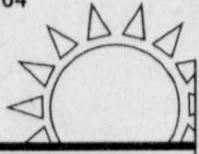


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STATE

Aggie leaders angry at bonfire proposal

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Leaders of last year's Aggie Bonfire, which collapsed killing 12 and injuring 27 others, say they are strongly against a student group's plans to build a renegade log stack off campus this fall.

Chip Thiel and Austin Townsend told the Bryan-College Station Eagle that they and other bonfire leaders feel the organization, called Keep the Fire Burning, has done more damage than good.

"Keep the Fire Burning is hurting people who have been through more tragedy in the past nine months than any of us will have to go through in our entire lives," Thiel said.

Thiel, who as a "Brown Pot" held a position high in the bonfire leadership hierarchy and was at the site during the deadly Nov. 18 collapse, said he has several letters from parents of students killed in the collapse spelling out disapproval of an off-campus bonfire.

"When the families don't support this, I'm sorry, but we'll listen to the families and university first," said Thiel, who spent six days in the hospital with a punctured lung and a broken leg.

NATIONAL

'Cats' ends 18 year Broadway schedule

NEW YORK (AP) — "Now and forever" is here and gone. "Cats," Broadway's longest running show, hung up its whiskers, tails and toe shoes Sunday after nearly 18 years and a record 7,485 performances.

It was an emotional weekend at the Winter Garden Theater, starting with the Saturday matinee where the audience included alumni from the musical's Broadway and touring productions. The Saturday evening performance was a special benefit for the Actors' Fund, the theater service organization that takes care of entertainment professionals. And the final performance Sunday was by invitation only.

"Cats," which has music by Andrew Lloyd Webber, is based on "Old Possum's Book of Practical Cats," a collection of poems by T.S. Eliot, who even though he died in 1965, received a Tony Award 18 years later for his contributions to the score.

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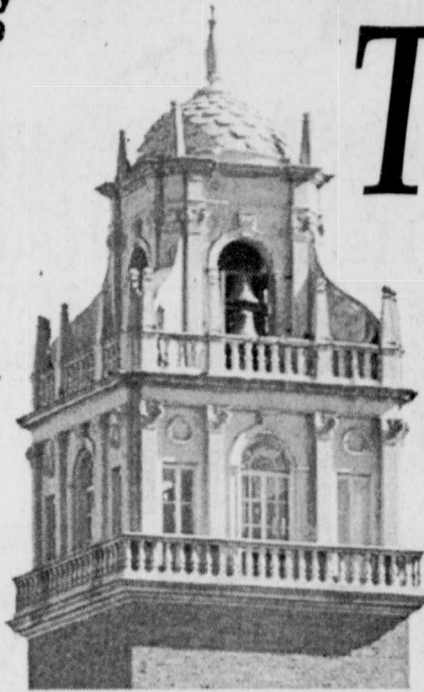
Flood gates unleash upon Italy campers

SOVERATO, Italy (AP) — The rain-swollen waters of a stream swept through a campground filled with disabled campers in the southern region of Calabria before dawn Sunday, killing at least 10 people and injuring dozens as they slept, authorities reported.

Interior Minister Enzo Bianco, who arrived in Calabria in the evening, told reporters that 10 people had died and five were missing at the Le Giare campground near the seaside town of Soverato.

The muddy waters destroyed the campground's guest register, complicating the task of accounting for the living, the dead and the missing.

The floodwaters turned the campground, where disabled campers from Calabria and their volunteer aides have gone every summer for seven years, into a sea of mud, flipping over cars, shoving trailers into trees and smashing bungalows.



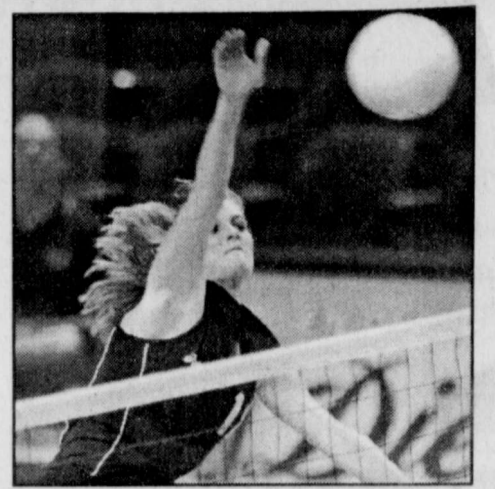
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## Making a tradition

By Cory Chandler  
Staff Writer

As the temperature rose to a sweltering 103 degrees and the heat seemed to be radiating from the pavement, Texas Tech students gathered outside the United Spirit Arena Sunday afternoon for the annual Raider Roundup.

But instead of standing outside in the blistering heat, students stepped inside the cool, air-conditioning of the arena. This was the first year the Roundup has been held indoors.

Every year, Tech Housing and Dining hosts Raider Roundup to create an environment for new students to meet other students. The event also helps them get better acquainted with the Tech campus and all the activities offered at the university and around Lubbock.

Student and community service organizations lined up to participate in the event. See **ROUNDUP**, page 5



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/The University Daily

Leia Bashore, a junior family studies major from Plano and Mack Phipper, a sophomore animal sciences major from Riesel, preserve their "guns up" in a wax hand mold Sunday afternoon during Raider Roundup at United Spirit Arena.

## Vote cards to increase on campus

By Pam Smith  
Staff Writer

Registering to vote this year may be a little easier on Texas Tech students because of a greater availability of voter registration cards on campus.

"This year, we've seen a bigger push nationally to get students to vote," said Michael Shonrock, interim vice president of Student Affairs. "By distributing registration forms, we want to encourage students to get out and vote."

Shonrock said 25,000 voter registration cards will be distributed at several locations across campus, and once students pick up the forms, they just need to fill them out and mail them.

In the last few years, statistics have shown that people age 18 to 29 have lower voting numbers as compared to other age groups.

According to the records at the voter registration office in Lubbock County, 27 percent of the people who voted in the last election were in the 18 to 29 age group. In the 1998 general election, this age group comprised 8.27 percent of the vote, and they registered 8.57 percent in the

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## Dancing to the beat of a different drum



GREG KRELLER/The University Daily

Ernie Ebert, a member of the West Texas Native American Association, dances Saturday afternoon at the Coyboy Symposium at Lubbock Memorial Civic Center. The event was held to showcase various lifestyles associated with the history of the Old West, see related story, page 3.

## Rider stands larger than life

A new statue dedicated to the history of the Masked Rider finds its home.

By Angel Wolfe  
Staff Writer

Leading the Red Raiders onto the field Jan. 1, 1954, as the first Masked Rider, Joe Kirk Fulton said he never dreamed the tradition would have lasted as long as it has. Today, the Masked Rider will forever sit atop his horse riding full gallop into Jones SBC Stadium thanks to a new monument outside the Frazier Alumni Pavilion.

More than 20 former Masked Riders and about 250 alumni, students and administrators gathered to witness its unveiling on Saturday.

Joe King, 1975-1976 Masked Rider of Brady, said he was very happy to be able to attend the unveiling.

"I think a lot of what we are excited about is the acknowledgment of a tradition that is so important to this campus," King said. "The monument has given (former Masked Riders) a real boost."

He said the statue and monument has sparked a real interest in fund raising.



GREG KRELLER/The University Daily

Grant Speed, sculptor of the new Masked Rider statue, speaks at the presentation ceremony outside of the Frazier Alumni Pavilion Saturday afternoon.

"It's a chance to give money back to the school, and the Masked Rider has received much more interest as a result of this statue," he said.

Alvin Davis, former administrator of the Ranching Heritage Center and Masked Rider committee member for 14 years, said he is glad to see the Masked Rider memorialized.

"I think this is the crowning glory of the whole Masked Rider tradition," Davis said. "I've dreamed of this (having a Masked Rider statue) and pushed for this for years."

The monument is a 25 percent larger-than-

life-size statue of the Masked Rider with cape flowing and riding a black American Quarter horse in full gallop toward the stadium with his "guns up."

The statue sits on a 4-foot-tall platform, and plans are still in the works to add the names of all former Masked Riders to the courtyard surrounding the area of the monument.

Grant Speed, of Linden, Utah, was commissioned to produce the statue through Bill Burford, an art dealer, Tech alumnus and former

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Fiji Olympics heightens breast cancer awareness

By Leslie Folmar Staff Writer

Screaming girls, face painting and team spirit brought 11 Texas Tech sororities together during the weekend to compete in the 45th annual Fiji Olympics.

