

# Faculty pay raise surpasses staffs'

funds only applied to professors'

salaries

Tech

#### **BY DANIEL KERR**

The University Daily

ulty is \$56,000, while the average salary vice chancellor for administration and fiof Tech support staff is \$24,000 - and nance. Tech faculty raises came from the the gap is growing.

In the 1997 fiscal year, Tech faculty received a 7.5-percent pay increase, accord- provided by the state only applied to staff, ing to Tech officials - 2 percent more and they (the Texas Legislature) required than its support staff. This includes a 4.5 each university to come up with the salpercent increase in January of the 1996- ary increase for faculty out of our formula 97 school year and a 3-percent increase funding," he said. "The funding that was in September of the 1997-98 school year. available was put toward the faculty sal-The Texas Legislature allotted state ary increase."

higher learning institution full-time support staff a \$100-a-month pay increase, making up the 5-percent increase in Tech The average salary of Texas Tech fac- support staff pay, said John Opperman, university's state formula funding.

a fight of the particular sector and the sector and the

"The \$100-per-month pay increase

pay because faculty positions are more severely underpaid. competitive than support staff positions and Tech has limited resources to allot for port staff in this state are terribly underpay increases, Opperman said.

basis but also on a national basis," he said.

"With staff there are a few positions where we might be competing like that, but as a general rule, on the staff level what you're competing with is on the local level."

Charles Zucker, executive director of

The emphasis is primarily on faculty his experiences, support staff in Texas are - it's really an issue of productivity and

"I think it's generally true that the suppaid, on any of the campuses that I've been "We are competing with other institu- on," Zucker said. "Although support staff tions for faculty, not only on a state-wide are poorly paid, you will find differences between cities."

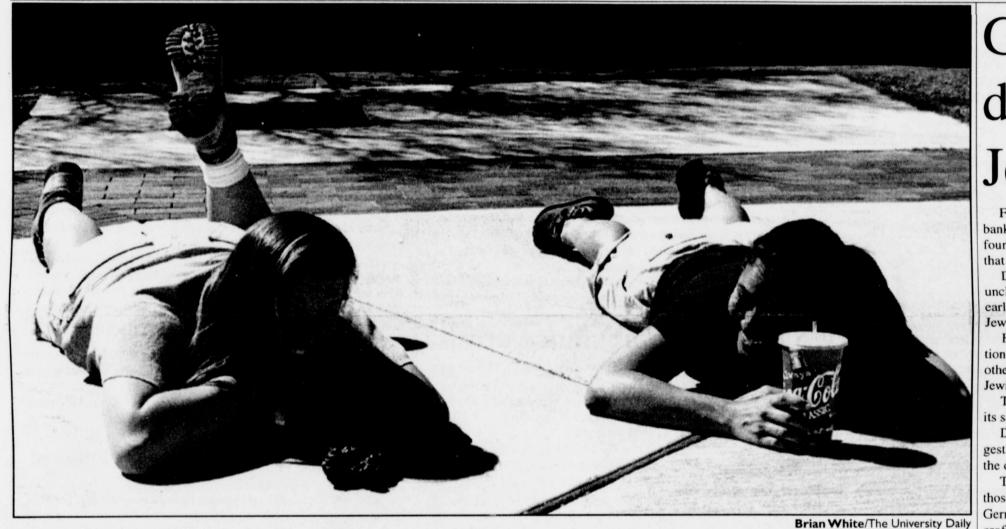
> When support staff are underpaid, leading to a high turn-over rate, such as at the University of Texas in Austin, Zucker said, the faculty adversely are affected because staffers are continuously in training.

"It is causing a problem at the UT-Austhe Texas Faculty Association, said from tin, because there is a high turn-over rate

performance," he said.

Jim Brunjes, vice president for fiscal affairs at Tech, said although Tech support staff did not receive a universityfunded merit increase, the \$1,200-a-year state mandated pay raise comprises the average Tech staff pay increase of 5 percent

"The staff got a 3-percent merit raise in 1996-97, so last year, instead of having merit increases, they got a state mandated across-the-board increase," Brunjes said. "That's actually the only increase from the state since 1992."



# German bank donates to Jewish groups

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) - Germany's biggest bank said Monday it was giving \$3.1 million to Jewish foundations from a 1995 gold sale because of suspicions that Nazis may have robbed the precious metal from Jews.

Deutsche Bank said the origins of the gold remained unclear, even though its researchers had traced it to the early 1940s. The possibility that the gold was stolen from Jewish owners could not be ruled out, it said.

Half of the money is to go to the World Jewish Restitution Organization, which benefits Holocaust survivors. The other half is to go to March of the Living, which pays for Jewish trips to concentration camp museums, the bank said. The bank said the \$3.1 million was the proceeds from ts sale of 711 pounds of gold in 1995. Deutsche Bank and Dresdner Bank, Germany's biggest, announced in December that they were reviewing the origins of their gold reserves. The announcement followed German media reports that those banks may own gold that had been robbed from Jews. Germany's ARD public television claimed to possess microfilms of documents showing that during World War II, each bank accepted gold looted by Nazis.

A Little Rest and Relaxation: Jen Pritchard, a senior from Abilene, and Traci Corn, a senior from San Antonio, take a study break from their landscape architecture

work to relax in Monday's warm weather. Forecasters say the weather will remain warm throughout the week.

## Former mascot dies

Texas Tech's former mascot High Red Bug was killed in an accident during a storm March 15.

Although the official cause of death is not known, the black quarterhorse was said to have been spooked during the storm and ran into a fence, moving the fence post several feet.

"He was a really good horse for us," said Cheryl Shubert, director of University Center Activities. "High Red had tendencies to be high strung."

High Red Bug debuted as the Masked Rider's horse during the 1995 football season and served until he was injured in August 1997.

The horse was buried at the Tech farm next to another mascot, Double T.

High Red Bug replaced Double T who was killed during a 1994 football game.

In September, High Red Bug was replaced by the current mascot Caro after an August accident. A contest is underway to find a new name for Caro.

