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TEXAS TECH MEN'S basketball coach Bob Knight sits courtside Saturday evening during the first half of the Red Raiders' game against San Diego State in the Ford Red Raider Classic at the United Spirit Arena. Tech won the game, 81-71, and is off to a 2-0 start in Knight's inaugural season at the helm.

Knight wins Raider debut

The General takes sideline spotlight; Tech wins season-opening tourney

By Matt Muench/Sports Editor

He was not wearing his traditional red sweater over a white polo shirt, but it was clear Bob Knight was back. Sporting a new look — black sweater over a red polo, the Hall of Fame coach returned to the court Friday and Saturday at the United Spirit Arena doing what he does best — win. And win with pressure defense mixed with a quick motion offense.

Knight said his return is no big deal and said he was tired. "I felt at home the second day I was here," said Knight, who was hired by Tech in March. "It's not a huge thing to be back. It's not like they found me on a deserted island."

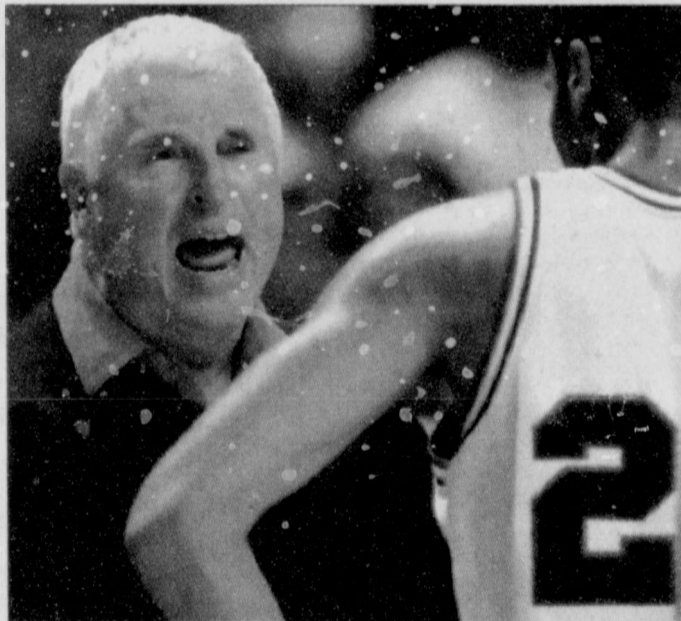
In comes Texas Tech center Andy Ellis, who was named the MVP of the weekend tournament.

"But I think if we win more," Ellis said, "he will feel even more at home."

Tech defeated William & Mary, 75-55 Friday and followed with an encore win against San Diego State, 81-71 to start 2-0 on the season and capture the Ford Red Raider Classic trophy.

Following the win against the Aztecs, Knight shook hands with long-time rival Steve Fisher, who coached a championship at Michigan in 1989, and left the floor.

The Raiders hoisted their new piece of hardwood while Knight had



GREG KRELLER/Staff Photographer

Bob Knight instructs junior forward Kasib Powell on Saturday evening during Tech's 81-71 victory over San Diego State in the finals of the Ford Red Raider Classic at the United Spirit Arena.

more important things on his mind.

"I was thirsty," he said.

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Taliban sent running; mission far from over

EXPECTING THE WORST: U.S. officials say they believe Osama bin Laden remains in Afghanistan despite reports within the al-Qaida of his escape.

By Robert Burns/Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Terrorist mastermind Osama bin Laden and his al-Qaida network are on the run in Afghanistan and their Taliban supporters are in disarray, but the American-led military campaign to crush them is far from over, senior administration officials said Sunday.

Secretary of State Colin Powell and Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz, in separate talk show interviews, both said they have no reason to believe bin Laden has escaped Afghanistan.

"I have seen no intelligence or information to suggest" he has left, Powell said on ABC's "This Week."

The Taliban's envoy to Pakistan said Saturday that bin Laden had left Afghanistan, but that has not been substantiated. Later, the diplomat said he meant only that bin Laden was outside areas

under Taliban control.

Powell, Wolfowitz and national security adviser Condoleezza Rice all suggested bin Laden's room to maneuver is shrinking, his options narrowing.

"It's getting harder for him to hide as more and more territory is removed from Taliban control," Powell said. "I don't think there's any country in the region that would be anxious to give him guest privileges if he showed up."

Wolfowitz described bin Laden as "in very great danger" of being killed or captured.

"This is a man on the run who's doing his best to hide," Wolfowitz said on CBS's "Face the Nation." Added Rice: "We're beginning to narrow his

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Coordinating board to void new projects left unattended

By Melissa Guest/Staff Reporter

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board will void new projects or administrative changes if they are not implemented within a period of two years after board approval if a time limit is approved at its next meeting Jan. 24.

The issue was approved on first consideration during the board's last meeting Oct. 24.

The purpose of the stipulation is to prevent items becoming outdated from changing information and environments, said Ray Grasshoff, public information officer for the board of educators.

The board, which oversees and reviews projects undertaken by higher education institutions in Texas, gives approval based on institutional proposals.

"The recommendations are based on a certain period of time," Grasshoff said. "The further you

get away, some of those same conditions won't apply."

In addition, the condition would induce higher education institutions to take quick action and develop a timeline for their proposed projects.

"We don't want to build buildings or offer degree programs when the needs may have changed," Grasshoff said.

Although the limit is designed to prevent projects from sitting on the books for long periods of time, it will not be retroactive, Grasshoff said.

"There's some examples of things that might have been approved many years ago, and if we wanted to approve now, things have changed and we might have to look at it again to see if it is feasible," he said.

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Frat awaits possible punishment

By Damian Davis/Staff Reporter

A decision is expected today or Tuesday regarding the possible disciplinary action facing Texas Tech's Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, stemming from an October altercation with the Iota Phi Theta fraternity from Prairie View A&M.

