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Fire ant trial postponed until June

By Angel Wolfe
News Editor

The Voice for Animals and People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals will have to wait until June 14 to prove they have a case against Texas Tech researchers.

According to a press release from PETA, a Travis County Court judge postponed the hearing due to "heavy-handed last-minute legal maneuvers by Texas Tech attorneys from the Office of the Attorney General." The statement also claimed, "Tech attorneys filed

a massive motion only 11 minutes before the scheduled preliminary injunction hearing."

Because of a suit filed by Don Barnes, executive director of the Voice for Animals, Tech was in court Monday to defend its fire ant research.

Representatives of the Voice for Animals could not be reached for comment Tuesday. Michael Sommermeyer, associate director of Tech News and Information, said there was no "heavy-handed last-minute legal maneuvers."

He said the judge asked both sides to re-

schedule the hearing, and both sides agreed.

In the hearing scheduled for Monday, the Voice for Animals was to seek a preliminary injunction to put a stop to Tech's fire ant research, as reported in the April 21 edition of *The University Daily*.

Don Feare, attorney for the Voice for Animals, was reported as saying the study lacks scientific validity.

Sommermeyer said Tech was planning on claiming "government immunity," which means the Voice for Animals would have to show the court reasonable expectations to

win the case.

"It is obvious the reason the judge didn't want to hear the case was because PETA and the Voice for Animals have no standing in this case," Sommermeyer said. "The lawsuit is an obvious attempt to get attention from the media. We consider this to be a frivolous lawsuit. The university will more than likely seek court fees and attorney fees to compensate the tax payers in the state of Texas for this frivolous lawsuit."

The press release also claims, "of the 25 deer most recently captured for the three-

year project, eight died of stress and one died of internal injuries while trying to escape."

Sommermeyer said all deer are captured through a private contractor.

"No deer have died in the last capture," he said. "Last year, nine deer died due to heat stress. We have since made changes in the protocol to capture deer only in the spring."

He added the pens the deer are placed in are 6,500 square feet, and all fire ants are in their natural habitat. The research is being conducted on private land in south Texas. The research is part of a six-year project.

Proposed bill could decrease tuition

By Apu Naik
Staff Writer

Students who are making a legitimate effort to graduate early from Texas' public universities could be rewarded with cheaper tuition if a proposed bill is passed through the Texas legislature.

House Bill 3138, nicknamed "The Non-Slacker Bill," was authored by Rep. Elliot Naishtat, D-Austin, and is aimed at giving a tuition break to students who are serious about earning their degrees in a timely manner.

The bill was passed in the House on Monday and is awaiting hearing among members of the Texas Senate.

"What this bill basically does is authorize universities to cut the cost of tuition to students who are typically taking 15 or more hours per semester," Brian Dupre, a legislative aide to Rep. Naishtat said.

Under the text of House Bill 3138, the goal of the "Non-Slacker Bill" is to "improve the retention and graduation rate of students enrolled at the institution."

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Recruiting, funding top list for regents

By Ginger Pope
Staff Writer

While universities try to make themselves stand apart from others, much of their agenda is focused on the same issue.

The regents at Texas Tech, the University of Texas and Texas A&M all want to make their institution accessible to students, to recruit top faculty and to receive more funding.

Frederick McClure, vice chairman of the A&M Board of Regents, said even with the many different campuses, A&M still tries to maintain and increase university programs while making them accessible to students.

"The number of campuses we have does make the challenges different," McClure said. "There are different markets with geographic needs or with the studies students want to major in."

Other goals at A&M are to attract and maintain high quality of faculty and to pull in more funding from the state.

Pushing for more funding is nothing new to McClure. As a student in the early '80s, he was part of a task force to lobby for money. What has changed is the competition for funding.

"There is more competition against higher education these days," he said. "We have to compete against everything."

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Greg Kreller/The University Daily

Up All Night: Mandy Lara, a sophomore architecture major from El Paso, adds the finishing touches to her "House on a Hill" project Monday night in the architecture building.

Architecture students burn midnight oil

By Laura Hensley
Staff Writer

It is 4:23 a.m. on a Tuesday, and the lights are burning bright in the architecture building. It is hauntingly quiet up on the fourth floor, despite a crackling radio humming out some classic rock. Several students are hunched over their final projects, hoping to be finished before their deadlines the next day.

Jeff Featherston, a senior architecture major from San Antonio, takes a break from his work to sip on a Coke and gaze out the window into the dark morning.

"Caffeine is the only way we get through this," he said. "You have to be just a little bit crazy to be an architect."

A total of 670 students are enrolled in the College of Architecture, and the demanding schedules and sleeping habits they keep could be classified as crazy.

Due to the amount of intensive projects students must complete each semester, it is necessary to spend long out-of-class hours in the architecture studios sketching, painting or making models to complete their projects.

Featherston said it is not uncommon for students to spend all night working on projects. He said many work through the night until their first class the next morning and then head to class.

"Some people wonder if they ever do go home, if they have lives," Featherston said.

"I came up here the other day and saw some guy sleeping outside."

It is common to find students crashed on the floor or tables

and even some thrift-store couches brought into the studios. But, the few naps caught by some students here and there are often short.

"We have to sleep in 30-minute shifts," said Julie Steltz, a senior civil engineer/architecture major from Houston. "You have to get people to come wake you up. You don't want to sleep all night."

Little sleep and plenty of long nights are not the only requirements to make it as an architecture student. Russell Collins, a first-year graduate student, said it takes a lot more than just time to be successful.

"Architecture has to be dear to your heart," Collins said. "You truly have to love what you do. It requires a certain passion."

Collins is the former president of the Knights of Architecture, an organization that acts as a liaison between students and college administrators. The Knights of Architecture also work as a service organization and have set up a undergraduate mentoring program.

"We are like a family up here," Collins said. "We take care of each other. We aren't sure what day it is until the sun comes up, and that can take a lot out of a person."

Collins said the amount of time students spend outside of class working varies upon dedication and hard work. Some students spend 62 hours in three days working, while others only spend a few hours.

"I have some people who say they have never pulled an all-nighter, and then there are some people who say they quit counting their third week of freshman year."

When asked if he thought the program was too demanding or stressful, Collins just smiled and shrugged.

"I think every single student here has an ambition," he said.

"It takes a vigorous and demanding program to make them believe they have what it takes inside to be an architect."

Tech wind researchers head to OKC

Teams to assess damages of Monday's devastating storm

By Melody Ragland
Staff Writer

Three teams from Texas Tech were sent to Oklahoma on Tuesday. The teams will be assessing damage caused by Monday's tornadoes.

Oklahoma City sustained damages Monday from an F-5 twister, the strongest level of a tornado. The tornado was at least a half-mile wide.

Each Tech team consists of three people from Tech's Civil Engineering Program and Atmospheric Science Program.

Richard Peterson, chairman of geosciences, said the members of the team are all a part of the Wind Science and Engineering Center, formerly the Wind Engineering Research Center.

While in Oklahoma, the teams will assess and document the damage to non-residential buildings. Peterson said research will be done on buildings that are engineered, such as schools and post offices.

"They also will see how things were destroyed and damaged by debris," he said.

Another aspect of the teams' research will be to compare the damage studied versus the winds of the storm, which were measured by the University of Oklahoma's "Doppler-on-Wheels."

Peterson said the University of Oklahoma had their radars on when the tornadoes struck.

Joshua Wurman, assistant professor of meteorology at Oklahoma, said their data still is coming in. The "Doppler-on-Wheels" are weather radars mounted on trucks.

Wurman said they drive close to tornadoes and look at the storm's structure and how it forms.

He said if they can learn how tornadoes are formed, they could warn people earlier.

Preliminary data, Wurman said, shows winds from Monday's tornado well over 200 mph.

April MacDowell, a research associate, said the teams will take photographs and notes on the damage. They will investigate the general damage and why public buildings failed.

Peterson said research will see if anyone in the area hit by the tornado have a shelter designed by engineers at Tech.

He said after the 1970 Lubbock tornado, a shelter was designed by Tech engineers.

MacDowell said the in-residence shelter is an above-ground shelter that has been in the works for more than 20 years. Since there are few basements in the South Plains area, she said, residents need to have some type of shelter.

The Tech-designed shelter is a room that has no exterior walls. MacDowell said the room could be a laundry room or any interior room that could double as a shelter.

The room also is reinforced by concrete walls, Peterson said.

MacDowell said people have been notified that there is a shelter that can be placed inside the home. If residents in Oklahoma had a Tech-designed shelter, they would like to see how the shelter was affected.

"Maybe, we could see if it worked great or if it needs improvements," she said.

But, finding someone with the shelter will be by luck or chance on the teams' part, she said.

Local police looking for TABC imposter

By Matt Green
Staff Writer

A man posing as a police officer is wanted on several counts of both impersonating a public servant and sexual assault. The man, described as a Hispanic male, 20 to 30 years of age, has been targeting women as they leave local bars.

The first report of the suspect's activities was Feb. 13. The victim reportedly was approached by the suspect

in the parking lot of the Mirage Club at 1928 Buddy Holly Ave. Reports indicate the suspect identified himself as a Texas Alcohol and Beverage Commission agent and searched the victim's chest and between her legs.

A similar case was reported March 20, when a woman reported she was followed home from Bleacher's Sports Bar by a man claiming to be a TABC officer. The man approached the victim in front of her home and performed several sobriety tests. The sus-

pect claimed the victim was speeding but left when the victim told him that her father was a Lubbock police officer.

On April 9, a woman reported she had been subjected to an illegal search in front of her apartment. The woman reported she was approached by a man claiming to be a TABC officer and accused of speeding and possession of marijuana. The suspect ordered the woman to remove her bra and panties and inspected her with a

flashlight.

A similar case occurred on April 29, when a 16-year-old was abducted from South Plains Mall by a man claiming to be a mall security officer. The suspect caught the young woman shoplifting from Dillard's and ordered her into his car.

