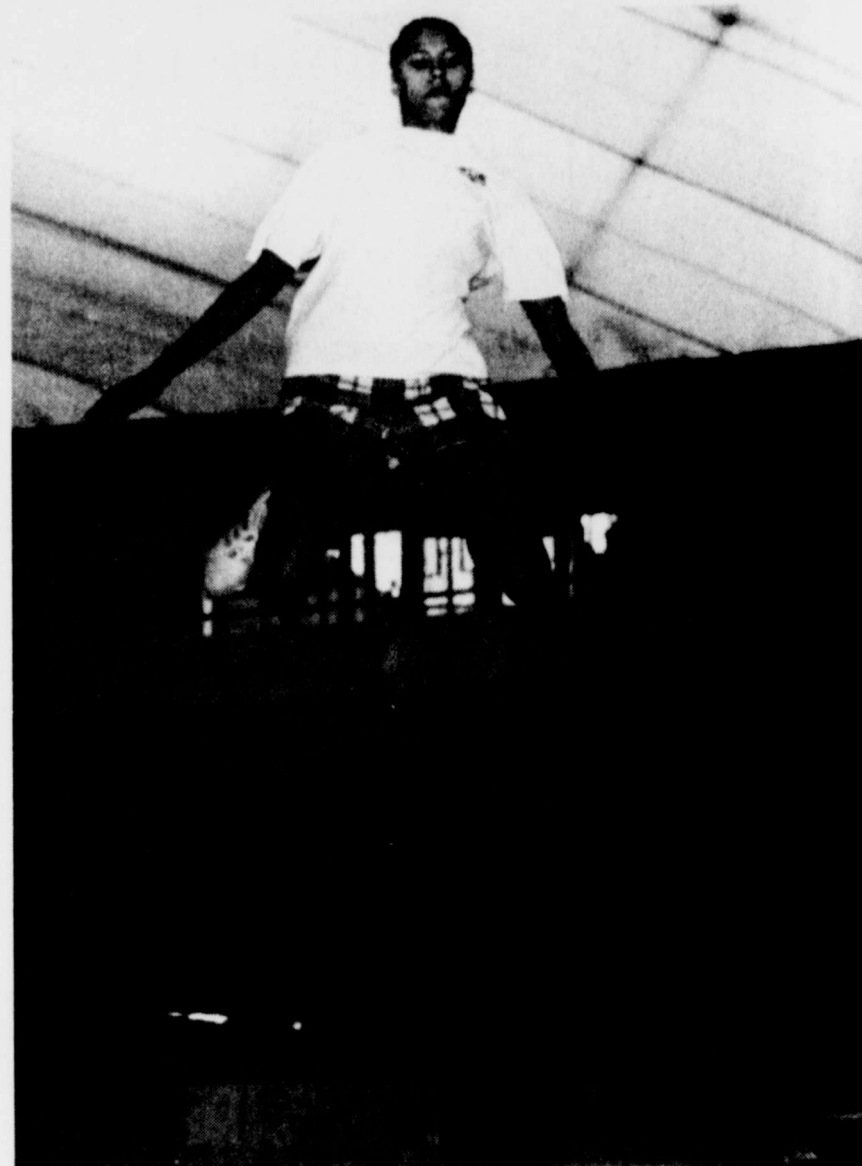
"The Southwest Conference competition was horrible, but the Big 12 is totally different," Elias said.

Elias has stressed to his runners that all he expects from them is to run their individual best.

"We are doing a lot better," Gardner said. "No one expects us to do good, but I think that we will do great. I am really excited."

Parke said she is ready to get the season underway and find out how her team stacks up against the Big 12.

"The kids are getting anxious and I am eager to see where we are going to be on January 18," Parke said.



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Red Raider roundballers drop in national rankings

by Brent Ross/UD

Both Texas Tech basketball teams felt the effect of losses during the past week as the new *Associated Press* top-25 poll was released Monday.

The men's squad fell from the No. 20 spot to occupy the No. 25 slot. The drop comes two days after the Red Raiders' 35-game home winning streak was ended by Chauncey Billups and the Colorado Buffaloes, 80-78.

Kansas and Wake Forest remained at the No. 1 and No. 2 spots respectively, sporting the only two undefeated records in the top-25.

Rick Pitino's Kentucky Wildcats fell two places to No. 5 after losing to surprising Mississippi. Ole Miss beat the defending national champions 73-69, thrusting them to No. 20 in the poll. The appearance of Ole Miss in the top-25 marks the first time ever that the Rebels have been ranked.

Other Big 12 Conference schools making the poll were No. 8 Iowa State and No. 23 Texas with former South-

west Conference foe Texas Christian receiving four votes.

The Lady Raiders posted the biggest drop in the women's top-25 poll, falling seven places to No. 14. Their move down the ladder comes after losing back-to-back games to Oklahoma State and Colorado.

The loss to Oklahoma State was toughest to handle because it came at home, where Tech had won 33 straight games before losing to Tennessee Dec. 18.

Connecticut, Old Dominion and Stanford remained in the top three spots respectively with Georgia and Alabama rounding out the top-5.

The Clemson Tigers made the biggest jump, going from No. 20 to No. 12 after defeating North Carolina State and Florida State last week.

Other Big 12 schools in the top-25 are No. 11 Kansas and No. 16 Texas.

Big 12 foes receiving votes in this week's poll were Colorado (47), Nebraska (28) and Oklahoma State (9).

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