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Law school registrar dies after more than 10 years at Tech

By Natalie Worthen/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech School of Law registrar Linda Kamp died Sunday at Covenant Medical Center due to pulmonary problems.

Kamp was born in Terre Haute, Ind. on Oct. 7, 1940. She graduated from Arlington High School in 1958 and from Texas Tech in 1991.

In 1989 she became the registrar for



Kamp

the law school.

Funeral arrangements have not been finalized.

Donna Williams, admissions counselor at the law school, said she lost not only a co-worker, but a good friend.

"I can't even begin to tell you what she meant to the law students," Williams said.

Williams and Kamp worked together for almost 16 years.

"She will be sorely missed," she said. "She was a good friend to all of us at the law school."

Martha McDaniel, administrative support for the law school, explained the cause of death.

"She had pneumonia, asthma and

emphysema that had caused her to be sick for a while," McDaniel said.

McDaniel said that Kamp suffered a heart attack Saturday, had bypass surgery Sunday and died after surgical complications.

Kamp's husband, Bud Kamp, died in 1997.

She is survived by her mother, Cedona Odell; along with her three sons, Mike Doyle and Bill Kamp, both from

Lubbock; and Jim Kamp from Ft. Worth; and two daughters, Shannon Knabeschuh from Beaumont and Kathy Ayers from Lubbock.

Kamp had 13 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

"Linda cared about all the kids that went through the law school," McDaniel said. "She went to all of their graduations and weddings when she was physically able to."

McDaniel said it would take all of the administrators at the law school to fill her shoes.

"A lot of lawyers in the state of Texas owe their careers to Linda," McDaniel said.

Brian Shannon, assistant dean of the law school, said she had a big impact at the school.

"She was very close to the students as well as the faculty," Shannon said.

SGA vies for future candidates

ELECTION NEARS:

Students wishing to run for office must turn in notice by 5 p.m. Friday.

By Laura Sepeda/Staff Reporter

The Student Government Association is now taking letters of intent from candidates. The deadline for a letter of intent is 5 p.m. Friday.

Internal Vice President Kelli Stumbo said she believes a greater number of candidates on the ballot will increase voter turnout.

"We would like to have at least 20 percent of the student body turn up for the elections," she said. "A greater number of candidates would mean more people supporting them and turning up for the elections. The only way students are going to be represented and have a voice is if they vote for whoever is being their voice."

Last year, about 5,000 people voted.

Each candidate must attend a workshop and familiarize themselves with the structure and procedures of the SGA and campaign rules.

The SGA is structured similar to the U.S. government. There is an executive branch, which is composed of the president, the internal vice president and external vice president. The legislative branch is composed of student senators. The judicial branch consists of supreme court justices.

"The external vice president deals with parking, city buses and the community," Stumbo said. "Then we have the internal vice (president) who deals with everything that goes on within the campus."

Anyone who will be a junior by next fall can run for internal or external vice president, but to run for senator, the candidate must be attending the college he or she wishes to represent and have sophomore standing by the fall semester.

To run for president, a candidate must be a senior by the time he or

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DAY-CARE DOLLARS



JEREMY MOORE/Staff Photographer

ANNABETH THOMAS, 4, shows off her dinosaurs while Jack Walter, 4, plays with a dinosaur in the sand at the Human Sciences playground Monday afternoon. Through the Office of Financial Aid, students could receive funding for childcare starting next Fall.

Students with children could receive aid for childcare starting this Fall.

By Jenny Klein/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech University's Office of Student Affairs and Office of Financial Aid for Students are teaming up to offer financial relief to students with children in day care.

The two entities have started a pilot program for the spring semester, recruiting students with children by means of Financial Aid and the Early Learning Centers of Lubbock, Michael Shonrock, vice president of Student Affairs, said.

"We want to offer at least some supplemental support for students with

the greatest financial needs to provide childcare," he said.

More than \$2,000 in local funds is available to use this semester, Shonrock said.

The goal is to find 10 students with the greatest financial need looking for assistance that utilize childcare services and spend a maximum of \$50 per week, per student.

Financial Aid's role is to substantiate which students need this assistance, Earl Hudgins, director of Student Financial Aid, said.

"This program is need based. We

want the money to go to students who need it the most," Hudgins said.

The Financial Aid office determines financial necessity by using the federal calculations that deal with family financial strength, he said. Students will fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid to determine how much in grants or loans he or she is eligible to receive.

Students who have one or more children in day care must provide proof of day-care costs. Based on the calculations of the FAFSA and day-care information, the Financial Aid office will determine

whether the student is eligible for childcare assistance.

Once financial need has been established, the financial aid office will notify the childcare facility to find out if there are any openings for that child. Once placement has been confirmed, the student will then be notified, Hudgins said.

For the spring pilot program, Hudgins is using information already available on students. The Early Learning Centers of Lubbock have also made recommenda-

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WTC items finding way back home

By Sara Kugler/Associated Press

NEW YORK — Amid the concrete and steel scooped from the World Trade Center ruins are bracelets and lockets, watches and wallets, key rings and cell phones.