The suspect then took the girl to the third floor of the music building on the Texas Tech campus. The suspect ordered the victim to disrobe

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Suspect described as a Hispanic male, 20 to 30 years of age and between 5 foot 7 inches and 5 foot 10 inches tall

Professor travels long road to Tech

By Kasey Farrar
Contributing Writer

As Hafid Gafaiti enters the classroom, the students become quiet. He moves to the middle of the room and asks his students, "Comment allez-vous?"

They respond just as they do every Tuesday and Thursday morning in French civilization class when he asks, "How are you?"

"Tres bien, merci," they respond in unison. "Very good, thank you."

Gafaiti is the Jeanne Charnier-Qualia Professor of French and Francophone Literature at Texas Tech. The late Tommy Qualia, a Tahoka farmer, established the Qualia Professorship in memory of his father, Blaze Qualia, a former chairman of Tech's French department.

"We wanted a really prestigious person for this position," said Diane Wood, associate professor of French. "We looked at what we needed in the French department, and we wanted someone with big recognition to bring honor to Texas Tech."

"The heads of the French department spent an academic year searching, and we found Dr. Gafaiti."

Gafaiti's career began with humble roots. He was born in Morocco and raised in wartime Algeria. His war-stricken childhood memories include the French Army colonizing his North African homeland and killing 1.5 million Algerians.

"It was very hard being born in the middle of a war as a child, being bombed regularly by the French Army, by the French planes," Gafaiti said. "The French killed 15 percent of the population of my country. A war is something really tragic. It's really hard as a child when you don't understand what's going on. You're just submitted."

After surviving the war, Gafaiti

began a career in education that has spanned 20 years. He attended the University of Oran in Algeria and received a bachelor's degree in English. Next, he attended the University of London in England and received a master's degree in English and American Literature.

From there, he returned home to teach at an Algerian university and to work on a doctorate of French in Paris.

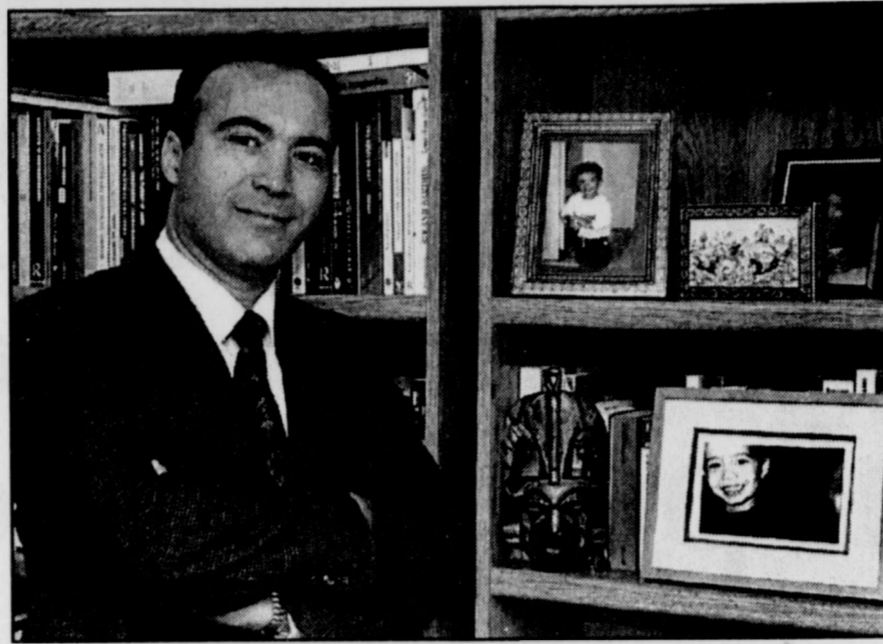
While in France, Gafaiti was selected out of 200 people to serve as a visiting professor on a Fulbright Scholarship, the most distinguished American scholarship awarded to educators.

The Fulbright Program promotes and develops cultural relationships between the United States and the rest of the world.

Not long after, Gafaiti taught at the University of Michigan as a Fulbright visiting professor for a year before coming to Tech.

Gafaiti's road to Lubbock took many educational pit-stops before he was named the Qualia Professor in 1995.

"A Qualia professor is someone who has become world renowned," said Patricia Hopkins, an associate professor of French. "It was very unusual for him to receive this distinguished title because of his young age, but Dr. Gafaiti is very qualified."



Darrel Thomas/Student Publications

Top Teacher: Hafid Gafaiti poses by his son's picture in his office. Gafaiti said his son is four years old and speaks two languages. Gafaiti is an endowed French professor at Texas Tech.

Gafaiti is the driving force behind many new courses in the French department, including Francophone Literature, French Cinema and French Civilization. He also has begun a series of lectures featuring guest speakers on Wednesday afternoons for the students and faculty.

"His big contribution is the development of courses that are new and zippy," Wood said.

Gafaiti implements his new techniques into his classes by using more video, oral exercises and films.

A smile lights up his round face when asked about his students. Gafaiti said students at Tech differ from those he taught in California, Michigan and France.

"I like Texas Tech students because they have a real respect for education and teachers. I am very sensitive to this kind of attitude," he said.

"Education is not just a transmission of facts and of knowledge. It's building up a positive human, ethical and moral relationship. I think that's why I really like the rapport of the students in general."

Students also enjoy and respond positively to Gafaiti's teaching methods.

"Dr. Gafaiti is a great teacher, and I've learned a lot in his class," said Joelle Haddad, a senior public relations major from Lubbock. "He makes sure you understand the information before moving on."

Gafaiti plans to teach at Tech well into the future. He loves the people in Lubbock, and the climate is similar to his native Algeria. But, Lubbock's terrain lacks one thing he liked in his homeland — the ocean.

"I had a little house on the coast of the Mediterranean where I liked to scuba dive," he said. "I miss that."

Marcy appointed engineering dean

By Greg Okuhara
Staff Writer

William Marcy was honored at a reception Tuesday for his appointment as dean of the College of Engineering.

Marcy had served as the interim dean for the past year since Jorge Aunon left the position.

Marcy said his appointment as dean is a chance for him to continue the tradition of the College of Engineering.

"For me, personally, it's probably the most significant thing that's ever happened to me," Marcy said of his selection. "One of my goals is ... to extend the legacy that exists. It's not so much to leave a different legacy but adding something to the legacy that is already in place."

"If you talk to a lot of the alumni who graduated 10, 15 or 20 years ago, a lot of things they find is the College of Engineering still adheres to the same values and principles today as when they were students. I feel a tremendously strong commitment to that legacy."

Marcy received all three of his degrees from Texas Tech and has worked in the College of Engineering for the last 23 years.

"I've been here for 23 years, so it's something I've invested a lot of time and energy in," Marcy said. "I've seen the university grow and do things."

The only change in Marcy's job description is a change from the title of "interim" on his business

card. "It's really just a title change," Marcy said. "I had all the responsibility and authority (as interim dean) and the permanent dean has."

With the help of the department, the dean's job is made easier, Marcy said.

"A school is great because of the support a dean can give to the faculty, students and organizations," Marcy said.

"The best thing a dean or department chair can have is for people to bring good ideas forward and that the dean can go find the resources for."

Jim White, dean of the College of Architecture, led the committee, which selected Marcy. White said Marcy has the criterion to continue the success of the engineering program.

"We had many qualified applicants," White said. "Dr. Marcy had a more qualified background, serving as an associate dean and interim dean, as well as the administrative background we were looking for. I think he'll be quite successful (as the dean)."

Despite his new title, Marcy is quick to point out he would be content to work at Tech even if he was not dean.

"Quite frankly, I would not care to be dean any place else," Marcy said. "This is the only place. If I wanted to be a dean, I want to be a dean at Texas Tech. If I were not Dean of Engineering, I would be very happy just to be a faculty member."

Bill could encourage students to graduate on time, needs to ensure progress toward degree

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Dupre said a recent study conducted by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board found that only about 48 percent of the total number of students attending school in Texas universities manage to graduate within six years.

Robert Stewart, the associate dean

of Students for the College of Arts and Sciences, said giving students an incentive to graduate on time could be a positive reinforcement.

Although he had not heard of House Bill 3138 yet, he said the intentions of the bill sounded positive.

"But students also need to be aware of their graduation requirements," Stewart said. "There are things the student can do, as well as

universities and the state's legislature, to ensure themselves of a timely graduation."

One stipulation made by the bill is the student must be making satisfactory progress toward the completion of a degree program offered at the university.

The way the bill proposes to measure whether a student is making progress is by determining if the stu-

dent is enrolled in at least 15 semester credit hours at the institution in a fixed dollar amount.

Stewart said one addition, which should be added to the bill, is to make it clear that the hours being taken are hours needed towards a student's degree.

"It sounds like the bill could help to give students an incentive to graduate on time," Stewart said. "But

they should also make sure those 15 hours being taken by the student are going towards the student's graduation requirements. It's one thing to take 15 hours, but it's another to take 15 hours toward your diploma."

Dupre said fixed dollar amounts would be taken out as a prorated-type cost reduction in the form of hourly tuition.

"The bill would allow a tuition

break of what the cost of three hours at that institution would cost," Dupre said. "So basically, if a student was enrolled in 18 credit hours, he or she would take that number of hours, but only pay for what 15 credit hours would cost at that school."

Dupre said the bill faced little opposition in the House, with only two members showing initial opposition but later changing their minds.

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Texas Tech professor studies hail damage

By J.D. Boswell
Staff Writer

Severe weather is nothing uncommon to Lubbock and the South Plains, but sometimes the financial detriment of the storms go unnoticed.

A Texas Tech engineering researcher has been studying the effects of one of Mother Nature's property damages and testing products designed to withstand its force.

Milton Smith, a professor of industrial engineering, has been researching the negative effects of hail and ways that people can protect their investments from its harm.

"It's a bigger problem than most people imagine," Smith said.

The South Plains gets hit with a hail storm that can cause significant damage only about once every 25 years, but other regions of the United

States are much more prone to the damaging ice balls.