The event, hosted by Phi Gamma Delta fraternity, entertains a weekend of friendly competition between Tech sororities every fall, with proceeds benefiting the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation.

This year, 11 sororities competed in three categories—spirit, philanthropy and events—focusing more on raising money for breast cancer research.

Fiji Olympic Chairman Cody Craig, a sophomore business major from Lubbock, said because the event in the past had been more focused on winning, members geared this year's event more toward the philanthropy.

"In the past few years, sororities were becoming more focused on getting more spirit points than raising money for the philanthropy," Craig said.

"We want everyone to be excited about raising money and awareness."

As part of the spirit competition, sororities

could earn points for proving their group spirit with songs and signs.

Chi Omega sorority was awarded first place in the spirit category.

A scavenger hunt, tug-of-war, egg-spoon relay and a Chubby Bunny contest helped promote camaraderie among the sororities while raising money for breast cancer.

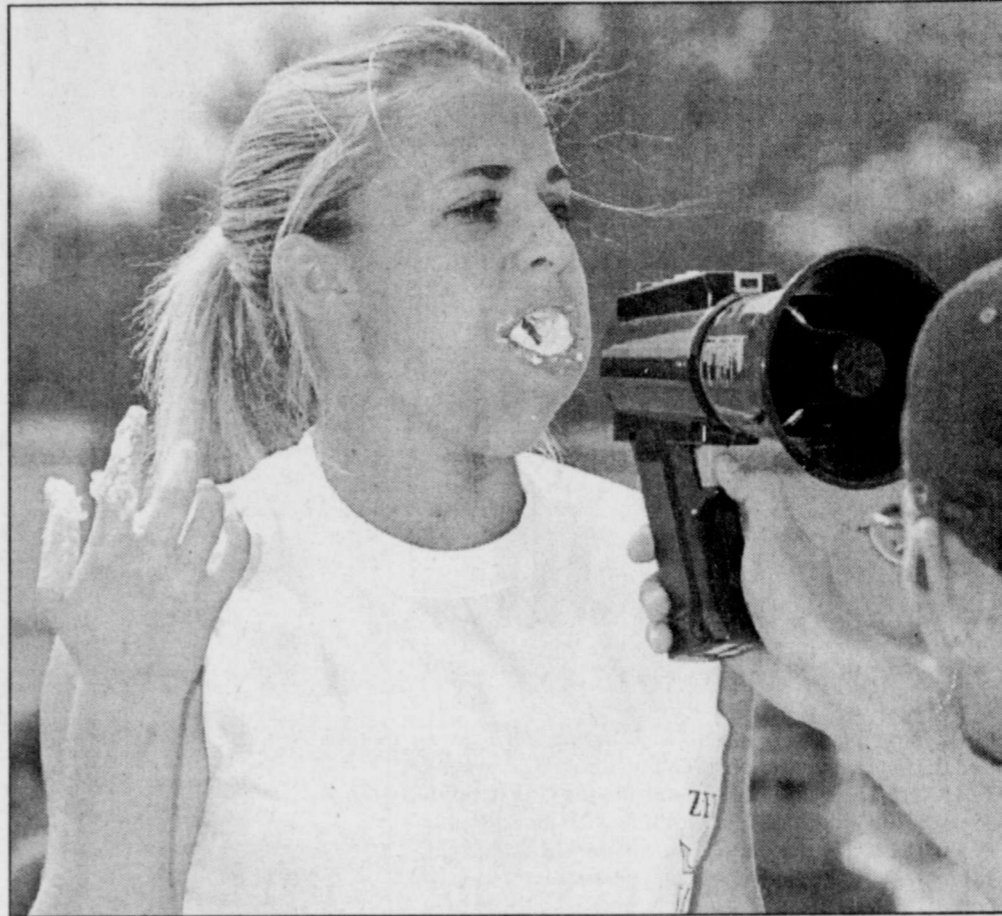
Kappa Alpha Theta sorority racked up the most points in the events category and came away as the event winner.

As a part of the philanthropy category, sororities competed last week to raise the most money. Containers were placed in the University Center for Tech students and faculty to make their contributions.

Kappa Delta walked away with first place in the philanthropy category.

Although total proceeds were not available as of late Sunday, an overall winner would be announced at a later date, Craig said.

"This is the oldest Greek philanthropy event at Texas Tech, and each year we get to the chance to help out with a great cause," Craig said. "Over the years, many Lubbock businesses continue to support the event. With enthusiasm of the sororities, the Fiji Olympics will continue to grow each year."



Zeta Tau Alpha member Leslie Brooks, a freshman undecided major Amarillo, attempts to say 'Chubby Bunny' with 20 marshmallows in her mouth Saturday at the 45th annual Fiji Olympics events at the West 19th Street party warehouse.

Wells Fargo contributes to program

Local branch donates new trailer, scholarship to Masked Rider endowment fund.

By Will Frederick Staff Writer

The Texas Tech Masked Rider program received a new horse trailer Saturday at the main branch of Wells Fargo Bank, 1500 Broadway.

The horse trailer donation is part of an ongoing 10-year endowment fund set up by Wells Fargo Bank to help guarantee funds for the Masked Rider program in the future.

A \$2,000 scholarship is also provided for the Masked Rider each year as part of the endowment.

The new trailer, valued at \$8,900, is a two-horse slant load with rear tack compartments, side storage space and a built in feeder for the horse.

Gary Lawrence, president of the Lubbock branch of Wells Fargo Bank and a 1964 Tech graduate, said the endowment fund is designed to help support the Masked Rider program. Lawrence said the program has an anticipated goal of \$250,000, plus interest.

"We think the Texas Tech mascot is second to none in the nation," Lawrence said.

"For the past five years we have donated \$25,000 for truck, trailer and travel expenses."

When the 10-year endowment is completed, Lawrence said, the interest gained from the money alone would guarantee the continuation of funds for the Masked Rider program.

Michael Sommermeyer, associate director of the Office of News and Publications, said Wells Fargo's commitment would allow the program to be self-sufficient in the future.

"Up until a few years ago, student fees paid the majority of expenses for the Masked Rider program," Sommermeyer said.

Masked Rider Lesley Gilbreath, a senior finance major from Flower Mound, said she appreciates Wells Fargo's generous donation.

"The trailer we have is a lot older and we truly needed the extra space that the new one provides," she said. "This is just another generous offer from Wells Fargo Bank, and it truly shows their support of the Masked Rider program."



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Ryan Weller

kids that think you hung the moon while watching Tech's new football regime kick those Ragin' Cajuns butts!

So, what do I have to do, you ask? We will individually pair up one child with one Tech student so we need specific names and soon since the game is Sept. 16. The day of the game, you will show up at Dan Law Field and be paired up with your kid. You'll get free hotdogs and soft drinks. Hang out at Raider Alley and then enjoy game. This is a great community service project for any organization. Fill out the sign-up sheets through your student organizations and return it to the Student Government Office, 230 University Center.

If you have any questions, contact the SGA office at 742-3631.

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Ryan Weller is the external vice president of the Student Government Association.

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# Taste of the Old West



Greg Kreller/The University Daily  
Doyle Trees of Bandera participates in the 2000 Chuckwagon Cookoff at the National Cowboy Symposium.

## Symposium cooks up fun for enthusiasts

By Kellye Fondy  
Contributing Writer

Western music and chuck wagon meals brought a taste of the old West to Lubbock this weekend at the 11th annual National Cowboy Symposium in Lubbock Memorial Civic Center.

Wild West enthusiasts of all ages congregated to witness the events and participate in on-site contests, while others demonstrated their knowledge of time period.

One such enthusiast, Craig Cameron, a world-renowned horse trainer shared his art with the attendees.

By the end of his 30-minute session, Cameron had saddled, bridled and rode a juvenile colt.

A native Texan, this former rodeo cowboy, working cowboy, rancher and cattleman has made horses his life for more than 40 years.

"Horses need to feel safe, sure, certain and secure," Cameron said. "Patience and understanding are essential elements involved in the equine world."

Cameron's appearance at the Symposium is just one stop on his list of events. He will perform 130

shows and training schools this year alone across the United States, as well as Canada and Mexico.

In addition to horse-training sessions and chuck wagon dinners, the Symposium also had daily farrier competitions.

The farrier, or horse-shoeing, competition began Thursday with a clinic directed by Billy Crothers, a competition judge from Wales, U.K.

Seven teams of three people competed in the event. Each team was given 90 minutes to build one front shoe and one hind shoe for a horse.

The teams were judged based on their time and the quality of the shoes they created.

The majority of the farriers in the competition were from the United States, however, two traveled from England and one from Australia.

