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STATENEWS —

Commemorative saplings planted at Bonfire site

COLLEGE STATION (AP) - The slim saplings, just taller than a grown person, were nestled into the dirt Saturday.

Aggies dabbed at their eyes or stood quietly, watching the shovels flash. In the background, piles of felled logs and scraps of plastic fencing continue to clutter a campus field.

That stretch of grass was the backdrop for tragedy last year, when the A&M Bonfire stack crashed to the ground, crushing 12 students to death and injuring almost 30 more.

For years to come, bonfire or no, 12 live oaks will grow at the edge of campus, plaques bearing a victim's name stuck between the

"He was our buddy," said Dave Nutt, 20. After helping to spade dirt over the tree dedicated to victim Jerry Self, Nutt paused in a cluster of uniformed cadets. "This'll last forever.'

NATIONALNEWS

Technology, hygiene keys to lowering hospital infections

ATLANTA (AP) - Infections contracted in hospitals kill as many as 88,000 people each year, a number that could be reduced with increased use of technology and simple measures such as more frequent hand washing, a researcher said Sunday at a conference on the problem.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control opened a five-day conference on preventing and reducing healthcare-associated infections in Atlanta.

Dr. Richard P. Wenzel, chairman of the internal medicine department at the Medical College of Virginia, said new devices such as catheters coated with antibiotics have proven effective against infection spread at health facilities.

But those are still far costlier than simple but equally necessary steps as getting doctors and nurses to wash their hands after every patient contact, he said.

"Hand-washing is cheap, but the impact from it is great," Wenzel said.

WORLDNEWS —

Putin says Russia could join NATO, prompting criticism

MOSCOW (AP) - Acting President Vladimir Putin set off a wave of criticism Sunday from his rivals in the presidential race by telling a British television network that Russia could join NATO.

Some critics called Putin's comments a betrayal of Russia's interests. Others called them a bid for votes from Western-minded Russians in the March 26 election, or an effort to soften his hard-line image abroad.

Asked whether Russia could join NATO, Putin told British Broadcasting Corp. interviewer Sir David Frost: "I don't see why not. I wouldn't rule out such a possibility. But I repeat - if and when Russia's views are taken into account as an equal partner." The interview was broadcast Sunday and picked up by Russia's main networks.

NATO has been keen to cooperate with the Kremlin since the 1991 Soviet collapse, but has not shown any sign it is inviting Russia

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Two candidates appeal election results

by Jennifer Bailey

Staff Writer

Two former Texas Tech Student Government Association candidates say they are not sore losers but instead are fighting for the students' right to vote.

Presidential candidate Tim Wright and internal vice president candidate John Dorff are citing irregularities and problems with the new online voting system.

They say many students encountered problems on the TechSIS Web site, thus inabling them to vote.

After appealing the election outcomes to both the Tech Elections Commission and the Tech Supreme Court over the weekend, Wright and Dorff were denied a new election.

"We may look like sore losers, but in reality, we are doing (the appeal) for future students who may wish to run for SGA political office," Dorff said. "We, as SGA members, have a duty to guarantee students the right to vote.'

The candidates appeared before the commission at the United Spirit Arena conference center to contest the validity of the 2000 SGA

The Elections Commission is a group of

Tech service fraternity members who are appointed by the SGA president and serve during the election term.

Commission members may not be a candidate for or hold any elective office or position in the SGA during their term on the commission.

"We are not here to blame anyone for the problems with the TechSIS system," Dorff said. "We are here to raise questions about access to the SGA Web site and access to the TechSIS Web site.'

In Wright's and Dorff's arguments before the commission, they referred to SGA election code 3.11 which states, "The Commission shall seek to prevent irregularities in every aspect of the electoral process. The Commission shall have the power to withhold the certification and results of an election in which it finds substantial evidence that irregularities may have occurred and such irregularities may have influenced the outcome or results of the election.'

Dorff and Wright said the wording of the code left room for interpretation.

"Was the students' right to vote denied because of the system and the steps deemed necessary to vote?" Dorff said. "I think so." The candidates presented lists of wit-

Dorff explain why they want another election to the Election Commission Saturday at the United Spirit Arena. Joe Mays

Tim Wright

and John

nesses whom they say experienced problems with the election process while logging on to the Web site, or who tried to log on and the TechSIS system was down.

In a written statement from David Coons, a program analyst with Administrative Information Services, the TechSIS Web site was down from noon to 12:45 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Monday. TechSIS was

down from 12:01 a.m. to 5:15 a.m. and from noon to 2:45 p.m. on Tuesday.

The system was down from 12:30 a.m. to 5:45 a.m. on Wednesday.

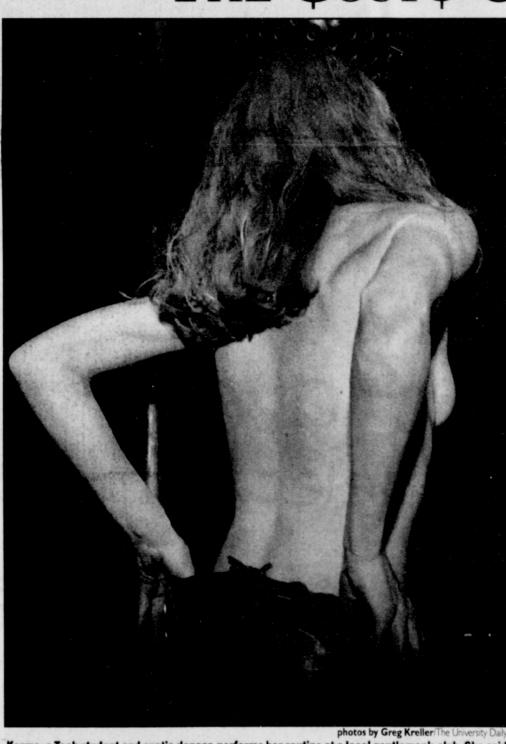
The duration of downtime was 14.5 hours

or 20 percent of the 70 hours available. Dorff asked the commission to consider those students who tried to vote and were

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"(Dancing) gives you a strange confidence because everything you have is out there, and people can judge you. There is nothing hiding you from total strangers."