## Court says Scouts can ban gays, atheists

by California's anti-discrimination laws and can exclude homosexuals covered by and boys who don't believe in God, California the state Supreme Court ruled unani-

Group

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mously Monday. One ruling could allow the Scouts to expel 16-year-old twin brothers. They were barred by a Cub Scout den at 9 because they refused to profess a belief in God, were admitted by court Boy Scouts should be ashamed of," order and recently qualified to become said Timothy Curran, 36, whose ap-Eagle Scouts. A second ruling upheld the Scouts' rejection of an 18-year-old Eagle Scout's application to become a Scout leader after he disclosed his

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - The homosexuality in a newspaper inter- Liberties Union lawyer for Orange Boy Scouts are not a business covered view.

covered by civil rights laws, would cago. have the constitutional right to exclude gays and atheists.

"This is the sort of victory that the plication to be an assistant scoutmaster in Contra Costa County in 1981 was the subject of one ruling.

Taylor Flynn, an American Civil the ruling.

County teen-agers Michael and Will- moral values of the Scout oath and law The opinion by Chief Justice iam Randall, urged charities and gov- to American boys," he said. "Those Ronald George stressed that the court ernments to withdraw financial sup- who meet the standards of this memwas not judging the wisdom of the port from the Boy Scouts, following bership organization are welcome to Scouts' policies, and carefully avoided the lead of Levi Strauss, United Way the question of whether the Scouts, if of San Francisco and the city of Chi-

> Attorney Jay Sekulow of the Jersey that said the Boy Scouts and American Center for Law and Justice, their local councils were "places of founded by the Rev. Pat Robertson, accommodation" with open membersaid the court had recognized that "the ship and were covered by the state's Boy Scouts can and should set the civil rights law. moral tone of their organization."

Boy Scouts of America, also praised

"For 88 years we've taught the belong.'

The ruling contrasts with a decision March 2 by an appellate court in New

That ruling, in favor of a gay scout-Greg Shields, spokesman for the master, was the first by any appellate court in the nation against the Scouts' anti-gay policy.

## Oil prices leave Mexico Clinton's Africa trip off to warm start with higher trade debt

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Mexico's trade deficit continued to grow in February, largely the result of falling oil prices.

Preliminary trade figures released Monday by the Finance Ministry showed a trade deficit of \$635 million, up from \$586 million in January.

The ministry said much of the loss was due to a \$248 million drop in petroleum exports, compared to January. The average price of Mexico's export crude basket was \$10.83 per barrel in February, down \$1 from January and \$7.53 lower than in February 1997.

The lower oil income was partly offset by a rise in nonpetroleum exports. Petroleum accounted for 6.4 percent of the nation's exports in February.

Oil revenues provide about 40 percent of the federal government's revenues and falling prices have already forced President Ernesto Zedillo's government to cut spending. Monday, Zedillo said the country's energy and finance ministers will closely monitor the world oil market to see if further budget cuts should be made.

ACCRA, Ghana (AP) - Buoyed by the biggest crowd of his presidency, President Clinton hailed "the new face of Africa" and its growing peace, prosperity and democracy as he opened a historic six-nation tour on Monday

While poverty and war still trouble parts of the continent, Clinton said Americans must shake off "the stereotypes that have warped our view and weakened our understanding of Africa.'

Dictatorships have fallen in many countries, Clinton said, and half of the 48 nations of sub-Saharan Africa now have elected governments. Where business was once stifled, "now Africans are embracing economic reform," the president said on a mission to applaud political reforms and open the door for U.S.-African trade.

Clinton's message was almost lost to a few seconds of dramatic video that showed him being jostled by an enthusiastic crowd.

After waiting for hours in temperatures that hovered near 100 degrees, the massive crowd roared at the sight of Clinton in Independence Square, a sprawling parade ground alongside the Gulf of Guinea. After weeks of sex-



White House happily passed along Ghanaian government estimates of more than 500,000 people, although that number seemed high.

Clinton's press secretary said the audience was "the largest he's seen as

president, maybe one of the largest any American president has ever seen." Last July's visit to Bucharest, Romania, cheered by tens of thousands, had been the previous to 1.5 billion in 27 years. benchmark.

But the huge turnout and intense heat brought problems. Crowds surged toward Clinton to shake his hand, endangering people pressed against metal barriers. An obviously alarmed Clinton waved crowds to stop, and he shouted, "Back up! Back up!" Spokesman Mike McCurry said Clinton was worried about the people in front being injured.

Fights broke out in the crowd over scarce bottles of water. Police and military security whipped people with belts and canes to keep order. Thousands of people drifted

scandal publicity back home, the away from the square as the ceremony droned on.

Accra, once an Atlantic port for slave traders, was the gateway for Clinton's 12-day, 21,000-mile journey to Ghana, Uganda, Rwanda, South Africa, Botswana and Senegal. Over the course of the trip, he will spend about 42 hours on Air Force One.

The United States sees Africa as a huge potential market, with per capita income rising in 31 countries. The population of Sub-Saharan Africa is projected to double

Clinton's journey is the longest foreign trip of his presidency and the first time an American president has visited any of the six countries on his trip map.

"I want to build a future partnership between our two people and I want to introduce the people of the United States through my trip to the new face of Africa," Clinton said.

Clinton and his national security aides were distracted by news from Moscow that President Boris Yeltsin had, fired his Cabinet, though the president said there was no reason to believe U.S.-Russian policy would be affected.

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## Tech staff member dies

assistant for men's basketball, died of cancer March 11. She was 57.

Lange was employed by Texas Tech for more than 19 years in both the athletic department and College of Agriculture.

"She was one of the nicest, most gentle people I've ever known," said Athletic Director Gerald Myers. "She was always trying to

Norma Lange, administrative do something for somebody. I think that's how people remember her."

> Lange is survived by her husband, Clint, and three sons, Douglas of Stillwater, Okla., Jeffrey of Fort Steward, Ga. and Sidney of Dallas.

The flags in Memorial Circle were flown at half-mast Monday in her honor.

### UD, La Ventana garner awards

Texas Tech's student publications, The University Daily and La Ventana, garnered numerous awards during Spring Break at the Columbia Scholastic Press Association convention in New York. The UD received 10 College Gold Circle Awards, and La Ventana received 40.

Awards received were for front page design, sports writing, sports column writing, yearbook spread, graphic presentation, yearbook design, cutlines and more. Many members of The UD and La Ventana received individual awards, as well as group awards.

Jason Bernstein received first place for health news writing and \$250 for his story chronicling Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center's work with the hanta virus.