Howard Gibbs, a junior civil engineering major from Lubbock and a member of the Iota Phi Theta chapter at Tech, said he expects the university to make a good decision based on the evidence presented by members of his fraternity.

"I really don't know what the school is going to do about this problem, but I do want them (Alpha Phi Alpha) to be held accountable for their actions," he said. "I think what they did was wrong, and they should receive some kind of punishment."

The altercation between the two fraternities occurred Oct. 5 at the Koko Cave, located at 5101 Ave Q. Fraternity members from both fraternities were involved in a fight that began at a party hosted by the National Panhellenic Council. The fight began when an Alpha Phi Alpha member allegedly pushed members of Iota Phi Theta.

This reportedly led to a brawl inside the building, which involved many members of both fraternities.

In a statement given to police, several Iota Phi Theta members said they were not trying to cause any problems at the party and were trying to stop

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Congress sends aviation bill to president

THE SKY ON HIS SHOULDERS: Bush's signature will put airport screening under federal control.

By Jim Abrams/Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush's signature on major aviation security legislation passed by Congress may reassure holiday travelers that the government is taking substantial steps to protect them from would-be assailants. Immediate signs of change, however, will be minimal.

The House and Senate, after weeks of negotiations, voted overwhelmingly Friday to approve a bill to put airport screening under federal controls.

The measure also moves toward 100 percent inspection of checked bags and make sure that a potential hijacker who gets into a plane will be

stopped by air marshals in the cabin and reinforced cockpit doors.

Bush plans to sign the measure as early as Monday. Administration officials and lawmakers say they want to send a strong signal before the holiday traveling season to Americans now reluctant to fly because of safety concerns.

"Travelers will have the peace of mind that every step is being taken to improve their safety," said House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill.

"This is not only a security measure, but more than anything else an airline stimulus bill," Senate Commerce Committee Chairman Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., added. He said it will put people back in planes and help the aviation industry overcome the financial crisis it has faced since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Among the more immediate effects of the new law — passed by 410-9 in the House and by voice in the Senate — would be the presence of more law enforcement people at airports; it requires at

least one law enforcement officer at every screening post at major airports.

Also, more checked bags will be inspected. Airports have 60 days to initiate plans to increase checked bag screening, with a deadline of the end of 2002 for subjecting all checked bags to explosives detection screening.

Even before the bill passed, airlines had moved to fortify cockpit doors and the government had placed air marshals on some flights, but the new law will expedite both moves.

Other changes will take more time. The federal government has a year to fully take over screening operations, now run by private security firms contracted by airlines, and put all 28,000 screeners on the federal payroll.

Current screeners can apply for the new federal jobs, which should pay double the current \$15,000 salaries of many screeners, but they must be U.S.

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PATRIOT FLAMES



JEREMY MOORE/Staff Photographer

TEXAS TECH ARMY ROTC cadet Brain Six, a junior political science major from Pflugerville, retires an American flag Friday evening during a ceremony on Memorial Circle.

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National Guard brings out its guns

Students tour armored vehicles on campus during Veteran's Appreciation Day

By Joseph Baideras/Staff Reporter

People walking by the armored personnel carrier and showing any signs of interest in the vehicle parked by Memorial Circle on Friday, likely were urged to take a guided tour of the vehicle by Master Sgt. Tom Higdon.

"Come right on in, you helped pay for it," he said to people climbing in the vehicle. "This is what we buy our freedom with. I know first hand."

Higdon, a non-commissioned Army officer, is a senior trainer for the Army National Guard who fought in El Salvador in 1984.

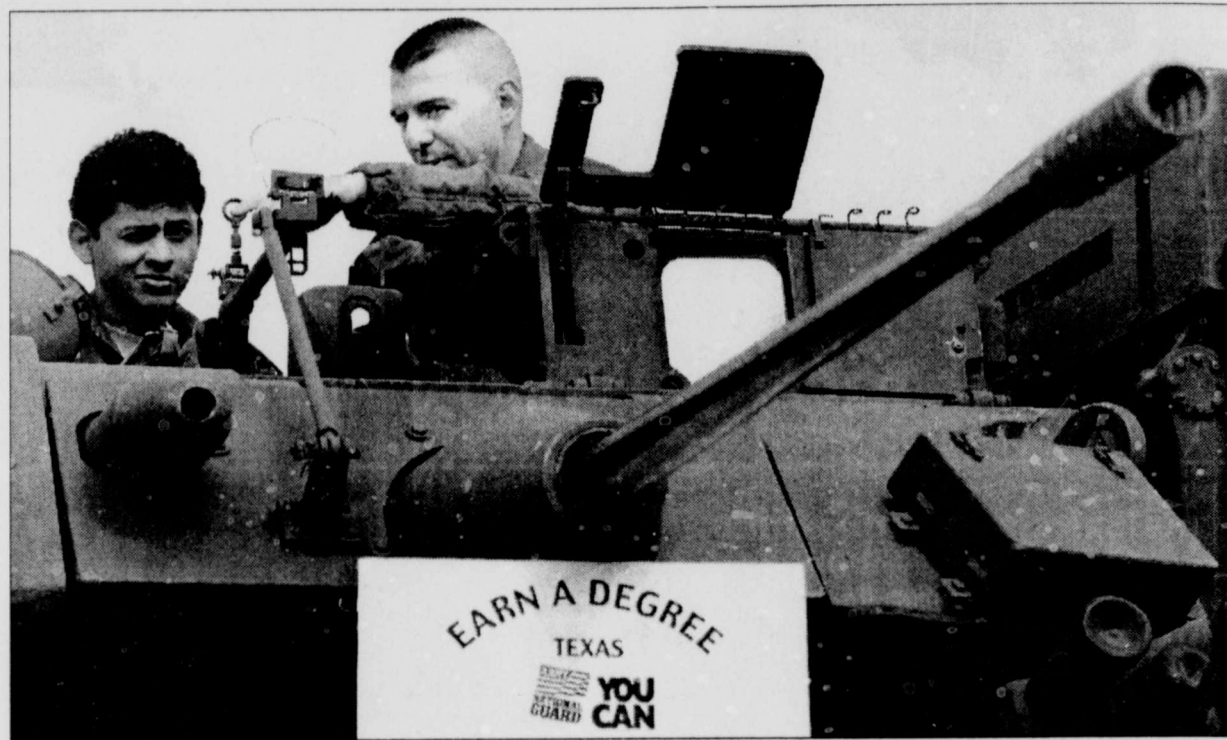
The Army National Guard was on the Texas Tech campus in honor of Veteran's Appreciation Day on Friday. Higdon said the event gives civilians not accustomed to military equipment a chance to see with what the soldiers train and fight wars.

