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### STATE

### **Bodies found on fire** by South Texas man

MOORE (AP) — Three burning bodies apparently set on fire and left on a remote gravel road were discovered late Sunday by a South Texas rancher investigating a grass fire near his home.

The bodies were burned beyond recognition, said Justice of the Peace Shanna Jo Strong. They were taken to the Bexar County Medical Examiner's office in San Antonio, about 50 miles

No vehicles were left at the scene, leading investigators to believe the bodies were dumped at the scene, Strong said.

The rancher had gone to County Road 2615, which separates Frio and Medina counties, after reporting the fire to the local volunteer fire department about 11:20 p.m. Sunday.

Texas Rangers were investigating, and crime lab investigators from Corpus Christi were called to the scene.

## NATIONAL

### Couple arrested for tying daughters up

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) - A couple has been arrested and accused of keeping their two daughters tied up in a motel room while they worked at night.

Police said the girls, ages 10 and 5, wore harnesses that were tied to furniture with leashes.

Det. Brian Danner said the children appeared to be healthy. They had room to walk around but couldn't leave the room.

Donald Ray Melton Jr., 26, and Kimberly E. Melton, 27, were charged Sunday with child endangerment and were being held in lieu of \$13,000 bail each. They were arrested at the Wal-Mart store where they worked.

Melton had been tying up his stepdaughters — Ashley Porter, 10, and Sherrie Porter, 5 — for two or three weeks, police said. Police said the girls' mother was arrested for allowing it.

## WORLD

### Kidnappers release nine, dozens remain

CALI, Colombia (AP) -Gunmen released nine captives Monday from a group of at least 40 people kidnapped the day before from two restaurants and a family farm in southwest Colombia, police said. One American citizen was among the remaining hostages, her freed Colombian husband said.

Authorities said the mass kidnapping Sunday probably was the work of the National Liberation Army, or ELN, Colombia's second-largest guerrilla group.

About 50 armed men, many wearing military-style uniforms and bulletproof vests, barged into the restaurants in the highlands outside the city of Cali on Sunday, police said, taking 36 people. Gunmen also seized four people from a nearby farm.

Physician Eduardo de Lima was released due to cardiac problems. He said his wife Elena, seized along with him from their farm outside Cali, is a U.S. citizen who has lived in Colombia for 34 years.

Men with rifles, pistols and sawed-off shotguns burst-into their home and dragged them away, along with de Lima's sister and nephew. They and dozens of other people seized from two restaurants were then driven into the mountains, de Lima said.



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## Provost lifts haze surrounding COBA

By Angel Wolfe Staff Write

Texas Tech Provost John Burns released a report Monday clearing the College of Business Administration of creating "fake" discussion classes as a way to pay graduate students for research.

In an Aug. 30 article, The University Daily raised questions about discussion sections listed in the fall 2000 course catalog.

As a result of this article, Burns was asked by Tech President David Schmidly to complete a personnel audit of COBA teaching assistants.

According to the report, Burns initially began his audit by holding a meeting with COBA teaching assistants, Dean Roy Howell and faculty members who are responsible for BA courses that have designated discusare no written guidelines in (the operating policies) of what discussions are to be," Burns

Instead of holding actual discussion classes, the assistants have office hours when students can receive extra help.

Associate COBA Dean James Wilcox told The UD, prior to its article, that the college takes its research assistants and calls them teaching assistants by attaching them to discussion classes. The article also states that the discussion sections do not exist.

The business school printed the office hours of TAs in the fall course catalog as discussion sections, which is "an acceptable practice," Burns said. "This does cause confusion so (COBA) has decided not to print them in the

future," he said. Burns said many TAs were not aware of their discussion class assignments because of

"One reason for the confusion is that there changes made before the original assignments were handed out.

He stated in his report that "The University Daily reported that they interviewed a TA who had no knowledge of being assigned to a discussion section. This was a true statement. This TA's discussion section assignment was made at the time fall class schedules were submitted (early in the spring semester). Subsequent to that submission, and prior to notifying graduate students about their assignments, the assignment was changed. I am certain the TA knew nothing of the original assignment, hence the confu-

Burns also said syllabi for courses where a TA is assigned office hours should indicate who the TA is and when their office hours are. In his audit, Burns found a few incidents where the TA was not listed.

He said this was because a TA had not been

assigned at the beginning of class. In these incidents, the faculty member should inform students of the assigned TA and office hours when the information becomes available, he

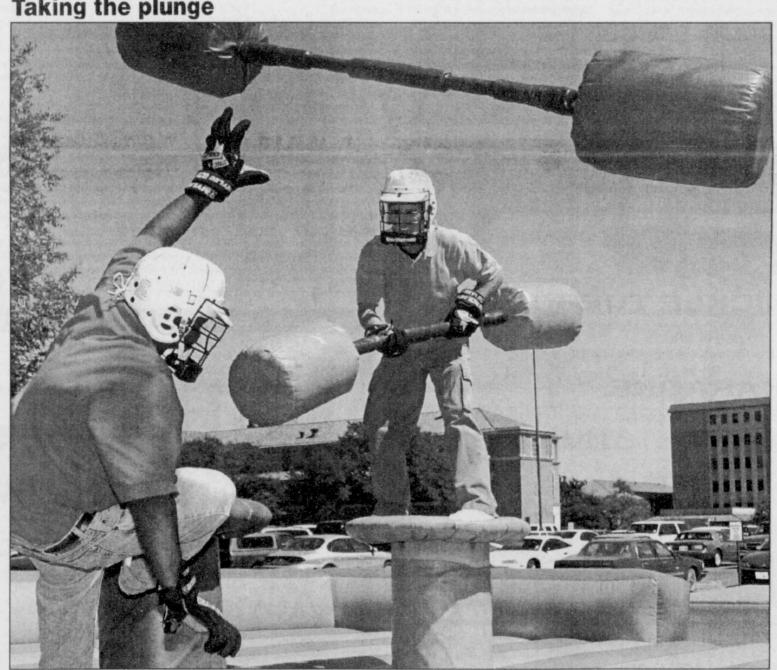
COBA receives no state funding for these discussion sessions and does not charge its students for these discussion sections, Burns

"This was something the business school wanted to do extra for their students," he said. At the conclusion of his report, Burns said while he cannot report on TA assignments for COBA in the past, he found "no evidence of misuse of TA assignments for the fall 2000 se-

Schmidly and Dean Roy Howell did not return phone calls to The UD on Monday.