THE COST\$ OF EDUCATION



Karma, a Tech student and exotic dancer, performs her routine at a local gentlemen's club. She said she dances to help pay her way through college.

Student turns to exotic dancing to help pay way through school "Most girls get their bills paid and are able

by Cory Chandler

he lights are down, strobe lights flash and the blare of music is momentarily drowned out by the voice of a disc jockey hidden in the dark recesses of the

As he speaks, a curtain parts, revealing a woman who takes the stage, her red dress glows beneath the black lights as a new song

In a few moments, the dress drops, and the woman dances leaving little to the audience's imagina-

"Karma," a junior advertising and creative writing major at Texas Tech, has been working as a dancer at Player's Gentlemen's Club for four months.

She spoke with The University Daily under the condition of anonymity.

Karma said for her, dancing is an easy way to make money while keeping up with her classes.

"I can make more in five hours than most people make working full-time for a week,"

Karma said she hopes to make more than \$1,000 in tips at an upcoming dinner at the

Charlie Alt, owner of The Yellow Rose, said

many students work in his club because he is flexible with class schedules. "We always enjoy having someone in

school that can be helped by this job," he said.

to take care of their obligations with the school. It is a good way to pay off books Karma said although the money is

good, some people have trouble accepting her new job. She said her parents were not happy when they found out about her decision to dance. "This Christmas Break was really awk-

ward," she said. "I felt like everyone was

sitting around thinking 'There goes the little stripoer.'

She also said some of her customers have come in trying to convince her to quit dancing.

"I had one guy walk in one time with a rolled-up article," Karma said. "It was written by an ex-stripper and talked about the sins (of stripping). I was like, show this to somebody else. I know the line society draws about

my job."

She also said some of her customers have unusual requests for her.

She said one man comes in and orders

drinks for the girls, then asks them to spit in the drinks so he can drink the spit. Karma said though she has trouble

with some customers, most of them re-

"Most of the guys are OK until they get drunk and begin to try to touch us," said

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Fun not only product to come from Spring Break

by Shannon Davis

Whether students head to the beach or hit the slopes, they must be prepared for what they might return to school with — a visit to the doctor's office.

Last year, numerous students came back from Spring Break with illnesses and injuries that could have been avoided if the proper precautions had been made. Kelly Bennett, staff physician at Student

Health Services, said students came back with broken bones and diseases from making the wrong choices. She said SHS treated many students who

ate or drank something and came back extremely sick the week after Spring Break. Prevention of common mishaps that

might occur while on vacation can be prevented by following these safety guidelines. If heading to a cold environment to go

skiing, the proper steps should be taken into

consideration. •In renting ski equipment, make sure the

business knows what skiing level you are at, so that the bindings are set correctly. It also is important to check your own equipment and have goggles or glasses. Helmets also may prevent head injuries to any type of incident with a tree or hitting the ground.

·Use sunscreen. Many times, you can receive a more severe burn on a mountain than at a lower level. The sun is stronger at higher altitudes, and sunscreen is recommended to prevent any damage to the face or the lips.

•Altitude sickness affects some people, so it is important to have some type of medication to treat any signs of sickness. Individuals sleeping at 8,000 feet can be affected, and immediate care should be given to anyone with a severe headache or shortness of breath.

·Alcohol also has greater effects at higher altitudes, and drinking when skiing can affect a person's ability of body control.

·Skiing outside the marked areas of the mountain also is dangerous. This can cause avalanches and injuries.

Going to the tropics can lead to a danger-

ous time if you are not aware of what to do and not to do.

Most people know not to drink the water in a different country, but Bennett said people forget water can be found in foods and other drinks.

Ice in drinks, tea or coffee made from water, fountain drinks, any fruits or vegetables that need to be washed and ice cream can lead to sickness

·Make sure when brushing your teeth or rinsing contacts, use bottled water. When taking a shower face away from the water so that you do not swallow any water.

•The Center for Disease Control recommends to chew a Pepto Bismol tablet with each meal. It is somewhat protective against stomach ailments

•Use the buddy system. When going out into the ocean, always have a companion.

•The sun's rays get stronger as you get closer to the equator, so applying sunscreen can prevent burns

•It is safe to drink alcohol if it contains no ice, but be careful about the amount of con-

"I am going to Jamaica for Spring Break, and what I plan to do is not drink the water, eat foods that were washed and not cooked and not go into town by myself unless with a guided tour," said Chris York, a junior business major from Garland. "I am going to be careful and make good decisions, so that I do not get sick while I.am gone or return sick

from my vacation.' If students keep these guidelines in mind when traveling to the beach, they are less

likely to get sick, Bennett said. Anyone traveling into other areas need to check with doctors for any shots needed to prevent diseases.

SHS offers evaluations to anyone needing a consultation or prescription for prevention of diseases or altitude sickness.

Students come back from Spring Break with STDs, and they need to keep in mind that they need make smart decisions, and use a condom while engaging in sex," Bennett said.

For more information or an appointment. contact Student Health Services at 743-2848. APPEAL, from p. 1 denied access because of technical problems.

"It is like saying voting will be at the University Center and then locking the doors," he said. "How many times does a person have to try and vote before it's a failure on SGA's part? No one should be denied the right to vote even once.'

Dorff presented a solution to the commission.

"SGA should do the election over again, and this time, make sure it is done right," Dorff said. "We should go back to the traditional method of Scantron voting which would ensure everyone a right to vote."

After a two-hour deliberation, the Elections Commission issued the following statement, "The Election Commission feels that there were no substantial irregularities that may have influenced the outcome of the results or the election. Therefore, we

reject the appeal of Mr. Wright and Mr. Dorff.'

Both candidates then appealed the decision of the Election Commission to the Tech Supreme Court.

Dorff and Wright presented their appeal to the Tech Supreme Court on Sunday at the University Center, once again discussing their issues with the election.

The Supreme Court unanimously tion. upheld the Elections Commission's findings.

