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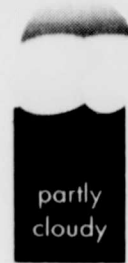
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Arena nears final stage of completion

By Ginger Pope
Staff Writer

From a \$15,000 model to a \$51 million construction project, the Texas Tech United Spirit Arena is about 78 percent complete.

This past week, the arena reached a pivotal point in its construction as the support towers for the ceiling's steel beams came down.

Much to Tech's arena representative, Don Bundock's relief, the 90,000 bolts held the steel trusses in place.

This week, workers expect to close in the ceiling with steel, structural decking and grade the court in order to begin pouring the permanent court floor, Bundock said.

"This is kin to the captain breaking a bottle of champagne on a ship when launching it," he said.

The conception of the United Spirit Arena began in 1996, and for Tech, the climate seemed to be right as the university entered into the Big 12 Conference, said Gerald Myers, Tech athletic director.

Just about a year before the arena began, Lubbock voters turned down a resolution to build a multi-purpose facility that would have included a sports facility.

The votes against a multi-purpose facility was a strong catalyst in building the new arena, Myers said.

"We were disappointed when they voted against a multi-purpose facility," Myers said. "We probably would never have been able to build this arena had they not voted it down."

The Lubbock Municipal Coliseum, where Tech will sponsor its last basketball game Saturday, is not adequate for Tech's use anymore and could actually be hurting the athletic programs, Myers said.

"The facility has affected our recruiting and the amount of fans that show up," he said.

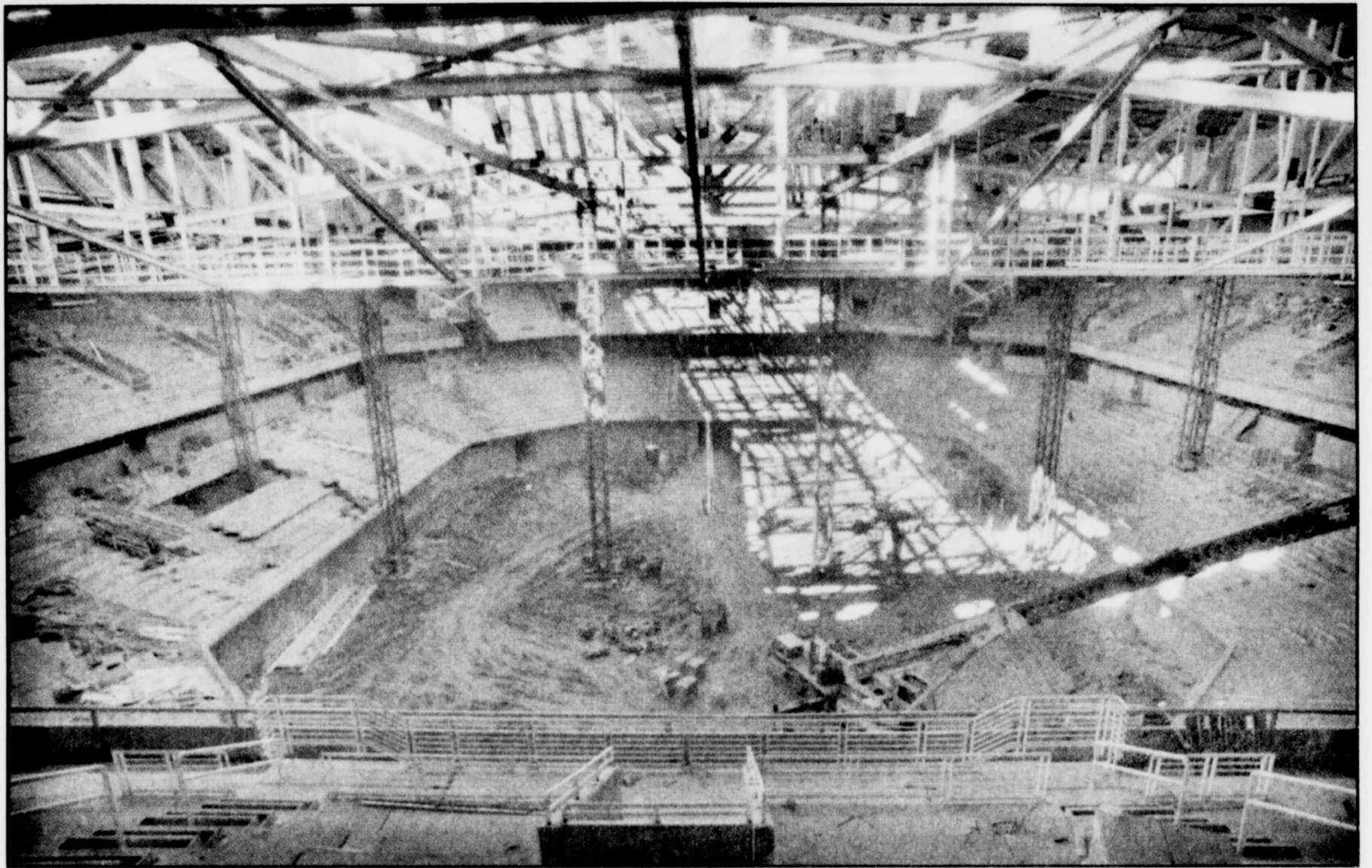
The arena, once completed, will have 53 different roof levels, with the traditional red tiling seen throughout the Tech campus on the lower roof levels. The top roof will be made of metal and painted red.

The arena also will contain about a million bricks and \$1 million of Texas limestone throughout the building.

The arena, including the court floor, locker rooms and practice courts, is 16 feet below the natural ground level, while the concourse level is 16 feet above ground.

The second concourse level will have 5,000 seats. The first level will have 7,000 seats while retractable seating on the floor will seat 3,000 people.

The furthest seat in the arena from center court is 75 yards, and the re-



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Filling in the Holes: The \$51-million United Spirit Arena now is 78 percent complete and is scheduled to open Aug. 18. The arena is 16 feet below the natural ground level and the concourse is 16 feet above ground level. When complete, the arena will hold more than 15,000 spectators.

tractable seats on the court floor should be 10 1/2 feet from the stripe.

Twenty-two of the 24 luxury boxes around the arena court already have been leased for an average of \$25,000 a year. The other two will be used for Tech administration.

Other facilities in the arena include special accommodations to the media with a press room for players and coaches, used for the media to

plug in their computers and other equipment. Media trucks also will have a ramp to move their equipment in and out of the arena.

Besides sponsoring basketball and volleyball games, commencements and concert venues, the arena will be the home away from home for coaches James Dickey, Marsha Sharp and Jeff Nelson.

"The arena is going to be the best

on-campus basketball facility in the nation. It has not been easy though," said Doug Mann, vice chancellor for facilities, planning and construction.

Mann has been a part of the arena planning since it began. He now heads Tech's development of the campus Master Plan.

"It was the Master Plan that brought me here. The United Spirit Arena would not have been on the

core campus without the Master Plan," he said.

Bundock said while architects and engineers have gone through challenges of 800 pages of designs and increased structural stability, what remains is essentially a laundry checklist of placing seats in, cleaning and painting.

The arena is expected to open August 18.

Gramm discusses Texas student tax relief in speech

By Apu Naik
Staff Writer

Student employees of Texas public universities can look forward to \$1.2 million added to their annual paychecks thanks to the legislative help from U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm (R-Bryan, College Station).

Gramm brought his message of tax relief to the Texas Tech campus Friday.

Gramm told a large audience of students attending the engineering department's open house that students who work for their university can expect to see their payroll taxes cut as early as this May.

"There are some 3,971 students working for Tech," Gramm said. "The Student Fairness Act will allow these students to save more of the money they earn for school."