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## 11 people killed in Pennsylvania fire

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HERNDON, Pa. (AP) - They residents two years ago. headed north to the wild beauty of a On their way home, students wore

cabin in the mountains, 11 young memorial lapel ribbons in the school's colors, blue and gold, and left banners in the auditorium. "We will miss you guys. Hope you have a good trip," By daybreak Sunday, all of them read one.

> "It's going to take an entire village to soothe the soul of our entire community here today," Principal Alexander Menio Jr. said. Karen Wiest, the mother of two victims, 20year-old David and 17-year-old Toby, said: "The community is very strong and

the people will pull together. They will get through this."

An overflow crowd of more than 300, including Gov. Tom Ridge, gathered in the flower-filled Line Mountain High School auditorium Monday night for a service, then filed into the football stadium for an emotional candlelight vigil.

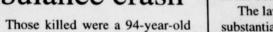
"We hope that tonight we will be able to weep together and share some of the feelings we've been holding down," said the Rev. Robert Snyder, pastor for the United Churches of Christ and the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

The 11 friends arrived on the mountain Friday night and were planning to go home Sunday, said John Wehry, the uncle of three victims.

Police said a passerby saw lights in the windows and nothing unusual at 3:10 a.m. Sunday. When officers arrived at 5:20 a.m., the cabin was engulfed in flames.

of the same county crisis team that All of the victims apparently were offered consolation to Montoursville overcome by smoke and died in bed out laid-off British factory work orojected at I billion Radings

Two killed in ambulance crash KEENE (AP) - Two people were



# **Texas Briefly**

### Judge upholds abortion restrictions

AUSTIN (AP) - The state does not have to pay for abortions for low-income women in cases that don't involve rape, incest or a threat to the woman's life, a state district judge ruled Monday.

A group of doctors and clinics that perform abortions contended in a lawsuit that limits set by lawmakers on state funding for abortions for low-income women violate the state constitution. The doctors and clinics said they were representing their own interests and those of low-income, Medicaid-eligible patients.

"As a result of these provisions, some women are forced to carry unwanted or unhealthy pregnancies to term, others must endure healthrisking delays while they seek to raise the funds, and many must forgo, at great cost to themselves and their families, basic necessities to pay for the abortion procedure," the doctors said in their lawsuit.

But Judge Paul Davis disagreed with the argument that the law is unconstitutional. He dismissed the case filed against the state and offered no offer comment in a one-page opinion released late Monday.

In addition to paying for abortions for some low-income women, the state pays for some prenatal and delivery care of babies born to low-income women, said Catherine Mauzy, an attorney for the doctors and clinics.

#### Ambassador blames misunderstanding

DALLAS (AP) - United States residents, for the most part, have the wrong idea about their neighbors to the south, the Mexican ambassador to the United States said Monday.

But he added those misperceptions are less prevalent in Texas than in other parts of the country.

"In Texas, Mexico has its best allies," Mexican ambassador Jesus Reyes-Heroles said at a Texas Daily Newspaper Association luncheon in Dallas. The event was part of the group's 77th annual convention.

"The Texas-Mexico relationship and partnership is an example of how misperceptions can be overcome."

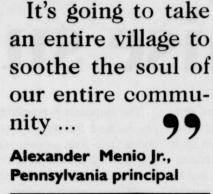
He cited a 1996 survey the Los Angeles Times and the Mexican newspaper Reforma conducted, which showed 62 percent of Mexicans polled had a favorable view of the United States. By comparison, 42 percent of Americans felt the same way about Mexico.

#### U.S. says merger threatens soldiers

WASHINGTON (AP) - Backed by the Pentagon, the Justice Department sued to block Lockheed Martin's \$8.3 billion acquisition of Northrop Grumman on grounds the merger could threaten soldiers' lives and taxpayers' wallets. It was the largest merger ever challenged by the federal government.

The two departments studied the deal for eight months and negotiated unsuccessfully through the weekend with the companies on possible divestitures and revisions. But on Monday, Defense Secretary William Cohen wrote Attorney General Janet Reno that allowing the nation's largest defense contractor to buy its third largest one "is not in the best interests of this department."

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court here, said the deal "would substantially lessen, and in several cases eliminate, competition in major product markets critical to the national defense.' "This merger isn't just about dollars and cents," Reno told a news conference. "It's about winning wars and saving lives."



caught in their beds by a swift Little remained Monday of the two-story cabin on Madisonburg Mountain except a tin roof, bent in the middle and

people, all friends looking forward to

a weekend of cards, cooking and

laughter.

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college or working.

French Club.

blaze was under investigation.

The victims were in their late teens

and early 20s, and all were from

Herndon, a close-knit rural town in

central Pennsylvania. Some were go-

ing to Line Mountain High School;

the rest had graduated and were in

The reaction in their hometown -

where only 514 high school students

live in an area almost as large as Phila-

explosion of Paris-bound TWA Flight

800 off New York's Long Island in

1996 — came to help console them.

Of the 230 people killed in the disas-

ter, 21 were from Montoursville, 35

miles from Herndon. Most of them

were members of the high school

Classes were suspended Monday

at Line Mountain High so students

could instead talk about the fire and

the victims. Many spoke to members

Veterans of another tragedy - the

delphia — was grief and disbelief.

dead,

killed and three injured Monday in a fiery head-on collision between an ambulance and a pickup truck in this rural North Texas town.

ambulance passenger and a 30-yearold Cleburne man who was riding in the truck, the Department of Public Safety said.

Their identities were withheld pending notification of relatives.

The wreck happened about 1:30 p.m. on Farm Road 2280 just north of Keene. The ambulance passenger was being taken to Fort Worth for a routine doctor's appointment.

Other circumstances of the crash were not known.

Three crew members in the ambulance suffered minor injuries, while the pickup driver was not hurt, officials said.

Keane is 35 miles south of Fort Worth.

#### Newspaper executive urges vigilance

DALLAS (AP) - The media must be ready for a serious attack on the public's right to open government during the next Texas Legislature, a newspaper executive said Monday.

Dolph Tillotson, editor and publisher of The Galveston County Daily News, urged Texas Daily Newspaper Association members to meet the well-financed challenge of government groups and politicians against freedom of information and convince readers that it's their fight, too. The foes, Tillotson said, are formidable.

"And I'm here to tell you the real dangerous enemies that we face in terms of public government, open meetings and open records are smart, sophisticated, well-funded, well-educated and very, very effective." Tillotson said.

