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Wednesday's closing figures

### STATENEWS —

#### 13-year-old student stabbed in head with screwdriver

HOUSTON (AP) — A 13-year-old boy was stabbed in the head with a screwdriver Wednesday during a scuffle with other students in the hallway of a southeast Houston middle school, police said.

The eighth grader, whose name was not released, was taken by ambulance to Ben Taub General Hospital where he remained in critical condition Wednesday afternoon.

Two students were taken into custody after the 8:30 a.m. attack at Deady Middle School, Houston Independent School District spokesman Terry Abbott said. District police were investigating the case as an aggravated assault.

An argument involving numerous students apparently preceded the attack, Sgt. Leo Rosebure Rosebure said.

"There were no other injuries or indication that they had a fight," he said. "We don't even know if the victim saw his assailant, but there were several witnesses that identified the suspect as having delivered the blow."

### NATIONALNEWS —

#### Man trapped in elevator for 40 hours

NEW YORK (AP) — A magazine employee got trapped in the elevator at his high-rise office over the weekend and screamed, banged on the walls and tried climbing out through the ceiling before someone finally noticed him on a video monitor — 40 hours after he got stuck.

Nicholas White, a production manager for *Business Week*, emerged Sunday afternoon from the elevator at his 51-story building at Rockefeller Center. He refused medical attention but took two days off from work.

"I'm still a little shaky," he said Tuesday. Sandy Manley, a spokeswoman for Rockefeller Center Management Corp., said officials are trying to determine who should have been monitoring the building's security cameras.

"That's the heart of the matter," Manley said. "We have 24-hour security in this building."

She would not say whether the elevator cameras run constantly.

### WORLDNEWS —

#### Teen-ager killed by tiger in Indian zoo

HYDERABAD, India (AP) — A tiger killed a teen-ager who jumped over the wall of a safari park to retrieve his kite in southern Andhra Pradesh state, a park curator said Wednesday.

Mohammed Khaja, 18, scaled the 16-foot wall of the Nehru Zoological Park on Tuesday to get his kite out of a tree, said curator K.N. Bannerji.

The tiger spotted Khaja immediately, pounced on him and dragged him 200 yards into the bushes in the sprawling park in Hyderabad, the state capital.

Khaja's friends screamed for help as Khaja tried to get away, but the tiger caught him by the neck.

By the time zoo keepers drove the tiger away, Khaja was dead, Bannerji said.

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# Mass Comm to propose separation

## School plans to separate from College of Arts and Sciences

by Andrew Thompson  
Staff Writer

The University Daily has learned that the Texas Tech School of Mass Communications plans to apply to separate from the College of Arts and Sciences.

According to documents obtained by *The UD*, the school will submit a proposal to become an independent entity within the Texas Tech system sometime in the coming months.

Jerry Hudson, director of the School of Mass Communications, said the proposal would transform Mass Communications into an independent school on the same level as the School of Medicine or law school.

The new school would not have separate admissions standards, but would allow the school and its administrators more freedom to raise funds from outside sources.

"A major benefit of becoming a separate school is that we will be able to generate extra funding," Hudson said.

The recent proposal, described by Hudson as "extremely premature," was presented to Tech Chancellor John Montford and other officials in accordance with a review by the Strategic Planning Committee in February. The group, comprised of administrators and alumni from the mass communications department, recommended the department apply for independent status.

Also, officials from the University of Texas and the University of Alabama were in Lubbock earlier this week to review the school for separate-school status, according to a

memo sent to Tech's mass communications faculty.

In 1970, there was a general agreement that the department would become a separate entity, but Hudson said the university quickly opted out of that decision.

Then, in 1974, Wendell Mayes, who was chairman of the mass communications department, suggested the department would be better off as a school.

He wrote in a letter to former Tech president Grover Murray that "the program will grow and improve in quality more if it is a school rather than a department."

Mayes also said most mass communication departments that have a good academic reputation had been organized as schools. Hudson agrees with Mayes.

"Eighteen of the top 20 mass communi-

cation departments around the country are separate schools or colleges," he said.

"Becoming a separate school suggests you have attained a little more success than other departments at other universities."

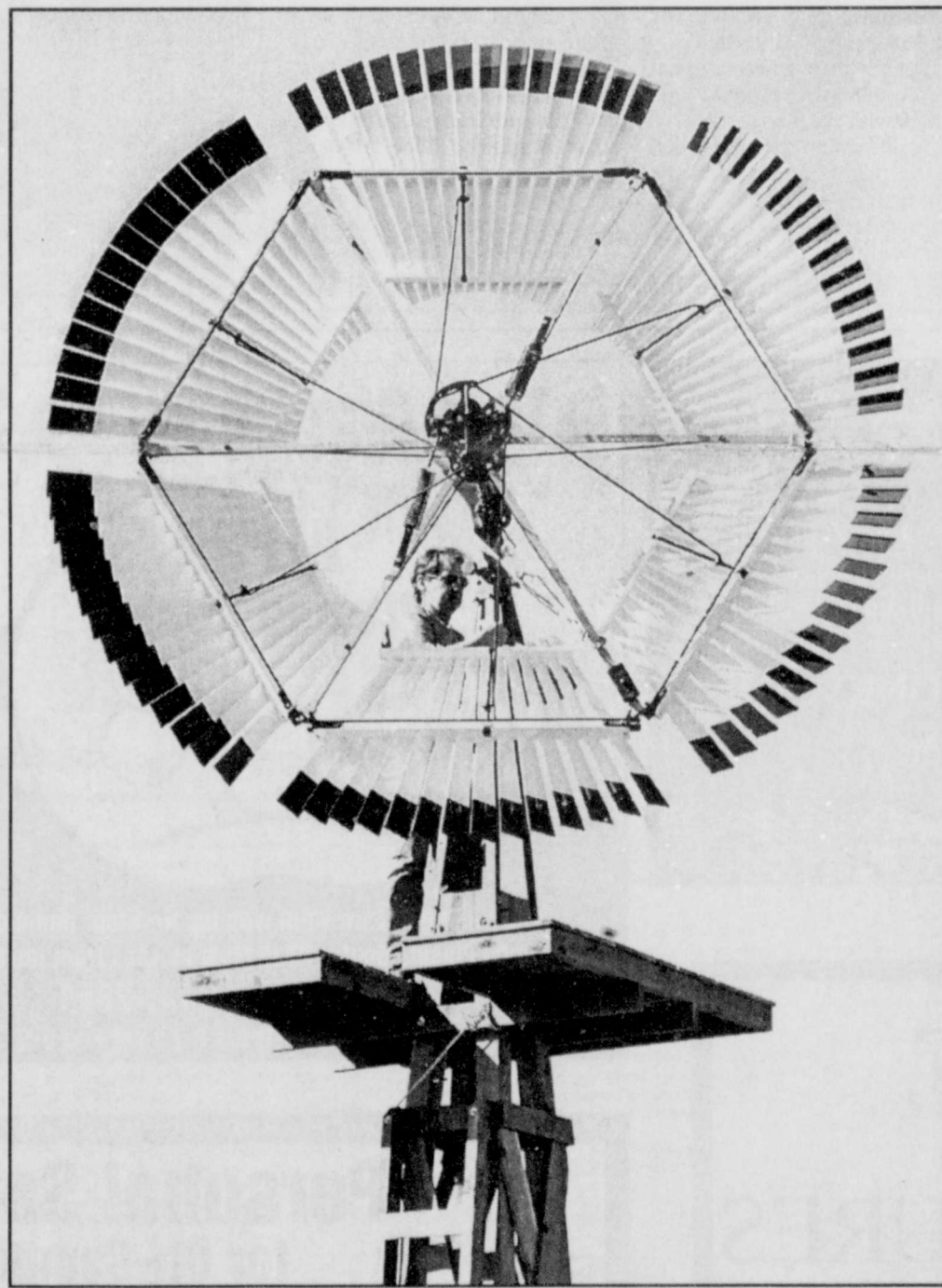
Tech's School of Mass Communications is one of the few academic programs among Big 12 universities that offers degrees in at least five different areas.

