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# Fee committee clarifies purpose

By April Tamplen/Staff Reporter

Members of the Student Services Fee Advisory Committee, who conceived the idea of the controversial proposed intercollegiate athletics fee, said the purpose of the \$50-per-semester fee is not to "support athletics."

The fee advisory committee is made up of eight students representing the Health Sciences Center, the graduate school, the law school and the university. The committee is co-chaired by Student Government Association President John Steinmetz and HSC Student Senate President Cortney Youens.

Youens said the fee would provide stability from rising athletics fees. She said because the athletics fee would be controlled by a committee made up of students, and because the fee would include the cost of all-sports passes, it would be up to students, not the athletics department, to determine the cost of the passes in the future.

All-sports passes for this school year sold for \$89. Students living in the residence halls were automatically charged \$79 for the passes as part of their housing and dining fees. Out of the entire student body, Youens said about 5,500 were charged for the all-sports pass because they live in residence halls and about

CURRENTLY PROPOSED CHANGES

Student Services Fees: \$9.65 per credit hour \$9.00 per credit hour

Athletic Fees: \$35 per student per year (From S.S. Fees)

All-Sports Pass: \$89 off campus; \$79 on Included in \$50 fee

Total Money to Athletics: \$1.9 million \$2.3-2.4 million

8,000 students living off campus purchased them optionally, giving athletics \$1,146,500 for this school year for all-sports passes.

Steinmetz said by taking the fee away from the current student services fee, students would know where every dollar of their money would be going.

Currently, students pay \$9.65 per credit hour per semester toward the student services fee, which is capped at \$115.80 per student. That pool of money, which Youens said totals about \$6 million, is used to pay for various student services such as the library and the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center. About \$35 per student is given to the Athletic Department from that pool of money, totaling about \$825,000 for athletics per year. That money, combined with the purchase of the all-sports passes totals nearly \$2 million per year.

Committee members said, under the pro-

posal, students would not buy all-sports passes, nor would athletics receive money from student services fees, which would drop to \$9 per credit hour. Instead, students would be charged a separate \$50, which would go toward athletics and give students access to all home athletic games and the opportunity to purchase up to four tickets to games at half price. Under the new proposal, the athletics department would receive between \$2.3 and \$2.4 million per year, an increase of \$300,000 to \$400,000.

"Students are already funding athletics; they just don't know it," Steinmetz said. "With this fee we would control the amount of money athletics receives."

An advisory committee of students struc-

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JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/Photography Editor STUDENTS PRESSED ADMINISTRATORS for details on the proposed athletic fee at a public forum held Jan. 7 in the Student Union.

# UT faces \$300 fee

By T.A. Badger/Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Full-time students at the University of Texas at Austin will pay a new \$300 fee next year and more in later years as part of a university effort to cover anticipated budget shortfalls in the future.

The \$150 per semester fee, which will be dedicated to campus building renovations and other capital projects, was approved Thursday by the Board of Regents of the University of Texas System at its quarterly meeting.

The vote was 8-1, with the lone dissent from democratic gubernatorial candidate Tony Sanchez of Laredo, who said campus maintenance work should be funded by the Legislature.

"We're sending the wrong message to the Legislature — If you don't give us funding, we'll ask the students for it'," Sanchez said after the vote. "It's bad public policy."

# City may call for lights out on local streets



CRAIG SWANSON/Staff Photographer THE CITY OF Lubbock is looking at cutting off street lights to reduce costs.

By Jenny Klein/Staff Reporter

Lubbock motorists may be noticing darker streets and highways as the city determines whether or not to cut back on spending through eliminating some street lights throughout the city.

City Manager Bob Cass said he is merely looking at

cutting off street lights as an option to reduce costs.

"We're seeing the economy start to slow some," Cass said. "We're seeing less money to run the city, causing us to cut back on costs."

The city currently allocates \$2.3 million on operating street lights in this year's budget. More than half of this amount, \$1.5 million, goes toward paying for the electricity, Cass said.

City-owned Lubbock Power and Light customers pay for these expenses, LP&L director Paul Thompson said. In most other cities, city taxpayers pay for street-light operations.

Thompson said the city is considering relocating the electric fund that pays for street light operations to the tax-supported general fund. This would cause an increase in taxes for all citizens, but a decrease of about \$4 a month for LP&L customers.

