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STATE

Medicaid costs could increase in two years

AUSTIN (AP) — An expected increase in projected Medicaid enrollment could cost the state at least \$657 million in additional funding over the next two years, wiping out an already tight budget surplus.

The news that came Wednesday at a Senate Finance Committee meeting leaves lawmakers with the difficult task of avoiding a budget deficit by cutting programs. Some lawmakers began discussing possible tax increases despite leadership's stance that raising taxes won't be needed.

"I'm very much aware of the fiscal limitations of the Legislature and this committee. While I am sensitive to that, I also believe that there's an absolute duty of my administration to unvarnish a version of what we believe our funding needs to be to maintain current services," Don Gilbert, commissioner of the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, told the committee.

NATIONAL

Singer, actress Evans passes away at 88

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dale Evans, the singer-actress who teamed with husband Roy Rogers in popular Westerns and wrote their theme song, "Happy Trails to You," died Wednesday at 88.

Evans died of congestive heart failure at her home in Apple Valley in the high desert east of Los Angeles, said Dave Koch, son-in-law of Evans' stepson, Roy "Dusty" Rogers Jr. She had suffered a heart attack in 1992 and a stroke in 1996.

Evans' son and other family members were at her side. A memorial service will be held Saturday, Koch said.

She was the "Queen of the West" to Rogers, the "King of the Cowboys." She rode her horse, Buttermilk, beside him on his celebrated palomino, Trigger.

"There's the last of the great ladies from a great era — the cowboy era," said Fran Boyd, executive director of the Academy of Country Music. "She was always really gracious and a very big supporter of her husband."

WORLD

Drug company offers sale of AIDS cocktail

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — An Indian drug company has offered to sell an AIDS cocktail at a fraction of the market price to an international aid agency to distribute to patients for free, the company's chairman said Wednesday.

The decision by Bombay-based Cipla Ltd. could revolutionize the treatment of HIV patients in developing countries, where the virus is most rampant. But it could also raise resistance from Western drug manufacturers holding the patents.

Cipla will sell the three-drug, anti-retroviral cocktail to Doctors Without Borders, a Paris-based medical aid agency, at \$350 per patient per year as long as they agree to distribute the drug for free, said Dr. Yusuf Hamied, Cipla's chairman. Similar drug cocktails often cost between \$10,000 and \$15,000 per patient annually in the United States and Europe.

"This is my contribution to fighting AIDS," Hamied told The Associated Press on Wednesday. He said the inspiration for his decision came from the Jan. 26 earthquake in western Gujarat state.



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## Shonrock assumes SA leadership

By Pam Smith  
Staff Writer

Michael Shonrock officially was named vice president of student affairs for Texas Tech on Feb. 1. The appointment is effective immediately.

"I'm thrilled with the opportunity of this position and am humbled to be able to continue in this capacity," he said. "I am so grateful the president (David Schmidly) believes in me and the accomplishments that I have made."

Shonrock has served as interim vice president of student affairs since



Shonrock

former vice president for student affairs Robert Ewalt retired.

Before coming to Tech, Shonrock served as the director of student life at Pittsburg State University in Kan-

sas, and he was coordinator for Greek affairs at Central Missouri State University.

He has a bachelor's of science degree and master's of science degree from Western Illinois University. Shonrock also received an education specialist degree from Pittsburg State University and a doctorate from the University of Kansas.

"We recommended him based on his experience," said Assistant Provost Elizabeth Hall, chairwoman of the search committee. "He understands Tech, the campus and, most importantly, knows the students here."

Hall said Shonrock also displayed

a real dedication to the campus, which is something Hall said she thought was especially important for the position.

"He is extraordinarily enthusiastic, and he has a real commitment to the university," she said. "The people on the search committee saw that."

Shonrock said his involvement with students is important because it is the only way to accurately evaluate what students really need. He said he makes a point to attend student activities, Student Government Association meetings and to host round-table discussions where students from different organizations

can make suggestions to him. Shonrock said it is a part of "management by walking around" because it allows him to be more accessible to students.

"You just can't leave it to chance," he said. "There is not a time when I go to a meeting when I have students ask me about something."

Ronald Phillips, special assistant to the president, said the university received about 40 applications for the position since the search began last August.

"We held a pretty extensive

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## Security nabs D.C. gunman

### Standoff results in man with pistol receiving gunshot to knee.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A man who fired shots outside the White House fence was shot by a Secret Service officer Wednesday after a 10-minute standoff, officials said. The episode triggered a tight midday security clampdown.

President Bush was safe in his residence, exercising, at the time. Vice President Dick Cheney was working in his office. Laura Bush was at the family ranch in Crawford.

"The president understood that he was not in any danger," White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said.

The wounded man was identified by law enforcement sources as Robert W. Pickett, a 47-year-old accountant from Evansville, Ind., who had been fired by the Internal Revenue Service in the mid 1980s.

Pickett was taken to nearby George Washington University Hospital where he was to undergo knee surgery and psychological evaluation. He was in stable condition.

Officials said the episode began when police heard shots and approached a man with a handgun on the sidewalk outside the fence on the south side of the White House.

"He was waving it in the air — it was pointed at the White House at one point — and pointing it in all directions," said Park Police spokesman Rob MacLean. At another point, the suspect placed the gun in his mouth, MacLean said.