Before the passage of the Student Fairness Act, Texas was one of only three states, including Pennsylvania and New Jersey, who did not cut their student employees' payroll taxes.

As a direct result of the tax-relief bill, students who work on the Tech campus will receive a 7.6 percent pay increase annually, which adds up to about \$1.2 million saved by every student every year, Gramm said.

In addition, Tech must match the dollar amount paid for by students annually and as a result of this legislation, will save the university \$1.2 million as well.

"That's \$2.4 million we are spending in Texas that no other state pays for," Gramm said. "With this money, we can compete much more easily for the quality of our student employees."

Because of the payroll taxes being paid by Texas' students, Gramm said 15 cents out of every dollar was spent by state employees, making money for other states more available to their employees.

"Before this legislation, the University of Michigan could pay their student employees up to 15 percent more than Texas could pay theirs," Gramm said.

Chancellor John Montford, who was on hand at the event, said the passage of the Student Fairness Act is extremely important, not only for the students but for Tech as well.

"Obviously, this Act is really important for students, considering how much they can save on their paychecks and the rising costs of an education," Montford said.

"But in addition, this is important for Tech, as we will be able to save money and provide a better service to the students as well."

State Representative Carl Isset (R-Lubbock), who just finished hearing testimonies from Montford and other Tech administrators in Austin last week, said saving money for student employees is finally a reality.

"This is something we'd been working on for six years, and we finally were able to get it done," Isset said.

Isset said it probably took so long to pass the tax cut because of the long time gaps between the Texas House sessions.

Eye Bank observes 25 years of sight restoration, research

By Greg Okuhara
Staff Writer

For the past 25 years, the Great Plains Lions Eye Bank has helped local residents restore the precious gift of sight.

Tonight, the Eye Bank will celebrate its 25th anniversary at the University Medical Center McInturf Center.

Located in Thompson Hall, the Eye Bank supplies donor corneas for both transplant surgeries and research.

Last year, almost 47,000 transplant surgeries were performed, 78 of those were completed in Lubbock.

However, the need continues to grow for donor corneas as the number of donors decreases and the waiting list numbers increase.

Ken Steward, executive director of the Eye Bank, said it is essential for people to become a cornea donor.

"There are so many people on the waiting list," Steward said.

"The list continues to increase and increase, and the donors continue to decrease."

"We are here to take care of West Texas people on the waiting list which currently stands at 23."

Dr. David McCartney, medical director of the Eye Bank, said cornea donors help multiple people.

"Most of those donations have helped multiple people," McCartney said. "If the tissue is not suitable for transplant, it can go towards research. I can't really say how many people it benefits."

Unlike other transplant surgeries, cornea transplants do not require cross-matching, the process of determining the compatibility of blood of the donor with the recipient.

Cornea transplants are more than 95 percent successful. The risk of rejection has lowered due to the fact there is no need for cross-matching.

Anyone can be a donor; age is not

a factor. Corneas that are healthy are used in transplants. Those corneas that are not suitable for a transplant are utilized for research for blindness.

Steward said people need to let their families know about their wishes to become a donor.

"To become a donor, they need to come in and sign a donor card which can be found there in the office," Steward said.

"Also, they need to let their next of kin know (they would like to be a donor)."

The Eye Bank will sponsor a 25th-anniversary dinner and program tonight at the McInturf Center. Speakers will include Lou Young, the founder of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, whose daughter was killed in an accident and was an eye donor.

The dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. and costs \$15. For more information, call the Eye Bank at 743-2242.

Greeks band together to help local cancer patient

By Laura Hensley
Staff Writer

There is not much evidence remaining of Erika Nordstrom's battle with thyroid cancer, just a smooth pink scar stretched across the right side of her neck, and the bills her parents have been left with for her treatment.

Erika Nordstrom attends Coronado High School and plays cello in the school's symphony orchestra. When she told her father she wanted to travel to Hawaii on a trip the orchestra was taking next year, he

laughed.

But Erika's mother, Kathy Nordstrom an adviser in Texas Tech's education department was determined to send her daughter on the trip.

"I felt I would be punishing her for getting cancer if she was not able to go on the trip," Kathy Nordstrom said.

That is when she began looking for help to raise money for her daughter.

She would have never guessed that help would come from a group that has recently received a reputa-

tion in the press as being troublesome.

"I called over to the Greek Council on campus to see if this would be something they would be interested in or they could help with," Kathy Nordstrom said. "I had no idea that not only would they help, but they were obligated to do these types of things."

Nordstrom told Erika's story to Sara Shields, a sophomore restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from Carrollton. Shields agreed to help raise the money.

At first, Shields approached her

own sorority, Alpha Chi Omega, at a Christmas party and raised about \$150. That's when she realized she could do so much more.

"I thought if I could get that much on some random night, I could go around to all of the houses and do the same," Shields said.

So, with the help of members of the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity, Shields approached all of the houses on Greek Circle and told Erika's story. In this unique effort, the entire Greek system banded together in support of one cause and raised more than \$1,500 for one 16-year-old girl.

Saturday, Shields presented Erika Nordstrom and her mother with a handful of checks from all of the Greek houses.

"I don't think anything like this has ever been done," Shields said. "Sometimes (Greeks) don't look at the fact that we are all Greek. We just see different letters. But, this just goes to show when you pull all of our resources together, you can do something like this. It feels great to work together."

Shields said many people only gave a few dollars here and there, but the result ended in something big.

"I've never been so proud to say I'm Greek," she said. "I've always been taught if there is a way and a means to help someone, you should do it."

Erika Nordstrom could hardly believe so many people had helped her. She is very excited about going to Hawaii and playing her cello with her band there. She said she plans to shop and send a postcard to all of the houses that gave her money.

When asked to sum up her feelings about the gift, the cheery, bright girl just grinned and said, "Thank you."

Student Health Services sponsors Body Acceptance Week

Student Health Services is sponsoring Body Awareness Week to educate students about their body and image.

Tonight, SHS and Fashion Board will sponsor Reality Check at 8 p.m. in the University Center Matador Room. Reality Check will showcase

the different styles of clothing, dance and beauty trends that have evolved over the course of history.

Week ends with fashion

By Amy Wood
Staff Writer

Texas Tech students from different international student organizations and others participated in the ninth annual International Fashion and Talent Show, which took place Saturday in the University Center Allen Theatre.

Amira Al-Alami, a sophomore international economics major originally from Colombia, South America, is one of the two assistant chairpersons of the Fashion and Talent Show Committee that sponsored the show.

This is Al-Alami's second year to be a part of the show; however, this is her first year to be a part of the show's committee.

"We have been planning since late- November, early-December," Al-Alami said.

Al-Alami said the committee advertised for acts in coffee shops and places on campus. It was open for anyone to participate. Al-Alami said they had a good turnout of people who wanted to try out for the show, and most of them were able to participate.

"We didn't really have to reject anyone," Al-Alami said.

Out of the 16 groups and individuals that tried out, 14 were in the actual show. The acts ranged from solo piano performances to group dances with fashion shows.

Jeff Blackwell, a public administration graduate student from Sunnyvale, participated in the "Vienna Waltz" act. The newly formed Tech European Student Union came up with the idea of the European waltz.

"We had been preparing for two weeks," Blackwell said. "We practiced everywhere from the Rec Center to the B.A. Building."

Katrin Kamm, a public administration graduate student from Tanzania, Eastern Africa, played a major role in establishing the European

union at Tech.

Kamm said they recruited students for the European act at the international student groups' fair for new students. Kamm said they also called around for participants.

"We wanted American and international students to be involved," Kamm said.

Kamm was a part of the fashion/dance act that the African student's organization sponsored, as well as the European waltz act.

