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## STATE NEWS

### Coach from 'Friday Night Lights' has new job

ABILENE (AP) — Gary Gaines, featured in the best-selling book on Texas high school football, "Friday Night Lights," has been hired as the head coach at Abilene Christian University.

It will be his first collegiate head-coaching job.

Gaines, who has been the head coach at San Angelo Central High School since 1996, was the coach at Odessa Permian High School in 1988 when writer H.G. Bissinger produced a book about the team called "Friday Night Lights."

The book was a controversial portrayal of the high school football culture in Texas. Gaines has said he never read it.

After winning a state championship at Permian in 1989, Gaines accepted an assistant head coaching position at Texas Tech. He returned to the high school ranks in 1994, when he accepted the head coaching position at Abilene High.

Gaines' hiring comes a month after Abilene Christian decided not to renew the contract of Jack Kiser, who had a 21-20 record at the school over four seasons, including 4-6 for the last two years.

## NATIONAL NEWS

### Illinois vet school ends some animal-killing tests

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Bowing to protests from students, the University of Illinois has suspended first-year veterinary school lab experiments that can kill dogs, rabbits and pigs.

The decision to stop such experiments through the spring semester came after complaints from veterinary students and members of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.

Twenty-six students, or a quarter of the first-year veterinary class, signed a petition last fall saying they would not participate in animal labs during the spring semester.

The veterinary school has used about 100 dogs and pigs annually to teach animal physiology, including a course in which students inject drugs into dogs to change their heartbeat or their rate of breathing.

## WORLD NEWS

### Memorial planned to honor Princess Diana

LONDON (AP) — Princess Diana will be remembered with a memorial fountain built along a dedicated walkway winding through central London's parks, Chancellor Gordon Brown said Tuesday.

The fountain's location and design have yet to be decided but it will not incorporate a Princess Diana statue, said Brown, who also chairs a government committee overseeing the memorial.

Since her death in a 1997 car crash in Paris, the only official commemorations in Britain have been a coin bearing Princess Diana's likeness and a few community service and charity awards and projects established in her name. The fountain is believed to be the favored option of Prince William, 17, Prince Harry, 15, and the Spencer family.

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# Notification issue draws mixed comments

by Angela Loston  
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech Board of Regents' inquiries of a measure that would allow school administrators to contact parents if their underage student is caught drinking on campus has caused some concerns among students and parents.

"I figure we're old enough, and we don't need our parents to know everything we do," said John Bradshaw, a junior marketing major from Abernathy.

Douglas Jeffrey, Student Government Association president, said adopting such a measure might be ineffective simply because the issues surrounding it are complex.

He said the policy would cause conflict for those students who receive no financial or moral support from their parents. Yet, parental notification may help underage students who are abusing alcohol, especially if their parents play an active role in their education.

"It's a very gray issue because there are so

## Topic spawns differing views from Tech students, parents on underage drinking

many factors," he said. "There are concerns I have with it. It's a lot of dynamics that go along with this whole issue."

Jessica Hegger, a junior public relations major from Richardson, said parents should not have to be informed if their child has been caught drinking illegally. She said many students will be upset if the measure is approved by administrators.

"I don't think it will cut down on drinking, but it will increase paranoia among students," Hegger said. "You will already have to worry about the cops, but you'll then have to worry about the school, too."

Michele Moore, a junior public relations major from El Paso, said she would not be impacted by the policy because her parents know that she drinks.

Some students said the measure would be ineffective to approve since students are away from home and legally are considered adults.

Mackenzie Caraway, a sophomore general studies major from Boerne, said the issue of underage drinking should be a concern of students, and not parents.

"Once you leave home, your parents do not have a say in what you do," she said. "It's our responsibility. What we do is our responsibility, not our parents."

Caraway's mother, Donna Nanny, said she would appreciate being informed.

She said the policy would be beneficial for underage students who have a drinking problem or for students whose academic performance is negatively affected by alcohol abuse.

Although the policy would help parents know if their child is drinking, Nanny said she does not feel it will block students who are under 21 from drinking.

"I don't see that it would possibly cause any harm for parents to be notified," she said. "I think in the last few years we've seen drinking get out of hand."

By having parents being notified by the school, Casey Hartle, a junior telecommunications major from Valley Ranch, said students will not be treated like adults.

Since college is one sign of entering adulthood, Hartle said, it would be irrational for the school to involve parents with this issue. If underage students are excessively drinking, they will show signs of their alcohol use based on their performance in school, she said.

"I think the school should take action, but they should let the students be accountable for their own actions," Hartle said. "Students have to learn that their parents aren't always

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# Whistle while you work

## West Hall construction causing minimal disruption for staff

by A.P.Thompson  
Staff Writer

If students had walked into one of the offices housed in Texas Tech's West Hall last week, they might have seen secretaries, administrators and even Dean of Students Michael Shonrock wearing yellow hard hats as they worked.

But they were not there because of falling ceiling tiles or because of the construction going on around them — they were there for fun.

"As you can imagine, any major renovation of a building is going to cause some disruption," Shonrock said about the clank and clatter that has plagued offices in West Hall since November.

The pounding and drilling has even made his coffee mug rattle, he said.

"Our little 'hard hat party' was just a way of saying 'we're thinking of you' to the people that have to work with all this noise and dust."

West Hall is undergoing \$6 million in renovations, which includes asbestos abatement and the construction of a new visitors center on the south side of the building.

Once completed, the visitors center will have separate promotional booths for each college at Tech, and the floor of the waiting room will sport the Texas Tech seal. Renovations should be complete by April 2001, said Construction Manager Paulo Peres in the Oct. 14, 1999 edition of *The University Daily*.

Peres was out of the office Tuesday and unavailable for comment.

So far, the concrete floors on the first floor



Plumbers Sammy Smith and Chad Price begin installation of pipes for bathrooms in West Hall. The \$6-million project is slated to be finished in April 2001 and will include a new visitor's center and asbestos abatement.

have been knocked away, and all windows in the building are being replaced, something which has caused some problems with noise pollution.

"It's disruptive, to say the least," Shonrock

said. "But when we've had a problem with the noise, we've just called up (Facilities, Planning and Construction), and they've adjusted the construction times so we could conduct business."

Shonrock also mentioned he was very pleased with the job FP&C has done so far.

"I haven't received any phone calls or complaints, and I usually hear about things sooner or later," Shonrock added.

## Students: parking fee not justified

by Kelsey Walter  
Staff Writer

At first glance, Robert Martinez may look like a sharp-dressed man, but in the fall, he said he will have holes in his pockets.

Martinez, a junior education major from Del Rio, said the hike in parking and traffic fees planned for next fall at Texas Tech is going to take away money he could use for something more important.

The upcoming increase in parking permit prices and traffic ticket fines to help fund the construction of two on-campus parking garages seems to have brought a one-sided reaction from many Tech students.

Becky Skelton, a sophomore biochemistry major from Jayton, said raising the fees is ridiculous.

"I'll be gone before the garage is even built, so why should I have to pay for something I'm not going to use?" Skelton said.

Many students are not pleased with the cost of the permits for the

parking garages.

"With \$250, I can buy my books, much less a parking sticker," said Erin Horner, a junior communication studies major from San Antonio.

Horner said basic permits for commuters should not be raised at all.

"If I have to walk to class from either one of the commuter lots, I am already paying enough," she said.

Horner, who said she is constantly late for her classes when walking from the commuter lots, said she can park on 19th Street, across from campus, for no charge at all.

Alice Gonzales, a junior accounting major from Lubbock, said she almost always has trouble finding a reasonably close parking space.

"Sometimes I can't find one at all," she said. "I guess they have to increase prices to have enough money to do everything else, but in a

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## Tech might gain flagship distinction

by A.P.Thompson  
Staff Writer

Texas Tech's aspirations of becoming a Tier I university may soon become reality if a plan released last week by another Texas university chancellor is implemented by the State Legislature.

University of Texas Chancellor William Cunningham released a proposal Jan. 11 that would increase the state's number of flagship universities to nine by 2010. Texas now only has two flagship universities.

Cunningham's proposal requests funding from the Texas Legislature to upgrade Tech and the University of Houston to Tier I doctoral and research universities, a long-standing goal of both Tech Chancellor John Montford and President Donald Haragan.

According to Haragan, a flagship school is a major research-oriented school that is the lead institution in a university system.

The proposal also calls for new programs to be instituted for up to 100,000 additional students, many of whom, according to Cunningham's proposal, will be minorities.

If current enrollment trends continue, minorities will account for 400,000 new students enrolled at institutions of higher education in Texas. Increases in state funding for all schools also will be needed to help target economically-disadvantaged students.

Since coming to Tech in 1996, Montford has stated he wants Tech to be recognized as

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## Enrollment management discussed for COBA

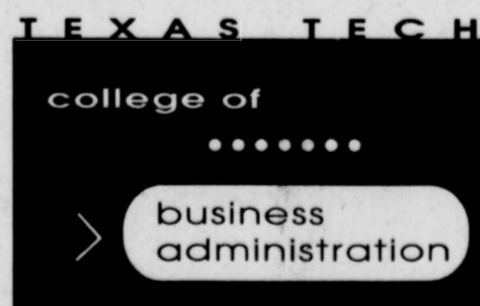
by Charlie Milling  
Staff Writer

Many undergraduate students in the Texas Tech College of Business Administration are finding themselves in a greater number of large classes each semester.

In an effort to understand the situation, the provost and the dean of COBA met Thursday to discuss options for future enrollment. James Brink, vice provost at Tech, said the enrollment management plan is a "work in progress," and many colleges on campus have similar plans.

"It's always a problem when we have classes that are too large," Brink said.

He said the ideal ratio for undergraduate student-to-faculty is about 20-to-1. The student-to-faculty ratio in the Fall 1999 semester was about 70-to-1. According to a 1999 Texas Tech University Statistical Summary for



the fall semester, there were 4,717 undergraduates in COBA and 60 professors.

"Eventually, there could be a problem," said Roy Howell, academic dean of COBA at Tech. "We were just exploring options."

As a result of the high student-to-faculty ratio, many undergraduate students are placed in large classes.