Howell is scheduled to speak to COBA students at 12:30 today in the Business Administration Rotunda.

## **Taking the plunge**



GREG KRELLER/The L Texas Tech employee Jason Williams takes a fall after Shawn Dayton, a senior electrical engineering major from Lubbock, lands the finishing blow in a jousting match in the free speech area Monday afternoon. Chi Alpha, an interdenominational fellowship of students, provided the jousting competition, with free drinks and candy bars as a way to recruit new members.

## Committee OKs E-commerce program

By Heath Cheek Staff Writer

After months of work, research and problems, the College of Business Administration has adapted a plan to establish an e-business program for Texas Tech students.

Last year, a committee was created to look into establishing an ecommerce program within COBA. The Electronic Business (e-commerce) Curriculum Development Committee compiled a report in December that examined existing e-business programs at other universities and looked at the resources available within Tech's school.

John Durrett, COBA professor and member of the E-Commerce Curriculum Development Com-

mittee, said the committee has tried hard to work with the existing structure of the college to create the pro-

"It takes a while to get anything this complicated up and running, he said. "The university bureaucracy takes a few years to approve."

In their report, the committee stressed the importance of the program. It stated that during the next few years, e-business will change the way business is conducted, which will impact every aspect of business and every discipline within

The report called for an immediate curriculum change in the areas of information systems and quantitative sciences, marketing and accounting in order to incorporate ebusiness issues.

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Business Administration

The committee laid out a plan to establish an interdisciplinary general business major with an emphasis on e-business. Students in the program can choose to specialize in accounting, marketing, or technical aspects. The report recommended a curriculum including three ISQS classes, an accounting class, a marredisagreed, stating the college "must recognize that e-business content needs are integrated into existing courses across the curricu-

Steps by the committee and the COBA administration have been

made to add e-business instruction into all courses taught in the College of Business Administration.

Ralph Viator, a new COBA professor who teaches an e-business class, said that it is important for the students to be taught about current ebusiness issues.

The issues and the technology are changing so fast that (e-business) classes require constant innovation," he said.

Another problem is that limited faculty resources have limited the program and the college as a whole.

Don Clancy, director of the accounting department, said, "We are really short of faculty, so we had to put off the program."

According to the committee's re-

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## Crunch time for residents

Students set to vote on 24-hour policy concerning residence halls.

By Pam Smith

Members of residence halls will have the opportunity to vote on visitation hours for the first time in Texas Tech history today.

Sean Duggan, assistant director for residence life, said this is something students have been pushing for a long time.

"The students have been asking about this for a while," he said. "I hope they take this opportunity seriously.'

The elections are the result of work the Residence Hall Association has been involved with for about two years. Duggan said the association be-

came interested in changing the visitation policy after students seemed to dislike all the rules and regulations associated with living in the residence halls.

"I think it is a good thing to allow see VISITATION, page 2

## Higher-ed stressed

Report to come highlighting what actions will ensure advancement.

> By Jeff Lehr Staff Writer

A special commission, established last year to help make the state of Texas a leader in 21st century higher education, met at Texas Tech Monday to discuss issues pertinent to higher learning.

The Special Commission on 21st Century Colleges and Universities has conducted numerous hearings across the state since October 1999 and will issue a report in November detailing what actions should be taken to ensure Texas' advancement in the nation's higher education sys-

Texas Lt. Gov. Rick Perry appointed 15 individuals to the

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students to have a say in this," he said. "It is going to allow students to take ownership of the place they are living

Members of each residence hall will vote for the option that they want implemented in their hall. In order for the visitation policy to pass, one option will have to receive a two-thirds percentage of the votes. If one option fails to receive this percentage, a referendum vote will be held next week between the two options that received the most votes. Duggan said the times the elections are held may vary in each hall because of the availability of people to man the election booths.

"The time the election is held will

for most of them to be primarily around mealtime.

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Students who live in the residence halls will have four visitation policies to choose from on the ballot. The first policy allows visitation hours Sunday through Thursday 11 a.m. until midnight and Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. until 2 a.m.. The second option would allow visitors in the residence hall day and 24-hours on Friday and Saturday. Other options would impleweek with one option calling for an 11 a.m. until 2 a.m. hours and another

While many people may believe

vary for each hall," he said. "We expect a 24-hour visitation policy, Duggan, said this might not be the case in all residence halls.

"I think there will be some residence halls, those with women and probably some men's halls, that will not want 24-hour visitation," he said.

James Burkhalter, acting director of Residence Life, said students have been very interested in voting for the visitation policy of their residence hall. Since interest is high, he believes, the residents will vote in the election.

"There seems to be a fairly high interest in the elections," he said. "They will have two shots at it, so I am anticipating a high turnout.

Chitwood/Weymouth, Stangel/ Murdough, Wall/Gates and Hulen/ Clements will have the option of voting by hall if residents ask for this option because the complexes contain both male and female members. Burkhalter said he doesn't believe this will pose a conflict because the buildings, themselves, are separated.

"These halls are physically separated and have different entrances that students access them with," he said. "Students also have to have their student identification cards to access

Though students are able to choose their visitation hour policy Residence Life is implementing a "fail safe" clause which states that they reserve the right to "modify and/or withdraw" the visitation hours if the new policy begins to cause problems in the residence halls. Burkhalter said some activities that may warrant this include significant disruptions in the

halls and activities that may interfere with the safety in the halls. However, he said, he does not think this will become an issue.

Another consideration the department of Residence Life is considering concerning the elections is how to handle students who may be unhappy with the decision made by their residence hall in the election. Burkhalter said since this is the first year of the elections, he will look at the situation and try to make adjustments for next

"We will try to accommodate those students the best we can," he said. "However, since the residence halls already have limited capacity, moving them in the middle of the school year would be difficult. It may be something we will have to look into for next year.'

## The University

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**Moment's Notice** 

Gamma Beta Phi will have a member meeting at 6 p.m. today and 4 p.m. Wednesday in 358 Business Administration. Call Kimberly Warminski at 745-3107 for more information.

- The University Democrats will meet at 7 p.m. today in the University Center Las Chapparitas Room. Call James Grimes at 722-6612 for more informa-
- The Texas Society of Professional Engineers will have its first meeting of the fall semester at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in 205 Industrial Engineering Lecture Hall. Call 790-6531 for more infor-
- The Society of Physics will meet at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in 103 Science Conference Room. Call 790-6531 for more

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students would automatically vote on

commission last September to exam-

ine the coming years' workforce needs

and changing demographics in Texas.