Jane Winer, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, said she was never against the proposal for the school to become a separate entity.

However, she also said she has never endorsed it because of the amount of work associated with forming another school.

"Whether the university wants another college, and whether that should be a school, see **NEW SCHOOL**, p. 2

# Winds of Change



Gregg Holt, site operations manager at the Ranching Heritage Center, makes final adjustments to a windmill head after it was installed Wednesday. Darrel Thomas, Student Publications

# Tech grad to head Lubbock's Reese Center

by Greg Okuhara  
News Editor



The Lubbock Reese Redevelopment Authority named Tony Williams, a Texas Tech graduate, as their new executive director Wednesday at the Reese Center.

He replaces Eddie McBride, who left to become the president and CEO of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce last month.

Williams said he wants to make the former Air Force base a world-class institution for research.

"We need to let the world know that the Reese Center is where all the newest and latest environmental and agricultural research is going on," he said.

Williams said he has aggressive goals he wants to reach as executive director.

"I'm looking forward to getting here and understanding a little more about what we're thinking about doing and pursuing our research goals," Williams said.

Williams, a Lubbock native, will be reunited with some of his family after serving as government operations/programs manager for National Service Industries in Corpus Christi. His two brothers and one sister are all graduates of Tech.

"I'm looking forward to coming back," he said.

Tech also plays a primary part in the redevelopment of Reese Center.

"Tech is what we call in the development business as the 'anchor tenant,'" Williams said of Tech's involvement.

"I'm happy to say Reese is way ahead of some of the

(closed military) bases in what they've done.

"We really couldn't do anything out here without Tech."

Tom Nichols, president of the Reese Board of Directors, said more than 100 resumes were received for the position, and Williams was chosen because of his age and energy level.

"We wanted to make sure we had somebody we could certainly grow with," Nichols said.

"I'm delighted with our selection."

He said Williams has the ability to help the center become a first-rate research institution.

"We're confident in Tony's ability will take us to the next level, which was one of our major objectives that we had in the search for a new director," Nichols said.

Williams graduated from Tech in 1986 with a degree in engineering technology.

He also has a master's degree in business administration from the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Reese Air Force Base was closed in September 1997 and became Reese Center.

The center has become a site for industry and research institutions. Major tenants who lease buildings on the property include Tech, South Plains College, the city of Lubbock and Lubbock County.

# Fund raiser pumps up volume for local station

by Andy Jones  
Staff Writer



In only five days of on-air fund-raising efforts, Lubbock's National Public Radio station, 89.1 KOHM, is more than half way to their goal of \$60,000.

Derrick Ginter, operations director at KOHM, said the radio station plans to meet their goal by Friday or Saturday.

"Our biggest source of funding is public support," he said. "The funding covers operational expenses, salary and programming."

Ginter said the station has had requests for new programming, like noted American literary figure Garrison Keillor's radio show.

"We would like to see listeners, if we accomplish our goal, we'll do that (new programming)," Ginter said.

The \$60,000 goal is common for the biannual KOHM fund-raisers, Ginter said.

The non-profit radio station

uses about \$10,000 a month from public funding. KOHM also obtains funding from other sources besides the public.

"One source is underwriting," Ginter said. "Basically, people pay to sponsor a program, and we try to get grants from various sources."

The radio station is in the process of trying to move to an office in the Bank of America building on 19th Street and University Avenue.

Ginter said the funding will be used to expedite the move. KOHM has an office in the Texas Tech Journalism building. Tech plans to move the station to the larger Bank of America office space to accommodate five full-time staff members, six volunteers and one intern.

Stacy Baggerly, development manager for KOHM, said the fund-

raising efforts began Oct. 1 when pledge forms were mailed to former donors.

Baggerly said up until this point, the majority of donations have come from the people who received the forms by mail. The people who received the pledge forms have supported KOHM and were given more time to donate than radio listeners, she said.

Baggerly said a good time to announce the achievement of their goal would be during the popular Saturday show, "Car Talk," since many people will be listening.

Michael Dini, an associate professor of biology, said he supports KOHM for a variety of reasons.

"I appreciate both of the chief contributions KOHM provides, National Public Radio news is top notch, and I just love classical music," Dini said.

He said the disc jockeys at KOHM are knowledgeable about classical music and the station is important because it is the only source for classical music in the area.

"Without it, Lubbock would be much less livable," Dini said.

# Court reverses Food Lion case

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — A federal appeals court on Wednesday reversed a jury verdict that found ABC committed fraud in a hidden-camera expose of unsanitary conditions at Food Lion's supermarkets.

The 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, with a 2-1 ruling, threw out a \$315,000 judgment against ABC over a 1992 "PrimeTime Live" story.

Two ABC reporters used false resumes to get jobs at a Food Lion store, then secretly videotaped employees for a story on food-handling practices that accused the grocery chain of selling rat-gnawed cheese and rotting meat.

The report alleged that Food Lion employees ground out-of-date beef along with new beef, bleached rank meat to remove

its odor and redated products not sold before their expiration date.

The jury that found ABC guilty of fraud under state law awarded the supermarket chain \$5.5 million in punitive damages, but that was cut to \$315,000 by a federal judge.

Food Lion also was awarded \$1,402 in compensatory damages for the cost of hiring the two ABC employees.

The award stunned some because it appeared to open a new line of legal attack against the news media and hidden-camera journalism.

The appeals court disagreed with the jury's finding that ABC engaged in a business deception in violation of the North Carolina Unfair and Deceptive Trade Practices Act, or UTPA.

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# Common sense, gadgets help deter car thefts

by **Stephanie Green**  
Contributing Writer

You walk out to your car after a long day at school. The parking space your car had occupied is now empty. Somebody has stolen your car.

A car is stolen every 23 seconds in the United States, according to the National Insurance Crime Bureau. However, the problem is not that severe on the Texas Tech campus.

Tech has seen a downward trend in auto theft, said Sgt. Dan Hale, public information officer for the Tech Police Department.

"We've seen two auto thefts in this calendar year," Hale said.

"One was stolen from the Administration building parking lot, the other was stolen from a residence hall parking lot."

On the Tech campus, there were three auto thefts in 1998 and six in 1997.

One way to avoid becoming another crime statistic is by using basic crime prevention and common sense.

"Always lock the doors," Hale said.

"If they can get into the car, and out of the public's view, then it is easier for the thief to mess with the wiring on the car."

NICB statistics show that 50 percent of the cars stolen in the United States were left unlocked.

Parking in an area with lights is another deterrent for an auto thief.

"Crooks don't like to conduct their business in a well-lit area," he said.

A steering-wheel lock also is a good way to prevent auto theft. It is extremely difficult to get a car off without a key, and even harder to drive with the lock in place, Hale said.

Another common anti-theft deterrent is a car alarm. However, many cars are left unchecked when the alarm is set off.

The technology used in some newer alarms tries to stop a thief, even when a loud, annoying noise does not.