The general fund includes budgets for street maintenance, traffic signals, parks and other city services.

The city is evaluating areas where energy usage could be reduced. Cass said one possible area is on Loop 289.

"The loop uses a lot of light and a lot of energy," he said.

Cass said he does not feel cutting some lights on the Loop pose any real dangers or safety issues. Few accidents are prone to occur on Loop 289 because of darkness. The main concern is drunken drivers or people crossing over the median into on-coming traffic.

Accidents on the loop do not occur as frequently as accidents at intersections, such as University Avenue and 50th Street, Cass said.

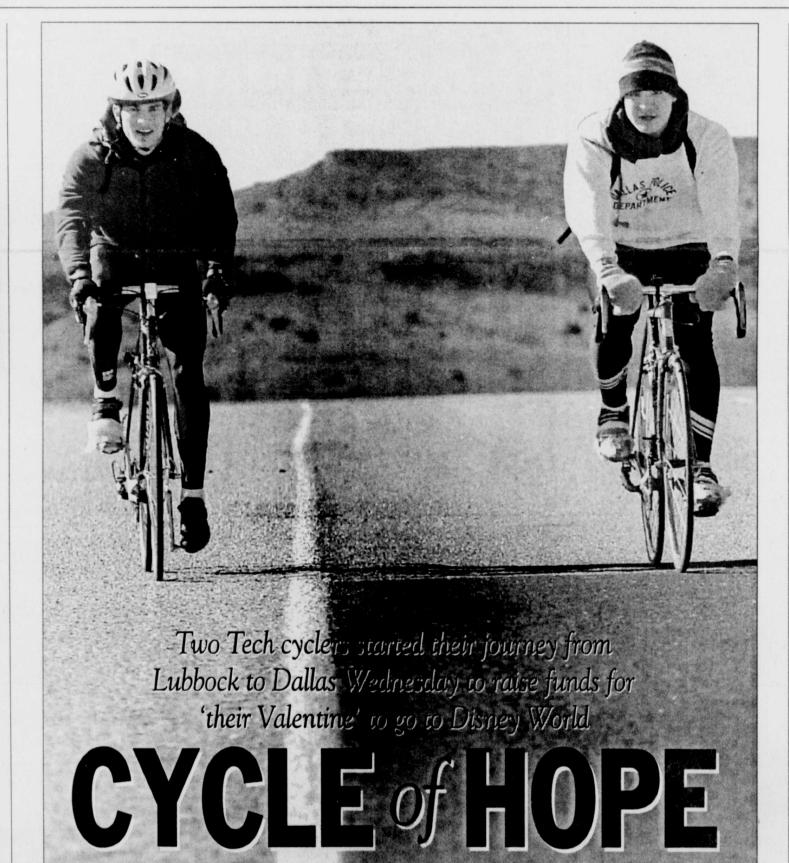
"We could cut power on major thoroughfares where there are no residences. The loop is not heavily used in the late overnight hours either, so we could reduce a few lights and still be safe," he said.

However, Michael Epps, chairman of the Citizens Traffic Commission, said cutting lighting could cause an even higher rate of traffic accidents regardless of where the lights are shut off.

Epps said Lubbock already has a high rate of traffic collisions. Eliminating lights, especially along certain areas of Loop 289, puts motorists in a dangerous situation.

"There were over 9,000 collisions in the city last year, Epps said. "I thought the goal was to decrease that num-

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JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/Photography Editor BUNDLED UP AND packed for their trip to Dallas, bicyclers Zac Castillo, a senior English major from Mesquite and Dan Biase, a junior marketing major from Plano, pedal hard into the town of Dickens after fighting the cold and the canyon terrain Wednesday.



By Whitney Wyatt and Meredith Salmon/Staff Reporters

Two years down the road and two bicycle rides of 850 miles later, Zac Castillo rides again, but this year he said his Cycle of Hope will benefit the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

He is off for his third charity ride, but this time he recruited another rider, Dan Biase, to pedal with him to Dallas, this year's destination, which is 350 miles from Lub-

Castillo and Biase, both members of Sigma Chi, left the Sigma Chi lodge at 5 a.m. Wednesday and their journey will end today at the Southern Methodist University's Sigma Chi lodge in Dallas.

Sigma Chi adopted the wish of 6-yearold Cheyenne, who has cystic fibrosis, a disease that affects the respiratory and digestive systems, said Castillo, who is philanthropy chairman and public relations chairman for the fraternity.