Tech Chancellor John Montford and

President David Schmidly were in at-

tendance at the public hearing Mon-

day. Both welcomed the commission

to Lubbock and gave opening remarks

committee take a look at what's going

on in West Texas," Montford said.

"Texas Tech is a comprehensive sys-

tem now ... and a major factor in eco-

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Montford said Tech has students in

"We feel it's important that this

regarding the future of Tech.

nomic development in Texas."

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was reached this year when the university garnered Tier 1 status as a research institution under the Carnegie Foundation classification.

"As a system, I think we have espoused a philosophy that we're ready to move forward," he said.

Some of the issues the commission will focus on include the accessibility and affordability of a college degree, the role of advanced technology in higher learning and the mission of higher education in meeting Texas' needs on a long-term basis.

One issue particularly stressed by the commission was the need for the development of strategies to pursue and attain academic excellence.

Danny Vickers, a commission member from El Paso, said the standards for college students in Texas must be elevated if the state is to compete with the higher education systems in other states.

"We've got to raise the bar," he said,

concerning the future workforce needs of Texas and the role of higher education in addressing those needs. "Businesses cannot afford to teach (students) how to read and write."

Another concern the commission has concerning affordability issues is the availability of student loans for those students who cannot easily afford higher education.

This particular concern will be addressed Nov. 2 when Texas voters will have an opportunity to vote on two constitutional amendments, Propositions 13 and 17, which will make more money available to students for higher

During the 76th Legislative Session, the Toward Excellence Access & Success Grant Scholarship program was created to help disadvantaged Texans attend college. During this session, legislators also appropriated \$1 billion in additional funds for higher

The TEXAS Grant program will award eligible students at the university level about \$1,200 a year for up to 150 credit hours.

President Schmidly said he believes an important aspect of the funding issue should also include state funding for colleges in the research and science fields.

"Ninety-seven percent of Texans

of science and technology research," he said. "Texas Tech is proud to be part of the science and technology push."

Tech now ranks 91st in the country in research funding, which, Schmidly said, is a jump of almost 40 positions in the last year. Another objective the commission

has is to examine the use of technology in education and training, as well as the formation of partnerships with businesses for training and retraining to address workforce demands. By 2015, every member of the commission agreed, the gaps in participa-

total increase across the state in enrollment at Texas universities Texas would have to add 170,000 students to the Texas higher education system, making the total to be around

tion, research, excellence and success

must be closed. This would mean a

500,000 students. In Texas, there are 140 public and private higher education institutions, but research shows that only one in five Texans has a bachelor's or Master's

Schmidly said he believes what the commission is doing to improve higher education is absolutely necessary for the state of Texas higher education needs.

"I don't think there's any more important work going on in Texas than

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## Fraternity hosts blood drive

Staff Writer

The Sigma Chi Fraternity and United Blood Services teamed up Monday to hold their 20th annual Sigma Chi Derby Day blood drive at the Sigma Chi lodge, located at 16 Greek Circle.

The drive will continue through the end of the week. Technicians will be on site from noon to 9 p.m. Wednesday and Friday to take blood from eligible donors.

Jody Lewis, Community Relations Specialist for United Blood Services, said the Derby drive is the largest Texas Tech blood drive in history. She said, each year, the drive brings in hundreds of donors and saves hundreds of lives.

All volunteers who wish to donate must first go through a mini-physical and screening process.

They must have their blood pressure, pulse and temperature taken as well as answer questions about current antibiotics and drug use and have their iron levels checked.

Lewis said the main reason students cannot donate is because they have been on antibiotics. However, of the volunteers who come, 350 to 500 of them are eligible to

She said the blood donation is a vital part in the health care of the South Plains area and the only way to provide successful blood transfusions to those in need is by hold-



ing drives and collecting blood do-

"It is really just a short physical and then you can start giving," Lewis said. "Once you get into the screening area it only takes 30 to 40 minutes to give blood and get out of there.

Lewis said since this is a large drive and there is usually a large turnout, donors should allot at least an hour to go through the entire process.

If students cannot attend this drive, there will be other opportunities to give later in the year.

The homecoming committee, all-sports club, dorms and other fraternities and sororities are just a few of the organizations that host annual blood drives throughout the

Anyone who is 17 years old and over 110 pounds is eligible to give blood. Donors do not have to be

Tech students and are encouraged to bring friends and family with them to help.

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Volunteers to give blood must first present some form of identification such as a driver's license or a school or work ID.

For more information on the Sigma Chi Derby Day blood drive or on other ways to donate blood, contact United Blood Services at 797-

## **COMMERCE**

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port, "key faculty are already largely overloaded. New course offerings will require additional faculty resources

The committee called for the hiring of four new faculty members, one in each of the accounting, business law, ISQS and marketing departments.

The committee also raised the concern that COBA faculty members may not be qualified to teach e-business courses and expertise may not be available.

A grant by the Wayne and Gladys

faculty development in this area. In addition, a team from Cap Gemini Ernst and Young presented an allday e-business seminar this summer to faculty.

The report addressed the need for the college to upgrade its technological capacity in order to facilitate the program. It said "suitable networks and servers must be in place to support the programs, and students must have reasonable access to these.

Failure to have this technology in place at the time of initiation could result in a setback to the program's growth and reputation.

The committee reported that a single department "latching on to Valley Foundation was made for the concept and developing a pro-

gram within the confines of the department's expertise" was how other universities created their ebusiness programs.

The program outlined by the Tech committee is unique because it is an interdisciplinary approach for both undergraduates and MBA students.

"This unique approach provides the college with an opportunity to develop leading edge programs that should attract quality students and attract major employers," the

Other universities around the state, including Texas A&M and the University of Texas, already have established e-business programs.

Since the completion of the re-

port, three of the five members of the committee have, for various reasons, handed in their resignations. This has left the program without the majority of its leader-

One of these resigned faculty members, Jay Lambe, said he left because he received a higher salary offer to teach at Virginia Tech in Blackburg, Va., his alma mater. Lambe resignation will be effective in December.

Another such faculty member, who wished to remain anonymous, told The University Daily he left because of serious problems within the college and a lack of administration commitment to the ebusiness program.