One method to help keep a car where its owner parked it is a kill switch. The switches, included on some alarms, inhibit the flow of electricity or gasoline to the engine until a hidden switch is flipped.

Another deterrent are smart keys,

which have a coded computer chip embedded in the key. The car will not start without the computer chip.

Both are good, effective deterrents new cars come with that are easy to use, according to the NICB.

Despite all the new theft deterrents, students should not completely rely on them to prevent their car from being stolen.

"With every technology innovation, crooks can come up with a way around the technology," Hale said.

When the alarm, wheel lock or kill switch is defeated by a thief, and an auto theft occurs, the victim is usually out a large amount of money.

Earlier this week, the NICB came out with a list of the top 10 stolen cars in the United States. Heading the list was the Honda Accord. The Toyota Camry was second, and the Chevrolet full-size pick-up was third on the list.

Once a car is reported stolen on the Tech campus, the TTPD has a specific search procedure.

First, a police report is taken on the stolen car, and it helps if the owner knows the license plate number, Hale said.

After the police report is taken, the Tech police notify the Lubbock Police Department and the Texas Crime Information Center for a statewide search for the vehicle.

The National Crime Information Center also is notified, so a nationwide search can be conducted for the



One car is stolen every 23 seconds in the United States. Tech students can help keep their car safe by using common sense and anti-theft equipment. Tech police have "aggressive" patrols to ensure students' cars stay where they parked them. Photo illustration: The University Daily

**"... crooks can come up with a way around the technology."**

**Sgt. Dan Hale**  
TTPD public information officer

stolen vehicle.

All Tech police are briefed on the auto theft, so they keep their eyes open for the stolen car. However, Hale said car theft is not a pressing issue for Tech students.

"Fortunately, auto theft is not a

significant problem on the Tech campus," he said.

"We have a strong and aggressive patrol by the patrol officers and security guards. We like to think that contributes to auto theft not being a serious problem on the campus."

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or college of mass communications, is something that many more people, besides myself, will have to support," Winer said.

"It's an issue of whether or not the university has the money to go through with the plan."

She said the College of Arts and Sciences might stand to lose some funding if the School of Mass Communications does become a separate entity.

"I don't know if the university

is in the position to spend the money needed, but the people at mass communications think they can raise the funds," Winer said.

Hudson mentioned he would likely submit an updated version of the proposal to the faculty, and then to the Board of Regents at their December meeting.

"There are some more changes which need to be made," Hudson said.

"The specifics of what we're asking for aren't really set yet. Whether or not this will happen is another story."

**Luncheon to honor Houston Rodeo**

Representatives from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo will be honored at a scholarship recognition ceremony Thursday in the University Center.

Texas Tech Chancellor John Montford and John Abernathy, dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, will thank the rodeo representatives for their support of Tech.

Thirteen Tech students are receiving scholarships from the

group, and 113 are receiving some support from the rodeo's endowment fund.

Drew DeBerry, an agricultural and applied economics major from Olton, and Dustin Dean, an animal science major from Jacksboro, will speak at the luncheon on behalf of Tech's scholarship recipients.

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Don't lend anyone your keys.

Make sure hallways, entrances, garages, and grounds around your home are well lit.

Leave porch lights on all night.

When away from home for the night, or when you expect to return after dark, leave an interior light on in a room or two with shades drawn. Leave a television or radio on to give the impression that someone is at home.

When you are at home alone, pull shades or curtains after dark.

When someone is at your door, never open it until you know who is there. Repair and sales people, police and survey takers carry identification. Ask to see it and, if you have any doubt or question, call the company to verify the person's identity before you permit entry.

If someone wants to use the phone, make the call for him or her without opening the door.

Get to know your neighbors so you can get help if necessary. Be familiar with who is coming and going in the neighborhood.

If you are going out, tell someone where you are going and when you will return.

Do not walk alone at night. Be alert. Be aware of others on the street. Stay in populated, well-lit areas.

Park in well-lit areas at night. Check the street before leaving the car. Park in full view of the front of stores and houses. Walk to your car with keys ready and check the back seat before entering.

Keep your car doors locked at all times, even when driving in daylight, so no one can jump in at a red light.

If you are followed by another car, drive to a police station or business that has lights on and people in it. Don't go directly home with someone following you.

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# Honors students to travel to Orlando

by Cory Chandler  
Staff Writer

Students from the Texas Tech Honors College will attend a conference next week in Orlando, Fla., to present papers on research projects and other topics.

The National Collegiate Honors Council Conference will be from Oct. 27 to 31. The conference is open to any honors student who wishes to present papers. Topics include honors programs and student research projects.

Carrissa Waida, a senior cell and molecular biology major from Victoria, said she has seen a wide variety of presentations.

"We always manage to take good presentations," Waida said.

She said this will be her first national conference, though she has been to two regional conferences. Tech is in the South Plains region, which includes Texas, Oklahoma, Nebraska and Arkansas.

While in Orlando, Tech students may get to do some sightseeing, but they will also spend a lot of time answering questions about their school, said Gary Bell, dean of the Honors College.

"Tech has one of the more powerful honors colleges," Bell said.

He said other universities often are



Honors College

asking him questions about how Tech's program is run.

Loren Bell, a junior philosophy and environmental studies major from Lubbock, is presenting his paper over alternative study-abroad programs. He said Tech's Honors College is well-respected, despite being relatively young.

"We are a new presence at the Council," Loren Bell said.

He said the fact that Tech has 10 students giving lectures is a good sign, since more than 800 colleges will be represented during the four-day period.

In addition to their own speeches, students have the chance to listen to other presentations.

"There are between 12 and 15 lectures at one time, and there is always something interesting to listen to," Waida said.

She said the conference is a good opportunity for Tech students to interact with people from other schools. This interaction opens Tech students to new ideas and ways of thinking to incorporate into the Honors College, Waida said.

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## EDITORIAL

### Support for women on rise

(AP) — The headlines tell the story. A week seldom passes without some horrific story of domestic violence that ends in mayhem or murder. No segment of society is exempt from this most personal and mind-numbing crime.

The city has reeled recently from criminal charges that a Park Cities man strangled his wife in front of his children shortly after the family had returned home from church. Yet next week, there could be a report from a less affluent neighborhood with equally tragic consequences. Spousal abuse knows no boundaries. Nor are there any limits on the psychological damage inflicted on children who witness it.

Congress approved the Violence Against Women Act five

years ago to make certain courts no longer dismiss or downplay domestic abuse crimes. The 1994 legislation provides money to fund prosecution of spousal violence cases and to support shelters for battered wives.

Congress is considering an appropriation bill for the Commerce, Justice and State departments that expands funding for programs that address violence against women. The Senate version of the bill contains important provisions that deal with children who live in homes where abuse occurs.

The legislation would increase funds for nonprofit agencies that provide counseling and advocacy programs for young victims of domestic violence. Agencies that teach school children about the problems of domestic and dating violence also would receive money.

With the YWCA's Week Without Violence now under way, Congress is provided a perfect opportunity to expand funds for these programs. Legislators also should prepare to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act, which expires next year. Few crimes more lastingly impact society than those that occur within the family.

Republican Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison is the lone Texan on the conference committee weighing these added provisions on domestic abuse and violence against women. Supporters of the provisions should let Sen. Hutchison's office know that Congress should add funding for children's assistance programs in the appropriations bill.

*The Dallas Morning News*

## AIDS vaccine a growing need

See if you can answer the following two questions: What is the most lethal infectious disease in the world? What is the fourth largest cause of death in the world after heart disease, strokes and respiratory infections?