"It's really exciting to work with farriers from all over the world," said Todd Walker of Austin. "We all learned a lot from each other."

The Symposium came to a close Sunday with the Nation's largest chuck wagon breakfast, followed by a morning filled with cowboy poetry and a free outdoor concert.

## NI Day to be instrumental for departments, students

Kristina Thomas  
Staff Writer

National Instruments will have its first annual Texas Tech NI Day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today at the Engineering Key, north of Memorial Circle. A tent will be set up to introduce students to job opportunities available for the upcoming year.

NI manufactures both hardware and software to be used in test measurements and industrial automation. This will be the company's first time to recruit on the Tech campus.

Shannon Pearson, NI recruiting and human resource representative, said today's events will not be the only chance Tech students will have to talk to representatives.

"We are just starting to build a close relationship with Texas Tech, especially the engineering department," Pearson said. "We are including Tech to the NI day schedule and plan to return every year."

In addition to today's event, NI representatives will be back on campus for a Sept. 20 job fair and will have an information meeting Sept. 21 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Merket alumni center.

"You will definitely be seeing more of us on the Tech campus," Pearson said.

The Austin-based company is looking to hire interns for the next year. Positions are available for journalism, advertising and graphic design majors, however NI is mainly looking for engineering students.

Sheri Kemp, NI's Texas Tech recruiter, said there will be many different types of information and activities during the day.

"There will be engineers from NI here to answer questions. There will also be several recruiters, many of whom are Texas Tech graduates," Kemp said. "We will have six different demos for students to look at and learn from, and they will have the opportunity to drop off their resume of learn about what we do."

## VOTE

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2000 primary election.

Shonrock said Lubbock County is not the only place where voter turnout is low among student-aged voters. He said the trend has been seen nationally as well.

"You're seeing less students and younger adults who are caring less about elections and voting nationally," he said.

Because of low voter turnout, several programs have been created to increase the number of people who are registered to vote. One such program, Motor Voter, allows a person to register to vote while renewing his or her driver's license.

According to the Motor Voter Web site, about 11 million Americans have registered to vote this way, with 40 percent of them under the age of 30.

Ryan Weller, external vice president of the Student Government Association, believes convenience and prominence would also help increase the number of students who register.

"If the polling booths were set up at easier sites, more students may stop to vote," Weller said.

Many students who are registered to vote are often registered according to their parent's address instead their Lubbock address. White said, these students could vote in their home county by requesting one of these ballots.

Tony Renteria, legislative director for Texas Rep. Carl Isset, R-Lubbock, said students could vote in the Lubbock County elections; however, they must be registered to vote in Lubbock County.

"The second a student establishes residence, they can register to vote (in a county)," Renteria said.

According to information on the voter registration card, a person can register to vote at any time. However, the registration does not become effective until 30 days after it is received by the voter registration office or until the person's 18th birthday, whichever is later.

Requirements for voter registration include U.S. citizenship, registration in the county the person is voting in, and the person must be at least 17 years and 10 months old.

This year's general election will be Nov. 3. The University Center will have a voting booth open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. throughout the month of October.

## First Pan-Hellenic fall rush successful

By Mara McCoy  
Staff Writer

Many students were seen mingling in the UC Allen Theatre lobby Thursday night as a part of the first formalized National Pan-Hellenic Council fall rush.

"I think it went well," said Sofia Rodriguez, assistant dean of students. "There was a good turnout. Hopefully, it will be even bigger next semester."

Rodriguez said she was proud of all the students involved.

"This was an honor for me, as well as for them," Rodriguez said. "I would

especially like to thank the national Pan-Hellenic Council officers."

Michael Brown, a freshman pre-physical therapy major from Abilene said he liked the program, which featured members from each fraternity and sorority.

"I really liked the fact that each fraternity and sorority took the time to explain their mission and values," he said. "It made me more familiar with them, so if next year I do decide to join, I'll know something about them."

Many of the current members said they felt the idea of a formalized fall

rush was a good idea.

Omega Psi Phi Ricky Williams, a senior communications major from Duncannon, said an event like this would have been useful when he joined the organization.

"It would have made it easier and helped to attract more students to join one of the fraternities or sororities," he said. "More students would have had a chance to see exactly what each fraternity's and sorority's mission and values are."

Previously, each fraternity and sorority would hold parties and informa-

tion sessions.

Alpha Kappa Alpha member Ebonie Lewis, a junior pharmacy major from Dallas, said the new formal fall rush was a good idea.

"Many people were ignorant to the fact that there are black fraternities and sororities on campus. This was a good opportunity to let everyone know that we are here," Lewis said.

Students can attend other information sessions throughout the year. Interested students may contact the individual fraternity or sorority or Sofia Rodriguez at 742-2192.

## STATUE

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football player.

Burford is the owner of the Dallas-based Texas Art Gallery and had been in contact with Regent Chairman Jim Sowell about a monument for the Masked Rider, Speed said. "Jim Sowell talked to Bill about having a big monument and asked me to do it."

Speed also sculpted the Masked Rider statue that resides in the athletic offices lobby at the north end of the stadium and the bronze saddle the football team rubs for good luck coming out of the locker room.

"It's a real nice deal to be asked to do these things," Speed said. Although he took several pictures of 1999-2000 Masked Rider Travis Thorne to help him in sculpting the statue, Speed said he really did not want to depict a 45-year-old tradition after one person. He

also used Fulton's original costume and saddle to help him with his artwork.

Applause, whistles and shouts were heard through the crowd as the tarp was lifted from the statue.

"It's a beautiful statue," said Student Government Association President Andrew Schoppe. "It's the exact image of the Masked Rider everyone sees. You couldn't picture a better image."

Schoppe said he thinks the statue is a reminder to students.

"Like all other traditions, it's just one more reminder of what Tech is all about," he said. "This is a real exciting time to be at Tech."

Saturday's unveiling also launched a fund raiser for the \$300,000 statue. Jim Douglass, Ex-Students Association assistant director, said sales of miniature Masked

Riders, like the one dedicated Saturday, will help offset the cost of the sculpture. The cost of the statuettes is \$7,500.

Buying a statue is not the only way a person can contribute to the Masked Rider statue. Douglass said people could purchase a brick with their name on it for about \$100. The bricks will be used in paving the walks in Frazier Plaza.

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### Column

## Environment worth every penny to save

Weeks of sweltering temperatures across the state of Texas have resulted in deadly wildfires, desert-like water shortages and burned hands as people grab oven-hot steering wheels when they climb into their car.



Greg Okuhara

And you're going to tell me that 1998 wasn't the hottest year on record because of greenhouse gases? Or the polar ice caps aren't melting because humans dump too many pollutants into the Earth's atmosphere?

That is what some Republicans would like you to believe. During a recent episode of "Politically Incorrect with Bill Maher," Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif., and the Rev. Jerry Falwell argued that greenhouse gases and global warming are concepts devised by Democrats to push legislation designed to protect the environment.

Three years ago, the Kyoto Accord was created to help reduce the emissions blamed for the rise in average temperatures across the globe. World leaders are scheduled to meet this November in the Netherlands to finalize the treaty for ratification.

The only problem is Republicans in the Senate are opposed to the treaty, which most likely won't have the necessary 67 votes to be ratified in the United States.

One of the most outspoken critics of the treaty, U.S. Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., told an audience at Rice University last week that the treaty has major flaws. Both he and Republican presidential nominee George W. Bush are opposed to the treaty because it would cause disastrous consequences to the U.S. economy if stricter emission requirements are placed on businesses.

I guess the farmers of West Texas who have already seen a loss of crops because of lack of rain and triple-digit temperatures aren't considered disastrous. I guess the billions of dollars we'll be spending to build giant bubbles to live in so we aren't burned alive without the protection of the ozone layer is a viable alternative to stricter emission standards.

Thomas Crowley, an oceanography professor at Texas A&M, is an expert on climate conditions and the causes of temperature changes worldwide.

His findings have resulted in two basic conclusions for the rising temperatures during the past millennium, as reported in last week's *Houston Chronicle*.

First, the past 100 years have seen an unparalleled rise in overall average tempera-

tures than the previous 1000 years. Second, natural influences — such as volcanic activity or solar radiation — are the main causes for temperature changes from the years 1000 to 1850. However, they account for only 25 percent of the rising temperatures during the past 100 years.

Even major car companies, like Ford, Honda and Toyota, are working on reducing emissions from their automobiles and developing electric and electric-hybrid cars.

Hmm, interesting. What were Rep. Rohrabacher and Falwell saying again?