The talent show was a competition; however, the winners were not announced at

the end of the show. "There were winners," Al-Alami said, "We just didn't think it would be gauche to announce them in the show."

Al-Alami said first place went to King-Wea Ng, who represented Malaysia, for his guitar solo in which he played "Asterias." As the first place winner, Ng received \$100. Second place went to Chris Johnson, who represented the United States, for his solo singing performance in which he sang the Temptations song, "My Girl." Johnson received \$50 for second place.

"We have been planning since late-November, early-December."

Amira Al-Alami
chairwoman

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8:00	Sesame Street				America	Doug DuckTales
9:00	Mr. Rogers Barney	Martha Stewart	Sally Jessy Raphael	K. Copeland Match Game	Regis & Kathie Lee	Howie Mandel
10:00	Teletubbies Wimzie House	Sunset Beach	Price is Right	Dating Game Newlywed Gm.	View	Donny & Marie
11:00	Zoboomatoo Arthur	Lezza	Young & the Restless	Forgive Or Forget	All My Children	People Court
12:00	Shortcut Quilt/Day	News Days of our Lives	News Beautiful As the World Turns	Ricki Lake	ABC News Port Charles	Mills Lane Joe Brown
1:00	Comp. Chron. Barney	Lives Another	As the World Turns	Paid Program Boy/World	One Life to Live	Matlock
2:00	T. Tubboat Marsh	World Hlywd Square	Guiding Light	Mr. Cooper Liv'g Single	General Hospital	Nanny Paid Program
3:00	Arthur Wishbone	Rosie O'Donnell	Roseanne	Martin LAPD	Mauri Povich	Spiderman Hercules
4:00	Zoom Bill Nye	Oprah Winfrey	Jeopardy Seinfeld	E.T. Real TV	Montel Williams	P.R. Space Myst. Knight
5:00	R. Rainbow Nightly Bus.	News NBC News	News CBS News	Jerry Springer	News ABC News	Sis/Sister Grace/Fire
6:00	Newshour	News Extra	News W/Fortune	Judge Judy Judge Judy	News ABC News	Home Impr. Simpsons
7:00	Antiques Roadshow	Sud/Susan Mad/You *PG	Cosby King/Queens	Dilbert Dirsta	20/20	Melrose Place
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9:00	Fel Hu: Story Of	Line	L.A. Doctors	Ricki Lake	Beat Goes On: Sonny	Cops Cops
10:00	Nightly Bus.	News Tonight Show	News David	Mills Lane Joe Brown	News MASH	Frasier Cheers
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On January 24, a branch of the International Churches of Christ (ICOC) had their inaugural service here in our city. The group is called the Lubbock Christian Church. The American Family Foundation, a national organization for research and education on cults, cultic groups, and psychological manipulation, reports that the ICOC is the fastest growing controversial religious group in the United States. Former members say, the ICOC uses highly manipulative, persuasive, and controlling tactics to recruit and retain its members.

The ICOC has been investigated or banned by over 30 colleges and universities from across the nation such as:

- Boston University (MA)
- Georgia Tech
- Harvard University (MA)
- University Kansas
- University of Texas at Arlington
- University of Arizona
- Stanford University (CA)
- University of Southern California

We, as established campus ministry organizations, believe that this group is potentially harmful to your spiritual, mental, emotional, and social well being. Therefore, we cannot endorse or support the activities of the ICOC on the Tech campus or in our community. Please use caution and sound judgment if approached by a member of the Lubbock Christian Church.

- For more information or assistance, please call:**
- Baptist Student Ministries - Gear Howard, 763-8263
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 - The Canterbury Association - David Krause, 765-0037
 - 9:30 First Baptist Church - John Strappazon, 747-0281
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Searching

FOR TRUTH

Religious group arrives in Lubbock, causes concern

When Linda Dickerson left her church, she had no friends, no family, little money, had dropped out of school, been suicidal and would rather go to hell than continue to live life the way she was. "I would rather go to hell than feel the way I was feeling," Dickerson said. "I had reached my personal limit. I hurt so much I had to leave."

The 1998 Texas Tech graduate was recruited in Tacoma, Wash., and became a member of what is now the International Church of Christ. She was involved for 10 years before leaving under what she called agonizing conditions.

The ICC has been tabbed by the American Family Foundation, the now defunct Cult Awareness Network and other Christian authorities as a cult and was featured on a recent edition of the television show "Fox Files."

Coincidentally, the "Fox Files" program aired within two weeks of the ICC moving members to Lubbock to start a congregation here.

The AFF Director of Education Ronald Loomis presented *The University Daily* with a list of more than

30 institutions of higher education that have taken action against the ICC.

When Loomis spoke on the Tech campus in 1997, he said the ICC was the most dangerous to college students.

"They do recruit heavily on campuses," said the "Fox Files" associate producer who went undercover and requested not to be named in an interview with *The UD*.

When contacted by *The UD*, Brian Akins, minister of the Lubbock Christian Church, refused to comment about opposition to the church or any other information regarding the ICC.

The ICC, not to be confused with mainline Church of Christ congregations, uses the name Lubbock Christian Church.

The mostly college-aged church members in Lubbock said they volunteered to move from other Texas churches to begin the congregation here. Some moved from other universities.

One of the group members told a *UD* reporter, who attended a Lubbock Christian Church meeting, that he was one class short of graduating and going on to medical school when he moved to Lubbock.

Dickerson, who became involved as a student, said the ICC is very persistent and very friendly when recruiting.

The ICC practices a technique called "love-bombing" where they make people feel special and loved

and that they have found a place to belong, she said.

"They were very friendly. They seemed genuinely concerned about my spirituality."

The church Dickerson had become a part of in Tacoma was mainline Church of Christ but a group broke away from that congregation and moved to what would become a ICC congregation in San Diego because as she said, "you couldn't be a true disciple unless you were part of a disciplining church."

Dickerson said the group practiced mind control as it has been defined by many experts.

"I participated in controlling other people, believing I was doing the right thing," she said.

Dickerson's life also was being controlled by people above her in the church, she said.

Involvement in the singles ministry kept Dickerson from returning to college. Not only was college life a thing of the past but so were friends and family.

"I cut off my relationships with people outside the group," Dickerson said. "If they would not become a member, I could not affiliate with them."

Besides losses of personal relationships, Dickerson and other members of the group lost out financially.

Above the regular 10 percent weekly offerings, Dickerson said the group had "special contributions" two to three times a year. During these special offerings, the members were expected to give 14 to 20 times the normal 10 percent.

If the members did not have the resources to pay that much, they were expected to find a way by selling belongings or borrowing money from others in order to pay the offering.

She left the group at the age of 28 with little resources and no education.

After leaving, years of nightmares followed, and Dickerson said she had experiences in the ICC she has never shared with anyone.

She soon found herself at Tech, graduated in December and is now attending graduate school at Abilene Christian University. Dickerson married last month and now performs interventions to help others leave the ICC.

"I don't know that anyone ever completely recovers. It is a long and slow process, but I think anyone can have peace after being in this group," she said.

Several people observed that the ICC had a high focus on evangelism and outreach, pushing to bring in high numbers of new members.

The "Fox Files" associate producer witnessed some of the same control and power over members during 3 1/2 weeks of undercover work.

The associate producer went undercover with a fellow Fox associate at Georgia State University and they immersed themselves in the activities of the ICC.

In an interview with *The UD*, the producer brought up several facts that were witnessed while undercover.

The producer said students must attend at least three church-organized meetings a week. Everyone must have a disciple partner and open up completely to them.

"There are no secrets among them," the producer said. "You have to share all of your sinful thoughts with your discipliner."

Sins were recorded — all the sins that could be remembered since birth, the Fox producer said. Specific acts would be recorded and in detail. For instance, it was not enough to just write down the act of sex but whether the sex was oral or anal and how it felt.