## Tech freshmen go to polls to elect leaders

Web voting at Texas Tech gets another chance in freshmen council elections.

By Pam Smith

Texas Tech freshmen will have the opportunity to voice their opinions today during annual freshmen council elections. The election will continue through Wednesday.

This year, 72 students are running for 25 council positions. which will represent the year 2000 freshmen class, Brenda Schumann, internal vice president for the Student Government Association said.

This will be the first election conducted by the SGA under changes made to their election code, which incorporates both a paper ballot and Web voting.

The freshmen council members work as liaisons between the freshmen student body and the SGA," she said. "They form and work on committees that are devoted to the activities that freshmen do.'

Kathryn Quilliam, election commission adviser, said she hopes the addition of Web voting will have an impact on the number of freshmen who vote in the election. Last year, only 369 freshmen voted, which was less than 2 percent of the total freshman class.

Because of the scheduling of the residence hall visitation policy election over the same two days, Schumann said, the SGA and Department of Residence Life will work together to increase voter turnout in both elections.

"We don't anticipate any problems," Schumann said. "I've talked to Housing and Dining and they are going to encourage students to vote in our elections and we are going to encourage students who vote in our elections to vote in theirs."

For those students who do choose to vote at the Web polling locations, Quilliam said, there will be election commission members there to assist them in using the system. She also said the Web site has been updated to be more user-friendly to students who want to vote on the Web.

"I think students will choose to vote on the Web," Quilliam said. "I'm hoping, because of the ease, it will increase the number of people who will vote.'

In order for students to vote, they need to present either their valid Tech ID or driver's license. At each voting booth, an election commission member will be there with a list of students eligible to vote and their PIN numbers, which they will need to access the Web voting ballots. Other requirements for voting include the completion of less than 30 college credit hours and partial payment on their tuition.

"I think that a big thing that has come into play is that freshmen have to have paid part of their tuition in order to vote, even if it is just a dollar," Schumann said. "Many students may not have paid anything yet, so this may keep them from voting."

There will be six voting booths located in the residence halls and two in the University Center. The designated residence halls will be Chitwood/Weymouth, Coleman, Gordon/Sneed/Bledsoe, Horn/ Knapp, Hulen/Clement, Stangel/ Murdoughb and Wall/Gates. Schumann said these locations were chosen because of their high freshman content.

Voting polls will be open today and Wednesday in all residence halls from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and in the University Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Students will also be able to vote via the World Wide Web from 9 a.m. today until 6:30 p.m. Wednesday. Students wishing to vote online can do so at www.sga.ttu.edu.

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## **Your View**

**Today's question:** What do you think about the residence hall visitation policy and 24-hour visitation rights?



Nathan Schoeneberg senior elec. engineering major from Alamogordo,

"As a resident assistant, I think it is awesome. We wouldn't have to worry about doing rounds. People tend to be very apathetic about things like voting, so getting people to go downstairs and vote will be the problem."



Sarah Roberts sophomore undecided major from Houston

it, but I know don't. I really don't know if we I do see why it could make people uncomfortable.



Rusty Terry freshman general business major from Ore City

"We are old enough to make our own decisions. I moved out of the house, and I don't need someone here to act like my parents and tell us what to do. I am pretty confident my floor will vote for it."



Jessica Means freshman pre-vet major from Dallas

"I would rather have 2 a.m. on weekdays and 24 hour on weekends. I don't want guys on my floor all of the time and walking down the halls when I get out of the shower. It will probably pass on my hall, though."

"Of course I like some people who will have enough people to pass it. people would not want it and how



Kenneth Strickland

linity. We thought wrong. The first indication of trouble came as a scream made its way over the net. And then, as if some supernatural force had slapped me in the back of the head, I remembered the only thing that could cause that reaction at that very moment - my painted toenails.

Now, despite the fact that I'm a political science major, which should make me a real jerk, I'm actually a pretty nice guy. So, when my little sister and her friends came to me with the idea of painting my toenails over the summer, I willingly agreed. Never in a million years could I have ever imagined the trouble it would get me

into. Soon the music had somehow stopped and, what was once a sand volleyball court, became a court of an entirely different type. Now, just to set the record straight, I'm not gay. I'm just too ugly. But this story has nothing to do with that. No, this is a tale of masculinity on trial. It's an issue that all men, straight or gay, face at

some point in their lives. My problem, however, was convincing a jury of my peers that I still had a significantly high amount of manliness left within me. The prosecution started the ball rolling by pointing out the obvious, the red toenails, and I didn't exactly help my own cause when I pointed out the fact that they weren't red, they were fuchsia. But, in a purely magnificent move that many in our own law school are incapable of, I retorted with a starling and well-timed fact. Chicks dig guys who let their kid sisters paint their toenails. If you check the transcript, you'll see that I worded my response in that exact

manner. It seemed to satisfy the jury, if only temporarily, The next problem I faced was defending a few decisions I had made in my past. One of my friends referred to the time when I had the audacity to recommend that we watch "Steel Magnolias" over "Braveheart." I had no defense for this, or the time I cried after watching "Beaches," or the time I gave up my seat at a Tech football game to go to the symphony. Ah, but I did drive a Jeep and I just knew that this would be enough to get me off the hook.

ast Saturday, a group of friends and I hopped in my Jeep But, much like Socrates before me, I had underestimated my ac-Wrangler and headed for a local sand volleyball court. We cusers, for they knew as well as I did that under the hood of that manly vehicle, was a 4-cylinder engine, the feminine equivalent of a sports bra.

Y'SEE, GUYS, THO CAN PLAY TH' SUBLIMINAL

**Masculinity judged by peers** 

Much like our football team against North Texas last year, I was being beaten badly. There was only one thing left to do, and even it was risky. So, we hopped back into my vehicle and headed for campus. When we returned to my dorm room, things began looking up.

I pointed to a few items around my dwelling that only a true manly man could claim. Things such as my extra set of bed sheets still in the same plastic wrapping they were in when I bought them two years ago. Or, what about the big poster on my door of tennis star and model Anna Kournikova bending over to pick up a tennis ball? And, surely my waist-high stack of "Maxim" magazines would be enough to prove that my testosterone levels were not up to de-

The jury decided to leave the room to deliberate. While they were gone, I made a mad dash to hide all incriminating evidence. Items such as my collection of Kenny G CD's and my "Herbal Essence" shampoo soon found themselves smothered under my mattress. Finally, it was the moment of truth. I felt like my entire life had led up to this moment. Would my true manliness show through, or would I be forced into a life of shopping for shoes and frequenting antique stores?