Police are now beginning the monumental task of returning thousands of personal items to the grieving families and those who got out alive.

"If we can somehow help to alleviate someone's pain and give them back a fond memory, we'd love to," said Deputy Inspector Jack Trabitz, commanding officer of the Police Department's Property Clerk Division.

For four months, the department has been storing and cataloging the ash-covered belongings. Recently it began returning items that clearly show a name, such as driver's licenses, credit cards, datebooks and jewelry with an inscription.

The department is still trying to determine the proper way to return other, less easily identifiable items.

Victims groups say one idea under consideration is a book, similar to a catalog, that would show photographs of found items. Another possibility is a showroom where families could look through bins of personal effects.

"We're going to explore everything, whether it's show viewing, whether it's anything. Those decisions haven't been made yet," Trabitz said.

Mary Ellen Salamone, whose husband, John Salamone, worked for the bond firm Cantor Fitzgerald, said she favors the catalog process because it seems more organized and less likely to lead to errors and confusion.

Salamone hopes her husband's 18-inch gold chain and crucifix will be found. She gave it to him 12 years ago, before they married, and he never took it off.

"For some of us, this is all we have left," said Salamone, whose husband's body has not been found. "My husband has an empty grave right now, and he might forever. To get part of his chain back would mean everything to me."

Officers will compare items to the descriptions that families wrote on missing-persons reports.



JENNA HANSEN/Staff Photographer

JOHN SNOW, DEAN of geosciences at the University of Oklahoma, speaks to Tech students and faculty about the Tornado Debris Project Monday.

Tornado simulator furthers Tech wind science studies

By Justin Matthews/Staff Reporter

John Snow, dean of the Department of Geosciences at the University of Oklahoma and director of the Oklahoma Weather Center, visited Texas Tech Monday to give a presentation about the Tornado Debris Project.

"The Tornado Debris Project is a project to look at the transport of debris from long distances away in reference to where they originated by tornadic thunderstorms," Snow said. Tech bid on and was chosen to research this project from a list of several universities across the country.

Richard Peterson, the chairman of the Tech Department of Geosciences, explained how the project idea originated.

"This all started with a tornado back in 1970 and has grown to become the Wind Science and Engineering Research Center," Peterson said. "Mr. Snow was brought in to explain, from his experiences, information and ideas on the project to students and faculty here at Tech."

Tech currently has a prototype of a simulator that is approximately one and a half to two feet tall but wants to build a small tornado simulator that will generate a six-foot tornado.

This will allow them to research a tornadic storm under a controlled environment.

Kishor Mehta, director of Wind Science and Engineering Research at Tech, said the simulator, which will be located at their current field site, west of the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center, will cost about \$60,000.

"Among other things, the \$60,000 includes pay for the materials and students working on the project part-time," Mehta said. "It is being funded by the Texas Advance Research Program and should be complete in anywhere from six months to a year."

Mehta said there are plans to build a larger simulator in a few years depending on how well the smaller model and research goes.

"In two to three years we should have enough information to allow us to build a larger simulator, one that we are more happy with," he said.

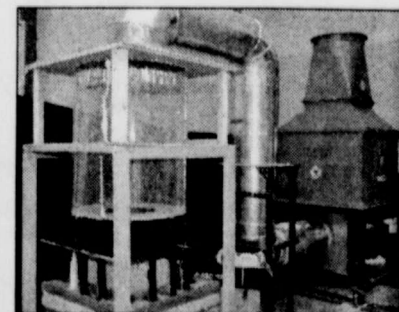
The larger version would be built at Reese Center, where the program plans to move soon and would cost anywhere from \$250,000 to \$300,000.

The project is expected to benefit Tech and its students in

many ways.

"Every four years there is an international meeting of wind engineers held usually in places such as London and Copenhagen, but will next, in the summer of 2003, be here in Lubbock," Peterson said. "This is proof that the international community accepts Lubbock as a research center."

Mehta explained how the program's idea is to determine how to design buildings that would be able to interact with



JENNA HANSEN/Staff Photographer
A MODEL OF the wind tunnel sits in the Mechanical Engineering building.

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The Rundown



Dallas jury sentences Newbury to death

DALLAS (AP) — A Dallas County jury sentenced a South Texas prison inmate to death on Monday for the slaying of an Irving police officer.

The jury deliberated for one hour before sentencing Donald Keith Newbury for the Christmas Eve 2000 murder of Officer Aubrey Hawkins.

There was no visible reaction from Newbury as the verdict was read.

He was the second of a gang of six violent prison inmates who escaped from the Connally Unit prison, near Kenedy, to be sentenced in the slaying, which happened the gang robbed an Irving sporting goods store.

Confessed gang ringleader George Rivas was convicted of capital murder and sentenced to death last August.

Jurors had the alternative of sentencing Newbury to life imprisonment for the crime.

Hawkins, 29, was killed when he was hit 11 times by bullets from five weapons. He also was run over by his squad car.

Missing WSJ reporter apparently a hostage

NEW YORK (AP) — A Wall Street Journal reporter has apparently been taken hostage in Pakistan by a group seeking repatriation of detained Pakistani fighters in Cuba and the release of Afghanistan's former ambassador to Pakistan.

