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STATE

Inmate waiting to die loses bid at new trial

LUBBOCK (AP) — A death row inmate from Plainview lost in his bid to get a new trial because of his attorney's admitted drug use. U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings denied Joe Lee Guy's motion on Tuesday. Guy, 28, was sentenced for a 1993 robbery and shooting in which one person died and one was wounded. He based his appeal on Lubbock attorney Richard Wardroup's admission that he used cocaine, methamphetamine and alcohol. Guy claimed Wardroup abused the drugs and alcohol during Guy's capital murder trial. Wardroup said he has had substance abuse problems, but did not abuse drugs or alcohol during Guy's trial.

Guy was one of three people convicted in the shooting death of Larry Howell, 52. Howell was shot once in the forehead and four times in the back during the robbery. His mother, French Howell, 81, was shot in the abdomen, but survived her injuries.

Guy allegedly served as the lookout during the grocery store robbery.

NATIONAL

Rapper denies having gun, offering bribe

NEW YORK (AP) — In a sink-or-swim legal strategy, Sean "Puffy" Combs took the witness stand Thursday to declare that he wasn't packing a gun and never offered a \$50,000 bribe the night three people were shot inside a hip-hop club.

The rap impresario, owner of his own record label and clothing line, instead told the jury that he believed the bullets ricocheting through the Club New York on Dec. 27, 1999, were intended for him.

"I thought I was being shot at," said the 31-year-old Combs, dressed in a dark, conservative suit. "My hands were up. ... Everybody started falling all over each other."

Combs' appearance on the stand was the most highly anticipated moment in the case, and the seventh-floor courtroom was packed, mostly with reporters. His former girlfriend, top-selling singer Jennifer Lopez, was not there, but she may be called to testify later.

WORLD

Baby Erika to walk again after close call

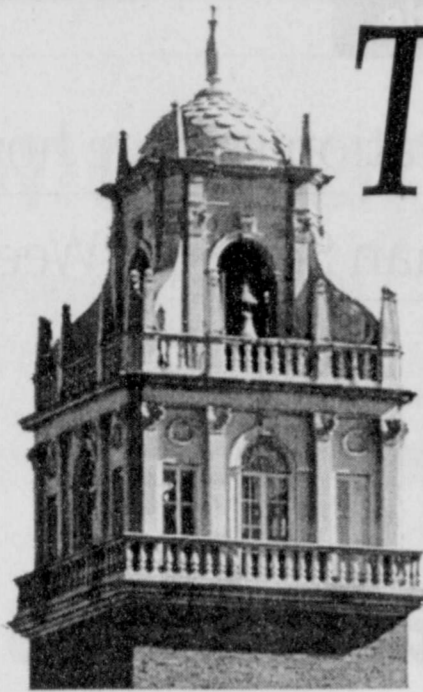
EDMONTON, Alberta (AP) — Baby Erika, who survived hypothermia and suffered from frostbite, will walk again on her own two feet, her plastic surgeon said.

The 13-month-old Edmonton girl, whose heart stopped for two hours after she wandered outdoors in subzero temperatures during the weekend, will likely not lose her severely frostbitten feet, Dr. Gary Lobbay said.

Doctors initially feared Erika could lose major portions of her limbs, but Lobbay said Wednesday it appeared her frostbitten hands and feet were healing.

"She should be able to walk with maybe some, maybe no, or maybe minimal disability, but at least she will be able to walk on her feet," Lobbay said.

It is still too early to tell if Erika will lose any fingers or toes, he said, but the outlook is good. "She was dead for two hours so obviously her heart has to be monitored," Lobbay said.



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Raiders look to hook 'Horns in home finale

Lubbock, Texas

## Disabled girl questions USA policy

By Mara McCoy  
Staff Writer

While attempting to view the Carman concert in the United Spirit Arena on Feb. 19, a teen-age girl was turned away from the seating of her choice, not because she arrived late, but because she is in a wheelchair. Kristin Eady, a student at Seminole High School, has spina bifida, a defect of the spinal cord that develops in the fetus during pregnancy. As a result, she is in a wheelchair. Eady said she is scared of heights, which causes vertigo. The symptoms of vertigo include dizziness and nausea. "They had some wheelchair access, but it was all in the upper deck," she said. "I can't go up there because I get dizzy and sick."

Eady said she was irritated by the lack of help she received.

"I was really mad and upset. We had been allowed on the floor before, during the Graham Festival," the 15 year old said. "They didn't try to make any accommodations for us at all, so we had to turn around and drive back home (the Graham festival)."

Eady said she has only dealt with this once before, at then President-elect Bush's speech in Midland.

"I apparently didn't have the right color of ticket, so my mom and I had to go back and wait in the car," she said. "I've never had any problems with this at school, though."

Eady said she is disappointed in the way the seating arrangements were handled.

"I think if they had tried hard enough, they

could have made it where people with disabilities had the same access as everyone else," she said. "People with disabilities should have the same rights as other people."

Kim Stroggins, Eady's mother, said she contacted Liz Hall, assistant provost and university Americans with Disabilities Act compliance officer, about the incident.

In an e-mail written to Hall, Stroggins said her daughter, "has not once, but twice in a period of five weeks, had the door of equal access to full participation in American society slammed in her face."

Stroggins said she made an effort to arrive to the concert early to ensure access for her daughter.

"We got to the arena fairly early to assure we would have access to the floor area," she

said. "When we got in, we were asking if we could sit on the floor. We were told no wheelchair users would be allowed on the floor. We were told that night that there was too much stuff blocking the exit to allow wheelchairs on the floor."

Stroggins said she was given a slightly different reason when she contacted Hall.

Hall, in an e-mail to Stroggins, said all seats, including floor seating, are accessible from the concourse level.

"Since the floor is below ground, the only way to (exit) the facility in case of an emergency would be by way of the stairs through the seating area. Due to this safety concern, the Texas Tech University Fire Marshal prohib-

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## Under the hood

Car care business owners dissect vehicle problems with Texas Tech drivers

By Linda Robertson  
Staff Writer

Cars of all different shapes and sizes rolled into the C-9 commuter lot Thursday afternoon to take advantage of the third annual Safe Spring Break Car Clinic.

The clinic was sponsored by Student Health Services, Recreational Sports, the Dean of Students office, the Health Sciences Center and Texas Tech student governments and the Health Sciences Center Police Department.

Scott Egert, owner of Scott's Car Care in Lubbock, said he was proud to participate in the clinic.

"I have been doing this since the first time Tech put this clinic on," he said. "We try to do this about two weeks before Spring Break every year so that no one breaks down in the middle of nowhere."

Egert said he has received an unbelievable response from the students' parents.

"I have gotten letters and calls thanking us for making sure their children are safe," he said. "It saves lots of misery for us to do this, and it is so much fun."