The Supreme Court is a panel of Tech students appointed by the SGA president at the beginning of each academic year and serve over matters dealing with the SGA constitu-

The next step in the appeals process would be for the candidates to go before the Student Senate and ask the members not to ratify the elec-

The Student Senate has its next meeting on Thursday.

Dorff is unsure if he will present the appeal to the Student

Wright did not return phone calls to The University Daily for comment on Sunday.

The SGA presidential office runoff election between Andrew Schoppe and Carrie Evans will begin today and run through Wednesday.

Voting will be conducted online at www.sga.ttu.edu

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KARMA, from p. 1

"Dallas," a former student at Florida Community College in Jacksonville who is temporarily working at The Yellow Rose. "That is when the bouncers have to jump in."

Dallas said all the clubs in Lubbock have a no-hands policy, but some of her customers have tried to climb on stage with her.

"I had one guy that decided to jump on the stage with me," she said. "He tried to put his hands where they shouldn't be, and we had to kick him out.'

Karma said her older customers normally give her less trouble.

"Most of them know the etiquette," she said. "Some guys come in thinking they don't have to spend money, but everyone in the club is dependent on tips, from the waitresses to the DJ.'

Alt said the women who work at The Yellow Rose are independent contractors and do not work on a sal-

"The tips and fees for dancing are so good, a salary isn't necessary," he

Karma said most women she

works with help each other out on a lot of money in the club, she does slow nights and that they do have generous customers.

"I've had people slip me \$100 bills on stage a couple of times," she said. Most dancers in the club have regular customers that come in to see

"You meet guys, and after a while, you click with certain ones," Karma

"Some girls have devoted regulars. One girl has a guy that takes her to lunch each week and gives her spending money."

She said although men do spend

not feel like she is taking advantage of them.

"The guys that come in to the club know what they're doing," she said. "They know what goes on."

She said it is hard to have a conscience while working, and her experience with dancing has helped her become more comfortable with

(Dancing) gives you a strange confidence because everything you have is out there, and people can judge you," she said. "There is nothing hiding you from total strang-

Karma does not want to pursue dancing after graduation but said she does not have any definite date on when she plans on

"I keep telling myself I am only going to do this for a year," she said. "But I don't know what I'd do other than this."

Karma said the experience

has been interesting. "One thing about it, there is always something interesting happening," she said. "It keeps you on your toes."



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Arizona proceeds with e-lection

(AP)—On Tuesday, Arizona Democrats will become the nation's first to cast votes online in a legally binding public election.

Is the country ready? Even advocates of virtual voting have their doubts. Arizona and other states, they say, still have issues of security, identity and access to resolve.

E-lection Day continues all week, until the Democratic presidential primary Saturday. Republicans offered no e-lection option during their Feb. 22 primary.

Mark Fleisher, the state Democratic chairman, dismisses criticisms about readiness.

"Somebody has to be first," he said. "If you want to see elections on the Internet, you have to jump in."

He hopes to engage younger voters, predicting the Internet "will do more to increase voter turnout than anything since the repeal of the poll tax."



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Trio delivers unique performance

Staff Writer

hose who attended the Ahn Trio performance Thursday night were treated to a unique and light performance that was uplifting as well as motivating.

Angella, Maria and Lucia came across as bright, dedicated and gifted musicians who have a compelling sense of youthful spirit.

With the exception of a minor violin string mishap in the first five minutes of the performance, their exhibition remained solid and unified beyond the encore.

However, when Angella went offstage to replace her violin string, it became apparent she was the dominant voice of the trio. An audience member shouted, "Say something," to pianist Lucia and cellist Maria who were sitting onstage in awkward silence.

nightlife • review

It seemed for those few minutes, the individualism and charm they carried at the beginning instantly was lost.

Breaking the ice, Angella returned to the stage to replace her string in front of the audience. This seemed to personalize their approach and add a touch of humor.

Before each section of music was played, Angella introduced the piece and the composer with an open, clever and enthusiastic atti-

The trio had an exemplary understanding of the composers. They put forth all their effort with consistent grace in every move-

Creating their own world with the music, Ahn Trio captivated the audience as the elements of pitch, tempo and style changed.

Composer Leonard Bernstein created the opening of variety, but the music of Paul Shoenfield seemed to lean toward traditional sounds before the intermission.

After the break, the energy of the trio faded a bit, but the music



was full of power.

Piazzolla's "Tango Nuevo" (New Tango) was innovative, and Ahn Trio ended with this piece on brilliant and bold final notes.

Audience members consisted mostly of older Lubbock residents, only about one-eighth of the spectators consisted of Tech students.

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genuine appreciation and admiration for the music. Many purchased CDs and had them autographed.

The Student Activities Board did a good job publicizing the event around campus. They provided ushers, programs and hors d'oeuvres for those who attended.

Ahn Trio's encore piece, "This is not America," seemed ironic. Their performance, this country and this campus offer so many innovative and culturally-enhancing experiences which many do not take advantage of.

Ahn Trio, who has made headlines and cover stories across the nation, should have been seen as role models and inspirations for the generation.

Yet, students at Texas Tech showed an inadequate interest of culture with their lack of atten-

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Those who did attend had a teresting until around 11 p.m., leaving plenty of time for a little culture before bumping rears with everyone in the Piranha Room.

A Julliard education and renown talent should have drawn a larger

Ahn Trio is an example of rising to great heights with the the sophistication and intelligence of adults, while promoting the spirit and optimism of youth.

Mon. 12-4 pm

Hanks to begin filming new movie

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) - A slimmer Tom Hanks is due in Memphis next month to film parts of a movie in which he plays an island castaway, a spokeswoman says.

Hanks plays a workaholic Federal Express executive who survives a plane crash and is stranded alone on a small island in the film "Cast Away," a 20th Century Fox and DreamWorks studios production with Robert Zemeckis directing.

While on the remote island, Hanks has to "completely transform himself both physically and emotionally in order to survive his circumstance," Russell

The film began production in early 1999 with scenes in Los Angeles and Moscow, but it had to take an eight-month break while Hanks lost more than 40 pounds to give his character a gaunt look when he returned to civilization.