There is no way to reverse the effects of the past 100 years of pollution by next week. But it is important to start measures that will ensure the lowering of greenhouse gas emissions.

Let's look at the two smoggiest cities in the nation, Houston and Los Angeles.

L.A. historically has led the nation in the number of ozone (different than the ozone layer, which is another victim of pollutants) days, the main component in smog. Along with carbon dioxide, which is released during the burning of fossil fuels and increases along with deforestation, results in difficulty in breathing and those lovely purple and orange sunsets Los Angeles is famous for.

Hmm, interesting how Rohrabacher represents Orange County, Calif., where L.A. is located.

Houston has recently caught up to and surpassed Los Angeles as the smoggiest city in the nation. Houston poses an interesting problem. More than half of the 4 million people living in the Houston area reside in the suburbs — as much as 30 miles away. Ask anyone from the area how traffic is during rush hours and they'll probably compare it to having your wisdom teeth pulled or Chinese water torture. In other words, it's bad.

In an effort to significantly reduce emissions from the city's motorists, Houston's Metropolitan Transit Authority has proposed the construction of a light-rail system to ease the number of motorists on Houston's freeways.

Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, has blocked the agency from using any federal funding to complete the project, placing a greater burden on tax payers in the area to pay for the mass-transit system.

Why would anyone in their right mind prevent or slow the development of a way to help clean our environment?

It makes you wonder where the Republicans' real interests lie — with the health of the environment for their children's children or the big businesses who pay for their fancy TV commercials and SUVs?

Greg Okuhara is the opinions editor for The UD and a senior journalism major from The Woodlands. He is convinced global warming is happening each time he burns his hand on a hot steering wheel.



### Column

## You mean 'West Wing' isn't real life?

Don't you just love election years? The thrill of waiting for the latest polls to come out. Following on a poster-sized map where the candidates are speaking. Taping the primaries and the 234.56 hours a day the media talks about who should win and why. Yeah, me neither.

But, like a Backstreet Boys cameo on MTV's "Total Request Live," election talk is inescapable. While I've picked up a little here and there, (my roommate subscribes to *TIME*) I'm not exactly an expert on this whole presidential thing.

Okay, we have that Texas guy who has the same first and last name as the one really old guy who used to be president and some young Florida guy who girls think is like the Ricky Martin of politics. Then there's the other guy who is on the donkey team, and I think he is winning right now because Sharon Maines said something about it on the news the other day.

It's really hard to keep up, too, because of all these political shows and movies that keeping being run, piggybacking on the election-year hysteria are throwing me off. I mean, for awhile there I really thought "The West Wing" was like "The Real World" for politicians and that Martin Sheen was the presi-

dent. Which really confused me because I was like, "How did someone like Rob Lowe get a job in the White House?" But then I remembered the hotel video tape sex scandal that he was in a long time ago and was like "Oh, he was involved in a sex scandal, that's how."

There are issues I think I understand, though. Well, I know abortion is one of them because the other day in *The University Daily*, this J. Leeson cartoonist guy drew this really offensive cartoon with a baby in a womb telling people to vote for Bush. Which by the way, I'm totally appalled that Texas Tech University endorses and supports material like that. It was the worst piece of journalism I've ever seen in my life.

The one thing I am confused on, though, is why abortion is such a platform. I mean isn't the debate over?

I remember from high school history talking about the Supreme Court case, *Roe v. the Board of Education* or something, where Sandra Dee, the first female justice, and Clarence Thomas and all those other people in the ugly robes said you could have an abortion if you want to.

They also keep talking about education reform. But I don't see the problem. I mean, I went to public schools my whole life, and my school district was really good. We didn't have any fake discussion classes or anything. And I learned all about history and government and politics there.

I remember all the important stuff about how Paul Revere put up those lamps so Chris-

topher Columbus could find his way to America on the Mayflower. And about how we were really good friends with the Indians so they were nice enough to let us have all this land for free. Then all four fathers wrote the Constitution, which was hard because back then they didn't even have Windows 98. I guess they had to use DOS, so you know they really felt passionate about this democracy stuff.

See, I really do pay attention. And as far as I can tell, Bush is a way better candidate. Okay, he loses points because neither of his daughters chose to attend Tech, but still, he looks like a good leader.

Just about everyone can relate to him, from white-collar business types to cocaine addicts. You really have to admire how one man can represent so many demographics at once.

Gore, on the other hand, is kind of boring. I mean, he probably won't even cheat on Tipper once. One of his daughters writes for "Futurama," but you know that if she was any good she'd write for "The Simpsons." Plus, I just can't imagine having a President Gore. Every time I hear his last name, I think of blood and guts and stuff.

But then again, every time I hear the other guy's last name I think of — um, er — nevermind.

Brandon Formby is a senior journalism major from Plano. He is the epitome of why we're all screwed once the youth take over the country. He can be emailed at brandonformby@hotmail.com.

### Letters to the Editor

#### Keep asking questions

To the editor: I would like to respond to Reggie Wheeler's letter to the editor in the Sept. 8 edition of *The UD*. Being familiar with both Dale and the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance, I feel that I can accurately respond to Reggie's comments concerning the factual errors in Dale's letter.

If one is pro-choice, one is not necessarily pro-abortion. Pro-choice does include the right of choice for an abortion, but it also includes health choices that affect both women and men. These include contraceptives, family planning, adoption and so forth. No single health choice comes alone; once one is restricted, so go the others.

Reproductive health is the real focus of the "abortion debate." According to George "Dubya" Bush's campaign Web site, he favors the limitation of abortion to cases of rape, incest and the "life of the mother." Al Gore, on

the other hand, has fought and will fight to ensure that all women have access to reproductive services.

The question that we, as voters, must ask is this: If we will allow the limitation of reproductive rights in one area, what is the next area to be put on the target list? Which rights are we willing to give up, and which rights are we willing to preserve?

Anthony Latta  
senior

Russian language and area studies

#### Batting 1.000

To the editor: Mr. Mundorf is 2 for 2. He has the lovely "rhetoric" of the traditional, conservative Republican, and he wonders why the media and everyone else is having a difficult time swallowing the "compassionate" theme they're trying to parade in this election season.

Mr. Mundorf starts a socialist/communist rant by stating that soon the government may determine "their needs as an 80-hour work-

week and a few pounds of rice." Has Mr. Mundorf ever been to China to see how those people live? Does he know firsthand about their life and that they deal with it. The government does not ship out a few pounds of rice to all the villagers, as he may think. As an Asian American of Chinese descent, I find his remarks offensive. He starts to sound like a regular, white-collar, rich Republican. Can I make that stereotype since he made his? And Mr. Mundorf goes on, stating that "the leadership of the left has long used class warfare language to drive a wedge between the poor, middle class and wealthy." If I'm not mistaken, we no longer live in feudalistic times where the poor are supposed to be grateful for the wealthy. If Mr. Mundorf wants to construe Gore's statements as that the "powerful" aren't truly people, he's damn right. The powerful use their money and status to make the world as they see fit. They're not exactly known for being humanitarians. If Vice President Gore does not see a reason to view the rich as people, do you think the poor do? No matter what, there will always be class warfare, and Republicans are not helping it. Just

look at Bush's newly unveiled health plan, it only benefits the richest 10 percent of the American population. Duh! Doesn't take a rice-eating chink to see that!

Rima Chua Lucardi  
sophomore  
pre-medical

#### Agenda setting

To the editor: I wrote a letter to the editor concerning a cartoon that was published in your paper very recently portraying a fetus Bush supporter (*UD*, 9/8). You made a big mistake!

In the next to the last paragraph the final word should read "crisis" as I presented it to you, not "crime" as you decided to print it. This is a very important distinction as your word play changes the perception of my opinion and the whole point of my letter.

I know *The UD* reserves the right to "edit," but you reserve the right to change entire viewpoints? I did not say abortion was a crime (thereby making those who do it criminals, that is your stance.) I said it is a crisis for all of

us. I feel quite sure you'll not print this for it would expose you to the liars/hypocrites you apparently are. Still, I'll do what I can to get the word out: *The UD* says what it wants to say not what its readers say.

Kelly Burdick  
graduate student  
interdisciplinary studies  
(EDITOR'S NOTE: The mistake was inadvertent. The UD regrets the error.)

Voice your opinion, and  
write a letter to the editor:  
UD@ttu.edu



# Star-studded cast aids success of 'Nurse Betty'

By Amy Aldridge  
Staff Writer

Everyone dreams of meeting their idol one day. The film "Nurse Betty" is about what lengths one woman will go to meet hers.