"Central Texas going up well into Canada, east of the Rockies — that's hail country," Smith said. "The southeast corner of Wyoming and northeast corner of Colorado get hit hard. Away from the coast and at higher elevations, that's where hail likes to be."

The most costly hail storm in the world took place in Big Spring in May of 1995, with ice the size of softballs, Smith said.

The hail storms that do occur in the South Plains do more than just ding up cars and break windows. Hail can damage cotton fields by shredding the plants.

The Tech campus will not escape an intense hail storm unscathed either.

"If Texas Tech has a hail storm, there will be lots of pieces of tile lay-

ing all over the ground," Smith said.

Smith's interest in hail and its effects began about 20 years ago when he was working on a solar energy research project in Crosbyton.

The research consisted of a large, bowl-shaped mirror with the glass exposed, and Smith and his colleagues were to evaluate the potential for damage from the hail.

Two decades later, the equipment has changed, but the goals are much the same.

Inventors, developers and private companies often bring their products to Lubbock for the purpose of Smith taking shots at it with his ice-ball guns.

Smith has been testing the effects of hail storms on such products as car covers, roofing materials and windshields.

Recently, he shot out his own windshield for the British Broadcast-

ing Company, who was reporting on tornados and hailstorms.

"We've done some work for roofing companies that thought they had a hail-resistance product," Smith said. "In one case, we probably made the company terminate the project."

The engineering department has three compressed air guns that shoot ice balls from three different size barrels, from three quarters of an inch to two inches.

The hail is made by filling water canisters 92 percent full with silver to allow for the water to expand when it freezes, which produces a ball of ice.

The canisters are of varying size and are held together by rubber bands.

Researches have been able to calculate the terminal velocity of hail in order to determine at which speed to shoot the ice from the guns.

Other research is conducted by placing styrofoam pads in a location

and then "wait for it to hail," Smith said.

The dents are measured and a formula is used to determine the size of the ice balls and the speed at which they fell.

Though Smith has been conducting this research for quite some time, his work at Tech started well before his life.

Smith was a student at Tech in the late 1950s, until he graduated in 1961. For the next three years, Smith was serving his country as a cadet in the Air Force, stationed in the North Atlantic's Azores Islands.

When he returned from his duties in the Atlantic, Smith returned to Tech to complete his graduate-level work.

He became a Tech faculty member in 1968, and more than 30 years later, he's still here.

His plans for the future: "I'm going to keep on shooting stuff."

Honor society to recognize staff members

The Cardinal Key National Honor Society will honor 10 Texas Tech staff members at 5 p.m. today in the Llano Estacado Room of the University Center.

Each year, the honor society honors outstanding staff. Faculty, staff and administration are asked to nominate employees who demonstrate qualities of

dedication and service to the university and the Lubbock community.

Employees selected to receive this honor include: David Becker, plant and soil science; Elizabeth Hildebrand, classical and modern languages and literatures; Patricia McConnell, Testing TEAM center; April MacDowell, wind engineering research/department of civil engi-

neering; Lydia Mecalco, travel; DeNay Phelps, University Transition Advisement Center; Cynthia Rodriguez, grounds maintenance; Mimi Vandiver, classical and modern languages and literatures; Mary Watson, budgeting-HSC; and Carolyn Wooten, physical plant/utilities.

Board of Regents have same goals

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Jim Sowell, chairman of Tech's Board of Regents, said the main focus at Tech is to reach Carnegie Tier 1 status.

For the past two years, Tech Regents and administration repeatedly have talked about Tech reaching Tier 1 status, using the criteria set up by the Carnegie Institute.

Sowell said the construction of

new buildings on campus are stepping stones to reach the Tier 1 level.

One building in particular, which he hopes to see in the next year or two, is a new science research lab.

Sowell also said new buildings and better facilities will help recruit and retain faculty members.

Rita Clements, vice chairwoman for UT Board of Regents, said like Tech, they see a lot of construction requests, but she said they also are

concerned with the quality of education.

Most of the agenda items regents see are channelled through the UT president's office, but the regents try to have direct contact with their faculty as well, Clements said.

"We recently had a retreat with faculty members where we asked them to bring in their goals for the next five years," she said.

Clements said serving as a regent is a big job, and it seems like there is a crisis at least once a week.

Police search for suspect

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and searched her.

Hale said the victim was subjected to digital penetration.

"This action raised the charges from impersonating a public servant to sexual assault, which is a second-degree felony," Hale said.

The suspect did not produce a badge or any other form of identification during any of these encounters.

He is described as a Hispanic male of medium build, between 5 feet 7 inches and 5 feet 10 inches in height. He has a goatee and short hair.

Sgt. John Gomez, Lubbock Police Department investigator, said police believe the same suspect is responsible for all these offenses.

"The reason we believe these crimes are connected is that the method of operations and

physical description are identical," Gomez said.

He said there are several precautionary steps people should take if they are approached by someone claiming to be an officer.

"Always ask for identification," Gomez said. "A police officer will always have a unique badge and picture identification."

Hale encouraged any students approached by a person claiming to be a police officer to report the incident immediately.

He said other than badges, non-uniformed officers can be identified by their radios, handcuffs and guns.

Hale said finding this suspect is a top priority for local and campus police.

"Anytime someone tarnishes our reputation by committing a crime while pretending to be a peace officer, they go directly to the top of our list," Hale said.

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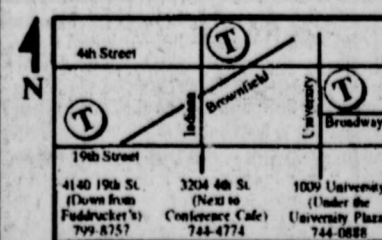
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Time as student valuable

The end of the semester is finally upon us. Four months of toil and hardship now are about to be decided by just a single test in each class. For many students here at Tech, this is their final hurrah. After this, they will be saying good-bye to college life and hello to the "real world."

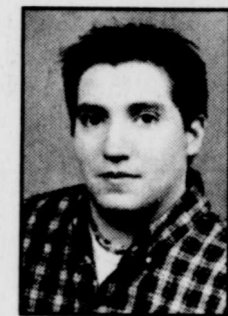
It seems that every semester I lose more and more of my friends to that so called "real world."

If you would allow me the chance, I would like to say a few good-byes.

Chris, good luck in San Antonio. B-Mac, I just hope you graduate. Andrea, Anne-Marie, Cherri, Julie, Kara and Scott, I know that you all will be successful in whatever you decide to do. The ad office is going to miss you.

Allison, Melody and Nathan, you all have very bright futures ahead of you.

To the rest of our graduating seniors that I missed (I'm sorry), I would like to say good-bye and good luck.



Kevin Preas
Columnist

I hope your experiences at Texas Tech have been memorable ones.

Since this is the final paper of the semester, that means that this is the final column of the semester.

Therefore, I would like to leave you with just one final observation about this place where we are sent to be educated.

College is an experience. Just as any other experience, it is only what you make of it. If you want this to be a four-year study session, that is what it is going to be to you.

If you want college to be a four-year party, then it is. If you have spent your time here doing either one or the other of those things, then you have been missing out.

True, we are here to be educated, and we also are here to begin a maturing and socialization process.

Too much time concentrating on the one or the other and you are missing the true experience of college.

This school, this town and college, in general, are as good as you make it.

This is your chance to shine. Nobody should ever leave here saying that they did not change from the time they arrived.

This is your time to shine, take advantage of it.

Kevin Preas is a senior public relations major from Plano.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TV segment does not portray Tech sororities

To the editor: I am writing in regard to the "20/20" program airing a segment on sorority hazing. The segment was about an incident with my sorority, Kappa Kappa Gamma, at DePauw University in 1997. Everyone should keep in mind this incident does not reflect the standards of the members of our DePauw chapter or the other 13,673 Kappas in the United States and Canada. What the incident does demonstrate is that reckless acts of a few people can negatively affect the entire group.

As president of the Delta Psi chapter of Texas Tech, I feel that I should remind the students and faculty about Kappa's anti-hazing policy. Kappa prohibits hazing in all forms. No questions asked. All chapter activities are expected to represent the dignity of the individual, and Kappa devotes time and resources to promoting responsible behavior by our 197 undergraduate members. The members understand that hazing is contrary to Kappa principles. After watching the segment, I felt my sorority took a hit that anyone on Greek Circle is guilty of in some form.

Also, on that note, I feel that Texas Tech and the Greek system are working hard to keep up the high ideals and morals of sisterhood to maintain the utmost reputation in Lubbock. The one positive thing about the issue is the story will educate college students about the seriousness of hazing.

Kappa is an organization of women, who seek bonds in friendship, mutual support, respect for individual development and a strong understanding of an allegiance to positive ethical principles. As president, I continue to be proud of the Delta Psi chapter because we help represent the future of Kappa.

I wish other individuals would take into consideration that we deeply regret this incident occurred. I know of hazing incidents that have occurred in the past with other sororities at Tech that would greatly change the reputation of their sorority if it had gone public. We were selected to represent the Greek system as a whole. I would like to state that no problems of hazing in Kappa have occurred at Tech. I hope you realize this event represents only a small percentage of the circle of sisterhood that is based on the ideals of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Lindsey Gray
senior
elementary education

Students should take pride in Tech traditions

To the editor: Tech traditions, what are those? I suppose you could have asked that question in the past, but it looks like Texas Tech is finally realizing just how important traditions are to a university.

I am a third-generation Red Raider. Some of my very first memories are going to football games and watching that shiny black horse with a mysterious rider, race around Jones Stadium with each touchdown. And I was there watching in horror and disbelief, when that tradition was almost lost.

I now am working in Aggieland. I have gotten thrown head-first into traditions because everything is Aggie this, Aggie that. Though the "hullabaloo" can be annoying at times, especially to a Texas Tech alumna, you do have to admit Aggies love their school, and you have to sit back and ask why.

What do they have in Aggieland that we don't? More traditions than you can shake a stick at — don't walk on

the grass, don't sit on that bench, Elephant Walk, Aggie Yell. It builds an unbreakable bond. They have a saying "once an Aggie, always an Aggie."