The confrontation occurred on a street frequented by tourists, within sight of the fountain on the South Lawn of the White House.

Secret Service spokesman Marc Connolly said an officer fired one shot, which struck the gunman in the right knee.

A Secret Service official who spoke on condition of anonymity said a five-shot handgun, .38-caliber, was recovered along with "an unknown number" of shell casings.

Pickett was not listed in Secret Service files as a threat to the president, law enforcement officials said.

Agents were seeking a warrant to search his home.

Evansville police said Pickett did not have a criminal record, but his father had filed a missing-person report on his son in 1993, but it was suspended when the son returned.

Neighbors described Pickett as a friendly man, an accountant who had lived in a modest home in Evansville and kept a neat lawn.

## Makeup artist



Natalie Hill, a freshman occupational therapy major from Grapevine, paints a toy doll during the Ken and Barbie Reconstruction on Wednesday evening. The event was in Horn/Knapp Residence Complex in recognition of Body Awareness Week.

By Mara McCoy  
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech Board of Regents will meet today in San Antonio to discuss several issues, including an increase in fees and a proposal for construction of a parking garage on campus.

The construction of a parking garage, which will be located at the corner of 18th Street and Flint Avenue, is in response to a campus parking study that found by 2005, there will be a 1,350 parking-space deficit on campus. The structure, if approved, will be four stories high and accommodate about 750 cars.

A proposal to increase parking fees, excluding those for residence halls, also is on the agenda.

Cindy Rugeley, vice chancellor for news and information, said the fees are expected to increase by 2 percent.

"There are a couple of fees that are increasing," she said. "The fees for residence halls are also expected to increase, but it won't be substantial, and it will depend on the individual dorm."

Also on the agenda is consideration for renam-



ing the College of Business Administration for Jerry Rawls, who provided a \$25-million gift for COBA. If renamed, the college will be called the Jerry S. Rawls College of Business Administration.

An area in the COBA building also would be renamed for Rawls and would be designated as the Rawls Hall of Distinction, where his life, values and business history will be on display.

Scheduled reports include a report on the building status of the Tech Credit Union, a report on the Academic Retirement Village and a report on other facilities planning and construction projects.

The agenda includes several approvals for tenure, as well as Horn professor designations.

There also is a proposal to approve amendments to the Campus Master Plan, as well as changes in capital projects planning process.

## Raiders continue research

### Campus groups study the connection between alcohol and relationships.

By Linda Robertson  
Staff Writer

The Texas Tech family studies department, in conjunction with the cell biology department, is conducting a study to see if a connection exists between alcohol use and social relationships.

Judith Fischer, one of the three primary investigators in this study, said because her area of expertise is in addictive behaviors, her interest is in finding out how each phase of a drinking cycle affects a romantic relationship.

"We want to know, for example, what happens in a relationship during the active drinking phase? Do the couples have a good time, drinking and taking in the atmosphere?" she said. "We also want to know what happens to couples in the hangover phase and in all phases in between."

The study also is investigating a genetic link to certain alcohol-related behaviors as well as family history of alcohol use and communication patterns in the family as a result of alcohol use.

"We hope to use the data we get to see where some people get in trouble when they use alcohol dur-

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## Fee hike, parking issues on tap for BoR

The change in the capital plan from a four-year to a five-year plan will align the Tech System's capital planning process with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's master planning report.

Health Sciences Center officials have a proposal to increase their fees, as well as approve revisions to traffic and parking regulations and increase parking fees. The changes likely will mirror those approved for the main campus at the last Regents meeting in El Paso on Dec. 14.

The Honors College has submitted a proposal to offer a Bachelor of Arts degree in natural history and humanities.

Kambra Bolch, associate dean of the Honors College, said the degree is a unique offering.

"As far as I know, there is no other university in the state or the nation that offers this type of degree," she said. "We hope the plan is approved. It will offer students the opportunity to pull different disciplines together that they wouldn't have the chance to do otherwise."

The Regent meeting begins at 11:30 a.m. today and is expected to recess at 4:30 p.m. If needed, the meeting will continue Friday.



Batter up for the  
First Pitch  
Film Festival!

'Major League'  
and 'Bull Durham'  
7 p.m. today with 6:30 p.m.  
autograph session at the  
UC Allen Theatre

DEATH NOTICE

Douglas G. Birdsall

A memorial service for Douglas George Birdsall, 53, associate dean of Texas Tech libraries, will be at 3 p.m. today at Merket Alumni Center.

Flags at Memorial Circle will be lowered to half-staff today in memory of Birdsall, who died Jan. 30.



Birdsall

He was born July 1, 1947, in Wyandotte, Mich., and graduated from high school in Kalamazoo, Mich. He married Francia Fitch in 1972.

Birdsall graduated from the University of Michigan with a bachelor's degree in English, a master's degree in English from Central Michigan University and a master's degree in library science also from the University of Michigan. He earned his doctorate in higher education from Tech in 1994.

Birdsall is survived by a daughter, Emily, of Boston, where she attends medical school; and a son, Nathaniel, who recently graduated from Yale. He also is survived by his mother, Kathleen Birdsall, of Wildwood, Fla.; and three brothers, Roger and "Bird" Birdsall, both of Tracy, Calif., and Gordon Birdsall of Richland, Mich.

