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Lockney to appeal verdict in drug case

LUBBOCK (AP) — The Lockney Independent School District will appeal a federal judge's ruling that the school district's mandatory drug testing policy is unconstitutional.

Robert Flaig of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans said they received the district's legal notice of the appeal in the mail Thursday.

Lockney ISD attorney Lee Veness said the district will base its appeal on the same arguments it used in asking U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings to reconsider his ruling last month.

The district claims there is undisputed evidence that a drug problem exists in the small farming community, so therefore the mandatory drug testing of students grades 7 through 12 is warranted.

But on March 1, Cummings ruled that the policy violated student Brady Tannahill's constitutional rights. Brady, 13, was the only student to refuse testing when the school began the mandatory testing in February 2000.

NATIONAL

Stocks surge after good earnings news

NEW YORK (AP) — Stock prices shot higher Thursday, propelling the Dow Jones industrial average up more than 400 points, after Dell Computer and Alcoa gave Wall Street its first really good earnings news in months.

The advance was a welcome relief for a market yearning for an end to Wall Street's protracted slump. But some analysts, noting that most first-quarter earnings reports will still be disappointing, cautioned that the market remains vulnerable to declines.

The Dow rose 402.63, or 4.2 percent, to close at 9,918.05. The index's run-up was its second-largest daily point gain, after the 499.19 it rose on March 16, 2000. Despite the big advance, the Dow has gained less than 40 points this week, having plunged 392 over Monday and Tuesday.

The Nasdaq composite index also soared, rising 146.20, or 8.9 percent, to 1,785.00, posting its third-largest daily percentage gain.

The Standard & Poor's 500 climbed 48.19, or 4.4 percent, to 1,151.44.

WORLD

China still demands a full U.S. apology

BEIJING (AP) — While China welcomed American expressions of regret, it hardened its attitude Thursday over the collision between a U.S. spy plane and a Chinese fighter jet, calling the American crew lawbreakers and saying they would remain in China for interrogation.

Beijing repeated its demand for a full U.S. apology, boding ill for a quick resolution to the crisis. Washington has ruled out an apology, saying the U.S. crew did nothing wrong.

Secretary of State Colin Powell said Wednesday he regretted the loss of the missing Chinese pilot, who is feared dead, but said it was time to move on.

China reacted with a mixture of encouragement and toughness, a strategy designed to push the Americans towards a full apology and acceptance of wrongdoing. Only that, China maintains, will end the impasse.

Students to decide stadium's fate

Student Senate passes referendum to determine Jones SBC funding.

By Pam Smith
Staff Writer

A referendum concerning student funding of renovations to Jones SBC Stadium passed the Student Senate on Thursday night. Students now will have the opportunity to voice their opinions in a vote for the proposal later this month.

"There is a lot of really cool stuff in this agreement," said Senator-at-Large Tim Wright. "I think this is a great deal for the students and will benefit them in the future."

Under the proposal the current bond agreement allocating \$3 per semester credit hour to pay for construction to United Spirit Arena would be extended, and the additional revenue, about \$6 million, would be used to fund renovations to the stadium. If the referendum is passed, student fees would not be increased but would be extended another 10 years, from 2017 to 2027.

The stadium renovation project is estimated to cost \$90 million.

Other funding for the project is being raised through private donations.

"I think this agreement is a great way to show that the student body has a voice in the Tech community," said Student Government Association President-elect John Steinmetz. "This is a way to ensure that what has happened in the past will not happen in the future."

Steinmetz said a specific date has not been set for the referendum election, but he said his administration would like to see it voted on soon.

"We would like to have this voted on by the end of the semester," he

said. "That way we can begin implementing these changes over the summer."

Among the changes are the availability of using the Tech Express card at the arena and stadium, increasing the presence of RaiderVision around the concession stands, realigning the student section at the stadium to give students better seating and the creation of a tailgating section for students.

"Some of the changes will be implemented by next season," Steinmetz said. "We want to have the rest of the changes in place by the 2002-2003 seasons."