The producer interviewed 10 to 12 sets of parents who had children in the ICC and 40 people who had left the group. All the stories were similar with some people feeling betrayed and saying they would never walk back into a church again.

"I think they go through an emotional turmoil when they leave," the associate producer said. "That is the most damaging part of the group."

The producer said the experience could be positive if it were not for the manipulation involved.

"Christianity is not the problem here," the Fox producer said. "It is the way the group manipulates Christianity."

After the "Fox Files" episode aired, Fox News received many responses from across the United States with similar stories about friends, family and people themselves who had been in the ICC.

The ICC began as a campus outreach ministry at the University of Florida in Gainesville in the mid-to-late-1970s.

"They (the ICC) target college students and are recognized by cult ex-

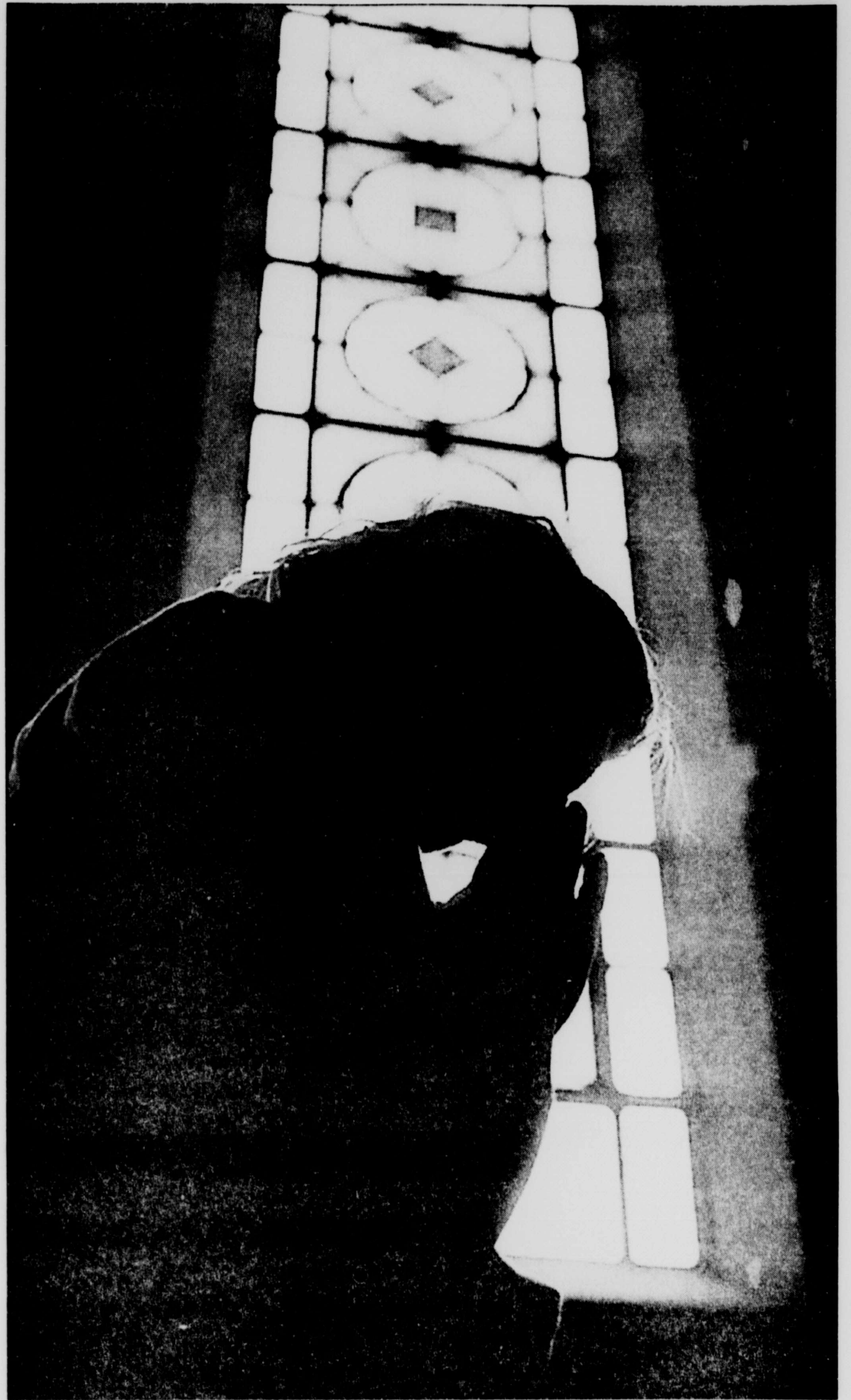


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“They seemed genuinely concerned about my spirituality.”

Linda Dickerson
Tech graduate

perts as being a cult," said Rodney Plunket, senior minister at Broadway Church of Christ in Lubbock.

Plunket's brother and sister attended the Crossroads Church of Christ in Gainesville, and he heard Kip McKean, the leader of the ICC, speak on several occasions.

McKean moved to the Boston Church of Christ and turned a church with small numbers and heavy decline into a prosperous one and his affiliation with the Boston Church of

Christ is where the name Boston Movement, the base for the ICC, arose from.

"Evangelism is all they wanted to talk about," he said. "It became distorted."

The biggest problem with what is now the ICC is they try to make you like them and do things to change your personality, Plunket said. He said people were damaged when they were forced into a mold they did not fit.

They are pretty strong on the idea that if you leave them, you are going to hell, Plunket said.

"That's wrong. We don't do that to people," he said. "Jesus didn't do that to people. There's freedom to stay and freedom to leave."

The ICC proclaims the gospel in such a convincing way that they hook people who just want to be better Christians, Plunket said.

"They look for people who want a group to belong to," he said.

Staff member recalls days in 'dangerous' group

Sometimes being a member of the right crowd can bring a lot of wrong things. Just ask Texas Tech staff member Sean Duggan.

Duggan, coordinator of resident life for the Department of Housing and Dining, spent almost half a year of his life as a member of a cult.

"I became totally involved with the group to the point that there was nothing else," Duggan said. "I no longer socialized with friends and family."

Duggan was not able to disclose the exact name of the cult he was in, but he was able to say it was a business, self-help type of cult.

"I was going through a transition time in my life," Duggan said. "I was about to graduate, and I didn't know what I was going to do."

Duggan said the cult promised that through membership he would become a better person.

Because he was in such a state of transition, he was susceptible to their promises.

"Freshmen and seniors are

most susceptible to cults due to the amount of transition they are facing in their life," Duggan said.

He made clear, however, that all students are prone to be targeted by cults, not just freshmen and seniors.

"This makes Tech a prime hunting ground for cults," Duggan said.

American Family Foundation's Ron Loomis director, cult awareness educator and consultant, said there are two circumstances which cults target in on when recruiting college students.

"The first situation is targeting freshmen and seniors because they are in such a state of transition," Loomis said.

The second situation, he said,

involves students who have experienced a traumatic event in their life.

Traumatic events can include things such as parents divorcing, having a significant other end a relationship, the death of someone close or having difficulties in school.

Loomis said cult members use deception to lure members in to coming to meetings.

"They are trained to look for someone with outward signs of vulnerability," Loomis said.

"They never approach three or four students sitting together having a good time."

Duggan was pulled in by someone he said was "very close to me."

The person constantly talked to Duggan and told him he could find answers and direction in the group.

While at the group meeting, Duggan said group hypnosis methods, such as air temperature

control and isolation, were used on him and other people.

The methods worked on Duggan, and he became a member of the cult.

"I was brainwashed into believing the group was most important," Duggan said.

"The only way to have self-worth was to bring people to the group."

