

**THURSDAY**

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**STATE**

**UNT frat suspension based on race issue**

DENTON (AP) — The University of North Texas has temporarily suspended a fraternity pending an investigation into accusations that the group chanted racial slurs and waved a Confederate battle flag at football recruits.

Members of Kappa Alpha Order's UNT chapter were accused of confronting about 35 mostly black football recruits who were touring the Denton campus with their parents over the weekend.

LaToya Royal, a member of Eagle Angels, the group that led the tour, said about 20 men wearing their Greek letters, ran down the stairs with a dog wearing a Confederate battle flag bandanna and "stopped about 20 feet away and began chanting and singing."

"I heard them say, 'No race from Africa or any other land shall stand against us,'" Royal said.

The Angels' vice president, UNT junior Colleen Murphy, said Kappa Alpha members also chanted Saturday, "Let's march them back to the Southern cotton fields" and "Blacks don't belong here."

In a written statement released Monday, Kappa Alpha president Matt Spellman said: "Kappa Alpha is a Southern fraternity, not a Confederate fraternity."

**NATIONAL**

**Morning show to film, air live childbirth**

NEW YORK (AP) — Someone is likely to get a very early national television debut on ABC's "Good Morning America" next week.

The show plans to air a live birth on its program Feb. 6 to cap a weeklong series of stories about maternity trends.

"No one will be induced for our benefit," said Shelley Ross, the show's executive producer.

Still, ABC has picked the day of the week — Tuesday — when, statistically, the most babies are born. And it will station cameras in the maternity ward at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas, where more babies are born each year than in any other U.S. hospital.

Cameras will also be stationed in two other hospitals: Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center in Boston and The Methodist Hospital in Houston.

**WORLD**

**Sega to stop making Dreamcast machine**

TOKYO (AP) — Sega Corp. said Wednesday it will stop making its Dreamcast home video-game machine on March 31, conceding defeat in the console-making business to its Japanese rivals Sony Corp. and Nintendo Co.

Sega said it will start making games for Sony's PlayStation2 and Nintendo's Game Boy Advance machines and was in talks to make games for Microsoft Corp.'s Xbox and Nintendo's Game Cube, which are expected to go on sale later this year. Sega also plans to continue making new games for Dreamcast next year.

Sega's greatest strength is in its software lineup, which includes Sonic the Hedgehog games. Sega said it planned to focus on the software business, including creating games for handheld and Net-linking devices.

As it made the Dreamcast announcement, Sega more than doubled its projected loss estimate to \$501 million for the fiscal year ending in March and made clear it was still in trouble.



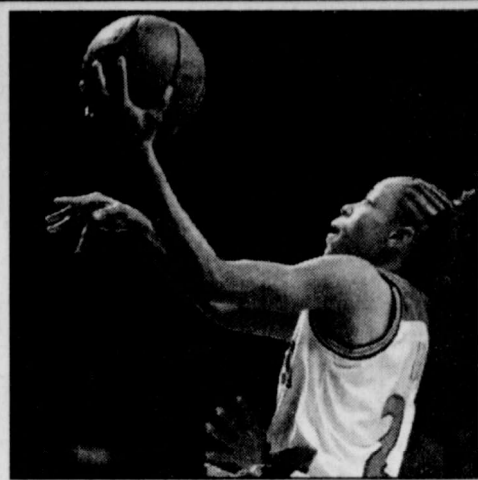
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**INSIDE TODAY'S ISSUE**



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## Two dead in car — foul play suspected

*Paper trail points to Tech employee as vehicle's owner*

By Mara McCoy  
Staff Writer

The bodies of a white male and a black female were found in a car owned by a Texas Tech employee Wednesday morning near Canyon Lake Park No. 6 in East Lubbock.

Lubbock Police Department Capt. Thomas Esparza, lead detective for the developing case, said LPD checked the license plates on the four-door black Saab found at the scene. Police strongly suspect foul play was involved, he said.

Records indicate the car is registered to Douglas George Birdsall, associate dean of the Tech library, according to an online database.

Birdsall, who came to Tech in 1989 as the associate director of libraries for information access and systems of the Tech library, was promoted to associate dean in 1997.

Bill Morgan, LPD spokesman, said police were contacted at 11:13 a.m. Wednesday and have been unable to locate the owner of the vehicle.

"A bicyclist pointed out the car to a city employee who was nearby," he said. "The employee approached the car, and as soon as he noticed that there were people in the car and that they weren't moving, he contacted the police."

LPD also corded off a Lubbock residence on Wednesday, located at 5230 96th St., which Birdsall has listed as his address in the Tech directory.

According to PublicData.com, an online public records database, Birdsall's driver's license also lists the same address that is listed in the directory.

