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# **STATE**

# **Ticks expose Texans** to Lyme disease risk

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans are at risk of getting Lyme disease from blood-sucking ticks, but those who catch it are not receiving adequate care, according to a recent report by a legislative committee.

Too many doctors think Lyme. more prominent in the Northeast, can't happen here, and many patients are forced to search elsewhere for treatment.

The committee recommends that Lyme disease and other tickborne illnesses be the target of massive education and prevention efforts, some of which already are under way. Those recommendations were unveiled Wednesday during a Capitol forum on tick-borne diseases, the Austin American Statesman reported in Thursday editions.

For years, patients in Texas have complained they were misdiagnosed, mistreated and turned away by doctors who know little about Lyme. Few doctors in Texas and elsewhere have been willing to treat longterm sufferers because of criticism by medical boards and other physicians.

# **W** NATIONAL

# **Discrimination** key in Coca-Cola lawsuit

ATLANTA (AP) — The Coca-Cola Co. agreed to pay \$192.5 million to settle a racial discrimination suit by

The settlement, announced Thursday, includes \$113 million in cash, \$43.5 million to adjust salaries, and \$36 million for oversight of the company's employment practices. Coke also will pay \$20 million in attorneys' fees and agreed to create an ombudsman post and have its employment practices reviewed by an outside group.

Shares of Coca-Cola were up 12.5 cents to \$61.63 in afternoon trading on the New York Stock

The settlement was approved by U.S. District Judge Richard Story, in whose court the suit was filed in April 1999. Details of the settlement will be sent to about 2,000 current and former employees beginning next month.

The lawsuit claimed Coca-Cola discriminated against salaried black employees in pay, promotions and evaluations.

# **WORLD**

# **Environmental plans** denied by Europeans

THE HAGUE, Netherlands (AP) - The European Union rejected a proposal Thursday from the United States, Japan and Canada on how to cut levels of greenhouse gases that are raising the earth's temperature.

The U.S.-led plan, which environmental groups also harshly rejected, suggests using so-called carbon "sinks" forests and lands that absorb carbon dioxide pollution — to help meet targets of carbon dioxide reduction agreed to under the 1997 Kyoto Protocol.

The 15-nation European Union said it opposes the proposal because it "does not ensure the environmental integrity of the Kyoto Protocol."

The rejection on the conference's fourth day set the stage for a tough battle when environment ministers arrive next week at the U.N. Climate Conference. They are expected to agree to concrete measures to combat global warming.

# The University

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**INSIDE TODAY'S ISSUE** 



Raiders gear up to face No. 1 in Soonerland...p.10

Lubbock, Texas

# Leach inks year contract extension

By Phil Riddle Staff Writer

First-year Texas Tech head football coach Mike Leach was awarded a one-year contract extension, setting him up to remain at the helm of Red Raider gridiron fortunes through 2005. The extension was announced at a Thursday

morning news conference at the university's athletic complex.

"Our football team, under the leadership of coach Leach and his fine staff, has done an outstanding job this year," Tech Athletic Director Gerald Myers said. "I think it's pretty evident the coaching job they've done, all the way from basic fundamentals and techniques, to the present



shown steady improvement every week. The contract extension comes on the heels of a threat by Leach to

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file a libel suit against a Kentucky magazine. The publication, The Cats' Pause, an independent magazine that covers University of Kentucky football, published an article that stated Leach and Tech President David Schmidly did Leach's departure from Tech after just one season. The story, by Dave Baker of Lexington, Ky., credits an anonymous source for the information in the story. The timing of the announcement of

Leach's contract extension, according to all involved, has nothing to do with the story or pending legal action. "We've been talking about doing this,"

Schmidly said. "We think Mike and his coaches have earned it. We wanted to wait until the end of the season, specifically, until we were bowl eligible.

"It just so happens that the timing is also a coincident, with respect to all these mali-

not get along, which could possibly lead to cious falsities that these people have been putting out. Hopefully it will help with that, but that's not why it was done. It was based

Schmidly denies that any problems exist

'There's never been any friction between Mike and I." he said. "I've never had a cross word with Mike Leach.

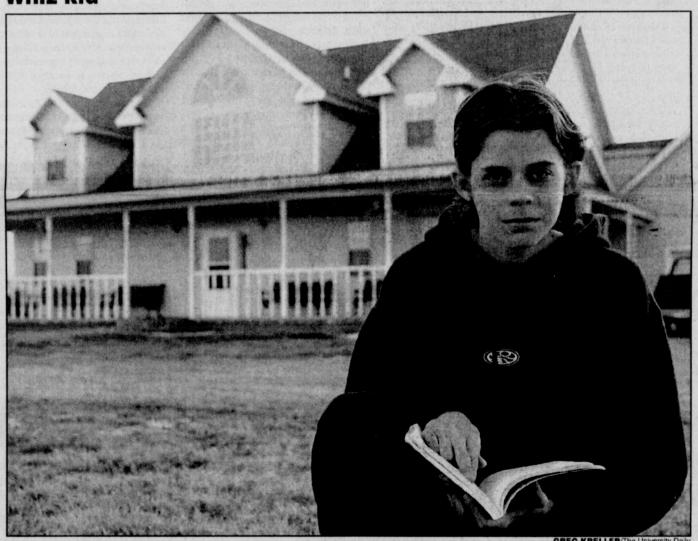
Leach spoke up when asked if the Kenaffect recruitment.

is why I don't have any hesitation whatsoever,

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# Whiz kid

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Texas Tech student Ben Thomas, a 16-year-old sophomore statistics major from Lubbock, sits outside his residence in New Home where he was home-schooled.

# Ahead of the Pack

# West Texas 16-year-old experiencing high, lows of college at early age

By Velma Valdez Contributing Writer

Thile most typical 16 year olds are arguing with their parents about the kind of car they want and trying to adjust to the first years of high school, Texas Tech student Ben Thomas is accumulating college credits.

He is thinking about his film-directing career, and he's already on his way to a college degree. While the ongoing debate about public or private education continues, Thomas attributes his success to home schooling.

'Home school prepared me for college," Thomas said. The sophomore classics major from Lubbock was accepted to Tech on the basis of his SAT scores. At 14, he took the test and scored high enough to go to college. Thomas could have chosen any college, but he had his mind set

on Tech because it was close to home. Thomas is enrolled in 13 hours. When he came to Tech, he tested out of a little more than 30 credit hours and entered the university as a sophomore.

James Holland, a mythology professor at Tech, said Thomas is remarkably young but is not treated any differently than other

"His performance in class is as good as anybody else. His performance is quite adequate for college, and his knowledge on

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on merit for his performance."

between himself and the Red Raider coach.

tucky story and the expected lawsuit would

"It certainly doesn't help," he said. "Which

# Senate focus lies behind speaker fee

By Pam Smith Staff Writer

A resolution signifying student support for an optional fee to bring more high profile speakers to Texas Tech was the focus of the Student Senate's meeting Thursday evening.

Senate Resolution 36.14, which would allow students to choose whether or not they would want to add an additional \$1 to their tuition and fees to fund a Student Endowed Lectureship Series, would raise money to bring higher profile speakers to Tech. The administration would then match the funds through donations and additional funding.

"This resolution will allow the university to bring such speakers as Ted Turner, Bill Gates, Colin Powell, John McCain or whomever you can imagine to campus," said College of Arts and Sciences Sen. Heath Cheek, who introduced the bill. "What this does is add a \$1 voluntary fee to everybody's tuition if they choose to do so."

As part of the program, students would play an integral part in choosing the speakers who were invited to campus. Cheek said the speakers would be selected either by a student body dedicated to choosing speakers or by a student vote. Currently, the Student Activities Board or Leadership Tech chooses speakers.

"The program is completely run by students," he said. "It won't be the administration shoving speakers down our throats."

He said the program's main benefit would come from the additional educational value speakers of this caliber would bring to the campus. Cheek said he thinks students will benefit from hearing speeches from people who have succeeded in the industry they are studying.

"If you are a business major, you will be able to learn about business from Ted Turner or Bill Gates, somebody who has actually succeeded in business, instead of a professor," he said.

The money would be raised when students paid their tuition every semester, he said, and the administration is looking into having a box placed on the TechSIS Web site that students could mark if they wished to contribute to the fund. Students who would not wish to pay the additional dollar would not be required to do so.