"We are doing this to do something good

for someone who needs good things done for her," said Castillo, a senior English major from Mesquite. Castillo's and Biase's Cycle of Hope will

grant Cheyenne's wish to go to Disney World, which costs \$3,800. However, he said they would raise at least \$4,000.

Along with the donations, members of Sigma Chi asked for contributions from their family and friends.

Castillo said the sororities on Greek Circle donated \$1,500.

"All of the sororities were really generous," he said. "I was really pleased."

Biase, the president of Sigma Chi, said he

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# Speaker says women in architecture important

Enrollment at Texas Tech
Total for University Architecture

Females
47%
11,869
Males=53%
13,703
Females
27.3%
230
Males
72.7%
611

By Preston Files/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech College of Architecture continues its annual spring lecture series today with Elizabeth Chu Richter's presentation at 4 p.m. in the Architecture building Gallery on the Courtyard Level.

Richter is the chief executive officer and design principal of Richter Architects in Corpus Christi as well as the creator and executive producer of the radio program, "The Shape of Texas."

The lecture is titled "What is an architect to do?"

"If an architect loves architecture and believes they can make a difference in people's lives, what is the role they must take and how does it makes a difference," Richter said, commenting on thoughts she will present in her lecture.

Phillip Mead, assistant professor in the College of Architecture and chairman of the lecture series committee, said those who attend the lecture will have a better understanding of what it means to have a sense of place, which is essentially regional or what is specific to an area that makes it special.

"She has done a very good job of having a sense of place in her work," he said.

Richter said when Darwin Harrison, field representative for Hardy Holzman Pfieffer and Associates and member of the lecture series committee, was discussing the lecture series and mentioned the diversity of architecture, she was intrigued.

"The road to becoming an architect is unique and different for everyone," she said. "My path is not the shortest one."

Mead said women speaking in the lecture series are of great importance.

"I hope those who attend will see that in a field where less than 10 percent are women there are women out there practicing architecture and being very successful," he said.

Richter said the diversity in

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JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/Photography Editor

# Up 2 Date

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### The Olympics

a day when Bode Miller stormed back from 15th to a silver and Apolo Anton Ohno began his bid for four medals, there was no escaping the dominant story of these Winter Olympics: the judging scandal in pairs skating.

The head of the French Olympic team said Wednesday night that a judge from his country was pressured to "act in a certain way" before she voted to give the gold to the Russians over the Cana-

The admission came after the Inter-

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THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert William

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Even on national Olympic Committee made the unusual move of telling the International Skating Union to settle the mess quickly. Earlier, ISU president Ottavio Cinquanta said he received "certain allegations" from the American referee who oversaw the judging and that he was trying to protect the integrity of his sport.

Thursday, Cinquanta said no decision could be made until the ISU executive board meets Monday, and he said there were no plans to speed up the process. IOC director general Francois Carrard had no problem with that, saying "We

will continue to work as long as nec-

The controversy surely will be on the minds of everyone at the Salt Lake Ice Center Thursday night when the men's title is decided.

Earlier Thursday, the U.S. medals parade in snowboarding began to skid as star racer Rosey Fletcher failed to make the finals of the parallel giant slalom. Teammates Sondra Van Ert and Lisa Odynski also didn't advance. Lisa Kosglow was the only American to make it into the group

In men's, American Chris Klug qualified 11th for Friday's finals. No other Americans advanced.

Elsewhere on the slopes, 17-yearold Americans Lindsey Kildow and Iulia Mancuso were among the top 19 after the first of two slalom runs in the women's combined event. Teammate Caroline Lalive, the seventh-place finisher in 1998, fell on her run and dropped out.

Croatia's Ianica Kostelic led going into the downhill, which is usually run first but was pushed back because of high winds and fog.

The first medal awarded Thursday went to Spain's Johann Muehlegg in the 10-kilometer, cross-country pursuit. He also won gold in the 30-kilometer freestyle. Norwegians Thomas Alsgaard and Frode Estil tied for the silver.

### Quote of the Day

"With this fee, we would control the amount of money athletics receives."

\_\_ JOHN STEINMETZ, Texas Tech SGA president, on the intercollegiate athletic fee. Please see FEE, page 1.