Andrew Schoppe Columnist

If you answered AIDS, then you hit the nail on the head. According to statistics reported in a Feb. 26 article published by the British Broadcasting Corp., AIDS has been the top killer for people age 25 to 44 throughout the 1990s. Over the last 17 years,

more than 11 million people have died from AIDS, making it the current leading cause of premature death worldwide.

In some parts of the world, the AIDS death toll has been declining somewhat because of the introduction of combination drug therapy. Europe has reported an 80 percent decline in AIDS deaths since 1995, due largely to combination drug therapy. But Europe's neighbor to the south, Africa, has not been so fortunate.

Africa, the world's second largest continent, has been devastated by AIDS to the point that it has now overtaken malaria as Africa's main killer disease. In 1998, AIDS was reported to be responsible for the deaths of about two million Africans, or 20 percent of all the deaths in Africa. The problem has gotten so out of hand, that countries such as Burundi were forced to send AIDS patients home from the hospital earlier this year because there weren't enough beds for other patients.

Part of the reason why the AIDS epidemic has taken hold in Africa has been the continent's poor economic status. Medical advances and new drugs that have been found to fight AIDS have been too expensive for most Africans to obtain, but earlier

this year, researchers began the first-ever AIDS vaccine trial in Africa.

The vaccine involved in the trial, ALVAC vCP205, contains three HIV genes. Researchers hope that the vaccine will prepare the immune system to detect the HIV genes and attack anything that might carry the markers on the HIV genes. So far, ALVAC vCP205 has been tested and found to be safe in nearly 1,000 volunteers in studies conducted in France and the United States.

Two other notable efforts to find an AIDS vaccine began about this time last year. One of them is being conducted by scientists from the United Kingdom and Kenya. These researchers will use a DNA vaccine, like the one already mentioned, to create an immune response to HIV-infected cells. The DNA vaccine will then be combined with the vaccine used to combat smallpox, known as the MVA virus, to make the body's immune response to the HIV-infected cells about 100 times stronger.

The other effort taking place is by U.S. and South African scientists. They too are seeking to stimulate the body's immune system but are doing so by focusing on a different virus. Professor Andrew McMichael of the Medical Research Council Human Immunology Unit at Oxford University, claims that it likely will be seven years before a vaccine will be widely available. The overall goal of the researchers is to not only develop an AIDS vaccine, but to make it available in the parts of the world that have been devastated the most by AIDS.

The growing need for an AIDS vaccine goes without question, especially if the U.K. Secretary of State for International Development's statement that about 16,000 people will be infected with HIV during the course of their lives is anywhere close to accurate. With an AIDS vaccine, there stands the chance that AIDS' rise on the list of causes of death worldwide could go into remission in the not-too-distant future.

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## First Amendment rights protects America's voice

Report from the Cultural Diversity front: In Waco, the Vatican City of the Baptists, in a 30-day span we find a gay-pride march, Bishop Desmond Tutu speaking at Baylor University, Edward James Olmos speaking to the Hispanic



Molly Ivins Columnist

Chamber and a Klan rally. We live ... in a great nation.

However, it's a great nation still prone to occasional befuddlement. Take a couple of First Amendment flappettes of recent vintage. As you have doubtlessly heard, the Kansas Board of Education voted 6 to 4 in late August not to require evolution and the big-bang theory in the state's science curriculum.

In part, this is only evidence of the much-noted tactic of the Christian right of running "stealth candidates" for down-ballot public offices. Beyond that, it is evidence of invincible ignorance, failure to understand the scientific method and the curious notion that a factual discovery of science could somehow alter our ethical standards.

The Scopes trial over teaching evolution took place 74 years ago, and here we are still having to deal with creationism, even though the fossil record supporting the theory of evolution (and of course it is only a theory — nothing in science is considered proved beyond new evidence) gets found in more almost every week.

More dangerous are the pseudo-scientific attacks on evolution, not citing biblical metaphor but attacking the perfectly legitimate practice of extrapolating the appearance of an extinct creature from a fossil fragment. Pseudo "documentaries" attacking paleontology are shown on right-wing cable TV, using the curious notion that because more remains to be known about evolution it's not worth studying.

As though limiting science weren't a silly enough notion, now the literalists are attacking Harry Potter, the student wizard in J.K. Rowling's delightful books, on the theory that the books promote Satanism.

These are apparently the same people who keep trying to get "The Three Little Pigs" removed from libraries on the grounds that talking animals are satanic, which would leave rather a large hole in children's literature.

I'm sure this strikes most of you as silly beyond all reason, but these folks have bullied libraries all over the country — and they occasionally win, too. I'm not sure why imagination is so threatening to these people.

As though dealing with such whiffle-brains weren't trying enough, the mayor of New York is now demonstrating his failure to grasp the First Amendment in the already over-publicized matter of his feud with the Brooklyn Museum of Art.

Rudy Giuliani may indeed be acting from purely political motives, as

the media have constantly reported, but this is not a political matter. It's clearly a First Amendment case, and the only shocking thing about it is the media's failure to recognize it as such.

Victor Kovner, one of the leading First Amendment lawyers in New York City, had to spend almost a week before he could find a client to sign a brilliant amicus brief he wrote for the case. When the Metropolitan Museum finally signed on, so did all the other cultural institutions in New York, including the Bronx Zoo.

A lawyer in Kovner's office observed that the zoo must be interested in the elephant dung aspect. (For what it's worth, I think "Virgin With Elephant Dung" — not the real name — is a lot prettier than the dissected shark in the same show.)

Still on bizarre fronts of the culture wars, it's worth noting that the online magazine *Salon* has reported that the final version of the official investigation into the tragedy at Columbine High School finds that perps Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold were never part of the "Trench Coat Mafia." Nor did they target "jocks, minorities or Christians."

Whatever ailed those sick kids, they were all-purpose haters; in the ravings they left behind, they rail against minorities AND whites, praise Hitler AND condemn racism. Now watch how long it takes for the correction to catch up with the initial misreporting. "Never" is a good guess.

All of this caused the *Minneapolis Star Tribune* to editorialize that these are the best and worst of times. "Surely American culture has become more vulgar; the language, the messages on T-shirts, the loutish talk shows, the crude movies and music, the rowdy audiences at sporting events, the road rage, the gun worship, the gruesome video games, the sex-obsessed sitcoms, the general meanness that seems to escalate to domestic abuse and to verbal and physical assault."

But at the same time, crime is down, museums flourish (even without dissected sharks) and young people are into melodic music. Sure, a lot of TV is dreadful, but there's some excellent stuff on, too, as the critic John Leonard has been telling us for a long time.

And there is as much altruism as egoism, if you look for it — it just doesn't make the headlines.

What interests me is the attempt to use this duality for political purposes. A writer for the Hudson Institute's *American Outlook* suggests that we suffer from cultural disunity and must soon choose between the Judeo-Christian tradition and what he sees as an emerging multiculturalism in which all values are relative and tolerance (of anything) is regarded as the greatest virtue.

This brings us to the simplest of all First Amendment arguments. The reason that the First Amendment protects dreck as well as genius is not because dreck and genius in art are equally good and should both be tolerated. It is to protect our right to vigorously denounce dreck — or to defend Harry Potter against Muggles.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Basic Freedom

To the editor: I am not a Christian. I was raised Catholic, but for various reasons, I have chosen to follow my own personal beliefs. Sometimes I wonder, though, if Christianity still follows the doctrine that I learned. For instance, does the Golden Rule still apply?