"Almost all of my classes have been large classes," said Chris Haynes, a junior finance

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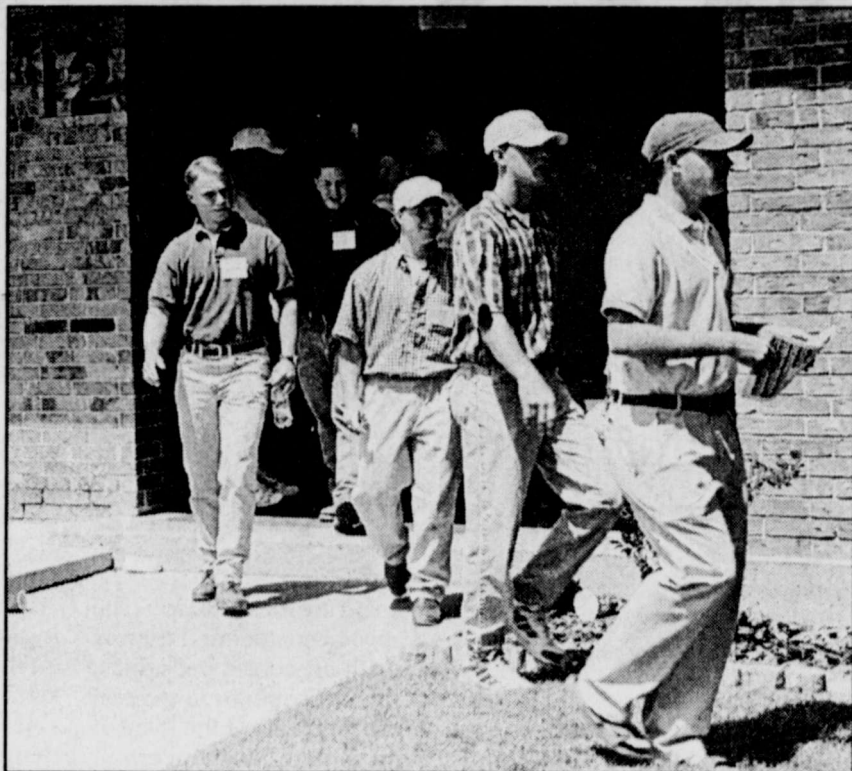
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# Rush numbers up despite national decrease



File Photo/The University Daily

Last spring, 86 men went through Rush at Texas Tech. This year, 92 men rushed. In the Fall 1999 semester, 432 men went through Rush, an increase from the 399 men who went through in 1998.

by **Shannon Davis**  
Staff Writer

Texas Tech's Greek fraternities started Spring Rush on Sunday, and the number of male rushees has not declined in comparison with average numbers from around the nation.

Last spring, 86 men went through Rush at Tech, and this year, the number was raised to 92 men, according to the Tech Interfraternity Council. The council also stated in the fall 1999 semester, 432 men went through Rush, which is an increase from the 399 men in 1998.

Tech officials, along with the IFC, have set standards and have tried to keep the Greek system strong by monitoring what goes on in fraternities, said Ethan Logan, IFC adviser for Tech.

In an article in the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, studies have shown that male Greek memberships have started to decline due to hazing incidents, alcohol abuse and students having different views that challenge the Greek system.

Logan said hazing has become a

big problem all over the nation, but the Greek system at Tech has the most structure and regulation of any other organization on campus.

Each fraternity also has a national body with rules of their own that must be followed. Any event of hazing reported usually is handled, and consequences are enforced by national offices and the university.

Three Tech fraternities, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Gamma Delta and Sigma Nu, have declared their house to be dry, meaning that alcohol will no longer be served at their lodges. This is an effort to try and stop accidents and any illegal drinking.

Students also are concentrating on grades, more than in recent years according to *Baird's Manual of the American College Fraternities*.

Tech fraternities encourage academics and scholarship, so members make good grades, said Chris Merchant, director of Rush for IFC.

"Tech has done extremely well versus the nation's average," said Logan. "This system is both strong and traditionally based, so it has never been forced. It is more self-

proprietor."

According to the *Chronicle of Higher Education*, other contributions to the decline in national membership is diversity among campuses and the large number of organizations on campuses.

In the last year, the Board of Trustees at Dartmouth College in Hanover, N.H. have been pushing to make fraternities and sororities coeducational.

This sparked rallies among students, and a committee began an investigation to discover if this was necessary. No changes have been made as to whether Dartmouth will make this proposal come into effect.

"I would be upset if this kind of proposal were to ever happen at Tech because this would take away the tradition that many sororities and fraternities have," Merchant said. "We have tried to make the Greek system at Tech strong and a good environment for anyone wanting to join."

Spring Rush began Sunday with an open house for anyone interested in meeting the different fraternities. Rush will conclude Saturday.

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# Coke pops prices on campus

by Jennifer Bailey  
Staff Writer

The next time Texas Tech students or faculty buy a Coke or bottled water from a vending machine on campus, they should make sure they have enough money.

Beginning this month, all Coca-Cola products in campus vending machines have been raised 5 cents.

The new prices for vending machines on campus are 60 cents for a 12-ounce can and 80 cents for a 20-ounce bottle.

Coca-Cola also distributes Dasani water, Fruitopia fruit drinks and Powerade drinks, which all cost \$1.

Some students may find that the extra 5 cents will take some getting used to.

"It's an inconvenient price, 80 cents, and now instead of having to find three quarters, we'll have to find more change," said Jessica Johnson,

**"It's an inconvenient price, 80 cents, and now instead of having to find three quarters, we'll have to find more change."**

**Jessica Johnson  
Tech student**

a freshman pre-disciplinary science major from Abilene. "I'm going to Wal-Mart from now on."

The extra change, however, may not keep other students away.

"Either way, people will still buy a Coke," said Erica Hemphill, a sophomore nursing student from Dallas. "I guess if I was thirsty enough, I would buy one, but probably not."

Tech signed a 10-year contract with Coca-Cola in 1996 that allows

the university to raise prices 5 percent each year.

"We have held the prices for almost four years with no change," said Jim Brunjes, Tech's chief financial officer. "We looked at the prices of convenience stores around the city and decided it was time for a change."

The average price of a 20-ounce Coke in Lubbock convenience stores is 99 cents.

Chet Dominique, a senior general

studies major from Houston, does not see the use in raising prices.

"Why wouldn't they want to beat the convenience stores? If they had a choice, they could make Cokes and water such a good deal."

The decision to raise prices was mutual between both the university and Coca-Cola.

A portion of sales from the vending machines goes to Recreational Sports, New Student Relations and Housing and Dining.

"The majority of the vending machines are in the residence halls," Brunjes said. "Those profits help keep the room rates lower."

Brunjes also said profits from the vending machines in the University Center will go toward the center.

The change will not affect current prices at any Texas Tech athletic event.

Coca-Cola officials could not be reached for comment.



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Photo illustration by Greg Kreller/The University Daily

## Degree plans, intents due soon in Arts and Sciences

The Texas Tech College of Arts and Sciences is asking for students who have an intent to graduate in May 2000 to file their degree plans soon.

Jennifer Burke, academic program assistant with the College of Arts and Sciences, said students who are studying under the College of Arts and Sciences will need to file their degree plans before add-drop ends Jan. 21.

Burke said the original deadline for May graduates was a week before last semester's December graduation.

"The earlier they can turn it in the better," Burke said. "If (students) wait until after add-drop, they will not be able to add a class that they have to have to graduate."

Burke said the process of filing a degree plan takes several weeks. She said students who need to submit degree plans must have their advisers from the school or department of both their majors and minors to complete portions of the degree plan. She said students can file their completed degree plans in 102 Holden

Hall.

To help students have a clearer picture of what courses they may be lacking in order to graduate, Burke said the College of Arts and Sciences will send check sheets to students. Burke said the check sheets will provide potential graduates with information on courses they have taken or are presently taking.

Additionally, she said the sheets also will show the classes that students may need to take before graduation.

"We will work hard to get students the information before add-drop is over, but we cannot guarantee this because of the new semester starting," Burke said.

In addition to degree plans, May graduates from the College of Arts and Sciences also must file an intent to graduate by Feb. 11.

Students who want to graduate in August need to file degree plans by May 10 and their intent to graduate by June 9.

December graduates need to submit their degree plans by Sept. 22.

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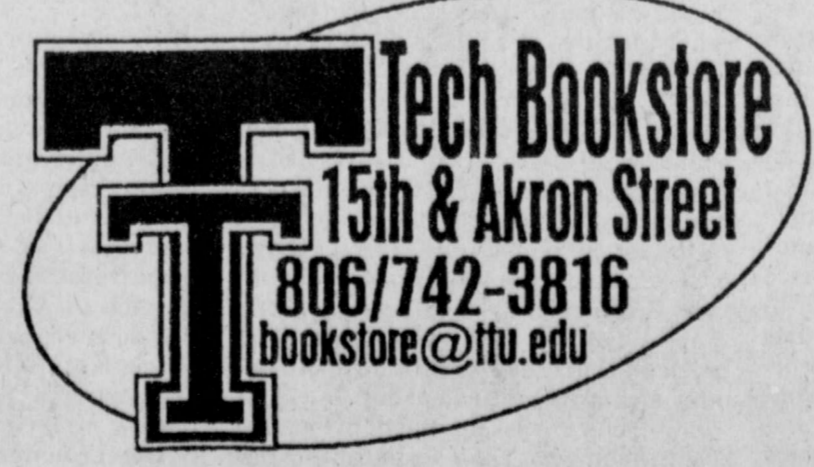
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## Recent lawsuit trends degrading to First Amendment freedoms

Eternal vigilance is the price of... um, well, guess we can't say that anymore. We might get sued.

Mostly when we think of threats to free speech, it's government actions or laws we have in mind — the usual bizarre stuff like veggie libel laws or attempts to keep government actions or meetings secret from the public.



**Molly Ivins**  
Columnist

Sometimes you get a political case, like Gov. George W. Bush's effort to stop a Bush-parody site on the Internet. The parody, run by a 29-year-old computer programmer in Boston named Zack Exley, annoyed Bush so much that he called Exley "a garbageman" and said, "There ought to be limits to freedom." (That's not a parody — he actually said that.)

Bush's lawyers warned Exley that he faced a lawsuit. Then they filed a complaint with the Federal Elections Commission demanding that Exley be forced to register his parody site with the FEC and have it regulated as a political committee.

This fits in with the four instances in which faculty members at the Bush School of Government and Public Service in our fair state were reprimanded at the behest of Bush associates for saying less-than-glowing things about our governor.

But this is petty stuff compared to corporate efforts to curb free speech.

SLAPP suits (for "strategic lawsuits against public participation") are a serious menace to free speech. The latest example is a real prize: The Consumers Union, publisher of *Consumer Reports*, already has spent \$10 million defending itself against a lawsuit filed by Isuzu Motors Ltd. because, eight years earlier, *Consumer Reports* rated the Isuzu Trooper "not acceptable" for safety reasons. And the case has not yet reached trial.

And that is the real menace of SLAPP suits. It's not that corporations win them but that they cost critics so much money that the critics are silenced — and so is everyone else who even thinks about raising some questions about a corporate product or practice.

Isuzu claims that CU's reports are "not scientific or credible," but the company's internal memos state that the "lawsuit is a PR tool" and "when attacked, CU will probably shut up." According to a study by two University of Denver law professors, "Americans by the thousands are being sued, simply for exercising the right to speak out on public issues, such as health and safety."

New York Supreme Court Judge J. Nicholas Cobella told PR Watch in Madison, Wis.: "The longer the litigation can be stretched out... the closer the SLAPP filer moves to success. Those who lack the financial resources and emotional stamina to play out the 'game' face the difficult choice of defaulting... despite meritorious defenses or being brought to their knees to settle. ... Short of a gun to the head, a greater threat to First Amendment expression can scarcely be imagined."

PR Watch also quoted George Pring and Penelope Canan, authors of the 1996 book "SLAPPs: Getting Sued for Speaking Out."

"Initially, we saw such suits as attacks on traditional 'free speech' and regarded them as just 'intimidation lawsuits,'" the two authors say.

"As we studied them further, an even more significant linkage emerged: The defendants had been speaking out in government hearings, to government officials or about government actions. ... This was not just free speech under attack. It was that other and older and even more central part of our Constitution: the right to petition government for redress of grievances, the 'Petition Clause' of the First Amendment."

Some examples of SLAPP suits from PR Watch:

— In Las Vegas, a local doctor was sued for his allegation that a city hospital violated the state's cost-containment law.

— In Baltimore, members of a community group faced a \$252 million lawsuit after cir-

culating a letter questioning the property-buying practices of a local housing developer.