### The Rundown



### A&M researchers say DA investigating they have cloned a cat plagiarism incident

COLLEGE STATION (AP) - In an advance that takes cloning out of the barnyard and into the living room, researchers announced Thursday they have cloned a cat.

The female domestic shorthair is called "cc" for "copycat." It was born Dec. 22 and is now healthy and frisky. researcher Duane Kraemer of Texas

A&M University said. Headed up by Dr. Mark Westhusin of A&M's veterinary medicine school, the project is the first reported success in cloning dogs or cats, which has been long discussed for pet owners.

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) - A district attorney on Thursday began interviewing teachers, administrators and school board members involved in a high. school plagiarism controversy that propelled a small Kansas town into the national spotlight.

The controversy began late last year when Christine Pelton, a biology teacher in Piper, gave zeros to 28 students she accused of plagiarizing a botany project from the Internet. The school board overruled her decision on the grades in December, and Pelton resigned in pro-

#### Pilar.

was sixteen years old when I first saw you at Cicis. That was the day I discovered the true definition of beauty. Three years later, I met you and was overwhelmed with emotion for the first time in my life. You've opened my eyes to a new and wonderful world. Thanks for simply being who you are. I'll Love You Forever. Rico



### Muslim militant says he kidnapped Pearl

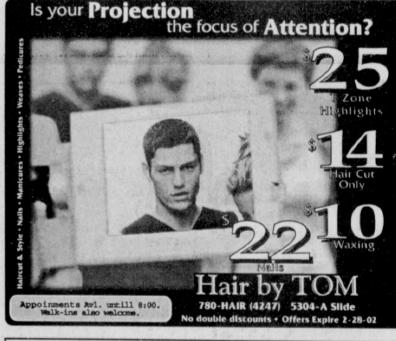
KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) - A British-born Muslim militant admitted Thursday to kidnapping Wall Street Journal correspondent Daniel Pearl and said he believed the journalist is dead. Officials dismissed the militant's claim, and the Journal said it remained confident Pearl is alive.

"As far as I understand, he's dead," Ahmed Omar Saeed Sheikh said in a courthouse in the southern Pakistani city of Karachi, where Pearl disappeared on Jan. 23 while investigating a story on Islamic militants. Saeed said he carried out the kidnapping of "my own free will," adding: "I don't want to defend this case. I did this."

The 27-year-old Saeed has a history of kidnapping Westerners. He appeared in court Thursday sullen, bespectacled and surrounded by police with machine guns, helmets and bulletproof vests.

He was formally charged with kidnapping and ordered jailed for two more weeks.







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# Conference to address student leadership

By Justin Matthews/Staff Reporter

The third annual Emerging Leaders Conference will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Student Union building and will feature keynote speaker G. Eric Gordon. According to personnel at the Texas Tech Student Activities office, the conference is designed to provide a day of interactivity and leadership activities for students.

Tara Higgins, a graduate assistant for Student Activities, said that everyone is welcome.

"Traditionally, this conference is designed for first- and second-year students," Higgins said. "However, this year it is open to all students."

The conference will feature education sessions on wellness and goal setting, in-

volvement at Tech, the co-curricular transcript, a community service-learning group project and a general leadership session. Will Kayatin, the associate director for Student Activities said the program has changed from previous years.

"This year, what was different is that we really tried to create a series that has a little more substance," Kayatin said. "That's why we're having the conference this weekend, and then we're having a Capstone with General Coleman of the U.S. Marine corps in April, so it's going to be pretty neat."

The keynote speaker for the event is the founder of Common Sense Leadership, a consulting firm, formed to address personal and organizational success from a "Common Sense-People First" perspective.

Gordon has provided training for or-

ganizations and individuals throughout America and the United Kingdom; he will take the stage at 11:30 a.m. after the icebreaker sessions by Beatrice Tatem and the wellness and goal setting session by Claudia Carroll.

Students attending the conference will receive a free Campus and Community Involvement Record. The CCIR is similar to an academic transcript; it lists your co-curricular activities and community involvement while attending Tech.

"Students participating in our conference this weekend will get this for free," Kayatin explained. "At their request, we print out this transcript with the Texas Tech seal stamped on it; keep in mind, this normally costs \$5 so it's a perk of attending."

A complimentary lunch will be provided for attendees.