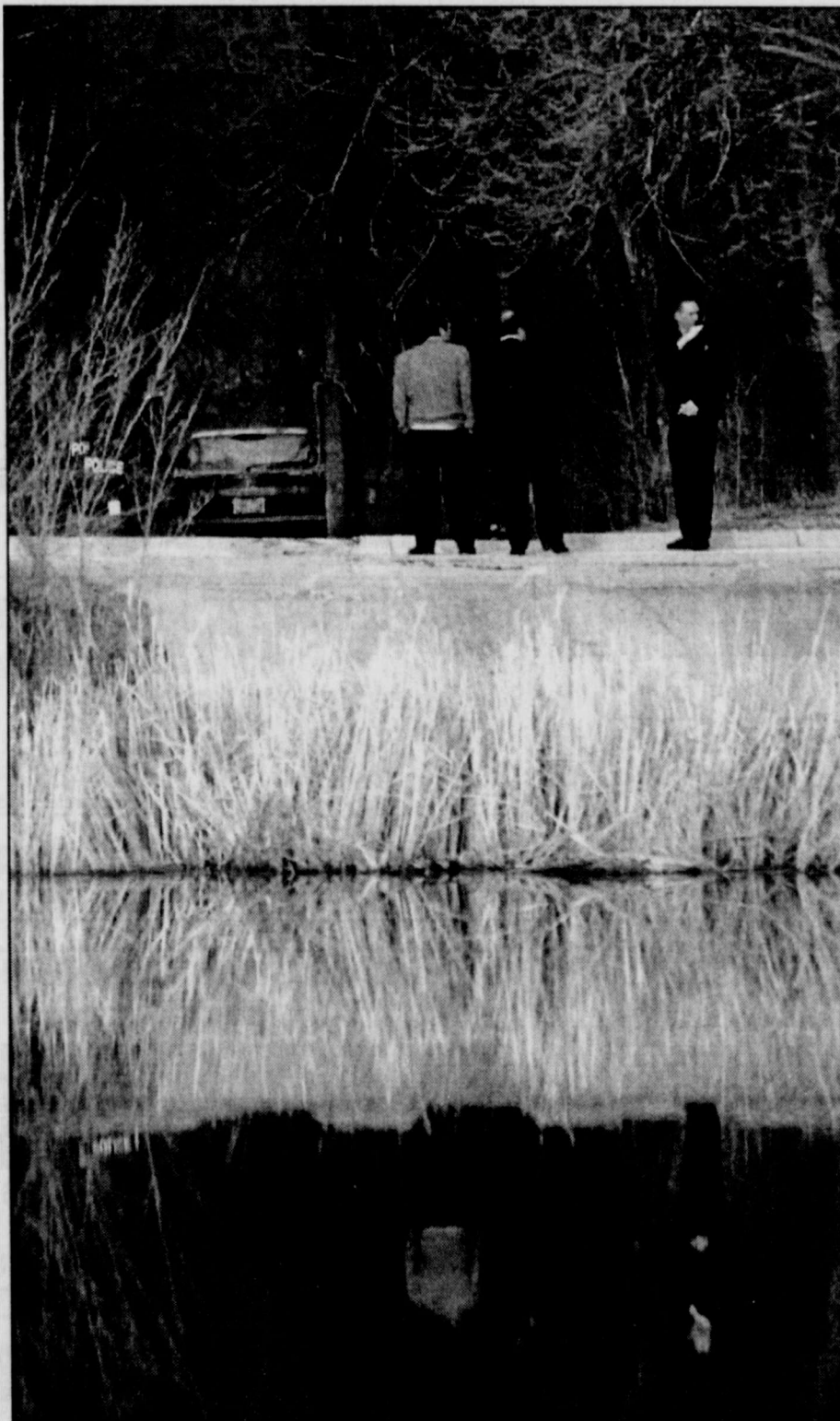
Birdsall was at work until 5 p.m. Tuesday, said Sarah Tollett, clerical specialist for Tech library business office. She said Birdsall did not come to work Wednesday, but said she was unsure as to why.

Morgan said the car was found 62 yards from the 3000 block of East Canyon Lake Drive in Canyon Lake Park, about 1.2 miles east of Martin Luther King Boulevard.

"The car was driven between drain curb breaks into a tree-lined ravine," he said. "It was driven up the gully as far north as possible."

Morgan estimated the car was placed there

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Law officials survey the crime scene Wednesday afternoon near Canyon Lake Park No. 6 after two dead bodies were discovered in a car in a wooded area during the morning hours.

GREG KRELLER/The University Daily

## Senate agenda sent late

By Pam Smith  
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech Student Senate is supposed to meet tonight, however the agenda for the meeting was not made available until late Wednesday evening.

Nothing on the agenda made reference to whether the Senate would discuss Senate Bill 36.03 or if Student Government Association President Andrew Schoppe will address the Senate.

Senators were expected to vote tonight on whether to override a presidential veto changing the requirements for candidates running for the Student Government Association's top positions.

According to the SGA Constitution, the agenda for a Senate meeting should be posted 24 hours in advance to the meeting. The agenda for tonight's meeting was not made available until around 8:30 p.m. Wednesday.

The Texas Open Meetings Act states, "the notice of a meeting of a governmental body must be posted in a place readily accessible to the general public at all times for at least 72 hours before the scheduled time of the meeting."

According to the Texas A&M Web site, A&M's Student Senate posts both the agendas and the minutes to the meetings on their Web site. Their

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## Criminal statistics increase

By Gabe Martinez  
Staff Writer

According to the most recently released statistics, the number of Texas Tech campus crimes increased in 1999.

The statistics were released in conjunction with national crime statistics by the U.S. Department of Education. Crime statistics also increased nationwide.

On the Tech campus, there was one report of a forcible sex offense, five cases of burglary, six reports of vehicle theft, 319 reports of larceny theft and two reports in arson in 1999.

The Department of Education reported there were 2,469 forcible and non-forcible sex offenses and 25,933 arrests for liquor law violations nationwide.

Despite the increase in the number of crime reports, Tech Police Department Capt. Dan Hale said the increase is not alarming.

"We're not seeing a significant change from the statistics that we've gathered," he said. "I believe we have a relatively safe campus compared to other major universities in Texas and throughout the nation. Texas Tech is a safe campus."

Also, there was an increase in liquor violations, but an increase in drug and weapons violations. In 1999, there were 164 liquor violations, down from 173 in 1998. Tech

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## Web music downloads to cost students

By Leslie Follmar  
Staff Writer

After months of providing Web surfers with ample opportunities to acquire free music via the Internet, Napster Inc. has announced that it will start charging a monthly fee as early as June.