— In West Virginia, an environmental activist was sued for \$200,000 for criticizing a coal-mining company for activities that were poisoning a local river.

— In Pennsylvania, a farmer was sued after testifying to his township supervisors that a low-flying helicopter owned by a local landfill operator caused a stampede that killed several of his cows.

— In Washington state, a homeowner found that she couldn't get a mortgage because her real-estate company had failed to pay taxes owed on her house. She uncovered hundreds of similar cases, and the company was forced to pay hundreds of thousands of dollars in back taxes. In retaliation, it sued the woman for slander and dragged her through six years of legal harassment before a jury found her innocent.

— In Missouri, a high-school English teacher was sued for \$1 million after complaining to a weekly newspaper that an incinerator burning hospital waste was a health hazard.

Unlike the average citizen, Consumers Union has the resources to defend itself against the Isuzu suit. It's a nonprofit organization, and *Consumer Reports* accepts no advertising, lest there be any appearance of bias, and never grants permission for any commercial use of its name or test results.

It accepts no contributions from corporations or law firms or even individuals if the check bears a business imprint. The 60-year-old magazine is supported by the generations of smart consumers who always consult *Consumer Reports* before making any major purchases.

As we have seen with tort reform, it is not difficult to close off access to the courts for certain kinds of lawsuits. I can't think of a more meritorious and constitutional cause.

*Molly Ivins is a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.*

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Poor Taste?

To the editor: I would like to start by saying that I am grossly appalled at the presence of the political cartoon placed in Tuesday's UD. The artist characterizes the actions of the Rev. Jesse Jackson as bastardizing the memory of Martin Luther King Jr. and his dream. As an African American, I find this offensive because he is simply an extension of a race of people that usually have a small voice. With situations as those in South Carolina, the race card must be pulled.

That flag on the capitol building stands for nothing positive. That flag represents a time when the only race with any kind of freedom were whites. That flag also represents a war that killed more Americans than any other war in history. Nothing worth remembering came from that flag,

and for anyone to oppose the pulling of that flag from the capitol building is a proponent of that era. We should not have those people in our government. Furthermore, for anyone to make a mockery of this struggle is disgusting, and for that person to do so in a university paper is even more disgusting because it means that someone else other than the cartoonist felt this was acceptable and worth printing.

Jesse Jackson is not alone in the fight to remove the Confederate flag. If he had been alone, the cartoonist would have a small argument. There were several thousand Americans protesting the use of that flag, or did the cartoonist not see that on the news? Did he or she not see those like me angry with the mere presence of the flag? Jesse Jackson is simply an African American that has a high profile and he is more easily heard than many other African Americans and me.

I would like to ask the author of that horrific cartoon what he or she meant by that cartoon. Was it to say that the flag is appropriate in the new millennium? Is he trying to

say that slavery is acceptable? Or is he trying to say that the Civil War was a good thing? I would like to know the mindset of the cartoonist and would like to know why the cartoonist feels that Jesse Jackson is bastardizing King and his dream.

*Luis Valdivieso*  
sophomore  
management information systems

Editor's Note: The cartoonist was expressing his opinion of recent events in which he thinks Jesse Jackson has "played the race card;" the cartoonist did not necessarily express a pro or con of the situation in South Carolina. A *University Daily* cartoonist is treated like a UD columnist in the respect that the work is represented as solely the opinion of its author. In no way does a column or cartoon represent the views of *The UD* editorial board, Texas Tech University, its employees, its student body or the Board of Regents.

Guest columns and cartoons are welcome and will be considered by the editorial board for publication in *The UD*.

# Secluded columnist expresses Y2K fears

My fellow Raiders, who have dared to live out the hell of Y2K, I pray this message somehow reaches you. The small pigeon carrying this column should know the way.

Fearing the inevitable post-millennial apocalyptic meltdown that would come with the turn of the millennium, I descended into a small underground commune to live out the rest of my days free from the chaos that I'm sure must have swept through your world at midnight on New Year's Eve. You poor lost souls. I arrived here in the final days of 1999, or the year you all probably now refer to as 01 P.A. (Pre-Apocalypse).



**Brandon Formby**  
Columnist

Life is different down here. It's a little darker. It's a little colder. But the community I am living in is full of some nice people.

One man, he makes us call him "the General," is a quite energetic person. He is always telling us stories about the nuclear meltdown that surely occurred after the years changed over and how there's probably only one or two thousand of you "surface-dwellers" left. He also jumps on the floor after loud noises and keeps asking us if we've seen Charlie. I've asked around, but so far we can't find this Charlie person anywhere down here.

I have been going to these meetings that we have with a guy everyone calls "the Leader." We all sit around, and he tells us how the Second Coming is near, which is good I guess because I think I missed the First Coming.

**Things are taking some getting used to. No more technology, no more electricity... You knew it was coming! You knew! Oh, who looks like a fool now?**

He has some good ideas, like how all us guys need to breed with the women down here so we can repopulate the planet when we go back to the surface. But it's hard to breed because I can't even meet women. The Leader makes them stay in their rooms and won't let them talk or look us in the eyes. Maybe he wants them to play hard to get, so when we do go back to the top of Earth, we'll have a lot of practice in picking up girls.

The Leader once told us to bring our Bibles to a meeting, and luckily, I had packed mine. But I think mine is missing some pages because it didn't have a lot of the stuff his did. In fact, mine is missing the whole "Book of David Koresch," and I couldn't find anything that said there was a prophet named Charles Manson that would come and show us the way.

Things are taking some getting used to. No more technology, no more electricity. It's tough. But I do like it down here. We actually have a skylight that used to be a manhole down to the sewers we now inhabit. I tried to take a peek up it once, but these little kids threw rocks down it and kept yelling something about "mole people." Whatever that was about. Poor post-apocalypse children. You survivors must all be so confused up there.

I'd hate to see the world now. I can only imagine the chaos and riots — the burning cars littering the highways; the skyscrapers fallen over and leaning on each other; the green, gaseous skies. No more e-mails or Caller I.D. No more Windows '98 or four choices of HBO. No more tanning beds or airplanes.

While I feel bad for the horror you now are living through, how could you have not prepared? You knew it was coming! You knew! Oh, who looks like a fool now? Down here, we've got plenty of bottled water, condensed milk and canned pork and beans. We have everything we need to hide out, scheme, take over the world and populate it with a breed of superhumans. Or at least that's what the Leader says, even though I don't feel too superhuman in this same pair of underwear. I knew I'd forgotten to pack something.

*Brandon Formby is a senior journalism major from Plano. If his fellow sewer-dwellers run out of food, they've already secretly decided to eat him first.*

### WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR.

Drop it by 211 Journalism, have your Tech ID; or e-mail it to UD@ttu.edu, include your social security number and phone number.

# Tech awarded funds for study for bioterrorism labs

by Loretto Jones  
Staff Writer

Texas Tech is hoping to find ways to counter bioterrorism for future threats to the world. Through a federal grant, Tech has been able to fund a feasibility study to consider construction of a high-containment biological-safety closed laboratory. At the Tech Board of Regents meeting in December, the regents voted for \$200,000 to be awarded to

an architecture firm. The firm is examining the feasibility of beginning the initial planning phase for the high-tech lab. If approved, the lab will be constructed at the Institute for Environmental Health at Lubbock's Reese Center.

This lab will be used for researching the deadly agents used in bioterrorism and is projected to cost more than \$8 million.

Wayne Boling, director of Economic Development at Market Lubbock Inc., said he supported this re-

search because it would stimulate Lubbock's economy.

"It's an economic development issue where a center of research could bring Texas Tech scientists, national and international scientists together to find ways to deal with future threats to our country and ways to deal with this terrorism issue," he



said. Security and safety issues to the public also are being considered.

safety measures taken."

Boling also said this project was in the long-term phase and would take years to study, pursue federal funding, and find additional grants.

In the lab, scientists would conduct research into counter measures to protect against and respond to chemical and biological attacks.

Scientists would be cleared to handle such agents as anthrax and smallpox.

If approved, the facility would

be declared as a BSL4, a biological safety level four lab. This level is the highest security lab approved by the federal Center for Disease Control.

David Schmidly, vice president of Research and Graduates Studies at Tech, said during the Board of Regents meeting in December, "It's the safest lab there is. It's one of those things where you wear a space suit and go in with gloves. It's a box within a box within a box."

Schmidly was not available for further comment.

## Center to offer mock interviews to prepare students for future

by Jennifer Bailey  
Staff Writer

Texas Tech students will have the opportunity to develop their job-seeking skills by participating in the Career Planning and Placement Center's mock interviews.

The interviews are scheduled from Jan. 24 to 28 and will help students strengthen their interviewing skills and become better prepared for future job opportunities.

Throughout next week, eight different companies from around the nation will come to the campus and hold 30-minute interviews so students can practice with professionals.

The interviews will allow students to bring their resumes and assume the role of a prospective employee looking for a job.

This project is aimed to give students preparation for a real interview in the future while learning what employers are looking for in future candidates.

"The purpose of this event is to get students involved in furthering their

career," said Robert Sansom, assistant director of the Career Planning and Placement Center.

"We want to offer workshops to help aid students."

After the interview is complete, the company will provide students with feedback on how the interview went and how the student needs to improve. Companies also will provide tips on how to correct mistakes and how to create a good impression.

Sansom said preparation is a key to success, and mock interviews are a beginning step to getting better prepared. He said the interviews will allow students to gain the confidence of finding a job without hesitation.

The mock interviews are for students in all fields of study. This event also gives students contacts and provides networking with the companies while they are learning, Sansom said.

"We are participating in this event so that our company can get our name on Tech's campus," said Charles Childre, of PriceWaterhouse

### career planning and placement center

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- 30 minute sessions
- bring resume, dress casually, come prepared
- January 24-28
- eight companies:

Cox Cable, Frito-Lay, Hewitt Associates, Republic Beverage Co., Sherwin-Williams, Price-Waterhouse, Ryan & Co., and Coopers, an international accounting and consulting firm. "We want to help students to get a better feel of how to perform in an interview."

Companies visiting the campus next week include Cox Cable, Frito-Lay, Hewitt Associates, Price Waterhouse Coopers, Republic Beverage Company, Ryan & Company and Sherwin-Williams.

Students interested can sign up for appointments today through Friday at the CPPC in 335 West Hall. Students can pick the company of their choice on a specific day and time and are encouraged to bring their resume, dress casually and come prepared.

For more information on the CPPC and this event, call 742-2210.

**"We want to offer workshops to help aid students."**

**Robert Sansom**  
assistant director of the  
Career Planning and  
Placement Center

## Fires could stem from drug protest, police say

RANGER (AP) — Twelve fires were set overnight in this small oil boom town, and the police chief said they might have been related to a protest against his no-tolerance policy on drugs.

Several people peacefully demonstrated at City Hall on Monday night to air their complaints against Police Chief Tom Million, who said he's cracked down on drug manufacturing and sales in this town of 2,800 since taking office a year ago. "We had a large number of indi-

viduals that we had arrested on drug charges, and they were picketing, wanting me to resign and leave town," Million said.

The first fire was reported about 7:20 p.m., before the City Council had adjourned but after it had refused to take any action against Million.

Before the night was over, eight vacant houses and a barn filled with

about \$150,000 worth of hay had burned. Three small grass fires were also reported around Ranger, which is 85 miles west of Fort Worth.

Fire Chief Darrell Fox said all of the fires appeared to have been deliberately set.