Mitch Morgan, part owner of M&M

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JENNIFER GALVAN/The University Daily

Benjamin Robbins, a sophomore management information systems major from Brownfield, listens to Scott Egert, the owner of Scott's Complete Car Care, explain a problem with his truck. Robbins and other Tech students received advice Thursday afternoon during the third annual Safe Spring Break Car Clinic in the C-9 parking lot.

## Disorder conduct alive, well

Experts discuss reasons people partake in unusual eating habits.

By Kristina Thomas  
Staff Writer

According to the National Institute of Mental Health, more than five million Americans suffer from eating disorders, but no matter how grave the statistics, eating disorders are still a growing part of many college students' lives.

Anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa, binge eating and compulsive overeating are the most often diagnosed forms of eating disorders, but the American Anorexia Bulimia Association's Web site states eating disorders are not restricted to those extremes. In today's society, fad diets, abuse of pills and other ways of fast-track dieting can be just as dangerous.

Carl Anderson, director of the Center for the Study of Addiction at Texas Tech, said the line between healthy dieting and an eating disorder is hard to label.

"I don't know that you can say 'OK, here is the generic standard and someone who does this is anorexic and someone who does that is bulimic,'" he said. "It just doesn't work that way. You have got to get under the surface in terms of how they think, what they think about, what they obsess about and promises they have made to themselves."

Anderson said the main factor in diagnosing an eating disorder is the mental state of the person.

"It is not just whether the person is thin or overweight but the mental state, and that can be confusing," he said. "But it is a tough deal to get at."

Anderson said bulimia also is a difficult disease to diagnose. Contrary to popular belief, he said, there is a non-purging type of bulimia. Abuse of laxatives and water pills as well as excessive exercise in order to lose weight after a binge are all other symptoms of bulimia.

"I think that generally the root of

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### Eating Disorders

Where to get help at Tech

- The Counseling Center: 742-3674
- Center for the Study of Addiction: 742-2891
- Eating Disorders Support Group  
Monday 7 p.m. at the Serenity Center
- Noon AA (Open to people recovering from any addiction) MW 12 p.m. at the Serenity Center

## Dickey responds to Schmidly's scrutiny

By Jeff Keller  
Sports Editor

Texas Tech men's basketball coach James Dickey on Thursday responded to a Tech administrator's scrutiny of his team's recent performance.

Tech President David Schmidly said in Wednesday's edition of the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal Dickey's situation would be evaluated after this season.

"I am concerned about it," Schmidly said. "Hopefully, we're going to get that turned around. We're going to be reviewing that after the season. I don't want to say anything else about it until after the season."

Schmidly refused to comment on the issue when contacted by The University Daily on Thursday.

Dickey is finishing his 10th season at the head of the Red Raider basketball program. During his

tenure he has compiled a 166-122 record.

In his first six seasons, he coached the program to a 119-58 record and two NCAA Tournament berths and one National Invitational Tournament berth.

Since then, Dickey's squads have posted a 47-64 record, with no tournament invitations.

This year's edition of Red Raider basketball has a 9-17 record with one game remaining on its regular season schedule.

Tech would most likely have to win the Big 12 Tournament next week in Kansas City, Mo., to receive a bid to any postseason tournaments.

Dickey's contract as coach of the Red Raiders runs through April 30, 2004, and even after posting a record that is 17 games below .500 since the 1996-97 season, Dickey said he plans

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FILE PHOTO/The University Daily

Texas Tech men's basketball coach James Dickey will finish his 10th season on the job this month, and questions are beginning to arise as to whether he will be the squad's leader next year.

## HSC Alzheimer's play to celebrate lives

By Linda Robertson  
Staff Writer

The Institute for Healthy Aging at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center will present the play, "Last Lists of My Mad Mother," at 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday at the Maedgen Theatre. Tickets are \$25 and \$15 for students with valid Tech ID.

Proceeds from the productions go to fund the J. Robert Haag Endowed Chair in Alzheimer's disease at the Tech Medical School.

Ginger Perkins, director of the play and a producer in the Frantic Redhead Production Company,

said the play is a look at the poignant but humorous aspects of the disease.

"Rather than a way to exorcise demons associated with Alzheimer's, I think this play is a celebration of my mother's life," she said. "My mother and four of her siblings have died of the disease."

Perkins said one of the worst parts of watching the disease progress is losing the person with the illness.

"It was so hard to watch my mother disappear," she said. "I didn't know from day to day how things were going to be. Toward the end, I

couldn't tell if she knew when I tried to communicate with her."

Perkins said talking about the disease and acting like a victim was hard on all the actors.

"After rehearsals, we would have a cry-a-thon," she said. "The playwright's mom also died of the disease, and it was like looking at a universal void."

Randolph Schiffer, chairman of neuropsychiatry and behavioral science at the HSC, said Alzheimer's disease is the disease of the century.

"This past century, the disease was an infection," he said. "This cen-

tury, as the baby-boomers get older, we will see more cases of Alzheimer's disease."

Schiffer said the rising numbers of reported cases can be attributed to longer lives.

"In the past, no one lived long enough to develop Alzheimer's," he said.

"Now, for every five years lived past 65 years, the risk for developing the disease doubles. By age 90, the risk for developing the disease is about 50 percent."

He said research into the disease has progressed considerably in the past 20 years.

"As recently as the late 1970s, it wasn't considered a disease; rather, it was considered a normal part of aging. We here at Tech are committed to working for the elderly, so they can have as healthy and as functional a life as they can, for as long as they can."

Schiffer said it is important to remember the people who have the disease are human.

"My patients will laugh and cry about the things going on in their lives," he said. "I think this play will bring out a different side of Alzheimer's disease — the more human side of it."

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Service Center in Lubbock, said he became involved because his dad was a member of Kappa Sigma at Tech and said he felt it would be an opportunity to give back to the university.

"Jo Henderson at the Student Health Center asked me to participate, and I was glad to do it," he said.

Both of the mechanics agreed, no student has been in need of major repairs; rather, it has been issues of routine maintenance that has been of concern.

"So far, the absolute worst thing we have seen today is a kid who had no oil in his car," Egert said.

Morgan said many of the routine check-ups have simply been routine. "It's just been things like belts and topping-off oil," he said. "It's just a learning thing. Students need to learn about their cars and how to take care of them."

Trisha Trueper, a senior marketing and general business major from Austin, said she did not know of any problems with her car except for the

brakes until she had it checked out at the clinic.

"I found out that I need a new belt that I can't pronounce that runs everything," she said. "I'm going to get it fixed before I go to Austin for Spring Break."

Philip Pike, an exercise and sports science major from Lubbock, said he found out the air pressure in his tires was too high.

"I know my truck is in good shape," he said. "I'm not going anywhere, but having a running truck is good."

Henderson, administrative director for the Student Health Center, said the clinic has been a big success.

"I borrowed the idea from a school in California, and I hope to get other schools interested in this concept," she said. "We have prizes from B&R Auto Parts and lots of other sponsors, as well as goodie bags with information about drowsy driving and drunk driving."