"Treat others as you would like to be treated" should apply to all people and not just fellow Christians. The other day, a man was walking around campus preaching the Bible. He told me that those who do not believe in Jesus Christ will go to hell. How Christian. Nice and force-fed.

On another note, aren't Christians supposed to practice their religion in private and behind closed doors, as stated in the Book of Matthew? If this is true, what is the problem people have with the separation of church and state? Many of the founders of this country came to America to escape religious persecution in England.

Many of these dissenters, Christian or not, understood that religion is a private thing. They also (obviously) felt that others should not be persecuted for their own private beliefs. Is that not a main reason the American Revolution occurred?

The founders were being persecuted for the way they interpreted their own religion. They were smart enough to understand, though, how ludicrous that is. Therefore, they felt people in this country should be free to have their own private beliefs and interpretations. That is why Americans have freedom of religion.

If it wasn't for the intelligence and courage of our founders, nobody would be able to interpret any religion or belief in their own private way. Even Christians.

*Tony Cirigliano senior biology*

### Earth ruined

To the editor: This letter is in response to Andrew Thompson's column (UD 10/13) on the official 6 billionth person being born. He

seems to claim that the world is beautiful, despite all the destructive issues being pressed by those "evil" Republicans. It's not just Democrats, and it's not just Democrats. It's government. While you think government is instituted to correct all the problems, let's take a look at just a few things that can be traced back as a result of government:

- 58,000 Americans killed in Vietnam (not to mention all the Vietnamese, all because politicians were too stubborn to admit they made a mistake)
- Millions of Jews killed as a result of the Holocaust
- Dishonest politicians who do not care about their country — only themselves while the power of the people rests in their hands
- Slavery
- Indian massacres
- People portrayed as criminals because they smoke pot occasionally while two psycho students, whose mothers did not show them enough affection, gunned down innocent people at Columbine High School — more than 100 fully-armed cops stood outside the building and made sure the firing had stopped before they went in to do their job (protect innocent people)
- Controlled education (censored reading materials in public schools)
- Rodney King
- The paradox of regulated liberties (speech, press, assembly, abortion, guns, cigarettes, alcohol, seat belts, helmets)
- Taxes
- War

I've named and discussed only a fraction of all the things that government has taken from us as living, breathing, human beings. The politician and I do have one thing in common. We were both born of a woman's womb into this world, which I translate to mean we are 100 percent equal, so how can he or she exercise any power over me, or decide if my actions are good or bad without my consent? Government only protects liberty in theory, when it actually takes it away. I dissent from the view that the earth is beautiful. It could be, but too many people have already ruined it.

*Joe Colley junior English/philosophy*

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## The Nixons administration campaigns in Lubbock



by Sebastian Kitchen  
Staff Writer

The Nixons are not going to wait for a new album to the hit shelves before they take their sounds to the public. They will deliver them personally.

The Nixons, Bowling For Soup and the Grand Street Criers will perform tonight at Liquid 2000, 1812 Ave. G. Tickets cost \$10 and are available at the door and at both locations of Ralph's Records, 909 University Ave. and 3322 82nd St. The doors open at 8 p.m., and the music will begin at 9:30 p.m.

Tonight, fans can expect a handful of new songs in the mix of new and old when The Nixons perform in Lubbock. The band's latest album is finished but will not hit shelves until next year.

During the recording of the new al-

bum, The Nixons changed the way the band usually went about life in the studio. In the past, the band wrote for a month and then recorded for a month so The Nixons could hurry and get on the road and play the new material. This time around, the band spent a year on the album and are back on the road for the first time in two years.

"One good part about taking longer is we became better songwriters as a band," said Zac Maloy, lead singer and guitarist for the band.

Another concept The Nixons used for

its third album was that Maloy employed help in writing the songs. He worked in Los Angeles with other writers. Jack Blades of Damn Yankees and Night Ranger co-wrote "First Trip."

"It was great being able to work around such good songwriters," Maloy said. "When you surround yourself with great people, you hope some of that rubs off."

Maloy said he has worked with guitarist Jesse Davis for nine years and with both drummer John Humphrey and bass player Ricky Wolking for several

years. Maloy enjoys the comfort of knowing what his bandmates will do, but he said it was an experience to work with other musicians.

"It was exciting to work with different people," he said. "The spontaneity and freshness is healthy in another way."

When the album is released, Maloy feels confident about the contents.

"There are some fun songs on the album and some deep songs on the album," Maloy said. "There is a little bit of everything. It is a nice collection of Nixons' ideas."

The Nixons, along with Bowling for Soup and Grand Street Criers, will play tonight at Liquid 2000, located at 1812 Ave. G. Courtesy Photo

### UC to present multimedia land mine presentation

Ten million land mines sit waiting to claim large portions of the population in Cambodia.

The multimedia presentation "Wars End, Land Mines Don't" will present the atrocities of land mines at 8 p.m. today in the University Center Allen Theatre. The presentation is free and open to all students and the general public.

Loung Ung, national spokeswoman for the Vietnam Veterans of America Landmine Campaign, will lecture at the presentation. Ung, who was born in Cambodia, lost both of her parents and two siblings to genocide from the Khmer Rouge. She was forced to become a child soldier before escaping and settling in Vermont in 1980. The VVA is the co-founder and coordinator of the International Campaign to Ban Landmines.

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# Choir sings songs from heart

by Angela Loston  
Staff Writer

On a typical, hectic Monday, Tatyana Prokofyeva, a physics instructor for the Department of Physics, spends her work day either teaching or researching within her department between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. By the end of the day, she is tired, but she does not readily retire. Instead, Prokofyeva attends a choir rehearsal from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

For about a month, she has made this her weekly ritual by being a member of the Prairie Winds Chorus.

"I'm very happy to be a part of this choir," Prokofyeva said. "I have enjoyed being there. I relax and obtain some energy."

Prokofyeva said she learned about the choir, which is part of the worldwide women's choir Sweet Adelines International, through some of her friends.

Despite her sometimes busy schedule, Prokofyeva said she tries to set aside time for her weekly choir practices.

"I try to organize my schedule to do everything in time for the rehearsals," Prokofyeva said. "In spite of the less time, I am happy to be there. This is just one time in the week."

Marilyn Dickey, director of the Prairie Winds Chorus, said the ages of choir members range from 15 to 73. Dickey, who has been singing in the choir for 27 years, said there is a diverse group of women who are in various professions such as nursing, education and clerical work.

"Everybody enjoys doing this," Dickey said. "It has no age limit. It's



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something you can enjoy for all of your life."

Cherie King, president of the Prairie Winds Chorus, said the local choir recently celebrated their 30th anniversary. Now, King said there are 80 women who are members of the choir.

King said the choir has made local and international musical appearances. In 1997, the chorus performed in the Austrian Alps Performing Arts Festival in Austria. In addition to participating in music festivals, King said the women's choir has competed annually in a five-state regional competition.

When performing, King said the chorus sings in a barber-shop quartet style, with a four-part harmony and without musical accompaniment.

Valerie Sewell, a landscape archi-

tect graduate student from Wolfforth, said she became involved with the Prairie Winds Chorus because she always loved barber-shop style harmony. Sewell, who joined the chorus in June, said she has been able to meet new people by being a part of the choir.

"I like the way the barber-shop style is comedic in that they have a lot of fun with it," Sewell said. "It has challenged me to sing in harmony, and it's all a capella."