As time went on, I began to wonder what was taking so long. This wasn't like the O.J. Simpson trial. No, I was genuinely innocent. As I opened the door and made my way into the living room, I didn't find my friends deep in discussion, but rather deep into an episode of "The Man Show" on Comedy Central. Taking advantage of the show's first lewd comment regarding a woman's posterior end, I was able to reassure my friends with the truly and genuinely masculine observation, "Damn straight!"

With those two words, I was acquitted.

After everything was said and done, we decided that the manly thing to do would be to never discuss this incident with anyone. So, as long as no one reads my column, I should be OK. But remember, just because your golfing buddy dresses better than any guy you know, or just because your sorority sister can punt a football 70 yards, it doesn't mean that you should treat them any different. I truly hope after this column is printed, my friends will grow to appreciate my fresh look on masculinity. And, if not, that's OK too. Then I'll be free to pursue the career I'm really passionate about — dance!

Kenneth Strickland is a sophomore political science major from Mesquite. He lied, he can't dance. He can't even two-step.

## Column

## Blaming society hypocritical

n the wake of the growing number of incidences involving gun violence, gun control is one of the central themes of the 2000 presidential election. The democrats, of course, blame the National Rifle Association and the mean-spirited republicans. The republicans blame Hollywood and the moral crisis brought on by liberalism.

But, who is really to blame when employees kill coworkers, five-year-old kids kill their classmates, and adolescents snap and massacre 10 or 15 other students? It is natural for us to want to isolate our-



Joseph Colley

zations. I have been as guilty as the next person when it comes to this flawed way of looking at things. In one of my columns last spring, I praised the NRA, but I have since reneged on my adulation

selves from the problem

and point the finger at

other people or organi-

for the organization, not because I am any less pro-gun, but because I am adamantly against the death penalty and mandatory sentencing, both of which the NRA supports financially.

Does the NRA make guns more readily available? Sure it does; I won't deny that. Is the NRA the problem that has led to all the killings? It may be part of the problem, but it is not the entire problem. If it's not the NRA, then it must be the movies, television, and the music industry, right? Nearly every movie, television show, and song that comes out these days is centered around drugs, sex, revenge, and murder, so it is easy to point at all the entertainers and claim that they have corrupted our children.

It cannot be denied that these segments of our culture do have an affect on us, but who is it that supports the entertainment business? We do. I am no right-winger who wants to censor entertainers. I am against censorship in any form, regardless of where it comes from, because I do not need anyone mandating what they think is best for me. On the other hand, I'm no leftist who wants to outlaw guns. The same principle applies; I do not need anyone restricting what I can and can't own. It's my life, my business. If you really want to know who is to blame for the violence in the United States, then go look in the mirror. That's right. It is you. It is me. It's all of us.

Not only are we products of society, we are society. We try to isolate ourselves, but we live in a screwed up world, and we are inarguably part of it. Maybe someday I can go live in the woods like Thoreau did to remove myself from all that is detrimental to our population, and maybe then I'll have a clear conscience. Until that day comes, I'll live my life in the madness. I'll watch whatever movies or television shows that I want to. I will buy any music that I choose, regardless of its contents. I'll own whatever I want, be it a gun or anything else that offends other people. To be honest, I do not know if I should apologize for who I turned out to be, but I know that under no circumstances can I claim to be innocent.

The world is a random plexus of events, and we all support, live, and revel in it. When you can show me proof that you are not part of this society, I will gladly exempt you from my claim that we are all responsible for the decadence. If it makes you feel better about yourself, you can blame the celebrities, the politicians, the democrats, the republicans, or the NRA.

If you want to censor Hollywood to solve whatever moral crisis exists in America, then have a blast; you'll just be covering up reality rather than dealing with it. If you think that disarming America will make the world a prettier place, then, go for it; I am me whether or not I

The more I think about my own life, the less I feel the need to fight these external battles that do nothing but pretentiously separate us. I don't know how to put an end to the gun violence and the rest of the rage, assuming it's even possible, but I do know that until we perfect ourselves as individuals, we have no right to

point our finger at anyone else. Joseph Colley is a senior English and philosophy major from Mt. Pleasant.

## **Letters to the Editor**

## Stick to the facts

To the editor: I'd like to respond to the two letters to the editor last Friday. Mr. Coleman and Ms. Lucardi levy some strong-worded attacks against Mr. Mundorf's opinions. Mr. Coleman said his first article was "more humorous than factual" and, in the spirit of the 1st Amendment, he claims that Mundorf's views are an "embarrassment for Texas Tech." Ms. Lucardi went off on a tangent, claiming that our ignorance today will be our children's downfall. She said we are "starving ourselves" and "allowing ourselves to become extinct." In a round about way, she also calls Mr. Mundorf a fascist. However, not one

line in either of the two letters addressed any of the substance in Mr. Mundorf's columns. Mr. Coleman and Ms. Lucardi were quick to make personal attacks and call names, but they don't challenge any of Mundorf's arguments with facts. This is a typical play out of the liberal handbook - when your arguments and philosophies are intellectually bankrupt, just resort to sensationalism and name calling and hope the lies stick.

Sarah Pope junior

## **High-five**

To the editor: Wow! In the first year since "Take

a Kid to the Game" began, more Texas Tech students participated than children! This is a great example of how Tech students care about their community. The "Take a Kid" Coordinating Committee would like to say thank you to all the individuals who gave their time Saturday to make a difference. The program would never be a success without you! We would like to extend a special thanks to the Sigma Alpha Epsilon pledge class who, not only served 2,400 hot dogs, but cleaned up after 2,400 people with a smile and a "what else can we do to help" attitude! Although the "wave" never caught on at the game, we give you an "A" for effort. Everyone who was involved with "Take a Kid to the Game" should give themselves a pat on the

Take a Kid to the Game Committee

back. Thank you again for all your help.

## **WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

e-mail it to UD@ttu.edu. Please limit letters to about 300 words and include your social and phone number for verification purposes.