The movie stars Renee Zellweger ("Me, Myself & Irene," "Jerry Maguire") as small town waitress named Betty. She works all day and comes home and watches her favorite soap opera, "A Reason to Love."

The soap centers on the hard-working Dr. David Ravell, played by Greg Kinnear ("You've Got Mail," "As Good As It Gets"). Betty worships Dr.



Ravell and wishes that her crude, abusive husband Dell — Aaron Eckhart ("Erin Brockovich," "Any Given Sunday") — would be like him.

One night, Betty is at home watching her soap when her husband and two "businessmen" come to the house. When the meeting between the men turns ugly, the two businessmen

— Morgan Freeman ("Deep Impact," "Kiss the Girls") and Chris Rock ("Dogma," "Leather Weapon 4") — kill Betty's husband.

What the men do not know is that Betty witnessed the entire event. Betty then goes into shock and forgets her real identity.

Believing she is a soap opera character that was once in love with Dr. Ravell, she leaves her hometown without telling anyone, setting out on a cross-country journey to Los Angeles to find her long-lost love.

Meanwhile, the killers of Betty's

husband have set out to find her after reading an article in a local newspaper reporting that she is missing. They have to track Betty down and make sure she does not disclose their secret.

With Betty hot on Dr. Ravell's trail and the killers, just a step behind her, it makes for hilarious cat and mouse chase.

When they all finally meet up in the final scenes, it is comedy at its best.

"Nurse Betty" was a different, off-beat comedy that delivered stellar performances from both Rock and Zellweger.

Rock scores once again as the co-

medic relief during the movie's few intense moments, while Zellweger gives one of her best performances yet.

Overall "Nurse Betty" is a winner. It has instances where the plot drags,

but the star-studded comedy quickly revives itself.

So if you find yourself looking to see a movie that is funny and unique, check out "Nurse Betty."

## ROUNDUP

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the arena with information booths to encourage students to become involved in Tech life.

Over 60 student organizations and 42 community service organizations took part in the event.

Entertainment for the event featured comedians Ralph Harris and Maryellen Hooper, a performance by the Texas Cheer Goins' Band and the Tech cheerleading squad.

In addition, the Roundup included demonstrations by the Tech Gunfire Kickline and Korean martial arts displays. The Tech Mariachi band also wandered the crowd.

There was an activity area for students, which included an inflatable trampoline and an opportunity to have wax hand molds made.

Sean Duggan, coordinator of residence life, said they were trying to make the event much larger this year.

"We were trying to have as much available as possible to encourage students to get involved with Tech and Lubbock," Duggan said.

He said the event was changed to give more organizations a chance to get involved with the Roundup.

Although Duggan said this philosophy forced Tech to have the event later in the year, there were several other factors that contributed to the delay.

His department tried to coordinate the event with the arrival of the comedians, brought in by Campus

Activities and Involvement.

The Roundup also came late because Tech's first football game was held on the same weekend as the Roundup typically takes place.

"We were afraid there wouldn't be as much interest if we had it on the same weekend," he said.

Though the event has traditionally been an outdoor event, it took place in the United Spirit Arena this year.

Duggan said hosting the event in the arena gave students an opportunity to see the arena to take a look around," he said.

He also said having the event indoors allowed participants to avoid the heat.

However, Duggan said he was not sure if the Roundup would continue to be held in the arena after this year.

Denise Rively, volunteer coordinator for the United Way, said she participated in the Raider Roundup last year and felt they had better success this year.

"There seems to be a better turnout from last year," she said.

Bryan Zygmund, a senior MIS major from De Soto who works at the arena, said it seemed like there was less interest this year than usual.

He also said part of the poor turnout could have been because of the lack of promotion for the event.

"It seemed like a lot more people used to come when it was outdoors," he said. "It's hard to tell though, because this is such a big building."

## MONDAY SEPTEMBER 11

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8:00	Barney Teletubbies		Early Show	Pepper Ann Recaps	America	Judge Greg Mahlis
9:00	Callow Sesame	Paid Program	Sally Jessy Raphael	Martin's Paid Program	Live W/Regis	Laeza
10:00	Street Mr. Rogers	Martha Stewart	Price Is Right	Donny & Marie	View	Divorce CL Divorce CL
11:00	Dragon Tales Arthur	Montel Williams	Young & the Restless	Ricki Lake	Mad/You Port Charles	Joe Brown Joe Brown
12:00	Visionaries Gull/Day	News Days of Our	News Beautiful	Jerry Springer	All My Children	PIAttorney Mills Lane
1:00	Comp. Chron. Clifford	Lives Passions	As the World Turns	Jenny Jones	One Life to Live	Mattoko
2:00	Zooomaroo	HiWay Square	Guiding Light	Liv'g Single Paid Program	General Hospital	Paid Program Magic Bus
3:00	Arthur Wishbone	Rosie O'Donnell	Maury Povich	Grao/Fire Paid Program	Housecalls Housecalls	Magic Bus PR Galaxy
4:00	Zoom R. Rainbow	Oprah Winfrey	For Women CBS News	ET.	Family Feud Family Feud	X-Men Digimon
5:00	Beh/Lions Nightly Bus.	News NBC News	News CBS News	People's Court	News ABC News	Home Impr. Simpsons
6:00	NewsHour	News Extra	Jeopardy News	Judge Judy Judge Judy	News W/Fortune	Voyager
7:00	Antiques Roadshow	Mysterious Ways	Big Brother	Moesha	30/20 King/Queens	Since Parkers
8:00	OR Our Own Terms	Law & Order 'TV 14	Raymond 'G Becker	Hughley's Girlfriends	MN'B: New England @	Ally McBeal
9:00	With Eyes	3rd Watch	Family Law 'PG	Jerry Springer	New York Jets	Nanny Caroline
10:00	Nightly Bus.	News Tonight Show	News News	Cops Cops		Simpsons Frasier
11:00		Conan	Lettman Craig	Blind Date TBA	News Nightline	Cheers Coach
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5 Valetta's nation  
10 Gift-tag word  
14 One's own: pref.  
15 Babel or Stern  
16 Go down in defeat  
17 "Two Years Before the \_\_\_"  
18 Wading bird  
19 Qualified  
20 Peg Bracken bestseller, with "The"  
23 Trif. function  
24 Sister  
25 Harvest  
29 Threw  
34 Frequent meat in 20A  
39 Cutting edge  
40 Vicinity  
41 Spurn  
42 Russian saint  
44 Writer Dahl  
46 Frequent meat in 58A  
48 Modicum  
50 Twist sideways  
51 Dammarskjold  
53 Proportion  
58 Irma Rombauer bestseller  
65 Hoarfrost  
66 Lowest deck  
67 \_\_\_ fixe (obsession)  
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5 Highland haze  
6 Concerning  
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8 Osprey's claw  
9 Pantomime  
10 Loose weight?  
11 Cop starter?  
12 Christiana today  
13 Easily imposed upon  
21 Light tan  
22 Rounded handle  
26 Mess up  
27 Word after golden  
28 Squash  
30 Mess maker  
31 Bargain event  
32 Margin  
33 Unhearing  
34 Difficult  
35 Out of a buck?  
36 Ground grain  
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45 Extinct bird  
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56 Bungling  
57 Convex moldings  
58 Fairway hazard  
59 Increase staff  
60 Kuwaiti ruler  
61 "Star Wars" group  
62 Lead balloon  
63 Ace pitcher David  
64 Bid first