The announcement was made Monday that Napster would implement a \$4.95 monthly charge, but the company could not say an exact date as to when the new service would begin — only that it would launch soon.

USA Today that Webnoise, a market research firm, estimated that 70 percent of users would pay. How many actually would stay is another story.

"I'd be surprised if 10 percent stayed on board," said Webnoise



analyst Ric Dube in *USA Today*.

Many musicians have opposed Napster since its start in May 1999 by Northeastern University student Shawn Fanning. Metallica has been Napster's largest opposition, suing the song service on the basis of copyright infringement.

However, other artists are taking advantage of Napster. Dave Matthews Band released their new single "I Did It" on Napster, while their new CD *Everyday* has yet to be released. The Dave Matthews Band allows fans to create bootleg recordings at their live shows,

which are freely traded among the fan base.

In October, Napster partnered with Bertelsmann AG, the parent company of the BMG record label. In exchange for the partnership, Napster would provide access to BMG artists as well as charge a monthly fee. Bertelsmann then would drop their lawsuit against the music trading service.

Students of Texas Tech are not able to access Napster because of the firewall placed on the service. Instead, some students use audiogalaxy.com, which is accessible

through campus Ethernet connections. *Audiogalaxy.com* has not announced any plans to begin charging membership fees. Tech students seem indifferent to the monthly charge since there are other free services available.

Brady Shackelford, a freshman architecture major from Dallas, said he cannot use Napster anyway because he lives on campus.

"I can't use it on campus because of the Ethernet system. I use Audiogalaxy instead. A lot of my friends use Audiogalaxy," he said.

Shackelford said he downloads about five songs a week. He said the Internet provides an alternative to purchasing music at a store.

"I'm now more prone to not buy the CD and download the music,"

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## Lions Club established on campus



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By Christi Davidson  
Staff Writer

Texas Tech students now have the opportunity to become members of the newly established campus Lions Club.

Members of the Lubbock South Plains Lions Club are organizing the campus membership, which is available to Tech students who are 18 years and older.

Tom Craighead, a member of the South Plains Lions Club who is involved with the organization of the Tech chapter, said students who are



members of the campus club will be able to transfer their membership anywhere when they graduate.

He said in addition to the Tech club, Lions Club International has established other college clubs across the nation in an effort to reach out to college students.

"They're always looking for

young people," he said.

According to the Lions Club International Web site, there are 40 campus Lions Clubs in the world with 1262 members on college and university campuses located in Canada, India, Peru, Uganda, Venezuela and the United States.

The first campus Lions Club was chartered on Aug. 15, 1985, at Phil Penn College of Optometry located in Philadelphia.

Troy Watson, a sophomore animal science major from Muleshoe, whose father is a member of the Lions Club, said he thinks the organi-

zation is a great opportunity for Tech students.

He said the new campus Lions Club will give Tech students the opportunity to build fellowship, develop citizenship and get involved in the community.

"It's an inexpensive club for the high rewards it provides," he said.

An organizational meeting will take place at 6:30 p.m. today in the Double T Room in the University Center.

The Lions Club is an international organization with individual clubs spread across the nation as

well as other countries. The club supports hundreds of charities through financial contributions and volunteer hours.

Lions Club International supports several charities including: Leader Dogs for the Blind, Sight First, various eye banks, glaucoma screening clinics and the crippled children's camp in South Texas.

The South Plains Lions Club supports the Ted Phea Boys and Girls Club, the Texas Boys Ranch, Salvation Army, Meals on Wheels, the Ronald McDonald House and a number of other local charities.

### DEATH

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sometime after 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, he said.

A tow truck was called to the scene to remove the vehicle from the ravine. The first tow truck on the scene was too large to fit between the trees lining the ravine. A second tow truck arrived on the scene at 6:15 p.m. The car

was removed from the ravine at 6:50 p.m., at which time police removed a white male, who Morgan said was about 50 years old, and a black female, who he said was about 20 years old.

According to PublicData.com, Birdsall's driver's license lists his date of birth as July 1, 1947, and his race as white.

Morgan said there were some blood stains present, but because of the characteristics of wounds, their

type and nature were still undetermined. "It's up to the medical examiner's office to decide (the cause of death)," he said.

Morgan also said after the car was pulled from the ravine the police took evidentiary photos for 30 minutes. No positive identifications of the bodies were made at press time, and the police have no suspects in the case.

Erin Kirk contributed to this story.

### SENATE

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policy states that the agenda must be posted one day in advance.

The agendas and minutes to the Tech Student Senate cannot be accessed online.

Jarrad Toussant, executive director for the Student Government at the University of Texas at Austin, said they usually like to have their agendas posted 36 hours in advance of the meeting. He said while this is not always the case, they still notify the student newspaper of the actions of the Senate. "The agenda is public record," he said. "We want the students to know about the issues 36 hours beforehand."

Toussant said the UT SGA has a deadline several days in advance of the meeting for senators to submit their legislation. Once this has been compiled, the presiding officer of the Senate squares away the agenda.

"There have been times when the agenda hasn't been on time," he

said. "But those are usually in unavoidable situations."

Cecily Sailer, editor-in-chief of The Daily Texan, UT's student newspaper, said she has not had a problem with the SGA there. She said they have always been able to get the information with a phone call if the agenda was not posted in advance. "They are usually pretty good about it," she said. "When they are not, we can call and get the information."

Sailer said while the SGA is student government it should be treated as a governing body. "Texas Tech is a public university, and they are a governing body," she said. "Their name is the Student Government Association."