The M2 Bradley Infantry Fighting Vehicle, which is not a tank, carries a nine-man crew. A driver, gunner, vehicle commander and a six-man infantry squad often make the armored personnel carrier likened to a battlefield taxi. The M2 still is a competitive fighting vehicle.

"We've whooped everybody's ass with it so far," Higdon said.

Along with the M2, an M998 personal carrier, or hummer, was on display for people who wanted to get in the vehicle.

Spc. William Lindsay said Veteran's Appreciation Day is an important day



CRAIG SWANSON/Staff Photographer
SRIRAM SUNDARARAJAN, LEFT, a computer science graduate student from India, peers through a weapon's sight Friday, while Spc. Steve Whitmore demonstrates how to use the weapon. The Army National Guard displayed different types of weaponry on campus as part of Veteran's Appreciation Day.

for people to recognize. "We should give honor to those guys fighting for us right now and those who have fought in the past," he said. "Hope those guys (soldiers in Afghanistan) get finished very quick and come home."

Lindsay was on hand to talk to people about two of the Army's crew-served

weapons, the MK19 automatic grenade launcher and the Browning .50 caliber machine gun.

"I love this one," he said, pointing to the automatic grenade launcher.

The Browning machine gun has been around since World War II, Lindsay said, and is often remembered for its fast rate of fire and somewhat inaccurate aim.

Staff Sgt. James Vasquez was demonstrating two individual served weapons. The M16 A2 is the primary weapon of any soldier. The M16 Vasquez was displaying was equipped with a grenade launcher.

"Pretty smooth, no recoil," he said about shooting the grenade launcher. "A

very effective weapon."

Vasquez said both the M249 light machine gun and the M16A2 have a range between 1.5 to two miles. He said the best weapon in war is not the weapon used but the soldier using the weapon.

"What makes the weapon most effective is the individual soldier's talent and expertise," Vasquez said. "A tank is only as good as its crew."

Vasquez said since the Sept. 11 tragedy, the American people have been instilled with greater pride in the military. He described himself as a Christian who, like most people, does not want kill another human being, but views the war in Afghanistan as a necessity.

"We've been attacked by something doggone evil," he said. "We are the soldiers of our God, defending our freedom and our God. Now we have to take down the devil, the evil."

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Knight

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Guard Will Chavis said it feels good to win two, but Tech still has a lot of work to do.

"Coach (Knight) told us after the game we just got our first championship," Tech point guard Will Chavis said. "It feels good to have a first championship, but he said we have a lot of work to do, and he's right."

In the win against William & Mary, Tech was paced on offense by Ellis, who scored 19.

Forward Kasib Powell added 17. Knight said there was a stretch of basketball where the Raiders played as

well as they are capable of playing. That string of good basketball, Knight-style, included a 35-13 run after falling behind the Tribe 9-8 early. Ellis said the opening game win was a good measuring stick for the season. "It was a big win," Ellis said. "You want to start off a season right with a win. We played all right at times, and I think that's a good sign for us. We just need to improve on a couple little things, and I think we'll be all right."

Tech did much of the same in win No. 2 by outscoring the Aztecs 50-33 at halftime, sparked from the hot hand of Chavis, who hit all five of his three point attempts.

Chavis, who struggled in game two, said his shot felt better and he knew he

had to recover from his scoreless game one effort.

"I just tried to bounce back from (Friday)," he said. "This win gave us a foundation and some confidence going into the season."

So is Knight the same coach he was while at Indiana?

Fisher said he notices many similarities. "I saw a lot of Bob Knight in Tech," Fisher said. "I'm like him, I'm not talking about Indiana. He's a wonderful, wonderful coach, and he commands the respect of his players. It's not a miracle that he's won as many games as he's won."

William & Mary coach Rick Boyages watched game film of Tech's two exhibitions and said he sees Hoosiers in Raiders.

"They're very, very similar," said Boyages, who was an assistant at Ohio State while Knight was at Indiana. "If you put Indiana practice jerseys on them, they would have looked the same as Texas Tech."

Ellis likes the comparison. "I hope we look like them," Ellis said of Indiana. "But we've got to make a lot more strides to get there."

Only 10,444 fans showed up for debut day on Friday, while 1,000 less made the championship game on Sunday.

"I was fairly disappointed that we didn't have a larger crowd," Knight said on Friday. "We screwed the thing up because we didn't put it on the season ticket package."

Fraternity

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it from the beginning. "After the night on the inside, we just wanted to leave it as it was," said Rodney Cole, a Prairie View Iota Phi Theta member. "There were more of them than there were of us and we simply wanted to not be involved in the situation anymore than we had to."

However, because of the fight, the Koko Cave's owner called the party off and asked everyone to leave. While deputy sheriff's officers tried to escort people out of the party, another altercation began outside.