She said the mechanics play a vital part in the success of this clinic.

"These mechanics are here by the goodness of their hearts," she said. "If this helps prevent any mishaps, it will be worth the time."

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its wheelchairs from the event level."

Stroggins said she disagrees with the policy and it should be changed to allow handicapped access to all floors of the arena.

"It sounded like she was prohibiting teams that are made up of players in wheelchairs from ever playing, or teams whose coaches are in wheelchairs could not have their coach on the floor," she said. "All multi-level establishments should have access on all levels."

### DISEASE

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bulimia is overeating and the purging started as a remedy for overeating," Anderson said. "They do it to try to compensate for irresponsible eating."

Cam Balcomb, marketing director for Shades of Hope, an addiction treatment center near Abilene that treats all addictions but specializes in eating disorders, said she agrees the line between healthy dieting and an eating disorder is a fine one.

"When you start looking in the mirror and hating what you see, and your self worth and everything you do is based on how much you weigh, you know you are in trouble," she said. "It is the obsession and compulsion that lets you know there is something wrong."

There is ramp access to the floor of the arena, said Tech Fire Marshal Walter James. During concerts, he said, the ramp to the left of the stage is used for sound and lighting equipment.

"The way the arena was designed, there is no other place for that to store it," he said. "The other ramp leads to the dressing area, and that is usually blocked off."

James said the arena's policy, which prohibits floor seating for visually-disabled persons and those in wheelchairs, has been in place since April 5, 2000. It was approved by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulations.

Balcomb said there are two times in a female's life where she is particularly subject to eating disorders: puberty and entering college.

"When you start college, the greatest fear that you have is that of acceptance, and the first thing that you are judged on is looks," she said. "Entering freshman also hit the 'freshman 15,' which is normal, but get worried about people not accepting them and begin to diet or start other destructive eating habits."

Anderson said he agreed that among the female population, eating disorders are a much greater problem on any college campus than are alcohol and drug abuse.

He said a part of the reason many students with eating disorders do not seek help is because of the certain level of shame that comes with admitting there is a problem.

"We're not trying to limit the access of those who want to attend these events," he said. "We're just trying to enforce the code."

The industry standard for evacuation of a building in case of an emergency is to have at least one qualified person designated to account for a disabled person and assist them out of the building. In most Tech buildings, the evacuation would require the physical transport of a physically-disabled person up or down the stairs. The arena is the only building on campus equipped with both ramps and elevators.

"With eating disorders, there are a whole lot of girls who are bulimic, but they are not going to come to my office or anyone else's office because there is an amount of shame in acknowledging the problem," he said.

Many times people who suffer from bulimia see purging, using laxatives, or exercising as the solution, not the problem. Anderson said this is another reason that so few get help.

Balcomb said a new activity that has been started on college campuses is binge parties. She said people will sit around and eat large amounts of food and then take turns purging. She said students are using these parties as an alternative to fraternity parties and this is a way these students gain acceptance.

Anderson said there are many theories as to why people become anorexic or bulimic, but the idea the disorder is a mental disorder is widely accepted.



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# Tech honors area educators



TEXAS TECH PROFESSOR WILLIAM PASEWARK RECEIVES AN AWARD AT THE SIXTH ANNUAL TRIBUTE TO TEACHERS DINNER SPONSORED BY THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION. PASEWARK WAS ONE OF 41 SOUTH PLAINS EDUCATORS WHO WERE HONORED.

By Kim Wilson  
Staff Writer

Forty one educators from across the South Plains were recognized at the Texas Tech College of Education's sixth annual Tribute to Teachers dinner and ceremony Thursday night.

Greg Bowes, dean of the College of Education, said it is important to recognize teachers for what they do each and every day.

"The young teachers are the cornerstone for our country," he said.

The event took place in the McInturff Conference Center at the University Medical Center, and several teachers, professors and Sunday school teachers were honored for positively shaping students lives.

Karen Jacobsen, director of external relations for the college, said the honorees were all sponsored by a business or other entity for a contribution of \$250 to the Dean's Fund for Excellence.

Each sponsor received dinner for four at the event and each honored teacher received a gift and a certificate of appreciation.

The College of Education sponsored Larry Hovey and David Welton, both professors in the Col-

lege of Education, who are planning to retire at the end of the semester.

Hovey has been a Tech faculty member for 31 years while Welton has been with Tech for 25 years.

"I found Lubbock was a fine place to live and work and raise a family," Hovey said. "It has been a real pleasure to work here 30 years."

The college also honored David Lamp, physics professor in the College of Arts and Sciences, who Jacobsen said takes a hands-on approach by taking his students to observe elementary level classrooms.

"He teaches Tech students how to teach science in a unique way," she said.

Lamp said he has about 40

Tech students enrolled in his class, and one Saturday every month, he said, about 100-150 elementary school students come to Tech and participate in labs with the college students.

"I believe kids learn more by doing than by being told," he said.

Peggy Forgason, senior development officer for the College of Education, said it always is a surprise for the educators to be honored because most of them are not expecting it.

"The teachers are so honored," she said. "They aren't used to getting recognition."

**"The young teachers are the cornerstone for our country."**

Greg Bowes  
DEAN, COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

## Human Sciences Week honors alumni, students

Texas Tech's College of Human Sciences will conduct its annual Human Sciences Week, which begins Sunday and runs through Wednesday.

The four-day event will begin with a reception honoring the 2001 alumni award recipients at 4:30 p.m. Sunday at Skyview's Restaurant, located in the Bank of America building at 19th Street and University Avenue.

Distinguished 2001 alumni include Martha Couch, who graduated from with a bachelor's degree in family and consumer sciences in 1972; Kitty Harris, who received her doctorate in human development and family studies in 1983; and Beth Harrelson, who received her master's in restaurant, hotel and institutional management in 1994.

Harrelson and Alvin Murgai, who graduated with a bachelor's degree in financial planning in 1990, will be honored as new achievers.

Tech students will have the opportunity to meet the alumni at a presentation featuring the 2001 alumni award recipients from 9 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. Monday in 169 Human Sciences.

There will be an awards luncheon recognizing excellence among alumni, students and faculty from 11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday in the University Center Ballroom.

Michael Lewis, professor of pediatrics and psychiatry and director of the Institute for the Study of Child Development at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in New Jersey, is the distinguished speaker who will speak at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday in 169 Human Sciences. His lecture is titled, "Predicting Human Development: A Challenge for the Century."

Following the lecture, there will be a research and creative project poster session in the El Centro room of the Human Sciences building. Faculty, as well as graduate and undergraduate students, will have the chance at the session to display their projects in poster format.

A celebration reception honoring 2000 graduates from the college, honors students and faculty will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesday in the El Centro room of the Human Sciences building. The reception is hosted by the Tech Human Sciences Alumni Association.