Sailer said if the SGA was not giving the newspaper the agenda and was not posting it for students, The UD should consult a lawyer.

According to the Tech SGA handbook, "the Board of Regents recognizes the Student Government Association as the official governing body for students."

### TechNotes!

Business Graduate Student Society is sponsoring the Marketplace 2001 Career Fair from 9 a.m. to noon Feb. 7. For more information, contact Valerie Anderson at 742-3184.

Texas Tech Mortar Board is accepting applications in 210 University Center. Deadline for application is 5 p.m. Feb. 9. For more information, contact Lori Beth Jones at 795-8625.

### THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS  
1 Computer input  
5 Shoots the breeze  
10 Break of day  
14 Close to closed  
15 Object from antiquity  
16 Hodgepodge  
17 Percussive blasts  
20 Lauds  
21 Plan of attack  
22 Watches the kids  
24 Stitch  
25 Bouquet  
28 \_\_\_ and outs  
30 Tie in  
35 Ready when you \_\_\_  
36 Nautical distances  
38 Prescribed amounts  
39 Storm blasts  
42 Tribe on the move  
43 Sleep soundly?  
44 Epoch  
45 Garland for the head  
47 As well  
48 Command to Fido  
49 Brew house  
51 London subway  
53 Peacemaker  
58 Net minder  
62 Stadium blasts  
64 Dynamic starter?  
65 "The Waste Land" punner  
66 Swelled-heads  
67 Bread grains  
68 Advances  
69 Childhood taboo

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1 Roy's partner  
2 Comet competition  
3 Small pie  
4 Large merchant ship  
5 Forming whitecaps  
6 Magic spell  
7 Chalet locale  
8 Pinball jars  
9 Olympics official  
10 Get something done  
11 Lotion additive  
12 Annex  
13 Snoopy  
18 Whitney known for his gin  
19 Serration  
23 "The \_\_\_ of Kilmanjaro"  
25 Turkish title  
26 "Prick Up Your Ears" subject  
27 Spanish missionary Junipero  
29 Job duration  
31 Bodybuilder  
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33 Colorful tropical fish  
34 Test composition  
36 Patella protector  
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# Scholarship stampede gives nursing students inside look

**■ The School of Nursing dean brought the program to Tech after its success in Beaumont.**

By Linda Robertson  
 Staff Writer

Alexia Green's program worked in Beaumont at Lamar University, so she thought she'd try it here.

Alexia Green, dean of the Texas Tech School of Nursing, watched as her brainchild, the first Scholarship Stampede, rolled to life.

The idea behind the stampede is to give nursing students a chance to find out what scholarships are avail-

able and a chance for the benefactors to meet the students they are helping, she said.

"Approximately 60 percent of the students here require some sort of aid," she said. "Having generous people who donate money just makes it easier for the students who need financial help to get it."

Of the benefactors present were Gene Lewis and his grandson, Andrew Lewis, an electrical engineering major from Pasadena. Gene Lewis said he set up a scholarship to honor the memory of his wife, who died recently.

"She was a geriatric nurse at the Carillon for a long time," he said. "We felt like this would be a good way to remember her, and to help students who are interested in being a geriatric nurse."

Linda Campbell, vice chancellor

for Health Sciences Center development, said while she has never heard of a scholarship stampede, she can see the necessity for it.

"Doctors have stolen the thunder from the nurses for a long time. Something like this gives the public a chance to meet their future nurses," she said. "I think people know that there is a huge nursing shortage, and this is one way to ensure there will be nurses in the future."

In some instances, students raised their own scholarship fund, using a phone-a-thon to speak to alumni from the School of Nursing and other allied health areas.

They were able to raise \$55,000, which was matched with money from HSC President Dr. David Smith's office.

The money generated from the

scholarship fund was distributed by random drawing to 17 nursing students.

Smith honored the nursing students with three additional scholarships, and a speech, praising nurses.

He said one of the goals of the development office is to raise more money for scholarships so that those who want to go to school can.

"Chancellor (John) Montford has raised \$300 million on the Horizon Campaign for Tech. My development office has raised \$60 million for new classrooms and labs here. I hope to have more money focused for student use," Smith said. "We need nurses, and we need to plan to be able to provide healthcare for an aging America."

## ■ CRIME

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and local police made 36 arrests for drug violations and four weapons violation arrests in 1999.

The Tech campus is divided into

six zones and crime rates were broken down for each zone.

Of 508 reported violations in Fall 1999, 41 percent of the offenses were reported in Zone 5, which includes the Wall/Gates, Stangel/Murdough and Hulen/Clement residence complexes.

The same zone had 64 percent of the violations in during the Spring 1999 semester.

Sean Duggan, interim director of Housing and Residence Life at Tech, said Tech officials do their best to make the campus as safe as possible.

"We're always worried about

crime and safety in the residence halls," he said.

Part of the efforts to create a safe campus environment, Tech has added additional security personnel to patrol the parking lots.

There are also security cameras placed around the campus.

# Coach indicted on murder charges

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A Bee County grand jury has indicted a veteran San Antonio high school soccer coach on charges accusing him and a friend of conspiring to kill state District Judge Mark Luitjen.

Luitjen was not harmed.

Carroll G. Parker Jr., a McCollum High School soccer coach and social studies teacher, is charged with conspiring to commit capital murder and conspiring to steal government

documents. Parker, 38, faces life in prison if convicted.

Parker's childhood friend, Robert E. Lee, also was indicted on a charge of solicitation to commit capital murder. Lee is serving two 25-year prison sentences for the 1997 murder-for-hire plot.