Tim Wright, senator-at-large from the College of Business Administration, said the money

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# Florida court rules in Gore's favor — recounts continue

Thursday to expand manual recounts in Florida, even as advisers said he likely won't overtake George W. Bush's 300-vote lead before the Republican secretary of state certifies their marathon White House race Saturday. GOP lawyers asked courts to stop the counting and "the disintegration" of Ame-rica's presi-

dential election system. The vice president and his team aggressively defended the hand recounts in Democratic-leaning counties, laying the groundwork for Gore's case to continue the

ahead of the Texas governor before the secretary of state's deadline.

"The choice really is whether the voters are going to decide this election by having every vote count or whether that process is going to be short-circuited without all the votes being examined," Gore said in a ra-

The Florida Supreme Court later handed Gore a modest victory, authorizing officials in Palm Beach and Broward counties to recount ballots by hand. The effort, which officials said will take about six days,

(AP) — Al Gore won his fight vote-counting if he fails to pull had been stalled on order of Secretary of State Katherine Harris.

The ruling did not say whether votes found in the recounts can be added to Gore's totals - the heart of a legal clash that has thrust the presidential campaign into limbo. The justices are all Democratic appointees.

Within minutes. Palm Beach election officials decided to start recounting Thursday night. After two full days of counting in 86 of 609 precincts, Gore had gained 21 votes in Broward

County on the state's southeast coast. The Florida Supreme Court has spoken, the counts can continue,"

said Gore chairman William Daley. Bush supports the secretary of state's weekend deadline and wants a declaration of a Florida winner after the last overseas absentee ballots

are due today at midnight. Once these votes are counted. we will know the final result of Florida's election and the nation's election," Bush campaign chairman Don Evans said. "Win or lose, this election will be over.'

Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, has been unable to deliver the state for his brother, agreed: "Saturday morning we'll know who won the state," he said.

Democrats begged to differ. Gore's attorneys asked a state judge in Tallahassee to have hand recounts rolled into the election totals, even if the vote-counting isn't finished by Friday night. They argued that Harris, a Bush supporter, acted arbitrarily when she refused to update vote totals with the results of manual recounts after a Tuesday

Bush looked to a federal appeals court in Atlanta to shut down the canvassing altogether, calling manual recounts inaccurate and prone to political mischief.

# Silent killer slain on campus by awareness day

By J.T. Leeson Staff Writer

There is a silent killer on the Texas Tech campus, and it is 100 percent avoidable.

Drowsy driving took the lives of 30 students from Texas colleges last year, according to the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration. It also estimates that 100,000 police-reported crashes each year are the result of fatigued drivers; resulting in more than 1,500 deaths, 71, 000 injuries and \$12.5 billion in economic losses.

"As we approach the holidays, most students will be traveling back and forth from home to school," said Tim Wright, chairman of the Tech University Life program.

"It is important that we make students and faculty aware of the dangerous effects of drowsy driving. Drowsy driving is the third leading killer of college students, but it goes unnoticed in light of drunk driving and drugs."

Wright coordinated the Student Government Association-sponsored Drowsy Driving Awareness Day Rally at 1 p.m. Thursday in the University Center Courtvard. Attendees of the rally included Tech President David Schmidly, Raider Red, the Masked Rider and representatives from the SGA and various faculty members.

Karen Peeples, a representative of the Texas Department of Transportation, spoke before the rally and Jo

nual Sponsor an Angel project.

By Kristina Thomas

Staff Writer

other campus organizations to conduct their third an-

Women's Service Organization is seeking help from

WSO has worked the last few years to raise money

and buy gifts for residents of the Children's Home of

Lubbock. This year they are asking campus organiza-

tions and students to sponsor a child and buy them gifts

A party will be Dec. 10 at the children's home for

sponsored children to meet their angels and hand out

the project is one of the only parties the will children

"It has been done different ways in the past, but they

this Christmas. The deadline to sign up is Nov. 29.

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For more info, call the SGA at 742-3631.

Henderson, health education coordinator for Student Health Services. gave students preventive methods to avoid becoming a fatality or an injury statistic in the upcoming holiday season.

"If you are sleepy and traveling, you should stop every two hours,' Henderson said. "If you are driving a long distance, stop for a power nap; this 15 to 20 minute nap gives your body four hours of energy."

Henderson also warned rally attendants not to drive on long trips with a sleeping companion in the front seat. Doing so, she said, would

WSO looking for campus angels

Debra Rogers, education director at the home, said spread the word about the event, but students not in-e project is one of the only parties the will children volved in these organizations are welcome to participate.

try to sponsor all of the kids here," Rogers said. "Last to sign up to sponsor an angel, contact Tutak at 794-3538.

increase the likelihood of the driver growing drowsy as well.

Peeples said drowsy driving symptoms begin when the driver starts to drift from lane to lane. At the conclusion of the rally, at-

tendees were asked to sign a banner. In doing so, they pledged to stay alert and not to drive drowsy. Schmidly, Raider Red and the Masked Rider were the first to sign the banner.

Tech's heavy involvement with the awareness day was spurred by the death of Tech student Michael Burrows in a drowsy driving-related accident Oct. 29, 1999.

year this was the only party the kids had that was thrown

There are 75 children in the children's home. WSO is

Kathy Tutak, fall community activities coordinator for

"This is the third year we have done this. All of the

Letters were sent out to organizations in an effort to

Because of the larger number of children in the home

this year, WSO needs sponsors. For more information or

by outsiders. The kids really love it, and it is a big help."

asking that each child be given shoes, socks, pants, a shirt,

WSO, said they have a good time and help a lot of chil-

sponsors get to come to the party on Sunday, and each

child gets a new outfit and toy," Tutak said. "Last year WSO

did this on their own. This year we want to expand it some

and are asking for help from other organizations.'

underwear and a small gift.



Masked Rider Lesley Gilbreath and Texas Tech President David Schmidly sign the Drowsy Driving Awareness banner in the University Center Thursday afternoon.

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the material is quite extensive," he said. "He has done a lot of reading on Greek mythology on his own."

Thomas said he enjoys college. Professors actually know what they are talking about," he said. "(And)

I am a lot less busy in college." The 5 foot 10 inch, brown-eyed teen plans to transfer to Biola University in La Miranda, Calif., a Christian university, where he will major in film cinema and hopes one day to become

a film director. Thomas, born in Toledo, Ohio, moved to Lubbock when he was in the fifth grade. His parents decided to home school him because his mother, Cindy, thought public school would

limit her son's learning. In the ninth grade, Thomas went to Trinity Christian School to take math and science courses, but found he was bored. "He is a very eager and curious learner, and I didn't want him to lose his enthusiasm. Home school gives you the opportunity to go at your own pace," Cindy Thomas said.

Thomas recommends home school to anyone. Being home

schooled helped Thomas finish high school in two years.

Thomas enjoys computers and programming, playing his guitar and writing science fiction stories. His special hobby is to make films with his video camera. In his spare time, he likes to sculpt figures out of clay and, with his eight-millimeter camera, animate them.

Being in college has given Thomas a sense of satisfaction. His only fear is that because of his age, he may not be ready for some of the things that are coming up. "I really thank God for letting me get this far, I could have never done it completely by myself," he said. "I want to thank my parents, friends and teachers who inspired me to keep

# Execution stayed by U.S. Supreme Court

HUNTSVILLE(AP) - About three hours before he could have been put to death, the U.S. Supreme Court stopped the scheduled Thursday night execution of a convicted killer whose low IQ fueled a debate over executing the mentally retarded, saying it wanted time to consider a late appeal.

Johnny Paul Penry, 44, would have been the 38th Texas inmate to receive lethal injection this year and the third in as many nights. The state on Wednesday tied its record 37 executions carried out in 1997.

About 3 p.m., the high court said it wanted more time to decide whether to hear defense arguments that Penry's mental deficiency was not properly explained to the jury.

"At least I'm alive," Penry said when told of the reprieve.

"He was happy but there was no sigh of relief," Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Larry

■ The biology department will have a public lecture on sharks at 7:30 p.m. today in biology lecture hall, 100 Biology. Contact Mark McGinley at 742-2723 for more information.

OU-Tech Bus Trip: Tickets for the Tech-OU game are still being sold. the game. Tickets can be purchased in the Student Government Association office, 230 UC.

■ The National Black Graduate Student Conference will have a free informational breakfast at 10 a.m. Saturday in 244 Education. Contact Tickets cost \$50 and include round- Harold Bradford at 742-0623 for trip transportation and a ticket to more information.

# Attention Faculty and Administration:

This is your last opportunity to have your photo taken for the yearbook!

> The last day to have portraits taken for La Ventana is Friday November 17.

There is no charge. Call 742-3388 to make an appointment.