Lubbock Police Department officers were called to the scene to help disperse the fight. One officer was injured while trying to stop the altercation, when shards from a broken glass bottle hit his

eye. He was treated and released from University Medical Center.

"We were in a self-defense mode of action," Cole said.

"We did not know what to expect from the fight. We just knew that we had to protect ourselves at all times."

As the police officers were trying to take hold of the fight, an unidentified man fired a gunshot.

A police report released several days after the altercation stated police were unsure who actually fired the shot, but that it did not come from an officer.

As the fight was ending, an Alpha

Phi Alpha member allegedly struck a member of the Iota fraternity with a metal pipe, breaking his nose.

Police officers were finally able to get everyone to leave the scene.

When Iota Phi Theta fraternity members returned to their hotel, Cole said, they found members of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity there. Another altercation took place.

"After the altercation at the party, we thought everything was over," he said. "The fight was taken too far when they came to our hotel to start more trouble. We

wanted to leave the situation alone."

Ethan Logan, director of Judicial Affairs at the Student Mediation Center at Tech, said he would look at all the evidence and make his decision accordingly.

"I will take everything I have heard and statements I have and formulate a decision out of that," he said. "My decision will not be final until I have written a letter to the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, and I expect to have that done by Monday or Tuesday."

Zanovia Gatson, a sophomore psychology major from Odessa, whose brother was injured in the altercation, said he wants to see justice done.

"I do not necessarily want anything bad to happen to them (Alpha Phi Alpha), but I feel that justice should finally be served," he said.

Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity members declined to comment.

The fight was taken too far when they came to our hotel to start more trouble.

— RODNEY COLE
Iota Phi Theta Member

Taliban

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possibilities for hiding."

Powell said the Central Intelligence Agency has been doing "some rather splendid work with respect to our activities in Afghanistan, working alongside our military forces that are inside in Afghanistan."

The Washington Post reported Sunday

the CIA has paramilitary forces in Afghanistan; Powell would not confirm that.

"I think we've got a very fine linkup between our intelligence assets, our military assets, all within the framework of a good political and military strategy," Powell said on ABC's "This Week." "And it's now starting to show rather significant results."

If bin Laden were to flee Afghanistan, the United States would keep up the hunt, Wolfowitz said.

"We are going to continue pursuing him," he said. "Let's also remember, we're going to continue pursuing the entire al-Qaida network, which is in 60 countries, not just Afghanistan and, worst of all, here in the United States. ... This is a campaign against all the global terrorist networks and the states that support terrorism."

Powell said no country on the periphery of Afghanistan — even China — would give bin Laden a haven.

"I don't think this fellow is going to

be welcome anywhere," he said. "He is an outcast. He is a murderer, he's a terrorist. ... He is on the run, just as the president said he would be. And we will get him."

Rice cautioned against assuming that the military successes in Afghanistan over the past week mean the United States has met its main objective.

"This may take a while," she said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Aviation

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citizens and meet higher employment standards.

For three years after the law goes into

effect all airports must be under the federal system, except for five airports of different sizes that can apply for pilot programs trying different screening approaches. After that period, airports can opt out of the federal system, although Hollings said that after an airport brings

in federal workers, "I couldn't see it going back."

The "opt out" provision was a concession to House Republicans who objected to creating a new federal bureaucracy and wanted to give the president more flexibility in deciding

whether security personnel should be civil servants or privately employed.

The bill also incorporated a House provision that puts all transportation security under a new Transportation Department agency.

Board

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The board approved one of Tech's older projects, the creation of a veterinary school nearly 30 years ago. However, it will not be effective by the time limit.

Tech's interim Chancellor Dr. David Smith said he does not believe the new time limit would have any negative effects upon the university.

Smith said although the veterinary school has not yet been implemented, it does not mean it is a dead

issue. The project would require extensive planning and would probably involve legislative approval as well, Smith said, noting the biggest roadblock in creating a veterinary school is funding.

"The facilities would probably cost \$150 million," he said. "That's a large price tag. While I think these are some barriers, it's certainly not off the table."

Tech is looking at several options including a collaborative effort with Texas A&M University to help with large animal care, Smith said.

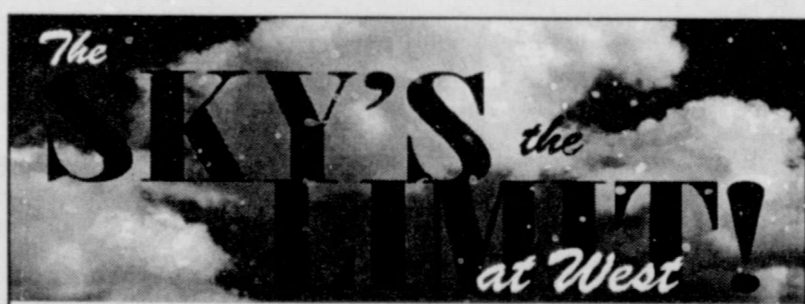
"The need out here for large animal

care is significant," he said.

Typically, once given a first approval, the board tends to give a final approval, said Ben Lock, executive assistant to the

chancellor.

"I only heard favorable comments on the part of the board members," he said.



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Doctors warn students to not overlook diabetes

HEALTHY ADVICE:
Tech physician urges people to watch what they eat and drink.

By Jeff Stoughton/Staff Reporter

Diabetes is a disease many college students never think about, but it affects more than 16 million people in the United States, with 1.6 million of those in Texas.

Gene Bell, director of the Texas Tech Diabetes Center, said diabetes is a metabolic disorder in which the pancreas slows down or stops production of insulin, an essential product for processing sugar in the bloodstream. There are two types: Type 1 is when the pancreas stops making insulin entirely, and Type 2 is when insulin production is slowed.

Type 1 diabetes, which makes up 10 percent of all known cases, is an autoimmune disorder that causes the body's immune system to attack insulin-producing cells in the pancreas. The cause currently is unknown.