**Tuesday** 

September 19, 2000

TechLife! Editor: Amy Curry Phone: (806)742-2936 Fax: (806)742-2434

## ech The University Daily

**Texas Tech** students volunteer to



machine would eventually pay for it-

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machine after the original purchase

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a lot of courage to walk around cam-

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he said, it would give Dugan the cour-

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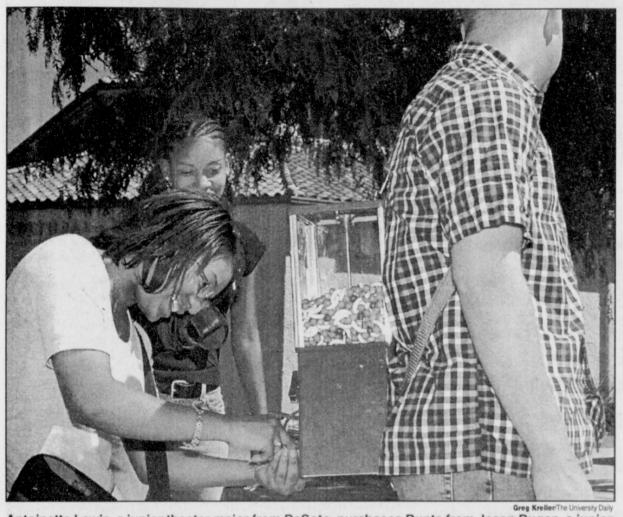
Cory Carrington, a junior advertis-

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candy machines, one in Lubbock and for about \$50 and advertised that the

## Candy man takes his business on road



Antoinette Lewis, a junior theater major from DeSoto, purchases Runts from Jason Dugan, a junior business major from Cedar Hill. Dugan carries his candy dispenser on his back around campus and sells Runts to Texas Tech students.

## Woman, transsexual able to obtain marriage license, exchange vows

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - A woman and a transsexual who was born a man formally exchanged vows in a marriage ceremony Saturday.

Jessica Wicks and Robin Manhart Wicks - taking advantage of an appeals court ruling that defines gender been born a woman, their marriage only by chromosomes — obtained a would be illegal under state law.

marriage license earlier this month from Bexar County. Had Jessica Wicks

## Young entrepreneur straps on Runts candy machine, sells fruity treats to Tech students to make extra cash

one in Post - both of which are in chi-

dered through econovend.com.

Dugan's idea for the machines came

when Entrepreneur Magazine started

After looking through the maga-

"The magazine just started coming, and I got it for about three weeks."

zine, Dugan stumbled across an ad for

a company that sells vending machine

Dugan said. "The company sold a

large vending package that I didn't re-

The company sold each machine

The machines were found and or-

ropractors' offices.

coming to his apartment.

**TUESDAY** 

Staff Writer

uarters can become very scarce when traveling down to the laundry room. They become even scarcer since beverage prices have increased to a dollar. However, one student has not let weekend trips to the laundry room and inflation get him down.

Jason Dugan, junior business major from Cedar Hill, has strapped on a new business venture — a Runts candy dispenser. Dugan said he decided to start carrying the candy machine on his back after his roommate mentioned that it would be a fun way to make a little extra money.

"We were just sitting there and my roommate Matt said, 'It'd be really cool if you strapped that thing to your back and walked around campus and people bought Runts from you."

Dugan took his friend's advice.

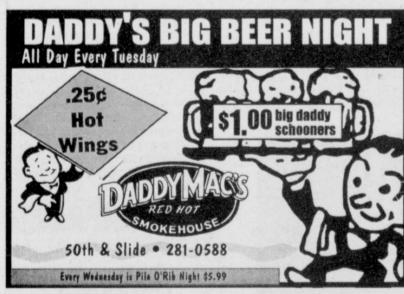
Nathan Spencer, a junior Arts and Sciences major from Plano and one of Dugan's other roommates, said he thinks Dugan's "money machine" is quite innovative.

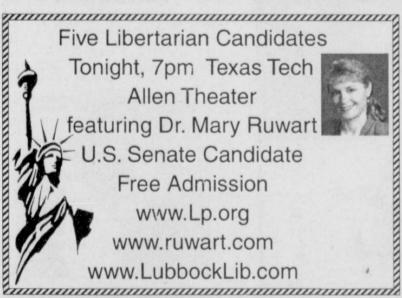
"I think it's really funny, but it really is pure genius," Spencer said.

Besides the one strapped to his









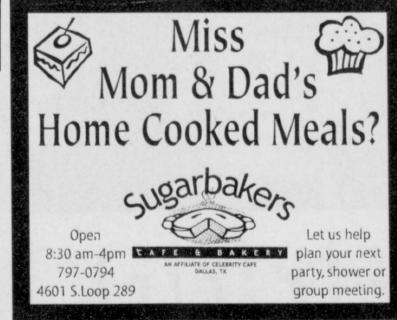
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## Lending a hand: Volunteers build homes for underprivileged

By Cory Chandler Staff Writer

small army of volunteers dressed in shorts, gray Habitat for Humanity T-shirts and tool belts descended on the 2100 block of Duke Street last week.

These volunteers spent time away from their regular jobs sawing, hammering and painting in recordbreaking heat to help provide houses for the underprivileged in Lubbock.

Marjie Collins, an administrative secretary for the Human Develop-

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This has been a really cool experience. I've met the kids that are going to live here, and I want to help them out."

> Cotton McNutt TECH STUDENT AND VOLUNTEER

ment and Family Studies department, will move into her newly constructed house later this week

Collins said she originally got the idea to apply for a house through Habitat from her boss, Cathy Nathan, Director of Human Development and Family Studies.

"I kept thinking, 'Oh, no, this could never happen to me. This is too good to be true," Collinssaid. "But Cathy kept on me until I went to a workshop.

Collins said she had to attend two workshops before she could apply for home ownership through Habitat.

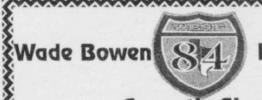
She said these workshops were structured to teach participants about Habitat and what it takes to be a homebuyer.

She said though there were many volunteers, the Tech chapter for Habitat for Humanity was helpful.

Volunteers helped by doing odd jobs and building a storage shed for Collins' house.

Barbara Dickerson, coordinator of Habitat for Humanity, gives Marjie Collins and her children the keys to their new home.

Jolaine Rankin, a secretary of in-



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ternal medicine for the Health Sciences Center and Collins' niece, said she was impressed by what she saw during the week.

"This is the coolest thing I've ever seen or been involved with," she said. "Everyone has been so kind, and no one argued or complained. Everyone has been pleasant and helpful."