An e-mail from "The National Movement for the Restoration of Pakistani Sovereignty" accused reporter Daniel Pearl of being a CIA officer posing as a journalist, an accusation the newspaper and CIA have both dismissed.

Pearl, 38, a reporter based in Bombay, India, has been missing since Wednesday.

That is when he went to visit a source near Karachi, Pakistan, for a story about terrorism, The Wall Street Journal reported Monday.

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said Monday that U.S. officials have been in contact with authorities in Pakistan "to give whatever help can be given" to obtain Pearl's release.

U.S. troops kill 6 al-Qaida fighters

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan (AP) — With grenades and volleys of automatic fire, Afghan troops and U.S. soldiers wearing "I Love New York" buttons and Yankees caps stormed a hospital Monday and killed six al-Qaida fighters who had been holed up there for two months.

U.S. and Afghan troops surrounded Kandahar's Mir Wais Hospital before dawn and traded fire with the Arab fighters inside for hours until — just after the noon call to Islamic prayers — American troops barked, "Stand clear!" and they and the Afghans hurled grenades through the hospital windows to launch a final assault.

A series of 20 explosions sent out showers of glass from the hospital, already burning from the morning's fighting, and the pop-pops of pistol shots and rattle of automatic weapons fire followed as troops went in.

Afghan and American forces said all six Arabs holed up in a second-floor ward were killed. There were no American deaths or injuries, and none of the Afghans fighting alongside were killed.

Some injured Afghan fighters were treated at the U.S. military base in Kandahar, said Maj. Mike Giber, an operations officer for the 101st Airborne Division.

Quote of the Day

"She will be sorely missed. She was a good friend to all of us at the law school."

— DONNA WILLIAMS, Law school admissions counselor, on the late Linda Kamp. Please see LAW, page 1.

GAINING A NEW PERSPECTIVE



JENNA HANSEN/Staff Photographer

JAY MILLER, A junior landscape architecture major from Slaton, surveys the fields at the north end of the Engineering Key on Monday as Carrie Weishuhn, a sophomore landscape architecture major from Wall, writes down measurements. The pair was taking measurements of the area's elevation for a surveying class.

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Injuries: Officer responded to the UMC Emergency room Jan. 21 to document an injury that occurred on campus. A student had broken his nose while playing basketball at the Student Recreation Center. He was transported to the UMC by private vehicle.
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#3 Ways to pop the question
Bob and Karen spent most Saturday evenings watching old movies together at her apartment, but tonight Bob made sure things would be a bit different. With the help of an old friend, Bob copied Karen's favorite classic love story, filmed himself proposing to her, and then inserted it into the video at the appropriate spot. As they sat curled up on the couch with popcorn and tissues, the classic tale of love and romance had Karen in tears by mid-story. Love found, then love lost, and then finally the wonderful moment when the woman's true love gets down on one knee to swear his everlasting love and ask her to marry him...
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Man involved in plot to steal 'fountain of youth' found dead

PHOENIX (AP) — A plot to steal the "fountain of youth" apparently cost Konstantin Simberg his life at age 21.

Simberg was killed after he began serving as an informant on what police say was a scheme to steal a \$1 million shipment of Saizen, a human growth hormone that can help slow the effects of aging and is sold on the black market for use by athletes.

Simberg's last telephone conversation with a detective was cut off with a scream just before his body — bound and showing signs of torture — turned up in the woods of northwestern Arizona last month.

Since then, authorities have charged three young men in the slaying. Two others have been charged with money laundering and other offenses and are under investigation in the killing.

"The twists and turns of this case have been just unbelievable," said Detective Tom Britt, Simberg's contact at the Phoenix Police Department.

Saizen, sometimes called the fountain of youth, replaces natural hormones such as testosterone that decline as people age beyond 40.

The alleged plot unraveled just months before the Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City. Britt said police have no firm evidence of any plan to sell the hormone to athletes.

"But we always thought it was inter-

esting that this was done right before the winter Olympics in Salt Lake City," he said. "The timing was intriguing."

Police say Troy Langdon, 28, the manager of Cactus Pharmacy, and friend Sean Southland, 33, hatched the plot to steal and sell 6,000 vials of Saizen, worth about \$1 million wholesale and an estimated \$3 million on the black market.

The two men allegedly hired Simberg and four others to steal the drug from a FedEx driver as he made his delivery to the Phoenix pharmacy on Sept. 24.

But instead of using a gun, Simberg offered the driver \$50,000, Britt said. The driver refused and the group fled, but police soon began investigating Simberg.

Meanwhile, Langdon and Southland changed plans and quietly sold the Saizen to a medical company for about \$926,000, Britt said.

The men also raised the pharmacy's insurance to \$1 million, then had Simberg and three others break into the pharmacy to make it look as if there had been a robbery, Britt said. Langdon reported the hormones stolen and filed a claim for the insurance money the next day.

But using alarm records, police determined that no robbery had taken place and arrested Simberg, Langdon and Southland. The three were released as police gathered more evidence, Britt said. Simberg began cooperating immediately.