Wednesday will be design day. A design day presentation will take place from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. in 169 Human Sciences. Mike Ruznikoff will be the keynote speaker and will speak about custom furniture design.

There will be a design day reception and senior presentation at 3:30 p.m. to conclude the week's activities.

## Accident shuts down freeway

HOUSTON (AP) — Inbound lanes of Interstate 45 just south of Houston's 610 Loop were closed before dawn Thursday after a driver lost control of his diesel tanker truck, which overturned and exploded.

The driver escaped without serious injury. He told investigators a blown front tire caused the crash.

The shutdown of the Gulf Freeway and clogged traffic across the south side of the city Thursday morning.

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Received Tenure and Promoted to Associate Professor

- Cary Green, Department of Plant and Soil Science
- Robert Mitchell, Department of Range, Wildlife and Fisheries Management
- Gene Wilde, Department of Range, Wildlife and Fisheries Management
- Juan Granados, Department of Art
- Andrew Martin, Department of Art
- Marliss Desens, Department of English
- Harold Gurrola, Department of Geosciences
- Roger James, Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation
- Marilyn Massey-Stokes, Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation
- Jimmie Reeves, School of Mass Communications
- Carl Seaquist, Department of Mathematics & Statistics
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- Hansel Burley, College of Education
- Sudqi Alayyan, Department of Engineering Technology
- Jordan Berg, Department of Mechanical Engineering
- Tim Dodd, Department of Education, Nutrition and Restaurant/Hotel Management

Promoted to Associate Professor

- Octavio Ramirez, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics
- Bradley Ewing, Department of Economics & Geography
- Glenn Browne, Area of ISQS
- James Dickens, Department of Electrical Engineering

Promoted to Full Professor

- Ellen Peffley, Department of Plant and Soil Science
- Tina Fuentes, Department of Art
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Column

## Hate crimes bill a legislative bandage

Twice defeated, and still not deterred, hate crimes legislation finally managed to pass muster in Austin last week.

Unfortunately, like recurring memories of a bad acid trip, hate crimes legislation doesn't seem to go away in the state of Texas. On their third attempt, invoking the name of James Byrd, the victim of the infamous dragging death in Jasper, proponents of House Bill 587 managed to garner the Texas Senate Criminal Justice Committee votes necessary to bring the legislation to the Senate floor.

The bill, sponsored by Sen Fronia Thompson, D-Houston, specifically earmarks crimes committed on the basis of "race, color, disability, religion, national origin or ancestry, age, gender, or sexual preference" for additional criminal punishment.

In the past, hate crimes legislation included necessary safeguards suggesting that speech alone would not be sufficient to establish a hate crime.

However, even these protections have now been removed, placing our First Amendment rights in a precarious position.

Expressing racist, bigoted speech, no matter how insidious to the public's sensibilities, is a right protected by the First Amendment. Disregarding the Constitution, HB 587 throws all this aside and incrementally attaches another penalty to the criminal, if found to have expressed hateful sentiments.

Two weeks ago, my good friend Marc Levin, a UT law student, testified before the committee in opposition to the bill. In his testimony, Levin drew a classic line out of George Orwell's "Animal Farm."

"All crimes are equal," he said. "But, apparently some are greater than others."

Hate crimes laws, true to their Orwellian intent, intend to punish thoughts, not actions. Attempting to erase hate through legislation, the state legislature erroneously assumes that yet another law on the books will deter criminals.

If the death penalty did not serve as enough of a deterrent to James Byrd's assailants, do hate crimes proponents really believe that yet another penalty will remedy the situation?

Hate crimes bills serve as a feel good measure intended to pander to certain minority constituencies, while doing nothing in reality. Stiffening existing

penalties and sentences would do far more for the criminal justice system, without simultaneously trampling on the Constitution.

Since 1993, Texas already had a form of hate crimes law on the books. Article 42.041 includes the stipulation that the state can make a judgment "if the defendant's bias or prejudice against a group" is identified. Additionally, section § 12.47 makes the determination that "the punishment for the offense is increased to the punishment prescribed for the next highest category of offense" if bias is determined affirmatively.

Even with the existing statute, there is nothing more the state of Texas could have done to James Byrd's killers.

The worst aspect of hate crimes legislation is the noxious double standard imposed on criminal jurisprudence.

"It is unfair to extend special protection to only the groups singled out in [HB 587]," Levin testified.

"If a Boy Scout leader scribbled graffiti on the property of a homosexual because he disagrees with that sexual orientation, that would be a hate crime subject to enhanced penalties. However, if it was [sic] the homosexual who committed the same act against the Boy Scouts because he finds their position on homosexuality repugnant, that would not be a hate crime."

Moreover, the discriminatory nature of the bill affirms special protections for homosexuals, while denying bisexuals and transsexuals similar rights.

Proponents of the bill argue hate crimes deserve harsher punishment because the perpetrators intend to terrorize and instill fear in a small group or community.

If this is the case, why limit the provisions of HB 587 only to the aforementioned groups?