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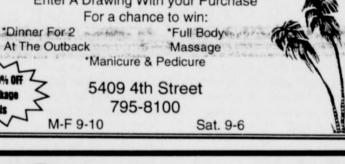
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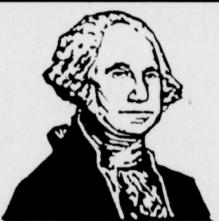
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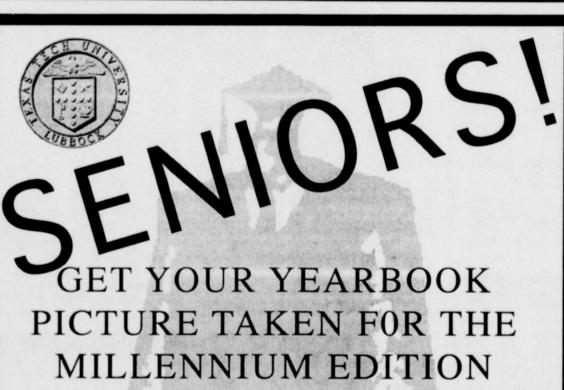
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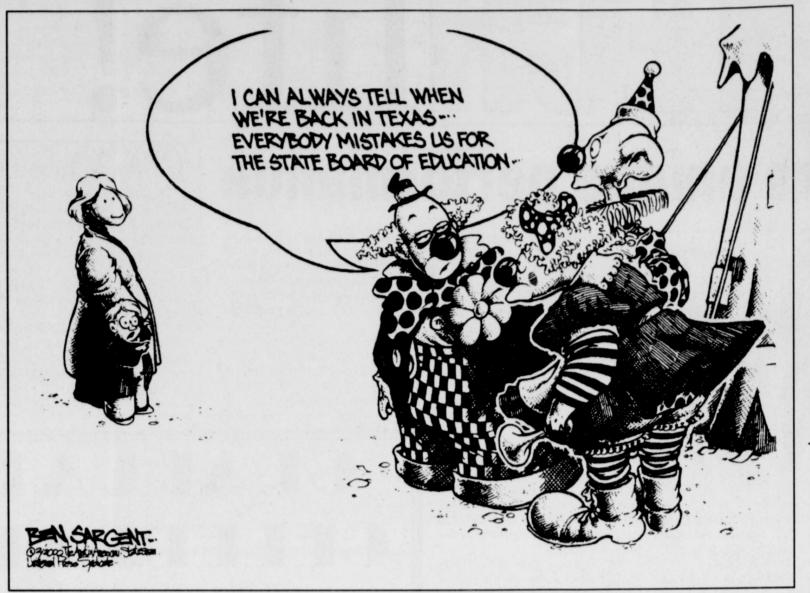
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Raider Red's affiliation questioned

'm sure everyone reading this knows the guys who ring the bells at the football games. You know, the Saddle Tramps. I have heard a few people around campus talk about them. While I have to admit that some of these students did not say the kindest of things about them, there were a few that admired the group.

Kelsey Walter Staff Writer

While I have mixed opinions on both the role and purpose the Saddle Tramps serve, I think I have more than what it takes to be in their little group. But do I want to be?

Hell no! I do not need to wear the same outfit as 50 other guys at a sporting event to be cool and full of spirit. But I bet most the students on campus are not aware that being a Tramp is a necessity if

one wants to try out for the position of Raider Red.

Yes, I am somewhat aware that the entire Raider Red hoopla is funded by the Saddle Tramp organization, but does that

make it fair to keep non-Tramps from having the chance to show their school spirit?

Being a mascot for two years in high school, I know that putting myself in that suit during almost every sporting event, pep rally and fund-raiser made me feel like I was really important and that I was supporting my school in the best way I could. But now that I am in college, I have lost that feeling, and I miss it a lot.

Being Raider Red is the only way I can think of to get it back.

If you Tramps have any other suggestions, I am all ears.

What if I do not want to be a Saddle Tramp? I know, then too bad, right? I am out of luck I guess.

Uh, how about no!

It seems really inconsiderate to tell me I cannot apply for something I know I am qualified to be; not just me, but others as well.

I guess you have failed to include the rights of women in your actions. Maybe I should have left that part out, that could be a real problem once people think about it.

Why not just hold tryouts and let the best person have the job? But wait, that might take get from supporting our famous mascot. However, it might give them some as well.

I know a couple of other guys who have questioned the spirit in the Saddle Tramps as of late, and, if I remember correctly, the Tramps were not very happy with some of the remarks that were thrown in their face.

So here is the solution. If the Saddle Tramps are so full of spirit and are truly meant to hold the position of Raider Red, then prove it once and for all.

I hate to admit it, but, at times, the Saddle Tramps are nothing more than fans with a better view of what is going on in the game.

Not that I disagree with what the Tramps stand for, but others should definitely have the opportunity to be the man in suit too.

If money is the problem, I do not think getting a few people to support us non-Tramps would be much of a problem — that way the money made by Raider Red could go directly back to the Saddle Tramp organization just to prevent any whining that might possibly occur.

Anyway, just an idea to throw out to get the juices flowing in the minds of all those Tramps who may think they have more spirit than I do.

Kelsey Walter is a junior journalism maaway from all the prestige the Saddle Tramps jor from Henderson. He can be reached via e-mail at valboski79@hotmail.com.

Joe Schmoe's **Guide to** Voting

s I was driving to school the other day, I noticed a bumper sticker on the car in I front of me that read, "Save America: Vote Republican." If only it were that simple.

Change is a good thing. We can't have one party in power for too long or else calamity would occur. If Democrats were in power for too long, we would be taken over when our vastly under-funded Army is overrun by aborigines with spears and clubs. If the Republicans were in power for too long, we'd revert back to feudalism where the rich would rule (more so than they do now). That's why we have a democracy, to have a balance of power.

Most people choose their political beliefs largely based on their lot in life. Minorities often feel better represented by Democrats. Gun-toting people feel better represented by Republicans.