People affected with the disease must take daily insulin injections to maintain a safe level of sugar in their blood. The onset of symptoms, which includes extreme thirst, frequent urination, extreme hunger, blurred vision and decreased healing, is sudden and usually begins just

before puberty. Type 2 diabetes makes up 90 percent of all known cases. The symptoms are usually not as severe as those of Type 1 diabetes, therefore the disease is usually diagnosed much later in life.

Individuals at risk for Type 2 diabetes include people with a family history of the disease, certain ethnic groups, people age 45 or older, overweight people, those suffering from high blood pressure, smokers and people who do not exercise regularly. Treatment of Type 2 diabetes usually includes lifestyle changes such as exercise and diet management, but can include oral diabetes medications.

Bell said there is an increase of Type 2 diabetes among children because they are leading sedentary lifestyles and eating unhealthy foods high in sugar, fat and cholesterol. Americans are becoming more and more overweight, she said. According to a recent survey, 50 percent of American adults and 25 percent of children are considered overweight.

Bell said although most cases of Type 2 diabetes are diagnosed later in life, college students should be aware of the factors that cause the disease.

Dr. Mohammed Bakdash, a physician at the center, said college students should be mindful of their health now to prevent the onset of diabetes later in life.

"We advise them to eat right, avoid the fast food and watch the alcohol," he said. "You should try to prevent diabetes now."

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Don't just be thankful — be careful

COLUMN



LINDA ROBERTSON

We are about to go on Thanksgiving break, followed almost immediately by final exams. Be careful, will you? You want to know about what it is I am speaking? I am speaking about going home and coming back alive. Taking your finals and partying, and still being alive. I am talking about going home for Christmas and staying alive while you're at home. I'm talking about coming back to school next semester, alive. You can see I keep putting the word "alive" at the end of every sentence. For good reason. I have been around long enough to hear literally thousands of stories about how people have lost children and loved ones of all ages to something

incredibly stupid. Something that might not have happened except for a split-second of bad judgment.

The people left behind as a result of this moment of extreme jubilation are devastated and turn into zombies as a result of overwhelming grief.

I know at this age, there's a tendency to think we're immortal. Nothing can touch us because we are "us."

I have news for you. Our nation was touched, even though things like what happened in September only happen to other countries. We are the "other" country now. The possibility does exist that you and I are the "other" people who may lose family members. Your parents, boyfriends, girlfriends, spouses or children may become the "other" people who lose you.

When I nursed, because of the area in which I worked, I saw lots of "other" people's children or loved ones in all manner of bad shape. I would hear the story about what happened and just sit and shake my head. Then, I would meet the parents.

Oh, the parents. No matter how badly you may get

along with your parents, you have to believe me when I say they love you very much. I can't even find the words necessary to quantify how much they love you. I can't begin to tell you how hard it is to tell a parent what happened to the body who used to be their child, laid out on the bed with tubes, hoses, pipes, IV lines and other entertaining things coming out of entertaining places. I can't begin to tell you how hard it is to look at the people surrounding the situation and know that nothing, nothing will ever be the same again for them.

I also can't quantify my anger at knowing the person laid out on the bed has wasted a perfectly good mind, body and soul in the name of doing something as stupid as trying to impress friends, girlfriends or boyfriends.

One of my responsibilities here at The University Daily is to find Associated Press stories to use for the day. I found one that blew me absolutely away.

A student from a college in Kansas was reaching across a balcony several floors up from the ground for a cigarette

someone was offering him. He fell to his death.

Can you imagine having to explain that to this poor kid's parents? How about when they come to identify their poor idiot child?

So I am back to my bottom line.

I can't imagine anything worse than being featured as the winner of this year's Darwin Award, given to anyone too stupid to know better than to do something guaranteed to kill them.

So before you decide 120 mph is a good speed when you go anywhere, or you and your Budweisers Jack Daniels, Jim Beam and Johnny Walker need to get together and run around or anything else most people can't do well, take a second, just one little second, and consider what your parents will look like trying to identify the spot of grease on the ground or table that used to be you.

And do me a favor, huh? Be careful, will you?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tribute deserved respect, attention

To the editor: Congratulations to all the Oklahoma Sooners and their fans. As a Red Raider, I really enjoyed watching the two teams play on Saturday. I believe both teams showed the respect and dignity that the schools have for themselves and each other.

However, I am writing to express my disappointment at the Sooner band members and coaches. Texas Tech dedicated the weekend to all the veterans of our country. (Now, I am assuming it is part of OU tradition to have the players and coaches huddle on the field for pregame, while the band plays the fight song.) During what I believe was a very important pre-game ceremony paying tribute to the veteran alumni of our school, the OU coaches ran across the field while the OU band began playing. These men deserved respect from all of us — not just Tech students. I hope it was a mistake on their part and they interrupted this important ceremony by accident.

Danielle Asmus
 senior
 advertising

Rao's columns hypocritical

To the editor: It is my sincere hope that upon reading the "Perspectives" section of Friday's issue of The University Daily, most people uttered, "Sandeep Rao is insane." What sort of individual would argue one week that the government is unfairly victimizing the good and fine Bayer corporation,

and then, the next week, openly advocate starving children in order to win the war more quickly?

So, for Mr. Rao, the ends do not justify the means when it comes to demanding a fair price for Cipro, but apparently killing innocents on a massive scale is just fine if it means we can get that crazy Osama bin Laden. These are the earmarks of a sociopath.

Now, for those of you who are not crazy but were compelled by Mr. Rao's remarks, here are just a few observations:

1. Let's try to remember how people feel when innocent civilians are targeted and killed. Hmmm... Is there an event to which Americans can attend that would put this into context?