"The allegations are that Mr. Lee started the ball rolling," Bee County Assistant District Attorney Hank Hancock said after the indictments.

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## ■ MUSIC

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Shackelford said.

Emily Kepple, a freshman undeclared major from Flower Mound, said she was indifferent to the Napster charge since she also uses Audiogalaxy.

"I don't really care," she said. "There's a lot of other services like (Napster) out there. I still buy CDs,

but probably not as many since I started using Audiogalaxy."


Kepple said she does not have a problem with using these types of free song-swapping services. She said musicians should not worry about people downloading their music.

"I don't really care that I'm downloading these songs, it's free for me," she said. "Besides, (musicians) make enough money, I don't think it really matters."

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3:00	Arthur Wishbone	Rosie O'Donnell	Maury Povich	Cheerless Meeha	Moral Court	M. Rancher Big Guy
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5:00	Beth/Lions Nightly Bus.	News NBC News	MASH CBS News	People's Court	News ABC News	Sabrina Simpsons
6:00	News Hour	News Extra	Jeopardy Survivor	Judge Judy Judge Judy	News W/Fortune	Spin City Frasier
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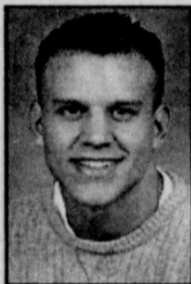
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Column

## Two views still fight for power

You probably aren't indifferent about the death penalty or apathetic about prayer in schools. Few are. I bet you have a definite stance on abortion. These moral issues spark the most heated debates and arguments around — just look at this newspaper.

It's hard to find middle ground on these visible moral issues. Why is that? It's because these issues are just out workings of two colossal world views. These views are in direct opposition to one another on most of the moral issues you think about everyday.



Brian Ulrich

Sure there's more to it than that, and there's more than two world views. But in America and on the Tech campus there are two that butt heads far more than any other. They are theism and naturalism. What does that mean, you ask? It may help if you look at it as Christianity and naturalism. I'm sure you already have a stance on Christianity. Do you see what I'm getting at? There's something behind your views and opinions. Your ideas stem from one of these two

worldviews. You feel the way you do about things because one of these two ideologies heavily influences the way you think in every aspect of your life.

These two world views aren't just behind the conflicts in America — they are the conflict in America.

Theism is the belief in a transcendent being, which is God for most Americans and for Christians. Unlike deism, theism asserts that God is actively involved with his creation, which includes us.

Naturalism essentially says that nature is the cause of everything. Naturalists tend to reject the idea of absolute truth, opting instead to go with the idea of moral relativism.

But make no mistake. Naturalism and all of its offspring reign in our current culture. Want proof? This is why issues like abortion and prayer in public schools have come to the forefront in the last 50 or so years. This is why you are taught evolution and naturalistic philosophy as science since you were just a little tyke. This is why we have just finished the mess called the 20th century where you had entire cultural systems, such as Nazi Germany, go to war with the rest of civilization. The Nazi ideology reeked of Darwinian philosophy (naturalism) and its "survival of the fittest" mentality. And if you think it's going to get better with time, wake up. Pick up a newspaper. Turn on the news. You can't hide from where our history is pointing.

So what does all this babbling mean to you? That depends, of

## God did not create us. Instead we created the idea of God. He is God only in the minds of those who believe in him.

course, if you align with naturalism or theism. If you align with naturalism, forgive me, for I do not speak from among your midst. Your view on the world has been gaining steam for more than 300 years. You are among the majority of scientists, politicians and lawyers. You agree with Charles Darwin, along with a lot of the philosophers since the Enlightenment. But what are the ramifications of your ideas?

Since this world, this universe and people arose solely from natural causes; God did not create us. Instead we created the idea of God. He is God only in the minds of those who believe in Him. This means that we have no ultimate basis for morals because we create our own. Our ideas about right and wrong constantly change; they are subject to individual cultures. Agreeing with our postmodern culture, we say there is no objective truth. Tolerance is so important that no exception is tolerated.

That's not so bad, right? You be the judge. Naturalism, when you boil it all down, means that your life has no purpose except to your own ends. Most of you love that idea. This "survival of the fittest" mentality has led to what our culture is today. Do you like the moral state of our country? Thank naturalism. Dislike it? Thank naturalism and those who actively put it into practice.

Now to you theists and Christians: If your beliefs are true, then there's a lot more to life than just you. Sorry to burst your bubble. You believe in absolute truth and probably a personal God as well, and if that doesn't dramatically affect your life, someone needs to yank the wool from over your eyes.

A lot of you fall into this safe little mainstream category. Some of you have cute little fish on your cars or petite crosses around your neck. Bravo. But do your beliefs really mean anything to you? If your beliefs really made a difference you'd probably be doing a lot more than you are right now. I'm not passing judgment, just saying that there's a huge chasm between your ideals and, well, you. Don't whine to me about it because if you think your views are really absolutely true you'd already be doing something about it.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Change the TV channel

To the editor: I know this does not concern most of the commuters, but I would like to express my disgust about how we support the College Television Network that is broadcast in all of the dining halls across campus. First of all, you never hear anything about Texas Tech on their show or anything about the Big 12 Conference. We sit and eat our breakfast, lunch or dinner while we are fed news of other colleges about how wonderful they are or what would affect their students. But yet nothing about Texas Tech. Don't get me wrong, the music videos are great, but watching Collective Soul over and over gets old after a while. I think we would be much better off if we had our own television show that concerns news and events that would impact Texas Tech students. Also, it's one thing if the news they broadcast changes throughout the day, but it's the same thing over and over since the first time they show it at breakfast. I am sure that Texas Tech has the funds and technology to get something like our own news program running. I think this could complement *The UD* newspaper very well for those who may not pick up the newspaper in the morning.