Don Adams, whose barn was still burning Tuesday, said he's sure it was a deliberate target because of its location, on a hill near Interstate 20.

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one of the premier universities in Texas. At present, only the University of Texas at Austin and Texas A&M University are listed as Tier 1 schools, while Tech is ranked as a Tier 2 doctoral and research institution.

Haragan also said one of the major goals of the administration is to move Tech into the top 100 research institutions in the country. "This has been in our thinking long before Cunningham ever wrote anything about it," he said. "We've been supporting this concept for a long time."

Haragan, however, did not say if Tech officially is supporting Cunningham's proposal. "I think what (Cunningham) was doing was just recommending some things he would like to see happen before he retires," Haragan said.

The plan is estimated to cost almost \$3 billion, with \$2 billion coming from the state, and the rest in increases in tuition and fees, grants and other sources.

Speaking on behalf of Montford, Cindy Rugeley, vice chancellor of News and Information at Tech, said administration is very concerned about elevating Tech to a Tier 1 university, but they will probably submit a proposal of their own. Cunningham's proposal was sent

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cost for area-reserved. Shaun Weaver, a junior management information systems major from Henderson, said the faculty already has enough places to park as it is, and he wants better places designated for student parking.

"How can the faculty complain about parking when some of the people that live on campus don't even have a place to park?" he said.

Aside from the students, faculty members showed mixed reactions toward the change.

"There are many things I like about the Tech campus, and one of them is reserved parking," said Jim Hoffman, a business administration professor.

If still attending Tech upon completion of the garages, Gonzales, Horner, Skelton and Weaver all agreed they wouldn't pay the price increase to park in the garages.

"Parking will always be a hassle no matter what," Skelton said.

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going to be the mediators. Part of becoming an adult is making a mistake.

Hartle offered possible alternatives to this policy, including students attending alcohol prevention classes and drunk driving classes.

"It's not the worse punishment in the world," she said. "It's just a juvenile punishment. School administrators have to find a form of punishment that holds the students themselves accountable."

In the Board of Regents meeting in December, the policy was brought up by some board members.

Robert Brown, vice chairman of the Board of Regents at Tech, said members of the board are looking at the effects of this policy on other universities.

"There's always a concern with problems related to drinking on campus," Brown said. "We felt like this was something we needed to look into. If this is a way to curve problems with alcohol-related problems of drinking on campus, then it's something we'll consider and we'll look at."

At the upcoming board meeting in February, school administrators will provide more information on this measure.

Brown said he is unsure on how long the board and administrators will research this issue.

"We're going to look at the issues because there are a lot of pros and cons," he said. "We will give careful consideration before we make a decision."

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## Search for new rider begins

by Jamie Laubhan  
TechLife Co-Editor

After successfully circling strategically-placed orange cones, the applicant sighs in relief.

Next on the list is parallel parking. A feat far different than what most students were taught in driver's education class, applicants must complete this and other portions of the driving test with a horse trailer attached.

In addition to the driving simulation, applicants for the 2000-2001 Texas Tech Masked Rider also must complete and pass a written exam on general horse care and saddling procedures, a riding test and an interview — all with an 80 percent or higher score.

Since its first appearance at the Gator Bowl on New Year's Day 1954, the Masked Rider has been a symbol of Tech's pride and school spirit.

Annie Parchman, Masked Rider publicist, said a number of students have come to Tech in previous years with aspirations of some day becoming the Masked Rider.

Yet, there are a relatively small number of applicants each year. In 1999, only four students applied, and Parchman expects a small number of applicants this year as well. She attributes this to the fact that most students either are intimidated by what the position entails or misinformed on eligibility requirements.

"I have found that many students are unaware that the tryouts are open to anyone who meets the basic qualifications," Parchman said. "Because of this, they don't apply."

In order to be an eligible candidate, students must have and maintain a number of qualifications. Students must have a cumulative total of 45 credit hours, 24 of which have to have been completed at Tech. Undergraduate students must be enrolled in at least 12 semester hours, and graduate students must be enrolled at least nine hours. Students who are applying for the 2000-2001 Masked Rider position must not



As a symbol of Tech pride and school spirit, the Masked Rider must meet basic qualifications and maintain them throughout the one-year reign. Applications now are being accepted for the 2000-2001 Masked Rider.  
Greg Kreller/  
The University Daily

graduate before May 2001. They also must have a cumulative 2.5 GPA and have considerable equestrian experience.

Also, the applicant must be willing to accept the year-round responsibilities of the position and must be insurable to drive the Masked Rider truck.

"This is a big responsibility, but at the same time, a huge honor," Parchman said.

Masked Rider Travis Thorne, a senior agricultural business major from Stanley, N.M., is surprised by the lack

of applicants because of the importance and integrity of the position at Tech. He stresses not only the glamour of the position but the future advantages.

"I not only emphasize how much you get out of the position, the people you meet and the places you go, but most importantly, I emphasize the connections you make for future job references," Thorne said.

Parchman encourages students who are interested in applying for the 2000-2001 Masked Rider to apply and take a written exam that will be

administered Feb. 8.

Parchman said even if students do not quite meet the eligibility requirements, she felt it is good preparation for when eligibility is met.

"There is no shame in trying and giving your best," Parchman said. "I would encourage students not to be intimidated if they think it is something that they really want to do and to go after it."

Applications for Masked Rider 2000-2001 now are available in the University Center Activities office and will be accepted until Feb. 23.

## Absent worries over Y2K bug

We are all still here on the threshold of the 21st century. Computers did not fail, and chaos was kept in check for another time. And as business returns to normal around the world, absent the worries over the Y2K bug, humanity still is faced with a dilemma. Time.



A.P.

Thompson  
Staff Writer

next millennium or not.

The numerals "2000" seemed (almost) to usher in a period where people on one side of our tiny home were concerned about what happened 10 or 15,000 miles away.

Of course, business interests were kept firmly in mind as the New Year began across the globe.

Survivalists, including the average Joe, watched intently for signs of turmoil and pandemonium, hoping to avoid having to light recently-purchased candles and open freshly-stocked pork and beans.

Midnight rang true around the world as almost the entire human race became enraptured with the concept of time.

For little more than a split second, or perhaps long enough for a sip of champagne, people began to wonder just what "2000" was to mean for themselves, for friends and family and for the Earth.

And as newspapers published their morning editions, minus a 1999 distinction, and as shoppers began to cross out that pesky and outdated "19" on their checks to scribble down 2000, many of us

forgot just what was supposed to be the meaning of this entire Y2K fiasco.

And maybe that's just it. There is no meaning to the whole scheme. This year is the same as any other.

It's all just a number. After all, the sun doesn't notice or care what numeral we assign to the phenomenon we call "orbit."

But maybe that's just it as well. If it is all just a number, if time is just some invention that we can use to help out in our daily business, and, since the sun really isn't aware of our tiny rock floating out there in the depths of space, perhaps it is right for us to give time a meaning.

You and I have our own personal, idiosyncratic distinction of what time is to be.

Perhaps it's just a number.

Maybe time is only a way to tell when people should arrive for work, for dinner, for dates and parties.

Maybe it's nothing.

But try this one on.

I don't claim it, though it seems like the best explanation I've heard so far: "Each moment is the fruit of 40,000 years. The minute-winning days, like flies, buzz home to death, and every moment is a window on all time."

You may disagree with Thomas Wolfe's idea, but his rendering really hits home, at least for me.

Maybe Wolfe was trying to tell us, or himself, to live each moment without regret, without second-guessing ourselves, as if this moment were to last forever.

Maybe it's a Nietzschean injunction to live dangerously, in the mantra of "what does not kill me makes me stronger."

But I think it goes a little deeper than that.

Because, after all, if you live every moment as if it were you last, you won't have any regrets when it actually is.

A.P. Thompson is a senior philosophy major from San Antonio. Don't hate him because he's a philosophy major.

## Def Leppard headlines concert tonight at Fair Park Coliseum

Def Leppard will headline a concert today at the Fair Park Coliseum, 105 E. Broadway. Joan Jett will open the show. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are available at all Select-A-Seat locations including the University Center and both locations of Ralph's Records, 909 University Ave.

and 3322 82nd St. Tickets will be available at the door and cost \$27.

The band hit worldwide success

with the albums Pyromania and Hysteria in the 1980s. Def Leppard now is touring in support of its latest release Euphoria.

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# Call stands, Big 12 ref suspended

by Jeff Keller  
Assistant Sports Editor

Four days after one of the most controversial endings to a game in Texas Tech men's basketball history, memories of the incident still ring true among Red Raider players and coaches.

Red Raider guard James Ware said he thought referee Charles Range's recent punishment was strict, but said he understood the severity of it, considering the circumstances.

Range, who counted the controversial shot from Aggie guard Andy Leatherman as time expired that gave the Aggies an 88-86 victory, was suspended Sunday for the remainder of the season for failure to follow proper Big 12 Conference protocol.

"After the game, you're thinking something definitely needs to happen," Ware said regarding the incident. "I guess firing him is a little harsh, but at the same time, this is big-time college basketball. Making two decisions — the way he said A&M won, then he said we were going to overtime and then going back and saying A&M won — I think that is questionable. But it doesn't really help us that much that he got fired."

Though Ware disagreed with the official's decision, he said Tech should have never put itself in the position at the end of the game where the contest was close and an official could make a decision that could decide the game.

"Every coach tells their team not to leave it up to the officials to decide

a game," Ware said. "In that circumstance, we did leave it up to the ref, and he burned us a little bit."

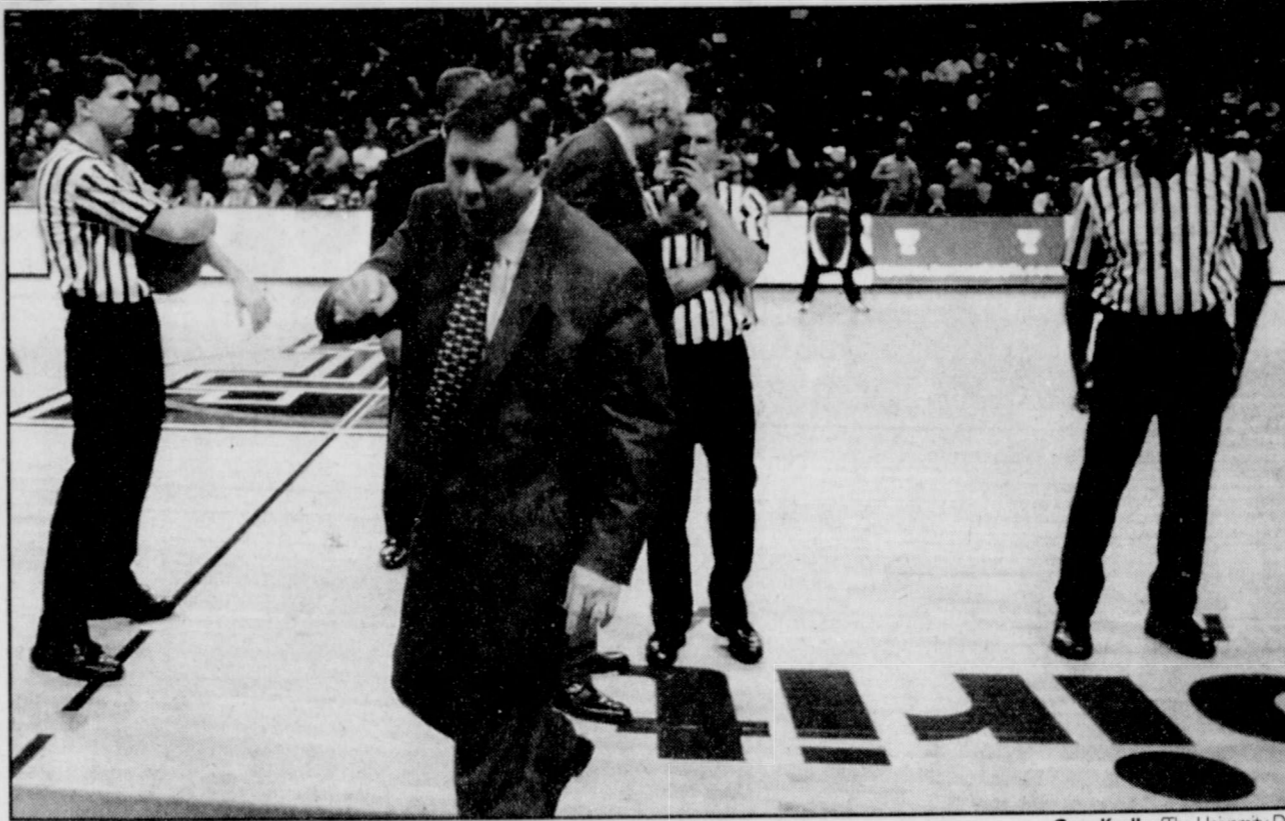
Ware hit a 3-pointer in Tech's postseason before Leatherman's shot, that tied the game at 86.