After attending the beginning session and an advanced session, Duggan then attended a 90-day training session so he could bring members into the group.

"I recruited several people. I was good at manipulating people," Duggan said.

It was not until a former member of the group confronted Duggan that he realized that he was in a cult.

"Something just went off and I knew," Duggan said.

"And, it wasn't until I got out that I found out the group was

dangerous. It destroyed my self-esteem. It just dominated me."

Duggan described the experience in the cult as emotional and mental rape.

"It can take everything important away from you," he said.

When Duggan tried to leave the cult, he was bombarded, or love-bombed, by cult members to return.

Love-bombing is one of about 16 methods of mind control used by cults.

It is designed to make the individual feel special by the use of contrived flattery.

After three or four weeks, when the cult realized Duggan was not going to come back, they stopped trying to bring him back.

"All ties were cut from their point of view," Duggan said.

Duggan has been out of the cult for more than 10 years.

He now educates others on cult activity.

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VIEWPOINTS

Monday, February 22, 1999

Country focused in wrong direction



Andrew Thompson
Columnist

The latest news concerning the newest threat to the moral character of our nation's youngsters is that — gasp — Tinky Winky may be a homosexual.

An editor from a newspaper published by the Rev. Jerry Falwell announced the news last week in an article discussing the latest immoral toys and cartoons to flood the American market in the past year.

Among the other top contenders for shows or toys parents should be concerned about, Tinky Winky, the plump, purple-walking TV with a triangle-shaped antenna atop his head, took first place among the list of toys we should be suspicious of.

Tinky's sexual preference, Falwell's sharp editor exclaimed, is for other male Teletubbies. Tinky is gay.

Rolling your eyes in disgust yet? It's hard to believe that the biggest threat to the moral character of our nation's children is not a president who misled millions.

Hard to believe that four pudgy, colorful imports from the UK pose more of a menace than senators like Strom Thurmond who advocate the impeachment of a president "because it's in the constitution" yet ignore the self-evident truth that "all men are created equal," likewise in the same document.

Senator Thurmond ran for office on the racist, segregationist Dixiecrat ticket

in the 1950s.

I know the solution to the problem. Tinky Winky is not only gay, but part of a vast conspiracy engineered by Tony Blair to pay us Yanks back for the war we won almost 200 years ago. Talk about a Trojan Horse.

But seriously, what really should be in the headlines around the country is not Falwell but the news that Russia, our now defunct arch enemy, our favorite Evil Empire (wasn't that an album) is asking Congress for \$3 billion to fix computers that control Russia's nuclear arsenal.

All the talk about Y2K suddenly becomes more serious when talk of potential nuclear disaster floats to the brim of our daily discussions.

Programmers who designed these weapon systems wanted a human being to oversee the actual launch of such a terrible weapon, so it is unlikely that any problems could actually lead to an accidental launch.

But, Russia's security may be compromised if these computers freeze up and put blinders on the radar systems that track the skies over the former Soviet Empire.

A hungry, underpaid Russian soldier may get itchy knowing that he does not know if the United States has decided to launch a surprise attack.

This should matter more so than Tinky Winky because not only is it your money, it concerns much more than the

sexual preference of a toy.

It concerns matters of life and death, in an age when total human extinction is only a button or two away.

I consider money well spent if it is used to ensure that mushroom clouds do not decorate the sky on Jan. 1, 2000.

However, I must question the future of journalism when an extreme right-wing preacher or his associates can mutter a bigoted statement that is broadcast around the country rather than a congressional proposal to spend billions to avoid accidental catastrophe.

Nuclear winter, anyone?

Andrew Thompson is a junior philosophy major from San Antonio.



Whiners should fight for change

OK. So I've been sitting here for two hours trying to think of something to write about and have come up with the wonder topic of nothing.

Usually, I just think of something that has pissed me off in the past week and go with that. Unfortunately, it's been a pretty good week.

Well, besides the usual stuff like playing phone tag with Financial Aid, getting cut off in traffic, a parking ticket and missing your first math test because you "forgot" you were taking the class. (Selective memory can be real bothersome at times.)

But, you can only complain about that stuff so much before everyone starts getting sick of hearing about it.

Besides, I think I have started to just get used to it.

I hope this doesn't become a trend of mine because not only would I not have anything to write about in the future, but life would also be pretty dull without a good fight with "the system" every now and then.

That's the real problem with society today, not enough people willing to fight against what they feel is wrong.

We've been trained not to rock the boat. So when we feel that someone or something has wronged us, we just complain about it to our friends but never really do anything about it. Over time, we have come to accept it as the norm.

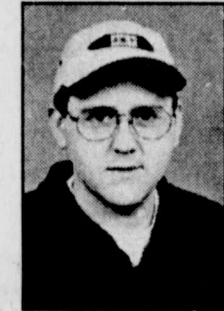
The funny thing is, when people do get fed up and try to take a stand on some issue, that it is generally looked upon as some sort of extremist quack.

For the most part, people do nothing because they think they can't fight "the system," but what they have forgotten is that they are "the system."

Remember this: Government for the people, of the people, by the people, blah blah blah yackety smakety.

In short, if you don't like it, change it. So stop bitching and get out there, and do something.

Just don't walk into Burger King with an assault rifle because that's a bad thing. That's a very bad thing.



David Turner
Columnist

David Turner is a senior public relations major from Dallas.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Alumna disappointed by limiting graduation tickets

To the editor: I am a Texas Tech alumna from the class of December 1972. I have always felt Tech is one of the finest schools around, and I proudly wear my red and black.

Imagine my delight when in August of '95, my oldest daughter became a freshman in the College of Engineering.

She has received a wonderful education and many positive experiences that will last for a lifetime. For the past four years we have paid her housing, tuition, textbooks, parking fees and all the other various bills that accompany a college education.

The price was not cheap, but a college education is an investment in the future. We supported our daughter with more than just money.

We encouraged her in her studies, we were her cheering section when she did well and we were there when she needed support and advice. Our daughter's support network didn't stop with parents. She had two sisters, grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and friends standing behind her 100 percent the past four years as she worked toward her degree. The priceless commitment our family has made to her education was worth it. She will graduate in May, with highest honors, from the College of Engineering.

Unfortunately, what should be the happiest day of her college life is now marred by the fact that she cannot share her joy with her entire family.

Imagine our disappointment when it was announced recently that our daughter would receive only two tickets to graduation. She deserves more than that.

She deserves to have her family there to see her as she walks across that platform when her name is called.

Yes, I am thrilled that George Bush is speaking at the commencement exercises. But more importantly, I am thrilled that my daughter has accomplished the goal she set for herself long before she graduated from high school — the goal of receiving a college degree. She deserves her day in the spotlight. She deserves that moment in the history of Tech when her name is announced for all to hear. She deserves to have her family and her friends

there with her.

I hope this matter will be reconsidered and an alternative plan implemented. The ones who are hurting the most from this are the seniors graduating in May. Tech deserves to treat them better.

Susan Williams Day
class of '72

SGA president doing job reassuring Tech students

To the editor: I am writing in response to Melissa Barkley's letter in Friday's UD. Ms. Barkley and many other students are mistaken in their belief that graduating seniors and their families are being short-changed.

The simple fact is that this situation has been handled with the fullest intentions of parity for all involved. I have attended the past four spring graduation ceremonies, and there have always been capacity crowds in the Coliseum. This year will only be different in that students and their families have been made a priority. The plan for this year's spring ceremony ensures that at least every graduate will be able to guarantee at least two seats — a privilege I am glad to have and share with my parents. And just like every other graduation, there will be seats available for additional friends and relatives — more than 5,400 of them.

We should not look at this action as a limitation because it is not. It is a good plan that will eliminate a great deal of disappointment for many people.