Iam neither. What I am is a white Christian male from Plano, whose father worked in defense and who's haphazardly pursuing a career in medicine

> - and you say I had a choice? The Democrats gave up

on my kind a long time ago.

Thankfully, the Republicans and television still cater to us

it makes us feel loved. But

I will put aside my partisan

beliefs to bring you a highly-

unbiased candidate review

to make your voting choice



Hudec Columnist

Let's start with Gov. George W. Bush, the biggest front-runner since Gary Hart. Some people out there worry that he's the second

coming of Dan Quayle, yet he can at least put things in perspective. Bush, when asked what his worst mistake was, replied that it was agreeing to the trade that sent Sammy Sosa and Wilson Alvarez to the Chicago White Sox for Harold Baines and Fred Manrique (raise your hand if you actually remember him).

Certain reporters saw this as a pat answer, but I see it as the honest truth. You know how great the Texas Rangers would have been with Sammy Sosa and Juan Gonzalez hitting back to back? Just think of all those World Series titles. The world would assuredly be a better place if the Texas Rangers were the team of the '90s instead of the New York Yankees. But I digress.

The other complaint about Bush is that being raised rich leaves him out of touch with the common man. Every politician is out of touch with the common man because they've spent all their time being politicians, so this really doesn't make a difference.

I don't think any of the candidates are in touch with the common man except maybe Alan Keyes, a man so humble and open that he actually crowdsurfed a mosh pit to Rage Against The Machine as part of a campaign stop.

As I've said before, he's a great guy. But sadly, he won't win, which hopefully won't make him as bitter as John McCain. But hey, if you were a prisoner of war, you'd be bitter, too. You'd be resentful and full of animosity.

This probably means McCain won't ever compromise on any issue, which can be good or bad depending on how you look at it. It's good to see a man who stands fervently by what he believes, but nothing ever gets done without some degree of compromise. But for a bitter war veteran, the guy's got a great sense of humor.

But, alas, Republican establishment doesn't like him and will probably find some way to make sure he doesn't win. But at least we'll be able to enjoy his speeches more than Al Gore, who makes Bob Dole look like Robin Williams. Dole seemed so lifeless during the 1996 campaign, yet now seems hilarious in comparison.

Gore is in a tough spot because he can't escape the Clinton scandal even though he wasn't involved. People worry that stupidity and immorality are contagious. That might cost him the election in the fall, but it won't keep him from easily winning the Democratic nomination over Bill Bradley.

I don't think Bradley actually exists. Surely this lifeless form at the debates can't be the same former superstar of basketball who now suddenly has less personality than the hardwood floor at Madison Square Garden.

Where's his charisma and likability from before? I think that it's a plot by the Democrats to make him seem so boring that Gore can look exciting by com-

But, unless the Republicans do something stupid, like let Bush keep talking off of the planned script, neither of these two have the personality to endear voters to pick them as president.

So there you have it, the candidates in a nutshell. But the one we've left out in all of this is poor old Billy Bob Clinton. Have you ever thought to consider what our lame duck president thinks of all this? Who does he want? Sure, he campaigns for Gore in public, but deep down, he's pulling for our own Governor George W. Bush. Why? It's simple, so he'll be studied in the history books the way he

wants to be remembered: surrounded by Bush. Jay Hudec is a second-year medical student from Plano. He is hugging a tree to make up for all the mean things he's said about Democrats lately.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Clear choice

To the editor: As a 16-year resident of Lubbock County, and more specifically Precinct 4, I would like to argue Cameron Graham's viewpoint that was published in the March 3 issue of The UD.

I do not know how many students are registered voters in this precinct or even how many would be interested in this letter to the editor, but I would like to let everyone know of another candidate that Graham had not mentioned. Patti Jones is the candidate that I would like to mention.

I have known Patti for 13 years and feel that she has the honesty, integrity and commitment to work for the people of Lubbock County. Patti's works through the community activities that she is in have been centered around the youth. I have worked for her business and know how her leadership can encourage others to get things done.

One thing that Graham did not mention about his candidate is that Jones received the endorsement of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal for County Commissioner of the 4th Precinct. Patti also has received KCBD Channel 11's "One who makes a difference."

I would like to encourage everyone to research each candidate before you make a decision. However, in my opinion, there is only one candidate for County Commissioner of the 4th Precinct and that is Patti Jones.

I also would like to encourage everyone to fulfill his or her right to vote. March 14 is during Spring Break, so if you go home for the break, support your candidates of choice or vote early before you go off on a big

Kevin Kuper agricultural and applied economics

Thanks

To the editor: Thanks to all of you who voted in the Student Government Association election this past Monday through Wednesday.

Thank you to all of you who have given up your time to help with my campaign for SGA president so far. I am forever grateful for all of your help and support and could not ask for anything more from such dedicated and giving people. Last but not least, thanks to all of you who spoke up these last five to six weeks to share issues and ideas that are important to you in an effort to make Texas Tech the best it can be.

Now, there is just one more leg of the race to run. Monday through Wednesday, a runoff election for SGA president will be held. Voting procedures will be identical to the voting procedures in last week's elections. Simply log on to www.sga.ttu.edu at any computer, type in your personal test number and the last six digits of your social security number, and then cast your vote for SGA president. If you do not know your personal test number, go to http://techsis. admin.ttu.edu/student, type in your six-digit PIN number, and you will be able to access the personal test number that you need to vote. Again, thanks to all of you who voted and got involved these last few weeks, and please take the time to do so one more time by voting in the SGA presidential runoff race Monday through Wednesday

www.sga.ttu.edu. Andrew Schoppe broadcast journalism, business management

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n honor of National Panhellenic Council Badge Day, I celebrate the fact that people have chosen to be Greek and are proud to show their support of the Greek system by wearing their pins and shirts. I am not



Adrienne Gaviglio Staff Writer

face. I decided that I would step outside of my stereotypical world of khakis and New Balance

shoes in order to share my views of the world of Greeks. I always laugh when I hear someone say it is sad that we have to buy our friends, and I almost

wish that was true. By this time, I figure with more than 150 people in my sorority who all pay dues, we would all be very rich. In fact, we do not buy friends. Rather, we have bought a lodge in order to hold our meetings rather

versity Center. We also donate money toward a philanthropy and support the community with our dues. And in some instances, we have prepaid for a party.

than trying to cram into the Uni-

I can just hear the whispers now. All they do is party!