Britt said he spoke to Simberg for the last time Dec. 14, a conversation that was cut short. The detective said he heard a scream on the other end of the line, the sounds of a brief struggle and then nothing.

"I thought, 'My God, did I actually just hear what I think I did?'" Britt said.

Hunters found Simberg's body two days later. He had been bound with duct tape, tortured and killed.

Dennis Tsoukanov, 20, has pleaded innocent to murder and kidnapping in the death. His two alleged accomplices, Mikhail Drachev and Chris Andrews, both 18, have disappeared.

Britt said police are also investigating whether Southland and Langdon were involved in the slaying.

In a separate indictment, Southland and Langdon were charged with offenses including money laundering and conspiracy to commit fraud and armed robbery. They are to be arraigned Feb. 5.

Langdon's attorney, Thomas Baker, said his client legally bought and sold the shipment of Saizen and had nothing to do with any attempted robbery or break-in. A lawyer for Southland did not return messages.

College of Agriculture to offer career fair

By Preston Files/Staff Reporter

The College of Agriculture Sciences and Natural Resources will host its annual spring career expo from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jan. 30 in the Student Union Courtyard.

John Abernathy, dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, said the event would give students a chance to learn about future career possibilities.

"Students not only have the probability for a job opportunity but also possible summer internships can be explored," he said.

Approximately 30 companies will be represented at the expo, he said.

Tim Wright, an assistant director of the Career Center, said students should

take this opportunity to make contacts.

"Our hope is that the students that use the expo will secure jobs with the companies," he said. "With the partnership between the agriculture recruitment and Tech's Career Center, we hope that students will take advantage of the career expo offered."

Today, an employer panel and mock interview session is available for students to prepare for the career expo's main event.

Melissa Aguillard, coordinator of student and career development, said the employer panel includes Ag Workers Mutual Auto, Collingwood/Croptimizer and United Supermarkets.

She said the panel will address many helpful tips and provide insight on issues including resume and interview

tips. "This will be an outstanding opportunity for students whether they are freshmen or seniors to interact and find out what some of the various opportunities are for employment and how to obtain them," Abernathy said.

The mock interviews will be critiqued by the employer panel, and a 15- to 20-minute question and answer session will follow, helping students prepare for the actual interview sessions.

Companies attending the event will conduct interviews from 2 to 6 p.m. Wednesday and all day Thursday.

Students who wish to sign up for interviews may do so in the dean's office, Goddard Range, Wildlife and Fisheries Management Room 108.

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high-speed winds. The project would benefit the community as well as develop a good reputation for Tech and allow recruitment of high quality students, Mehta said.

Snow said he believes Tech is already benefiting from the project.

"It's a great compliment that other research is already going on here," Snow said. "Texas Tech has a world class program in providing a base and basic information for people on how to build tornado resistant structures."

According to project representatives at Tech, students hope to use Snow's experience and information and take what took him eight years and do it in two.

Childcare

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tions for needy students. The learning centers are part of the United Way Agency. Weekly rates for day-care services are based on income.

If the pilot program is successful, more funds might be available for the fall through state grants, and more students could make use of the service, Hudgins said.

The grants the student affairs office is applying for are called matching grants.

Unlike Pell grants, matching grants will match local money put up for childcare, reimbursing local funding and providing additional money as well.

For instance, for every \$1 of local

funds used to pay for the program, the grant will give \$3 back, Shonrock said.

If the grant applications are successful, more students can be included in the program next fall.

Hudgins said if additional funding is not received through grants, then the program will continue to run on the funds that are available.

"Less money makes it more difficult, because so many students need help and are deserving," Hudgins said.

Currently, students take out an average of \$3,000 in loans to pay for childcare, Shonrock said.

These students probably take out other loans to pay for tuition and fees as well.

"There's an awful lot of folks who need to keep the cost down, and I think this will help do that in the long run," Shonrock said.

Candidates

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she assumes office. All candidates must be in good standing with the university.

The number of senators allowed for each college is determined the same way electoral votes are allocated to each state in a presidential campaign. The greater the number of people enrolled in a college, the greater the number of senators allowed to represent that college. The College of Arts and Sciences has the largest enrollment and is currently represented by 18 senators.

"The main purpose of the senators is to serve as a voice for the students of their college," Stumbo said. "Their job is to go to the students of their college and ask, 'Ok, what do you guys need, what are you confused about, how can we clarify things?'"

Candice Darby, a sophomore psychology major from Red Oak has already

signed a letter of intent to run for senator.

"I decided to run because I have always been really involved," she said.

Darby said her platforms are leadership and encouraging people to take a stand.

"If you have leadership qualities you need to use them because they are a gift from God," she said.

Darby was involved in her high school's student council and is currently involved in her residence hall's council.

Wesley Stephens, the journal clerk for the student Senate said he is running for internal vice president because he is familiar with how the SGA works.

"I also have a lot of ideas as far as student organizations are concerned," he said. "I'd like to make them more aware of what to do and when to do it. Basic-

cally, getting student organizations more involved and getting them more familiar with the SGA and how they can come to us and get things worked out."