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### Holocaust remembered

To the editor: The Montana Repertory production of "The Diary of Anne Frank" was well executed and rightly harrowing to witness. The same cannot be said, in my opinion, of the "Anne Frank and Her Place in the Holocaust" exhibition currently on show in the University Center, and I wonder whether it was actually constructed with any input from Holocaust survivors. The pictures of bodies of Holocaust victims should have been at least 20 times larger because that's what the Holocaust was — piles and piles of bodies. Instead, the two small photographs are separated, which minimizes their effect, and they are completely overwhelmed by the many pictures of Nazi officers. My mother is a Holocaust

survivor. We could say she was one of the lucky ones except that her experience is still, after 56 years, something she can barely talk about. She was one of thousands herded into cattle trucks to be transported hundreds of miles beyond the borders of her own country to the concentration camps. There was no room to sit. Many who traveled with her died along the way. She was shot in the leg, used as a human guinea pig in "medical" experiments and put to work digging holes that always seemed to be filled by the following day. Until she found a book on Ravenbruk quite recently, she — like others with her — never knew that they'd been digging mass graves. Because she was trained as an opera singer, my mother survived. Her voice was the only reason she was allowed to remain alive while those who went in with her died. At the end of the war, she walked for eight days and nights to get home. My mother's suffering — like that of millions caught up in the Holocaust — deserves to be acknowledged. It should not be trivialized by two small pictures that only serve to demean the deaths of the millions who were murdered.

Diana Curtis  
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### Throwing the first stone

To the editor: I would like to ask David Leigh a question. He quotes two lines of Biblical scripture. "He who have no sin can cast the first stone," and "No man shall be judged except before the eyes of God." He uses these two statements to tell people that they shouldn't place judgment on people who choose to make abortion an option. My question is to David and the person having the abortion. How are they, in their imperfect life, able to cast judgment upon the innocent unborn child's life? Who are they to say that the child is not worth having in this world? God brought that child into this world and only He shall take it away.

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Column

## Texas politics are looking brighter

Now that Texas and George W. Bush have parted company, things are looking up deep in the heart. In fact, a positively astonishing number of good bills actually have a chance of passing this session, and I think we owe it in part to having the Texas record examined so publicly during the campaign. Some of us seem to have been startled by what we learned.

First, the Lege may actually do something about the infamous grandfathered plants. You'll be pleased to learn the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission has issued a report on how much progress in cleaning up air pollution has been made under George W.'s famous "voluntary compliance" program. The total amount of reduced emissions from grandfathered plants attributable to the governor's program is zero.

All our major cities are in danger of losing billions in federal highway funds if we don't move on the air pollution crisis, so the time is nigh.

We have seen a significant improvement in the grandfathered pollution over the past two years because of clean-up provisions in last session's utilities de-reg bill, which alert students will recall were put in at the last minute over Bush's objections.

In addition, many think that we have a good shot at eliminating execution of the mentally retarded, opposition to said elimination having been one of Bush's less "compassionate" moments. Even the new Gov. Rick Perry, who has really good hair, endorsed the concept of checking DNA evidence before executing a person. This is a breakthrough.

In addition, we may finally get something done about legal representation for the poor in this system. Leaving them to rot for weeks and even months without lawyers is one of those charming little Texas peculiarities that attracted unwelcome attention during the recent electoral festivities.

Also in the hopeful mode are those trying to get health insurance for Texas teachers and especially for Texas children. Gov. Goodhair now endorses state standards for health insurance for teachers and some outreach effort for CHIP, the new federal program.

State Rep. Elliott Naishtat is once again pushing the boulder of extending Medicaid to at least most of the kids who are entitled to it. Such a novel concept here. Rep. Patty Gray from Galveston had the splendid notion of sending a copy of the 25-page Medicaid application to every Lege member.

So here we are in Texas, poised to make progress on a variety of fronts, and here's the nation stuck with George W., who thinks that John Ashcroft will make a dandy attorney general.

As Florida's *Palm Beach Post* noted, "After three days of hearings, Mr. Ashcroft's testimony has ranged from inaccurate to inconsistent to incredible."

His response to the many questions raised by his record on human rights, civil rights, abortion, gun control, racism, etc., is to reply that he will uphold the law. As we all know, there is a great deal of discretion in the execution of law, and prosecutorial discretion is particularly unaccountable.

Ashcroft has voted repeatedly to weaken the Brady law, and he is opposed to the federal assault weapons ban.

In 1998, at the behest of Larry Pratt of the Gunowners of America (a man so controversial that Pat Buchanan dumped him as his campaign manager because of Pratt's connections with white supremacists and the militia movement), Ashcroft worked against a provision in juvenile justice legislation that would have made it easier to prosecute illegal firearms traffickers.

Ashcroft also should be rejected for his vicious smear campaign of Judge Ronnie White — a man with the same legal views as Antonin Scalia — as being "pro-criminal."

How pathetic for W. Bush to claim that Ashcroft has "a good heart." A good heart is precisely what Ashcroft has demonstrated he does not have. (The term "heart," by the way, is a new synonym on the Christian right for "soul," according to an article in *The Washington Post*.)

Ashcroft did not hesitate to vote against Bill Lann Lee to head the civil rights division or David Satcher to be surgeon general simply because he disagreed with them.

It would be hard to find more than a tiny sliver of Americans who do agree with Ashcroft, including on the subject of criminalizing abortions for rape and incest.

Perhaps the most curious item in Ashcroft's resume is his membership in the Council for National Policy, which is repeatedly described in the press as "a secretive but highly influential right-wing religious group."