Ms. Barkley needs to take a moment to consider these facts before she writes another letter filled with personal attacks on Blythe Clayton. Mud slinging solves nothing and helps no one. Clayton is doing her job — and doing a damn fine job of it. She has our best interests at heart, and that has become even more apparent through the emergence of this issue.

Scott C. Dadich
senior
design communications

Letter mistaken attacking columnist's hometown

To the editor: This is in response to the letter to the editor submitted by Sean Reed in the Feb. 15 issue of *The University Daily*.

Mr. Reed made several biased, unfounded remarks directed not only towards columnist Brandon Formby but Mr. Formby's hometown.

First of all, Mr. Reed complained that Mr. Formby only whined, when Reed did the same. Then, he brought up issues such as sex in the '60s and the Vietnam War. I seriously doubt that a Tech sophomore has any room to lecture anyone on these points, seeing as how he wasn't conceived until the late '70s.

Mr. Reed also stated that Mr. Formby is evidently "disappointed with the conditions of his baby steps onto the fringe of the real world after leaving the affluent confines of Plano."

Never once did Mr. Formby complain about not having tons of money to throw around. And besides, Mr. Reed needs to wake up. Not everybody who comes from Plano is a rich, spoiled brat who grew up in a lavish lifestyle. I know — it's my hometown, too. Many Planoites have had to fight to get where they are in the world.

That comment proves how close-minded, ignorant and self-righteous Mr. Reed is and why he is the one without the column.

He had no right to make an assumption based on the fact of where Mr. Formby is from. Obviously, the issue wasn't the original column, but Mr. Reed's own personal problems with people he thinks have been handed everything.

I'm surprised he didn't bring up the entire heroin issue because let me tell you how much I love that one, too.

Listen, Mr. Reed, why don't you focus on your major and keep crunching numbers, leaving the writing up to capable, open-minded individuals.

Meredith Smith
freshman
marketing

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Lady Raiders knock off 'Huskers in Lincoln.
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Monday, February 22, 1999

Young clutch in latest Tech win

By Jeff Keller
Staff Writer

After building a 15-point second-half lead, the Texas Tech men's basketball team (13-14 overall, 5-9 Big 12) held on to defeat Nebraska (17-10 overall, 9-5 Big) 73-68 Saturday at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

Tech jumped out to a 22-9 lead to start the game due in part to three-point shots by guards James Ware, Rayford Young and Stan Bonewitz.

"I'm just glad we won the game tonight," Young said. "Everyone played hard tonight. We had a great crowd, and the crowd gave us the momentum. The most important thing is that we got the win."

Nebraska chipped away at the 13-point margin and cut the Tech lead to five at 30-25 on a layup by center Venson Hamilton with 4:51 left in the first half.

The Red Raiders went on a 9-2 run to close the first half and took a 39-27 lead into the locker room.

Tech shot 50 percent from three-point range in the first half and out-rebounded the Cornhuskers 26-18 in the first stanza.

The Red Raiders continued to keep the Cornhuskers at a distance in the second half, not allowing Nebraska closer than eight points through the first 12:27 of the second frame.

The Cornhuskers did not give up, and with 2:35 left in the game, they cut the Tech lead to one point at 63-62 on a jump shot by forward Larry Florence.

Nebraska took the lead at 64-63 with 2:29 left on a Hamilton bucket.

Tech regained the lead at 65-64 with 2:06 left on a layup by Bonewitz and extended its lead to 67-64 on a layup by center Andy Ellis with 1:24 left in the game.

Forward Andy Markowski pulled Nebraska within one at 67-66 with his tip-in with :58 remaining.

With :08 left in the game, forward Chad Johnson drove the lane and was fouled by Ellis.

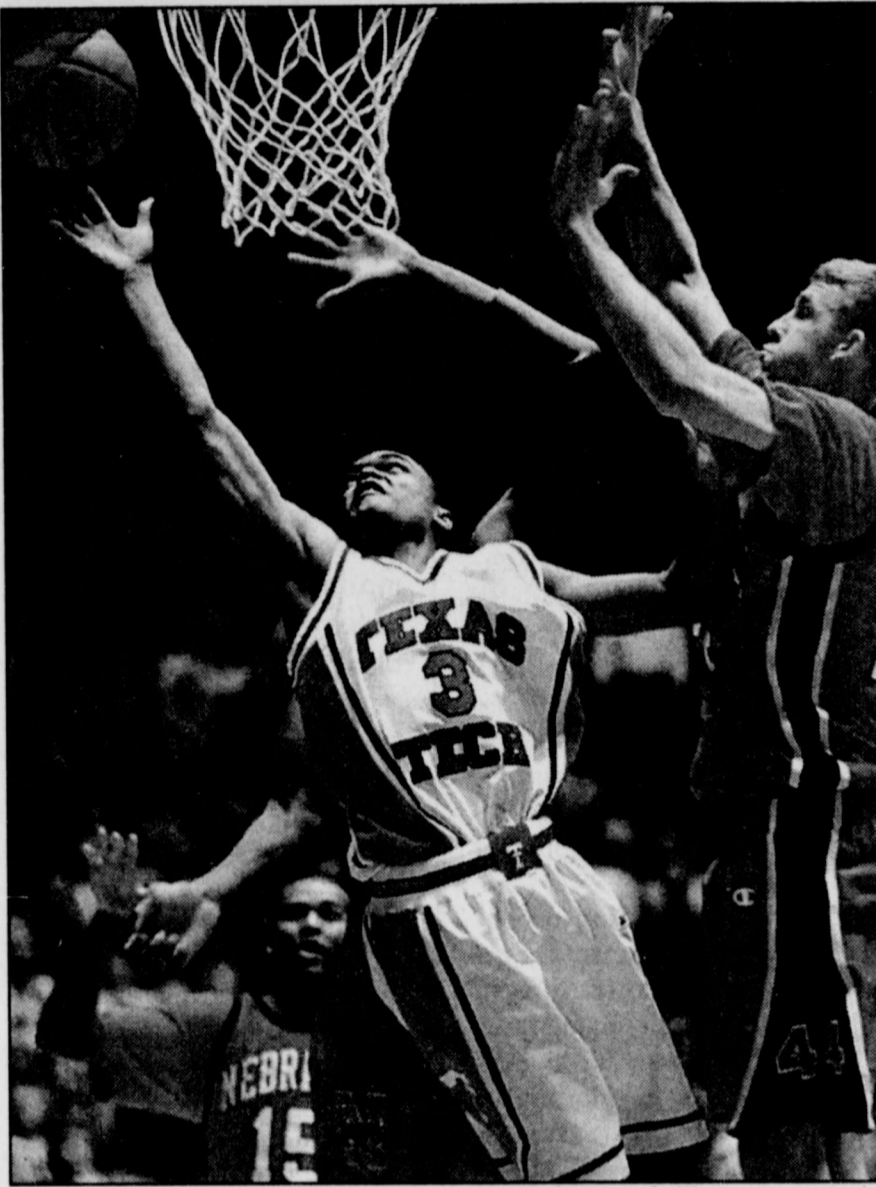
He hit two free-throws giving the Cornhuskers a 68-67 lead.

With :08 left, Young took the ball the length of the court and hit a game winning layup with 1.7 seconds left.

Hamilton stepped over the line trying to in-bound the ball after the Young layup, and then fouled forward Cliff Owens to foul out of the game on the ensuing Tech inbounds play.

Owens sank two free throws and Young sank two more, after a technical foul was called on the Nebraska bench, to give the Red Raiders their final margin of victory.

"Our toughest part of the schedule has been in the second round," said Tech coach James Dickey. "I'm pleased with the way our guys have battled up. What we want to do is look forward to Colorado Wednesday night, and try to get that one. Then we have to go on the road to Oklahoma State. Then once we go to Kansas City, our guys will refocus and understand that it's a one-game shot, and that's what your going up there for."