Each executive candidate will receive a \$200 budget for campaigning. Those running for Senate will receive a \$75 budget.

The elections will take place Feb. 26-27. Letters of intent can be picked up and completed at the SGA office in the Student Union. The registration charge for senate candidates is \$10, for senate-at-large candidates (senators representing the campus as a whole) the fee is \$15 dollars, and for the executive candidates the fee is \$20.

"This year we are focusing on encouraging everyone who has ever wanted to run to just run," Stumbo said. "If you want to do it, go for it."

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'Deep Thoughts' about lightning up

COLUMN



JEFF STOUGHTON

It seems life is full of doom and gloom these days. People walk around all day with scowls on their faces, worrying about school, money, jobs, social concerns, appearances and just about anything else you can imagine. They lose sight of what is important in life and instead focus on temporary things: having the most expensive clothes, going to the "right" parties or having the biggest SUV.

I remember when I was concerned about what everybody thought about me, but I've matured a lot since 7th grade.

I was recently watching a rerun of "Saturday Night Live" and came across a very profound statement during a "Deep Thoughts by Jack Handey" segment.

"If you're robbing a bank and your pants fall down, I think it's OK to laugh, and to let the hostages laugh too, because, come on, life is funny."

Once again, for the people in the back: "Life is funny."

Don't be afraid to laugh at yourself. It will make life much easier

and more enjoyable.

Before I go any further, I should explain the difference between worry and concern. Concern is healthy. You should be concerned with your education because if you're not, you're wasting somebody's money. Being concerned about health, safety, finances and general appearance is good. I'm not advocating a mass revolution in which we all flunk class, stop bathing and run up huge credit card debts.

Worry is more sinister. When people worry, they get stressed out. When they get stressed out, they become unhealthy. When they become unhealthy, they worry more. It's like that old public service announcement about cocaine: "I do coke, so I can work harder, so I can do more coke, so I can work harder..."

There is an alarming number of people on this campus that take themselves far too seriously. You can pick these people out easily. They're the ones who, in the dead of winter, have perfect tans. They're the ones that fall to pieces when they receive a less-than-

satisfactory grade on an assignment. They're the ones that turn up their noses, roll their eyes and say, "How immature," when faced with anything lighthearted.

People who let stress build up are an unfortunate bunch. Stress lowers the immune system's effectiveness, leads to wrinkles, causes stomach disorders, leads to high blood pressure and even reduces sexual performance and desire.

Laughter is quite possibly the perfect drug to counteract the effects of stress. It can boost the immune system, lower blood pressure, burn calories, strengthen the diaphragm, reduce pain and produce a feeling of well-being. Best of all, you don't have to find a dealer or risk getting in trouble for having it. It costs nothing to produce or purchase.

Certainly, there are matters in life where laughter is inappropriate. Nobody was laughing while they watched airplanes crash into the Pentagon and World Trade Center. We as a nation, however, have used laughter to help cope with our loss.

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Humorous Web sites, jokes, comedy routines and other items depicting America's enemies (usually their untimely, gruesome demise) have cropped up to help us deal with national tragedy.

Take some time out of your schedule to do something that makes you laugh. Watch a Chris Farley movie. Find an old man and listen to him tell dirty jokes (*The UD* lost such a person last semester; applications are available.) Listen to punk rock. Buy a whoopee cushion and sit on it. Watch cartoons. Whatever you need to do to make yourself laugh, do it. Just don't hurt anybody. You can find humor almost anywhere if you just look.

To help you get started, I'll leave you with a joke. Read it out loud for maximum effect.

An American was flying over the Australian Outback when his plane crashed. He woke up the next day in a hospital and could tell by the number of machines he was hooked to that he was in bad shape. When the nurse came in to take his temperature, he asked her, "I've come here to die, haven't I?"

She replied in a heavy Australian accent, "No, you came here yesterday!"

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

There's a word for this athletic fee

To the editor: I am writing in support of the new athletic fee. In fact, I expect it to be such a success that other programs will be modeled after it! For example, the College of Engineering has a lack of students in their chemical engineering classes. I propose that in order to increase attendance, we will impose a fee on the students of Texas Tech, allowing them to pay for half the tuition of the classes. This will allow the students who attend the classes to study more, and worry about jobs less, thereby increasing their grades!

Soon other colleges, seeing the success of this program, will follow suit. Eventually, tuition will be reduced to one fee to be paid equally by all students, whether they take one or twenty hours. I will even propose a name for this revolutionary system: Communism.

Jonathan Millhollon
sophomore
chemical engineering

Hobby helps to center fast-paced life

COLUMN



ALISON WELLS

I think I've finally found myself. No, I haven't reached spiritual nirvana; I have found something to stir my soul in a way that nothing else ever has. It is something that is unfamiliar to many and to so few accustomed.

I have, indeed, discovered the great art of classical ballet. Although this may not be interesting to everyone, or anyone for that matter, it is what has given me something to look forward to every day without a doubt and something to finally get excited about.

I have traveled down several different avenues, in search of what brings me the most happiness, and I have found it in ballet. It is a discipline that is so dependable. It never fails me, which is something that is hard to find.