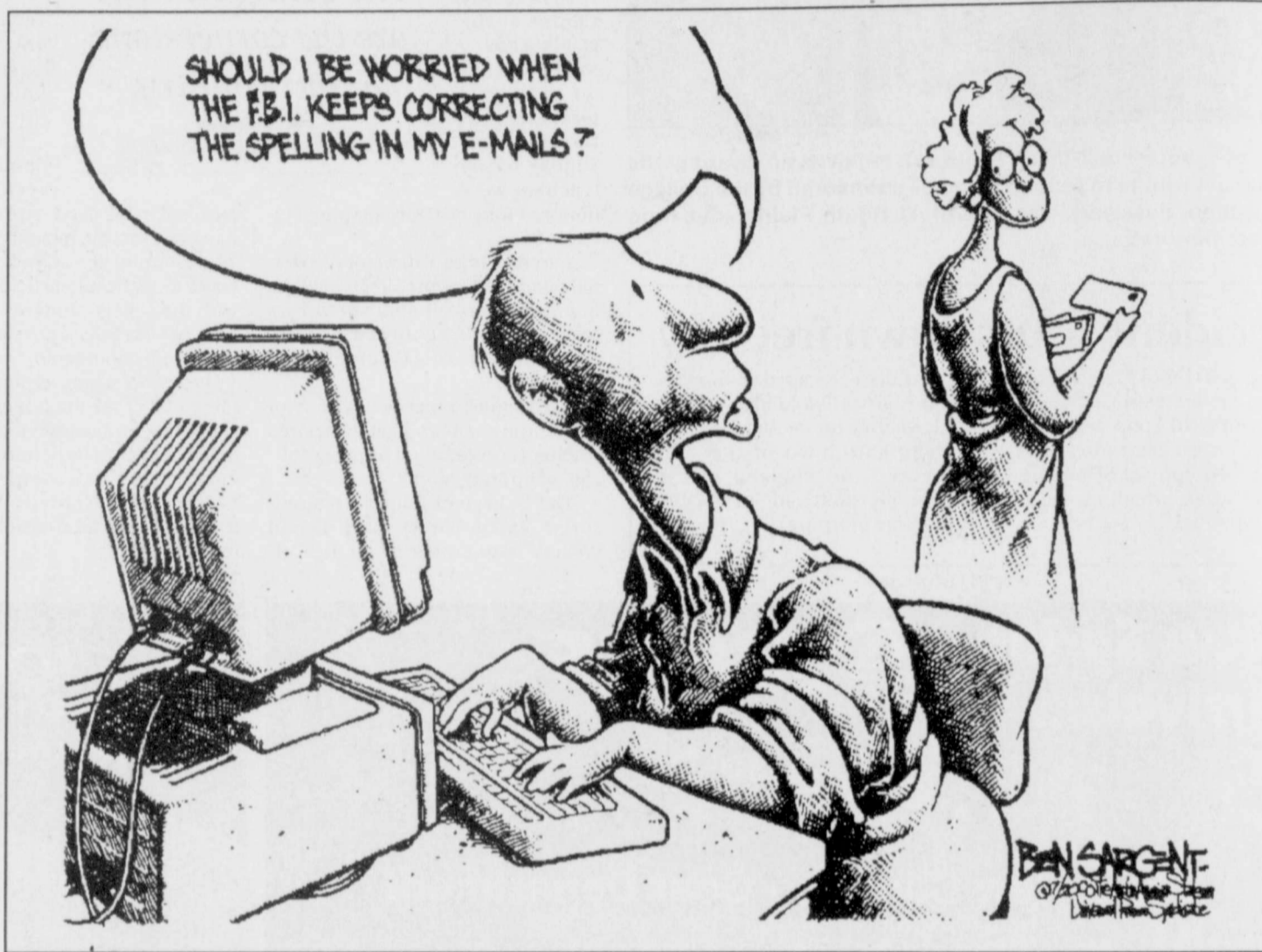
Hate crimes committed on the basis of employment or political affiliation would be equally meritorious of special protection. Case in point: Levin explained that Timothy McVeigh's bombing of the Oklahoma City federal building intended to terrorize those who worked for the federal government.

Unfortunately, Texas is not the only state that has made "hate" a four-letter word worthy of criminalizing. Utah, Washington and West Virginia now are looking to pass their own misguided versions of the law. With hate crimes legislation all the rage across the land, it is time to stop dragging James Byrd's name in the dirt in an effort to erase fundamental constitutional rights.

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Sandeep Rao



Column

## U.S. should be focusing on global warming

Darn it. Two weeks ago was National Security Week — Karl Rove said so — and I was so busy pointing out the numerous idiocies of George W. Bush's tax cut that I missed the whole thing.

However, it is painfully clear the new administration folks wouldn't know a threat to national security from the "Waltz of the Flowers."

They propose yet another blue-ribbon commission to study what to do about the military. Their only other idea is to spend at least \$50 billion on the perfectly useless National Missile Defense system to protect us from the North Koreans, who have a warhead but no heat shield for it, rendering it slightly moot as a weapon.

Meanwhile, the hopelessly retro Bush defense team — I've never seen so many rebrands in my life, from Nixon, Ford, Reagan, Daddy — are Cold Warriors all.

Bruce Cumings of the University of Chicago said of them in The Nation, "There hasn't been so much pseudogravitas in one room since the last time Henry Kissinger dined alone."

Look, this is really simple. The single greatest threat to the national security of the United States is the rapidly deteriorating global environment.

National Missile Defense does not do a thing to protect us from global warming. Nor does NMD do dog to protect us from drug-resistant strains of TB that are spreading concomitantly with AIDS, or from the consequences of massive poverty

in the Third World and what are called "failed states" — the new politically correct way to say "regimes corrupt to the point of disaster."

On the TB front, John LeCarre's new novel, "The Constant Gardener," is both a great read and an excellent primer on the role of multinational pharmaceutical companies in the Third World — a splendid tale of corporate evil-doing, but with the exquisite sadness of the heart-broken idealist that distinguishes LeCarre's work.

On the global warming front, the fresh evidence is almost too depressing to contemplate in conjunction with the Bushies' blindness. All the news is bad.

The journal Science reports that an analysis of ice cores drilled in the Himalayan mountains shows that the past decade has been the warmest for 1,000 years. The fate of Pacific coral reefs suggests an even longer period.

The New York Times reports that the snows of Kilimanjaro, which have floated for thousands of years like a cool beacon over Tanzania, are retreating so fast that they will be gone in 15 years. The same is true of icecaps from Peru to Tibet.

The most chilling report is by the IPCC — the United Nations' International Panel on Climate Change. (I'm afraid that's an acronym with which you will become extremely familiar.) The panel consists of more than 400 of the world's leading climatologists.

They predict that global warming may raise the average temperature of Earth as much as 10 degrees over the average temperature of 1990. That is a dramatic escalation from 1995, when they predicted a maximum hemispheric rise of 6 degrees. We're in big trouble.

If we were being invaded by aliens from

space, we would react more intelligently than this. At least we'd recognize it as a national-security threat.

I know that many of you who are well-informed about global warming sometimes despair of breaking through the denial, partially paid for by the energy companies — not to mention the depressing sight of Texas oilmen running the country's energy policy.

Despair is not only a grave sin but, I think, unwarranted. If you can remember when President Nixon went to China, this country essentially turned on a dime. From decades of denouncing Beijing (which we then spelled "Peking") as the heart of absolute darkness, we suddenly noticed that it also happened to be the largest market in the world. That took about 10 minutes.

As for the terrible epidemic, I would like to salute Time magazine for the challenge on its recent cover story: "This is about AIDS in Africa. Look at the pictures. Read the words. And then try not to care."

If compassion is beyond you, despite its newly Bushian status in politics, try this: There's not a chance that victims of "failed states" and climate change are going to stay where they are. The most massive migrations in history will follow if nothing is done. In your children's lifetimes.

Perhaps it is only the fleeting effect of public relations, but I gather that Secretary of State Colin Powell is not entirely blind to these consequences. If so, may he prosper in the much-predicted political warfare within the Bush defense team.

Even in the Texas Legislature, they know it is from time to time necessary to rethink their "pry-roarities."