Rep. Tom DeLay and Sen. Trent Lott also are members, as is the aforementioned Larry Pratt. It was Pratt who convinced Ashcroft to oppose the legislation making it easier to prosecute arms traffickers. Those guys are just full of heart, aren't they?

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## 'Head Over Heels' humor grotesque, but intelligent

(AP) — "Head Over Heels" is a romantic comedy about the very complicated relationship between a young woman and a man she comes to suspect of murder. Subtle, it ain't.

You know our heroine Amanda (Monica Potter) is in love when her knees buckle and she gets tongue-tied, babbling, "I've got the runs" when she means to say, "I've got to run."

She meets her true love Jim (Freddie Prinze Jr.) in an apartment building lobby after a Great Dane knocks her down and tries to get friendly — well, more than friendly — with her.

Later, a group of attractive young models hides in Jim's shower stall — don't ask why — gagging as they and the audience are treated to the sounds of his potty stop in loud and grotesque detail.

You probably don't want to take Mom to this movie. It's also a little too silly to work as a mystery; you never really believe our hero guy killed anybody.

And the romance at its core doesn't quite click on screen, despite Potter's fine performance. Blame Prinze — handsome as always, but unconvincing as a lover.

But if you like bawdy humor and the chance to ogle four models who spend an awful lot of time dressed very, very well, this movie may be for you.

Potter, who played opposite Robin Williams in "Patch Adams," stars here as an art restorer who's unlucky in love. She shares a fantastic apartment with four models (Sarah O'Hare, Shalom Harlow, Ivana Milicevic and Tomiko Fraser) who need only hold up a restaurant check to make guys scramble for it. Their motto: "We don't pay, we're models."

Amanda falls in love with neighbor Jim, whom she can conveniently spy on through her apartment window.

In a shameless rip-off of the Hitchcock classic "Rear Window," Amanda believes she sees Jim kill a woman during one of these spying sessions. The cops don't buy it, so it's up to Amanda and her model friends to find out the truth while she pursues her romance with him.

The plot folds in some international intrigue and finally gets exciting toward the end, including the capture of some genuine bad guys at a fashion show.

"Head Over Heels," a Universal Pictures release, is rated PG-13. It contains sexual language and sensual images (and let's not forget that Great Dane). It's directed by Mark Waters ("The House of Yes"). Four — count 'em — people are responsible for the story and script: Ed Decker, John J. Strauss, Ron Burch and David Kidd. Running time: 87 minutes.

## 'Diary' gives Tech glimpse of Holocaust

By Mara McCoy  
Staff Writer

A diary — such a simple object. But in the hands of one, it has the power to affect the minds, thoughts and emotions of everyone who has come across it.

The Montana Repertory Theatre presented "The Diary of Anne Frank," a play based on the book by the same name, Tuesday as a part of their national tour.

Several tears were seen coursing down audience members' cheeks after Otto Frank, played by Gerry Goodstein, detailed what happened to his family after they were discovered. Otto was the only surviving member of the annex clan and published his daughter's diary in 1947.

The play was adapted from the first unedited version of the book in 1956.

The book, which is common reading material in many schools across the nation, details the two years Anne spent in hiding from the Nazis during the Holocaust.

Anne, played by Tara Lynn Sullivan, was 12 when she and her family first went into hiding. Her family went into hiding 10 days early, after her sister Margot, played by Alyssa Groenig, received a notice to report for work duty. These notices usually meant death for those who received them.

With an outlook beyond her years and eloquence unparalleled by many professional authors, the teenager portrayed life within the small annex she and seven others shared for two years.

This play helped the average viewer

better understand what life was like for a Jew during the Holocaust.

Janet Hardy, an exercise and sport science and English major from Pilot Point who student teaches at Evans Junior High, said she thought the play captured what the Franks, Van Daans and Dussels went through.

"It really captured the truth behind the story," she said. "I was put in their shoes — watching the play really impacted me emotionally. I didn't get the same effect just by reading the book or the play. And the end, where the father described what happened to his family definitely affected me."

Bennie Moore, Hardy's co-worker, said he agreed with her comments.

"I liked the idea that I was able to see the story unfolding. It made it more real," she said. "The emotion behind the story was really captured by the actors. It really impacted me."

Bradley Lial, an eighth grader at Evans who came with Hardy and Moore, said his class was reading the play.

"Watching the play gave me a better idea of what was happening," he said. "It made me think about the Holocaust a lot more."

Ondine Kohn, who played Miep Gies, said she has a much deeper sense of what the Holocaust was about.

"I had to research my character to see how she helped (the Franks, Van Daans and Dussel). But I came away with a lot more information on what happened during this time period," she said. "It just kind of seemed like a number before. It's much more now."

Kohn said she hopes audience



Greg Kreller/The University Daily  
Anne Frank (Tara Lynn Sullivan) speaks with her father Otto (Gerry Goodstein) about her algebra grade in the Montana Repertory Theatre's production of "The Diary of Anne Frank."

members gain hope from this play.

"Anna inspired an amazing amount of hope," she said. "For 2 1/2 years she faced the ultimate low anyone can face, and she was able

walk around with a kind of spirit that I hope the audience members will take and spread around whatever they are going through could be a lot worse."

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# Lady Raiders claw Kansas State Wildcats

By Matt Muench  
Staff Writer

Texas Tech coach Marsha Sharp said she was waiting for Jia Perkins to dunk.

"She does everything else," said Sharp, who notched the 450th win of her career.

Led by Perkins' career high 27 points, the Lady Raiders dominated the Wildcats, 72-41, on Wednesday night at the United Spirit Arena, three days after Oklahoma handed the Lady Raiders their first Big 12 Conference loss of the campaign.