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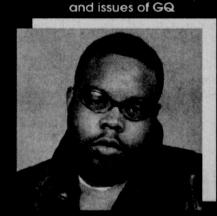
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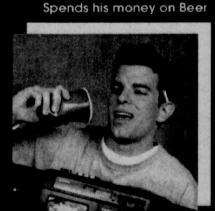
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# Program aimed at women

By Whitney Wyatt

Women at Texas Tech looking to develop professional and leadership skills might not want to miss this opportunity.

Leadership Tech presents Women's Leadership Program: "Looking Beyond Your Mirror Image" Nov. 18, with registration beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the University Center courtyard.

This conference, co-sponsored by the Women's Studies Department and the Tech Career Center, will host educational sessions from 9:30 a.m. until 3:15 p.m.

Topics include women and education, image making, health and wellness and women in leadership.

Victoria Seitz, a marketing professor at California State University is the keynote speaker, presenting a lecture on "Being the Best You Can

She holds a bachelor's degree from Kansas State University, while earning her doctoral and master's degrees from Oklahoma State Uni-

She has expertise in merchandising, marketing, advertising and professional image

Sandra Marquez-Hall, coordinator of Leadership Tech and chairperson of Women's Leadership Advisory Board, said Seitz is perfect for the

"I thought she was wonderful," she said. "I met her at Cal State and purchased her book.

A book signing of Seitz's book, Your Executive Image," courtesy of the Tech Barnes and Noble bookstore, will commence at 3:20 p.m.

Marquez-Hall said she is looking forward to Saturday.

"Our goal is to assist women, especially students at Tech, to evaluate their lives, so they can make good choices for themselves," Marquez-Hall said. "Bringing balance to a woman's life is important. It starts with the individual, then moves into her career and community," she

About 50 undergraduate and graduate students, as well as faculty and staff, have pre-registered, she

Another 50 students are expected to register at the conference.

Students are welcome to pre-register by calling Campus Activities and Involvement at 742-3621 or by e-mailing campusactivitiesinvolvement@ttu.edu.

This conference is free to all students. The first 75 students to sign up receive a free Leadership Tech

# SGA takes over Safe Ride from HSC

# ■ New program is aiming at preventing Tech students from drunken driving.

By Kelley Schimer Contributing Writer

For the first time since its inception at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center, the Student Government Association has assumed control over the Safe Ride Program.

The Safe Rife Program began in 1995 through the HSC as a way to prevent students from driving while under the influence. Despite little advertisement in the past, many students are aware of the program and

have used it. Ryan Weller, external vice president for the SGA, said last year, the Safe Ride Program gave about 14,000 rides. Of that total, an estimated 98 percent of users were Tech students

and 2 percent were HSC students. The SGA took over the program from HSC in early October since more main campus students than HSC students use the service. Weller said the program is working, and many students are using it.



The service is provided to any registered Tech and HSC students who are either too inebriated to drive or simply stranded without a vehicle.

Safe Ride works through Yellow Cab Company and is available to students every Thursday, Friday and Saturday between the hours of 10 p.m. and 3 a.m.

According to the contract between SGA and Yellow Cab, students must give their Social Security number to cabdrivers at the time of service. Rides are limited to the Lubbock city limits, and vehicles are authorized to provide rides only to a residence, not to another bar.

Students are allowed to use the service without any repercussions. No student will be punished in any way no matter how many times the service is used.

Linda Prado, assistant to the interim vice president for Student Affairs, said there is no connection whatsoever to the discipline pro-

"Our main concern is for everyone to be safe," Prado said. "It makes it easier for students to use the program if they know they will not get in trouble.'

Records are kept for statistical purposes enabling the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs to

monitor how often the program is used.

Weller said the Safe Ride Program is partially funded through Student Service fees. The Health and Sciences Center paid about \$14,000 for the program last year. Yellow Cab charges a maximum of \$12 for every cab fare. A \$2 no-go fee is charged when a student does not meet the

Students who use the service are allowed to have non-student guests use the service with them. Yellow Cab charges 50 cents for each non-

The Safe Ride Program operates during the fall, spring and summer sessions, excluding holidays and breaks between sessions.

SGA is taking steps to promote the program by hanging posters around campus and distributing stickers that can be placed on the back of student ID cards. Both serve as reminders to students that they have a free and safe way home if needed.

Students too intoxicated to drive and need an alternative way to get home safely can call the service at 765-RIDE, and any registered main campus or HSC student can obtain a free cab ride home.

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raised would be placed in the Texas Tech Foundation. He said the \$1 contribution price was decided on because of research done at the University of Texas before it implemented a similar program.

At one point, discussion focused on increasing the voluntary fee to \$3 to pay. The Senate decided the increase would dissuade students willing to pay the \$1 but who were less

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willing to contribute \$3.

"One of the reasons for this fee in the first place is that nobody looks at a dollar with any disdain at all, Wright said. "This was also heavily researched at the University of Texas before they put this in, and the reason they chose \$1 was because nobody really misses it."

Another issue addressed concerned the possible increase in the Student Health Services fee, set at \$52. Dee Jackson, administrative director of Student Health Services, presented the idea to the Senate to possibly vote on at the next meeting on Nov. 30.

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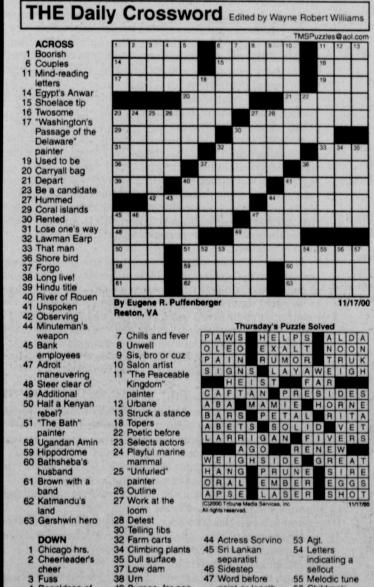
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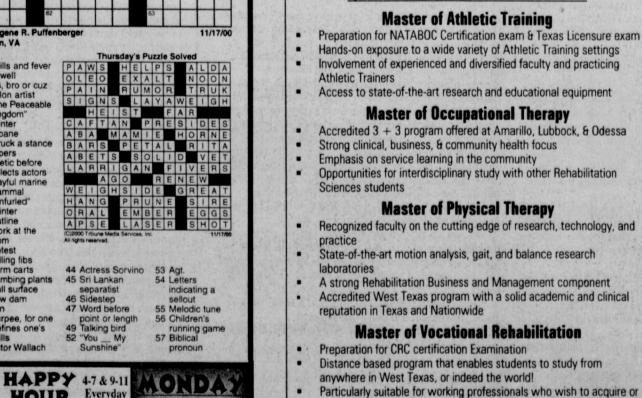
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# **Doctors set to perform first** living-donor nerve transplant

HOUSTON (AP) - A team of doctors set to perform what they say is groundbreaking surgery on Friday is hopeful they can help an 8-month-old Mexican infant boy regain the use of his left arm by transplanting nerves removed from his mother's legs.

The procedure will mark the first time a nerve transplant will be done from a living donor, Dr. Scott Gruber, the head of the transplant team, said during a news conference Thursday at Memorial Hermann Children's Hospital.

About seven nerve transplant procedures have been done in the United States, Gruber said, but in all those cases the nerves were taken from cadavers.

'This will also mark the first time this has been done on a child this young," Gruber said. "In the previous youngest case, the child was 3 years old. This will also be the first time we're treating an injury not suffered in an accident.

Rodrigo infant, The Cervantes Corona, had all of the nerves in his left shoulder and arm torn during birth, leaving him without movement or sen-

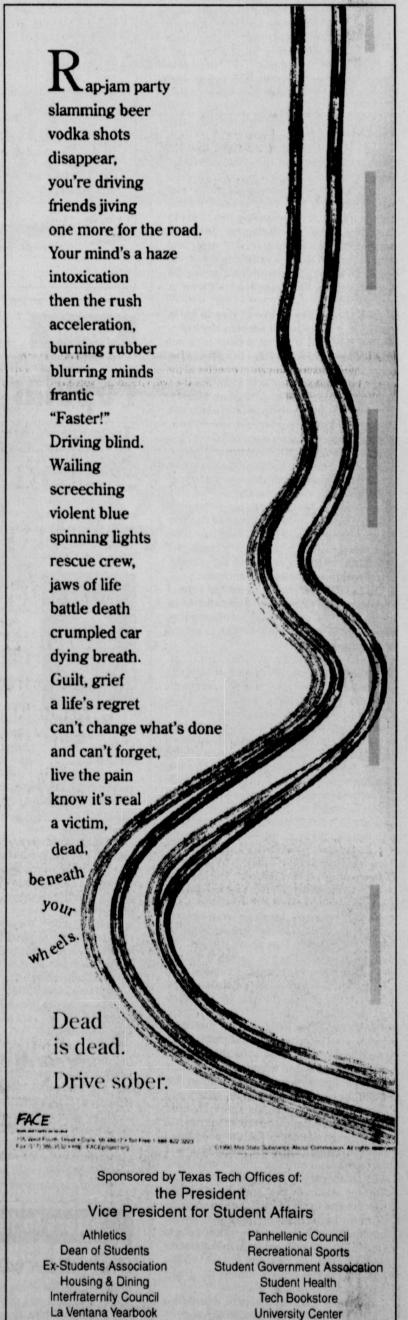
"This kind of injury happens in one or two out of every 1,000 births," Gruber said. "In most cases, the nerves are not torn but only bruised.'