Well, I find those statements funny because when you and your friends decide to have a party, do you not pay for the kegs or alcohol?

I think you do. So, in essence, we have prepaid for a party, including decorations and a facility to have a party in.

Did you know that on average most fraternities and sororities have four to six parties a year?

I am sure that you attend more than six parties a year. Not only do we hold these parties, but we also do not limit them to only Greeks. Again, why Greeks are criticized, I do not know. So what if we tend to wear our

party shirts in class? Most organizations have T-shirts to represent themselves, including The University Daily and KTXT radio staffs. I hold my

head up high because I am among the few who are proud to be an individual — a Greek!

Greeks also contribute, on average, more than 20,000 hours of community service a year. Their recognition does go unrecognized in many instances.

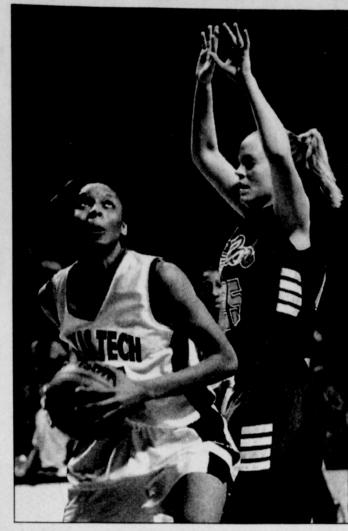
I congratulate Greeks who attend school, have jobs and donate their time to the community. Whether it's cleaning freeways or flipping pancakes at 6 a.m., your time is appreciated.

So as I pick up my cell phone, put on my date party shirt and slip on my Gap jeans (my khakis are dirty), I hold my head up high because I am among the few who are proud to be an individual - a Greek!

Adrienne Gaviglio is a junior journalism major from Fort Worth and a member of Delta Gamma sorority.

Pierson garners Big 12 Freshman of Year honors

Tech freshman forward/ center Plenette Pierson was named Big 12 Freshman of the Year this weekend. The 6-foot-1 Lady Raider finished 13th in the conference in scoring and 14th in rebounding. Greg Kreller



by Matt Muench Staff Writer

year ago, she was trying to prove to college coaches around the country she was

college material. Now, Lady Raider forward/center Plenette Pierson has proved her basketball skills as a collegiate freshman garnering the Big 12 Conference Freshman of the Year award over the weekend.

"It is a pretty good accomplishment for me knowing that this is my freshman year and knowing that I am making an impact on the team and trying to help them win a national championship," she said.

The 6-foot-1 Pierson from Kingwood started all 27 games in her inaugural campaign with the Big 12 co-Champion Lady Raiders, who finished the regular season 24-3 overall and 13-3 in Big 12 play.

Pierson finished 13th in the conference in scoring, averaging 13.8 points-per-game and 14th in rebounding, grabbing 6.9 boards-per-

Tech coach Marsha Sharp said Pierson's hot start helped her attain

"I thought that she had a good chance because she had such a great

start in non-conference play, and I Pierson said. think that set the tone for her season," Sharp said.

"It is a terrific accomplishment for her because there were some good freshman in the conference this year, and we just hope that the award can be a springboard for her career."

Pierson said she never really expected to be in the starting lineup when she first stepped on the court to practice.

She said she just wanted to work hard for the coaches and let things fall into place.

"I wasn't going to come in here expecting anything," Pierson said. "All I knew was I was going to do my best, and if I didn't make the starting lineup this year, maybe I would have next vear."

Even though she did earn a spot on the staring lineup and became the Big 12 Freshman of the Year, Pierson said her emotions still are the same.

"It is not really much of a comparison," Pierson said. "It is just letting me know that they (the Big 12) knew there is a freshman out there that is going to get out and go after it and won't be afraid of it."

She is being considered as maybe the best player in Texas Tech history if she continues to improve her game.

"There is still a lot to learn,"

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"It helps me a lot to have Keitha (Dickerson) and AJ (Aleah Johnson) and everyone else at my position because I have learned many things from them because they have the experience I don't have.'

Pierson will be entering the first Big 12 Tournament of her career this week as the Lady Raiders, who have a bye on Tuesday, will play their first game at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Kansas City against the winner of the Colorado-Missouri contest.

"It feels good to be in my first Big

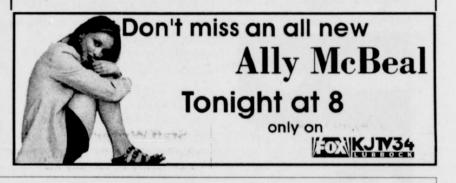
12 Tournament," she said. "We are just going to get out there and show everyone just like we did in conference play that we are not going to just roll over and die."

Pierson said she is not going to think about the award when she is on the court and feels there is no pressure on her to fulfill the award in the tournament or in the incoming sea-

"I am just going to continue to go out and play my hardest like I have all along to help my team out to get where we want to go," Pierson said.