Part of the controversy that kept fans in their seats and Tech players on the bench for almost an hour after the game was whether or not the play could be reviewed to see if the shot had left Leatherman's hand before play had expired.

According to Big 12 Rule 1.10 from the 1999-2000 Regular Season Manual for Basketball Game Procedures regarding the use of television monitors, "When applicable under the rules of basketball (preventing or rectifying a scorer's or timer's mistake or malfunctioning game or shot clocks and to determine if a fight occurred and those individuals who participated in a fight), game officials shall use the monitor at the television timeout coordinator's position at the scorer's table, not at the television broadcast position. If the timeout coordinator does not have a monitor, it is then permissible to go to the television broadcast position."

Tech men's coach James Dickey disputed the call at the end of the game, and said he thinks anything that is able to help a referee make the correct call should be permissible.

"In general, I really believe officials ought to be allowed to use any and all means possible to make sure they get a call right," Dickey said. "Especially one that is going to decide a



Tech coach James Dickey disputes Texas A&M's game-winning basket Saturday. Charles Range, the official who counted the basket, was suspended by Big 12 officials for the remainder of the regular and postseason.

ball game. I think that would be not only good for officials but great for the game. You're never going to take the judgment out of officiating, and I understand that. But I think at the end, when it's critical in deciding a game, it would be good for the officials."

Dickey said he hopes the rule will be taken under consideration by the Big 12 Conference and NCAA rules committees.

"I hope that is one thing that the

rules committee and supervisors of the officials, nationally and in the conference, will take a strong look at," Dickey said.

Tech center Andy Ellis rolled up a double-double in the contest with 21 points and 11 rebounds.

The call denied him a chance to make it a double-double in a winning effort.

Ellis said it would be painful if the rule changes at the end of this season, and Tech would have to be an

example of why the rule change was needed.

"It would be painful," Ellis said. "Every game I've watched since then has had some mention of that game. So they're going to keep bringing it up. I'm sure when the rule committee comes to session, they're going to talk about that game. That's kind of painful especially if they change the rule. If we would have had the rule, the game might have continued. But that's the way it goes sometimes."

## Jets to have coach by end of week

NEW YORK (AP) — New owner Robert Wood Johnson IV promises his New York Jets will have a coach in place by the end of the week, and eventually a new stadium to call home as well.

After being unanimously approved for membership in the fraternity of NFL owners on Tuesday, Johnson set his priorities for the team. First, he said, was the matter of a coach.

Bill Parcells resigned after three years on the job Jan. 3, turning the

team over to defensive coordinator Bill Belichick. A day later, Belichick bailed out, reportedly influenced by better opportunities elsewhere. That threw the Jets' sideline situation into turmoil.

There has been speculation that Parcells might return and Johnson said he'd have that issue resolved by the end of the week.

"I've met with or talked with Bill Parcells every day," he said. "We had a long meeting on Wednesday and again on Friday. He's a very unusual man who brought a life to this team not seen since the Namath era. We have had discussions and talked about what he wants to do. Those discussions are continuing."

"We're looking at his role,"

Johnsone said of Parcells. "I think he'd be a great coach. We hope he'll play a large role. No decision has been made. We'll have one by the end of the week. I guarantee we will know by the end of the week."

If Parcells decides to remain retired, Johnson said he would not limit his search for a coach to the Jets' current staff of assistants, which no longer includes Belichick, who had been the heir apparent. Linebackers coach Al Groh has been mentioned as the main candidate within the organization.

"I think with any good leader selection, you do have to look at all the opportunities," he said. "So we will be very careful to assess what is best for the team."

## Abreu resigns with Phillies for \$14.25 mil

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Outfielder Bobby Abreu and the Philadelphia Phillies avoided salary arbitration when they agreed Tuesday to a \$14.25 million, three-year contract.

"I feel very happy about this," Abreu said from his home in Venezuela. "I'm happy about the security it gives me and my family. They are very excited about it as well. I'm going to work hard to prove that it is a good deal and help the team make the playoffs."

Abreu, who made \$400,000 last year, gets a \$1 million signing bonus, \$2.6 million this season, \$4.65 million in 2001 and \$6 million in 2002.

"We feel Bobby is one of the bright young stars in the game today and we hope to have him here for a long time," said Phillies general manager Ed Wade.

Abreu's agent, Peter Greenberg, said his client may have been able to earn more if he signed a one-year deal, similar to what Derek Jeter has done with the New York Yankees. Greenberg said Abreu was willing to take the risk.

"Sure if he went year-to-year he would make more, but he has \$14.25 million guaranteed, allowing him to do the things he wants to do like buy his mother a house, start a business," Greenberg said. "It's a risk-reward analysis. In three years, if he stays healthy, he'll be a cream-of-the-crop free agent."

Abreu, 25, finished third in the NL batting race last season, hitting .335 with 20 homers and 93 RBIs. He also tied for first in the league with 11 triples and was third in on-base percentage (.446) and was fifth in both runs with 118 and walks with 109.

"I'm going to work hard to prove that it is a good deal and help the team make the playoffs," said Abreu, eligible for free agency after the 2003 season.

Philadelphia tried to sign Abreu to a long-term deal last spring, but Greenberg turned down an \$8.5 million, four-year offer.

"We've been negotiating for a year and we felt comfortable turning down every offer until this point," Greenberg said.

Phillies right-hander Robert Person, also eligible for arbitration, agreed to a \$1.4 million, one-year contract, nearly four times the \$379,000 he made last year.

Person, 30, was 10-5 with a 4.27 ERA in 22 starts and nine relief appearances for the Phillies last season.

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# Raiders ready for 'Huskers

## Tech squad ready to battle with Nebraska following its second consecutive Big 12 Conference loss to A&M

by Jeff Keller  
Assistant Sports Editor

Last season, the Nebraska Cornhuskers put an end to the Texas Tech men's basketball team's season with a 69-50 victory against the Red Raiders in the first round of the Big 12 Conference Tournament.

This season, the Red Raiders (9-4 overall, 0-2 Big 12) will try to avenge that loss as they battle the 'Huskers (7-9 overall, 0-3 Big 12) at 7:05 p.m. today in Lincoln, Neb.

The Raiders are coming off of a two-point controversial home loss to Texas A&M, but forward Mario Layne said the Tech squad is ready to battle the 'Huskers after receiving a day off following the A&M game.

"It was a shocker," Layne said of the A&M contest. "But coach gave us a day off so we could regroup and so we wouldn't come out acting like we're deflated."



"Right now, I think we've got to put it behind us. No one is going to feel sorry for us. This is a tough conference with a lot of good teams, so we just have to win as many games as we can and try and make it to the tournament."

In Tech's two conference matchups this season, the Raiders have been out-rebounded by an average of five boards-per-game.

In their eight-point road loss to Oklahoma State in their first Big 12 Conference game this season, the Tech squad was outscored 14-4 on second-chance points.

In the Raiders' outing against the Aggies, they were outscored 16-5 on

second-chance points.

Tech center Andy Ellis led Tech in rebounds against A&M with 11 and said the Red Raiders need to increase their effort underneath the boards.

"You've got to have the will to get the rebounds," Ellis said. "You've got to box out, which is mostly the physical part of it, but rebounding is also a lot mental. You've got to want the ball. That's something that we're not doing a good job of right now. We've got to get out here and work on it and get better at it."

With classes resuming this week, the Nebraska game will represent Tech's first game while class is in session since its Dec. 8 contest against Stephen F. Austin.

Tech guard Rayford Young said classes will not hamper the team's performance, and he prefers to play while classes are in session.

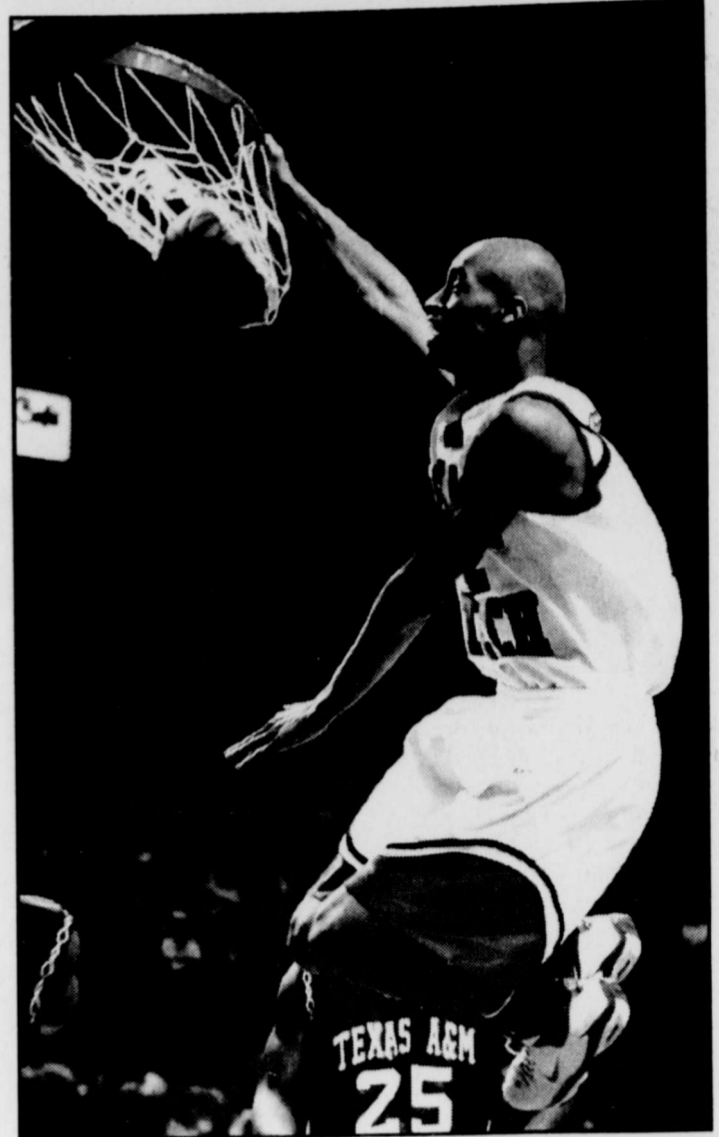
"I have a lot more stuff to do when classes are in session instead of just

being at home, laying down and watching TV, and then going to practice and coming home again," Young said. "School being back in will give me a lot more stuff to do, and I can be more active. I won't just have my mind on basketball because that can hurt you a lot."