Friday's Puzzle Solved

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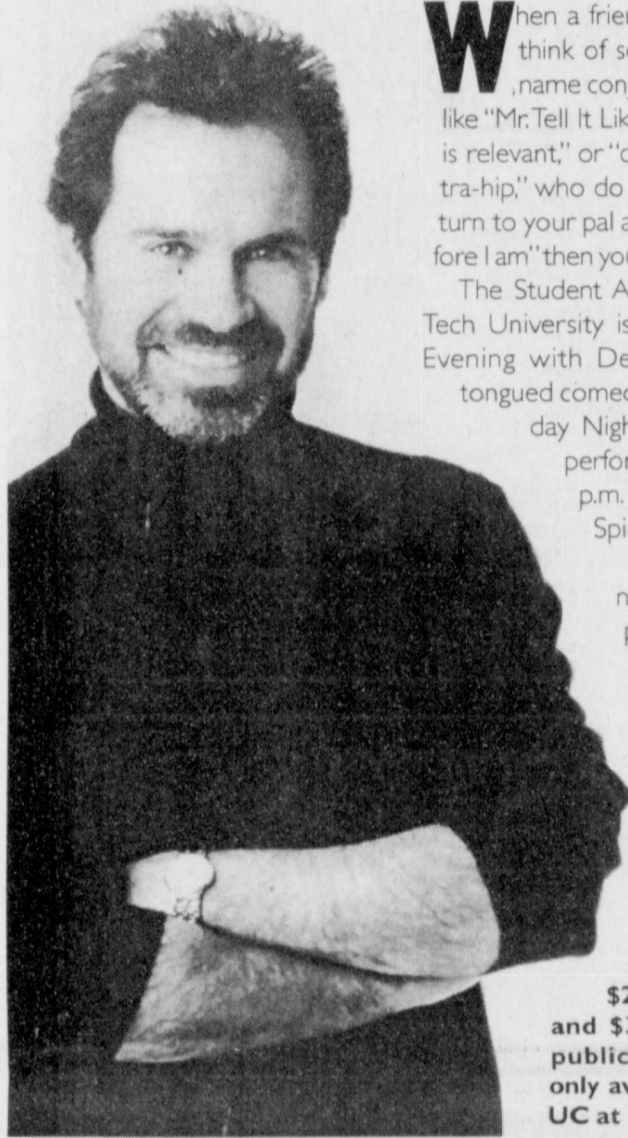


## IT'S MAGIC

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## Tech scores with Dennis Miller



When a friend of yours asks you to think of someone famous whose name conjures descriptive phrases like "Mr. Tell It Like It Is," "irreverent as he is relevant," or "cynical and biting yet ultra-hip," who do you think of? If you can turn to your pal and quote, "I vent, therefore I am" then you have guessed correctly! The Student Activities Board of Texas Tech University is proud to present An Evening with Dennis Miller. The acid-tongued comedian and new ABC Monday Night Football co-host will perform in-the-round at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 22 in the United Spirit Arena.

It's been said that Dennis Miller is "One of the premiere comedy talents in America today..." While others are blunt, assessing Miller's comedic stature, Dennis

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himself makes a virtue of understatement, but there is nothing low-key about his career.

Miller is a five-time Emmy Award winner for his critically acclaimed half-hour live talk show, "HBO's Dennis Miller Live", now in its seventh season.

In June, Doubleday published the third edition of his ever-popular series, "I Rant, Therefore I Am." His first two books "The Rants" and "Ranting Again" (Doubleday) were both New York Times best sellers.

Miller got his start in the late '70s, honing his skills in Pittsburgh area clubs and eventually relocating to New York where he performed at such famed clubs as Catch A Rising Star and The Comic Strip. His next

move was a return to Pittsburgh where he wrote, produced and appeared in more than 100 humorous essays for the syndicated "PM Magazine" show, as well as hosting his own Saturday morning television program aimed at teenage audiences.

In 1982, Miller was touring the country as a comedy club regular and establishing himself as one of the most assured, accomplished and funniest comics on the scene. It was shortly thereafter that he was spotted by "Saturday Night Live" executive producer Lorne Michaels at the Comedy Store in Los Angeles. Michaels auditioned Miller and subsequently offered him the coveted "Weekend Update" slot on the show that he held for six years before exiting in 1991. From there Miller launched his own late-night talk show and was cast in a slew of movie roles and other appearances.

Tickets are on sale now and are \$25 for Tech students and \$32 for the general public. These prices do not include any service charges, and a valid Tech ID must be presented for any student-priced tickets. Student-priced tickets will only be available at the University Center. General Public tickets will be available at all Lubbock Select-a-Seat locations. For more info, call 742-3610.



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The Texas Tech Student Activities Board is sponsoring the World Game Workshop at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the UC Red Raider Ballroom.

"This would be a great opportunity for Tech students to get involved in understanding global issues and, in turn, become more aware of the world around them," said student Alicia Field.

*"This would be a great opportunity for Tech students ... to become more aware of the world around them."*

The World Game is a simulation of planet Earth based on United Nations statistics. It uses

the biggest and most accurate map of the world as a game board with participants representing humanity. It incorporates audiovisuals, props, music and, above all, participation to create a truly memorable experience.

Participants will be grouped into teams throughout three rounds and will try to find solutions to regional problems that deal with social, political, economic and environmental issues. A global timeline will continue to create changing conditions, making World Game a realistic experience that balances regional needs with global concerns.

The World Game Workshop is free and open to all students, faculty and staff. Participants must sign up in advance by calling SAB at 742-3621. Space is limited, so sign up now and do something you may have never tried.

## Leadership conference geared toward students

Leadership Tech will host a conference dedicated to student organizations, advisers and student leaders Sept. 23 at the University Center. Although pre-registration is encouraged, participants can check in from 9 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. in the UC Courtyard. Educational sessions commence at 10 a.m. and end at 4:15 p.m. G. Eric Gordon, author of "Common Sense Solutions for Success," will be the keynote speaker at 12:15 p.m., which will include a complimentary light lunch. With a dynamic keynote address and 19 educational sessions ranging from collaboration, community service-learning opportunities and fund raising, to new adviser training, SGA funding and a student organization roundtable open forum, the one-day event is certain to provide new and experienced leaders and advisers with the tools for success! For more information, please stop by Campus Activities & Involvement, 210 University Center.

## Community issues, civic responsibility focus of Project

**DID YOU KNOW?** One in five people do not get enough to eat. In 1999, 124 Lubbock citizens were diagnosed with AIDS, 82 with HIV. One woman every nine seconds is battered, and the list goes on.

Every year, Community Service-Learning partners with local service agencies to provide the Tech community with an event designed to enhance education of various issues, such as the ones mentioned. This program is known as Project Impact.

Beginning Fall 2000, Project Impact has been restructured to put more emphasis on the importance of educating yourself on various issues within your community while taking an active step in increasing your civic responsibility.

Fall 2000 focuses on hunger, domestic violence and


AIDS/HIV. Along with the educational component, we encourage each participant to make a commitment to themselves and society to volunteer with at a local service agency relating to the issue. For instance, when one attends the Project Impact focused on hunger, we will refer the volunteer to the South Plains Food Bank or Second Helpings Soup Kitchen while giving the option of participating in World Food Day Activities.

Each program will take place during the month of September. There is no sign up required. Contact our office to receive more information or stop by the 210 University Center. Make a difference in the community and the lives that you touch through volunteering.

## Contemporary topics looks at Afghanistan problems

The government of Afghanistan is waging a war upon women. The Texas Tech Student Activities Board is sponsoring a Contemporary Topics roundtable discussion to address the issue and discuss what Ameri-

cans can do. "Liberty Lost: Afghanistan's War on Women" will be at 12:30 p.m. Sept. 19 in the UC Red Raider Lounge. Call TTSAB at 742-3621 for more information.



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# Knight's final day has come in Hoosierland

Indiana men's basketball coach fired after grabbing student's arm in confrontation at Assembly Hall

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Bob Knight's temper finally did him in. The Indiana basketball coach, already in trouble for a history of misconduct, was fired Sunday by the school for a "pattern of unacceptable behavior." University president Myles Brand, who announced the firing at a news conference, called Knight "defiant and hostile" and said the coach had shown a "continued unwillingness" to work within guidelines of the athletic department. Knight had been warned in May about his behavior during three tumultuous decades at Indiana, where he won three national titles as one of the game's best coaches but also one of its most volatile. But his behavior became even worse since then, Brand said.

The final confrontation came last week when Knight grabbed a student by the arm to lecture him about manners at Assembly Hall. The coach had been ordered to abide by a "zero-tolerance" conduct policy, which included no "inappropriate" physical contact with students. "He did not fulfill the promises he gave me," Brand said. Knight had the option of resigning but refused, the school president said. Brand stressed that Knight's run-in with 19-year-old freshman Kent Harvey on Thursday was not the only reason for the dismissal of the 59-year-old Hall of Fame coach. "If that was the only instance that took place you would not be here today," Brand told reporters. Knight held a news conference Friday to explain his side of the story.