Sharp said she was pleased with the way her squad responded to the Oklahoma loss.

"I am proud at the way we bounced back from the Sooner loss," Sharp said. "There is no question that everything started from the de-

fense, which turned into a pretty good offense to win."

Tech showed no signs of a consecutive letdown by coming out and pleasing the 12,022 fans in attendance with an early 22-4 surge eight minutes into the contest en route to a 49-21 lead at the break.

Freshman Natalie Ritchie said it was important for the Lady Raiders to come out fast so the squad would forget what happened in Norman, Okla., on Sunday.

"We knew we had to (start fast)," said Ritchie, who scored 10 points. "Coach Sharp said in practice that it was time to turn it up."

It was the Perkins show during the first frame as she hit all four three-point shots she took in the opening half.

When she was not draining the long ball, she was weaving through

the Wildcat defense making plays under the hoop.

Perkins finished with six long-distance shots in eight attempts, both career highs.

She said the Wildcats' style of defense, combined with the help of her teammates, resulted in open shots the entire game.

"It was important that I step up because they were in a zone (defense)," Perkins said. "At times, their defense just stood around."

Following Tech's first run, Sharp was nailed with a technical foul that gave the Wildcats two free throws.

However, that did not slow the Lady Raiders down as they went on another run by scoring 12 of the next 14 points in the ball game.

After giving up a season high 84 points Sunday, Sharp said she was happy to see her defense play better Wednesday.

"We did a good job at blocking their three-point shooters," Sharp said. "I thought our post players did a really good job on their freshman (Nicole Ohlde). That was a really big factor for us."

Ohlde came into the contest shooting 50 percent from the field, but the Lady Raider defense held her in check by forcing her to miss 11 of the 16 shots she took.

The win also kept the Lady Raiders on pace with conference leaders Iowa State and Oklahoma.

All three squads won Wednesday and continue to sit tangled at the top of the conference race with 7-1 records.



Lady Raider guard Katrisa O'Neal goes up for two of her eight points in Tech's 72-41 victory over Kansas State on Wednesday night at the United Spirit Arena.

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## Tech track competes in new ATC

By Phil Riddle  
Staff Writer

Texas Tech runners will christen the newly remodeled Athletic Training Center when they compete in the Texas Tech Open on Friday and Saturday.

Renovations at the ATC include a new Mondo running surface, as well as facilities for indoor field events.

"We're excited — opening up in our new complex, to try out our new surface," Tech track coach Wes Kitley said. "We've got new rings and a new jumping facility. We're really proud of it. We think we're going to have some exceptional fast times, good jumps and big throws here."

Friday's events begin with the men's high jump, the women's pole vault and the men's and women's

long jump at 4:30 p.m.

Saturday action commences at 10:45 a.m., with the preliminaries in the sprint events and winds up with the 5:20 p.m. running of the men's mile relay.

The Red Raiders are coming off a successful run at the Houston Invitational a week ago. Freshman Saidric Williams led the men's effort with a 6.83 second-place time in the 60-yard dash and a 22.54 clocking in the 200 meters, good for fifth.

The men's 4x400 team of Reggie Hill, Antonio Franklin, Justin Ritter and Orin Darrington took fifth in Houston with their 3:18.41 time.

"We had a really good weekend at Houston, and we just get better every week," Kitley said. "I think the kids are getting used to racing a little bit. I really expect some personal bests in this meet. We're a little behind on conditioning because of the

weather and the work being done on our indoor track, but we're catching up. We're really young, but the kids are competing well."

Tech sprinter Carlos Francis, who also lines up as a wide receiver for the Tech football team, is nursing a sore hamstring and will miss the weekend meet.

"I hate not being able to run at this meet," Francis said. "It's going to be great. There are going to be some really fast times. We have a real young team. I mean a real young team. But, we're getting better every time we run. We ought to do well here."

The Tech women were paced in Houston by the 4x400 squad of Melonie Barrow, Rachele Evans, Ngozi Iwu and D'Andria Brigham who flashed a 3:45.81 time for fifth place. In addition, Iwu came in with a fifth-place finish in the 400 meters

with her 56.21 time.

Monique Wright-Cruse, a junior sprinter from Philadelphia, also was a standout for the Raiders at the Houston meet, where she posted a 7.63 fifth-place time in the 60-yard dash and a 25.01 fifth-place time in the 200 meters.

She said she is anxious to compete on the new track.

"It's going to be a great experience," Wright-Cruse said. "We've been testing out the new facilities, and we expect some qualifiers here. We've really stepped it up since the Oklahoma meet. I guess everybody understood the job they had to do. We've had a lot of people qualify from the prelims and go on to the finals. We really got after it. They say this is the fastest of all the indoor tracks. We're going to take advantage of it and try to get a lot of people qualified."

## 1951 pennant may have been stolen

NEW YORK (AP) — The Giants stole the pennant! The Giants stole the pennant!

For a half-century, fans of the old Brooklyn Dodgers claimed that's what Bobby Thomson and the New York Giants did in 1951. Now there's evidence that maybe it happened

just that way. *The Wall Street Journal* on Wednesday quoted Hall of Fame outfielder Monte Irvin, catcher Sal Yvars and pitcher Al Gettel as admitting they stole catchers' signs to overcome a 13 1/2-game deficit and win baseball's most famous pennant race. "Every hitter knew what was com-

ing," Gettel said. "Made a big difference."

Irvin said the Giants have nothing to be ashamed of. "Everything we did was on our own," he told *The Associated Press* on Wednesday.

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