Rodrigo is from Morelia, Mexico, about 190 miles northwest of Mexico City.

During the six- to eight-hour operation, surgeons will make an incision on the right side of Rodrigo's body and insert his mother's nerves under his skin and across his chest to his left arm and down to his left hand.

'The infant's good nerves from the right side of his body will grow slowly through the mother's nerves over to his left arm," Gruber said. "Her nerves are not providing any function. They are serving as conduits, pathways to direct the child's own nerves to grow back together.

Surgeons will be careful to stay away from the infant's left shoulder because doctors in Mexico operated on that area about five months ago, restoring some feeling and movement between the shoulder and elbow in his left arm by using nerves from Rodrigo's legs.



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■ QUESTION: Got any quick advice to keep me from getting travel diarrhea?

ANSWER: Try taking an acidophilus supplement. If you start taking it a few days before you begin travel and continue following the package instructions until you return home, this healthful bacteria will assist in maintaining your intestinal environment and make you less susceptible to traveler's diarrhea and similar problems. This advice comes from Dr. Allison Clough



Henderson

alcohol. ■ QUESTION: I would give up cigarettes but they help me relax. Why is that?

ANSWER: Cigarettes fool a lot of people and they are fooling you. They actually do not help you relax at all according to a study in the American Psychologist. Nicotine dependency is a major source of stress and when you light up, it is satisfying the stress you experiencing from wanting a smoke. It's the tail wagging the dog instead of the other way around

■ QUESTION: Do I have to pay to get a gynecology check-up at Student Health? ANSWER: If you have paid your medical services fee that would have been listed on your tuition and fee bill, you are welcome to call for an appointment with a physician or nurse practitioner here at Student Health. Off campus, this type of exam can easily run upwards of \$150 or more. Here, we do your exam as a part of taking care of you. We do not allow medical students from our Health Sciences Center to practice on your body, so you will get a real health care professional to do this. Since we see so many women who have never had a pelvic exam, or annual exam as we usually call this kind of visit, we are particularly cautious to take our time and slowly and gently go through the procedure so that it not a bad experience. Just give us a call for an appointment.

QUESTION: I have a bad case of acne. I keep thinking I'll out-grow the problem, but haven't yet. What can I do, short of spending a lot of money at a dermatologist, to get rid of my problem?

ANSWER: According to the American Institute of Preventive Medicine, time is the only real cure for some acne. Here, however, are some tips for taking care of your skin. Keep your skin clean. Gently work soap into your skin with a clean wash cloth and then rinse well. It is especially important to clean your skin after you work out to wash off the sweat. Ask your health care provider for the name of a good soap for skin problems. Look for benzoyl peroxide in an over-the-counter lotion or cream or try an astringent lotion, face scrub or de-greasing pads. Keep your hair out of your face and wash it often. Sun and sunlamps can exacerbate the problem. Stop messing with your face by squeezing, poking and scratching pimples. They can get infected and leave scars. Women should use a water-based makeup and stay away from greasy face potions. Men can wrap a warm towel around their face before they shave to soften their beard. Also, shave the way the hair grows to keep from damaging your face. If these things don't work, I suggest you spring for the funds to see a dermatologist to try to cut down on the damage that acne can leave.

■ QUESTION: My little brother ate some jimson weed recently and was hospitalized. Would you please write something about what this stuff is and what harm it can do? ANSWER: Jimson weed grows wildly in this part of the county just about anywhere you see weeds growing. It has spine-covered seedpods and people who think they can use it to get high usually break the pods open and eat the seeds. This plant is very toxic and even cattle and other prairie animals have died from eating the jimson weed. It contains alkaloids that include atropine, hyoscine and hyoscyamine. The seeds nave hallucinogenic properties but cause atropine-like poisoning. We have had people dying in Texas every year from the mistaken belief that this is a new and fun way to get high. This is not a recreational drug and everyone needs to leave it alone!

Jo Henderson is the health education coordinator for Student Health Services.

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Column

# Popular does not a president make

ast week ABC News did a hard-hitting, in-depth story about the problems plaguing the Florida delection system. They gave butterfly ballots to a local sixth-grade class in order to duplicate what went on in Palm Beach County on Election Day.

Of course, everyone knows that 11 and 12 year olds act similarly to senior citizens, so imagine the surprise when the news was broken that only one child was confused by the punch-out holes. How silly the senior citizens in Florida must have felt after seeing this.

Thanks, ABC News. If it weren't for your making fun of elderly people, I would never have seen how ridiculous our right to vote is.

You know, a free market society is great because you can say whatever you want, and the flip side of that is nobody has to listen to you say it.

The media has come down hard on Gore for wanting a recount, even though several thousands, even millions of Americans are demanding the

Cline same thing.

**Bethany** 

Bush, a man who wants to downsize the federal government, is filing emergency appeals in federal court for the recount to be stopped citing that they "don't want people to be confused about the presidential process.'

What process would that be? What the hell is the rush on this recount? Afraid of what might be found? The current manual recount has varied sufficiently enough to make a big difference, and we want to ignore this? This is obviously a very dangerous road to take, no matter who you want to win.

Let's not ignore the power of the underdogs in this country. You know, we do have a president in office for the next two months, and this is not a constitutional crisis. The crisis is the attitude toward the individual vote and how we need to pay more attention to it.

A close election is inconvenient, but it is a consequence of a democracy. We should be reveling in the beauty of one vote instead of insisting a swift, sloppy number.

I do want Gore to win, and I'm thoroughly prepared for him to lose, but if I back away from all the political jargon and partisanship, at the end of the day I want every vote counted, no matter what my party affiliation.

Either victory is going to be tainted. Unfortunately, the popular vote, however small the margin, doesn't matter in the technicalities of the presidency, but I assure you, everyone will remember who actually received it. Is the proof in this pudding, Dubya?

How are our lawmakers supposed to explain to us

that every vote counts but they might not end up counting it in the end when someone demands answers? Candidates spend months of their time and millions of their dollars campaigning to people in hopes of gaining their vote. We go into voting booths and make a direct, personal connection with a candidate. No one, Republican or Democrat alike, should be able to take that away from anyone. This is a democracy, damn it! There is no place for this back woodsy, Dixiecrat, good ol' boy Republicanism in the new age of this country.

I think at this point, we need to re-assess why the Electoral College was created. When the founders of our country decided to add this little morsel, they did it out of fear. These men wanted to make sure that if women and slaves ever received the right to vote, that they couldn't throw the election with their ballots. The founders counted on minorities not being able or smart enough to know who and what they were voting for.

A general distrust for American people is what echoes in our very roots. This point is obviously moot now that everyone has the right to vote, even though we still see certain Patriot Republicans vehemently opposed to abolishing it. Of course, everyone running in this great race knew the rules in the beginning, and now the fight is in the interpretation by countless lawyers. We've made out a bed, and you

The whole issue of a re-vote has brought on a new kind of political war. Dubya is completely against the idea even though in his term as governor of our great state, he signed in a similar law. This law advocates a re-vote in the case of confusion or suspect with votes. Of course, it's not like he would remember signing this into law because we all know the governor doesn't have much to do with the actual political process. When Bob Bullock wanted welfare reform, they passed it. When Pete Laney wanted children's health insurance, they passed it. I think Dubya is the last to hear about anything.

I've been glued to the TV for a week wondering what's going on. I've heard Democrats say they will move to Canada if Bush wins, and I've heard Republicans say that if Gore wins, Texas should secede from the United States and Bush will become president of his own little country.

Do you think it's a good idea to encourage a vivid imagination and playtime with a man who has obviously been given too much power? I think Dubya has been wearing his politician costume a little too

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# Letters to the Editor

# Don't mess with Texas

To the editor: Releasing hundreds or thousands of balloons to celebrate the Great American Smokeout is silly and out of date. These balloons are polluting the

environment. It is my opinion that those who release the balloons should be fined.