The chorus will be sharing their vocal abilities with the community by presenting "The Marvelous Toy, A Life Time of Fun" at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center's theater, located at 1501 6th St. The show

is based on a story about the adventures of a young boy and his special toy.

"It's something that'll appeal to all audiences," King said. "It's a very professional presentation. It's really going to be an exciting show."

Unlike a typical concert, Dickey said, the musical is very energetic and heavily choreographed. Dickey said the chorus will sing a combination of Disney and Western tunes.

"It's not a stand-by-the-risers-and-do-a-concert type of presentation," Dickey said.

"It is a show that is very entertaining. It is a show that is choreographed with costumes."

In the beginning of the show, King said the choir will perform in their traditional pink gowns. For the remainder of the event, they will wear costumes that relate to the production.

"We've put a lot of thought, effort, heart and soul into this," King said. "We are really excited."

Along with the Prairie Winds Chorus, the quartets Crystal Collection and Rendition and Windsong will perform. The event also will feature the folk group Candyland Express.

Admission to "The Marvelous Toy, A Life Time of Fun" costs \$12. To purchase tickets, contact 799-SING (7464).

"It's going to be an outstanding performance," Dickey said. "It's got various kinds of music in it. The art form itself is uniquely American."

## people news

### Minnelli to salute father on Broadway

NEW YORK (AP) — Liza Minnelli will play Broadway's Palace Theater in December for 24 performances — and she won't come cheap. The top ticket price will be \$125.

Her show, "Minnelli on Minnelli," will salute her father, Vincent Minnelli, who directed the classic musicals "Meet Me in St. Louis" and "An American in Paris." The show will be written and directed by Fred Ebb, who wrote the lyrics for "Chicago" and "Cabaret." It opens Dec. 1.

The 53-year-old Ms. Minnelli, plagued in recent years by voice and weight problems, said she has gone into rigorous training for the engagement after operations on her throat and her hip.

"I think everybody should get healthy again — so I'm doing everything," she said. "I never, ever performed because I wouldn't. I couldn't. But I can now."

### Mrs. America to be divorced, settled in court

FARMINGTON, Utah (AP) — A custody battle between the reigning Mrs. America and her ex-husband will be resolved in a trial.

Starla Stanley's first husband, Mike Pomeroy, said in court papers she fought violently with her current spouse in front of their children. A judge Tuesday ordered a trial for next year.

Stanley, 32, has said there was tension trying to unite her two children from her marriage to Pomeroy with the three children of her second husband, Scott Stanley.

She said last week she once bloodied Stanley's nose, but both said intensive counseling improved their marriage, which began in 1996.

Stanley was crowned in Hawaii last month. She has promoted family values but talks openly of her family strife.

### Johnny Cash battling pneumonia again

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Johnny Cash is battling pneumonia again, a year after nearly dying from it.

Cash, 67, was listed in serious condition Wednesday at Baptist Hospital.

"He was readmitted on Sunday after spending several days here last week," hospital spokeswoman Jessica Etz said. "He is not critical, his life is not in danger."

The country legend was hospitalized twice in 1998 for pneumonia and has said he nearly died from it last fall.

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# Excuses won't stick this time

The 31-10 victory over Colorado last weekend did a lot of good things for the Texas Tech football program.

It put the Red Raiders in a first-place tie in the Big 12 South.

It made Shaud Williams a star. (Where were you when Shaud Williams first went over 200 yards?)

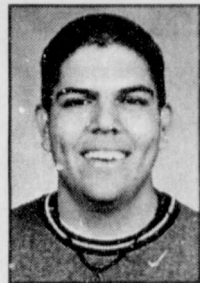
And it also gave Tech fans a reason to celebrate.

But, most importantly, the Raiders' dominating performance put them in unfamiliar territory at this point in the regular season.

What is it, you ask? The Raiders no longer have any more excuses.

For example, after the 31-13 loss to Arizona State, Tech coach Spike Dykes said his team had food poisoning and that many of the players were vomiting before the contest.

Kinda far-fetched, but believable. Plus we all know how food



**Patrick Gonzales**  
Staff Writer

outside of this state can taste.

Enough said.

He also said the loss of Ricky Williams, Sammy Morris, Matt Heider and Jason May hurt the team.

After the 21-14 loss to North Texas, Dykes blamed the team's poor performance on his coaching, saying he

didn't get the team ready.

Then recently, the Raiders got trounced by Oklahoma State, 41-21.

The loss came after Tech upset then-No. 5 Texas A&M. There should have been no excuses for this loss, right?

Wrong.

After the game, coaches and players alike said OSU changed their offense, which caused problems for the team.

I would have rather heard they had food poisoning again, at least that was believable.

Don't all teams make changes every week?

And when another team does make changes, doesn't that just mean the opponent should make changes too?

I don't know, but that is what I would have done.

Now, we have Baylor coming up this week.

The Bears are a measly 1-5 and 0-3 in the Big 12 Conference, but their only win does come against North Texas. Scary, huh?

They also are coming off a bye week, and you all know what teams are capable of after their bye week.

But as I mentioned before, the Raiders have run out of excuses.

Their performance against Colorado is good enough to beat the remaining teams on their schedule, including Texas.

Texas beat Baylor 62-0 earlier in the year, so this contest also will be a good measuring stick for the showdown in Austin with the Longhorns later this season.

But if they lose to the Bears this weekend, it will be because of a lack of effort, coaching or something else — not because they are outmatched.

Now it's just a matter of executing.

The roller coaster ride will end Saturday, but when it will start up again, nobody knows.

Final prediction: Tech-35 Baylor-10.

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# Big 12 basketball to travel to DFW

DALLAS (AP) — The Big 12 men's basketball tournament will come to Dallas in 2003 and 2004.

This marks the departure from its Kansas City venue for the first time in more than two decades, league directors decided Wednesday.

In 2001, the conference championship football game will be played at Texas Stadium in Irving, home of the Dallas Cowboys.

The basketball games will be played at the American Airlines Center, scheduled to open in 2001.

The women's hoops tournament during those seasons will also be in Dallas, at Reunion Arena.

The conference hopes to heighten the exposure of league basketball programs in Texas, but stopped short of cutting ties with Kansas City, which has hosted the

men's tournament since the inaugural Big 8 event in 1977.

The tournament will return to Kansas City in 2005.

"There was a real strong feeling that Kansas City has done a remarkable job hosting the events through the years," Big 12 Commissioner Kevin Weiberg said in a conference call with reporters.

Conference directors made no decision on future sites for the league baseball tournament, traditionally conducted in Oklahoma City, although they continue to consider the Texas Rangers' home.

"Oklahoma City has done a wonderful job," Weiberg said.

"I fully expect that we will continue to hold baseball tournaments in Oklahoma City, but we're also interested in a proposal to have the baseball tournament at The Ballpark at Arlington."

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# Braves walk into World Series

ATLANTA (AP) — It was amazing all right — and in the end, it was the Atlanta Braves who came up with the miracle.

Andrew Jones drew a bases-loaded walk from Kenny Rogers with one out in the 11th inning and the Braves somehow survived a final string of Mets' comebacks, beating New York 10-9 Tuesday night to win the NL Championship Series 4-2.

"We had chances to die and we didn't," Braves manager Bobby Cox said. "There's more than one way to win a ballgame."

On a night that had even more drama than the Mets' 4-3, 15-inning victory Sunday at Shea Stadium, the teams gave a roaring, raucous crowd of 52,335 all it could handle in one of the most thrilling playoff games ever.