The Cornhuskers hold a 9-5 lead in the overall series as Tech took the regular season meeting last season before losing to Nebraska in the tournament.

Layne said the postseason loss to Nebraska last season still is on his mind, but he knows things have changed this season.

"We think about that loss somewhat, but really and truly, it's a new year," Layne said. "They're a different team than they were last year. They're going to come out and play hard and with a lot of intensity. They're 0-3 and thirsty for a win just like we are."



Tech guard Ronald Hobbs and the rest of the Tech squad look for their first conference victory tonight against Nebraska in Lincoln.

Greg Kreller/  
The University Daily

## U.S. team has coach, players next

NEW YORK (AP) — Now that the U.S. soccer team has its coach, she wants her players.

"What I know about the players, I know they want to be on the field and I know U.S. Soccer wants them on the field," new coach April Heinrichs said Tuesday after being introduced as coach of the world champion U.S. women's team.

Her first game will be a Feb. 6 exhibition against Norway at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., but it's not clear if the women who won the World Cup last summer will be with her. They are boycotting in a pay dispute with the U.S. Soccer Federation.

"I know it hurts all of us," said Heinrichs, captain of the U.S. team that won the first Women's World Cup in 1991. "I know we all feel an urgency."

USSF executive director Hank Steinbrecher said a bargaining session is scheduled for Monday in Los Angeles. He said the USSF believed in parity between the money paid men and women on the U.S. national teams, but the dispute is in the definition.

Because most of them now play with professional clubs, the U.S. men are kept together only for short periods before games

and tournaments.

The U.S. women, who do not have pro clubs or team contracts, are together longer, costing the USSF more to house, feed and travel.

Steinbrecher suggested that treatment of those expenses was an issue. Also affecting talks are payments by FIFA.

During the 1998 World Cup, the USSF received \$800,000 per game from FIFA, and much of that money went to the players.

FIFA gave nothing to teams during the 1999 Women's World Cup.

U.S. women claimed they were underpaid for their efforts last summer, and got into a dispute with the USSF over a post-championship tour.

With a group of college-age players, the Americans won a four-nation exhibition tournament last week in Australia.

But Steinbrecher said fans shouldn't be misled.

"That's not a World Cup and that's not an Olympics," he said. "It's very difficult from playing international

friendlies to playing tournament when gold medals are on the line."

Heinrichs, who turns 36 next month, was given a four-year contract to replace Tony DiCicco, who quit last fall.

An assistant coach on the U.S. team that was eliminated in the semifinals of the 1995 Women's World Cup, she was coach of the Virginia women's team for the past four years.

She is looking forward to FIFA starting a women's youth tournament.

The governing body is expected to vote in March to start a Women's Under-21 Championship.

She also wants a U.S. women's league. Steinbrecher said he expects one will start within two years and says it probably will be financed by cable television networks.

"I think a women's professional league is around the corner," Heinrichs said. "It's going to happen."

**"I think a women's professional league is around the corner."**

**April Heinrichs**  
U.S. women's soccer coach

## Woodcock's decision leaves Raiders 'short'less

by Patrick Gonzales  
Sports Editor

Last season, Texas Tech shortstop Lance Woodcock was a defensive standout for the Red Raider baseball club.

As a junior, he finished the season with only 10 errors in 253 total chances and finished the year with a .960 fielding percentage — the best single-season mark for a shortstop in school history.

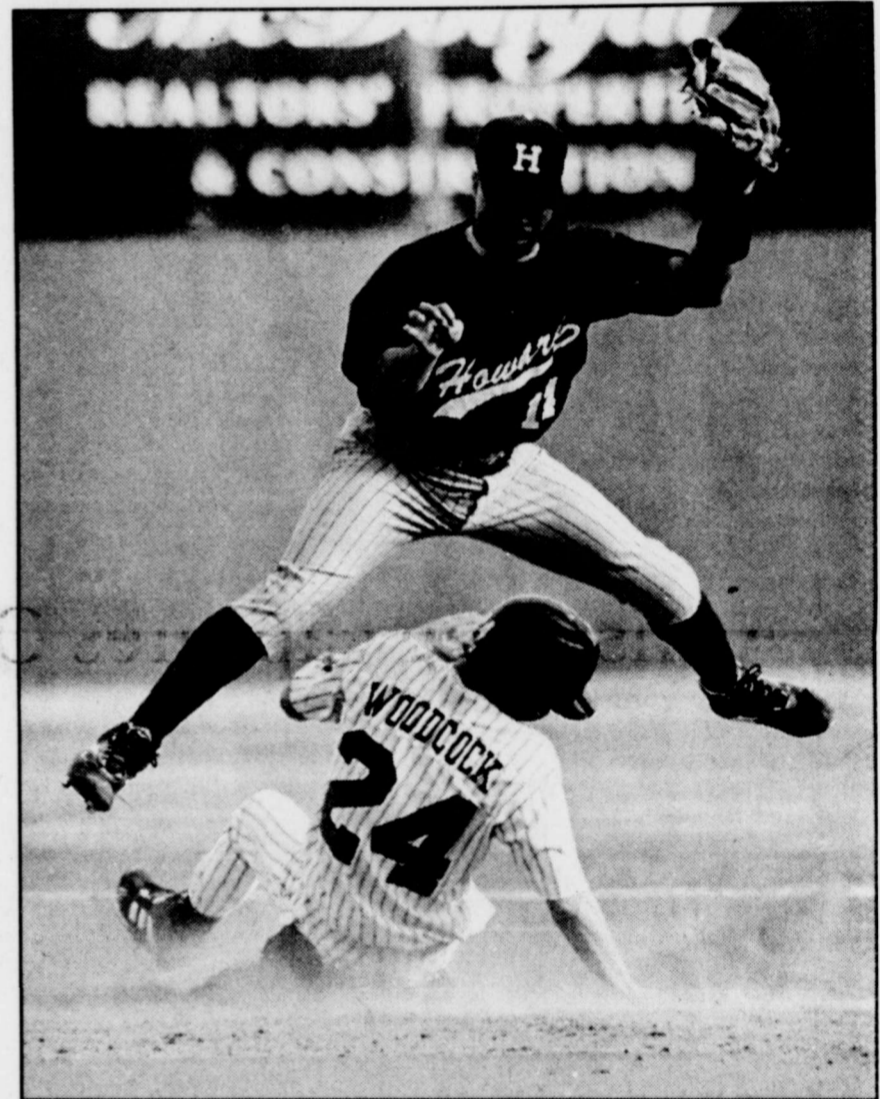
But Woodcock's defensive wizardry will be missing from this year's squad after he decided last week not to return to school for the spring semester.

Woodcock could not be reached for comment, but Tech coach Larry Hays said the decision was based on health reasons and would not elaborate any further.

"The decision was out of his hands," Hays said. "If he could have a been out here physically, he would have been here."

Despite the reasoning, Hays said Woodcock's contributions to the Tech squad will be missed.

Woodcock, who transferred to



File Photo/The University Daily

After a stellar performance on the diamond for the Raiders last year, Lance Woodcock has decided not to return this season due to health reasons.

Tech last year from American River Junior College in California, was the projected starter at shortstop for the Red Raiders.

Last season, he was a runner-up for the Collegiate Baseball/Redline National Defensive Player of the Year honor.

At the plate, Woodcock batted .317 with five home runs and was third on the team with 39 RBIs.

"Lance is one of the best shortstops in college baseball, and you really can't replace that," Hays said.

Hays said he will most likely replace Woodcock with senior Scott Holzhauser, who played 50 games last year as the squad's second baseman.

Hays said Holzhauser was previously slated for third base, but will be switched because of the current circumstances.

Holzhauser, who finished last season with .987 fielding percentage, should have no problem adapting to his new position, Hays said.

"We would have liked to move Holzhauser to third, but he should have no problem moving to short," Hays said. "He is so versatile you could put him pretty much anywhere."

## Jeter asks for record salary

NEW YORK (AP) — Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter asked for an arbitration-record \$10.5 million salary Tuesday and New York closer Mariano Rivera was close behind, requesting \$9.25 million.

But Jeter's case is not expected to ever see a hearing room. The All-Star shortstop, according to a pair of sources familiar with the talks, is close to an agreement on a record-setting deal: a seven-year \$118 million contract.

\$7.5 million two years, the highest figure submitted by a team before Tuesday, and settled at \$8.25 million. After the season, they agreed on an \$87.5 million, seven-year deal, the highest on the team until now.

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# Despite errors, Williams wins Australian Open

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Looking lost, worried and terribly tired, Serena Williams turned to her mother in the stands as if seeking a shoulder to lean on.

Oracene Williams could do no more than stare back glumly and helplessly, her chin on her hands.

They had flown 20 hours from Florida to the Australian Open, arriving jet-lagged just four days before Tuesday night's first-round match. Serena hadn't played a match in three months, her back hurt from a lingering injury and her legs felt dead.

And now an unknown, an Australian wild card playing in her first major tournament, No. 261 Amanda Grahame, stood across the net — two games from sending the U.S. Open champion and her mother/coach right back home.

Somehow, the third-seeded Williams summoned the strength to serve out the next game at love, then break Grahame on the third match point to win 6-4, 4-6, 6-4. It was a two-hour test of endurance and will that began in muggy heat and ended, after a half-hour rain delay in the second set, under the center court's retractable roof.

"I can't picture myself losing until the last point is over and I'm shaking her hand, thinking, 'I can't believe it,'" the 18-year-old Williams said. "She

played well and she thought she was going to win at 4-4. I have that never-say-die spirit. It's just innate, and I'm glad I had it. You can't buy it."

She needed every bit of that spirit to avoid her first opening-round exit from a major.

Williams, wearing a bright red dress and matching shoes, made 57 varieties of mistakes to put herself in position to lose.

Her first mistake was flying into Australia more than a week after all the other top players. Her second mistake were those red sneakers, an eye-popping target for linesmen who called eight foot-faults against her.

Then there were her 55 unforced errors — an assortment of wildly sprayed volleys and groundstrokes sprayed wide and long into the net.

"It was really out of control the way I played today," she said. "I can't say that because I was off for three months — that gives me an excuse. There was no excuse for the way I played today, really."

Perhaps the best explanation for

why Williams struggled lay in the inspired play of Grahame, a slender 20-year-old left-hander who served at up to 110 mph and played fearlessly from start to finish.

Williams knew nothing about Grahame — "I really wouldn't have been able to recognize her if she was standing right in front of me," she said — but found out quickly enough more than she wanted to know. No left-hander she had ever

faced served so well, taking her off the court with angled serves in the corner on the ad side and producing five aces.

Those serves, and Grahame's poised play, helped her fend off a dozen of the 17 break points Williams held in the match.

"I wasn't sure what to expect of myself," Grahame said at her first news conference. "I thought I was going to be really nervous and pretty shaky, but after winning the first game (breaking Williams on the fourth break point) I could kind of enjoy it and play my own game. I didn't expect too much from myself."