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



Molly Ivins

Letters to the Editor

### A proclamation of truth

To the editor: The Rape the Temples of the Prairie Muse (a satire on the sacking of Norman Bert and other materes concernyng the priorities of the Highlie Esteemed Universite of Texas Tech in Lubbock Towne) "The university is not a democracy, and you shouldn't expect it to be one." — a TTU provost at a student-administration meeting in Spring 1999 "The university is no democracy," went the Noble Provost's boast, while Reichschancellorfuhrer and his minions made a mockery of the ghosts of the Muses of the Arts

and did desecrate Her temples, then the Knave of Athletes was crowned the King and his Haggia Sophia raised above everything. The Noble Provost looked the other way while the squeaky wheel got the axe, and the builders of the buildings got stinking rich, then Shakespeare and the Ballet were offered "Theater in the Ditch." And fie, fie! That spectators at the Mont. St. Athletique should have to stand on their feet! So, the student of Homer, Piaget and Socrates, were left without a seat. The students, like their doctors, were well schooled to obey, and like the noble provost, they looked the other way, away from the looting of the temples of the Arts;

Reckoning, from their lowly state, a B.A. from Texas Tech to be not worth two farts! Dutifully, now they onward plod, While the treasures of their Prairie Muse, Are divided into parts.

Kit Carson  
graduate student  
School of Education

### Students show support

To the editor: As a Texas Tech faculty member, member of the Athletic Council and dedicated women's basketball supporter, I am writing this to say a special thank you to the Texas Tech students who were at the Lady Raider basketball game on Wednesday. The High Riders are to be commended for their commitment to the team, and the school spirit demonstrated

by all the students in attendance at the Iowa State game was magnificent. There is no doubt that the crowd made a difference in the outcome of the game. And what a great victory it was. Good luck to the Lady Raiders as you head off to Kansas City for the Big 12 Tournament. The Texas Tech community is extremely proud of you and wish you the very best as you head into the March Madness portion of your schedule.

Ginny Felstehausen  
professor  
family and consumer sciences education

### Aggies aren't so dumb

To the editor: I am delighted to hear that Bryan/College Station has passed smoking ordinances, which will make dining out in that area, a much more pleasurable event. More to the point, it will make

Aggies and other citizens there healthier. Not ever wanting to be surpassed by Aggies, I am more eager than ever to urge the passing of Lubbock's smoking ordinance. If you agree, write or e-mail your city officials and let them know that the young people in Lubbock (those who eat out and those who work in restaurants) deserve to breathe clean air.

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## Tech Jazz Fest kicks off tonight at Hemmle

By Leslie Follmar  
Staff Writer

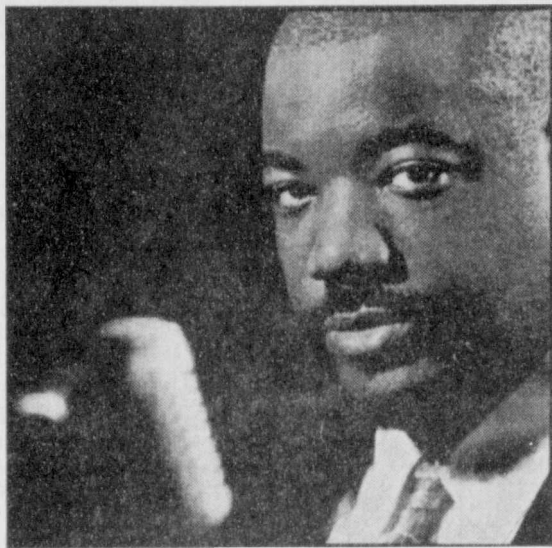
The 34th annual Jazz Festival will take place this weekend in Hemmle Recital Hall tonight and Allen Theatre on Saturday night.

Sponsored by Texas Tech and Phi Mu Alpha Jazz Band, performances will be tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. Tonight's performance will include a jazz combo with Frank Mantooth, the Texas Tech Jazz I ensemble, Mantooth and Kevin Mahogany will play at Saturday night's concert. Friday night's tickets are \$4 for students and \$6 for the public. Saturday night's tickets are \$5 for students and \$6 for the general public. Tickets can be purchased at the door.

Grammy nominated pianist Frank Mantooth has four albums in addition to having been published with five music texts. He also has published more than 150 works for combo and jazz ensemble since 1978.

Mantooth recently released *Sophisticated Lady* on Seabreeze Records. The album features Randy Brecker, Bobby Shriver and Kevin Mahogany among others.

Kevin Mahogany, called "the standout jazz vocalist of his genera-



Kevin Mahogany will perform at the Texas Tech Jazz Festival. The festival will kick off at 8 p.m. tonight in Hemmle Recital Hall.

tion" by *Newsweek*, takes influences from Memphis, Motown and rock 'n' roll. He did not become interested in music until he began attending Baker University in Kansas City. Mahogany also appeared in Robert Altman's movie "Kansas City," portraying a

formed with Loston Harris on Feb. 14. Shinn said this year's budget was the only reason he could afford to get such great jazz musicians.

"This is the biggest budget I've spent—that totally tells the quality of the artists," Shinn said. "Next year, UC

character inspired by Big Joe Turner.

Alan Shinn, professor of music, has been in charge of the annual Jazz Festival for the past 18 years. He said having Mahogany is a big asset to this year's weekend.

"We've never really featured a famous male singer," Shinn said. "I'm really excited about having him come."

Shinn will play drums with Mahogany and Mantooth tonight, along with Sean Frankhouser on bass and Royce Chambers on tenor sax. Shinn and Frankhouser per-

formed with Loston Harris on Feb. 14. Shinn said this year's budget was the only reason he could afford to get such great jazz musicians.

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Night Life is supposed to help out with the festival, because we could never do the kind of things they could in terms of a budget."

Keeping ticket prices low was important to the festival, Shinn said.

"We wanted to keep ticket prices low so we could get as many people there as possible. Plus, we've got a finale that's going to bring the house down."

## Jones to guest speak at BookExpo

NEW YORK (AP) — Producer Quincy Jones, novelist Isabel Allende and General Electric CEO Jack Welch will be among the guest speakers at this year's BookExpo America. Wynton Marsalis will give a benefit concert at the three-day event, which runs June 1-3 in Chicago.

"We are especially honored that Wynton Marsalis has supported us in this endeavor by making his time

available to perform and help raise money for several book industry concerns and industries," Greg Topalian, BookExpo's show director, said in a statement Wednesday.

Also appearing at the convention, the publishing industry's annual national gathering, will be Joyce Carol Oates, Sebastian Junger, David McCullough and Naomi Wolf.

## Two reality shows say goodbye to network television

NEW YORK (AP) — Temptation lost and the mole — insert your own joke here — was a lawyer.

Television's two latest reality series concluded Wednesday night, not coincidentally at the end of an important ratings "sweeps" period.

Each of the three couples on Fox's "Temptation Island" decided to stick together after two weeks of dates in a tropical setting with scantily clad singles.

The show's manipulative ending provided an opportunity for Fox executives to say "I told you so." Critics had questioned the morality of potentially splitting up committed couples for entertainment, but the show became a guilty pleasure hit that led Fox to an unexpectedly strong sweeps performance.

Five of the six real-life "stars" of "Temptation Island" admitted they made a romantic connection with

someone else during their visit. But all said it only made them love their original boyfriend or girlfriend more.