The Braves wrecked the Mets' hopes of a Subway Series and advanced to the World Series to face the New York Yankees. Game 1 in the rematch of the 1996 Series will be Saturday night at Turner Field.

The Mets, who trailed 5-0 in the first inning, nearly became the first team in postseason history to win three games in a row after losing the first three.

"I told them they played like champions," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said. "We don't have a trophy, but they did everything they had to."

But after the Mets took a 9-8 lead on Todd Pratt's sacrifice fly in the 10th

at exactly the stroke of midnight, the Braves tied it in the bottom of the inning on pinch-hitter Ozzie Guillen's single.

Then in the 11th, Gerald Williams led off with a double and moved up on Walt Weiss' sacrifice. Two intentional walks loaded the bases for Jones, and he worked the count full before taking a ball high and outside.

Valentine slammed the railing on the top step of the dugout and shouted, "Oh, no!" when Rogers missed.

"I was just going out there, taking pitches until he threw me a strike," Jones said. "He didn't, and I took a walk."

The tension showed on both sides, as every player, coach and person in each dugout was up against the railing for the final batter. The crowd, including a healthy dose of Mets fans, shouted along in the fifth straight game of the NLCS decided by one run.

Russ Springer wound up the winning pitcher. Braves catcher Eddie Perez, a starter because Javy Lopez was out for the season, was MVP of the series. Perez was 10-for-20 with five RBIs.

"We never could give up. They never gave up," Perez said.

Now the Braves get a chance to avenge their loss to the Yankees in the October 1996. This marks the first time Series rivals have met in the regular season — Atlanta went 2-1 at

Yankee Stadium in interleague play right after the All-Star break.

"We've got another shot at them," Braves third baseman Chipper Jones said.

The Mets, four outs from elimination in Game 4 and two outs away in Game 5, almost found another way to win.

With "Why not?" written on a clubhouse board, they scored three

times in the sixth to chase starter Kevin Millwood and make it 5-3. Mike Piazza, banged up and silent for most of the week, homered off reliever John Smoltz to tie it at 7 in the seventh.

Both teams scored in the eighth — the Mets on Melvin Mora's single, the Braves on Brian Hunter's single — and each club had its chance to win in the 10th.

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Armstrong recovered from testicular cancer to become the second American to win professional cycling's most prestigious race. He is the first cyclist to be selected for a Wheaties box.

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## Tech unable to extend win streak against No. 10 Texas

by Jeff Keller  
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech volleyball team (13-9 overall, 2-7 Big 12) lost to No. 10 Texas (14-3 overall, 8-1 Big 12) in straight games, 15-10, 17-15, 15-9, Wednesday at Coronado High School.

The three-game match took 1 hour and 35 minutes to complete. Six-hundred and fifty-four fans attended the match which was Texas' 15th straight victory against the Red Raiders.

Tech jumped out to a 7-3 lead in the first game, but four service errors in the game helped Texas back into the game and they eventually took it 15-10.

The second game had Tech with a chance to serve-out the game at 14-13 and 15-14, but service errors again prohibited Tech from winning the game.

In the third game Tech had leads at 4-2 and 8-7, but the Longhorns would not be denied their eighth conference win of the season.

Tech coach Jeff Nelson said men-

tal errors prohibited his team from upsetting Texas.

"We've got to get past the mental mistakes," Nelson said. "The one place they dominated us was serving. They had no errors and we had 10. If you take that away as close as the games were, it makes a big difference."

Middle blocker Lori Garber had a solid outing against Texas with 20 kills and a .500 hitting percentage.

Garber's 20 kills ranks second all-time for Tech in a three-game match. Garber said even in the loss, Tech showed signs of improvement.

"We showed that we are making some improvements, we just haven't put it all together yet," Garber said. "We're playing better, just not good enough to beat a team like Texas yet."

Outside hitter Ann Romjue was second on digs with 16 and first in digs with 15.

Romjue said the Red Raiders played Texas tough and Tech's level of intensity is increasing with each match they play.

"We did play them tough," Romjue said. "We're still playing

where our level of intensity is increasing our level of play. We've just got to focus. We're making a lot of stupid errors. I think if we just focus on the mental part of the game more than the physical, then we will be all right."

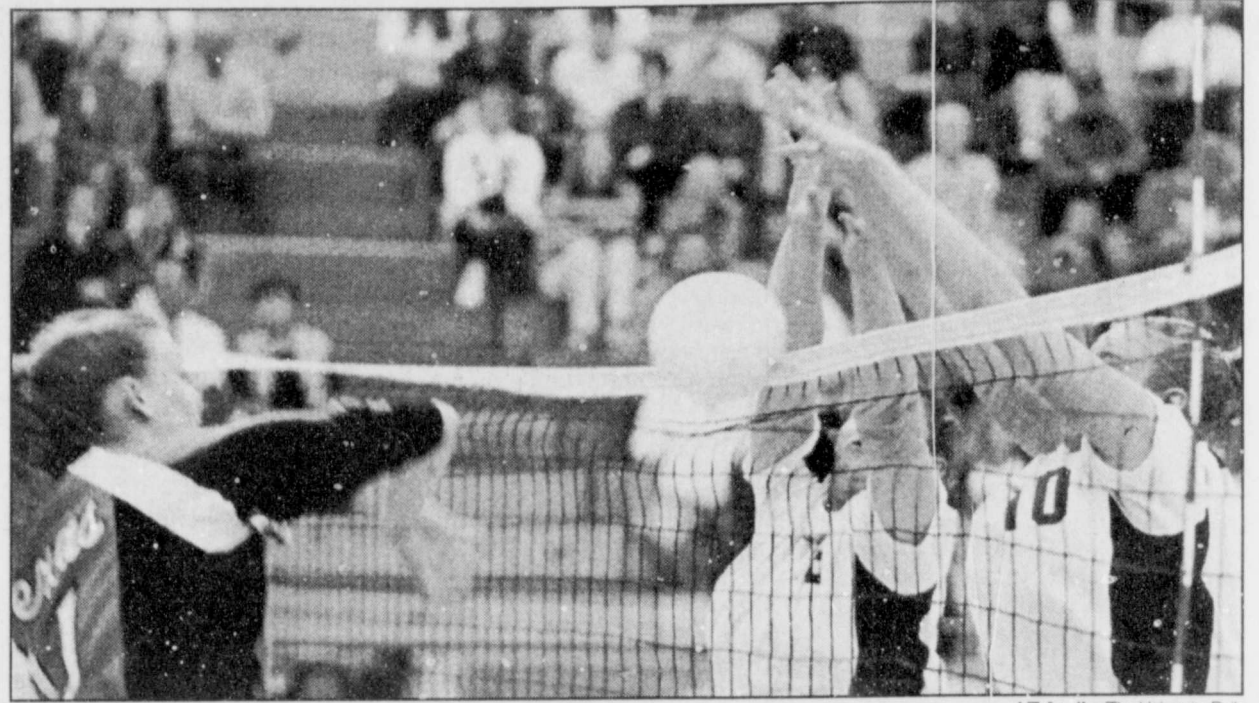
Texas out-blocked Tech 12-7 in the match and had a .336 hitting percentage compared to Tech's .287 hitting percentage.

Nelson said the Longhorns played an almost flawless match which made it that much harder to try and beat them.

"This was a great volleyball match," Nelson said. "There's no way around that fact. Both teams played really well. Texas played an almost perfect match. They had so few errors and for us to still be in the match with Texas playing like that said that we are improving."