Surrounded by Aggies and their traditions, it is hard to "keep your guns up," especially when you are bombarded by comments like "the admittance requirements are so low at Tech, they will let anyone in" or "it's so bad at Tech that even the mascot killed itself." What is even more depressing is many Tech students believe those things.

I know people who are ashamed of the fact that they "had to go to Tech because they couldn't get into a better school like Texas A&M." Tech is an outstanding school. We just don't pat ourselves on the back as much as the other universities.

The difference between Tech and A&M is Aggies believe they are the best. It is those traditions and the belief they are the "and-all-and-be-all" of universities that brings in the top students and big bucks. And they give back.

Whether it is with a donation, a "whoop" at a football game or putting a sticker on the window of their car, A&M students and alumni show their pride. It is a lesson Red Raiders can learn.

Don't be ashamed to show your Tech pride by supporting those traditions and continue adopting new ones. Show off your Tech Ring, attend Arbor Day, visit Raider Alley, cheer on The Masked Rider and Raider Red, put a sticker on your car, but most of all, give back. It is these things that make you the person you are now, and it is these things that will be with you in the future.

It is your choice. You can either be ashamed of your school or you can "get your guns up" and be proud to call yourself a Texas Tech Red Raider.

Tiffany Huffaker
class of '97

READERS ASK

BY JO HENDERSON, STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES HEALTH EDUCATION COORDINATOR

Q What's up with this blue pill you always give me for everything from the flu to a urinary tract infection at Thompson Hall?

A The "blue pill" you are referring to is Intex-LA or in the generic form Ami-Tex LA. This pill is prescribed to loosen mucus and is a decongestant. If you came in with symptoms for a cold, sinus, hay fever, allergy or other respiratory illness, this might be the medication prescribed to you. It is never prescribed for urinary tract infections since that affects an entirely different part of the body. If you don't like the blue pill, tell your health care professional, and they will prescribe something else for respiratory problems.

Patients need to be alert consumers. If any medical personnel prescribes a medication for you that you either don't like, don't understand or you want to know why that particular medication is being prescribed, then ask the person writing the prescription the questions that will educate you. If you choose to decline the prescription and tell your health care provider, then they have the responsibility to tell you some possible negative medical outcomes if you do not take the medication.

Q Is it OK for a male to think about another female while he is having sex with his girlfriend?

A Fantasy and reality are two different things. Fantasies are just that, a creation of the imagination. They are not so rare for people to have when making love, and it doesn't mean you don't care about or even love your girlfriend. It is when a person decides to make a fantasy into

a reality than trouble occurs. Some people feel they are cheating by thinking of someone else you know and not a make-believe person, then you might need to consider your true feelings about the person you are with. Otherwise, an occasional fantasy shouldn't hurt.

Q I will be graduating in a few weeks and plan to locate in a new town where I don't know anyone. How do I locate a doctor? How do I even find a doctor to pick?

A If you are taking a job with a company that provides your insurance, you will most likely have a list to choose from through a HMO (health maintenance organization). Most plans allow you to have a PCP (primary care physician). If you are a woman, you also may be allowed a gynecologist, as well as a PCP. If you have a particular medical condition (like diabetes) there may be someone especially good in that area.

Otherwise, if you enjoy reasonably good overall health, ask the people you are working with about their recommendations and experiences. If you are moving anywhere in an area near Lubbock or near your hometown, you might ask a doctor you have had good experience with if they have a colleague in your new town they would recommend. Once you meet with your new doctor, if they seemed competent, confident and caring, then you have hopefully made a good choice.

Some insurance companies can provide you with the following information about a physician you are thinking of choosing if you ask them: 1) Does the doctor have a specialty? 2) If this doctor is in a group practice, will I always be able to see him/her if I choose? 3) Is this doc-

tor involved in teaching medicine? 4) What are the doctor's hours? 5) What kind of availability does this doctor have in case I have an emergency? 6) What are the doctor's fees, and do they accept insurance and how am I billed for a visit?

Lastly, once you have settled on a health care provider, sit down and write out a list of your medical history including major or chronic illnesses, operations, hospitalizations, allergies, pregnancies, physical or learning disabilities and medications you are on. A knowledge of your families medical history relating to cancer, heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, genetic disorders and alcohol and other drug use also is helpful.

Q Is a man limited to 15,000 ejaculations in his lifetime? If so, is there anything you can do to increase this number?

A When one reaches 15,000 ejaculations, sex and pleasure do not cease. This is one of those old wives' tales or maybe old husbands' tale that are completely untrue. As long as your health holds out and nothing comes along to affect your equipment (like disease or medication), then you can perform to your heart's content.

Q My girlfriend has a rash on her throat, and every time we have oral sex, I'm scared of getting the rash on my testicles. Should I be worried?

A She needs to get the rash checked out, and until she sees a health care provider, you might hold off on the oral sex. Better safe than sorry.

Readers Ask is printed in The University Daily to answer any questions about health issues. Drop boxes are set up in the University Center, West Hall and the Student Recreation Center. Not all questions are answered, but most topics will be discussed.

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POLICE BLOTTER

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April 26

- 3 a.m. Officers arrested a non-student for DWI in the 1500 block of University Avenue after observing the suspect driving down the wrong side of the street.
- 10:02 a.m. Officers responded to a 911 medical call in 317 Thompson Hall. A visitor was complaining of chest pains and was transported to University Medical Center by EMS.
- 10:53 p.m. Officers arrested a non-student for outstanding Lubbock Sheriff's Office warrants in the 900 block of Joliet Avenue.

April 27

- 10:36 a.m. Officers investigated a traffic accident

without injuries in the C-7 parking lot.

- 11:56 a.m. Officers investigated a traffic accident without injuries in the Z-3K parking lot.
- 10:39 p.m. Officers investigated an open door at the Red Raider Club.

April 28

- 12:10 p.m. Officers investigated criminal mischief in the Z-5E parking lot.
- 12:58 p.m. Officers investigated a theft at the bike rack of Chitwood Residence Hall.
- 3:04 p.m. Officers investigated a hit-and-run traffic accident in the C-6 parking lot.
- 3:19 p.m. Officers investigated a hit-and-run traffic accident without injuries in the C-1N parking lot.

- 4:25 p.m. Officers investigated a theft at the Texas Tech Bookstore.

April 29

- 2:10 a.m. Officers investigated criminal mischief at the bike rack north of Hulén Residence Hall.
- 9 a.m. Officers investigated suspicious activity at the bike rack at Hulén Residence Hall.

A student noticed a note on a bicycle that implied an explosive device may have been present. The area was secured, but no explosive device was found.

- 9:41 a.m. Officers documented lost property in Room 4A139 of the Health Sciences Center.
- 1:33 p.m. Officers investigated criminal mischief at the Hulén/Clement Residence Hall bike rack.
- 6 p.m. Officers investigated burglary of a motor vehicle in the Z-

1B parking lot.

- 7:49 p.m. Officers investigated a traffic accident without injuries in the R-11 parking lot.
- 7:51 p.m. Officers investigated a theft in the locker room of the men's gym.
- 9:34 p.m. Officers investigated credit card abuse at Clement Residence Hall.
- 11:05 p.m. Officers investigated burglary of a motor vehicle in the Z-1B parking lot.
- 11:21 p.m. Officers investigated burglary of a motor vehicle in the Z-4P parking lot.

April 30

- 12:28 a.m. Officers arrested a minor for DUI following a traffic stop in the Z-4N parking lot.
- 12:28 a.m. Officers arrested a student for public intoxication

following a traffic stop in the Z-4N parking lot.

- 2:33 a.m. Officers responded to a 911 medical call in Weymouth Residence Hall. A student was complaining of stomach pains but refused treatment by EMS.
- 8:58 a.m. Officers arrested a non-student for outstanding Lubbock Police Department warrants following a traffic stop in the 3300 block of Main Street.
- 12:14 p.m. Officers investigated a traffic accident without injuries in the 3300 block of Main Street.
- 12:24 p.m. Officers investigated burglary of a motor vehicle in the Z-4P parking lot.
- 5:14 p.m. Officers investigated a theft in the University Center Allen Theater.
- 5:40 p.m. Officers investigated a hit-and-run traffic accident without injuries in the C-1 south

parking lot.

- 6:02 p.m. Officers investigated burglary of a motor vehicle in the C-1 north parking lot.
- 9:15 p.m. Officers investigated criminal mischief in the Z-4P parking lot.
- 11:59 p.m. Officers investigated criminal mischief to the lawn in the Z-5E area.

May 1

- 3:55 a.m. Officers investigated criminal mischief on the sixth floor of Weymouth Residence Hall.

A bathroom stall had been broken.

The police blotter is compiled from the files of the TTPD.

Student studies abroad on own, not with program

By Christi Biddy
Staff Writer

Students studying abroad next year will face hardships and challenges in adjusting to a new culture in another country.

For one student, though, traveling abroad will be more of a challenge than she expected.

Stephanie Fain, a junior French and history major from Spring, will be studying in France next year.

What makes her unique is that she is not going through the Study Abroad Program at Texas Tech. Instead, she is doing everything herself.

Fain is going to France because of a nine-month scholarship from the Rotary Foundation.

The scholarship, the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship, requires that students not go through the university-sponsored Study Abroad Program.

Fain said the Rotary Foundation

wants students to go abroad on their own actions to help submerge them in the foreign culture better.

"The way Rotary works is you can't go through a Study Abroad Program

because the students stay with other American students," Fain said. "They don't learn the new culture."

The scholarship will pay for everything Fain will need overseas, including housing, tuition, books and food.

"The scholarship is up to \$23,000," Fain said. "It basically pays for me to go to France for a year."

In preparing for her trip to France, Fain has had to personally contact the French Consulate, a sect of the

French government.

The consulate works as a middleman between Fain and the French universities, Fain said.

"The French are so bureaucratic, so centralized,"

Fain said. "I have to work with the government to go to school there. There's a lot of red tape."