Birdsall's body was cremated under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home. Dale Cluff, dean of Tech libraries, will speak at Birdsall's memorial, as will Birdsall's son. The family has requested that memorials be donated to the Douglas Birdsall Memorial Library Fund in care of Texas Tech University Libraries.

Birdsall and 18-year-old Viola Ross McVade were murdered about 10 p.m. Jan. 30 in an alley between Ninth and 10th streets near Avenue U. Their bodies were discovered about 11 a.m. in Birdsall's black Saab, which had been driven into a gully, at Canyon Lake No. 6.

Dawn Pierce, director of communications for the Tech libraries, said the public is welcome at the memorial service.

"The fund will primarily be used to purchase works of art for the library," she said. "It was really a passion with Doug to get artwork for the library."

## Dining with a Texas Tech view

Skyviews offers up dishes prepared by student hands.

By Kim Wilson  
Staff Writer

As Valentine's Day is approaching, many Texas Tech students may be wondering where to take their dates to eat. One choice to consider is Skyviews restaurant.

Located on the sixth floor of the Bank of America building at 19th Street and University Avenue, Skyviews, which is run by Tech's restaurant, hotel and institutional management program, offers a panoramic view of Lubbock and the Tech campus.

Tech RHIM students are responsible for planning, preparing and serving meals every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 5:45 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., as part of the dinner series.

Dinner includes a soup or salad, choice of entrée, vegetable, bread, dessert and coffee or tea. The cost is \$15.95, not including gratuity and tax.

Each student is partnered up with another to develop a dinner series. They have to make decorations, standardize the menu, assign jobs to other students and make sure everything runs smoothly.

"I like it compared to other majors," said Lad Rock, a senior RHIM major from Houston.

The RHIM students rotate all shifts to see different aspects of the restaurant business. One night they could be a kitchen manager and the other night the dishwasher.

RHIM students are involved with the restaurant in three different classes. The first class meets from 7:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. to prepare food for the lunch shift. The second class, which usually consists of sophomores and juniors, meets from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. to work with the lunch buffet.

Their job includes cooking the food and making sure the buffet is full. The third class consists of mostly seniors who work from 2:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Every student has to attend one of the times each week to fulfill the class requirements.

"This will expose students to different scenarios," said L.E. Anderson, the executive chef at Skyviews.

The main dining hall seats up to 150 guests and there also is a private dining room that seats up to 35 guests. Each meal reflects an international or regional cuisine.

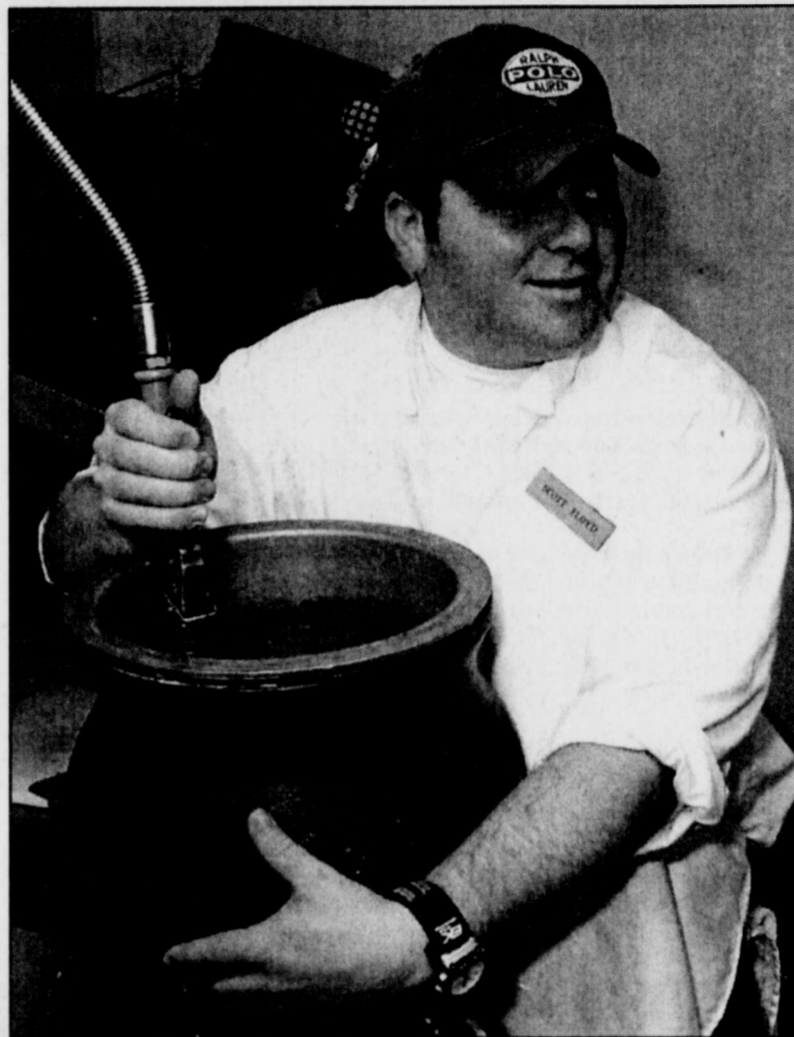
This week, for example, the theme is New England cuisine, and next week the theme will be Valentine's Day. Other themes offered include German, Cajun, Caribbean, French, Greek, Southern, as well as an Easter theme.