Included in the changes is the

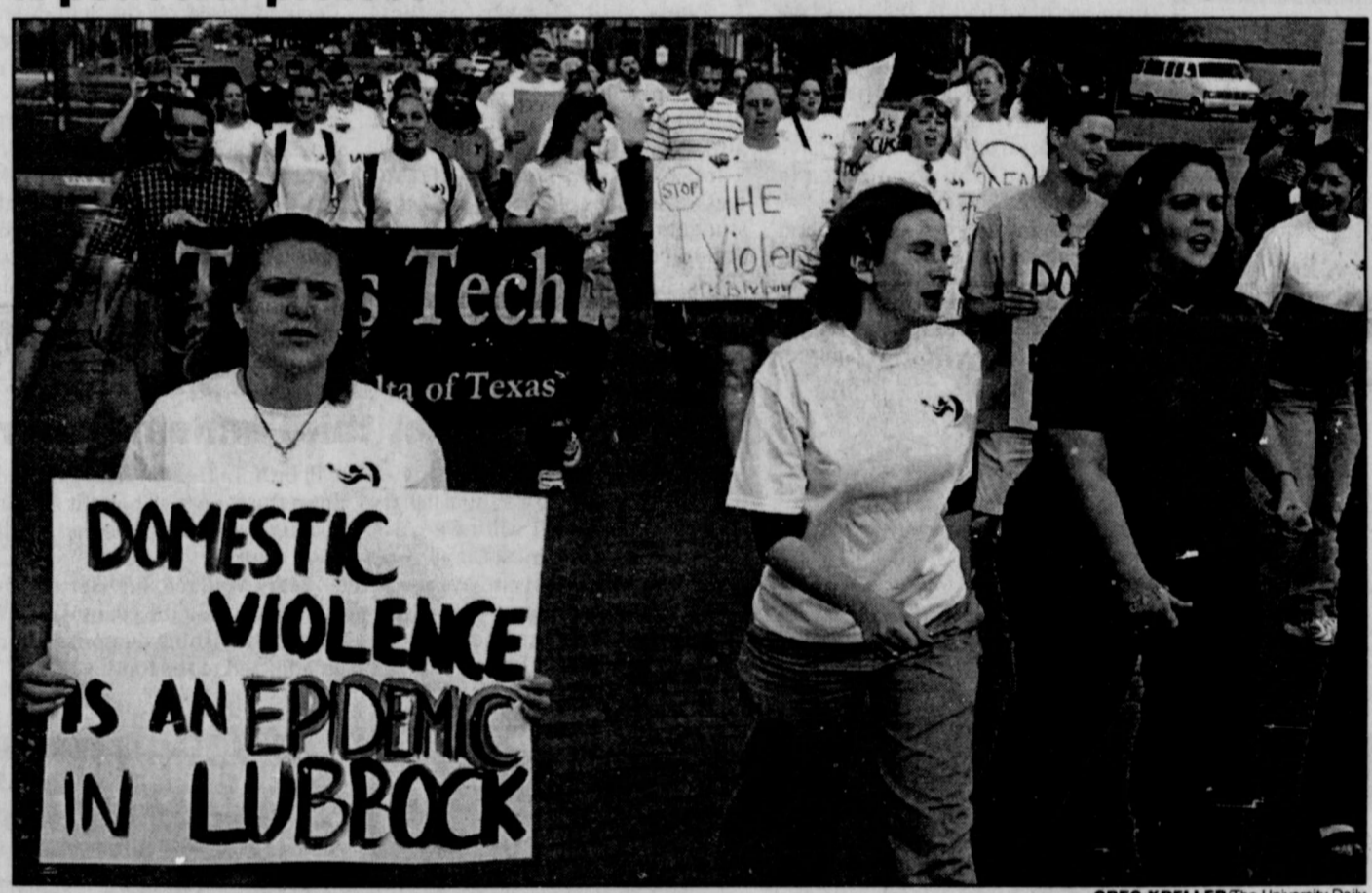
creation of an advisory board that would meet to evaluate the agreement every two years and recommend to the SGA any changes students believe need to be changed.

"With the old agreement, there was no outlet in case there was a problem," Wright said. "This agreement has been written as a working model that can be changed when necessary."

Wright said these changes would become increasingly important as interest in athletic events continues to rise, especially after the hiring of new men's basketball coach Bob

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A peaceful protest



Marchers make their way down Broadway toward Memorial Circle on Thursday evening during the Take Back the Night rally against domestic violence.

Begging for change

Hub City residents protest domestic violence, honor victims of past

By Christi Davidson
Staff Writer

Texas Tech students, faculty, staff and members of the Lubbock community joined together in a candlelight vigil in honor of survivors and in memory of victims of domestic abuse during Thursday's Take Back the Night.

The annual event included a protest

march down Broadway to Memorial Circle and speakers from Women's Protective Services, Lubbock Rape Crisis Center, survivors and Tech faculty and staff.

Dale Gensler, a Tech student and president of the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance, said the main goal of the event was to protest violence against women and promote awareness of the attitudes, beliefs and behaviors

that lead to violence.

She said in addition to bringing awareness to the issue, she hopes the vigil also will help others whom might be in trouble.

"Maybe this will be the one time where women in abusive relationships will see they have people to support them," the junior history major from

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Architecture dean resigns from post

James White will leave his position when a replacement is found.

By Pam Smith
Staff Writer

Texas Tech's Dean of Architecture James White recently resigned. But Thursday White did not say when he would be leaving.

"When Mr. White took the job as dean, he said he was only going to take the job for three or four years," Provost John Burns said. "That time period has ended."

White announced his resignation to faculty members last month, Burns said, and he has not been given a date the resignation will be effective.