Students who travel abroad through Tech do not have to worry about such things, said

Gwen Moore, a sophomore arts and sciences major from Lubbock.

Moore is a friend of Fain's and will be studying abroad in Denmark next year. Moore is going through Tech's Study Abroad Program.

"I have a lot less to do than Stephanie," Moore said. "I haven't

had to worry about travel arrangements, housing, that sort of thing."

Moore said her worry about travel was limited to filling out forms and checking boxes.

"(Tech does) a lot of the paperwork and a lot of the communicating with the university, which makes it easier," she said.

The university Moore will be studying at is an international school in Copenhagen, Denmark. The classes will be taught in English, and the students will include Americans, Europeans and Asians.

Fain said she was not worried about all the extra things she has to do and looks forward to becoming involved in the French culture.

The university Fain hopes to study at is the University of Toulouse II in Mirail in Toulouse, France.

All of Fain's classes will be completely in French.

"It will be really difficult at first," Fain said. "Nothing I do will be in

"I have to work with the government to go to school there."

Stephanie Fain
Tech student

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SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS

Loren Bell, a philosophy/environmental biology honors student and Cari McDonald, a general studies honors student with concentrations in ecology and international affairs, were selected to represent Texas Tech in the national Morris K. Udall Scholarship competition. The scholarship assists students who are planning to pursue careers in environmental public policy.

At the Greek Awards Banquet on April 18th, members of the greek community were presented awards for their scholarship, leadership and service. Interfraternity Council awards were: Outstanding Freshman - **Clay Tarro**, Outstanding Sophomore - **Jason Irons**, Outstanding Junior - **Ryan Weller**, and Greek Man of the Year - **Scott Hudson**. Panhellenic Council awards were: Outstanding Freshman - **Katy Hagler**, Outstanding Sophomore - **Jamie Johnston**, Outstanding Junior - **Jill Brakeen**, and Greek Woman of the Year - **Christy Andrews**.

The Texas Tech Women's Rodeo Team won first place at the National Inter-Collegiate Rodeo Association's southwest regional competition held in Big Spring, TX. Kelli Sultemeier, an Agricultural Communications major, took the all-around title by winning first place in barrel racing, second place in breakaway calf roping and fourth place in goat tying.

At their Annual Awards Banquet in April, members of University Center Programs received awards for their outstanding work during the year. Award recipients are: Outstanding Chairperson of the Year - **Chere Gipson**, Outstanding Project Leader of the Year - **Sarah Robinson**, Outstanding Member of the Year - **Joey Taylor**, The Life Pass Award, which is the highest honor given to a UC Programs member, was presented to **Jason Meier**.

Four College of Human Sciences students were elected to state office at the annual meeting of the Texas Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. They are: **Sara Wagner** - Chair, **Sarah Albin** - Vice President for Organization Management, **Tatanya Montano** - National Officer Candidate, and **Heather Blount** - Vice President of Professional Development.

At the spring Leadership Tech Recognition Award Reception, **Hollie McLaughlin** was named Student Leader of the Year, **Women's Service Organization** was named Student Organization of the Year and the **American Chemical Society - Student Affiliate** was named Most Improved Student Organization of the Year.

Two students were named Athlete of the Year at the spring Student-Athlete Academic Awards Banquet. **Jennifer Benat**, a Sports Health major and member of the soccer team, was named Female Student Athlete of the Year. **Jeremy Hernandez**, a Biochemistry major and member of the football team, was named Male Student Athlete of the Year.

To submit information about this notice, contact the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs at 742-2131, fax 742-2137, e-mail kathyq@ttu.edu.

lifestyles

MOVIE REVIEW

Action-packed 'Entrapment' fails to entertain
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DISCO DAYS

Le Freak travels to Hub City for the first time, appearing at Liquid 2000
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Wednesday, May 5

'Noah's Ark' saves NBC from drowning in May sweeps

NEW YORK (AP) — If NBC manages to come from behind and capture the year's Nielsen Media Research ratings crown, it can thank "Noah's Ark" for keeping the network

afloat. Opening night of the biblical mini-series on Sunday scored the highest ratings for a television movie this year, leading NBC to an

easy victory during opening week of the May "sweeps" period, where ratings are watched closely to set advertising rates.

The movie performed better for

NBC than anything it has televised since George Clooney's exit from "ER" in February.

With less than a month to go in the TV season, CBS leads NBC for the household ratings crown by one-tenth of a percentage point.

ABC's "100 Years of Great Women" special performed well for the network, finishing 23rd for the week.

CBS's reunion movie, "The Patty Duke Show" finished a lackluster 49th place.

UPN had some rare good news with the performance of its "WWF Smackdown" special, the highest rated show on the network last week.

UPN executives are already talking about making wrestling a regular part of the network special next year.

ABC's two-part "Mr. Murder" movie had a dismal showing. Its second part last Tuesday finished tied for 82nd for the week.

ABC's "World News Tonight" won the evening news race with a 7.7 rating and 17 share.

NBC's "Nightly News" was second at 7.6 and 17, while the "CBS Evening News" had a 6.7 and 15.

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The park has more than 100 different wildflowers, many of them are unique to the Llano Estacado area.

"A lot of people don't realize the

many flowers we have blooming here," said Cecilia Carter, the Public Relations Coordinator for the Landmark. "Lubbock is home to a different variety of wildflower native to this area."

The Landmark is a 336 acre park and home to animals such as prairie dogs, butterflies, burrowing owls and foxes. Carter said the Landmark recently has been doing a lot of re-vegetation.

"We thought this could be a nice opportunity for families to bring their moms out and celebrate spring," Carter said.

Trail guides will be used by visitors to identify plants and wildflowers in the park. The admission cost for adults is \$2 and for students \$1. The Landmark is located at N. Loop 289 and the Clovis Highway. For information, call 742-1116.

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Connery, Zeta-Jones dominate 'Entrapment'

By Thomas Tucker
Contributing Writer

At the tail of the spring season, 20th Century Fox explodes into theatres with its latest action-packed thriller, "Entrapment."

Produced by none other than Sean Connery himself and directed by John Amiel, "Entrapment" is an explosive film with dazzling action sequences.

A workaholic insurance investigator (Catherine Zeta-Jones) is hot on the tail of one of the world's greatest thieves, Robert MacDougal (Connery). As the chase heats up, so does the chemistry between the odd pair of the hunter and the hunted.

REVIEW

Wrapped up in a conspiracy and poised for the greatest heist of the millennium, both characters find themselves trapped in a world of circumstantial romance.

With the strong acting of Zeta-Jones and Connery on the screen, "Entrapment" pulls off a successfully entertaining film. However, the film might not live up to the average movie-goer's expectations.

When viewing this film, one should prepare to hear sound glitches in the voice overs, cheesy James Bond synthesizer music interludes and see average screen shots.

The film does not carry the intensity of a box-office thriller such as "Payback" or "The Matrix," but it is not without its intense moments. Borderlining on losing its audience toward the middle of the film, "Entrapment" is most likely a good choice for the group of guys or a family film but certainly not a date movie.

Still, the stunning performances of Connery and Jones make seeing this film worth anyone's while.

Zeta-Jones, who has appeared in many films including "The Mask of Zorro," "Blue Juice" and "Splitting Heirs," makes a stunning appearance in "Entrapment."

Zeta-Jones adamantly has pursued her career as a film actress in the

United States since 1990, when she played in "Sheherezad" but has never seemed to have found her "magic role."

Many critics would acclaim that she is captivating in "Entrapment" only because of her "costuming." As seen in her last two box-office hits, Zeta-Jones not only has the ability to "steal the screen" but possesses the acting prowess to do it again and again. Whether in sleek leather dress or a white cotton blouse, Zeta-Jones seems perfectly capable to turn heads with every appearance on the screen.

Not surprisingly, Connery's performance in "Entrapment" is nothing less than his most adamant fan

would expect. Connery is a well-known veteran to the big screen, having starred in about 59 films, is one of the most sought after stars in Hollywood.

Since 1950, when Connery won third place in the Mr. Universe body-building contest, Connery has remained a sex symbol to women and is regarded highly by men everywhere.

The combined forces of Connery's on-screen presence and Zeta-Jones' sensual appeal make this film a good movie for people of all ages to see. The 'G' rated style and action-packed se-

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quences make it perfect for one of the most climactic family films of the year. Connery and Zeta-Jones, it seems, can do no wrong.

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Cinco de Mayo brings out Mexican pride

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Janos Rodriguez gets misty-eyed when he holds the rifle his grandfather carried during recreations of the Cinco de Mayo battle—the 1862 rout of French invaders that is one of Mexico's most celebrated victories.

The Rodriguez family has organized an elaborate recreation every May 5 for 68 years, attracting thousands to their working-class neighborhood in eastern Mexico City. Rodriguez's grandfather died in December, but on Wednesday the family will do it again.

"Cinco de Mayo lies deep in my heart," said Rodriguez, a 23-year old

car shop owner.

"My grandfather led the celebration for 43 years. It means so much to my family."

Mexicans regard Cinco de Mayo as perhaps the proudest day in their nation's history, although the French invasion of Puebla ended in defeat a year later when Mexican defenders ran out of ammunition and surrendered.

"On Cinco de Mayo, we were able to defeat the world's mightiest army with a largely improvised effort," said Janos' father, Fidel Rodriguez. "It represents a legacy to our children and a reminder that we must fight for

what is rightfully ours."

To many Mexicans, the holiday stirs up feelings of nationalistic pride—and suspicion that, like the French more than a century ago, foreigners still have designs on their country.

Mexico was shaped largely by foreign occupations: the bloody Spanish conquest in the 1500s, the 1846 war with the United States in which it lost half its territory, and the humiliating French occupation of the 1880s.

In today's globalized economy, Mexico has become the United States' second-largest trading partner thanks to the North American

Free Trade Agreement. It is also negotiating another free-trade agreement with the European Union.

But Mexican nationalism remains so strong it has often taken government officials by surprise.

President Ernesto Zedillo proposed to privatize the state-owned electricity sector.