Anderson said he used to teach the lab in the early '80s, but left to work at Lakeridge Country Club. He said he decided to come back in 1997 to teach the lab and is enjoying working with the students.

"This is a win-win situation," he said.

There is a lunch buffet offered from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., Monday through Friday. Customers can choose from more than 20 items on the buffet line. Skyviews also caters.

Reservations are recommended for meals. To make reservations, call 744-7462.



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Scott Floyd, a senior restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from Houston, fills a soup pot with water Wednesday in preparation for a New England-themed cuisine Wednesday evening at Skyviews restaurant. Skyviews is located on the top floor of the Bank of America building, 19th Street and University Avenue, and is a Tech student-run facility as part of the RHIM program.

## Ruling: Students must report hazing

AUSTIN (AP) — Two former Texas A&M students should stand trial on charges they failed to report a hazing incident involving the Corps of Cadets, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals ruled Wednesday.

Two lower courts had previously decided that requiring a student to report hazing in which he may have participated would violate the constitutional right against self-incrimination.

The court of criminal appeals, however, said state law provides for civil and criminal immunity from charges that might result from report-

ing or testifying about the incident.

Dusty Hugh Boyd and Javier Chapa were indicted for failing to report a March 1997 hazing incident involving the A&M Corps of Cadet's Fish Drill Team.

The all-freshman drill team was disbanded after a member complained that upperclassmen beat him and forced him to cut himself with a knife. Nine students, including Boyd and Chapa, were charged with misdemeanors and suspended from A&M after three more freshman made similar allegations.

A 1986 law designed to stop haz-

ing made it illegal for anyone with firsthand knowledge of a hazing incident at an educational institution not to report it to authorities.

Both the trial court and the 14th District Court of Appeals in Houston said the law violated the defendants' constitutional rights against self-incrimination.

University administrators worried that the rulings would strip them of a valuable tool when investigating hazing incidents.

But the court of criminal appeals ruled unanimously that both defendants would have been entitled to

immunity had they reported the charges. The court reinstated the charges against Boyd and Chapa.

Mike Sindors, one of the attorneys for the defendants, declined comment. Chapa is now in law school at St. Edwards University in San Antonio and Boyd is attending college in Michigan.

Brazos County Attorney James Kuboviak said it could be difficult to pursue the case nearly four years after the alleged hazing.

"I've got to see if I can get all my witnesses together to see if we can pursue this," Kuboviak said.

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# Tech RA receives national honor

**The NRHH named Scholz national resident assistant of the month in November.**

By Jeff Stoughton  
Contributing Writer



Scholz

Although his parents live in 500 miles away, Aaron Scholz, a sophomore management information systems major from Houston, said he still eats dinner with his family almost every evening.

Scholz, a resident assistant in the Stangel/Murdough Residence Hall complex, said the strong sense of community between himself and the 36 residents who live on his floor, has earned him national recognition.

The National Residence Hall Honorary, an organization of residence hall members, named Scholz the national resident assistant of the month in November.

Scholz is the vice president and treasurer of the Tech chapter of NRHH, and he became a resident as-

stant in Fall 2000.

Nakia Daniels, president of the Tech chapter of NRHH, nominated Scholz for the award. She said Scholz' accomplishments, along

with his diligent demeanor, are why she nominated him.

"It amazes me all he accomplish on a day-to-day basis," she said.

All recipients of the award are selected on campus and regional level, before reaching the national level. Scholz said he won the award in November but he did not find out about it until January.

"Nakia decided to announce it at one of our staff meetings," he said. "I had no idea. I turned a little red."

Scholz will receive the award at a ceremony in May at the University of Southern California.

Shelli Crockett, assistant complex director for Stangel/Murdough, said she has worked with Scholz since he became a resident assistant.

"From the start, he's been really involved," she said. "Overall, he's a great RA."

All resident assistants at Tech are expected to work six hours every week in the residence hall office, attend meetings, do paperwork and maintain a GPA of 2.5 or higher. They also must organize at least five programs for their residents every semester. These programs include social events, educational seminars and community service projects.

One of Scholz' programs, a blood drive, earned him recognition from the NRHH. During the program, 48 people, 11 of which live on Scholz' floor, donated blood. He said he plans to do another blood drive later this semester.

Scholz said he and his residents have a strong sense of community.

Randy West, a sophomore pre-dental student from Hearst, said Scholz continued the traditions already present on the floor. The residents attend basketball games, play video games and eat most of their meals together.

"He's more of a friend than an enforcer," said Travis Coffman, a freshman public relations major from Aus-

tin who lives on Scholz' floor.

John Cameron, a freshman business major from Houston, moved to Scholz' floor in the spring semester and said he is enjoying every minute of it.

"I love it here. It's almost family-oriented," he said, adding that Scholz and the other residents made him feel very welcome in their community.

Adam Brown, a freshman public relations major from South Padre Island, is another resident of Scholz' floor.

"I love it. He's the man," Brown said.

Most of Scholz' residents said they plan to return to his floor next year and several of them are planning to become resident assistants.

Scholz is involved in several off-campus activities as well. He is a member of First Baptist Church in Lubbock and also is involved in the Late Nite Ministry at Westminster Presbyterian Church.

He also said he plans to earn a double master's degree in MIS and business. He said he wanted to become a resident assistant even before he came to Tech.

## APPOINT

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search," he said. "We received applicants from people nationwide."