"The date is still open," Burns said. "He could stay on until we hire a new dean, or he can leave sooner than

that if he chooses." White was contacted by *The University Daily* on Thursday. He confirmed he had resigned his position, but did not comment on his resignation because of a prior commitment at the time of the phone call.

A search committee has been formed to find a replacement for White. Burns said the committee may not be able to make any significant progress on the search until the fall.

"Most of the architecture faculty will not be here this summer," Burns said. "Since they won't be here, we really can't bring people to the campus for interviews."

Because of the delay, Burns said, the committee probably will not be able to select a new dean for at least another year. Until then, Burns is not sure whether White will stay with the college.



White

Local mom survives cancer plight

By Linda Robertson
Staff Writer

Gracie Ramirez knows fear, and she has a name for it — cancer.

Ramirez, a 40-year-old mother of one from Lubbock, said she was always in good health until October.

"I don't drink, and I don't smoke," she said. "I have never been in the hospital except to have my baby. I had just had my yearly exam, and since I turned 40, my doctor wanted me to have a mammogram before I came back to see her in a year."

Ramirez said she decided to try to get a mammogram as soon as she could because the Christmas holidays were approaching, and things were going to be hectic. When she finally got in to get the

mammogram, she heard what she called the shock of her life.

"I got the word from my doctor that the mammogram was abnormal," she said. "I went in to see my doctor who told me I had cancer."

Ramirez said it scared her to hear the diagnosis.

"I was still thinking that cancer meant death," she said. "I got lucky, though. Even though I ended up having a right mastectomy, the whole thing was caught early enough that I didn't need to have chemo or radiation."

Carla Olson, community services supervisor for Covenant Health System, said if it was not for mobile services provided by the hospital, many women in nine counties near Lubbock would not have access to mammography and early breast

cancer screening.

"I am always surprised at the number of minority women who are in their 50s, 60s and 70s who have never had any screening exams in their lives," she said. "Many women think that if they have had babies and have gone through menopause, they won't have to worry about breast cancer."

Olson said the rates for breast cancer increase dramatically as women get older. She also said many minority women perceive breast cancer to be a white woman's disease.

"The sad thing is that many more women are dying of this disease than is necessary," she said. "The latest figures from the American Cancer Society show

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Gracie Ramirez, a breast cancer survivor, plays with her dog Thursday afternoon in the backyard of her Lubbock home.

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HSC working toward forensics center

By Mara McCoy
Staff Writer

Texas Tech and the Health Sciences Center are working together to help bring about a first in forensics studies.

The HSC, which secured the medical examiner's responsibilities for Lubbock County and other surrounding counties late last year, began working to establish the West Texas Regional Forensic Sciences Institute last month. While the institute would be housed within the School of Medicine at the HSC, plans include participation from both campuses.

James Laible, vice president for

health care systems and hospital relations at the HSC, said a task force made up of forensic specialists from both the HSC and the main campus are working together on the proposal.

"We have been working on a document that, I think, will be ready to be taken to Washington, D.C., within the next month," Laible said.

Task force members are asking for \$5.7 million in federal start-up money during a five-year period, but Laible said that number might change.

"The numbers are still being worked out, and the administration at both campuses still haven't approved the document," he said.

Initially, HSC officials planned on waiting until 2002 before going ahead with this type of project, which Laible said he thinks is the first of this magnitude.

"Basically, when we agreed to take on the medical examiner role for the county, we had planned on doing this. But we were going to wait to move into the academic and research areas until we felt more comfortable," Laible said. "We have gotten a lot of input and questions from district attorneys, law enforcement and county judges, and we thought about it and realized this would be a great service to provide right away."

Laible said the proposed institute

would have a three-fold job.

"We would offer courses in forensic medicine at the HSC and various types of forensics courses at the general academic campus, such as courses at the Law School, courses in forensic anthropology, pathology and biochemistry and correctional sciences," he said. "We would also do research in the area of forensics and educate law enforcement, justices of the peace and others in forensics."

Laible also said the institute would mainly focus on the 80 counties the HSC is contracted with for medical examiner responsibilities.

"We'll eventually offer to all areas of West Texas," he said.

Laible said he would like to see

the institute brought to the area.

"We haven't put a dollar figure on it, but there will obviously be a number of jobs created to support this service," he said. "I would really like to see a center of excellence here. I don't think there is any other school doing this on the same scope, not to the extent we plan on doing it."

James Kitten, Lubbock County commissioner for Precinct 2, said he believes the institute's benefits would reach beyond Lubbock and the surrounding area.

"I think it will help the nation," he said. "The nation is short on forensic pathologists, so it's good there will be a school to teach it. It is an excellent idea."

TLC Day to bring together student organizations

By Pam Smith
Staff Writer

Several student organizations will come together Saturday to give the city of Lubbock and other agencies a little TLC.