This will be the second of a series of three programs offered. The first program was held during the Fall semester and offered a preparatory session designed to introduce students to the fundamentals of leadership. The third program, dubbed the Emerging Leaders Capstone Program, will be held April 2 at the Student Union building and will feature Brigadier Gen. Ronald S. Coleman of the United States Marine Corps.

"Hopefully we will get everyone who attends this conference to return for the Capstone program," Kayatin said. "The Marine Corps was really impressed with our leadership program, and they wanted to partner with us by providing prominent, distinguished speakers to the programs we

are doing, so we are having Gen. Coleman fly in from the Pentagon."

The program this weekend will begin at 10 a.m. in the Matador Room at

the Student Union building. "We realize that students don't want to come sit in a room on a Saturday," Kayatin said. "So we're are trying to turn it into something that is more interactive, like the ropes course. I think students will have a lot of fun. This year is similar to last year's program, and last year students really enjoyed it."

Higgins explained how students can benefit from the program.

"It is worthwhile for the students, for those who have not yet reached their leadership potential," she said. "It will be an excellent opportunity to build skills and become involved on campus."

## Fees

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tured similarly to the Student Services Fees Advisory Committee would be created to oversee the intercollegiate ath-

Youens said under the proposed system, students serving on the committeewould have the ability to hold the athletic department accountable for the money.

"If we find out in a few years that it sucks, we can kill it," she said.

Steinmetz said while he understands many students' opposition to the fee, he thinks in the long run it will benefit the

"Fees aren't fair to everyone," he said. "The majority of students, as with any fee, are not going to benefit

Steinmetz also said he thinks the committee's job is to represent the majority of the student body and he said the committee is doing just that.

"What is popular and what is best is not always parallel," he said.

Steinmetz also said the cost for allsports passes could skyrocket if the price continues to be left up to the athletics department, and he said he does not want that to happen.

Tech Athletics Director Gerald Myers said the Student Services Fee Advisory Committee wanted to see the money from the student services fee that

is given to athletics go to other activities and functions.

This money is not new money for us," he said. "This money replaces the money we are getting from the current all-sports pass, it will make a difference to us, that is no question. But it is not new money.'

Myers said the athletics fee is just like any other fee.

"All students may not use the rec or the library, but everyone pays some money to make it affordable," he said. "Money helps Texas Tech produce competitive teams."

Myers said if the athletics fee is not passed, the price of all-sports pass would be raised.



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## Lights

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ber, not increase it."

Epps said the highest collision rates are at intersections off the loop. Cass said safety is the top priority

when looking at shutting off street

"We can't save money at the expense of people's safety," Cass said.

The city is not even considering turning off lights at major intersections or in residential neighborhoods, he said. Doing so might increase criminal mischief in those areas.

Before any action is taken, Epps said he hopes the city will look at all options surrounding reducing the costs.

"Before you try to reduce services, find to reduce costs," Cass said.

ways to be more proficient with them," Epps said.

Aside from turning off street lights, the city has made efforts to reduce costs in other areas, Cass said.

Maintenance on vehicles has been deferred and vacancies, except in the police department, are being left open,

"We're looking at a lot of other places







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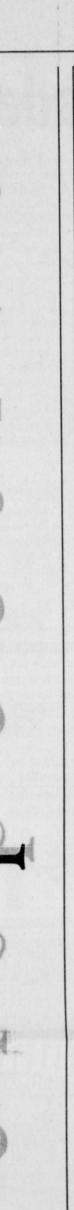
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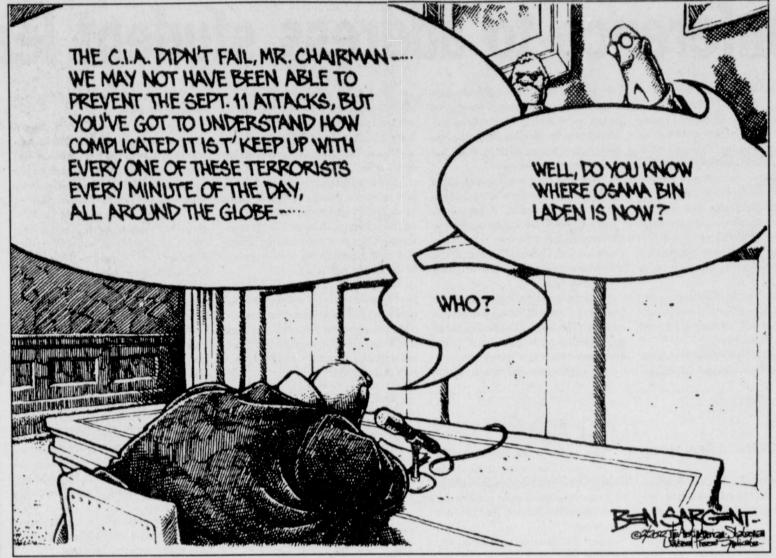
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# Lubbock not to blame for Tech's problems