With a little creativity, I think organizers for special events could think of new ways to create fanfare without polluting.

Cecilia Carter audience relations specialist Texas Tech University Theatre

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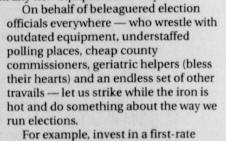
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# System out of place in e-America

n an effort to be helpful while many around us are losing their heads, let us ponder the great question of this election. As it turns out, the question is not, "Is our children learning?" It is, "Did you know that elections in this country are run by your grandma and grandpa, and that no one has bought them any new equipment for 30 years?"



Molly

political priorities that it normally can't get the attention of a pothole. If you have ever watched a county commission try to decide on a new voting system, you already know this is not simple. Pencil? Punch? Lever? Electronic?

system. Voting is so far down on the list of

With all due respect to ex-Secretary of State James Baker's argument that machines are more objective than humans (all people making all arguments are open to instantaneous change in this situation), there's quite a distinguished history of problems with machine balloting and counting. I know reporters who have worked for years on the theory that some of the machines are rigged. My own preference is to put pen to paper, indicating technophobia.

Long experience with computers ("This machine has just performed an illegal act") leads me to dread the day that we venture into that brave new world. Ever seen a polling operation that wasn't cheesy? Not that we would want anything in government to be deluxe, but our elections reek of cheap. We can do better.

Apart from the usual problems of dead people voting and who-lives-where, there were lots of complaints around the country from people who had registered to vote while getting a driver's license (the new "motor-voter" laws) and showed up at the polls, only to be informed that they weren't on the list. Let us charitably assume that this happened because various motor vehicle departments are not vet accustomed to forwarding voter registrations to the appropriate office. But the fact is that many of the citizens so denied the vote are of the minority persuasion, and good luck in convincing them that it was all inadvertent.

Glad to see that the old chestnut Reforming-the-Electoral-College, a perennial in good-government and high-school debate circles, is finally a hot topic. Conventional wisdom holds that it can't be done because the college gives the small states such an advantage that they would never approve the constitutional amendment required to change it.

The New York Times did an analysis of the effect of the Electoral College on this election and found that a vote in Alaska or Vermont counted for more than twice as much as a vote in Texas or Massachusetts. Those who thought we had settled the matter of one-person/one-vote some time ago must be startled.

President Clinton, who's no mean student of politics and government in this country, said the other day that abolition of the Electoral College would not necessarily lead to neglect of the small states by candidates — if the popular vote is decisive, candidates will be inclined to campaign in every state, hoping to pick up a few more votes here and there. The candidates might also put in more time in their "safe states," hoping to run up the totals there. That would be a pleasant change for those of us who saw nothing of this year's

All good populists favor the popular vote, of course. If present trends continue, our next president will not only have gotten fewer votes than his opponent but also will win the Electoral College on a fluke. OK, them's the rules, but the least reform we should get out of this mess is to fix the Electoral College so that all the states are under the same rules. As it is, only Maine and Nebraska can divide their electoral votes.

I'm keeping myself amused by taking the names of all the pundits and politicians who are making utter fools of themselves over this. The Apocalyptic School looks dumbest. So far, the American people have managed better than a week of suspense without becoming hysterical, violent, revolutionary or even terribly impatient.

Truth be told, many are sort of enjoying this. We're having a Canadian Moment here — the unofficial motto of what George W. calls "one of our most important neighbors to the North" is, "Now, let's NOT get excited."

The second-silliest group is the "All moral right is on our side" gang. Get a grip, people. Al Gore won the popular vote, which gives him a slight moral edge, but the fluke result in Florida is a strictly a legal issue, to be decided by Florida law, as interpreted by Florida courts. There it is.

Besides, this is a great race to lose. Don't tell me that there aren't people in both parties rooting for just that. Molly Ivins is a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-

# Outstanding agriculturalists honored at annual Pig Roast

By Walker Wallace Contributing Writer

Outstanding agriculturists were honored at the 73rd annual Pig Roast Thursday at the University Center Red Raider Ballroom.

The event honored scholarship recipients in the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, scholarship donors and intercollegiate judging teams. More than \$ 1 million was given in scholarships this year.

In addition, the banquet recognized three outstanding citizens with the Gerald W. Thomas Outstanding Agriculturist Award. Thomas was the dean of the Texas Tech College of Agriculture from 1958 to 1970.

This year's recipients are Texas Commissioner of Agriculture Susan Combs, Curtis Griffith, chairman of the board of City Bank, and William Lovelady, a cotton producer in the El Paso Valley. These three individuals have shown outstanding achievement in their fields of public service, agribusiness and production.

Combs, a fourth-generation rancher, received her law degree from the University of Texas and

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has served as assistant district attorney in Dallas and was a Texas legislator from 1993 to 1996. Combs was honored to receive her award.

"I'm honored to be in great company with the people who have received this award before," Combs said.

Griffith is active in farming and cotton ginning on the South Plains. He serves as the chairman of Module Truck Systems, a company the manufactures and services cotton module trucks. Griffith also is a managing partner of both JKC Farms and Southwest Gin.

The recipient for the category of production was William Lovelady. Lovelady serves as vice chairman of the Supima Association of America, a promotional organization of the America Pima cotton growers. He also was the former president of the American Cotton Council

The Pig Roast began more than 72 years ago as an informal gathering. Through the years, it has evolved into a function that allows students to meet and thank their scholarship donors. The College of Agriculture offers more than 900 scholarships each year.

# Expert goes ape over studies

By Linda Robertson Staff Writer

Reid Norman is an expert on monkeys and menstrual cycles. However, he is neither a veterinarian nor a gynecologist.

Norman, a professor at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center, has a doctoral degree in cell biology and biochemistry and is researching the effects of stress on the female reproductive cycle.

"Although we are doing fasting experiments with monkeys right now, the effects can be applied to women since European and Asian primates mimic human reproductive cycles," he said. "With the rise of elite female athletes in the past 20 years, along with the body image disturbances and eating disorders, we are beginning to see more studies on how excessive activity with insufficient food intake causes loss of menstrual cycles."

Norman said that stress didn't necessarily have to be physiological to interrupt the cycles.

"For many new college students, being away from home for the first

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Reid Norman
EXPERT ON MONKEY MENSTRUAL CYCLES

time, starting classes and generally, having everything change around them is enough to cause menstrual disturbances," he said.

The studies are being geared toward females since the disturbances are often easier to see in females than males, and because reproduction is physiologically expensive on the female, Norman said.

"It takes a lot of energy on the mother's part to maintain a fetus and herself during the pregnancy, and it also takes a lot of energy to breast-feed and still have enough to maintain herself," he said.

Norman said that having an abnormal menstrual cycle does not mean the end of fertility.

"The good news is that often, once the stress is removed, cycles normalize, and there are no lasting effects on the woman's fertility," he said. "The bad news is that we are seeing more women who are stressed so long that they go through

premature menopause."

Going through menopause stops

the woman's fertility, making it impossible to conceive, as well as making it difficult to maintain bone health, which is driven by the hormone estrogen.

Women normally build bones until they are in their late 20s or early 30s, he said.

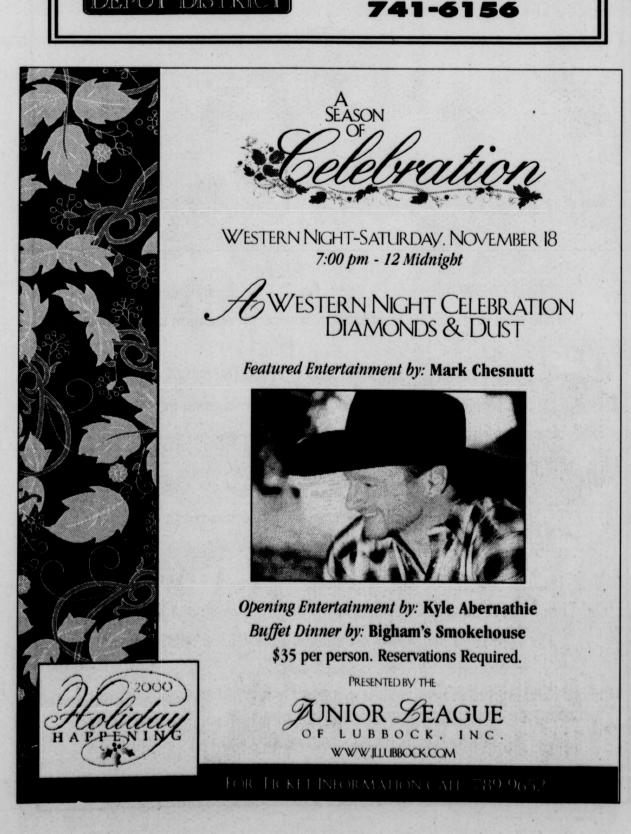
Current guidelines for calcium intake suggest that women under 35 need to take in at least 1,500 mg of calcium a day, and up to 500 mg more a day if she drinks caffeinated drinks.