"I want to be together for the rest of our lives and I never want to play this game again," said Billy Cleary, the aspiring actor from Atlanta to his girlfriend, Mandy Lauderdale.

They've since moved to separate coasts but are maintaining a long-distance relationship, according to Fox.

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11. Clothing Bargains	_____	11. Tanning Salon	_____
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# 'Mexican' star power doesn't follow through

Brad Pitt, Julia Roberts shine in moments, but James Gandolfini carries film

(AP) — The star power of "The Mexican" is blinding: Brad Pitt! Julia Roberts! James Gandolfini!

All three actors couldn't be much hotter now: Roberts is up for a best actress Oscar for "Erin Brockovich." The much anticipated third season of "The Sopranos," for which Gandolfini has won a best actor Emmy, starts Sunday night. Pitt is ... well, Brad Pitt.

Don't get your hopes up, though. "The Mexican" is sporadically entertaining. It works when Gandolfini is on screen; when he leaves, he takes the movie with him.

And if you're expecting romantic sparks between the astonishingly attractive Roberts and Pitt, forget it. They're rarely on screen at the same time, and when they are, all they do is bicker. It makes you wish they had no scenes together at all.

Pitt plays a bumbling blond named Jerry who, inexplicably, gets assignments from a Los Angeles mob boss.

Jerry must trek to Mexico to retrieve a valuable antique pistol known as "The Mexican," or he'll be killed. He's also getting pressure from his girlfriend, Samantha (Roberts), to leave his life of crime and move with her to Las Vegas (for a much more wholesome life, presumably).

After a seriously annoying argument, Jerry heads south of the border and Samantha heads to Vegas alone. But on her way there, a hitman named Leroy (Gandolfini) takes her hostage, just to make sure Jerry doesn't try to take the pistol for his own purposes.

From here, director Gore Verbinski, who made his feature debut with "Mouse Hunt," intercuts

between two road movies, one of which (the one with Pitt) is downright boring.

We watch him hop from one dusty Mexican town to the next, avoiding various bad guys while trying to hang onto the gun. His mannered, forced performance grows tiresome quickly, which is a shame after watching him shine recently in "Snatch" as a mumbling gypsy boxer.

When we check in on Roberts and Gandolfini, though, it's fascinating to watch these two compelling actors bounce off each other.

As their characters drive to Vegas and stop at roadside diners, they become friends.

Samantha is painfully neurotic and loves to pick apart her relationship with Jerry using sprinklings of psychobabble, and Leroy indulges her need for therapy.

Leroy could be Tony Soprano's cousin — a tough-talking, chain-smoking thug who can shoot a man dead without batting an eye. But, like Tony, Leroy has a sensitive side. Deep down, all he really wants is a hug. He also enjoys analyzing relationships and the need for love. It's easy to imagine Leroy sitting down for a session with Dr. Melfi.

The movie wraps up with some convoluted twists and double-crosses, and mumbo-jumbo about fate and intersections and curses.

But every once in a while "The Mexican" gives people what they want: Robert's megawatt smile, Pitt with his shirt off, and a little bit of Tony Soprano.

"The Mexican," a DreamWorks Pictures release, is rated R for violence and language. Running time: 123 minutes.

# Rappers deny involvement in Greenwich Village shooting incident

NEW YORK (AP) — Two rappers linked to a shootout outside a Greenwich Village radio station broke their silence Wednesday, saying they were not involved.

"We're very sorry this situation occurred," Capone-N-Noreaga said in brief a statement released by their publicist. "(We) had nothing to do with the shooting."

Capone-N-Noreaga previously refused to comment about the alleged clash between their entourage and that of rapper Lil' Kim. Earlier this week, Lil' Kim's manager said her client knew nothing of the incident.

Police have said they believe the shooting happened Sunday as Lil' Kim was leaving the studios of Hot 97, WQHT, and Holley was arriving. More than 20 shots were fired from five guns, leaving one man in Capone-N-Noreaga's group wounded, police said.

No arrests have been made. Detectives were investigating reports that the gunfight stemmed from a simmering feud — and a war of rap lyrics — between Lil' Kim and Foxy Brown, another rapper featured on Capone-N-Noreaga's latest release, "The Reunion."

On the record, Brown calls Lil' Kim "lame." Referring to Brown on her earlier "Notorious K.I.M." release, Lil' Kim said: "You ain't a star and you (sic) record company know that."

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# Sports

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## Raiders battle UT for senior day

### Texas Tech baseball faces NU 'Huskers

By Phil Riddle  
Staff Writer

The time for getting ready is past. Texas Tech opens Big 12 baseball competition today with a 5 p.m. battle against pre-season favorite Nebraska at Dan Law Field. Today's battle is the first of a three-game series, which will continue with a 4 p.m. game Saturday, then will conclude with Sunday's 1 p.m. finale. Texas Tech has been idle since last weekend's 2-of-3 performance against New Mexico. The Raiders (12-6) posted wins of 9-6 and 7-6, before losing 7-5 to the Lobos, then had Tuesday's scheduled contest against Texas Christian postponed because of inclement weather. Nebraska, nationally ranked in all four major collegiate baseball polls, is 9-6 on the season. The Huskers are No. 12 in both see **BASEBALL**, page 9

By Jeff Keller  
Sports Editor

For three Texas Tech seniors on the Red Raider basketball squad, Saturday's contest against the Texas Longhorns will be more than just a regular season finale. For Cliff Owens, Jayson Mitchell and Johnny Phillips the game will mark their last performance in front of a United Spirit Arena crowd. Owens is a fifth year senior and is the only remaining Red Raider who has been on a team that defeated the Longhorns. Owens was on the 1996-97 Red Raider squad that defeated Texas in Lubbock, 72-70. Owens said a second victory against the Longhorns would be a satisfying way to end his home career as a Red Raider. "It would be huge," Owens said of a victory against Texas. "Throughout my years here I don't think there has been any bigger nemesis than Texas is to us. As far as people in the university go, there is nobody that they want to see us beat more than Texas. It is always a big game between us in Texas, but I think the fact that this is my last game makes it even bigger."