Hall said many of the people who applied for the position had the previous experience needed for the position.

"We had a very strong pool of candidates to choose from," she said. "We had people who had experience as the dean of students and who had similar positions but had the title of vice chancellor instead of vice president. We even had sitting deans apply."

Phillips said three candidates were formally interviewed for the position. During their time here, they also were introduced to various faculty, staff and student groups for input.

Some of the priorities Shonrock outlined for the Division of Student Affairs include evaluating the strengths and weaknesses of the division as part of the overall strategic plan of the university.

He said he wants to concentrate on several new initiatives at the university including Red Raider Camp, renovations to the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center and the University Center, the Ombudsman's office and implementing a service learning program at Tech.

"A lot of times people are hesitant about change," Shonrock said. "Instead, I ask what we can do to improve things."

Overall, he said the position of

vice president for student affairs must concentrate on the well being of the students.

Shonrock said he sees his job as an investment in the future because of the opportunities that are opened for the students of the university.

"I tell people that I have 25,000 kids, and most of the time they are doing pretty well," he said. "What I do is an investment in the future because one day these students will be the CEOs and vice presidents of the world."

The vice president for student affairs reports to the president and is responsible for the Division of Student Affairs.

As part of this position, he supervises 13 departments and six centers, including the University Center, Barnes and Noble Bookstore, Department of Housing and Residence Life, Dean of Students Office, Parent Relations Office, Student Recreation Center, Student Government Association, University Counseling Center, Student Health Services, Student Legal Services and Student Publications.

The vice president of student affairs is one of several vice presidential positions currently being filled. Searches continue personnel to fill the vice president positions for fiscal affairs, information technology and research, graduate studies and technology transfer.

A special assistant to the president for equity and diversity also is in the process of being filled. Ronald Streibich was named vice president of institutional advancement earlier this week.

## Tech Hecklers to host baseball film festival

To kick off the Texas Tech baseball and softball seasons, the Tech Hecklers along with the Student Red Raider Club and Student Activities Board are hosting the First Pitch Film Festival.

The festival traditionally marks the beginning of the baseball and softball seasons.

The film festival will take place at 7 p.m. today in the University Center Allen Theatre. The 2001 Red Raider baseball team will sign autographs 30 minutes before the film festival, then the movies "Major League" and "Bull Durham" will be shown.

In between the movies, Mark Finkener, the radio voice of Red Raider baseball, will give away door prizes, and he will introduce the Red Raider baseball team. Admission for the event is obtainable by a donation of one sports-related toy that will be

given to the Lubbock Ronald McDonald House. If enough toys are donated, some will go to the Women's Protective Services of Lubbock.

Unlike dinners to start up the season, the Tech baseball and softball teams decided to do something a little different.

"This is a great event to kick off baseball season," said Heckler Chris Snead, a second year law school student from Dallas.

There also will be baseball and softball posters and schedules available for those in attendance.

"We decided to do it with the Student Activities Board because they show movies," said Heckler Britta Tye, a first year graduate student.

The softball team will be out of town at the Fiesta Bowl Classic in Phoenix, Ariz., and will be unable to attend the festival.

## RELATION

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ing their relationships," she said.

Jacki Fitzpatrick, associate professor in the human studies and family studies department, said her area of expertise is in the relationship aspect of the study.

"I am interested in the family questionnaire the participants fill out," she said. "There is a school of thought in this area that in relationships, it's not the big things, like Valentine's Day or meeting the parents that make a huge difference, but the little things, such as day-to-day interactions, that make a difference."

She said another area of interest in this study is how a relationship is affected by drinking choices.

"Drinking isn't a strictly personal choice," Fitzpatrick said. "It has a ripple effect on everyone who surrounds the person who is doing the drinking."

The study was funded by a seed

grant through Tech. A seed grant is a small grant that lets investigators do a preliminary study so they can write a grant for more money from an outside source, said Robert Sweazy, senior associate vice president for research.

"Every two years, we have \$100,000 allocated to help the professors to do enough research to gather data to put together a grant to allow further research on the topic," Sweazy said.

Fischer said the project is going well, but the researchers are lacking 88 people to complete the study set.

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### Letters to the editor

#### Give them a break

**To the editor:** Once again it seems that Matt Muench would rather attack fellow Red Raiders than anyone else.

I bet the men's basketball team is relieved that Muench has figured out what their problem is — losing. Man, what insight. Come on, Muench, you make it sound like they plot ways to lose. I would imagine that it is hard for the men to watch the Lady Raiders and all the support they receive.

Aren't we supposed to support teams no matter what and not be fair-weather fans? I know sometimes it doesn't seem worth it, but it should be. It also seems that you are suggesting that fans should only go to games if the halftime show is good. Maybe Tech should look into hiring Britney Spears to ruin, uh, I mean help, with half time. You would think that since I am a public relations major I would support promoting and selling the games. Why should Tech spend money on halftime until fans prove they will attend on their own? We shouldn't have to entice people with fireworks or Budweiser girls as Muench suggested. People should come to simply support the Red Raiders, no matter what sport. I am sure that sounds outdated, but if something happens during halftime it should just be a little bonus. As far as the way the coaches conduct games, are coach Dickey and coach Sharp supposed to run teams and games exactly the same? Cut the guys some slack. I am sure they know what has to be done.

Finally, I encourage everyone to support all the teams at Texas Tech. Good luck to the Red Raiders and the Lady Raiders on the rest of your season.