COLUMN



DANIEL WHITE

s an ethical columnist, I choose to respect the ideas and opinions of my fellow columnists, but as an African American man that sees the need for diversity on this campus, I must now set the record straight.

I read the column, "Lubbock holding Tech back" by Allison Wells in Tuesday's issue of *The* University Daily, and I

believe that her column all too casually attempted to rationalize the issue of diversity on this campus by attributing the lack of colorful faces on this campus to the fact that Lubbock is not "well rounded."

According to this column, diversity is unachievable because it is "inevitable that Texas Tech is mostly white." The column went further to say that "Lubbock is the epitome of whiteness."

Ms. Wells, how is it that one city can epitomize

an entire race? Yet, even more importantly, how in the world can you place a definition on "whiteness" in order to stereotype an entire city based on your personal definition of that word?

The reason I cannot just sit here and allow that misconstrued ideology to go forth uncontested is because the minute you placed the blame of Texas Tech's lack of diversity on the city of Lubbock, you have pointed a finger of blame in the wrong direction and attempted to place an entire city at fault for the problems of a university.

By saying Tech cannot diversify because of the lack of things to do in Lubbock, you have plainly stated that those students of color who could potentially diversify this campus choose to go elsewhere because the quality of the education they could receive from Tech comes secondary in importance to the "lack of creativity and ambiance" Lubbock has to offer.

I am sorry Ms. Wells, but I take offense to that. Secondly, your article states you "know this university has not discriminated against minorities." To that I have one question: Before you made these two extremely bold statements and placed them inside our prestigious newspaper, did you even take the time to ask one minority if they

have ever experienced discrimination from the administration of Tech or why minority students choose not to come to Tech?

I guarantee if you took the time to ask a minority student if discrimination exists on this campus, you will be unpleasantly surprised. For the integrity of our school newspaper and for the dignity of minority students, how could you assume the greatest of problems affecting people of color on this campus is the fact our city is "boring"?

To be honest, I have loved Tech since the day I visited for the first time during my senior year of high school. In fact, I am the only person in my circle of friends who knows every word to the fight song and sings it quite religiously. I enjoy Tech so much that I was successful in convincing my best friend, who is also African American, to come up here shortly after I arrived.

Yet, as much Tech pride and spirit as I may have, I refuse to place the blame of our lack of diversity on anyone or anything besides the university administration. Unfortunately, I believe that this issue of diversity will soon be forgotten as it swiftly fades away with "Black History Month" if those in power not only recognize the importance of diversity but also believe in the necessity of creating a diverse community.

Approximately a week ago, I attended a Black History Month forum that addressed issues affecting minority students from the past to present here at Texas Tech. I feel an Anglo-American graduate student said it best by stating that she feels as if she is not receiving a well-rounded graduate sociology degree because she has never had a professor that was not like her in ethnicity. This is the root of the problem. This university and its students suffer because it does not provide a realistic view of the business-world environment because it is simply not diverse.

We miss out on so many different ideas and perspectives in every discipline from the arts and sciences to agricultural technology because we attend class each day in a mindset that falls under one school of thought, when the world shows us that each and every culture and ethnicity brings a new perspective to the table.

As much as I believe this issue is important to our school administration, I fear at the end of this month it will take a back seat to issues such as taking \$50 out of every student's pocket to keep a smile on our athletic department's face.

I will not pretend as if the City of Lubbock does not lack in comparison to other cities in Texas, but we will never take steps toward true diversity if we decide to use Lubbock as a place to force blame in order to keep from identifying a problem deeply rooted within our school itself.

When we begin to belittle issues such as this by giving sarcastic solutions that consist of "building a giant, synthetic beach overlooking the dirt," we have allowed a crucial matter to take on the form of insignificance. No matter how you look at it, this campus is not diverse.