After they got permission from the Defense Secretariat, city authorities withdrew their objections.

"We have to fight for our liberty, but not with guns," Fidel Rodriguez said.

"We must use our intelligence and our dedication."

Le Freak brings disco back from the dead

Dallas disco cover-band Le Freak will perform tonight at Liquid 2000, 1812 Ave. G.

The band plays every week to packed crowds in the Metroplex but

is venturing to Lubbock for the first time.

Texas Tech students can attend Disco Dead Day before their day off. Admission cost is \$3, and Liquid 2000

owner Larry Simmons said there will be drink specials all night. The doors will open at 8 p.m., with the band taking the stage around 10:30 p.m.

The band is expected to play quite

a while, Simmons said.

"Since I have had the posters up, many people have told me they have seen them and really liked them," Simmons said.

Hemorrhagic fever death toll rises to 63 in Congo

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Hemorrhagic fever has killed 63 people in northeastern Congo, but there is no indication the disease was caused by the feared Ebola virus, the World Health Organization said Tuesday.

"It is an extremely rampant hemorrhagic fever. There are respiratory complications and the people who wash the dead bodies have not been infected," WHO spokesman Gregory Hartl said in Geneva.

"All these indicate against it being Ebola," he said.

According to reports from relatives and friends of the deceased, many experienced respiratory problems before becoming ill.

The deaths have been reported in areas of Congo, formerly known as Zaire, now controlled by rebels.

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FALLING STARS

Columnist examines the retiring phenomenon.
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Braziel buzzed by Charlotte in annual WNBA draft

By Brent Dirks
Staff Writer

After a week delay and 3-1/2 rounds of the WNBA draft, former Texas Tech Lady Raider Angie Braziel finally heard her name called by the Charlotte Sting in the fourth round of the draft Tuesday in New York City.

"I'm really excited," said Braziel, who was chosen 45th overall in the four-round draft by the Sting.

"I'm glad it's here and done, and I'm glad I have the opportunity to

continue playing and go out and meet some really neat people and be able to be part of a great program."

Charlotte finished 17-14 overall for a fourth-place finish in the league's Eastern Conference last season. The Sting are coached by Marynell Meadors and are led by guard Andrea Stinson, who averages 15 points per game for Charlotte.

"I'm really excited to have a chance to go down there and play," Braziel said.

"I watched them a couple of times

last year on TV. I just feel that they're a really good team, and I can go down there and really put in a lot of effort to get the position and go out and really help the team."

Braziel said the Sting want her to continue to do things she did earning Big 12 Player of the Year honors, while helping guide Tech to a 30-4 overall record and a Sweet 16 appearance.

"They want me to go and run the floor and really be big on the inside and really attack the boards and just

go up and play hard," she said. "Someone who is really dedicated. I think I fit those shoes to just go out and play hard and put in a lot of effort."

With the third WNBA season starting in June, Braziel said she was ready to play professional basketball. Braziel will join former Lady Raiders Sheryl Swoopes of Houston and Alicia Thompson of New York in the WNBA.

"I watched Alicia and Sheryl a lot, and the way they've improved so much," Braziel said.

"Hopefully, I can go out and do the same."

And Braziel said there are some facets of her game she can work on at the professional level.

"I'm going to have to work on being a little more physical like I did this summer," she said.

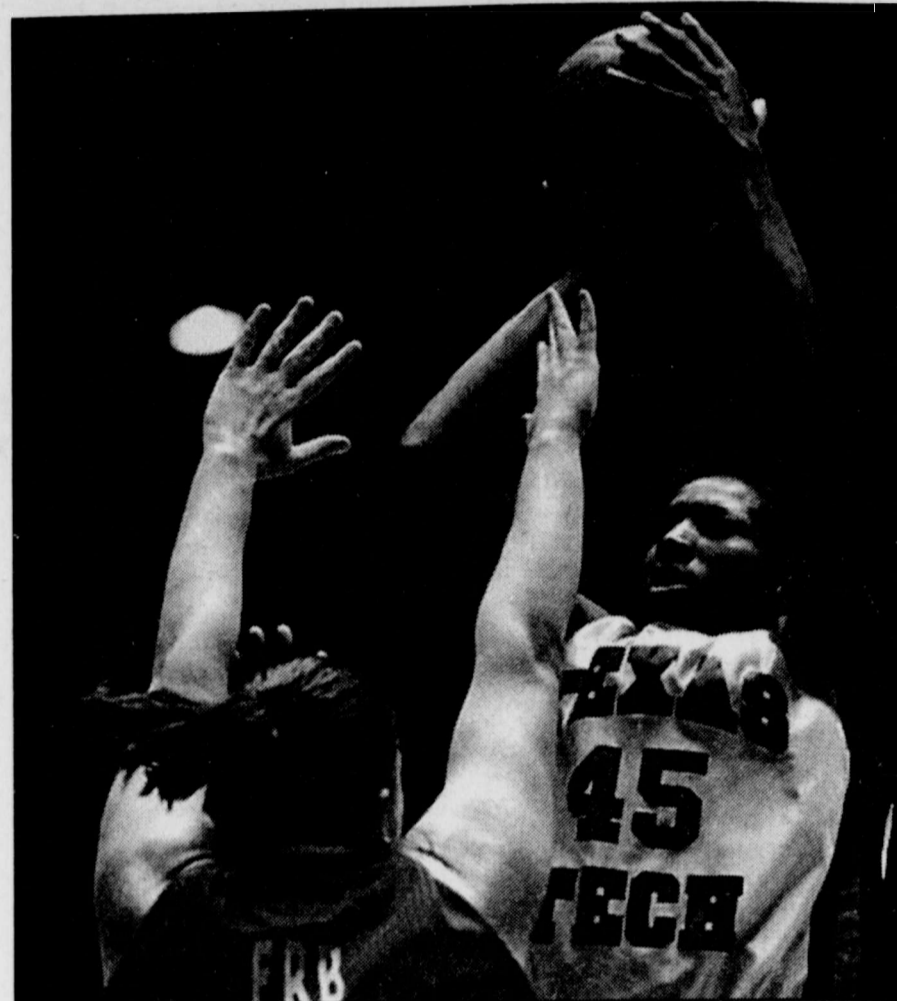
"It seems to be improving, but like I said, I just have to go at it, continue to play hard and improve."

After the draft was delayed for a week because of a WNBA labor dispute, the 6-foot-4 Braziel said it was nerve-racking waiting for her name to be called.

"It was pretty frustrating not knowing what was going to happen in my future, knowing that I really wanted to continue playing basketball," Braziel said.

"I was just being patient and waiting for the results."

Along with Braziel, the Sting drafted former ABL players in guards Dawn Staley and Charlotte Smith, along Stephanie White-McCarty from Purdue, the 1999 NCAA national championship squad.



Wade Kennedy/The University Daily

Drafted: Former Lady Raider Angie Braziel was selected by the Charlotte Sting in the fourth round of the WNBA draft Tuesday.

Lady Raider coach Marsha Sharp said she was excited for both the Sting and Braziel because the two will make a good team next year.

"I don't think there's any question in my mind that she can be a great player in the WNBA because she has

so much physical talent for which her game is suited," she said.

"As far as getting out running the floor and being a 6-4 player that can really can get out and catch and score, I think there's some really special moments in her future with that."

Baseball game at TCU canceled due to rain

After last week's rain delays and rain-outs, the Texas Tech baseball team was ready for game time this week.

But Tuesday's final non-conference battle of the season against TCU was canceled due to inclement


weather. No make-up date has been scheduled.

Tech (39-11 overall) will resume Big 12 play in its final series of the season after final examinations, May 14-16.

Game one is slated for 7 p.m. May 14 at Dan Law Field.

Tech will conclude the series with a 2 p.m. contest Saturday and a 1 p.m. finale Sunday before heading to Oklahoma City for the 1999 Big 12 Conference Tournament.

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Cubans prove they can hit, too

BALTIMORE (AP) — Everyone in baseball knew Cuba produced top pitchers. Livan Hernandez, Rolando Arrojo and El Duque already proved that.

What everyone at Camden Yards on Monday night found out was that the Cubans had plenty of hitters, too.

The Cuban all-star team showed off its offensive side, spraying balls all over the park — and out of it, too — in beating up the Baltimore Orioles 12-6.

Omar Linares, considered the island's greatest player, went 4-for-4 and walked twice. Danel Castro, picked to play shortstop instead of star German Mesa, had four hits, including two triples, and scored four runs.

Andy Morales delivered the clinching blow, a three-run homer to dead center field in the ninth inning.

He zoomed around the bases with his arms spread wide, looking like a kid imitating an airplane. Zig-zagging his way home, he cheered his teammates in the third-base dugout and pointed to the sky before he touched the plate.

"I don't think anybody really appreciates the guy running around like an idiot around the bases," Orioles left fielder B.J. Surhoff said. "It's not exactly our style."

Baltimore center fielder Brady Anderson took a lighter view.

"I thought he must have felt good about that homer. I don't really get offended by that celebrating," Orioles center fielder Brady Anderson said. "Maybe that's the biggest home run he'll ever hit in his life. Let him take his home run trot, big deal."

Surhoff and Anderson got a close look at the night's most surprising hit.

“I’m not making excuses — we lost. But it was two different teams with two different points of view.”

Scott Kamieniecki
Orioles pitcher

In the fifth inning, a Cuban umpire body-slammed and punched an anti-Castro demonstrator who ran into short center field.

The man was holding a sign that said "Freedom — Strike Out Against Castro" when second-base umpire Cesar Valdez rushed toward him.

They tussled briefly, then Valdez hoisted the man over his head and

flung him to the ground. Valdez started swinging and landed a few blows to the man's head.

"Above all, I am Cuban," Valdez said. "I just thought it was the right way to do it."

Surhoff rushed in and, after being pushed away by Valdez, managed to pull off the umpire.

"I don't think the umpire really

cared for (the sign) too much," Surhoff said. "He wanted to go back and hit the guy some more."