Clifford Fedler, a professor in the civil engineering department, said he has been working with Habitat for Humanity for about four or five years and encourages his students to get involved.

Fedler teaches a structure class and said this is the best way for his students to learn what he is trying to teach them.

"The best way for my students to learn this is to do it first hand," he said. "I can show them papers and diagrams, but they won't get it like they do working out here.'

Cotton McNutt, a senior environmental engineer from Conroe, said she originally volunteered to work at Fedler's suggestion.

"This has been a really cool experience," she said. "I've met the kids that are going to live here, and I want to help them out."

She also said, if she were in the same situation, she would want help.

Ryan Lupton, a senior agriculture communications major from Shallowater, said his time working with Habitat has been a learning experience.

"We have a diverse group of people working together here," he said. "Someone will know how to do something and tell others how to do it. Pretty soon it all comes to-

Lupton said working to help others is what helps volunteers for Habitat keep their spirits high.

"One thing we've been talking about this week is that when you're working by yourself, you might not enjoy doing things like painting your house," he said. "But, when you are doing something like this, it almost makes it enjoyable."

## **EXECUTE** CANDY MAN

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face even greater career challenges tropical flavor."

in the future.' So far, Dugan has had only a few usually just turn and laugh at the complaints concerning his Runts

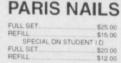
customers complained about the bananas in the mixture, he suggested they try something new. "If you eat all the flavors to-

gether," he said, "you'll get a nice Students on their way to class

sight of "Runtman," while some machine. After some disgruntled stand and contemplate a purchase. Although Dugan said some skeptics think he is just being silly or trying to get attention, the young en-

trepreneur said he is serious about his Runt sales and is only out to make money. "I'm like 'the big Kahuna man' at

the Ranger's game," he said. "Most people think this is a gimmick, but it's not - this is here to stay."



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## Texas Tech fans fall into several categories

f a tree falls down in the middle Tech has faced, but shouldn't a Big of the woods, does anyone hear

Or, can God make a stone so heavy he cannot lift it? Both of those questions have no easy answer or no

> solution at all. But try this

> If a Division-I football team goes 4-0 to start a season, does the city, in general, that team plays in care? Matt

That ques-Muench tion is easy and the answer is a

Sure it hasn't been much of a schedule for Red Raider fans because of the caliber of competition coming to see the Cornhuskers, and

12 Conference school be close to selling out, or actually selling out every home game?

Tech is not doing that this season, even though most athletic officials thought ticket sales would be up considering all the hype there was with a new coach and a new offense in place.

Tech is averaging just over 38,000 fans a game in a stadium that seats almost 51,000.

Of course, the fan total will be higher when powerhouses, Texas and Nebraska come to the Hub City.

Some of those fans will be from the opposing team, but fans that didn't care to show up to Scrub Bowl 1-4 to start the season will show up to the Big 12 games.

What that means is, the fans are not coming to see Tech, they are

That, ladies and gentlemen, is not a good sign.

If you are a fan of Tech football, you should go to the games no matter who the Raiders are paired up

But, what I have noticed is not many students care about Tech There are the few that attend the

games, but for many different rea-After watching Tech's first four wins, I have observed that this uni-

versity has seven different types of Fan No. 1: This fan is the fan that

has to be there. I'm not saying they don't want to be there, they just have to be there. The Saddle Tramps, the Goin' Band and the cheerleaders fit under this they have to. Like I said before, I'm not saying they don't want to show spirit, they just have to.

Fan No. 2: This is the definition of fan in the Muench dictionary.

This fan paints his face, stands up the entire game and does not leave till the game is over.

The Tech "hecklers" fall into this category. If Tech loses, they still love Tech and still give the opposing team

Fan No. 3 is the smart aleck fan that yells out things like, "Queensbury" or "Shoot yourself

This fan is also the fair-weather fan. Most of the time, these fans are also categorized as Dallas Cowboy

These fans praise Kingsbury's passing ability, while the following play they want him burnt on a stick.

These fans show spirit because This fan will also say phrases like,

"we won" when Tech wins, but says, "they lost" when Tech loses.

Fan No. 4 is the fan that has no red and black in his heart, but does have a couple of shots of Jack Daniels and a case of beer going through his bloodstream.

This fan goes to the game with a flask in his boot and gets hammered to have a good time and, maybe, start a few fights with the opposing team's fans.

That's always fun to watch if the game is boring.

Fan No. 5 is the fan that goes to the game because they are trained to

right thing to do. (i.e. administra-These fans sit there and most of the time just repeat what fan No. 2

They go because they feel it is the

said even though they don't know

## American Olympians experiencing highs, lows

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) - American swimmers Lenny Krayzelburg and Megan Quann showed they can beat the world's best. The U.S. men's

Krayzelburg and Quann each won gold medals for the United

a non-boycotted games for the first time since 1932, didn't even come close. They finished fifth, while China cruised to the men's team

at Los Angeles in 1984, but most Eastern bloc nations boycotted

At the aquatic center, the Ukrainian-born Krayzelburg pulled away from Australian Matthew Welsh to win the 100-meter backstroke and collect his first gold medal. His Olympic record time of 53.72 seconds was just .12 off the world mark he set at the same pool last year.

"It's better than anything I've ever

Quann, competing in her first Olympics at age 17, won the 100meter breaststroke in 1:07.05.

Australian teen sensation Ian Thorpe earned a silver medal to go with two golds he already has won, but he had to be about as glum as the U.S. gymnasts. Dutchman Pieter van den Hoogenband outswam Thorpe in the 200-meter freestyle, tying the world record he set the day before with a time of 1:45.35.

The 17-year-old Thorpe had thrilled his nation by setting a world mark and winning the 400 freestyle Saturday. Minutes later, he anchored the Aussie 400 free relay squad that upset the United States and smashed another world record. Thorpe couldn't win his third gold or reclaim the record Van den Hoogenband took from him on Sunplastered across every front page of competition Monday.

and TV screen in Australia, Thorpe finished second in 1:45.83. While Thorpe dropped to 2-1 in Olympic events, the U.S. teams in boxing, baseball, softball, women's basketball and women's volleyball all stayed unbeaten Monday with easy victories in the early phases of their tournaments.

what 80 percent of what they said

Fan No. 6: These fans are males that couldn't care less about what

the score is and who is playing. All these fans care about is the scenery at the game.