Even the best of friends sometimes fall short of being a good friend. It's there for me, in the form of a lesson, everyday without question. The certainty that all movements and techniques will stay the same, no matter what, brings stability into my roller-coaster-like life.

The methodical nature of classical ballet appears to be mundane. It is anything but monotonous. The routine is what makes the best dancers. In addition, there are many things in this world that just work better if you do them on a regular basis. Ballet is one of them.

Although it is great for the body, it is not only a physical experience. It can be classified as a true love, just as one would find unconditional love in another individual, therefore making it a very romantic art form.

I hope I have not made ballet sound effortless. It is certainly not that. Honestly, it is quite painful most of the time. It is not for the weak or weak minded.

Classical ballet has proved to be the single most difficult physical exercise for me. I have cried and sweated, and been excited about improvements and frustrated at my imperfection. Again, it has strengthened me inside and out, by forcing me not to give up when life or ballet gets tough. It is part of a kind of self-fulfillment that is not easily found.

Sometimes, it is so unbelievable how wonderful it feels to have accomplished something, especially in college where if you don't make the best grades, it's sometimes hard to feel good about yourself.

Ballet is something that doesn't require books and well-written essays. It is an escape from academia, which is often dull and unimaginative. I cannot throw my heart into math the way I can into ballet.

Classical ballet can definitely be viewed as part of the larger scheme of things. Everything is done in an exact way to allow the body to be fluid in movement, to prevent injury and to perform well on stage.

Like I said earlier, some things are better if simply done on a regular basis. In life, we do a certain amount of work or spend the right amount of time to get to the next level of what we are trying to accomplish.

People who attend church and devote much of their time to doing what will please their god are doing what they can here on earth, merely waiting for the next or better life or what ever the case may be.

Those in serious, intimate relationships give much of their time to show the other person how much they are loved and as a result, work to take the next step whether it is engagement or marriage. Classical ballet is practiced every day to get better and to advance to the next level, just like anything else.

Although life, in general, is full of ups and downs, regrets and mistakes, there's always a chance to improve. Ballet has motivated me to evaluate and improve myself on a daily basis, regardless of what kind of day it has been or what problems I have to deal with once I leave the lesson.

Find what turns you on, keeps you grounded or allows you to escape, and do it.

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SRC workshop focuses on skiing, snowboarding tips

By Liesl Klinkerman/Staff Reporter

With the chilly month of February right around the corner, many avid skiers and snowboarders will be heading to New Mexico to challenge the snowy mountains and release some school-related stress.

Texas Tech is hosting a Ski Maintenance Workshop at 5:30 p.m. today in the Outdoor Pursuits Center, located on the north side of the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center.

Strand said it is important for skiers and snowboarders to take good care of equipment.

"People should wax their skis and sharpen them every ten minutes or so when they're on the snow," Strand said.

"When they're on the snow, skis can get rusted, and they can't go as fast. They work better when they've been sharpened.

Matt Allison, a ski tech at Ski Lubbock Sports, located at 6701 Indiana Ave., said keeping ski equipment in good shape

is essential.

"People should wax their skis every three to four days," Allison said.

Joe Negrete, a junior management information system major from El Paso, who is a regular snowboarder, advises snowboarders to perform regular maintenance on their boards.

"Watch out for rocks," Negrete said.

"Make sure you're board is always locked up because it will get stolen."

Strand said students should double check to make sure the equipment they purchase is of high quality.

"Having good equipment is important," Strand said.

"When buying, students should pay attention to height, weight and ability.

Ski and snowboarding equipment is available at Ski Lubbock Sports to rent or purchase.

Allison advises students to be aware

of skills and ability level.

"Most accidents occur when someone tries to do things above their level," Allison said.

Negrete also suggests snowboarders watch out for others and stay on their feet to avoid accidents.

"Stay on your feet," Negrete said.

"Don't go out of control when other people are around. If you're just starting

out, be prepared for a long, hard, sore day."

Snowboarders should also maintain a courteous attitude on the mountain, Negrete said.

If a skier or snowboarder discovers a mountain or level is too difficult, there are certain ways to help stay safe, Strand said.

"If you're at the top and you're scared, you should stick to the sides of the mountain," Strand said.

Strand says that there are certain months and times that are better for hit-

ting the slopes.

"People should be careful when skiing are from late December through the end of February."

Strand advises that while its great to have fun, snowboarding should be careful when skiing are from late December through the end of February.

"Be adventurous," Strand said.

TUESDAY

Table with columns for station (STAT), call letters, and program titles for various stations like KTXB, KCBP, KLBK, KUPT, KAMC, KJTV.

The Tuesday Ticket

KTXT-FM 88.1 advertisement listing 'EVOLUTION 7-8pm Call-in Current Events' and 'MIDDLE CLASS ENTERTAINMENT 8-10pm The Best of Indie Rock'.

Advocare advertisement: Weight Loss, Muscle Support, Increase Energy, Nutritional Support, Normalized Metabolism, 100% Money Back Guarantee.

FOX 34 NEWS @ NINE advertisement for 6PM FRIENDS and 7:30PM UNDECLARED.