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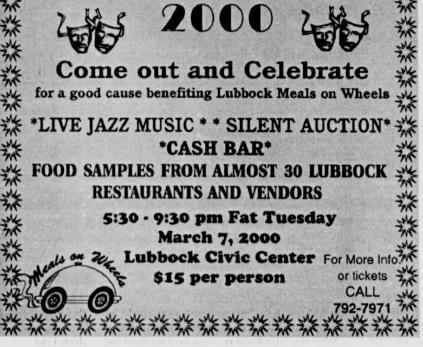


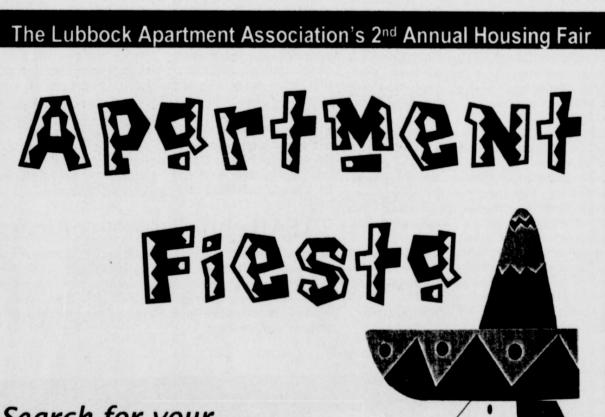
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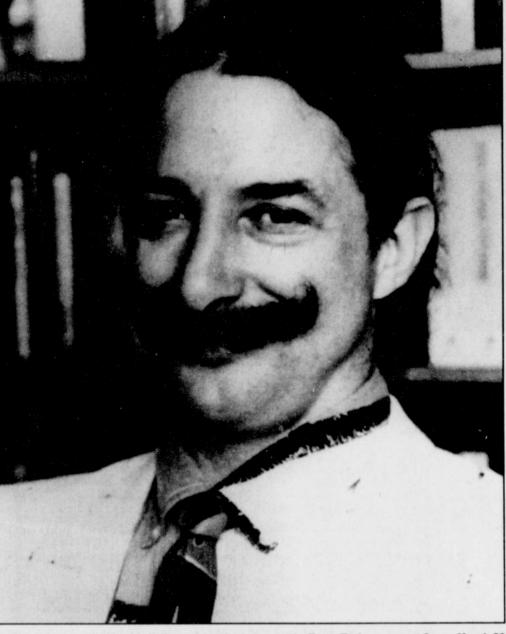
or taking a distressed patient outside for a stroll with fresh air, Dr. Patch Adams will do whatever deems necessary to help heal.

Adams was born May 28, 1945, in Washington, D.C., and raised in Northern Virginia. After a brief stint at Sewanee University, Adams attended George Washington University, receiving his undergraduate degree in 1967. He received his medical degree from the Medical Col-

lege of Virginia in 1971. After serving a one-year pediatric residency at Georgetown University in 1971, Adams and a few of his colleagues founded the Gesundheit Institute in Northern Virginia. During the next 12 years, they operated a home-based family medical practice and managed to treat more than 15,000 people without payment, malpractice insurance or formal facilities.

Because Adams has dedicated his life to the belief that "healing should be a loving human interchange, not a business transaction," he continues on his mission to achieve the goal of building a full-scale free health care center that will be open to anyone in the world. Ambitious? Yes. Impossible? Not for those who know and work with Adams.

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If this sounds like something you might be interested in and you want more information or an application, you can call, come by or e-mail the Student Activities Board. Call 742-3621. Come by the Campus Activities & Involvement Office (Room 228, University Center). E-mail us at: studentactivities



High Profile

Name: Brain Franz Position: Concerts Committee chairman Classification: Sophomore Major: Electrical Engineering Hometown: Plano



"Texas Tech Student Activities Board has been a great experience for me. It has taught me many business, promotional and advertising work aspects I would not have had access to learning otherwise. It is a lot of fun, and I have made many good friends through the organization. I have been a member since my freshman year, and it has been one of the greatest experiences I could have chosen to do."

Name: Nicole Holman Position: Films Committee chairwoman Classification: Junior Major: Family Studies Hometown: Plano



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"I got involved in SAB the beginning of my freshman year and have been here ever since. I've met a lot of interesting people while learning skills that will help me in any career field I choose. Opportunities to attend national and regional conferences also arise periodically. In fact, I just got back from a week-long National NACA Convention in Boston. To sum it all up, SAB is a great learning ground where you make a ton of friends while having fun."

Martha Graham Dance Co. to highlight week's events

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Martha Graham, dancer and choreographer, founded the Martha Graham Dance Company in 1926. As an artist, Graham conceived each

dance, costumes and music. Martha Graham Dance Company is the professional perelemental movements of con-Graham Contemporary Dance, Using those principles as a not-for-profit organization located in New York City. It is here that all of the company's members receive their principle training in Graham Technique.

> The company is the reservoir of 181 works choreographed by Martha Graham, best known alumna of her own company. Since its beginning, the company has received acclaim from audiences throughout the world. Martha Graham Dance Company will perform at 8 p.m. March 7 in the UC Allen Theatre. Call 742-3610 for tickets and more information.

TTSAB chooses new officers

Texas Tech's University Center Advisory Board has chosen its president and vice president for the 2000-2001 school year. Joey Taylor, a sophomore public relations major from Mesquite, will serve as president for 2000-2001. John Harris, a sophomore MIS major from Mesquite, has been chosen to serve as vice president.

Opportunities for experience put students ahead

After his work on the International Food Festival, John could practically work for the United Nations.

world. He worked with the organization of a large number of volunteers, technical needs and a promotional campaign. He had to solve a number of problems within a relatively short period of time.

work as chairman of the Cultural Exchange Committee for the Texas Tech Student Activities Board. And, so has Karen, on Ideas and Issues; and Joey, on Fine Arts; and Nicole, on films; and Brian, on Concerts.

Some of these positions are opening up for the 2000-2001 school year, and the opportunities are open for any interested Tech students. If you would like to make an impact on the Tech campus (and the community in which we live) and if you want to gain some valuable experience for your future, take a good look at these opportunities.

Applications for chairpersons for the five committees of Texas Tech's Student Activities Board will be accepted until 5 p.m. March 10 in Room 228 of the University Center.

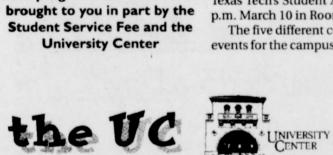
The five different committees plan, market and implement events for the campus, and the chairpersons of these commit-

tees, in partnership with professional staff, are responsible for the work of these committees.

They not only work with staff to develop a good program of events, but they also supervise project leaders for the different projects that fall within their committee areas and work with the members of their committees. They conduct weekly committee meetings, put in office hours, work on events, work with their advisers on their own professional development, assist with training and more.