They want to know what her name is, what her number is and what is she doing after the game.

Fan No. 7: This is the fan that is like a soccer fan. They think they are referees because they believe they know every rule in the book. These fans try to make their own game plan for Leach and you will hear them in the stands trying to predict the next play. This fan thinks he knows everything about football, and when Tech loses, by God he knows why.

Matt Muench is a sophomore journalism major from El Paso. Comments can be sent to mamuench@ttacs.ttu.edu.

gymnastic team still can't.

States at the Olympic pool Monday.

The gymnasts, trying to medal at

The U.S. men won the team title

done in my life," Krayzelburg said.

The United States and Olympic host Australia shared the lead in the day. After two days of having his face medal count with 13 each at the end

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The Texas Tech-Texas A&M contest, set for Sept. 30 at Kyle Field in College Station, has been moved to an 11:30 a.m. kickoff time, according to an announcement Monday by the Big 12 Conference.

The game was originally set for a 1 p.m. kickoff, but was moved to be televised by FOX Sports Net as part of the network's regional syndication package.

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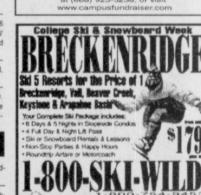
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## Raiders ready for week off to heal injuries

## Several Tech players nursing injuries four games into season

By Patrick Gonzales Staff Writer

Now that they've become only the fifth football team in Texas Tech history to start the season 4-0, the Red Raiders have their sights set on another goal this week: getting healthy.

As Tech heads into its bye week, six Red Raider starters are injured and are listed as questionable, or probable for practice this week.

Defensive tackle Lamont Anderson, who broke his right fibula during a Kevin Curtis interception return Saturday, was lost for the entire season.

After the bye week, Tech will not play again until Sept. 30 against A&M at Kyle Field in College Station.

"There is no question we need to get some guys healed up," Tech coach Mike Leach said.

"An off week can kind of hit you in two ways, but I think it hit us at a good

The injury bug has hit the offense the hardest with five starters suffering some type of ailment, including three from the offensive line.

Both offensive tackles, John DePasquale and Paul Erickson, missed Saturday's contest after suffering left ankle sprains against North Texas, and left guard Matt Heider

sprained his right knee against Loui- those guys should be healthy by, not siana-Lafavette on Saturday.

Erickson and DePasquale's injuries are listed as questionable and probable, respectively, while Heider will be

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TEXAS TECH FOOTBALL COACH

out 3-to-6 weeks, Leach said.

The three linemen join Tech right guard Jason May who has missed the entire season after undergoing reconstructive knee

surgery last season.

"Off and on we've had four starters (linemen) down," Leach said.

"It usually doesn't work like that. Big people don't tend to get injured as much as little people, but I guess that's why they're big people."

Ricky Williams and Derek Dorris are both listed as questionable after suffering a left shoulder sprain and a left knee sprain, respectively, during Saturday's contest.

Williams finished the contest with 55 yards rushing on 15 carries, including a 4-yard touchdown run.

this week, but next week," Leach said.

On defense, cornerback Antwan Alexander suffered a right knee contusion against the Ragin' Cajuns, but

is listed as probable and should be able to participate in practice this

However, Anderson's injury was the toughest blow to the defense. Anderson, a

sophomore

from Nimitz, was a regular contributor to a Red Raider defense that ranks No. 1 in the Big 12 Conference.

He will be replaced in the rotation by red-shirt freshman Josh Page.

"In the three-man tackle rotation we use, everybody is good enough to be a starter, and we are really going to miss Lamont," Tech defensive tackle Kris Kocurek said.

"Lamont is a great player and all that we're concerned with right now is his health

'We have Josh Page, and he is just like having another starter. He's going "Funny things happen, but most of to step in where Lamont left off."



Texas Tech linebacker Lawrence Flugence consoles defensive tackle Lamont Anderson during Tech's 26-0 win over Louisiana-Lafayette. Anderson suffered a broken right fibula during the

## Former Texas All-American kicker sentenced to seven years in federal prison for fraud

AUSTIN (AP) - Former Texas All-American kicker and first round NFL draft choice Russell Erxleben was sentenced Monday to seven years in federal prison for bilking investors out of

some \$50 million.

Erxleben kicked at UT from 1975-78 before he was selected in the first round of the 1979 NFL draft by the New Orleans Saints.

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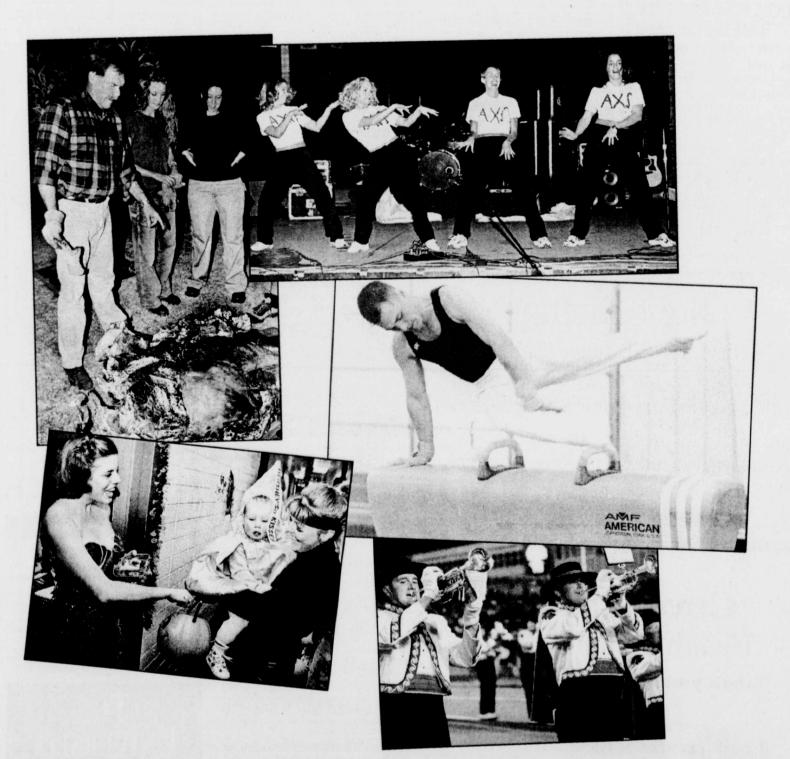
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