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## **Ebony Fashion Fair stops in Hub City**

## Proceeds to benefit Tech's Luella Scott Scholarship Fund

#### BY LAURA HENSLEY

The University Daily

A flavorful taste of international high fashion will be showcased in Lubbock tonight. The brilliance and color of a professional fashion show that is rarely seen in the Hub City will take the runway to entertain as well as benefit a Texas Tech student organization scholarship fund.

The 40th annual Ebony Fashion Fair will begin at 8 p.m. today in the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center theater. The Delta Sigma Theta sorority, a national service sorority, will be sponsoring the show. All proceeds will benefit the Luella Scott Memorial Scholarship Fund which is awarded to area graduating high school seniors each year.

"This is something everyone can ally to more than 175 cities each year.

enjoy," said Sherell Guichard-Thomas, fashion show coordina-

"Not only is it

going to be a

night of enter-

tainment, but ev-

erything also

goes to a good

cause. It helps

provide an edu-

cation to Lub-

bock-area students."

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Ebony **Fashion Fair** 

> Time: 8 p.m. Date: Today Location: Lubbock Memorial **Civic Center Details: Sponsored by Delta** Sigma Theta sorority. Proceeds to benefit Luella Scott Memorial Scholarship Fund.

fashion show is produced by Ebony magazine and features more than 200 garments from exclusive clothing collections by designers such as Bill Blass, Bob Mackie, Givenchy and Christian Dior.

gets it every other

don't catch it now

have the opportu-

the year 2000."

"The fashion fair shows the different fashions that are on runways around the world," said Tharrie

"The show is Daniels, production assistant of the in such a demfashion show. "It reaches out to many and," Guichardpeople and tells them who designed Thomas said, what and where to purchase the "Lubbock only pieces."

Everything from swimwear to evening wear and bridal fashions will year. If people be exhibited by 11 female and two male models. The evening's show also then they won't will include songs and dance led by a nity to see it until live band featuring Broadway pianist, Theodis Rodgers.

This traveling "People will just love the show," Guichard-Thomas said. "If you are in any way interested in fashion it will be great."

Tickets will be available at the door. The cost of tickets ranges from \$22 for the first five rows, \$18 for adults and \$14 for students. All tickets include a one-year subscription to Ebony magazine.

Weekly Tip: Everyone's in the mood to fight for what he or she believes is right.

WEEKLY HOROSCOPE

by Linda Black

IfYou're Having a Birthday This Week: Your friends will teach you what you need to know, if you'll let them. It all comes together, with the help of a savvy group.

Aries (March 24-April 19). Teamwork is required to answer the questions. The challenge you face is intellectual, not physical.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). Heed the words of caution you hear. Your boss knows what she's talking about. Your friends bring you luck and abundance.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). A friend from far way provides inspiration. A confrontation leads to a fabulous career opportunity.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). There are ways to get the money you need, but paperwork is required. Pick up the forms.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Don't get into a debate with an intellectual type. Just do what you're told. The other person is right.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The latest technology is required to finish a task. Be patient and let a woman teach you.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll fall hard for an intellectual. Make a major commitment and your life will never be the same.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If you can stay home, you'll get more work done from there. An argument with your true love about money disrupts your train of thought.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your ability to assimilate information is awesome. You're laying the foundation for future success, so take your time and do it right.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Take money you acquire to reserve a space on your dream ship. You may not know how you're going to do it yet, but anything is possible.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your strength and intelligence are awesome. Whatever you don't know, you can figure out. Use it to find a group activity.

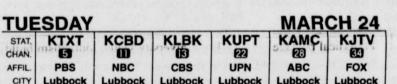
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). Get all your facts together so you're ready to make your presentation. A confrontation with an older person makes you nervous, but don't worry. Everything works out fine.

#### Forum to assemble, focus on hunger

Forum will assemble for the fourth time at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Breedlove Dehydration Plant of the South Plains Food Bank. The meeting is open to the public.

The Lubbock Faith and Politics the South Plains and efforts to alleviate it. The forum will be a meeting of persons from diverse religious traditions. Participants will discover how they and local churches can assist in the effort. The forum will begin with a tour of the plant.

The forum will focus on hunger on



## Titanic' has night to remember, but no record

LOS ANGELES (AP) - "Titanic" set its sights on a record-tying 11 Oscars Monday, but it lost two top awards as Helen Hunt won best actress for "As Good As It Gets" and Kim Basinger took supporting actress for "L.A. Confidential."

The \$200 million disaster epic and all-time box-office champion had eight awards - including best song "My Heart Will Go On" - at the 70th Academy Awards show.

It was nominated in three more categories. "Titanic" director James

Cameron, who shared in the film editing Oscar, held the trophy out as he accepted it.

Robin Williams won the supporting actor award as the bereaved psychology professor who counsels a troubled young genius in "Good Will Hunting."

He then managed to thank many, many people, including his young costars Matt Damon and Ben Affleck. quipping: "I still want to see some ID.'

hard heart of an obsessive-compulsive 1959. "Titanic"'s 14 nominations tied writer played by Jack Nicholson, who blew kisses to her as she gave her acceptance speech.

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more than \$44 million to charitable

organizations and travels internation-

Basinger, the Veronica Lake lookalike/call girl in "L.A. Confidential," beat out "Titanic's" Gloria Stuart, who was a sentimental favorite after coming out of retirement at age 87 to play a centenarian survivor of the shipwreck.

"If anyone has a dream out there, I'm living proof that it can come true," Basinger told the Shrine Auditorium audience.

"Titanic" - which went into the night with a record-tying 14 nominations — won for art direction, film editing, costume design, sound, sound editing, original dramatic score, visual effects and song. But nominees Kate Winslet and Stuart - playing the same character as a young and aged woman - were also-rans in the acting categories. And the film's loss to "Men in Black" in the makeup category robbed it of a chance to set an all-time record by winning 12 Os-

the record set by 1950's "All About Eve." The three-hour, 14-minute ro-

mance set on the doomed luxury liner has already smashed box office records, overtaking "Jurassic Park" as the biggest moneymaker in movie history (adjusted for inflation), with more than \$1.1 billion.

It also has been No. 1 at the U.S. box office for an unprecedented 14 weekends in a row.

The other contenders for best picture

- "L.A. Confidential," a film noir starring Kevin Spacey as a cop in 1950s Los Angeles.