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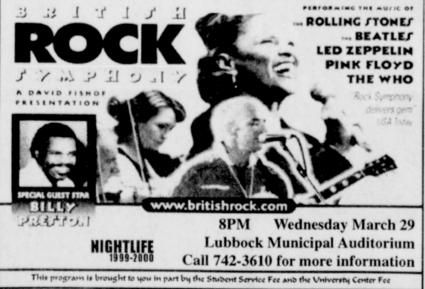
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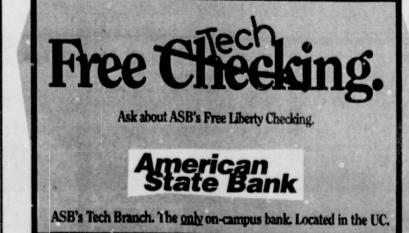
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Basketball

The Texas Tech men's basketball squad lost their last game of the season to the Colorado Buffaloes in an 88-67 thumping Saturday in Boulder, Colo.

Tech (12-15 overall, 3-13 Big 12) will be the 11th seed in the Big 12 Conference Tournament which will begin Thursday in Kansas City, Mo.

The Buffaloes (17-12 overall, 7-9 Big 12) will be the seventh seed in the tournament.

Both teams traded baskets early in the first half, but 13 first-half Red Raider turnovers quickly turned into a 42-28 Colorado lead at the half.

Colorado's Jamahl Mosley had 17 of his 21 points in the opening stanza to aid Colorado's effort. In the second half, the Buffaloes

pulled further away from the Red Raiders, claiming a 30-point lead at 69-39 before the Red Raiders battled back to close the final gap to 21

Colorado's Jaquay Walls was sec-

ond on the team in scoring with 20

Tech was led in scoring by guard Rayford Young who poured in 28 points while going 5-of-6 from 3point range and 10-of-15 overall from the floor. But Tech as a team had trouble shooting as the Red Raiders managed only a 34.5 percent shooting clip from the floor in the contest.

Tech forward Jayson Mitchell became the fifth Red Raider to collect a double double this season as he grabbed 13 boards and tallied 11

The Red Raiders ended the contest with 19 turnovers and were outrebounded by the Buffaloes 50 to

Tech ends the regular season with their lowest number of wins in nine years as the club went 8-23 in the 1990-91 campaign in former coach Gerald Myers' last year at the head of the program.

Softball

The Texas Tech softball team five contests registering a 3-1 went 3-2 over the weekend and advanced to the championship game of the Bash by the Bay Classic at Corpus Christi, only to fall in the title game 1-0 to Evansville.

Tech managed to reach the title games following victories against Texas A&M-Corpus Christi — 5-0 on day one and 2-0 on day two.

Also on day two, Tech had a 4-1 victory against Evansville and received their only other loss to Missouri-Kansas City, 3-2.

Tech pitcher Amanda Renfro was a key highlight throughout the tournament and was named the tournament's most valuable player for her effort.

Renfro pitched in four of Tech's

She threw 21-1/3 innings allowing no earned runs and striking out 45 batters.

Renfro threw a no-hitter and recorded a school record 15 strikeouts over seven innings in the 2-0 victory against TAMU-Cor-

Renfro now has thrown two nohitters on the season and has not given up an earned run in her last 36-1/3 innings.

Offensively, shortstop Lynsey Haij and center fielder Sandy Butler received all-tournament honors.

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Tech first baseman Mark Austry completes an out in the Red Raiders' 14-6 victory against SDSU on Saturday. Tech went on to sweep the Aztecs winning Friday, 11-3, and Sunday, 11-2.

Red Raiders kick major Aztec

by Patrick Gonzales

Sports Editor

Inconsistent pitching and defense has been a burden on the Texas Tech baseball team all season.

But in its three-game series with San Diego State over the weekend, the Red Raiders committed three errors and used only four pitchers.

The result: A three-game sweep of the Aztecs, highlighted by an 11-2 victory Sunday in the series finale at Dan Law Field.

Tech starting pitcher Kevin Tracey earned the victory, giving up only two earned runs on seven hits in a complete-game performance.

He also tied a career high with nine strikeouts, a feat he first accomplished last season also against SDSU.

"I felt good today, and I definitely got my arm in shape going the full nine innings," said Tracey, who pitched his third complete game of the year.

"This win was big for us to get back on track. We're used to winning here, that's what we demand, and that's what the guys expect."

Tech (12-8 overall, 1-2 Big 12) got off to an early start in Sunday's con-

test scoring eight runs in the first three innings. Overall, the Red Raiders scattered 10 hits but also used five Aztec errors to score their runs.

Tech right fielder Cory Sellars led the club offensively, going 2-for-3 with three RBIs and two runs.

The Aztecs (11-11 overall) scored their only runs of the contest in the seventh inning, but Tracey retired the last six consecutive batters to close the game.

"They're a good team, but we just got things going and kind of steam rolled them a little bit," said Tech coach Larry Hays. "It's good for this club to beat a good club like that."

The Red Raiders started their steam roll Friday, defeating the Aztecs, 11-3, behind a strong pitching performance from J.J. Newman.

In his first career start, Newman threw a complete game, giving up three earned runs on 10 hits and striking out a career-high nine bat-

Overall, the Red Raiders were out hit by the Aztecs, 10-9, but again took advantage of three SDSU errors to pick up the victory.

The Red Raiders continued their dominance Saturday, using a late inning scoring spree to defeat the Aztecs, 14-6.

Tech's Cory Metzler started the contest and pitched five solid innings, giving up four earned runs on seven hits while striking out three.

"This is the best pitching in a weekend series that we've had and that really helps the club in so many ways," Hays said.

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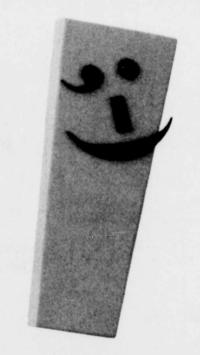
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