2. Killing bin Laden, if that is the desired end that Rao believes justifies these crimes, will do little to stop the terrorist threat. Terrorists can operate without his leadership, and killing him will just make him a martyr in their eyes. Mr. Rao needs to explain a bit more what this "total victory" is supposed to look like.

3. It is disturbing that anyone would argue that humanitarianism and compassion are hindrances that must be discarded. It seems to me that these are the qualities we would want to adhere to most vehemently in this time of crisis. To do otherwise is to become what you most despise — a terrorist.

4. To the editor: My hope is that this column was ran because of The UD's support of freedom of speech. Obviously, it takes guts to print someone's psychotic ramblings. Across this country, people have lost their jobs because they dared to print opinions that were not in favor of the war. I hope

The UD's willingness to showcase Mr. Rao's opinions is evidence that the other side will be heard as well.

Timothy Hansel
 graduate student
 philosophy

Cartoon's intentions questionable

To the editor: In last Monday's edition of The University Daily (11-12) there was a distasteful and highly offensive cartoon drawn by Andrew Nelson portraying the socio-economic status of the Lubbock community.

On the picture it showed a run-down shack between two decent looking houses. The lawn of the shack showed a beat up tire, a beer bottle and a Chihuahua dog. On top of the roof, it showed a man wearing what appears to be a sombrero.

Though I don't proclaim myself an art critic, one has to wonder about the intentions of the artist, leaving one to view Andrew's integrity and credentials as questionable. Questionable to the point of suggesting to the readers to believe that not only is Andrew making a racist statement but also casting a shadow of skepticism to the top officials of the Texas Tech administration on their stand to improve diversity. Since the unfortunate incident of the Texas Tech-Texas A&M football game, we have been urged by our fellow students and by the Tech administration to follow suit the pathway created by the Nebraska Cornhuskers of sportsmanship.

Now it is time for Texas Tech to step up into the threshold of becoming an

example to the nation of a university that does not only tolerate diversity, but embraces it. It is clear that the top Tech Administrators (Interim Chancellor Dr. David Smith and President David Schmidly) and the Student Government Association have dropped the ball on tackling this issue. Now is the time for the students of this great university to step up and fill the gaps created by the absence of those who represent us.

How is Tech ever to reach its long-awaited goal of reaching Tier 1 status if it fails to reach the pinnacle of a well-rounded and diverse education — a pinnacle that the University of Texas reached a long time ago and indulges in it's success?

On this Thanksgiving holiday let us take the time to reflect on the following quote, "It is not the university that makes the individual but rather the individual who makes the university."

It is up to you and all of us to leave a legacy and foundation for future Red Raiders by honestly and sincerely embracing diversity and equity for all.

Jorge Pineda
 treasurer
 Hispanic Student Society

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Nelson's cartoon was meant as a reflection of Lubbock zoning laws and Nelson's opinion of the disparity of upkeep in houses — even residences which are next door to each other. The cartoon was not drawn or printed to make a racial statement. The dog was not a Chihuahua and the man was wearing a straw hat, not a sombrero. The UD whole-heartedly regrets any confusion in interpretation of the cartoon.)

Feelings of inferiority not worth it

COLUMN



KELLIE TOLBERT

There is a part on every girl's body she feels inferior about. Some of you may say this isn't true, but at some point, you have worried about some part

of your body being too small or too big. You try not to worry about anything, but it happens no matter how self-confident you are. The point is to not let it show.

And every girl has her ugly days, even if you are a beauty queen or a supermodel. You may wake up one morning after a visit from the bed-head fairy and realize you look like crap. Even though you may feel like this sometimes, there are ways to combat these feelings.

When you start to feel down, just remind yourself there are more ugly people out there than you. You don't look any better than the elephant man when you wake up with a hangover, but nobody is there to take pictures of you like the sideshow freak you look like. You just have to find the upside to everything. If you have a big butt, remember many girls with no butt envy you and would kill for half of what you have. Don't be ashamed of your big butt — flaunt it for all it's worth. Don't try to hide it.

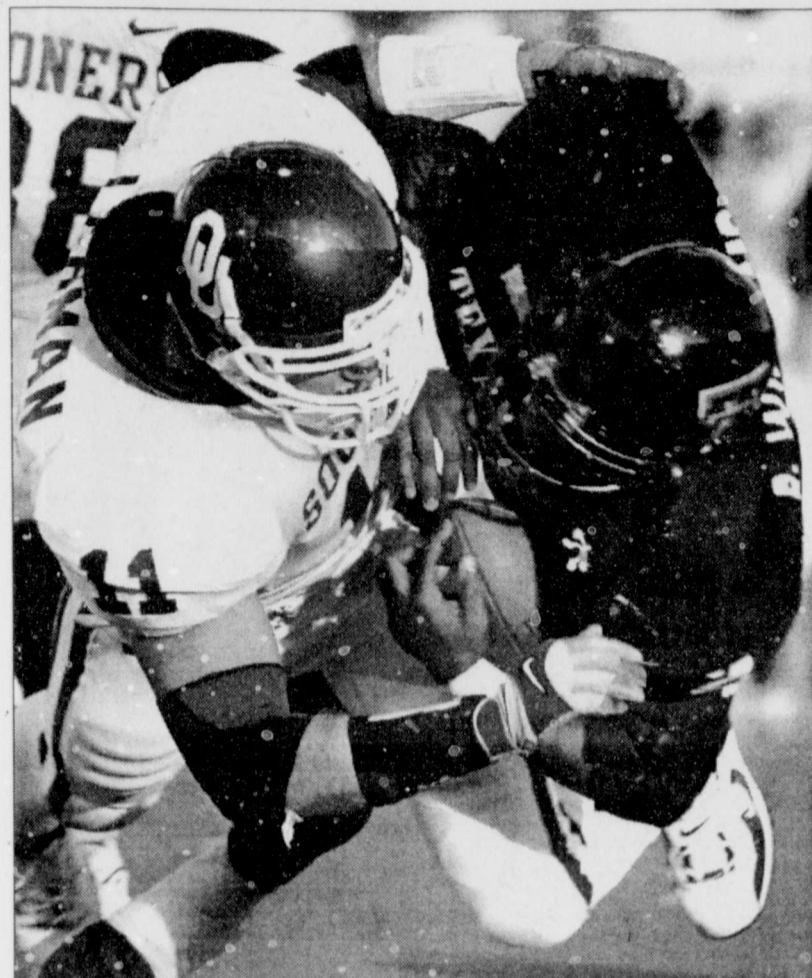
Hiding a flaw can sometimes just accentuate the problem — like trying to stuff your bra because you have small breasts because other girls will know. Guys may not notice the soft cushiony look to your breasts, but girls will. But that solution is really junior high because older people have water bras and Wonder bras to help alleviate the problem of small breasts. But for all you small-breasted girls out there, the rumor is small breasts are in. Guys need no more than a handful or at least that is what I am told; the rest is just a waste, or maybe they just say that to make me feel better.