"I thought he was just going to hold him for the security people," he said. "Next thing you know, he was throwing haymakers."

Anderson also was at the scene. "I didn't want to grab the ump," Anderson said. "It seemed like a fair fight. You let guys fight if they want to fight."

Even as police led away the man, Valdez continued to shout at him.

No surprise, Valdez got a warm reception from president Fidel Castro when the Cuban delegation returned to Havana on Tuesday.

Back in Baltimore, three men from Miami who ran onto the field were given criminal citations for misdemeanor trespassing. If convicted, they face a maximum sentence of

three months in jail and a \$500 fine. "It didn't affect us at all, this lack of respect by the spectators," Linares said.

Despite the disruptions, commissioner Bud Selig said four other teams have "aggressively talked to me" about playing the Cubans in the future. While major league teams might consider the games mere exhibitions, the Cubans clearly take them more seriously.

Scott Kamieniecki, on the disabled list because of a strained left hamstring, lasted only 1-1/3 innings. Interrupted by a 56-rain delay, he gave up four runs and five hits.

"I'm not making excuses — we lost," he said. "But it was two different teams with two different points of view."

"I had nothing to prove out there," he said. "If that's wrong, I'm sorry."

Speedway given videotape of flying wheel incident

CONCORD, N.C. (AP) — Investigators examined a fan's videotape that shows a wheel flying into the grandstand where three people were killed and eight others injured during last weekend's race.

"It doesn't show it from start to finish, but it's still better than anything we've gotten up to this point," track spokesman Jerry Gappens said Tuesday.

Gappens said the camcorder videotape was shot by a spectator who was sitting in the terrace boxes atop the grandstands in the fourth turn during Saturday night's Pep Boys Indy Racing League event.

The spectator turned the tape over to Lowe's Motor Speedway on the condition his identity not be revealed.

Investigators hope to find a videotape that will show them how the wheel snapped off one of the cars in the three-car wreck.

They also want to determine how much clearance there was between the wheel and the top of a safety fence that reaches 15 feet above the track surface.

The information would help them determine if any safety changes could be made to the cars and how much the height of the fence should be increased.

The spectator's videotape that was turned over to speedway officials Monday night shows neither the wreck itself nor the wheel going over the fence.

"You see it after it clears the fence and before it hit. It was already on its way down, and it was coming in

high," Gappens said. "But at least we see the object coming into the stands. It's the first time we've seen that."

The race was carried by Speedvision, a small cable network that was broadcasting an IRL race for

the first time. Speedvision's cameras did not capture the start of the wreck or any debris flying into the stands.

"Television video usually helps quite a bit," Gappens said, "but that's not the case this time."

Even without conclusive evidence

of how much clearance there was between the wheel and the top of the catch fence, speedway officials are still considering raising the height. The track's engineers and architects have been studying the matter since the accident, and a decision is likely.

"Hopefully in the next day or two we'll have something more to share in that regard," he said.

Also Tuesday, a funeral was held for the first of the victims. A service for Jeffrey Patton, 32, was held in his hometown of Hickory.

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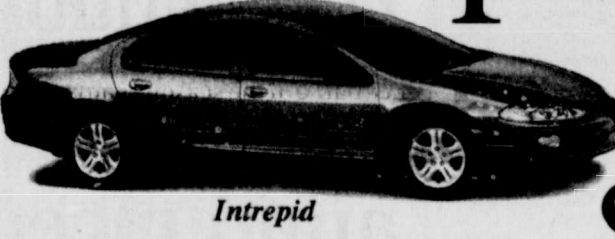

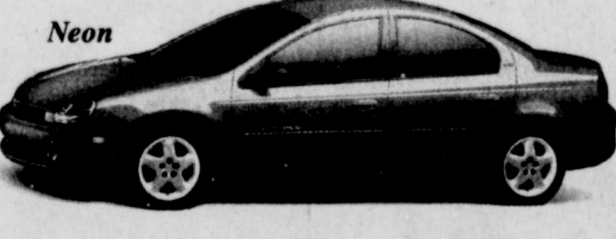




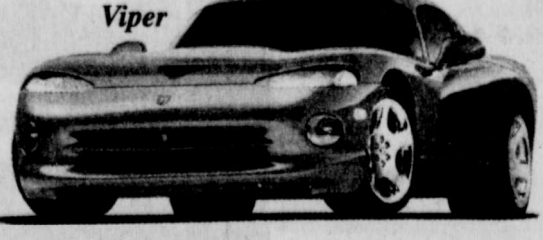

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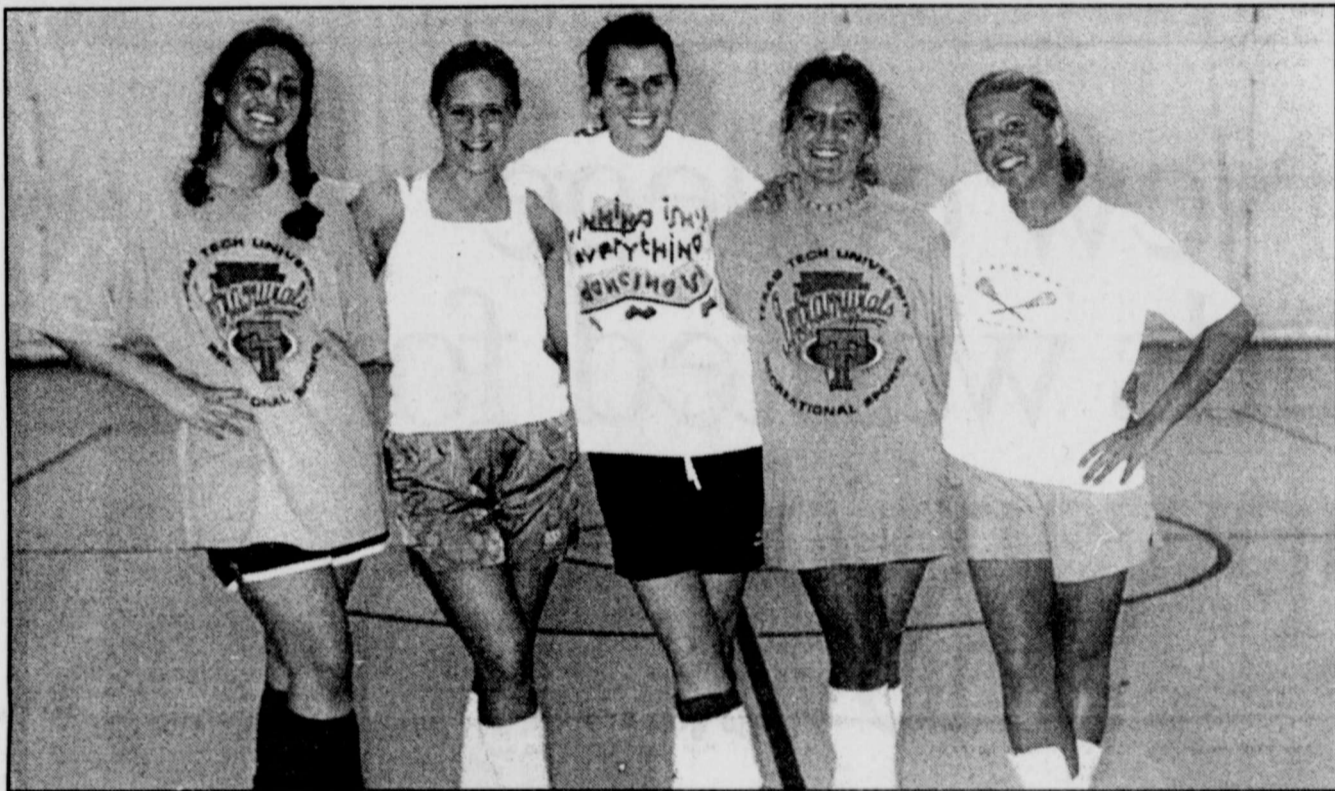
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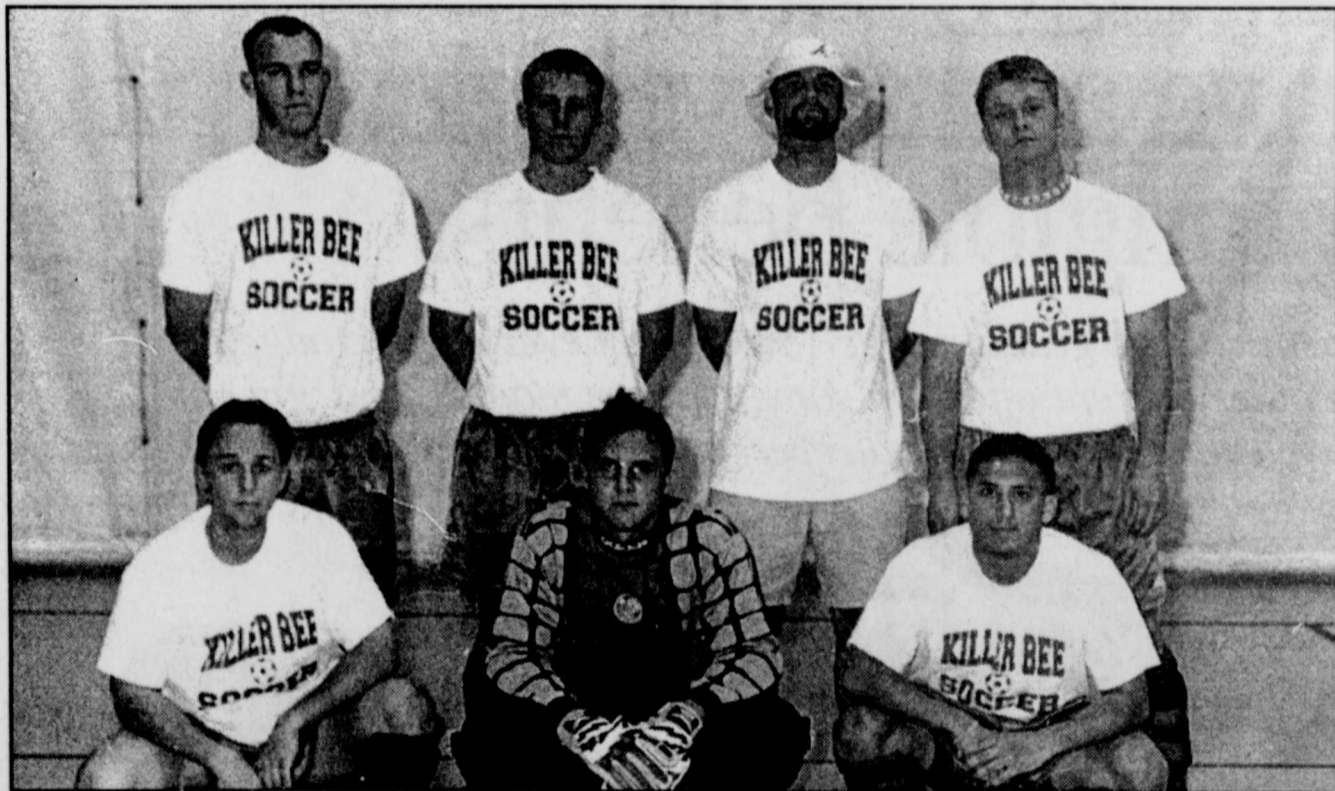
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All-U Co-Rec soccer champions, Hometown Heroes are pictured above. Front row, left to right: Mary Donahue, Sarah Gilliland and Sarah Knowles. Back row, left to right: Jeremy Fortier, Brian Tate, Blake Rutherford, Josh McCorkey and Ross Manley. Not pictured is Tracy Stroud.