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**Serena Williams**  
Australian Open champion

## Freshman standout Williams to focus on Raider football

Texas Tech freshman standout Shaud Williams has decided not to play baseball this season after practice with the club last week.

Williams, who was drafted in the 13th round by the Atlanta Braves during the 1999 Major League Baseball free agent draft, said he wanted to concentrate on football.

On the baseball diamond, Williams would have been a backup in-

fielder.

Last season, the Andrews star rushed for 658 yards and seven touchdowns and was named the Big 12 Conference Offensive Freshman of the Year.

His biggest game came during Tech's 31-10 victory against Colorado.

Williams rushed for 230 yards, the school record for a freshman.

Tech freshman Shaud Williams has decided not to play Tech baseball this season. Greg Kreller/The University Daily



## Armstrong captures Owens Award

NEW YORK (AP) — Lance Armstrong, who overcame testicular cancer and captured the Tour de France last year, won the 2000 Jesse Owens International Trophy Award.

In balloting by an international panel, Armstrong received 90 votes, the International Amateur Athletic Association announced Tuesday. Maurice Greene, who set

the world 100-meter record and won three gold medals at the World Track and Field Championships last year, was second with 59 votes.

Third with 55 votes was Morocco's Hicham el Guerrouj, who set the world mile record in 1999.

He was followed by Australian swimmer Ian Thorpe with 18 votes and long sprinter Michael Johnson with 17.

Armstrong, a resident of Austin,

was only the second American to win cycling's most prestigious race, joining 1991 Owens winner Greg LeMond, a three-time winner of the Tour de France.

Armstrong was diagnosed with cancer in 1996. The cancer spread to his lungs, abdomen and brain. He returned to cycling in 1998 and capped his comeback with his emotional victory last year.

## Martin makes debut in Bob Hope Classic

BERMUDA DUNES, Calif. (AP) — The cart carries Casey Martin only so far.

A milestone on the PGA Tour takes place Wednesday in the Bob Hope Classic when the guy in the cart — a label Martin assigned himself when he tied for 23rd in the 1998 U.S. Open — makes his debut as a card-carrying, cart-member.

The emphasis will be on the cart — not the Rolls-Royce variety that Martin saw when he pulled into Bermuda Dunes Country Club to register, but a standard issue that he earned only after taking the PGA Tour to court two years ago.

Where the emphasis should be is on the cart.

One has to look beyond the tire tracks, beyond the limp brought on by a circulatory disease in his right leg, to understand this: While Casey has a cart, he also has a case.

It was good enough to win on the

Nike Tour in 1998, right before a federal court in Oregon ruled in his favor.

It was good enough to qualify for the U.S. Open, and then perform better that week than Ernie Els and Justin Leonard.

It was good enough to finish 14th on the Nike Tour money list and earn full playing privileges on the PGA Tour, perhaps the toughest roster to make in sports.

"I'm out here playing. I'm chasing my dream," Martin said Tuesday.

No other PGA rookie has received so much attention since Tiger Woods, only Woods' fame came from winning three straight U.S. Amateur titles and from that prediction by Jack Nicklaus that he was good enough to win 10 green jackets.

No one should question whether Martin is capable of winning.

The relative skill level on the Nike Tour is much higher than it is in the CBA or Arena Football League, and he has shown that special knack for raising his game when the world is watching.

Martin has not played a competitive round since the Nike Tour Championship, and cold weather at home in Eugene, Ore., has kept him from practicing as much as he would like.

He is rusty and is not sure what to expect this week. But he is unlike any other player out here in that he believes he can win.

"I don't know if I will, or when or how, but I do think I have the ability to do it," he said.

"I've seen people who have won that I can play with. If they can do, so can I."

The cart has made it possible for him to chase his dream, but the talent is what enabled him to reach it. Ben Hogan used to say that for every day not spent practicing, it took that much longer to become a good player.

Martin has proved to be an exception.

**"I'm out here playing. I'm chasing my dream."**

**Casey Martin**  
golf professional

## Canadian government to help aid its NHL teams

OTTAWA (AP) — The Ottawa Senators are not about giving money to rich hockey players and team owners," Industry Minister John Manley said.

Manley acknowledged the plan has its critics, but said many Canadians feel passionately about the game.

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The federal contribution is not to exceed 25 percent of the total of any aid package involving the league, the city and the province involved. It will be reviewed annually and is to be repaid to Ottawa if the team moves.

Manley admitted the British Columbia and Quebec governments have shown little inclination so far to help the Vancouver Canucks and Montreal Canadiens.

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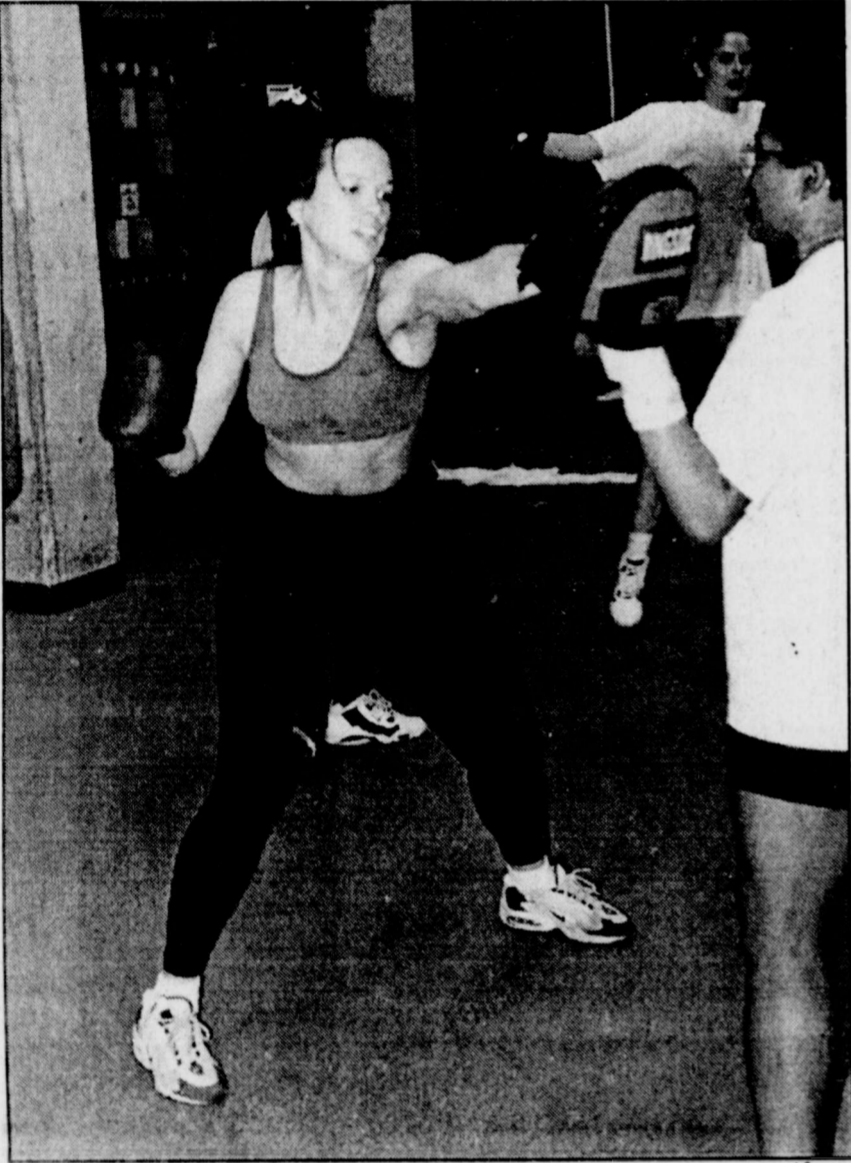
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Register in the Fitness/Wellness Center of the SRC. Payment is required when registering. All classes will begin the week of Jan. 30 except the M/Th Spin City. There are also drop-in fitness classes that are free and include Total Body Conditioning, Cardio Combo, Step, Shape & Tone and many others. For more information, call 742-3828 or 742-3351.

## Interactive Health and Wellness Fair

Start of the semester by taking a look at how your life is going by visiting the booths at the Interactive Wellness Fair, Tuesday, January 25 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Student Recreation Center. Over 30 booths will invite you to look at not only your physical well-being but also your social, emotional and intellectual. Each booth has an activity - such as making Valentine's cards for hospitalized children, rolling the dice at roulette-gambling with your emotional well-being, cholesterol and hearing checks, holding puppies, taste-testing frozen yogurt and simulating drunkenness with Fatal Vision goggles. Rec Center membership is not required and all students, faculty and staff are invited to attend. Look for announcements in your classes as professors may give extra credit for attending. It's fun, it's interactive and you just may learn a little about yourself. This event is cosponsored with Student Health Services. For more information, call 742-3828.

## Sports Club Officers Meeting January 20, 2000

There will be a Sports Club meeting Thursday, January 20 at 4 p.m. at the University Center in the Senate Room.

Representatives (all officers) from each club should be present to receive information for their respective clubs for this upcoming semester.

The topics of discussion will cover club organization, the year's budget, procedures, schedules and responsibilities of officers.

This is a mandatory meeting for all club officers.

If an officer cannot make this meeting, then the rest of the officers should.

If there are any concerns or questions, please contact Pee Wee or Jared at 742-3351.