About 650 students in 26 different organizations will join forces for Tech/Lubbock Community Day, a

day devoted to community service throughout the city. Groups of students will be assigned to 16 different sites around the community.

"I think the most obvious benefit of TLC Day for students is the opportunity to participate in community service projects," said Carrie Evans with Campus Activities and Involvement. "It really gives student orga-

nizations a chance to come together and do something that will benefit the community."

Daniel Brown, Tech's activities director, said several of the groups participating in the event include Alpha Phi Omega, Women's Service Organization, the Tech Marketing Association, Cardinal Key and other fraternities and sororities.

"We have had a lot more students and organizations sign up this year than we have had in the past," he said. "I think we have had a few more fraternities and sororities sign up because TLC coincides with the last day of Greek Week."

Brown said students do not have to be involved in an organization to participate in TLC Day.

"Any individual can show up and participate in this event," he said. "If

you come, we'll assign you to a group."

During the event, students will participate in a wide range of service activities depending on what agency they represent. Brown said this year, most students will be assigned to aid the city of Lubbock in its "Keep Lubbock Beautiful" campaign.

"Ten of the 16 sites will be with the city," he said. "The students will be doing mainly cleanup tasks that will result in a spring cleaning of Lubbock."

Evans said cleanup projects would not be the only activities students will be involved in.

"There will be some students involved in planting a spring garden and some also helping to take down a deck," she said. "The Women's Protective Services also has asked that students help clean up their pantries and to come play with some of the children who are there."

Sites also will be set up to benefit the South Plains Food Bank, Lubbock State School, Ronald

McDonald House, Special Olympics, South Plains AIDS Resource Center, Buckner's Children's Home and several senior citizens homes.

Evans said the different agencies involved are selected based on scheduling availability and the educational benefit for the students.

"We formed a committee this year to make a list of agencies we would like to benefit," she said. "We then contacted the agencies and decided based on the schedule of the organization and the educational benefits students would receive."

Students have participated in TLC Day for more than five years. Students wanting to get involved this year should meet the group at the Frazier Alumni Pavilion at 9 a.m. Saturday. From there, groups will be divided up and assigned to various locations across campus. All service projects should be complete by 1 p.m.

RWF Club to host third annual fish fry

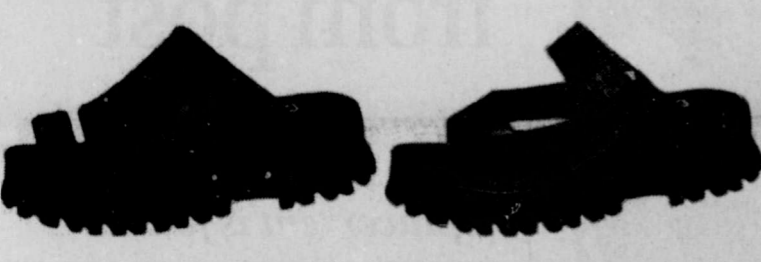
The Range, Wildlife and Fisheries Club will host its third annual fish fry Saturday. The event will take place from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Clapp Park, located at 46th Street and Avenue U.

The event is open to the public and will cost \$7 for anybody over age 12. Children under 12 years of age

will be admitted for free. Proceeds from the event will benefit a youth fishing program sponsored by the RWF Club.

Mark Wallace, adviser for the RWF Club, said the event will have music and fishing demonstrations in addition to the food.

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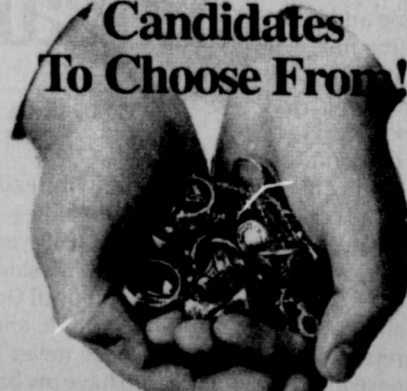
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Arlington, said.

The event focused more on domestic abuse, Gensler said, but it also stressed the importance of standing up against sexual assault, sexual harassment and rape.

She said throughout the event she hoped people would understand that domestic violence happens in all relationships, and the stereotypes of abusive relationships should be broken.

"Domestic abuse crosses all boundaries," she said. "It doesn't pay attention to class, race, ethnicity or religion."

The main speaker during the event was Tech graduate Percilla Howard, a survivor of domestic abuse. Howard talked about her abusive relationship with a man who was her high school sweetheart, college boyfriend and husband, who became a professional football player.

She said this was her first time to speak out about her story and by doing so she hoped to reach other women who might be in similar situations.

"Get out of the relationship," she said. "You have to do it for yourself. Do it for your children."

Howard also said she hoped to help Tech students realize it is possible for anyone to become a

part of an abusive relationship, even if it is not occurring now.

"Girls can dream of a beautiful home, husband and family," she said. "But those dreams won't last forever."