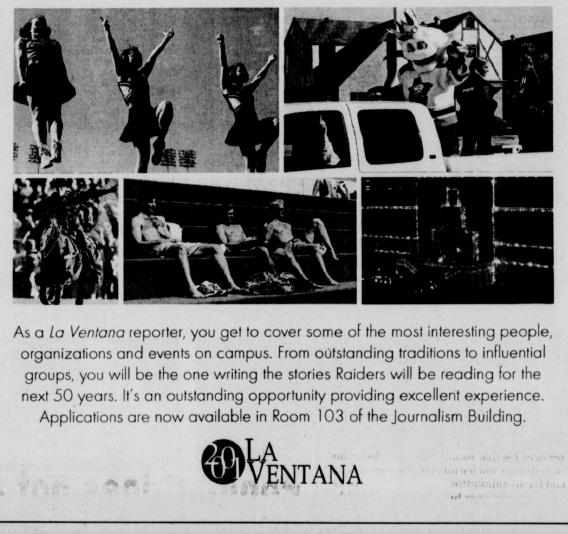
"The concern is that if a woman can't sustain bone growth early on, she will not have enough bone density to prevent pathological fractures as she gets older," he said.

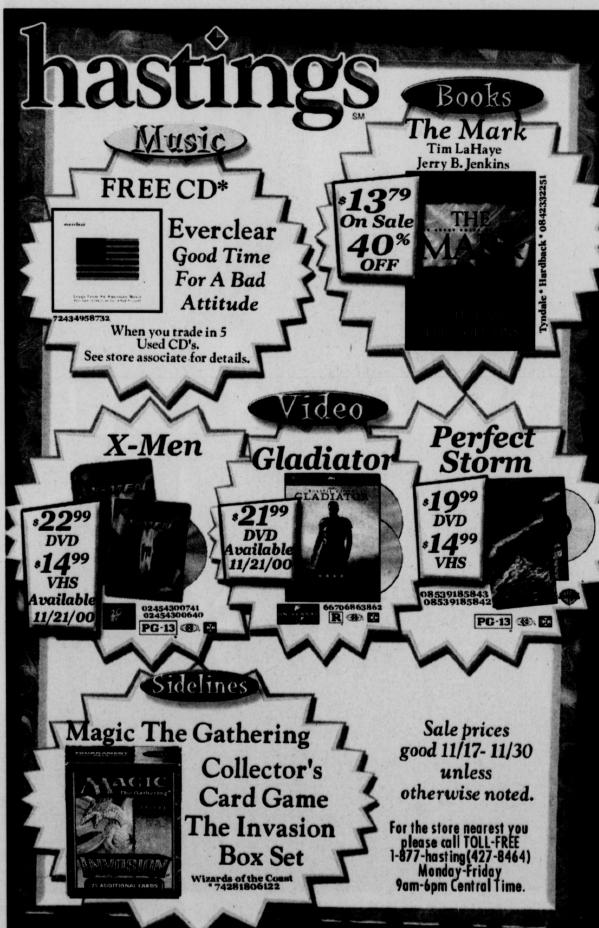
The key is to make sure to balance the stresses in life with leisure in life, Norman said.

"The body and mind are very wise," he said, "in that they will not take on any more than they are equipped to handle."









# Internet class gives students more options

■ Tech horticulture is offering a Webbased class to better accommodate disabled students.

> By Steve Estes Contributing Writer

Students with disabilities now have more options when taking the Texas Tech Department of Plant and Soil Sciences.

The department is offering a horticulture course on-line equipped to accommodate students with disabilities.

Gino Teolis, a graduate student from Montreal who is helping organize the course, said this is the first semester the course has been offered where changes were made to help impaired students.

In order to help visually im-

Internet-based courses, thanks to paired students, sound is used to relay information to the student.

As a new page is displayed on the student's computer screen, the computer then reads the text to the

When reports are due in the course, visually impaired students have the option of recording an audio version of their reports as opposed to typing them.

Other changes to the course include adding closed captioning for hearing-impaired students

While this is the first semester for the additions of the course, there are still some changes to be made.

Teolis said there are three students with disabilities enrolled in

"We are working closely with the students to see if they are having any problems," Teolis said. "The students point out things that we can change to improve the class."

As well as working with the students, a new software called BOBBY, Version 3.2, is being used

to help make course corrections. The software checks programs for problems handicapped students might have.

Teolis said changes to the course would be made and implemented by Fall 2001.

Changes in the course for handicapped students were made possible through a \$83,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, said Ellen Peffley, associate professor of horticulture at

The horticulture course is open to all students and satisfies a general science requirement for most majors. Officials with the plant and soil sciences department at Tech plans to implement more courses in

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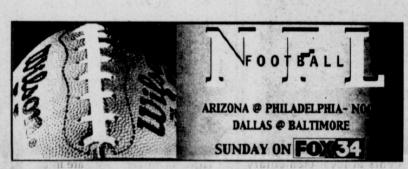
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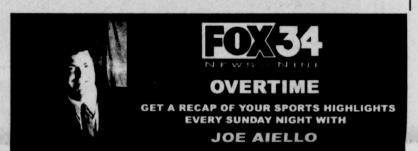
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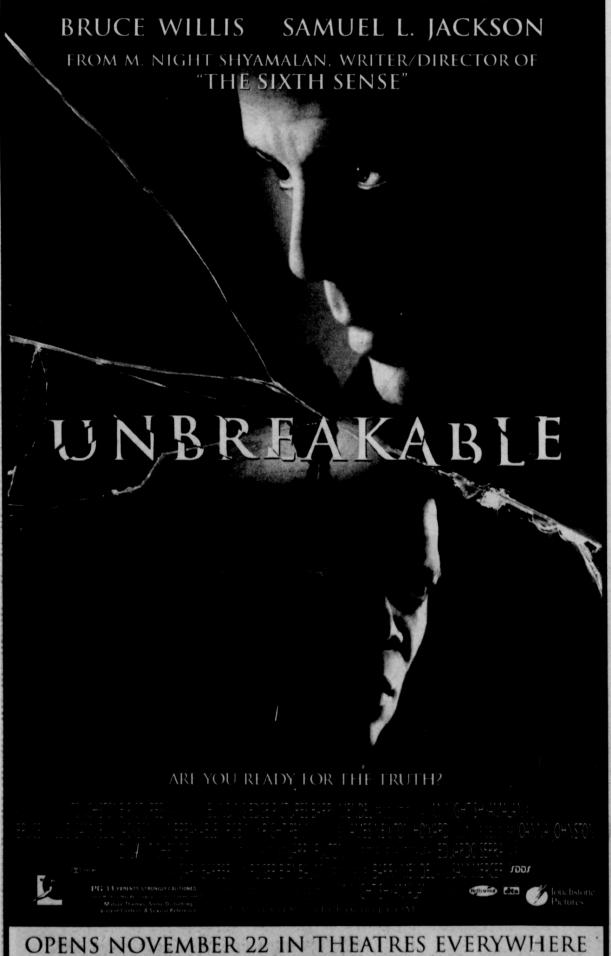
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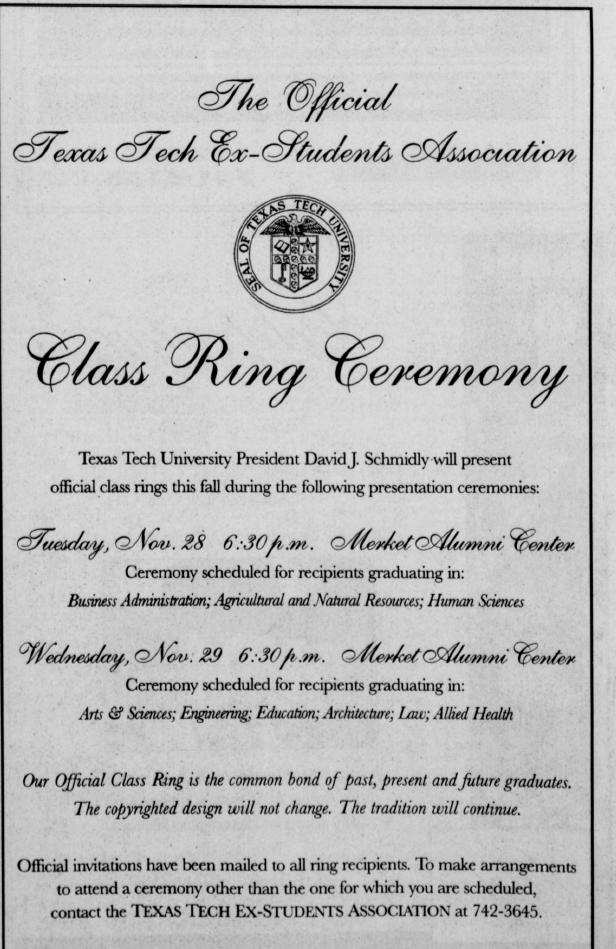
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Ice hockey club team allows students a chance to vent frustrations, participate in Tech sports

By Cory Chandler Staff Writer

The Cotton Kings brought ice to Lubbock, and Texas Tech students plan to take full advantage of it.