The coach said he didn't curse at Harvey, stepson of a Knight critic and former local talk radio show host, but did briefly hold his arm and lecture him. The teenager had said, "Hey, what's up, Knight?" as they crossed paths at the basketball arena, a greeting the coach deemed disrespectful. Brand said he stood by his decision for not firing Knight in May and for instituting the conduct policy, calling it the "ethical and moral thing to do" because of Knight's contributions to the school. "I still believe we had to give him one last chance," Brand said. "He failed to live up to that. That was his decision." "His unacceptable behavior not only continued since then but increased." The search for a new coach will begin immediately and Brand said he did not yet have any candidates. Knight, who reportedly was in Canada, where he often goes hunting

and fishing, will be paid for the final two years of his contract. Besides his three NCAA championships, Knight led the Hoosiers to 11 Big Ten titles and coached the U.S. men's basketball team to the gold medal at the 1984 Los Angeles Games. But his behavior, which has included verbal and physical abuse of players, has been a problem and often an embarrassment since he took over the Hoosiers in 1971. Knight has one of the game's most notorious tempers — throwing chairs across the court, stuffing a fan in a garbage can, scuffling with Puerto Rico police and kicking his own son on the bench. Last spring, he was accused of choking one of his players during practice in 1997, an act caught on videotape.

Following a school investigation into that claim and others, Indiana warned Knight that he must adhere to the conduct policy. The university also suspended him for three games and fined him \$30,000. Meanwhile, Harvey and his two brothers have received numerous threats by phone and e-mail, said their stepfather Mark Shaw. He said the teens never wanted to see Knight fired. An apology from the coach was all they wanted. Harvey and his brothers want to stay at Indiana, Shaw said, and university officials have assured their family they will do whatever is necessary to ensure the Harveys' safety. "We'll have to see how that plays out. It's terrifying," Shaw said.

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# Cornhusker football pride angers Notre Dame fans

KANSAS CITY (AP) — Maybe all those ticket-selling Notre Dame fans were merely taking a cue from their school. Wounding Irish pride even more than losing a 27-24 overtime thriller Saturday was the sight of about 25,000 Nebraska fans in Notre Dame Stadium, something unheard of in times gone by. By mutual agreement between the schools, Nebraska was allocated only 4,000 tickets. This means more than 20,000 were sold by Notre Dame fans and students who decided they were more interested in making a buck than

supporting their team. Embarrassing, said former Notre Dame Heisman Trophy winner Paul Hornung. Unbelievable, said Notre Dame athletic director Kevin White. "When I was on the field before the game I wish I was color blind," White said. "Disappointing, very disappointing." But were the profit-minded Notre Dame fans simply following the example of their school? Back in the mid-90s, Notre Dame sent shockwaves throughout intercollegiate athletics and deeply embittered many of its peers. Just days after

helping negotiate an umbrella network television contract covering all 64 members of the College Football Association, the Irish worked out a secret and exclusive deal for themselves with NBC. Under the CFA contract, Notre Dame would have shared the money with other CFA members. But an exclusive deal with NBC meant Notre Dame would keep almost every dime. The Irish had hit the lottery. But everyone else was plunged into chaos and disarray. With Notre Dame no longer taking part, the CFA contract collapsed.

The CFA itself was even dissolved, leaving every other college football program to fend for itself in a new dog-eat-dog TV market. Among the consequences of Notre Dame's act, ironically, was the formation of the Big 12. Big Eight schools in small-population areas like Kansas and Nebraska figured they'd better align with high-population Texas schools to keep up their television draw. But why did the Irish do something that sowed such bitterness and animosity? Money, perhaps? The same long

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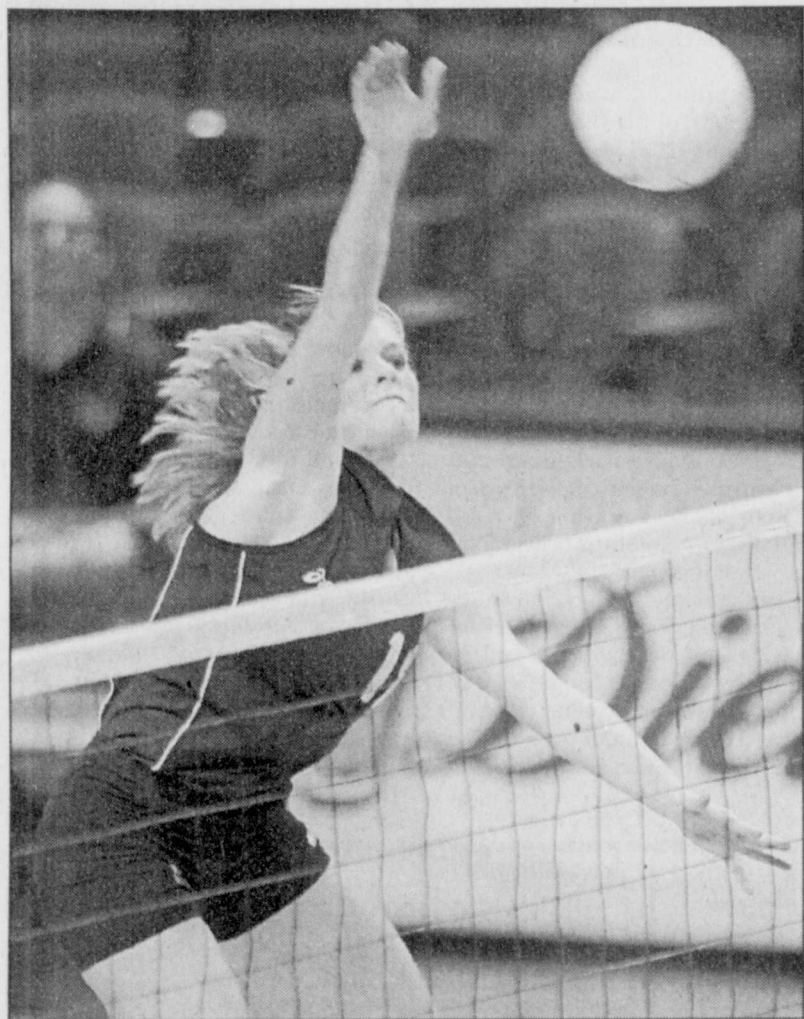
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## Tech volleyball captures Red Raider Classic



Jaime Tomas Aguilar/The University Daily

Tech outside hitter Melissa McGehee spikes a shot in a match during the Red Raider Classic. Tech is now 8-0 on the season.

### Raider spikers continue perfect year, claim second tourney title of season

By Matt Muench  
 Staff Writer

The smiles on the faces of the Texas Tech volleyball team this past weekend may have been brighter than the lights of the United Spirit Arena.

Hosting their first tournament in the arena, the Red Raiders dismantled the three visiting teams to capture the Red Raider Classic crown and stay undefeated on the year.

"I think we played a lot of good games in the tournament," Tech coach Jeff Nelson said. "It is a good confidence builder for us because we have some big games coming up next week."

The 8-0 start for the Red Raider volleyball team equals the start of the 1997 and 1998 seasons, while the best start by a Nelson-coached squad is 15-0 in 1996.

After dropping George Mason, 15-7, 15-6, 15-6, in the Raiders' first match of the tournament Friday, the team came into Saturday with hopes of winning their second tournament in as many weeks.

Tech was matched up with Texas A&M-Corpus Christi (0-8) in Tech's first match Saturday.

Nelson said the contest against Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, a first year volleyball program, gave him a chance to play some of his younger players.

At one point during the match, all

five of Nelson's freshmen were on the floor. The young guns handled the pressure by beating the Islanders in less than an hour, 15-3, 15-3, 15-3.

Tech Freshman Angela Mooney led the squad with eight kills and four aces.

"It was really exciting to have our little Fab-5 on the court at the same time," said Mooney, who played high school ball at nearby Lubbock Monterey. "Usually, teams can't put five freshmen on the floor and win, and we did."

Nelson said he was impressed with Mooney and fellow freshman Laura Grote, who ran the offense at the setter position for the first time in a full match this season.

Grote finished with 26 assists and said she was not nervous because she knew she couldn't play much worse

than she did last weekend in South Carolina.

"It was good to actually step up in play," Grote said. "I think (Nelson) has gained some confidence in me and the younger players after this match."

After watching the young players work their magic against the Islanders, the Tech veterans came into the championship game knowing a victory would assure them their second tournament title this season.

After beating the Mavericks in straight sets, 15-7, 15-7, 15-13, to win the title, Nelson said he thought his

team was a little too confident in game three of the match.

"I think they thought (UT-Arlington) was going to roll over and die," Nelson said. "I thought we looked good in the whole tournament, except

that last game because we looked sluggish and we had no intensity."

Setter Skydra Orzen had 55 assists and led the team with 17 digs in the championship match, while the tournament's most valuable player, Colleen Smith, led Tech in the match with 20 kills.

Sophomore Ann Romjue added 14 kills with 15 digs on the defensive end.

"(Orzen) set awesome today and was really on the ball," said Smith, who tallied 33 kills for the tournament. "It is easy to hit well if you have someone that sets well."