Even if being in an abusive relationship was embarrassing, humiliating and secretive in the past, Howard said, she can use it to help in the future.

"Every time I speak out, I will gain strength," she said. "Maybe with my help, others will not have to go through what I went through."

Danae Clark, a junior fine arts major from Levelland, said the event was positive.

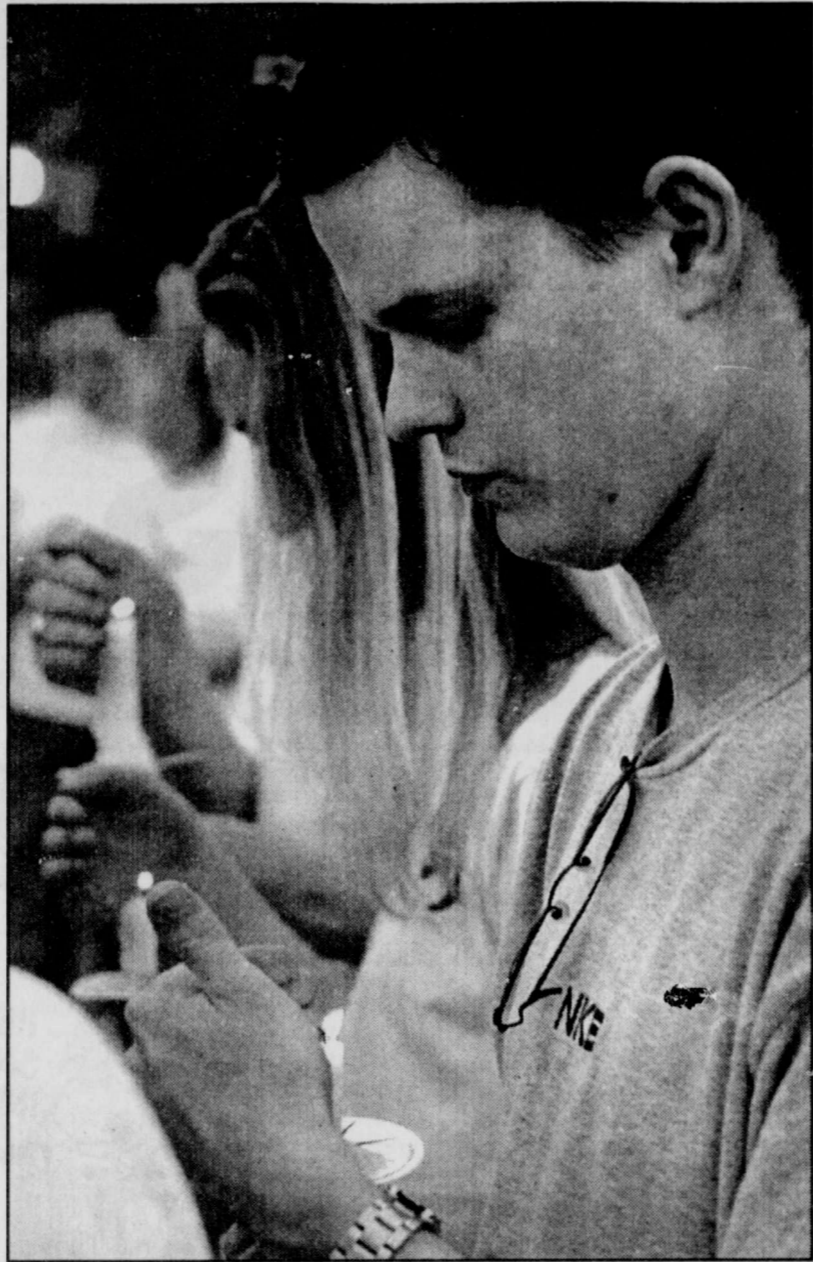
She said she attended the event in order to show support for those who have been victimized by violence and to take a stand.

"It was symbolic how we marched and chanted," she said. "It was very powerful."

Charlie Milling, a senior English major from Fort Worth, said he attended Take Back the Night not only to make a stand, but also to try and figure out what else he needed to do to help.

He said abuse happens not only to women but men as well, and that his best friend had been in an abusive relationship as a child and young adult.

"I wanted to understand more about his situation," Milling said. "The event was very hopeful and very promising."



Michael Cheshire, a senior geology major from Bastrop, pauses for a moment of silence during Thursday night a candlelight vigil on Memorial Circle as part of the Take Back the Night rally against domestic abuse.

GREG KRELLER/The University Daily

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that African-American women with breast cancer have the lowest five-year survival rates than any other population of women."

Olson said Hispanic women do not fare much better than their black counterparts.

"While Hispanic women have a better five-year survival rate, it still isn't very good," she said. "The problem isn't that there is more cancer in minority women, rather, it is that so many of these women don't seek medical attention until they have been sick a long time."

Olson said she hopes National Minority Cancer Awareness Week, which begins April 16 and ends April 20, will help.