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HELP WANTED advertisement: Fed Ex Ground, has an immediate opening for a Part-Time Data-Entry clerk.

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Sports

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Red Raiders crack into Top 25 polls

For the first time in five years, the Texas Tech men's basketball team broke into the Top 25 in both the Associated Press and Coach's Poll.

The 15-3, 4-2 Red Raiders, who finished tied for last place in the Big 12 Conference last year, are ranked No. 20 in the AP poll and sit in the No. 23 slot in the Coach's Poll.

Tech is coming off two wins in a seven-day period in which it beat two teams ranked No. 6 nationally. The Raiders beat Oklahoma State on Jan. 19

and Oklahoma on Saturday.

First-year Tech coach Bob Knight last had a ranked team in 1999-2000, his 29th and final season at Indiana. Tech was last ranked in the 1996-97 season when it was in the poll for 10 weeks, reaching as high as 18th.

Oklahoma fell one spot in the Coach's Poll but maintained their position at No. 6 in the AP Poll following the loss to the Raiders. Tech's next contest is at 7:05 p.m. Wednesday against Nebraska in Lincoln, Neb.

Perkins setting tempo for Lady Raiders

By Jeff Keller/Staff Reporter

Fish have to swim, birds have to fly and shooters have to shoot.

Texas Tech guard Jia Perkins averaged 16 points per contest through the Lady Raiders' first four Big 12 Conference games this season as Tech stumbled to a 1-3 league start. Since then, Perkins has increased her point production, and the results have been favorable for the Lady Raiders, as they have won three of their last four conference tilts.

Perkins has upped her point production to 19 points per contest through the last four games and has reached the 20-point plateau three times over that stretch.

Though Perkins has increased her scoring production of late, she gives credit to her teammates for creating open shot opportunities.

"I think we are in a good conference right now, and I think that everyone has had to step their game up, whether it has been on the offensive end or the defensive end," Perkins said. "I think my teammates do a good job of finding the open man. Sometimes, I am the open man, and that gives me a chance to score just because my teammates have given me such great looks. We just create offense off of each other."

Lady Raider guard Amber Tarr is the only Tech player other than Perkins to lead the team in scoring in the past four conference games. Tarr poured in 21 points in Tech's road win at Iowa State last week.

Tarr said Perkins has been a go-to player for the Lady Raiders when they have needed offense this season.

"Jia is the type of player that is just awesome anyways, and it doesn't really

matter what team she is on, she is going to stand out," Tarr said. "I think she has done a great job of making plays whenever we are a little stagnant on offense or defense either way. She is great on both ends. I think she is just a real dynamic player that can make things happen."

In her two years of competing in the Big 12, Perkins has become known throughout the league for her prowess of pulling up on fast breaks and canning the 10-foot jump shot.

Perkins said the shot has become her weapon of choice when outnumbered on a fast break.

"That is my favorite shot," Perkins said. "I think most people think I am going to go to the hole, so I like to get them back on their heels, and I just pull up for the jump shot."

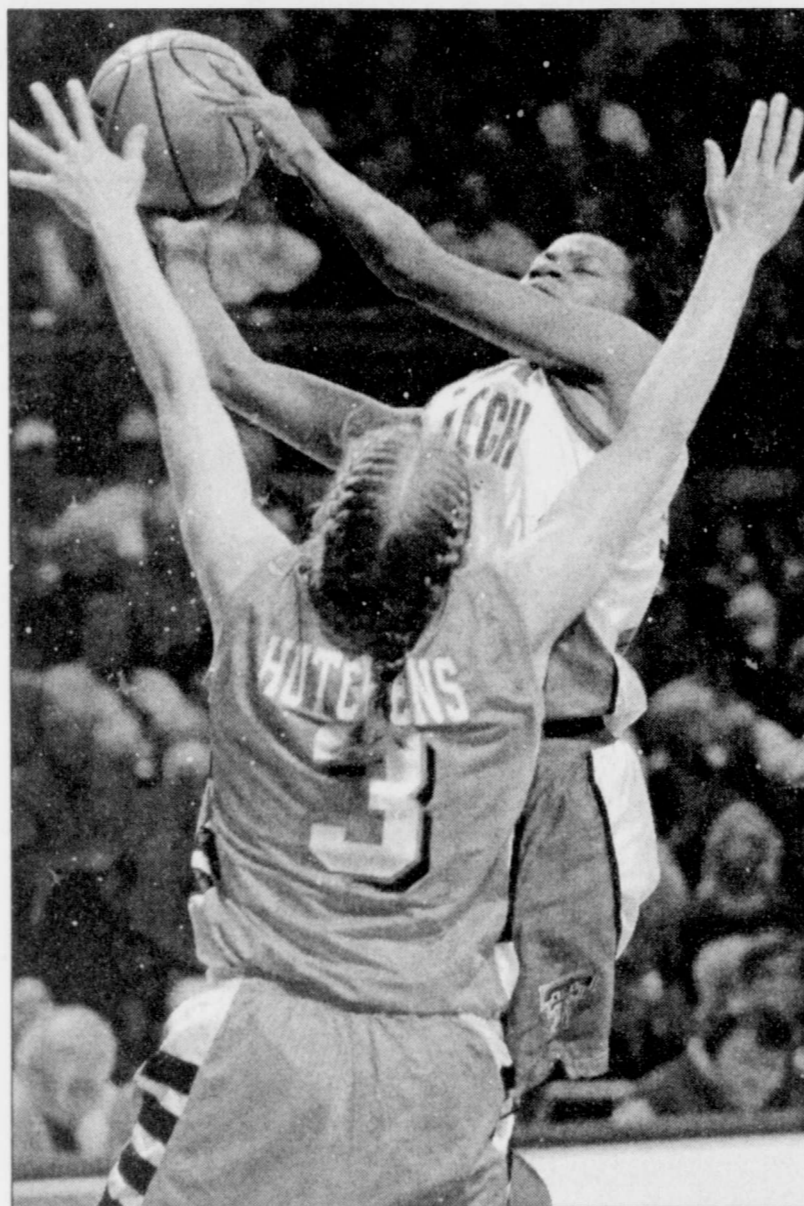
Perkins is also averaging four steals per contest during the last four games, and Tarr said Perkins' offensive and defensive abilities enable her to take over any contest.