How can we consider ourselves to be a diverse university community when for every one black student there are approximately 27 white students, for every one Hispanic student there are about eight white students, and as the list of ethnicities go on, the numbers and statistics become more disappointing.

You see, we have settled as a society for the politically correct definition of diversity that claims as long as there are people who are different, we have achieved diversity. However, the true definition of diversity does not include an acceptance of differences but an embracement and appreciation for the necessity of diversification. I commend Tech President David Schmidly on his leadership in addressing this concern, but when will this be important enough to do something about it?

I strongly believe that today is that day, and I do believe that Tech is taking strong steps forward in their attempts to create a more diversified campus. Our interim chancellor, Dr. David Smith, is hosting a Chancellor's Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 19 in the Student Union Ballroom. The cost for the luncheon is \$12 for faculty and staff and \$6 for students. Tickets must be purchased by today. The purpose of this luncheon is to give students an opportunity to "submit questions concerning diversity issues on campus." Smith will give information and answer questions from the audience. Please take this issue seriously because diversity on this campus can be beneficial to us all if we take the concern seriously, and it can harm us as well if we do

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# Athletics director explains purpose of proposed fee

GUEST COLUMN



GERALD MYERS

ver the last several days, much has been written on these pages and in other media outlets about the proposed fee increases for Texas Tech students. Frankly, this is a good thing.

We live in a democracy, and we boast about how we prepare our students for leadership roles in the future. We encourage them to learn about their government. We

about their government. V should expect these questions and be prepared to

The fee that will be addressed primarily in this column is the proposed athletic fee. What is being considered is a \$50-per-semester fee that most students, both at the university and the Health Sciences Center, will pay.

This fee would replace two other charges currently assessed to students. The athletic department currently gets about \$35 per student from student services fee. That totals to about \$825,000 per year.

The second charge surrounds the "all-sports passes" the athletic department sells to students. Those sold for \$79 per year for students living on campus and \$89 per year for students living off campus. More than 13,000 of those passes were sold this year.

What this means is students today support the athletic department through these two sources to the amount of \$2 million a year. If the new fee were used to replace the old fee and the passes, it would generate \$2.3 to \$2.4 million a year, \$300,000 to \$400,000 more a year.

The change does free up the student services fee to be used for other non-athletic purposes. For instance, the \$35 that previously went to athletics can be used for Red Raider Camp, Raidergate or to sponsor events on campus for students.

In return for the athletic fee, we will return to a system of student ticketing that was used in the 1970s. If the fee is accepted, next year, students can be admitted to athletic events by simply showing their identification cards.

In addition, students will be provided the opportunity to buy up to four tickets to athletic events at half the regular charge. If you want to bring four family members or friends from back home to a football game, you can buy those tickets at half price.

It's fair to ask, are students subsidizing athletics? To an extent, the answer is yes. The athletic department's largest sources of revenue are ticket sales to events and distributions from the Big 12 Conference. We also receive funding from money raised by our primary booster organization, the Red Raider Club. Other sources of revenue are marketing sponsorships and sales of licensed items. Finally, we receive institutional support from Tech and its students. We receive about 10 percent of our annual \$24 million budget from students.

If we were a state agency and you were the taxpayer, the question would be where does that money go? The Texas Tech athletic department is a huge business. We operate stadiums and coliseums, we sponsor 17 athletic teams, we run a major sports marketing and a public relations operation and we run a major business operation.

The question also has been asked, "Why do people have to pay a fee for services they don't use?" Tech is a service provider – like a city in many respects. People live in cities based on the quality of services. Tech is judged by potential students and their families based on the quality of those services it provides.

Much of how we are judged is based on the caliber of our faculty and our student body. There are other factors, however. Tech would not be considered the same quality institution if it did not have facilities such as the recreation center and the library. Students in a high-tech society would not view this university very well if it did not provide top-flight information systems, such as those available on the Internet.

Athletics, including non-revenue sports, are also a measure of a university. They are part of university life, and they add value to those attending Tech.

In communities, not every citizen benefits directly from the police department, fire department, municipal library or park system. Yet, every citizen pays for those services because it increases the overall value of the city or community. At Tech, not every student uses the library, the Internet services, the recreation center or attends athletic events.

Like a city, every student subsidizes services so the cost to everyone remains affordable. All those services — the library, rec center, athletic events — together add value to the Tech experience, making it a better university for all of our students and yes, adding to the value of your college degree by increasing the visibility and prestige of Tech.