"This week will provide those who need assistance a means to seek screening exams for no or reduced cost," she said. "While most of this week is about breast health, there

will be services provided for men and women of all ages."

Ramirez said she is thankful she did not wait to seek medical care.

"I keep wondering what would've happened if I had waited," she said. "It has been so hard for my family, and even for me. I think I'll be OK now."

Ramirez also said she is fanatical about having check-ups and giving advice to others about how to protect themselves against cancer.

"Tell the girls and guys at Texas Tech and tell everyone, for that matter, that there is nothing to be afraid of," she said. "Go get your screenings. Educate yourself on how to protect yourself. Cancer isn't prejudiced—it will hit anywhere, including on you."

National Minority Cancer Awareness Week is sponsored in part by Covenant Health System, Joe Arrington Cancer Center, Southwest Cancer Center, Tech's Health Sciences Center Wellness Center and several other organizations and area physicians. For more information, call 743-1900 or 725-8000.

Donation to help open new center

By Jeff Stoughton
Staff Writer

Texas Tech Department of Mechanical Engineering officials will announce the opening of the Haas Machining Center at 3:30 p.m. today after the donation of two new machines from a California-based company.

Haas Automation Inc., a machine-tool manufacturing company in Oxnard, Calif., donated three state-of-the-art pieces of equipment to the department after Tech purchased a similar item for about \$80,000. The combined value of the donated machines is about \$250,000.

Thomas Burton, chairman of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, said the machines, a VF-3 vertical machining center, an SL-20 CNC turning center and an HS-IRP horizontal machining center, are capable of making complicated shapes quickly and will allow students to see the entire production process.

Haas Automation donated the

machines as part of its School Entrustment Program, in which the company places its machines in schools as a way to provide training for students who eventually will use the machines for professional work.

Burton said the program also allows local industries that are considering purchasing Haas machines to see them in action.

Jenny James, senior development officer for the mechanical engineering department, said the department regularly partners with businesses because it provides a better education for students and better-trained employees for businesses.

"It really gives them a much better education," James said.

Representatives from Haas Automation could not be reached for comment.

Haas Automation is one of the newest, largest and most modern machine-tool facilities in America.

Officials from Tech, as well as representatives from local businesses, will attend the center's opening to see a demonstration of the machines.

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Knight.

"In case you didn't know, season tickets have basically been sold out for next season," he said. "This will make preserving our seats even more important."

In order for the agreement to be

implemented, students will have to ratify it by a majority vote at the time of the referendum. If it is passed, changes can be made through the advisory board for the agreement.

If students would like to voice their opinion on the matter, or would like to propose possible changes to the agreement, they can contact the SGA office at 742-3631 or by e-mail at sga@ttu.edu.

TechNotes!

■ **Tech-Lubbock Community Day** is Saturday. Applications are available in 210 or 230 University Center. For more information, contact Ryan Weller at 742-3621.

■ **Pre-occupational Therapy Club** will have a car wash at 11 a.m. Saturday at Hastings on 50th Street. For more information, contact Andrea Harris at 763-3715.

■ **Pre-occupational Therapy Club** will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday in 113 Chemistry. For more

information, contact Andrea Harris at 763-3715.

■ **Circulo Fraternal Mexicano** "The Legal Aspects of the Zapatista Movement" by Lic. Héctor Villansana, dean of the School of Law of Chihuahua University, from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday in 107 Chemistry. For more information, contact Verónica Lara at 742-3145.

■ **University Center expansion**

groundbreaking will be at 11 a.m. April 27 at the northwest corner of the UC. For more information, contact the Office of Campus Activities and Involvement at 742-3621.

■ **Texas Tech cheerleader and pom squad** tryouts will be April 20-21. For more information, contact Billy Smith or Angie Labaj at 742-1195 or log on to www.texas.tech.com and click on

traditions. Applications are due April 13.

■ **The Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation** will have its annual scholarship awards banquet from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. April 21 in United Spirit Arena conference rooms B and C. Tickets cost \$10 for students and \$15 for faculty, staff and parents. For more information, contact John Miller at 742-3361.

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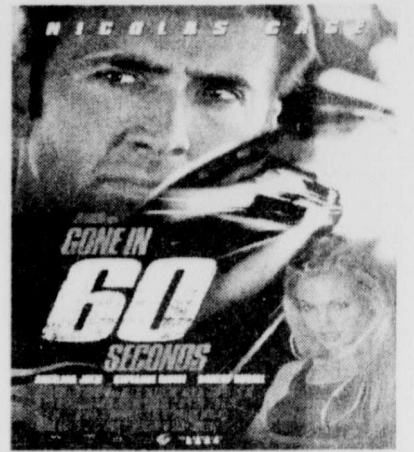
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Moment explosive for Lifehouse

Band acquires name, face with first album

By Sebastian Kitchen
Contributing Writer

With the fire of a No. 1 single, Lifehouse has exploded onto the pop/rock music scene. The explosion brought the band's single, "Hanging By A Moment," to an international listening audience through major radio airplay and has the men in the midst of a sold-out arena tour with Matchbox Twenty and Everclear.