Greta Todd  
junior  
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**To the editor:** For the second year in a row, Matt Muench wrote an article bashing coach Dickey and the Red Raider Basketball team. Last year he wrote about how the Raiders can't finish a game. This year in his article, "All hail the Lady Raiders," (UD, Feb. 6), he said the Raiders lacked the fan support that the Lady Raiders have.

After reading his article, I decided it was time to again defend Coach Dickey, his staff and his players. Muench stated that he sees a look of shock and jealousy on the faces of the Raiders when they watch the Lady Raiders. Well, I have to disagree. The Raiders are not arrogant enough to be jealous of the women's team. Second, Muench stated that some of the players never cracked a smile or cheered while attending the Lady Raiders game versus Texas A&M. What are you supposed to do after a loss, be in a great mood and forget about the loss? No, the players should be upset and be thinking about how they played and how they could have done better.

Finally, who was the coach that ran over to the fans and thanked them personally after we beat Oklahoma? It was coach Dickey. Five years ago, Tech basketball was on the top. Nobody seemed to gripe then. People need to remember that coach Dickey lost key players to the NBA and lost players because of the fact that we were on probation. None of that is his fault. Plus, he stayed here at Tech when he probably could have left after making the Sweet 16. So, I ask the fans to have a little patience and give the Red Raiders the support any Tech team deserves. The Red Raider basketball team will always be winners in my book.

Joe Britten  
senior  
multidisciplinary studies

#### Pay fees as you go

**To the editor:** I, for one, am glad that someone is putting some accountability in the way that

universities implement student fees. For too long, many universities have used the fees system as a blank check and soaked us students to pay for items (such as health services and rec center services) that should be under a pay-as-you-go system. Also, any political activity on campus should be paid for by the activists involved. Why should students be forced to donate to radical causes? Finally, every department that charges fees for certain classes should be forced to account for why that money is charged and where it's being used. If the money is needed, a simple explanation isn't out of order. Right now, every Tech student gets charged a long list of fees that are simply too much. The fee system was never meant to be used for every ill on campus. The fee system is out of control. Clearly, some sanity needs to be restored to the system, and the state legislation, who wants accountability in the fee system, is on the right track.

William Mattiford  
senior  
management

#### Tech students only

**To the editor:** I have not been around that long, but the last time I checked, institutions of higher education are here for the students. I do not think that the officials running the United Spirit Arena received the memo. I realize they need to raise funds, but should they really be exploiting the students to make a buck? While attending Lady Raider and Red Raider basketball games as a student this year, I have become disgusted at what the USA officials deem the student section. I wonder if they have ever seen the Cameron Crazies at Cameron Indoor Stadium for a Duke basketball game. For any of you that have had a chance to observe it, you know that that is what a student section is supposed to look like. A true student section should not be filled with prepubescent children who need to be accompanied by their parents, or high school students who are too worried about the date they brought than the basketball game.

The problem is that the student section at the USA is it is filled with spectators who are not Tech students. The true students are forced to get to the arena more than an hour in advance in attempt to not have to sit next to a child whose bedtime coincides with the 7 p.m. tip-off time. For those students that have an evening class (crazy isn't it?) and can't make it to the USA until 6:45 p.m., they don't have much of a choice but to go sit in the rafters, because of all of these non-students in the student section. Does anybody else notice a problem with this arrangement?

Another problem with the USA is that the non-students diminish the atmosphere that is supposed to be created in a true student section.

It becomes rather difficult to get into a game and create a loud and intimidating atmosphere when you are surrounded by families with small children who have missed their bedtime and are too interested in stealing balloons from others in the crowd. I am sure a bunch of 10-year-olds running around after balloons or 6-year-olds taking up the front row of student seats is real intimidating to those teams visiting the USA. Now I do not want anyone to misconstrue my comments to insinuate that families should not be welcome at the USA. I think they should all come out and pack the USA with 15,000 fans every home game.

I am asking that the USA officials preserve a student section atmosphere for Tech students and have the other spectators sit in their own designated sections.

Tim Coffey  
graduate student  
biomechanics



### Column

## Reading between policy lines

Welcome to George W. Bush's world of fuzzy policy thinking. If you find yourself confused, befuddled or confounded by his recent proposals, don't worry about a thing. You understand them perfectly. They just don't make much sense.



Molly Ivins

Let me see if I can help with some of your questions: What, you wonder, does drilling for oil in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge have to do with solving California's energy crisis? Absolutely nothing, so don't waste time trying to find the connection. Less than 1 percent of California's electricity comes from oil.

Will allowing power plants in California to pollute more help solve the energy crisis there? No, Bush is just misinformed on that point, according to environmentalists, California state officials and energy-industry spokesmen.

Is there anything that the president can do about the California crisis? Yes, he might impose a temporary cap on wholesale electricity prices, but he has already announced that he will not, thus foreclosing (if nothing else) a useful threat.

Will, you ask, giving a huge tax cut to the wealthiest people in the country help prevent a recession? No. Isn't this the same tax cut Bush tried to sell us during the campaign on the grounds that the economy was so good we needed a tax cut? Yes.

And then, of course, there is one of Bush's faves: Let's use the churches to provide social services. (In W.'s policy world, churches are always "faith-based institutions." The words "church" and "religious" are never used.)