## Hoops season drives into session

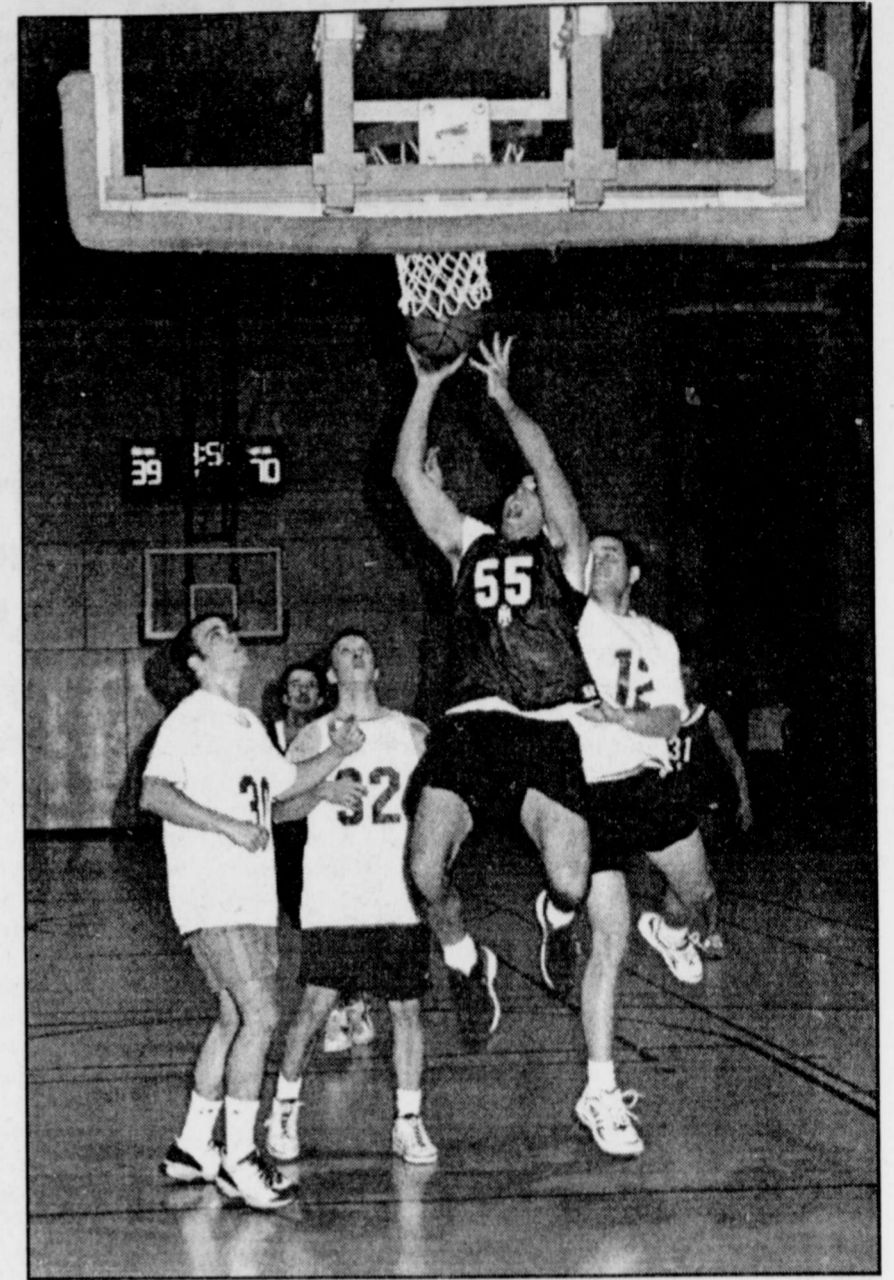
### Basketball Officials Training

Here is an excellent opportunity to make extra money as an intramural basketball official. Aside from the \$10 per game fee, you will also be paid \$5.15 for all clinics and scrimmages. What a deal! The first of six training clinics is set for next Monday, January 24, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Rec Center, room 201. The intramural staff will be on hand to discuss hiring procedures, basic policies and rules of the game and set other clinics and scrimmages. Prior experience in playing or officiating the game is not needed. Questions concerning the basketball program should be directed to the intramural staff by calling 742-3351 or by coming by the administrative offices located in the recreation center. File Photo/Recreational Sports.

### Basketball sign-ups next week

Teams wishing to sign up their intramural basketball teams are reminded that entries open Tuesday, January 25 at 8 a.m. The earlier you register, the better your chances for selecting your preferred playing time. The entries close Thursday, Jan. 27 at 5 p.m.

To register a team simply bring a list of your players' names, social security numbers and phone numbers to room 203 of the Student Recreation Center along with a refundable \$30 forfeit fee (residence hall teams may "charge" their forfeit fee to their hall account). Also, be sure to have several preferable playing times in mind in case your first choice is full.



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Breakaway! An Intramural basketball player drives to the hoop during last year's exciting season. Basketball sign-ups are in room 203 of the Rec Center Tuesday through Thursday of next week.

## Basketball Free Agents Meet next Wednesday

Individuals wishing to play intramural Basketball but without a team should attend the Free Agents Meeting next Wednesday, Jan. 26 at 5:15 p.m. in SRC 205. At that meeting, Rec Sports personnel will attempt to form teams of individual or located teams seeking additional players. Team captains needing an extra player or two are also encouraged to attend the meeting since players will be available then. Don't miss this opportunity!

## Rec All-Nighter on Tap

More than 20 free activities are planned at the Rec Center for the 20th Annual Recreational Sports' All-nighter January 28. Tom DeLuca, four time Campus Entertainer of the Year, will highlight the evening's activities with an 11 p.m. hypnosis performance.

Students will have the opportunity to compete in nine different tournaments ranging from table tennis and indoor soccer to racquetball and 2 on 2 basketball. Also, many other drop-in events like Sumo wrestling, rock climbing, archery and putt-putt golf are planned.

Two additional special features scheduled are the U.S. Bicycle Card

Championship in Spades, Hearts and Euchre! The winners receive a free trip to Orlando for the National competition. Also, Scoggin-Dickey Buick-Chevrolet is again sponsoring the Chevrolet S-10 Pickup Shootout where two lucky students will have the chance to shoot and win a new truck.

Most tournament sign-up deadlines are Thursday, Jan. 27 while other activities scheduled for Friday evening require only that you drop in and participate or view.

For additional information on the event, please call the Recreational Sports office at 742-3351 during regular weekday business hours.

## Rec Center Extends Hours

The Student Recreation Center will be open Monday through Thursday until 11:30 p.m. beginning this week.

Previously, the Rec Center had closed at 10:45 p.m. on those nights. It opens at 6 a.m. Monday through Friday, thus allowing for 17 1/2 hours each day for recreational and intramural participation.

The facility will close at 10:30 p.m. on Friday and Sunday and 10 p.m. on Saturday evenings.

Additional information on the Student Recreation Center hours and programs can be obtained by calling the main office during business hours at 742-3351 or the 24-hour recorded message line at 742-4832.

## Parking changes at SRC during arena events

For those who use the Recreation Center, parking arrangements change during events at the United Spirit Arena.

The Indiana Avenue access to Main Street and the Rec Center is closed during United Spirit Arena events. All Rec Center patrons must travel west on Main from Flint Ave. to reach Rec Center parking. Parking is available in the lot west of the Rec Center. Additional parking is available across Main St. from the Aquatic Center. This area can be accessed through the second entry on Main after turning off of Flint (the first entry will remain barricaded during events.) SRC ID is required to park in either area. Due to high traffic volume, please plan on extra travel time to the Rec Center on event days.

Maps are available in the Student Recreation Center.

## Upcoming Events

- Intramurals - Entries Due
- Basketball - Jan. 25-27
- Innertube Water Polo - Feb. 1-3
- Racquetball - Feb. 1-3
- Special Events**
- Wellness Fair - Jan. 25
- Rec Center All-Nighter - Jan. 28
- Tournament Entries Due Jan. 27
- 2 On 2 basketball
- 3 on 3 basketball
- Racquetball
- 3-Point Shot
- Indoor Soccer
- Table Tennis

### The Center Market

Any personal pan pizza and 32oz fountain drink only

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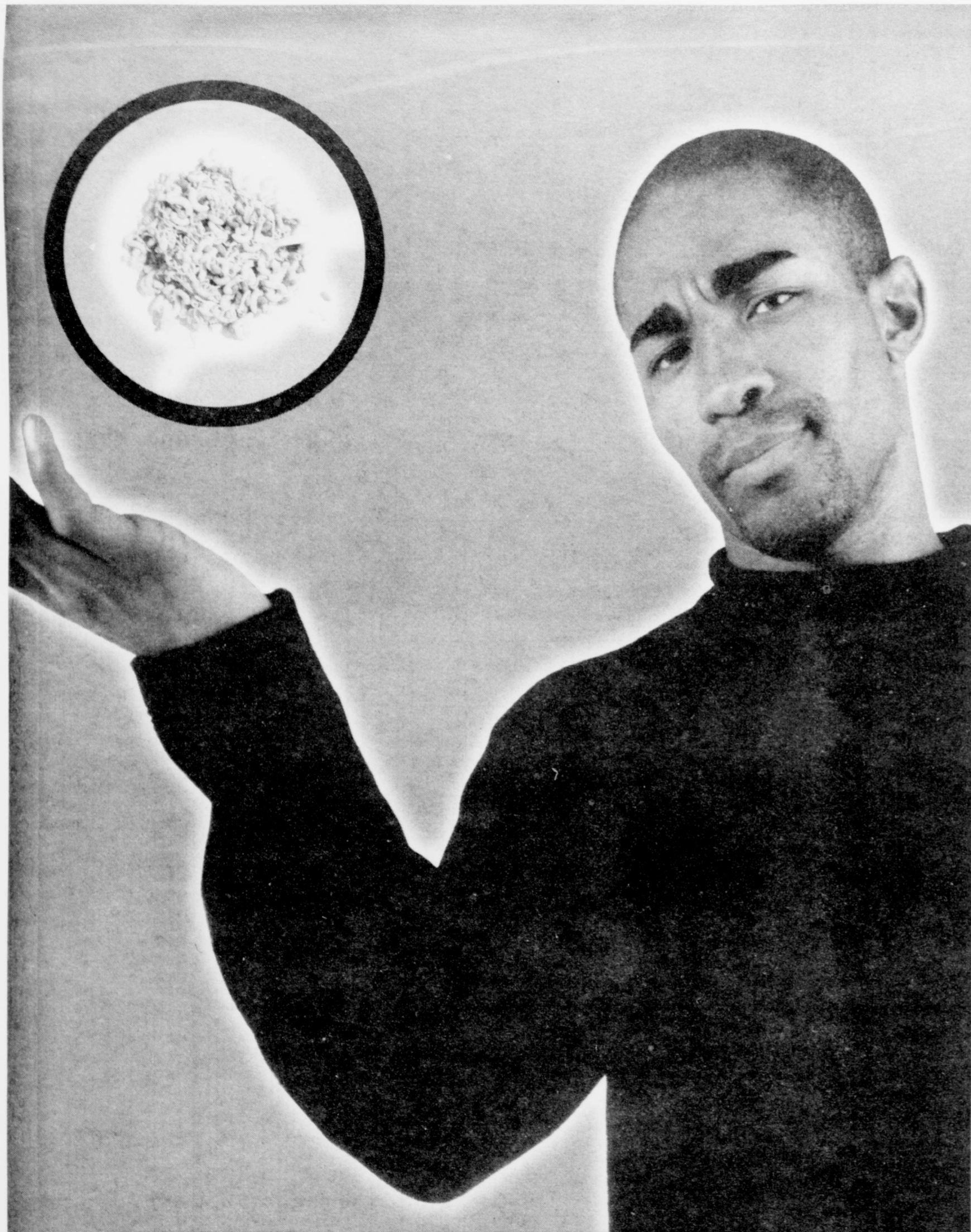
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Do you want to spend your college years fighting for a parking spot, living on mac'n'beans, or paying tons of bills? Who would? Hey...make it easy on yourself - live in the Halls! All your expenses are covered on one bill. So go ahead - live in the halls and have a great time while you learn! Make your college years a time to remember instead of a time you'd rather forget.

**Early Fall 2000 Sign-up Dates:**

<b>Residence Halls</b>	
Same Room	February 28 - 29, 2000
Same Hall, New Room	March 1, 2000
New Hall	March 2 - 3, 2000

<b>Carpenter/Wells*</b>	
Same Room	February 28 - 29, 2000
New Room	March 1, 2000
New Apartment	March 2 - 3, 2000

<b>Gaston Apartments**</b>	
Same Apartment	February 28 - 29, 2000
New Apartment	March 3, 2000

All sign-ups begin at 10am at the respective hall offices.

\*Applies to current residents of Carpenter/Wells only. Any other available space will be offered to those on the waiting list.

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**Hall Features:**

- Carpenter/Wells Complex
- The Market at Stangel/Murdough
- Living/Learning Communities:
  - Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) in Horn Hall and Engineering Success in Bledsoe Hall
- Sam's Place (deli/convenience store)
- Unlimited single rooms (except Gordon)
- Ethernet connections in every room
- Private phone line for each resident
- BASIC and FLEX meal plan options
- Priority for on-campus parking
- Smoke-Free living at Wall/Gates and Chitwood/Weymouth
- Year-round housing available in some halls
- MicroFridges™ in every room in Sneed, Bledsoe, Doak, Coleman, and Gaston Halls



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