- "As Good As It Gets," a romance between a misanthrope, played by Nicholson, and a working mother, played by Hunt.

- "Good Will Hunting," starring Damon as a working-class genius.

"The Full Monty," a comedy about laid-off British factory workers who form a male stripper act. The film was made for a mere \$3.5 mil-

#### nal or musical score.

Billy Crystal had the duty of keeping the three-hour-plus show on course, kicking things off with a filmed sketch that put him in scenes of the best-picture nominees, much as he did last year.

It started with spit in the face from deadpanned.

celebration of comebacks, with a batch of nominees who had been largely forgotten, including Peter Fonda, Julie Christie, Robert Forster as well as Burt Reynolds and Stuart, sentimental favorites who lost in supporting categories.

The nostalgia theme extended to the ceremony's invitation list. The Academy invited every living winner of the supporting and lead acting awards.

The worldwide TV audience was projected at 1 billion. Ratings were expected to be up over last year's disappointing numbers, largely because

"Titanic's" Leonardo DiCaprio. "What, give up show business?" he This year's Oscar pageant was a

Hunt, nominated along with four British actresss in her category, won for playing a waitress who reaches the for most Oscars, having won 11 in

cars

"Ben-Hur" now holds the record

lion with a cast unknown to American audiences. The film won the Oscar for origi-

of the monster draw of "Titanic," which has made nearly \$500 million in North America.

## 'Titanic' posts 14th weekend at No. 1

LOS ANGELES (AP) - "Titanic" sailed into the Academy Awards ceremony Monday as box office leader for an unprecedented 14 straight weeks, toppling a 13-week record shared by the comedies "Tootsie" and "Beverly Hills Cop."

Titanic, nominated for 14 Academy Awards earned \$17.1 million, overshadowing the debut of "Primary Colors." The John Travolta comedy about a philandering presidential candidate earned \$12 million, according to Exhibitor Relations Co., Inc.

The "Titanic" streak at No. 1 is the longest since studios began publishing weekly box office tallies in the early 1980s, said John Krier, an analyst with Exhibitor Relations.

"Tootsie" remained the No. 1 box office attraction for 13 weeks in 1982 and was tied two years later by "Beverly Hills Cop."

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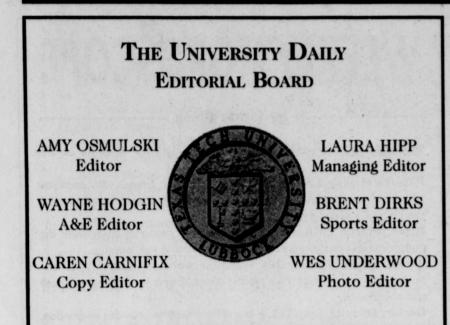
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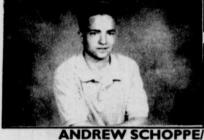
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# **Tech tunnels** provide wealth of opportunities



COLUMNIST

Have you ever heard of the tunnel system here at Texas Tech? The stories you may have heard probably vary quite a bit.

Some versions have it that the tunnel system was constructed in the 1960s to serve as bomb shelters due to the threat of the Cold War and as disaster shelters due to the everpresent threat of tornadoes here in West Texas. Some stories probably

portray the tunnels as creepy, dimly lit caverns that make one think of the shots of sewage tunnels commonly shown during chase scenes in action-suspense movies.

In reality, Tech's tunnel system was first constructed in the late 1920s in order to house pipes to heat and cool the Tech campus. The tunnels were constructed simultaneously with Tech's first physical plant located north of the engineering key and southeast of the former site of the University Police Department station. Whether it was blind luck or extreme foresight, it is rather amazing that the original engineers and designers would construct a tunnel system that would house the pipes needed to provide heating and cooling to campus facilities, while also providing space for countless miles of wire and cable for future installation of electric power, phone and Ethernet services and more.

The layout of the initial tunnel system had tunnels running north and south between the old physical plant and the administration building and east and west from the old physical plant to the current location of Thompson Hall. The tunnel running from the old physical plant to the administration building

# Everybody matters, no matter what affiliations



Did you know that "Everybody is

somebody in Tri Delt?" I didn't know

that until I read it on the back of a T-

shirt in my last class. I just . . . I had

Just goes to show how naive I am,

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how do the rest of us know? There's a simple test you can take

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> drive? 4. Do you copulate often?

5. What kind of job do you have? 6. What do your parents do?

7. Did you complete college? 8. Do you breathe?

If you answered yes to question eight, I would venture to guess that you're somebody. So now you should go buy a shirt that says "Everybody is Somebody if They're Me."

I am going to start a new religion

body anyway? Well, obviously if called Peopleism, and anyone can be you're a Tri Delt you just know, but a peopleist (regardless of other religious or social associations). All you have to do is exist. So even if you to know for certain if you're impor- don't want to be a Peopleist you are

one because I just made it up and said you are. And all you my life knowing have to do to practice Peopleitity is you have to talk to somebody else. Technically, you could even talk to yourself if you

> wanted to, because you're a people too. It's that simple.

You don't have to believe in a superhuman being that you can't see. You don't have to believe in an ancient manuscript. You don't have to carry around big snakes or make sacrifices or drink poison to prove you're a Peopleist, you just have to believe in people.

Whether you believe that it was

God, Allah, Buddha or the Jolly Green Giant that put us all here on earth together, you have to recognize that we are all here together. And regardless of whether you believe we come from heaven and go to heaven or whether you believe we come from nothing and go to nothing, you have to believe that we are all here now.

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That is the only guarantee in life. We are all here for the moment. We're all fumbling from point A (birth) to point B (death) the best way we know how

And not one of us knows where we're going to end up.

So the way I see it, if we're all in the same boat, we're either all completely insignificant nobodies in the larger scheme of things, or we're all somebody (Tri Delt or no). You believe what you want. I'd like to believe we're all somebodies, because otherwise I'm wasting thousands of dollars on my education to end up as nothing.

Julie Mitchell is a junior English theatre arts major from Corsicana.

ized there was that "in Tri Delt" part afterwards. But now I know, and I can go on with my life knowing that if I were a Tri Delt I'd be somebody, and since I'm not a Tri Delt I may be no-How do you know if you're some-

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area still is in existence, but very congested.