Orzen was nine assists away from breaking the school record for assists in a three-game match and said she wasn't even thinking of the record and didn't even know she was close.

"I just give all the credit to the coaches, my hitters and my passers," Orzen said.

Up next for Tech is its Big 12 Conference opener at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Waco against Baylor.

The Bears are ranked No. 19 in the country and have posted a 5-2 record in 2000.

Smith said with eight wins under their belt the Red Raiders have built a level of confidence for themselves as the season progresses into conference play.

"I think our fast start will only help us build up confidence for next week," Smith said.

*"I think we played a lot of good games in the tournament. It is a good confidence builder for us because we have some big games coming up next week."*

Jeff Nelson  
 TEXAS TECH VOLLEYBALL COACH

## Raider football exorcises North Texas demons with 13-7 victory

By Patrick Gonzales  
 Staff Writer

When North Texas upset Texas Tech last season, it was a 46-yard touchdown pass in the second half that sealed the victory for the Eagles.

It almost happened again when the two squads met Saturday. But Tech safety Kevin Curtis made sure history did not repeat itself when he forced a North Texas receiver to fumble the ball in the final minutes of the contest to preserve a 13-7 victory over the Eagles at Jones SBC Stadium.

"I saw him running loosely with the ball and knew we were close to the goal line, so I wanted to punch it out and try to make a play," said Curtis, whose play lifted the Red Raiders to a 3-0 record. "It's another win under our belts and that is the most important thing. We go through a little adversity as a team, but that's going to make us

stronger during the season."

With less than two minutes remaining in the game, North Texas quarterback Scott Hall completed a deep pass to a wide open LaDarrin McLane who ran 54 yards before having the ball punched out by Curtis at the Tech 12-yard line.

Tech cornerback Derrick Briggs recovered the ball at the 2-yard line and returned it 54 yards to the North Texas 44-yard line.

McLane was open because of a miscommunication between himself and cornerback Antwan Alexander, Curtis said.

Briggs, who was on the opposite side of the field, was trailing the play when Curtis made the game-saving play.

"Every time you hustle and give 100 percent, something good is bound to happen," Briggs said. "(Curtis) made a good play punching it out, and it just

so happened that I was there to pick it up. I got tired a little way through it, so I just fell down."

The Red Raiders dominated the contest on both sides of the ball, but could not put points on the scoreboard.

The Tech offense finished the contest with 318 yards and 19 first downs but had only one touchdown drive that was kept alive by a successful fake punt.

"I think we really had a good first half," Tech coach Mike Leach said. "In the second half, I thought their defense outplayed our offense. I just think they went out (in the second half) and played harder."

"Our ultimate goal is to win one game a week, and we did. But I thought we could have taken a bigger step than we did."

After passing for a school record 450 yards last week, Tech quarterback Kliff Kingsbury tallied 238 yards in the air against North Texas on 42-of-55 passing, along with three intercep-

tions. His longest completion of the game was 17 yards.

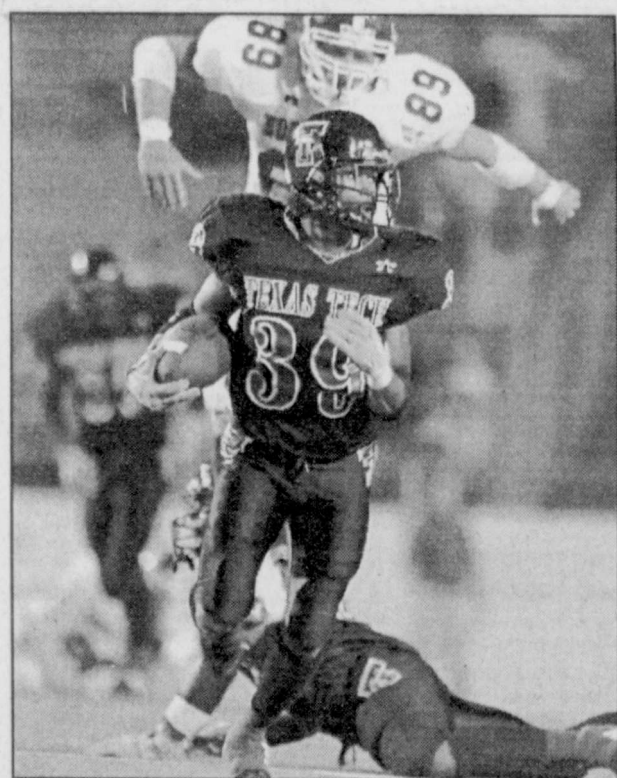
"They played the safeties real deep," Kingsbury said. "They wanted to try and make you make mistakes, and we did tonight. You have to be real patient and not force some things. I made a couple of bad decisions, and it cost us."

One week after surrendering 147 rushing yards to Utah State, the Red Raider defense completely shut down the North Texas ground attack.

The Eagles' offense finished with 49 yards rushing and crossed the Tech 50-yard line only three times in the entire contest.

"We had to get better at playing the run from our base defense, so we don't have to blitz to stop the run," Tech defensive coordinator Greg McMackin said.

"Today they did that. Other than that last play, it was pretty much three and out. I was really happy with the way they played tonight."



Tech defensive back Derrick Briggs returns a fumble recovery against North Texas. Tech safety Kevin Curtis caused the fumble in the latter stages of Tech's 13-7 win over the Eagles on Saturday at Jones SBC Stadium.

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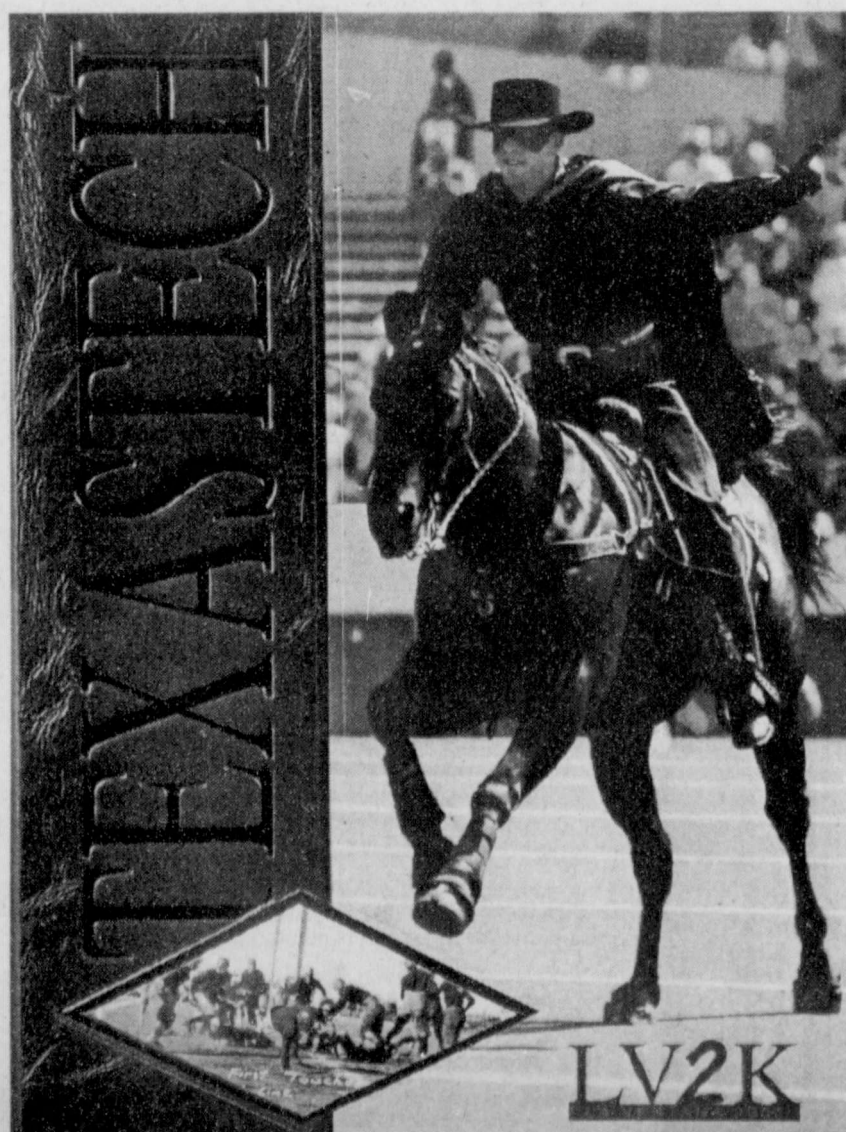
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