Winners of the women's soccer championship, The Hunnies, are pictured above. Left to right: Marissa Caruso, Becky Webb, Sarah Anderson, Holly Krivokapich and Priscilla Guynes.



The High Flying Killer Bees, All-U Men's soccer champions, are pictured above left to right. Front row, Trent Morrison, Chris Baucom and Aaron Saucedo. Back row: Quinton Hart, Daniel, Roberson, EE Sparkman and Peter Keene.

Indoor Soccer season closes

After weeks of tough competition, the intramural indoor season finished and champions were crowned Sunday.

In women's action, Hunnies dominated over the Regulators to win 7-1.

Sarah Anderson netted five goals with additional goals coming from Becky Webb and Marissa Caruso.

The Hunnies' defense almost held the Regulators to a shut out but Regulators' Sally Harrison scored a late goal. The Hunnies defeated WSO 3-2 on its way to the championship game.

In Co-Rec championship action, the Hometown Heroes defeated Regulators 2-0.

Jeremy Fortier scored two goals in the first half to insure the Hometown Heroes of a victory.

Earlier in playoff action, on its way to the playoff game, the Hometown Heroes defeated Arson 13-1.

To obtain the Men's All-University championship title, High Flying Killer Bees came ready to play and defeated Quakers 2-0.

The first goal of the championship game was scored by Killer Bee Quinton Hart who squeezed through

the Quakers' defense.

Trent Morrison scored the Bee's second goal.

All season, competition was fierce between the two teams.

High Flying Killer Bees defeated the Quakers 4-3 in the regular season. In the Championship game of the Men's Star Bracket, Quakers beat the High Flying Killer Bees 6-3.

Recreational Sports wants to thank everyone who participated in indoor soccer.

The soccer season concluded the last intramural sport of the school year.

In-Line Hockey at Nationals

The Tech In-line Hockey Team competed in the National Collegiate Roller Hockey Championship in Chicago April 15 through April 18. In the first game of pool play, the team lost to St. Louis 5-4 in a close game before easily beating Central Florida 7-2. In the third game of pool play, the team tied Cal Poly 4-4 in a back and forth match-up. The team advanced to the playoffs but lost to Kansas 3-1. Overall, the team finished in the rankings after entering the tournament ranked 22nd.

Fitness Jam

Tomorrow, there will be a fitness jam from 5:30 p.m. to 6:40 p.m. at

the Student Recreation Center on basketball court number 5. The fitness jam workout will include step, funk, kick-boxing and toning.

There will be several instructors including Crystal, Tanya, Allison and Deloris that will be leading the jam. Door prizes and free snacks will be given away.

Come to the rec on dead day and relieve some stress, have some fun and get ready for finals. For more information, e-mail njaji@ttacs.ttu.edu or call 742-3351.

Cycling competes at conference championships

The Texas Tech cycling team traveled to College Station April 16 to compete in the SCCC Mountain

Bike Championship held by Texas A&M University. Out of more than 10 schools consisting of Baylor, LSU, MSU, Rice, SHSU, SWT, SFA, TAMU, UT, OSU and others, Tech managed to capture fourth in the overall team standings. The other teams had twice as many riders as Tech did so this was a great team effort.

Texas Tech walked away with three of the top 10 spots in the Expert Men's trail. Chris Briggs finished second, Kevin Burpo finished about five seconds back in third and Stephen Crewe finished seventh.

In the men's B class, Brian Rogers had the best finish in sixth, followed by Keith Webb in 14th, Chris Ferguson in 15th and Andy Hofflich in 17th. Bernardo Cuellar had a stellar time trial in the men's C class and finished second, only two seconds behind the leader.

Logo competition winners announced

The Department of Recreational Sports is excited to announce the design winners of its logo competition. Chris Briggs, a senior design communications major from Lubbock, won first prize and was awarded a \$100 savings bond and a Magnavox CD player sponsored by the Texas Tech branch of American State Bank and Lack's Furniture. Second prize was awarded to Amanda Walley, a senior design communications major from Lake Jackson and she received a \$50 savings bond sponsored by State National Bank of West Texas. Both designs are on display at the north entrance of the Student Recreation Center.

The quest for a new logo was an outstanding success for the Department of Recreational Sports. Rec Sports would like to thank all participants for their time, talents and efforts in submitting nearly 40 different designs. The new logo will be officially introduced in late summer and fall 1999.



Recreational Designer! Chris Briggs, a senior design communications major from Lubbock, receives the first place prize for winning the Rec Sports logo contest from Chris Dulak, Recreational Sports Marketing Coordinator.

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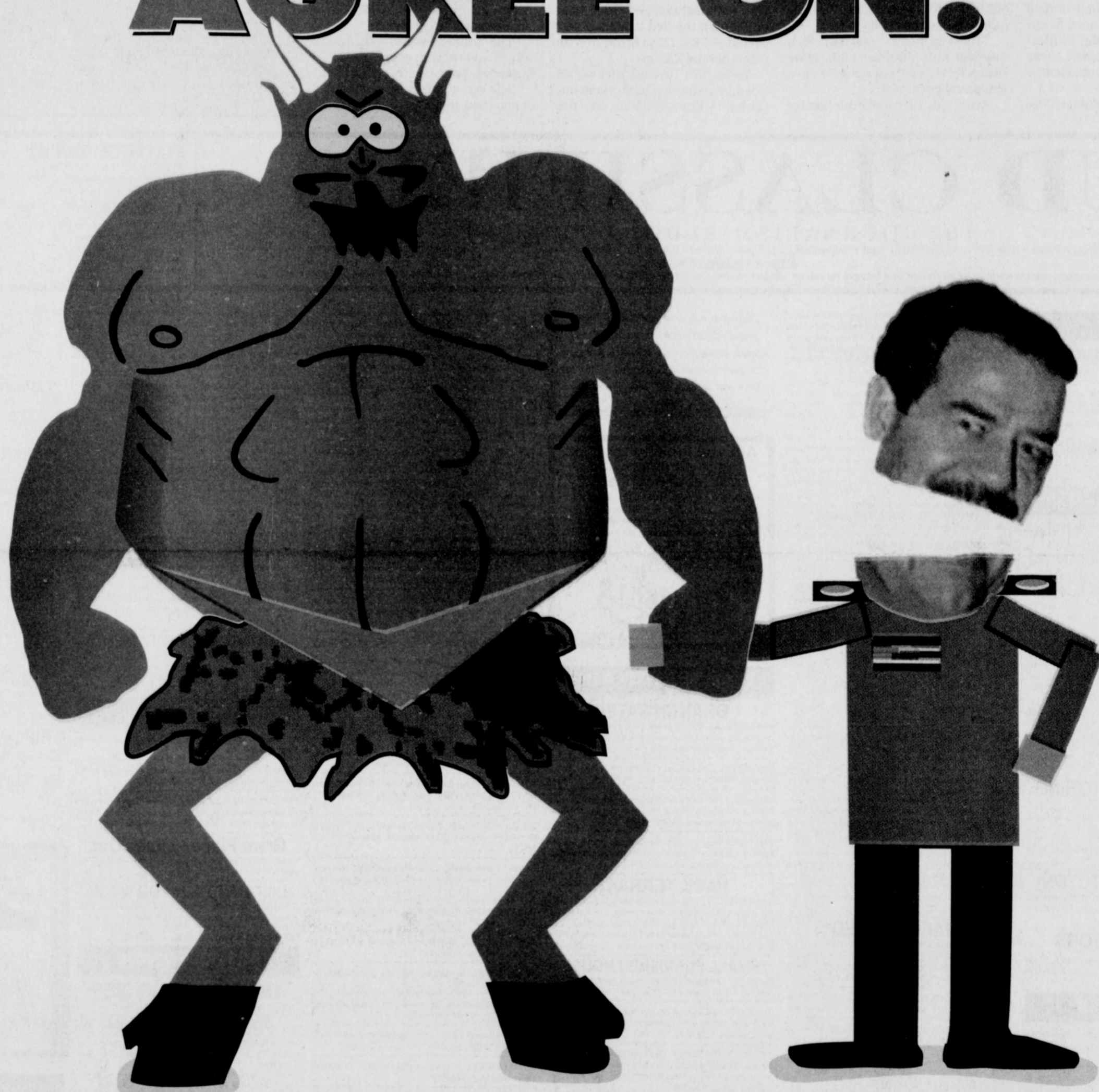


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