That is not, actually, a totally terrible idea, except that it's unconstitutional and guaranteed to get screwed up in the execution.

We've already tried it here in

the National Laboratory for Bad Government — aka Texas — and that's what we learned.

Bush's "faith-based" proposal includes a series of tax changes to encourage charitable giving to religious and other community organizations. This is a good idea, but isn't it at cross purposes with his other proposal to eliminate the estate tax, which now provides a major incentive to recycle money into the nonprofit sector?

Yes, indeed, these two policies will cancel each other out, except

for one purpose, that in turn helps fund the church's other purposes since, obviously, it has more money. Those of you who know "Christians afire" — those who cannot stop witnessing — will not be surprised to learn that they will, in all good faith, set up, say, an employment training program based on the premise that once you have been born again, you're automatically more employable. One state-supported program in Brenham used to meet two nights

a week, one for Bible study and the other for job skills. I'm sorry to say this, but anyone who reads the newspapers regularly and notices the number of religious figures accused of child molestation and other abuses will not be surprised to learn that religious social service programs are like other social programs: Some are good, and some are not. Pretending that they are all somehow superior to state social services doesn't help anything.

Religious conservatives are correct to question this Bush program. The government will inevitably have to draw lines about what is acceptable and what is not, what is preaching and what is not. As that great orator, the late Texas state Rep. Billy Williamson of Tyler, once declared during a debate over state aid to Baptist sponsored Baylor, "Yew CAAAAAAN'T trade the cross for the cookie jar!"

And this is the policy record that has been pronounced a triumph by the Washington press corps.

Molly Ivins is a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

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### Out of the Past

from the files of The UD

From The University Daily  
Feb. 8, 2000

■ Elton John will play a sold-out performance tonight in the United Spirit Arena. Tickets sold for the concert sold out in about two hours.

■ Will Flemons returns to Tech to join the Red Raider men's basketball team, this time as an assistant coach. Flemons graduated from Tech in 1993 and played professional basketball until an injury sidelined him from the game.

From The University Daily  
Feb. 8, 1991

■ An engineer from the Texas State Department of Highways and Public Transportation announced the construction of the East-West Freeway will not have a great affect on the Tech campus. The freeway construction is scheduled to begin in 1994.

■ The nation's top military officials announced they will seek battlefield advice on whether the time is right to begin a ground attack against Iraq's powerful army.

From The University Daily  
Feb. 9, 1981

■ A Department of Labor representative was in Lubbock to conduct a general investigation into an alleged discrimination case at Tech. Mary La Fontaine, an assistant director of Special Services, filed the case.

■ A group of local citizens, led by a Tech theology student, organized a fight against Lubbock pornography. The group's first project is to stop Lubbock's Circle Drive-in Theatre from showing X-rated movies.

From The University Daily  
Feb. 9, 1971

■ Official tabulations of the current student enrollment listed a record 19,494 students. The enrollment is a 6 percent increase from 1970.

■ Bacteria tests on foods alleged to have caused food poisoning in Stangel/Murdough Residence complex, tested negative.

From The Toreador  
Feb. 10, 1951

■ Dr. Clifford Shipley announced E.L. Schick as the new assistant professor of business education and secretarial administration.

■ The current draft situation is said to be the cause for the drop in enrollment from last year's 5,463 students to the current 4,579 students enrolled.

From The Toreador  
Feb. 12, 1931

■ Coach Golightly led the Tech Matadors to a victory against the McMurray Indians in a Monday and Tuesday night basketball game.

■ An entire 1930 wool clip of the animal husbandry department was given to the Textile Engineering Department.

compiled by Christi Davidson

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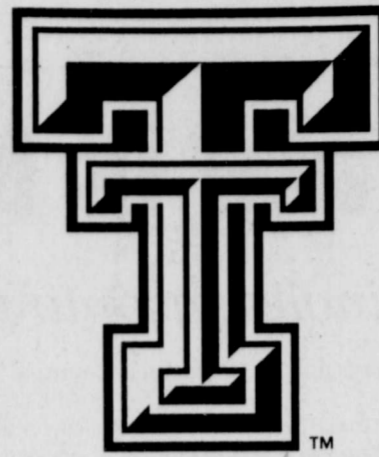




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# Sports

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**Tech basketball doubleheader**

The Texas Tech men's and women's basketball squads will return from road trips to play a doubleheader of Big 12 Conference action Saturday. The Red Raiders will start the action off with a 12:45 p.m. game against Texas A&M. The Lady Raiders will play the second game against Texas at 5 p.m.

## Tech football builds for future

**Red Raider squad signs 24 new players to next year's edition of Texas Tech football.**

By Blair Cunningham  
Staff Writer

Texas Tech Football coach Mike Leach unveiled what could be one of the best recruiting classes in Red Raider football history Wednesday. By the end of the day, the Red Raiders had inked 24 players to letters of intent to play their collegiate ball at Texas Tech. "I think that this class of recruits compares very favorably to the classes that we had at the University of Kentucky and Oklahoma," Leach said. "We may actually have more speed with this class than we did at OU and KU." In the past, Raider recruiting classes have come primarily from Texas, whereas this year, Tech expanded its search for recruits to the national level. This season Tech signed nine players from out of the Lone Star State.

The Red Raiders bolstered their defense by signing two linebackers, four defensive backs and four defensive linemen.