Game Winner: Tech guard Rayford Young puts the Red Raiders up for good Saturday against Nebraska. Young finished with 25 points.

Women's tennis struggles

The Texas Tech women's tennis (3-5 overall, 1-2 Big 12) team split its two weekend matches. Tech fell to Colorado 8-1 and defeated Iowa State 7-2 behind strong singles play.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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ACROSS

- Barbecue tool
- Persian ruler
- Pecadilly dilly
- Revere
- Slow flow
- Use a whetstone
- ___ candle
- Computer input
- Cassowary's kin
- Hunting animal
- Danger signal
- Crack shots
- Flue
- Enhanced versions
- Thurman of "Pulp Fiction"
- Pierces with horns
- Football series of plays
- imitate
- "Star Wars" princess
- Shoelace tip
- List of charges
- Little devil
- 1983 Indy 500 winner
- Robert and Alan
- Large bolt
- Appraise
- Discarded
- Perry's creator
- Dismissal notice
- Geometry pioneer
- "Bus Stop" dramatist
- Currier and Ives
- Valerie Harper sitcom
- Acute
- Coke or Pepsi
- Jamaican citrus fruit
- Bedding down
- Jug handles
- Director
- Preminger
- Vocalize

DOWN

- Infield cover, briefly
- Aroma
- Alaska town
- Matter of doubt
- One of the Five Nations
- Grassy ground
- Rime
- 15th-century Central American
- Recruit personnel
- ___ and Louise
- Females
- Accustom
- Peevish
- Sportscaster
- Goals
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- Jamaican citrus fruit
- "Trees" or "Birches," e.g.
- Handhold
- Find the answer
- Bob's partner?
- Verdi opera
- Map of lots
- Otherwise
- Artist Fra ___
- Like safe stocks
- Phoenix five
- Entices
- Equates
- Exist
- Jones or Lee
- Itchy skin problem
- Enrage
- Chunk of the fairway
- Bombard
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- Nighttime
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By Eugene R. Puffenberger
Reston, VA

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Friday's Puzzle Solved

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West Coast swing nearing an end

After dropping four consecutive decisions, the Texas Tech baseball team rebounded to conclude its western portion of its road trip with victories over San Diego State, Oregon State and UCLA.

Tech (9-4 overall, 0-0 Big 12) downed San Diego State 6-2 Thursday behind a strong performance from pitcher Kevin Tracey. Tracey (2-1) tossed a complete game for his second victory of the season. He

yielded four hits and two earned runs for the Red Raiders while striking out nine Aztec batters.

Offensively for Tech, the scoring was a result of key hits from the top of the order. Marco Cunningham, Ryan Ruiz, Jon Weber and Josh Bard all figured into the scoring.

Cunningham went 2-for-3 with two runs scored while Ruiz also added two hits, a run scored and two RBIs. Weber and Bard had two RBIs

apiece en route to the victory.

Friday, Tech throttled Oregon State 14-9 behind an offensive onslaught from Weber and Bard who combined for eight RBIs. Six different Red Raiders tallied at least one RBI as winning pitcher Clancy Fossum (1-0) tossed 4-1/3 innings of five-hit baseball in relief of starter Brandon Roberson.

Ruiz, Weber, Bard, Mark Austry and Jason Huth all had multi-hit

games for the Red Raiders.

Saturday's contest was another show of offensive support for starting pitcher Shane Wright (3-0), who tossed a complete game while allowing eight hits and three earned runs for Tech.

Behind Wright's pitching and offensive support from Weber and company, Tech downed UCLA 13-5 and finished with a 3-1 record at the San Diego State Classic.

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Festival highlights tastes from world

Get the experience of visiting several countries in one evening for less than the cost of a movie? How is this possible?

The 21st Annual International Food Festival at Texas Tech makes this experience possible right here in Lubbock. The event, taking place this Sunday features food and entertainment from a variety of world cultures.

The Food Festival allows participants from the Texas Tech and West Texas communities to enjoy a variety of cuisine authentically prepared by international and domestic students. More than 15 student organizations take the opportunity to share their cultures with West Texas during the annual event. Students choose a menu and prepare a number of delicacies from the culture they represent. Selections from past years have included Mexican chile con queso, Vietnamese egg rolls, Japanese won ton soup, Indian Chutney, Turkish Lady Fingers, Italian Chicken Cacciatore, American chowder and British scones.

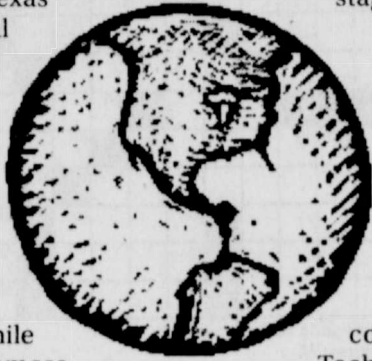
Admission to the festival is free and food tokens may be purchased for 30 cents each. Participating student organizations set

prices and proceeds go to the operating budgets of the student organizations.

The festival also will include entertainment from a number of world cultures. A program of music, dance and demonstrations will be presented on two stages for the entertainment of guests.

The theme for this year's festival is "Eyes of the World." The event is sponsored by University Center Programs in conjunction with Texas Tech's International Week.

The International Food Festival from 5-8 p.m. Sunday in the UC Red Raider Ballroom. The festival is open to anyone wishing to get a little taste of the world in one night in Lubbock. For more information, contact UC Programs at 742-3621.



Receiving Recognition

Reception honors students, advisers

The third time is a charm. Leadership Tech and Student Organizations Services is sponsoring the third annual Leadership Tech Recognition Reception to honor students, advisers and organizations for the 1998-99 academic year.

The reception will be April 15 in the University Center Ballroom due to the overwhelming response to last year's program.

All students, student organizations and advisers are eligible for awards.

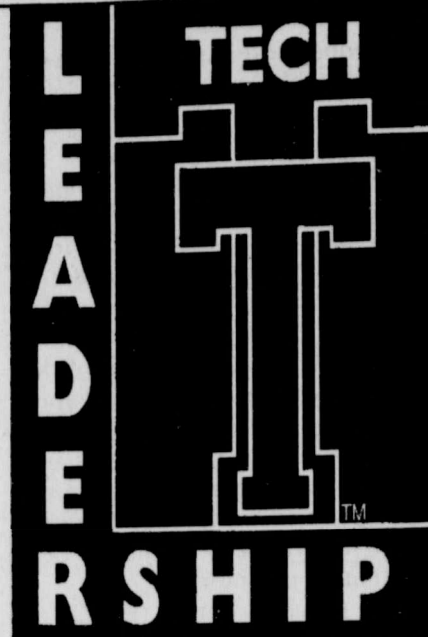
The award selection procedure provides a platform for individuals and organizations to nominate potential recipients.

The nominations for awards will be due at 5 p.m. Friday in Student Organizations Services. Nomination packets were mailed to student organizations and ad-

✦ Nominations are due at 5 p.m. Friday in Student Organizations Services in room 210 of the University Center.

✦ Nomination packets were mailed to student organizations and advisers or also are available at SOS.

✦ The awards are: Student Leader of the Year, Student Organization of the Year, Most Improved Student Organization and the Adviser of the Year.



Improved Student Organization and the Adviser of the Year.

The Leadership Tech Advisers also offer additional awards for the different categories of student organizations.

This includes awards presented by Recreational Sports and the Department of Housing and Dining to students, advisers and organizations.

The third annual Leadership Tech Recognition Reception will be a celebration of the leadership, service and accomplishments of the students, advisers and organizations of Texas Tech.