Mitchell has been a Red Raider for three seasons and never has tasted victory against the Longhorns. Mitchell said playing Texas in his last home game will give him more motivation to play hard. "There is going to be a lot of emotions," Mitchell said. "I'll have my parents backing me up and the crowd, too. Just the fact that this is going to be my last go at it, I am going to give it my all and leave it all on the court." Phillips has been a Red Raider for four seasons and is known to Tech fans simply as J.P. Phillips said the game with the Longhorns will bring about a wide range of emotions for him. "I am going to be real happy that this is my last game, but I will be sad at the same time," Phillips said. "This is just another step in life for me, and I will just have to move on. We are going to come out ready to play, and we want to win the game. We want to go out on a good note here. We want to give the fans a good game and just bring some excitement." The No. 24-ranked Longhorns enter the contest with the Red Raiders with a 22-7 overall record and an 11-4 mark in Big 12 Conference play. Texas defeated the Red Raiders, 73-

56, in the two squads' first meeting Feb. 13 in Austin. The Red Raiders enter the contest with a 9-17 overall record and a 3-12 mark in Big 12 Conference action. Tech center Andy Ellis is the squad's leading scorer this season and said the Red Raiders will have to control the rebounding category if the Red Raiders are to upset Texas. "We didn't control the boards like we should have down there," Ellis said. "They killed us on offensive rebounds, and that was really the difference in the game. That is something that we have been getting better at and we will focus on Saturday. We will see if we can win that area, and that will give a chance to win the game." Ellis is a junior and has played three seasons with the seniors who will be playing their last home game Saturday. He said getting a win for the seniors in their final home game will be on the minds of the Tech squad against the Longhorns. "I am sure it will be on our minds come game time," Ellis said. "I have been here for three years with these guys. It is going to be big for me. It is going to be kind of sad but we are going to be excited to be out there."



Tech center Andy Ellis maneuvers with the ball during an earlier season game at the United Spirit Arena.

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# Ritchie and Tarr — 3-point connection

By Matt Muench  
Staff Writer

It may be recognized as the largest momentum reversal in basketball.

It could be considered the biggest and hardest shot in the sport.

You can call it a long-distance shot, a trifecta or even the way downtown bucket.

But to put it in simpler terms, it is the 3-point shot.

And Texas Tech coach Marsha Sharp has two guards who can hit that shot from almost anywhere on the perimeter.

Junior Amber Tarr is one; freshman Natalie Ritchie makes two.

Tarr is the veteran shooter from Ozona and said she did not even hit more than 10 3-point shots while playing in high school.

She said she was too tall to compete at the perimeter and added most of her points came in the paint because she was a post player.

"When I got here that told be they would like for me to be a guard because I wasn't big enough to be a post player," Tarr said. "So when they told me that, I shot 3-pointers everyday during the summer between my freshman and sophomore year."



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Tech guards Natalie Ritchie (left) and Amber Tarr (right) have aided the Lady Raiders with their touch from behind the 3-point line this season.

Ritchie is Tarr's protégé and came into Lubbock in a different situation. Hitting three's was all she did in high school.

Ritchie said when you are 3-point shooter, you have to put distractions

behind you and keep shooting even if the shot does not fall.

"Every shot you take, if you make it, you have to put it behind you, and if you miss it ... you have to put it behind you," Ritchie said. "I just

have to take each shot one at a time. Both perimeter players have been battling knee injuries, but both said that are at or near 100 percent.

Before the injury, Tarr was averaging 16 points per game while knocking down an average of 2.3 3-pointers a game.

Tarr said the injury hurt her game more mentally than physically.

"I am my worst critic," Tarr said. "I was missing shots while it was bothering me, and now it is just more of confidence factor."

Ritchie said her injury affected her jumping, but lately the Canyon product has found her high school form again.

Her ability has been evident two of the last three Lady Raider wins.

In last Wednesday's win against Colorado, Ritchie made a three in the closing minutes to help Tech pull away and eventually win the contest.

In Saturday's win against Texas, Ritchie hit three trifecta's, scored 14 points and played a career-high 30 minutes.

Ritchie said she is finding her confidence back.

"My knee has been feeling bet-

ter, and I have been moving better," Ritchie said. "So I have been feeling more comfortable with my shot."

Not only do they score points, but also Tarr said her and Ritchie's role are to open things up for post players Penette Pierson, Tanisha Ellison and Jolee Ayers.

"I definitely think that is our role," Tarr said. "Teams know that (our post players) can do damage inside. So it is our job to get them open by popping a few outside shots."

Ritchie said she credits her early success to Tarr because of the example she has set as a veteran.

"Amber has been really supportive this year," Ritchie said. "At the beginning of the year, I was so nervous coming in as a freshman and she really helped me out."

The Lady Raiders will compete in the Big 12 Conference Tournament next week in Kansas City as the conference's No. 2 seed. Tech will get a first round bye and play the winner of No. 7 seed Texas and No. 9 seed Nebraska on Wednesday.

"It is big that Amber and I make our shots," Ritchie said. "I make not just two points, it is three points and that helps out the team in each possession."

## RESPOND

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to coach at Tech next season.

"I have every intention of fulfilling the obligations of my contract," Dickey said. "I want to get our team back to where they were - in the Top 25. I want to get them back in the NCAA Tournament. I am going to be as determined as I possibly can to do that. I am prepared to do that. If they (administration) decided otherwise, I am sure they will let me know. I plan to be here as long as they will let me stay."

Dickey said he understands when a program has been losing, scrutiny is never far behind.

"No one is more disappointed in our season than I am," Dickey said. "I understand what the bottom line is and that is winning games and filling up the arena. But as far as my plans, I plan to recruit and coach until the athletics director, the president or the chancellor tells me something different."

Dickey said he has spoken with Tech President David Schmidly about the basketball program.

"I have spoken with Dr. Schmidly on two different occasions," Dickey said. "We have discussed several matters pertaining to the basketball program. But as far as what their decision is, that will come from the administration. I am sure at the appropriate time they will let me know."

Schmidly was contacted by The University Daily but would not comment on the situation regarding Dickey.

Tech Athletics Director Gerald Myers could not be reached for comment.

# Lady 'Horns need Big 12 tourney wins to dance

AUSTIN(AP) — A late season slump has left the Texas Longhorns in a familiar position: To make the NCAA tournament, they'd better make some noise in the Big 12 tournament next week.

Texas (19-11) has lost four of its last five and Wednesday night's season-ending 65-54 loss to No. 7 Oklahoma left the Longhorns at 7-9 in the Big 12.

Texas' postseason prospects hardly seemed in doubt when the Longhorns started the season 12-2.

Texas has four wins over ranked opponents, including a 63-57 win at Texas Tech that snapped the Lady Raiders' 41-game home winning streak. But consistency has been a problem as the Longhorns have struggled against even the weaker teams in the league.

Texas lost on the road at Kansas State and at home to Kansas, two of the bottom three teams in Big 12. Two wins in those games would have put Texas at 9-7 in league play and virtual lock for the NCAA tournament.

The worst struggles have come in the last two weeks with 40-point loss at No. 6 Iowa State and a 16-point home defeat to Texas Tech.

Even so, Texas entered the Okla-

homa game with an RPI rating in the low 20s, leaving them a decent chance at a post-season bid with a good run in the conference tournament.

The Longhorns will be the No. 7 seed when the tournament starts Tuesday.

"We probably have created a scenario different than the committee has to face a lot," said coach Jody

Conrad, who earlier this season reached the 1,000 career game mark.

"It wouldn't surprise me either way. I don't get too perplexed about the weather or committees," she said.

Texas is actually on familiar ground.

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