Hockey has become the newest way for Tech students to vent their frustrations as it joins the ranks of club teams offered at Tech.

The team, which has been in existence since late last spring, now has 23 active members and has already played exhibition tournaments at the University of North

Donny Carpenter, a sophomore business major from Southlake who helped found the team, said though most of the students playing at the moment became involved by word of mouth, they already have more than enough to form a solid team.

"We pretty much have enough players to branch off and form another team," he said.

Carpenter, who helped found the new club team, said he became interested in bringing ice hockey to the Tech campus after playing in high

"I used to play with a bunch of guys who are playing at A&M and other schools now," he said. "I wanted to see what it would be like to play them on the college level."

Carpenter said they are responsible for scheduling their own games at the moment but that the team hopes to join the Intercollegiate Hockey League, which includes Texas A&M, University of Texas, and TCU by next year.

Carpenter said belonging to the ICHL will give the team guaranteed games in the future.

Derrick Gibson, a financial analyst for the Texas Tech Medical Center and adviser for the team, said in order to meet the costs involved in belonging to the ICHL, the team must find corporate sponsorship.

He said despite the fact that they received money from the Tech Recreation Center, players must also pay \$100 to cover expenses.

"We wanted to keep the costs for the players as low as possible," he said. "But at the moment, the team is dependent on finding corporate sponsorship to help offset the costs involved in this.'

Gibson said renting ice time for practice from the city costs \$125 an hour and they must pay for travel expenses as well.

Rick Worley, a senior industrial engineering major from Houston and goalie for the team, said the ready played in an exhibition tour-

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Kent Marlin, a freshman mechanical engineering major from Plano, sends a hot fling puck past senior Chris Merrit, a general business major from Lubbock. The two students are practicing with the new Tech hockey team at the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum.

play a sport for Tech.

"It might sound corny," he said. "But it is nice being able to go out and represent our school."

Worley said he has been pleased by the dedication the players have shown to their team.

We have had a pretty good turnout so far," he said. "We had a road trip recently, and we were afraid some of the people wouldn't be able to make the commitment.'

Gibson, who moved to Tech from Saskatchewan, Canada, said he is pleased to see an ice hockey team at

"We already had roller hockey leagues," he said. "But ice hockey is a lot faster paced and more physi-

Carpenter said the team has alexpenses are worth the chance to nament at University of North Texas,

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Gibson said the team is also trying to get involved with the Lubbock

He said players have already read to students at local elementary schools and are planning on visiting

Medical Center. Worley said he hopes Tech stu-

dents will show support for the new

'The games are free to students right now, and they will always be cheap," he said. "This is a good alternative for students who are into

# 'Yesterday' chosen as greatest pop song

the wistful Beatles ballad that has the 100-song list. been recorded more than 3,000 times by other artists, was chosen the greatest pop song since 1963 by MTV and Rolling Stone magazine.

The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Michael Jackson and Madonna have

NEW YORK (AP) — "Yesterday." two songs each within the top 25 of

The Rolling Stones' ode to sexual faction," was second. Another music channel, VH1, named it the greatest song in the rock era in a list earlier this year.





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New suffixes to keep Web addresses short, simple

MARINA DEL REY, Calif. (AP) An Internet oversight board took up a proposal Thursday to ease the dot-com name crunch by creating such new online address suffixes as .biz, .web and

The Internet Corp. for Assigned Names and Numbers was considering alternatives to .com, which has some 20 million registrations worldwide.

The new names would be the first major additions since the system of domains, or Internet address suffixes, was developed in the 1980s. The new suffixes could appear in use by mid-

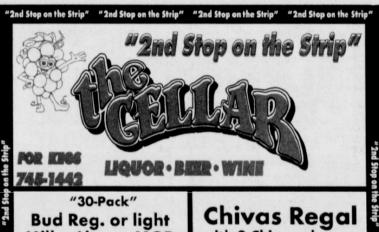
Initial approval Thursday was given to .biz for businesses, .web for just about anyone, .name and iii for individuals, .museum for museums, .coop for business cooperatives and aero for the aviation industry.

There are already "regional" suffixes familiar to most computer users, such as .edu and .gov, which are for educational institutions and government agencies. But .com, .net and .org currently are the only suffixes designated as available to anyone worldwide.

New suffixes could make more simple addresses available and Web sites easier to find. A computer user, for example, could someday type ama.health to reach the American Medical Association Web site instead of www.ama-assn.org. The current name is so long because ama.org belongs to the American Marketing Association.

The new suffixes could also begin a new Internet land rush, with speculators and trademark holders competing to claim the best names first.

For this week's meeting, companies proposing new suffixes paid \$50,000 for the chance to become record keepers for the new names. As registry operators, they would be able to charge a few dollars per name registered, an amount that could add up to millions of dollars for the most popu-



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# **Tech volleyball faces Aggies at** home following loss to Colorado

From Staff Reports

It may have been most heartbreaking loss of the year for the Texas Tech volleyball team.

After last week's dominating performance against Kansas and Oklahoma, the Red Raiders went into Colorado Wednesday night and lost in five games (7-15, 15-10, 4-15, 15-12, 12-15) to the Lady Buffs.

It was the second time this season the Raiders and Lady Buffs went the distance, and both times Colorado came out on top.

The loss drops Tech (22-7 overall, 10-7 Big 12) and Colorado (14-10 overall, 10-7 Big 12) into a tie for fifth place in the Big 12 Conference with three matches remaining.

Tech tries to rebound from the loss to the Lady Buffs when they meet rival Texas A&M, at 7 p.m. Saturday at the United Spirit Arena.

The No. 23 ranked Aggies (17-7 overall, 12-5 Big 12) come into the match in a third place tie with Missouri in the conference, having swept their last.

The last time the two squads matched up, the Aggies swept the Raiders in just over an hour defeating Tech at College Sta-

The loss to Colorado completed the season sweep for the Lady Buffs over the Raiders.

It was the first time this sea-

son Tech has been swept during the 2000 campaign. With three matches left on

the 2000 campaign schedule, the Raiders still have a chance to finish third in the conference.

After the Aggies, Tech is scheduled to play two different types of teams.

The Raiders play Big 12 champion Nebraska on Wednesday and close out the regular season next Saturday against last place Iowa State.

Tech is also playing for a home court advantage in the first round of the NCAA Tourna-

Postseason play begins the first week of December.

The Raiders are most likely going to be picked to play in the tournament because they have won more than 20 matches.

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as far as attacking the source of such rumors. It obviously doesn't help, but I think the people involved in this are going to be exposed. I think once that happens, it may actually turn out to be a positive."

Leach said there is a good chance a lawsuit could be filed. The firstyear Raider coach said he doubts there were any ulterior motives in extending his contract at this time.

"I don't think that has anything to do with it," he said. "I've never had any doubts about the support around here. It's really just the time "We're heading somewhere."

Mike Leach

TECH HEAD FOOTBALL COACH

of year that this sort of thing happens. Anybody getting a contract extension is getting it now." In Schmidly's opening remarks,

he pointed out some highlights of the 2000 Red Raider football season, including their becoming bowl eligible in Leach's first season at Tech.

Myers had some encouraging remarks for the Red Raider coach as well.

"It's pretty unusual for a team to qualify for a bowl game in the first year of a new coach," Myers said. "So, we want to show our support and our appreciation to Mike and his fine coaches for the job they've done."

Leach said he is appreciative of the reception he has received from the Tech administration and the city of Lubbock in his inaugural season.

"I want you to know how much I appreciate the opportunity to be here at Texas Tech and Lubbock, Leach said. "I think I speak on behalf of all of our staff, how much our families enjoy it here. How much we each, individually, enjoy being a part of this program."