The space available for workers to maneuver in this section of tunnel is about 4 feet high by 3 feet wide.

A few years back, when pipes had been added in this section of tunnel, the only feasible way to accomplish this task was to tear up the ground surface and lower in pieces of pipe section by section which would be welded to the pipe already installed.

In 1968, with the construction of the new physical plant located north of the Student Recreation Center, a more expansive tunnel system consisting of three main loops was constructed. By 1984, the last major additions were made to the new tunnel system which extends for about 7 1/2 miles underground. These tunnels were designed to be more spacious with walking space equivalent in size to a typical campus building's hallway.

The main loops travel from the physical plant south in the direction of the law school and the Chitwood/Weymouth Residence Hall complex, east along Brownfield Highway towards Jones Stadium, and in a loop spanning from the physical plant through the biology building area towards the administration building on further to Holden Hall and then back to the physical plant.

In the past, students in various Greek organizations gained unauthorized access to the tunnel system to conduct initiations and the like. These problems have been less frequent, which is to the benefit of not only physical plant workers, but also students.

The tunnels are not to be taken lightly and should be considered very dangerous. To illustrate, in the last few weeks two pinhole leaks in a section of pipe carrying high pressure, high temperature steam to the science buildings were identified and promptly repaired.

The massive amount of steam being conducted under extreme pressure could have caused the pipes to burst which would have contaminated sections of tunnel with enormous amounts of harmful asbestos. In addition, in the past year, an employee working in the old section of tunnel from the administration building to the old physical plant got his leg caught in a narrow crevice between two pipes resulting in an injury to his knee that required microscopic surgery. The close confines of the tunnel obviously played a role in this incident.

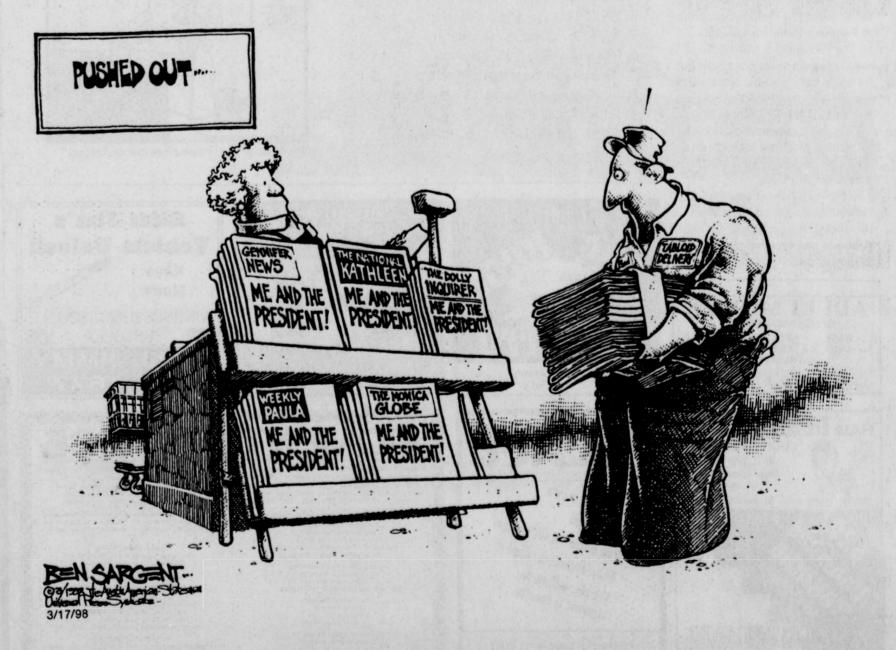
With the implementation of the Campus Master Plan over the next few years, it is logical to assume that the tunnel system will be looking to expand as well. At a cost of \$1,500 per linear foot of tunnel, officials would like to connect the physical plant on campus to the physical plant at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. This would help to avoid a campus-wide heating and cooling shutdown on a regular basis when major work is needed, because one facility will serve as a backup to the other.

As for using the tunnels as disaster shelters, there has never existed a formal written plan to address such a situation. If the need arose, appropriate measures would be taken to direct people to safety.

The tunnels built in 1968 had a life expectancy of about 30 years but have proven to remain structurally sound and will likely be able to last another 30 years. However, in the future, new tunnels running alongside the old tunnels will have to be built to keep Tech operating smoothly for Red Raiders to come.

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## **Tech looks to rebound before OSU**

#### BY HEATH ROBINSON

The University Daily

Texas Tech's failure to overcome a 9-3 deficit Sunday against Baylor left the Red Raiders in a tight spot in the Big 12 baseball race.

And in order to wiggle out, Tech must overcome their road deficiencies by winning this weekend at Stillwater, Okla., against perennial power Oklahoma State.

After splitting the first two games this weekend with No. 12 Baylor, the No. 23 Red Raiders could not overcome sloppy defense and spotty pitching. The 10-6 Sunday loss at home left Tech at 4-4 in conference, two full games behind the Bears in first place.

After hosting Eastern New Mexico at 7 p.m. today at Dan Law Field, Tech will take its 4-7 road record into Stillwater to face a Cowboy team that has won its last five games.

"We've put ourselves in a hole," Red Raider coach Larry Hays said. "It was disappointing the way we performed on defense Sunday."

Hays said the Red Raiders played

hard the entire series, but three errors ing to be a tough place to win at,"

were too much to overcome. When We've put our- mind." you're having

trouble fielding the ball, and the pitching isn't great either, it's difficult to win," Hays said. Tech now has

Sunday. 77 lost four of six games against Tech coach Larry Hays Texas A&M and Baylor, both of whom are ahead of them in the con-

ference rankings. Tech's only conference success

has come against Texas. The Red Raiders won both games

against the Longhorns, who are 1-7 in Big 12 play. Now the challenge is to regroup

today before heading to Oklahoma State.

"I'm sure Oklahoma State is go-

Sunday, coupled with starter Jesse catcher Josh Bard said. "It was a real Cornejo lasting just 2 1/3 innings, competitive series here last season

> with them, and I'm sure they have that in

Last season, selves in a hole. It Oklahoma State players was disappointing and coaches comthe way we perplained about the lack of sportsformed on defense manship shown by Red Raider fans after losing two of three games against the Red Raiders.

"I'm pretty sure their fans took note of that," Bard said of Oklahoma State.