Nelson added that he hopes his team will use this match as a way of getting motivated for the second part of the conference season.

"All of us feel like that we can get to where we want to be," Nelson said. "We feel like we can win seven or eight matches in the second half."



J.T. Aguilar/The University Daily

Tech senior middle blocker Lori Garber and freshman outside hitter Ann Romjue block a spike by Texas' Jenny Tannenberger Wednesday. Texas defeated the Red Raiders in three games, ending Tech's two-match win streak.

## Tech soccer looks to secure spot in Big 12 Tournament

by Amy Curry  
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech women's soccer team has failed to make an appearance in postseason play for the last two years, but a win Friday over Colo-

rado will ensure Tech a spot in the Big 12 Conference Tournament.

Teams sitting in the top-eight positions in the conference will advance to postseason competition.

The Tech squad is 8-7-1 overall and is 4-4 in Big 12 play. After last

weekend, the Raiders reside in fifth place.

Last season, Tech's tournament hopes were diminished when they were defeated by Iowa State.

Tech midfielder Lindsay Thompson said the season-ending loss last

year was a real disappointment because the Tech Raiders was not expecting it.

She said Iowa State was a much more talented team than the Raiders had anticipated.

"We didn't play well at all that

game," Thompson said.

"Of course, that was the game we needed to win to get into the tournament. I can't believe we got so close and just let it slip through our fingers."

Tech coach Felix Oskam said a win

would ensure the Raiders their first trip to the tournament in two years, but he doesn't want to jump the gun by assuming the Raider squad will have a bid in the postseason.

Last year, a more mentally prepared Iowa State blanketed the Raiders 3-0 when Tech played their final home game and missed their last chance to make it into the tournament, Oskam said.

Team members said they have learned from their mistakes after last season's conference tournament disappointment.

"We know this time, especially after that game with OSU last Friday, that we can't just show up and expect to win," Thompson said. "We realize what's at stake now — a trip to the Big 12 Tournament — and we know what we have to do."

Tech forward Carrie Graham said Oskam has made the Raiders squad aware of the ramifications and how it will affect their postseason standings if they lose Friday.

"The Colorado game is very important for us," Graham said.

"We have to play well, so if we do make it to the tournament, we won't have to play teams like Nebraska or A&M in the first round."

Oskam said his squad needs to record a win Friday so it can finish out the conference comfortably instead of having the team's postseason destiny determined by the last game of the season.

He also said if the team loses both of their last two conference games, they will have to rely on other teams to help them earn a seed in the Big 12 Tournament.

"We have to win Friday," he said. "It would have been nice to not have to worry about getting into the tournament and just concentrate on winning to get a better seed. But we've put ourselves in this position. I think we like to make it hard on ourselves."

## NHL suspends Kasparaitis

NEW YORK (AP) — Pittsburgh Penguins defenseman Darius Kasparaitis was suspended Wednesday for two games for his elbow to the head of Chicago Blackhawks forward Jean-Pierre Dumont.

Kasparaitis, who will lose \$15,625, was assessed a major penalty and a game misconduct for the hit Saturday that left Dumont — carried off the ice on a stretcher — with a concussion.

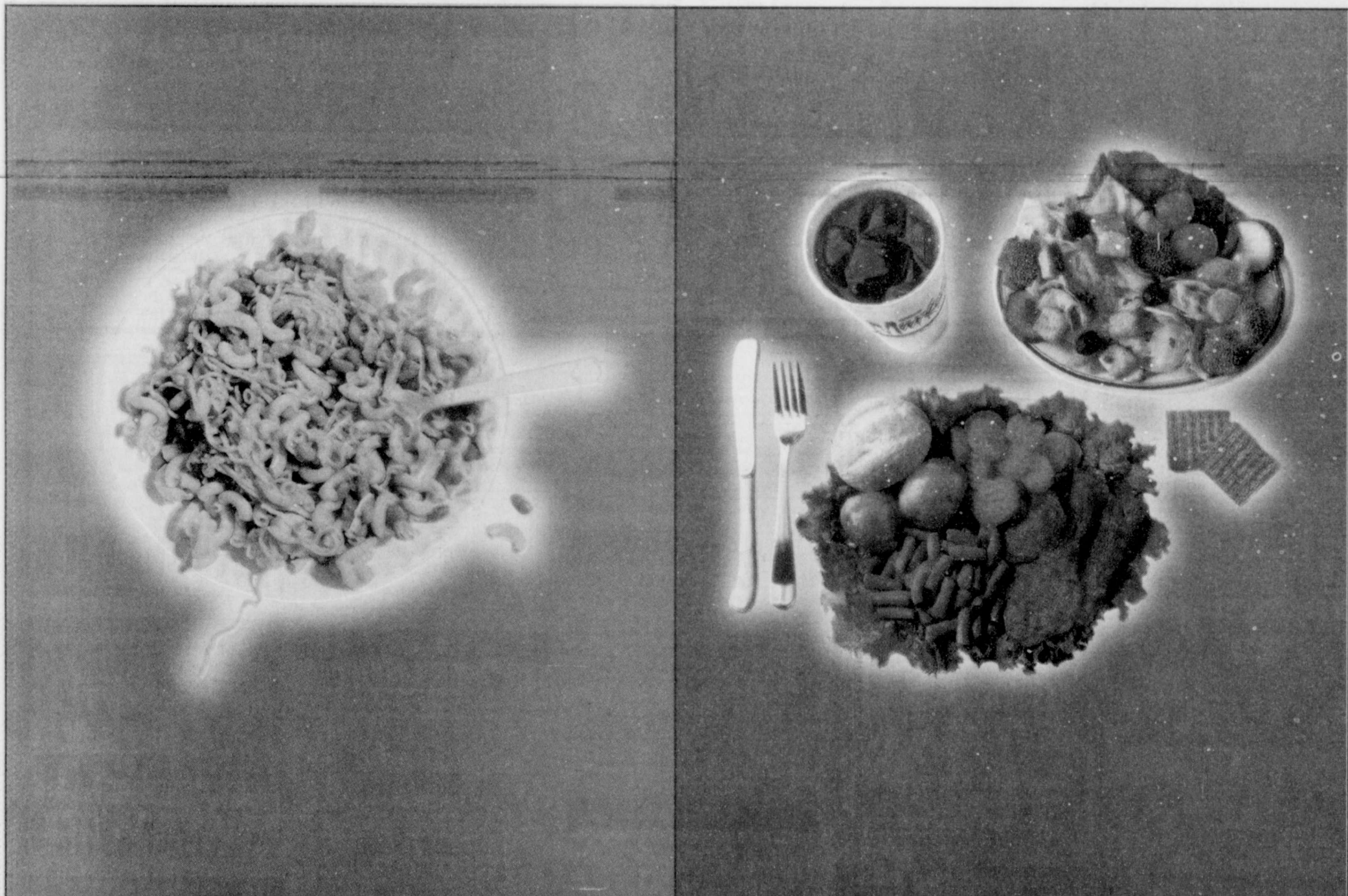
"The hit delivered by Mr. Kasparaitis was deliberate and his opponent was not in possession of the puck nor in a position to defend himself," said NHL vice-president Colin Campbell, who presided down the suspension.

"This type of hit is dangerous and warrants disciplinary actions."

Chicago general manager Bob Murray says Kasparaitis will have more than money to pay.

Murray does not believe suspensions are effective.

Murray said Dumont will refrain from exercise the next couple of days after experiencing nausea and trouble with quick movements.



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