Leach said he appreciated the support he has been given throughout the year and attributed his success to the matter.

He also said he felt like Thursday's announcement would be an aid in recruiting players to Tech.

"It's important because it shows everybody the support we get," Leach said. "The program has a direction. We're heading somewhere."

# Kent beats teammate Bonds in MVP race

NEW YORK (AP) - San Francisco's Jeff Kent beat out teammate Barry Bonds to win the National League Most Valuable Player award Thursday, becoming the first second baseman to win the award in 16 years.

Kent received 22 first-place votes, five seconds, four thirds and one fourth for 392 points in balloting by the Baseball Writers' Association of

Bonds, a three-time MVP winner, got six first-place votes and 279 points to give the NL West-champion Giants the first 1-2 finish for a team in the NL MVP since Bonds and Bobby Bonilla did it for Pittsburgh in 1990.

Mets catcher Mike Piazza was the only other player named on all 32 ballots, finishing with three first-place votes and 271

'I'm floored that people across the country recognized the Giants tremendous, quality talent in Barry Bonds, Todd Helton, Jim Edmonds and Mike Piazza. I'm losing my breath mentioning guys like that. To win the award by that margin ...'

Kent hit .334 with 33 homers and 125 RBIs this season, solidifying himself as one of the best offensive baseman's RBI total and knack for clutch hits, manager Dusty Baker said Kent would have gotten his MVP vote, not Bonds, perhaps swaying voters. Bonds also had praise for his teammate.

"He's been doing this ever since he got here," Bonds said in Septem-





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# Texas Rangers trying to reshape roster for 2001

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FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) -The waiting game continues for the Texas Rangers and all involved in the sweepstakes for prized free agent shortstop Alex Rodriguez.

Texas is in middle of the fray for Rodriguez, seemingly undaunted by the expected demand of at least a 10year contract in the range of \$20 million per year and loaded with fringe

benefits. Then again, the Rangers who finished last in the AL West last season after winning the title three of the four previous years — need a lot more than just a 25-year-old All-Star short-

The Rangers also need to solidify their starting pitching rotation and find a new closer with the expected retirement of John Wetteland beforget a designated hitter and a third baseman. "A-Rod is the top in the market by

far because he does everything well," Rangers pitcher Kenny Rogers "If there is one guy that's going to

set the scale, it'll be him, and probably he's the one that's worth it. 'There are a lot of quality guys

cause of back problems. And don't out there and we need some help in a lot of areas, and hopefully we'll add some."

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# **Texas Tech signs distance runner**

Texas Tech cross country head coach Dave Smith announced the signing of Brionne Yosten to a national letter of intent Thursday. Yosten hails from Hereford,

Texas where she ran cross country for Hereford High School. Yosten holds the Region I Championship cross country record at Tech's home course, Mae Simmons Park, running a 10:48 in the two-mile region champion-

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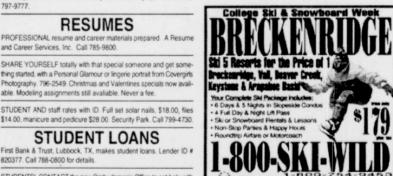
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# Raiders look for upset, respect against Sooners

**By Patrick Gonzales** Staff Writer

It's only a matter of time before the Texas Tech football squad receives a bid to its first bowl game since 1998.

But before directing their attention toward the postseason, there seems to be something else on the Red Raiders to-do list — earn some

Many Tech players feel they will have the chance to get that recognition when they face the No. 1-ranked Oklahoma Sooners at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Memorial Stadium in Norman, Okla.

A victory against the Sooners will not only increase Tech's bowl status, but should propel the program into the national spotlight.

"This game is very important because you want to finish off the season with a victory," Tech safety Kevin Curtis said.

'When you play the No. 1 team in the country, there is going to be a lot of opportunity to go out and earn respect.

"A win will help us earn respect, and that is what we're trying to get for this university and

And while the Raiders' (7-4 overall, 3-4 Big

12) goals may seem fitting, executing them may be a different story.

The Sooners (9-0 overall, 6-0 Big 12) will be arguably the best team Tech has faced this sea-

Just look at the facts: The Oklahoma offense is ranked seventh in the nation, while its defense isn't too far behind at No. 9 in the coun-

Leading the way for the Sooners is senior quarterback Josh Heupel, who has been called,

by some people, the best quarterback in college football. His statistics don't lie either. Through nine games this season, Heupel is the sixth-lead-

ing passer in the nation, averaging a 307.8 yards-per-contest. It's no secret either that stopping Heupel is

probably the main key in stopping the OU high-scoring offense. Well at least that's what the Tech defense

"He is no doubt the best quarterback that we are going to face this season," Tech defen-

sive end Aaron Hunt said. With that in mind, Hunt said the Red Raiders defensive front will concentrate on putting pressure on the standout signal

Hunt should know about harassing the quarterback too, as he leads the unit this season with eight sacks.

"He hasn't been sacked too many times (this season), which tells me either they have a good offensive line or he just knows when to get rid of the ball," Hunt said.

"He really knows when to get rid of the ball. It's frustrating to know that, but hopefully I can get there faster then most people. Overall, we just want to put him in a bad situation and kind of catch him off guard. That way he will just throw up a pass or take the sack.

Despite the statistics the Sooners possess, the Red Raiders should enter the game with momentum on their side after displaying their best performance of the season just six days

Last weekend, Tech defeated Oklahoma State in dominating fashion, 58-0, with all three areas of the squad scoring at least one

Tech quarterback Kliff Kingsbury said last weekend's blow out gave the entire team a boost of confidence, which they hope to use to their advantage come gametime against the



Wide receiver Tim Baker and the Red Raiders look to upset the No. 1 ranked Sooners Saturday in Norman, Okla.

Texas Tech forward Cliff Owens slams one home in the Red Raiders' 109-76 victory over **Athletes** First Thursday at the United Spirit Arena.



# Red Raiders knock off Athletes First, 109-76

By Jeff Keller Sports Editor

Five Red Raiders scored in double digits, helping the Texas Tech men's basketball squad reach triple digits in points, as Tech upended Athletes First, 109-

76, Thursday evening at the United Spirit Arena. Guard Jamal Brown paced the Raiders offensively with 22 points as Tech closed out its exhibition season with undefeated.

When Brown wasn't scoring he was dishing the ball on his way to a garne high 10 assists.

Brown aided the Raiders' first scoring effort as he took the ball after the tip-off and floated it above the rim with forward Cliff Owens slamming it home to give Tech an early 2-0 lead.

The Raiders never looked back in the opening stanza as they jumped out to a 47-35 lead with a minute left in the first half.

With a minute left before the half, Tech completed a two-for-one scoring opportunity by scoring a two point basket, defensively stopping Athletes First, while afterwards watching guard Marcus Shropshire can a three-pointer just before the buzzer to increase the Raider lead to 17 points at 52-35 at the midway

Tech coach James Dickey called a timeout with one minute left before the half to set up the two-for-one, and said the five points in the last minute were key to the Red Raiders' victory.

'That was big," Dickey said of the two-for-one. " I thought that was big for momentum."

In the second half it was more of the same for Tech

as the Red Raiders outscored Athletes First 57-41. Tech shot 55 percent from the floor in the game, while holding Athletes First to a 36 percent shooting

Tech center Andy Ellis was second on the squad

in scoring with 17 points.

Ellis also pulled down eight rebounds and said both of the contests Tech played in its exhibition season were good preparation for the regular season.

"I thought both games were good tests," Ellis said. 'The first was a good opener just to get into the season. But I think this one was a little better than the

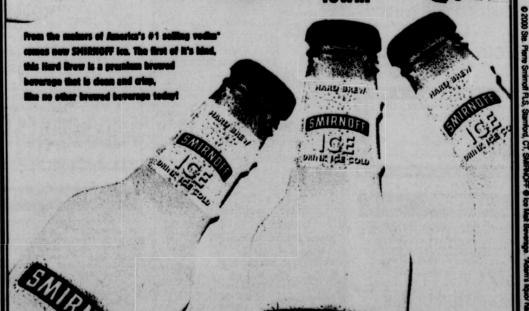
Brown is two games into his Red Raider career and said even though he was the game's high-scorer, he still has room for improvement.

"I've got to get better at knowing when to make certain plays," Brown said. "I need to get better at knowing how far to go into the paint."

The junior-college transfer said he went too far into the paint in the second half and came back out and got a turnover on one occasion.

"But we will get better at that," Brown said. "That is what these games are for."

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