"Every place is tough to win at in this conference. Home field is something you have to take care of. That's one of the disappointing things about this series against Baylor."

But all is hardly lost for Tech. There still are 21 conference games

scheduled, including nine against teams that are ahead of Tech in the standings.

"There is still a lot of time left in the conference season," Hays said. "The things we need to concentrate on is getting our defense back together. We've committed too many mental and physical errors the last few weeks. That's going to have to

change." There were bright spots for the Red Raiders this weekend. Shane Wright and Monty Ward both pitched well, proving Tech has two of the best starting pitchers in the conference.

Wright picked up his fifth complete game of the season in Saturday's 9-1 victory, and moved to 6-1 on the

Ward pitched well in Friday's opener but could not get enough offensive help, losing 3-2.

"I felt really good about my outing," Wright said. "I've been pitching pretty well lately, and my pitches have been finding the strike zone. Hopefully, I'll be able to keep going like this for the rest of the season."

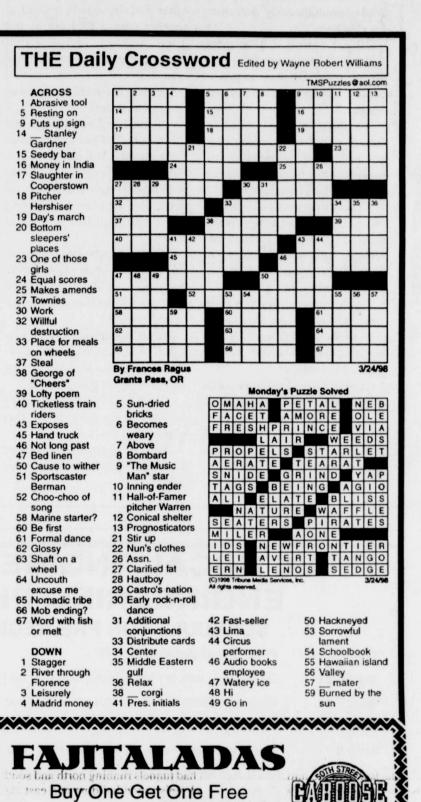
## Wright earns Big 12 honor

Wright was named Big 12 Pitcher of the Week Monday by the conference.

Wright pitched two complete games for Tech last weekend, re-

Red Raider pitcher Shane sulting in two Red Raider wins. Tech defeated New Mexico, 4-3, and Baylor, 9-1.

> In the two contests, the junior from Topeka, Kan., compiled a 2.00 ERA while allowing 19 hits.



## NFL approves Cleveland expansion franchise

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) - The ing the extension of their labor con-NFL fulfilled the promise it made to Cleveland when Art Modell pulled the old Browns out of town after the 1995 season.

The league gave the city a new expansion franchise named the Cleveland Browns and provided it with a two-man startup staff that will begin filling a roster for a team that will take the field in 1999.

The decision was made after a contentious day in which some owners wanted to delay a decision on the Browns.

But commissioner Paul Tagliabue finally prevailed by asserting that they needed a player personnel department in place by early summer to begin preparing for the expansion draft, the regular draft and free agency.

"When people start talking, they can get things done," Tagliabue said tract three more years - through the end of 2003.

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NFL owners also approved a new policy that will When people start allow Tagliabue talking, they can get to suspend players convicted of things done. assault, spousal abuse, gun posand **NFL commissioner Paul** 

Tagliabue

"I was one of the people who wanted to get this done," said Modell, whose announcement in 1995 that he

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the old one, built Tagliabue a raise, doubling his salary in the Depression era. from about \$2.5 million a year to \$5 But the team will wear the old Browns' orange and white and while

Burit was the Cleveland move that there will be permanent seat licenses, was most dramatic - even if it was there also will be a Dawg Pound deexpected — because it brought full signed for the average fan.

Some major developments are yet to come for the franchise - like selection of an owner.

But personnel operations are under way under the direction of George Young, the former New York Giants general manager who now is the NFL's vice president for league operations.

The team's first employee, hired by Young, will be Joe Mack, who was assistant general manager of the Carolina Panthers when they assembled their expansion team that began play

Tagliabue said he believes Mack will be a man the new owners will want to keep but added "they can obviously pick the personnel they want.

Of the other actions on the first day of the NFL meetings, the most important was ratification of the labor

NFL officials. These Browns will move into a in 1995. new stadium on

would move the team shocked everyone — from fans in the old Dawg Pound at Cleveland Sta-