When you have those days where you just don't feel pretty, give yourself a pep talk. If you think you aren't pretty, no one else will either. You have to walk like your poop doesn't stink. At least that is what my mom tells me. Walk with your head held high like you know what you are doing and where you are going. Even if you have no idea where you are, pretend — girls should be good at this because we are the best liars in the world. Don't ever walk with your head down — it shows a lack of self-confidence in yourself and your surroundings. Also, if you walk with your head down, you might run into somebody or something and look like you have no idea what's going on around you. People may also think it's drugs. I myself practice walking with my head held high and people think I am a snob who thinks she is better than everyone else. But I also have been asked why I walk that way and I just say it's better than looking like a shy little geek who knows no one, and it's just who I am.

If you are inferior about a part of your body, don't harp on it. No one cares if your butt looks big in those pants. Asking someone over and over if your make-up is perfect or if your hair is OK is annoying. My roommate has a thing about her hair being frizzy and I always tell her the truth because I have to be seen with her. But her asking every 20 minutes annoys me a little but I deal with it because I understand the inferiority she has. But she is not as bad as other people I have met. One girl asked me all night if she had lipstick on her teeth every five minutes, when she finally did get lipstick on her teeth I didn't tell her. I also stopped hanging out with her that night so I wouldn't be associated with that girl who had lipstick on her teeth.

So remember, as you are feeling inferior about some part of your body, everybody else does too. Be comfortable with yourself because that is whom you are and nothing is going to change it, besides a lot of money and plastic surgery.

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GREG KRELLER/Staff Photographer

TEXAS TECH RUNNING back Ricky Williams gets tackled by Sooner linebaker Teddy Lehman during the Red Raiders' 30-13 loss Saturday at Jones SBC Stadium.

Oklahoma defense stifles Tech

By Phil Riddle/Staff Reporter

A dead-even first half gave Texas Tech fans a reason to hope, but defending national champion Oklahoma dominated the last two periods on the way to a 30-13 Big 12 football victory Saturday in front of a crowd of 52,008 at Jones SBC Stadium.

Each team racked up 155 yards of offense in the first half, but a change in blitz patterns put additional pressure on Tech quarterback Kliff Kingsbury and limited the Red Raider offense to 92 yards in the last 30 minutes.

Kingsbury completed 14 of 19 for 112 yards in the first half, including a 40-yard TD strike to Ricky Williams. In the second half, however, the Tech QB was harassed by the Sooners front seven and completed 10 of 18 for 99 yards.

Kingsbury was complimentary of the OU defensive unit, which forced three turnovers and held Tech to five yards rushing in the game.

"It was tough," Kingsbury said. "They have a good team and they played well." Kingsbury also said the Raiders didn't make the plays needed to fight Oklahoma.

"I felt like we had a pretty good game

plan," he said. "We made mistakes, but they caused a lot of them. They didn't give us anything deep and they did a good job of getting a rush."

Kingsbury was intercepted for the first time in 131 attempts in the first quarter when Kory Klein came up with a pick off a tipped screen pass attempt. The swipe resulted in Oklahoma's first points, a 42-yard field goal by Tim Duncan.

Kingsbury was also intercepted in the third when Antonio Perkins stole a pass intended for Wes Welker.

The Tech quarterback felt like he made some mistakes on the day, but said OU defenders caused some of them.

"I don't think I was at my best," Kingsbury said, "but they had a lot to do with that. They did a good job of stopping everything. They forced us into bad situations and made plays."

Tech coach Mike Leach also had good words for the Oklahoma defensive unit.

"Their defense is pretty good," he said. "I thought both defenses played extremely well. I think the effort was good. I felt like we didn't rise up at key times in the game. We fell short on key downs."

The Raiders' defense held the defend-

ing national champions to 53 rushing yards in the first half and forced a pair of field goals from Duncan after the Sooners penetrated the Tech red zone.

Leach pointed out the positives of Tech's defensive effort.

"I thought the defensive plan was good. I thought the effort level was good. We did a good job of getting pressure on (OU quarterback Nate Hybl)."

Defensive end Aaron Hunt moved to within striking distance of the school sack record against Oklahoma, getting to Hybl twice. Hunt has 25 career sacks at Tech, just behind Montae Reagor's 25.5.

Penalties were a major part of Tech's frustration on the day. The Raiders committed 11 infractions Saturday, resulting in 84 yards of penalties. More importantly, two of the first-half flags came on third down plays, allowing Sooners' drives to continue.

Linebacker Jonathan Hawkins said the calls against Tech were crucial, especially a pair of roughing the passer calls which came on third-and-long situations.