Make arrangements to nominate a deserving student leader, an outstanding student organization or a valuable adviser before Friday's deadline, then come to the Leadership Tech Recognition Reception to celebrate the achievements of the Texas Tech community.

visers or also are available at Student Organizations Services.

A selection committee made up of members of the student body, faculty and staff then reviews nomination packets.

This committee inventories

the work and service of each category's pool of nominees and determines a recipient of the prestigious awards presented each year. The awards are: Student Leader of the Year, Student Organization of the Year, Most

Mark your calendar

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Watts Prophets Tickets on Sale
Tribute to Black Music: Remembering the Motown Sound, 8 p.m., UC Red Raider Ballroom

Feb. 23

Student Organization Registration Seminar, 3-4 p.m., UC Double T Room
Breakout! - Alan Shinn Drum Clinic, noon, UC Courtyard

Feb. 24

Urban Bush Women, 8 p.m., UC Allen Theatre

Feb. 25

Women's Leadership Forum: "Time Management and Goal Setting", 5-7 p.m., UC Lubbock Room

Feb. 26

Leadership Tech Recognition Award Nominations due, 5 p.m., Student Organizations Services, UC 210

Feb. 28

International Food Festival, 5-7 p.m., UC Red Raider Ballroom Ballroom

March 2

Extraordinary, Ordinary Women, 7 p.m., UC Allen Theatre

March 3

Project Impact: Seniors in Action Forum, 12:30 p.m., UC Senate Room
Emerging Leader Retreat Celebration Dinner, 5-7 p.m., UC Matador Room
Tech Unplugged - Susan Grisanti, noon, UC Courtyard

March 5

Film - The Opposite of Sex, 8 p.m., UC Allen Theatre

UC briefly

Students entertain in UC

As the third event in the Breakout! series of events sponsored by University Center Programs, a group of Texas Tech students will present a half hour of entertainment and education with their drum performance and clinic at noon Wednesday in the University Center Courtyard.

Troupe dance to Tech

Urban Bush Women, an all women dance group who use percussive music, shouts, chants and spoken words to enhance their performance. The company combines contemporary dance, music and text to create performance works rooted in the folklore and spiritual traditions of African-Americans.

Urban Bush Women will perform at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the UC Allen Theatre. Call 742-3610 for tickets and more information.

Female students share stories

Student Organization Services,

Leadership Tech and the Department of Women's Studies are sponsoring a newly developed leadership initiative for women student leaders called the Women's Leadership Forum. It is designed for current and potential women student leaders who desire to increase their leadership skills and connect with other student leaders.

Participation in the Women's Leadership Forum requires attendance at all four seminars to fulfill the goal of participants getting to know each other.

The individual seminars offer ideas and skills necessary for effective student leadership, personal growth and preparation for the workplace or graduate school. Seminars will include a light meal and will allow time for discussion of topics, sharing of ideas and asking of questions. The four seminars are from 5-7 p.m. Thursdays.

For more information, to register or to nominate a student leader, contact Student Organizations Services, UC 210, at 742-3621.



The Watts Prophets, "the forefathers of rap" will share their poetry at 8 p.m. March 6 in the University Center Allen Theatre. Tickets go on sale today. Call 742-3610 for tickets or more information. For more than 30 years, Richard Dedeaux, Made Hamilton and Otis O'Solomon have spent their time poetically expressing life as they witness it in America. Known as The Watts Prophets, their words are high-energy performances with sprinkles of bittersweet words that challenge attitudes, race, conflict and personal responsibility. The Watts Prophets provide an opportunity for audiences to develop a deeper understanding of the African American experience and the perspectives of African Americans on issues affecting America. The Civil Rights Movement brought to the forefront of America the plight of black Americans. When the city of Watts erupted in rebellion and turmoil in 1965, it served as a gateway of destruction if black Americans were not given equal rights.

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Lady Raiders shuck 'Huskers

LINCOLN, Neb. (Special) — The Texas Tech Lady Raiders used a career-high 33 points and seven three-pointers from guard Rene Hanebutt to power to a 75-62 win over Nebraska at the Bob Devaney Center.

The No. 11 Lady Raiders (23-4 overall, 12-2 Big 12) came out of the gate on fire to cool the more than 10,000 fans who watched the contest.

Spurred by three three-pointers from Hanebutt in the first minutes of the contest, Tech took a 14-0 lead over Nebraska (17-10 overall, 6-8 Big 12) three minutes into the game. Hanebutt tied a school record by hitting seven of her 11 three-pointers.

After scoring their first points at the 14:50 mark of the first half, the Cornhuskers reeled off a 12-3 run to make the score 17-12 midway through the first half.

With more long bombs from Hanebutt, the Lady Raiders went up by 11 points, 30-19, with 2:19 remaining in the first stanza. Tech went into the locker room with a 32-23 lead.

But, the Lady Raider halftime lead was quick to evaporate.

Using a technical foul on Tech forward Keitha Dickerson, Nebraska cut the Lady Raider lead to 32-31.

That's as close as Nebraska got with the Lady Raiders using 19 points from post Angie Brazier and 10 points from Dickerson to open the game up.

Tech led 56-41 with 7:43 left in the contest and was able to withstand a last gasp from Nebraska.

The 'Huskers got as close as 12 points in the final minutes of the game, but Hanebutt was able to record her new career-high from the free-throw line as she sunk five shots from the charity stripe in the final 1:37 of the game.

After taking another step to a second-straight Big 12 title, the Lady Raiders will remain on the road to face Colorado at 8 p.m. Wednesday in Boulder, Colo.

Along with trying to pick up the win, the game will be the first chance for Lady Raider coach Marsha Sharp to pick up all-time win No. 400, after picking up her 399th career victory against the 'Huskers.

Rodriguez a no-show for Rangers

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP) — Seven-time Gold Glove winner Ivan Rodriguez wasn't in camp with the rest of the Texas Rangers' pitchers and catchers on Friday, leaving club officials to wonder for two days about his whereabouts.

And clearly chagrined.

By Saturday morning, general manager Doug Melvin and manager Johnny Oates learned via a phone message from a representative of the all-star catcher that Rodriguez wouldn't arrive from Puerto Rico until next Friday — a day after the Rangers' first full-squad workout.

Late Saturday, Rodriguez phoned Oates, confirming the arrival date.

"Pudge wants to be a Hall of Famer, and he talks about that a lot. I wonder how often (Hall of Fame catcher) Johnny Bench was late for spring training," Melvin told *The Dallas Morning News*. "My guess is not very often. Pudge has started making being late a routine."

The club can't take disciplinary action against Rodriguez because of an agreement with the Players Association that sets March 3 as the mandatory reporting date.

"I'm disappointed in it, but we move on. Teams have had to deal with this in the past, and we'll deal with it now. We all have choices to make, and we all have decisions to make," Oates said.

Last year, Rodriguez missed the first two workouts by pitchers and catchers after playing in the Carib-

bean World Series — against the Rangers' wishes. The Rangers gave Rodriguez permission to show up one day late, but he pushed his arrival back another day without contacting the team.

This year, Melvin said Rodriguez initially indicated he would be on time. Then, the Rangers received messages postponing Rodriguez's arrival. None of the messages came

from Rodriguez, but through a third party.

Rodriguez spent the latter part of the off-season in south Florida, but planned to return to Puerto Rico to close on a house he bought for his father.

He informed teammate Rick Helling of those plans more than a week ago while filming a commercial, but the Rangers said they never

heard from Rodriguez.

Melvin said the lack of communication is more at the heart of his frustration than at Rodriguez's absence itself.

Melvin compared Rodriguez to his Puerto Rican teammate, Juan Gonzalez, who received the club's permission to arrive in camp next Saturday, two days later than position players are scheduled to report.

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