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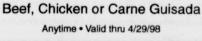
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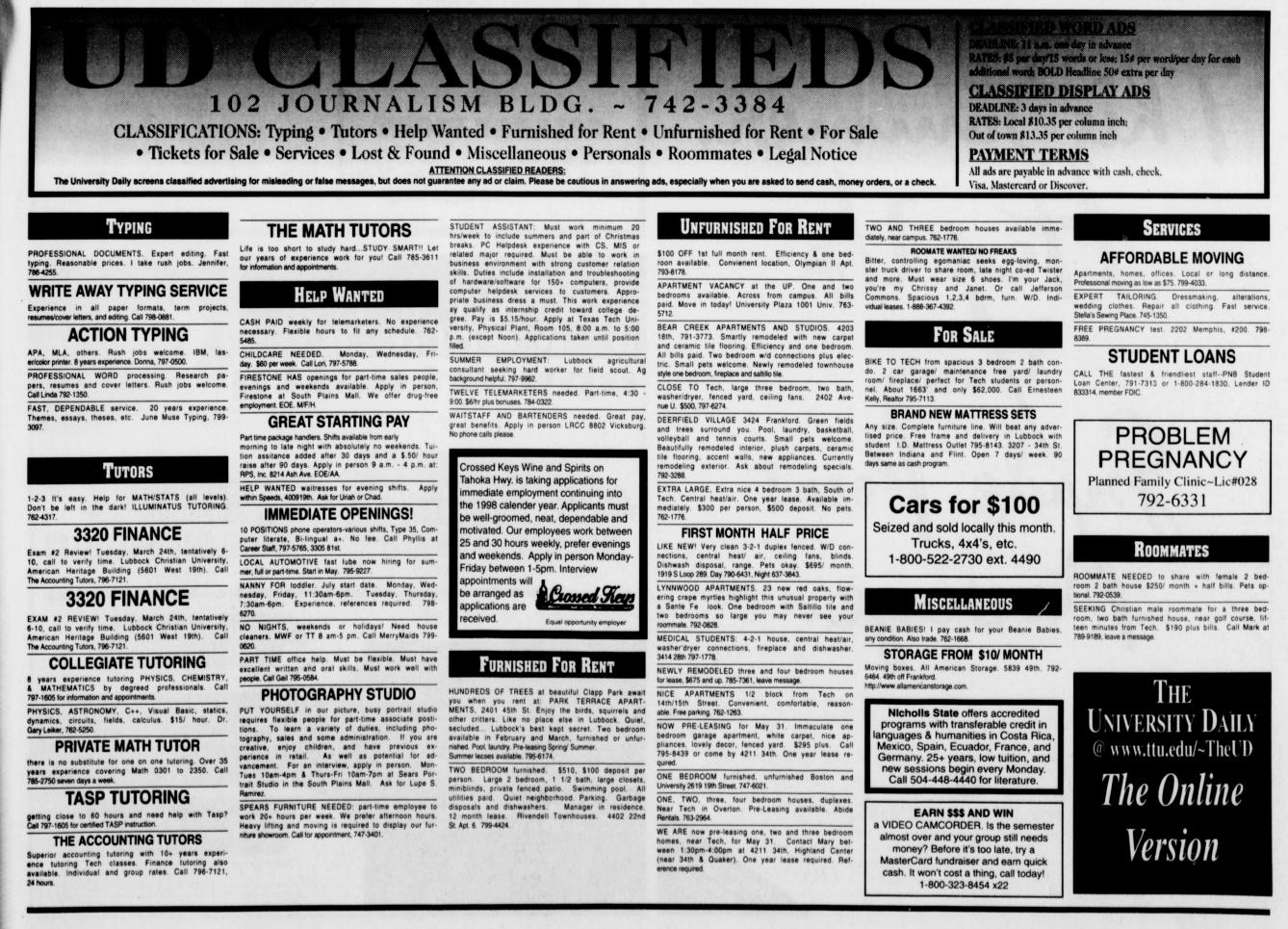
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## Penders responds to Texas' players problems

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas basketball coach Tom Penders countered complaints from a few players about his coaching style Monday while simultaneously defending his character.

"I not perfect. I have many faults, but I have never abused any player in my 30 years as a head coach," Penders told a news conference.

Penders said he would let former players, including ones now on his staff, defend his coaching style while he concentrated on defending his character.

"I have a personal belief in honesty and loyalty and doing the right thing. I have never violated any NCAA rule in my career or brought discredit to the university," Penders said.

Controversy erupted last week when freshman Luke Axtell complained about unfair treatment, alleged verbal abuse and said he planned to transfer.

Axtell, 7-foot freshman center Chris Mihm, freshman point guard Bernard Smith and sophomore forward Gabe Muoneke met with UT Athletics Director DeLoss Dodds on March 9, the day after the Longhorns were eliminated from the Big 12 Conference tournament.

Last week, Penders announced that Axtell would be suspended indefinitely for academic reasons. Later that day Axtell, second in scoring with a 13.3 points per game average, revealed that Dodds had granted him a transfer from UT.

Penders defended his decision to suspend Axtell.

"I felt I had no choice," the coach said. "It's just a suspension. Luke Axtell is still on the basketball team at Texas and I've had nothing but positive things to say about him. He played hard every night, but I still had to suspend him."

Penders said he was not aware that Axtell or other players were unhappy until March 13, and by then most of the team had left for spring break.

Texas basketball players Kris Clack and Chico Vasquez came to Penders defense Monday, saying that he was just doing his job.

Clack said Penders and other coaches do say things and yell at players, but that's expected.

Penders said he was touched by Clack and Vasquez's efforts on his behalf.

# **Techsters stamp Final Four ticket**

#### **BY JASON BERNSTEIN**

The University Daily

The Louisiana Tech Lady Techsters defeated a young and talented Purdue squad 72-65 Monday night in the NCAA Tournament Midwest Regional Final at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum. The win earned Louisiana Tech a spot in the 1998 Final Four in Kansas City, Mo.

Led by a strong effort from senior center Alisa Burras with her 17 points and 16 rebounds, the Lady Techsters came out in the second half and stepped up their play after an uninspired first half.

"We definitely came out and played hard in the second half," said Burras, who was named the Midwest Regional's Most Outstanding Player after the win.

The first half of play was similar to that of two heavyweights duking it out as Purdue shot 50 percent from the field connecting on 15-of-30 from the field. Purdue kept the game close as they took control of the boards by outrebounding the Lady Techsters 21-16 in the first half.

"Our goal was to outrebound Louisiana Tech and we did," said Purdue coach Carolyn Peck. "We didn't control the offensive boards, though, which really broke our back."

Burras collected six offensive rebounds of her own, as she scored on

easy putbacks under the basket. Despite lagging in the offensive rebound department, Purdue held a slim five-point lead at the half behind the play of junior guards Ukari Figgs and Stephanie White, who combined for 21 of the team's 35 points in the first half.

"We played hard the whole game and just came up short," White said after the loss.

Louisiana Tech came out in the second half and stepped it up both offensively and defensively as they outscored Purdue 42-30 in the second half, securing a place in the Final Four beginning Friday.

"They picked it up defensively," White said of the Louisiana Tech defense, which limited the Boilermakers to 30 second-half points. "They thrive off of transition and they capitalized on our mistakes."

Purdue turned the ball over 23 times, helping set up the run-and-gun, up-tempo style that caters to the Lady Techster offense.

"During the first half, our goal was to keep their lead at five points, and we were able to do that," said Louisiana Tech coach Leon Barmore. "I was very upset at the half because we weren't getting it done. I challenged the team and they responded.'

After shooting a sub-par 41.7 percent in the first half, the Lady Techsters connected on 16-of-34 from the field in the second half, for a 47.1 percent clip.

The starting five for the Lady Techsters produced all 72 points as junior guard LaQuan Stallworth finished with 18 points. Sophomore guard Tamicha Jackson added 16 points while junior forward Amanda Wilson also finished with 16 points. Junior forward Monica Maxwell added five points to complete the scoring for the Lady Techsters.



Rejected: Lady Techster forward Monica Maxwell grabs the ball from Purdue's Ukari Figgs in Monday's NCAA Tournament Midwest Regional final.

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