"We really signed some great players on both sides of the ball who should be able to come in and contribute pretty quickly," Leach said.

The Red Raider offense inked four offensive linemen, one quarterback, two running backs and two wide receivers.

Tech has already signed two highly-touted junior college recruits prior to signing day; JC Grid-Wire All-American wide receiver Anton Paige and first team All-NorCal defensive tackle Josh Ratliff.

People around the nation have already started to take notice of the class the Red Raiders are fielding. Internet recruiting site *Rivals100.com* has ranked the Raiders incoming class 36th nationally.

"Were real excited about all of the players we have coming in," said Tech defensive coordinator Greg McMackin.

"We expect a lot from all of our players and we're really excited about (Ricky) Sailor and (Quincy) Butler. Both guys are really athletic and physical."

The Red Raiders expect to sign more players in the coming days.



Tech coach Mike Leach addresses the media at a press conference for national signing day Wednesday at the J.T. King Room.

## Texas Tech Football Signings

- RB Ivory Mcann  
Forest Brook H.S., Houston TX
- CB Antonio Huffman  
Lovejoy H.S. Lovejoy, GA
- CB SidRon Lewis  
Hitchcock H.S. Hitchcock, TX
- RB Taurean Henderson  
Gatesville H.S. Gatesville, TX
- S Quincy Butler  
Roosevelt H.S. San Antonio, TX
- OL E.J. Whitley  
Texas City H.S. Texas City, TX
- WR Cody Fuller  
Smithson Valley H.S. Smithson Valley, TX
- OL Michael Bailey  
Wichita Falls H.S. Wichita Falls, TX
- DT Fred Thwreat  
Lee H.S. Midland, TX
- LB Randall Cherry  
Celina H.S. Celina, TX
- CB Jose Hanson  
El Camino Jr. College ElCamino, TX
- QB Cody Hodges  
Hereford H.S. Hereford, TX
- LB John Saldi  
Carroll H.S. Southlake, TX
- DT Josh Ratliff  
Butte College Oroville, CA
- CB Ricky Sailor  
Butte College Oroville, CA
- S Josh Rangel  
Mt. San Antonio College Walnut, CA
- RB Loliki Bongo-Wanga  
Hartnell College Salinas, CA
- WR Anton Paige  
Northwest MS CC, Setobia, MS
- DT Rodney McKinney  
MS Delta CC Morehead, MS
- WR Armon Durrough  
Lancaster H.S. Lancaster, TX
- OL Josh Hale  
Hiram H.S. Hiram, GA
- DT Clayton Harmon  
Stephenville H.S. Stephenville, TX
- OL Bryan Kegans  
Stephenville H.S. Stephenville, TX
- DB DeWayne Brandon  
Temple H.S. Temple, TX

## Lady Raiders beat Bears, OU drops Tech men

The No. 10-ranked Lady Raiders used a first half run and almost flawless free throw shooting to knock off Baylor, 67-56, on Wednesday in Waco.

The win gives Texas Tech (18-3 overall, 9-1 Big 12 Conference) its 38th consecutive win over the Bears.

With the win, the Lady Raiders became just the second team to pick up a victory in Waco this season and keeps Tech on pace with first place Oklahoma and Iowa State.

After exchanging baskets for half of the first frame, the Lady Raiders silenced the Baylor crowd by surging to an 11-2 run, which gave Tech a 25-14 lead with just more than five minutes left to the break.

Tech finished the game by hitting 16-of-19 from the free-throw line.

The Lady Raiders found misfor-

tune in the second half when O'Neal fell to the floor after rolling her ankle with 15 minutes left to play.

With O'Neal out, it gave Big 12 leading scorer Sheila Lambert a chance to get Baylor back into the contest.

Lambert finished with a game-high 22 points but could never pull the Bears closer than six points of the Lady Raider lead.

Tech post Plenette Pierson had a solid all-around game against the Bears.

Pierson finished with 20 points and nine rebounds while shooting 8-for-10 from the free-throw line.

On the defensive side of the ball, Pierson helped contain Baylor forward Danielle Crockrom, who entered the contest averaging 22.6 points per game.

Crockrom had a below-average night as Pierson and company held her to nine points before she fouled out at the 3 minute mark.

Tech returns to the floor at 5 p.m. Saturday in the United Spirit Arena when rival Texas comes to town.

A familiar scenario played out for the Red Raider mens basketball squad Wednesday night in Norman, Okla. Tech battled back from an early deficit to take a lead late in the game but once again could not polish off the victory.

The Sooners picked up an 80-72 win over Tech to split the season series with the Red Raiders.

Tech possessed a 69-67 lead with 3:21 left in the game but was outscored 13-3 down the stretch to drop its fourth consecutive contest.

Oklahoma won the opening tip but the Red Raiders drew first blood.

Guard Mikey Marshall began the scoring for Tech with a three-point shot giving the Red Raiders the early lead.

OU went up 22-10, but the Red Raiders clawed their way back, and aided by the shooting of guard Jamal Brown, Tech was able to cut the Sooner lead to 37-35 at halftime.

Neither team could pull away with the lead in the second half as Tech grabbed a 66-65 with 4:52 remaining in the game.

OU stole the lead back and led 73-70 with :30 seconds remaining when forward J.R. Raymond canned a three-point shot to put the Sooners up, 76-70. The Red Raiders were unable to recover.

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