The explosion seemed to take everyone in the music world by surprise — including the band members.

"It was overwhelming and a little bit of an adjustment," said Jason Wade, singer, songwriter and guitarist for the band. "We didn't expect it at all. Now, we have to play catch up. Keep our feet on the ground and take each day as it comes."

Lifehouse is on its first arena tour opening for pop/rock music giants Matchbox Twenty and Everclear. The tour stops at United Spirit Arena on Sunday.

"We were pretty freaked at first," Wade said. "We settled in about a week into it and have been having a blast. We're winning over a lot of people."

The band has been winning over fans with their live show and

tremendous amounts of radio airplay. "Hanging By A Moment" is the first single from the band's first album, *No Name Face*, and reached No. 1 on the Billboard's Modern Rock Tracks chart and remains high on the music charts as MTV, MTV2 and VH1 keep the video in rotation.

Much of the press the band has received has focused on Wade's age. At 20, the young singer/songwriter looks at his age as an advantage. Wade said he can only mature, grow and get older.

Wade said he focuses a lot on his lyrics. He started writing poetry as a form of self-expression when he was younger.

"I wrote poetry when I didn't know how to play,"

he said. After picking up his mother's guitar and learning to play, he said his music became his vehicle of expression.

"I write from a place of real honesty," Wade said. "It is good it is connecting with people right now. That is what I want to do."

Meeting and talking to the fans at the shows is Wade's favorite part of being on the road, he said.

"People are really interested in

the band right now," he said. "I am happy to talk to whoever. Without the fans, you are playing to the sound guy."

Since being on tour has a mix of hectic schedules and downtime, Wade said, he has found more time to write music since the band has been on the road. Although fans will not hear the music he is writing now for a while, Wade said, the music is different than the music on *No Name Face*.

"Now, I'm in a different place," he said. "That was stuff from my past. It is a different season for me. It is a lot more up-tempo stuff."

On *No Name Face*, Wade said, many of the songs he thought would be more mellow and acoustic were topped off with heavier guitars. After his first studio experience, Wade said, he prefers to stray away from heavy production of his music. "I like to keep it real stripped down," he said. "That is when the song comes out the best."

For now, the members of Lifehouse are going to stay on the road. Even though the band has never headlined a tour of its own, thousands of people are showing up to North American arenas early to watch and listen to the young pop stars.



Jason Wade, with band Lifehouse, will open for Matchbox Twenty and Everclear on Sunday at United Spirit Arena. The band has exploded onto the charts with hit-single "Hanging By A Moment."

Fraternities split Crawfish festivities

By Cory Chandler
Staff Writer

Texas Tech students wishing to attend a crawfish festival will have two choices this year.

Texas Tech fraternities Tau Kappa Epsilon and Sigma Chi have been hosting a crawfish festival jointly for several years.

The two fraternities will have separate festivals this year, however.

TKE Crawfish Festival Chairman David Satow, a junior advertising major from Plano, said the fraternities decided to make the split because of differences in opinions between the two groups.

"Sigma Chi wanted to take the festival in a different direction than we did," Satow said.

Sigma Chi Crawfish Festival Chairman Chris Harden, a graduate architecture and business major from Fort Worth, said Sigma Chi believe hosting their own festival would give them a chance to expand the event.

"It's going to be a lot bigger this year," Harden said. "Not necessarily because we aren't doing it with (TKE). We just wanted to blow it up this year."

TKE's festival will be Saturday. See **CRAWFISH**, page 6

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Sports

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Red Raider baseball battles Iowa State

Texas Tech to face Cyclone squad for final time after Iowa State announces it is dropping baseball program

By Phil Riddle
Staff Writer

After dropping two of three games at Missouri a week ago, the Texas Tech baseball team is aiming high as they face Iowa State in a three-game weekend set at Dan Law Field.

"We definitely need to sweep, for sure," Raider right fielder Kerry Hodges said. "And that's possible. We expect that out of ourselves, and we'll try to get it done."