"The penalties definitely hurt," he said. "They were on third downs and they were questionable calls. We were going

after him all day and we just wanted to get pressure on him. Our blitzes were effective and we definitely put a lot of pressure. He stepped around us a couple of times, threw hot a couple of times. I wish we could have a couple of plays back."

Things headed south for the Raiders on the opening kickoff of the second half when Antwone Savage took a line drive kick from Robert Teece 56 yards to the Tech 40-yard stripe.

The Raider defense stiffened and Ricky Sailor picked off the second of his two interceptions of the day, but the damage was done in field position, at least according to Leach.

"That was significant," he said, "because it hurt us in field position for the next five or six possessions."

Tech tackle Matt Heider saw the second-half changes by the Sooner defense.

"They brought some blitzes and they played very hard," Heider said. "That's one thing they do very well, they play very hard every single snap."

The loss drops Tech to 6-4 on the season and 4-4 within the Big 12. Oklahoma, ranked No. 3 nationally, moves to 10-1 overall and 6-1 in conference play.

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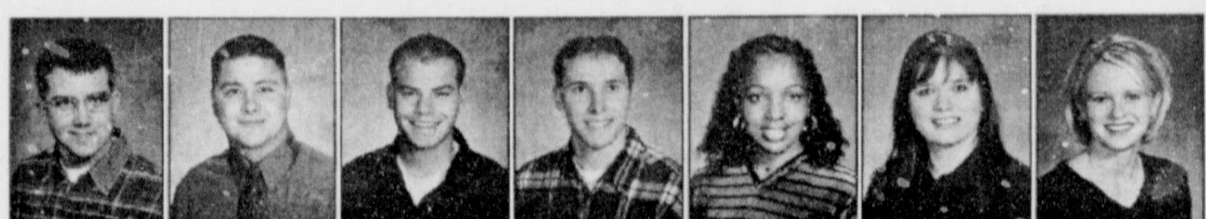

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'Harry Potter' makes movie magic

MOVIE REVIEW

The Harry Potter series of books by J.K. Rowling is arguably one of the biggest literary phenomena of the twentieth century. So naturally the film version of the first book of the series has been one of the most highly anticipated films of the last year. But there are many people who are having serious problems with the film's release. Admittedly, I do have problems with the idea of children training to be witches and warlocks, and I do have questions as to the overall philosophy lurking behind the story itself. There's just something extremely dark there.

However, there is absolutely no denying this film is excellent in every sense of the word. It comes extremely close to perfection. The film's makers have paid very close attention to the details of the story and have stayed very close to the text from which they are working. It's the story of a young boy named Harry Potter, (played with low-key excellence by Daniel

Radcliffe) who is orphaned and is left on the doorstep of his aunt and uncle's house to grow up with them.



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When he turns 11, he begins to show signs of having supernatural powers. It's not long after he's discovered these powers that he is sent literally thousands of letters inviting him to attend the prestigious Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. He is visited by the game-keeper of Hogwarts—a burly wizard named Hagrid played by Robbie Coltrane who stands out in this role. He explains to Harry that the boy's parents were two great wizards and Harry is now invited to be trained as a wizard at Hogwarts where his father once attended school.

Before going to school, however, one must buy school supplies. In one of the most fun scenes in the film, Harry is taken to a secret marketplace to buy school sup-

plies—a magic wand in particular. In this shopping center, Harry finds everyone already seems to know who he is. Apparently, they have been expecting him for quite some time.

Harry finally is taken to the Hogwarts school. The school is a fantastic and gothic-looking castle complete with moving staircases and paintings on the walls that move. The set design of Hogwarts may very well be the most impressive aspect of the film. Director Chris Columbus has done the right thing in keeping the fantastic involved throughout.

The professors at Hogwarts each have certain magical subjects to teach—potions, levitation, etc. and are played by a huge cast of excellent British actors, namely Richard Harris as Dumbledore, Maggie Smith as Prof. McGonagall, and Alan Rickman as Prof. Snape.

There are so many mistakes that could have been made in this film, so many things that could have gone wrong. They didn't. This is the stuff of which classics are made.

EPPLER'S RATING: ★★★★★



JEREMY MOORE/Staff Photographer

FUSHICHO DAIKO, A Japanese drum group, performs the piece "Hikari" Friday evening at the Allen Theatre. The dance expresses their fascination with the high speed Japanese train of the same name.

Fushicho Daiko hits high note Friday

By Damion Davis/Staff Reporter

The drums heard in the University Center's Allen Theatre on Friday were Taiko, a form of drumming that comes from Japan.

It involves drums made from huge tree trunks and cowhide.

Angela Lee, an sophomore undeclared major from Odessa, said this was an unusual performance and something she did not expect.

"I expected to hear a lot of drums that kind of spoke of the Japanese culture and I was a little disappointed. This performance as not as exciting as I had hoped it would be," she said.

Fushicho Daiko is the name of the troupe that performed. Their name loosely refers to the Phoenix, a mythical bird that never dies.

Esther E. Vandecar founded the troop in 1992 after studying Taiko for seven years. She said not everything they do on stage is planned.

"The choreography is not something we necessarily work on. We just feel the music and how it leads us is how we go," she said.

Tina Butler, a junior restaurant, hotel and institutional management major from Odessa, said she enjoyed the performance. "I like to see things from different cultures. I already knew a little about

Taiko and I think this was a wonderful representation of it," she said.

Many of the pieces performed represented a time in Japanese culture where great emotion is displayed. "Kotaro" is a song played before a great Sumo wrestling tournament. This was a very up-tempo selection that was well received by the crowd.

Anthony Trotty, a freshman music major from Lubbock, said this was by far his favorite piece of the whole night.

"Since I am into all kinds of music it is very refreshing to see this kind of music on display. I feel very fortunate to be here and think what they have been doing is great," he said.

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