"She has that capability to take over a game at any time," Tarr said. "It is basically just a matter of when she decides to do it or if she has the confidence in herself. It is nice to have someone like that on your team, that you know will step up and attack the situation like that."

Lady Raider guard Natalie Ritchie entered the Tech women's basketball program with Perkins last season.

Ritchie said Perkins is a key player in terms of getting the team ready to play and setting the tempo at which the team competes.

"Absolutely, Jia is one of our leaders," Ritchie said. "She really sets the tempo for our team. When she is hot and she is on fire, she gets everyone pumped up and ready to go."

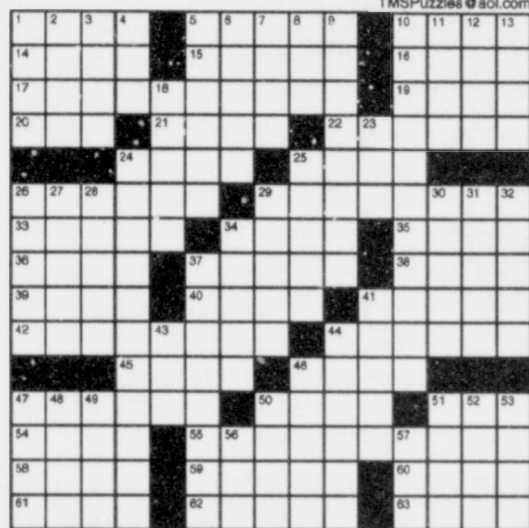


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TEXAS TECH'S JIA Perkins attempts to make a shot over Oklahoma State guard Shelby Hutchens during the Tech win last week. Perkins leads Tech with 16.8 points per game.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

- ACROSS**
- 1 Batter Boggs
 - 5 Microsoft digital switches?
 - 10 One of the Spica Girls
 - 14 Highly excited
 - 15 Like a lot
 - 16 Countertenor
 - 17 Nevada patrician?
 - 19 "...they shall the whirlwind"
 - 20 Wind dir.
 - 21 Part played
 - 22 Tearjerker, of a sort
 - 24 Cable
 - 25 Paid athletes
 - 26 Wear away by friction
 - 29 Christie's "...at Dinner"
 - 33 Trumpet blast
 - 34 Mob melee
 - 35 Stare at
 - 36 Desires
 - 37 Type of toast
 - 38 Bird's crop
 - 39 Tale
 - 40 Pot starter
 - 41 Island of the Labyrinth
 - 42 Liner attendants
 - 44 Impact depression
 - 45 Drill parts
 - 46 Writer Harle
 - 47 City south of Roma
 - 50 Hand-cream ingredient
 - 51 Night before
 - 54 Arabian sultanate
 - 55 Egyptian nomad?
 - 58 Houston university
 - 59 Rope loop
 - 60 Flintstones' pet
 - 61 Shea nine
 - 62 Parts of shoes
 - 63 Hardens



By Frances Burton
Summerville, GA

Monday's Puzzle Solved

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| 5 Aplenty | ELEC AUDIE RAHS |
| 6 Designer Simpson | NATHANLANE TISIS |
| 7 Thick book | TIEIN EMUS SYNE |
| 8 Stretch of time | ZIP PAULSEN |
| 9 La Paz lass | SABOTAGE WRIT |
| 10 French patrician? | LOL ALOUD NERVE |
| 11 Butter's cuz? | UNIT LALAW REIN |
| 12 Comic Laurel | GENRE DECAL ELI |
| 13 Short jaunts | DAYS REROUTED |
| 18 Wedding VIP | SHAPEUP DTS |
| 23 Scand. country | PALP BARS TOAST |
| 24 Polish doc? | ELLE PSYCHOPATH |
| 25 One that fears: sull. | AVER ATEAM ERIE |
| 26 Vast chasm | KEYS RESTS NERO |
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| 29 Inclinations | 41 Set of religious beliefs |
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