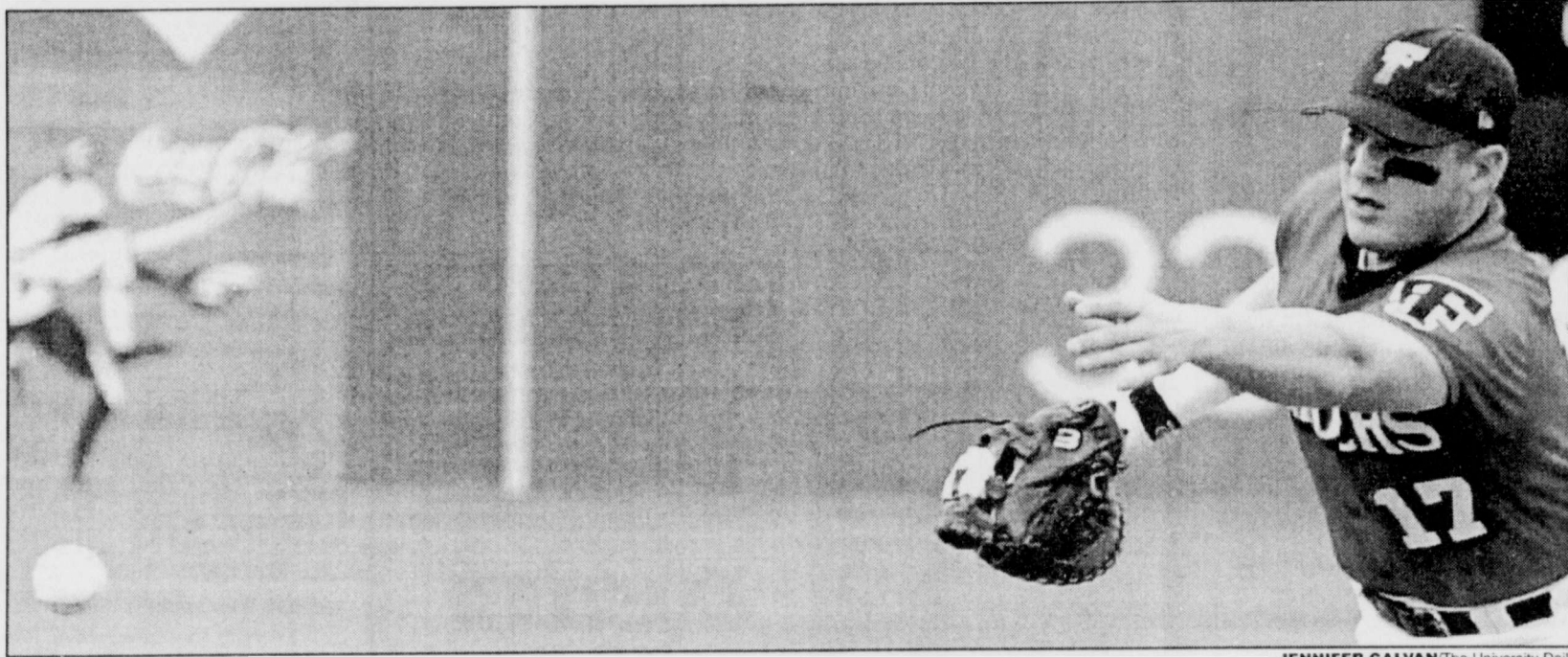
Tech will open the series against the Cyclones at 7 p.m. today, followed by Saturday's 2 p.m. contest and Sunday's 1 p.m. finale.

"We have to treat this like any other series," Saturday's probable starter Chris Phillips said. "But, realistically, it's pretty important. We need to sweep them if we can."

The Raiders dropped last Friday's tilt at Missouri, 5-4, won the Saturday outing, 10-2, then blew a 9-6 lead in the bottom of the eighth to lose, 14-9, Sunday.

Hodges, who is hitting .286 on the season, said there will be no problems getting motivated following the series loss to Missouri.

"It's not hard at all," Hodges said.



Red Raider first baseman Chad Landry pitches the ball to the covering pitcher at first base in an earlier season contest at Dan Law Field. Tech will face Iowa State in a three-game series this weekend at Dan Law Field.

cranking homers in the series. Senior Jason Rainey accounted for two to go with his double and four RBI in last week's game three.

The Raiders bring an overall mark of 22-14 into the weekend fray. They are 7-8 in Big 12 Conference games. Iowa State is 10-15-1 on the year, including a split in a Tuesday doubleheader with Winona State. The Cyclones are led by Spenser Allen, who carries a .357 batting average into the weekend set with the Raiders, and T.J. Bohn, who was 3-for-4 with three RBI in the two games versus Winona.

The Raiders are expected to start Brandon Roberson on the hill today, followed by Phillips on Saturday. Sunday's starter will be decided later in the weekend.

Phillips, who brings an 8-2 season mark into Saturday's game, said he is ready to get back into the Big 12 baseball schedule.

"We were really happy with the way we played (at Missouri)," Phillips said. "I can speak more about Friday's game, because I had something to do with that one. We're still confident, and we're ready to play. We have to keep our focus and come out ready to play this weekend."

"That's just one of those freakish baseball things. It took us by surprise, too. It's one of those weird things. We're still

confident, and we're still ready to play ball this weekend."

Hodges has 40 hits on the season, including six doubles and a triple. The transfer from New Mexico Junior College is tied for the team lead with five

homers. Despite losing twice against the Tigers, the Raiders established a power game, with seven players

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