One last benefit is that we believe this new fee structure will benefit both the students and the athletic department by making it easier for students to attend athletic events. Anyone who attended the Red Raiders basketball game against Oklahoma or the Lady Raiders game against the Lady Longhorns recognizes how much energy a full student section adds to a game. Our teams feed off of our student fans. This new structure will make it much more convenient for students to attend.

Hopefully, this column answers some of your questions. All of us in athletics – administrators, coaches and student athletes – thank you for your support and your interest in your university and the athletic department.

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### Riders

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appreciated how much the sororities donated.

"I was impressed with how much the sororities supported us," said Biase, a junior marketing major from Plano. "It looks good for the entire Greek system."

Biase said his hope is for this community service project to help transform any negative views of Greek life to positive ones.

"This was one of our goals for the semester," he said. "Sigma Chi wants to continue to do nice things, whether it is a bike or other things."

Castillo agreed.

"We have been getting negative press, and we are not just doing this to get positive press," he said.

If Castillo did not enjoy riding his

bicycle for a good cause, he said he would not be doing it for the third year in a row.

"I do this because I enjoy working people."
with kids," he said.

Biase

Instead of riding for the Children's Miracle Network, Castillo said they decided to ride for Make-A-Wish Foundation this year because it focuses on a more personal level.

"Cheyenne's our Valentine," he said. Cheyenne's wish is being granted because Sigma Chi picked her case through the Make-A-Wish program. The Make-A-Wish Foundation

grants wishes for children between the ages of 2 and 18 years old who have life-threatening illnesses.

Castillo and Biase will spend their

Castillo and Biase will spend their Valentine's Day pedaling down 114 and 1-35.

Although this may not sound like the ideal way to spend this holiday, Biase said

it is worth it because it is for a good cause.

"That's what it is all about" he said

"That's what it is all about," he said.
"It makes us feel good to help other people."

Biase said the agenda for their bicycle ride is simple.

"We are just going to follow the road signs," he said. "And we are going to eat at gas stations."

To prepare for the trip, Castillo and Biase have biked at night throughout the streets of Lubbock since last summer. They said they normally ride about 30 or 40 miles during the night.

"One reason I wanted to ride bikes is because bikes are associated with youth," Castillo said. "Kids should be out riding and having fun and not worrying about their next hospital visit."

Before the trip, Castillo said the hardest part would be Wednesday, when they rode through canyons. They planned to cover about 150 miles the first day, he

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said.

He was not anticipating Thursday to be as bad. They planned to cover about 125 miles the second day.

"Friday will be the scariest," Castillo said.
"We'll be riding on the shoulder of I-35."
He said they will ride about 75 miles

Castillo said besides stopping to eat when they are hungry, they will stop to rest when they get tired. They will also be sleeping in tents.

Along the road Wednesday, Biase said the bicycle ride was going well, although it

was taking longer then they expected.

"It's a little windier then we thought,"

Castillo said they had to stop and buy

"We are having a good time, even though it's cold and slow," he said. "We're keeping our spirits up because it's for a good cause."

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## Lecture

Mead said.

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architecture has come a long way.

"It's important for a university
that is dealing with diversity to display people with diverse ideas and
genders that are doing good work,"

Richter serves as an excellent role model through her work he said.

"If someone is a minority and they are feeling alone doing their work, it is encouraging for them to see someone else who is a minority succeeding doing similar work," Mead said.

"The school is very excited to bring in such a talented Texas architect," Harrison said.

Richter, along with being a principal and CEO of Richter Architects, is a registered architect and interior

designer in Texas. She is a graduate of the University of Texas School of Architecture in Austin.

She received the 2001 Young Architects Award from the national American Institute of Architects for her leadership in community-sensitive designs and public outreach. In 1998 Richter received the John G. Flowers Award for outstanding contributions in the public media to promote excellence in the built environment.

She and her husband, David Richter, won a national AIA design award in 1999 for the Brooks County Safety Rest Area. It is the only publicly funded project in Texas to win a national award in recent years.

The lecture series committee is comprised of Phillip Mead, Darwin Harrison, Michael Martin, Gary Lindsey, Urspeter Flueckiger, and Tyler Vigil, a junior architecture major from Wichita Falls.

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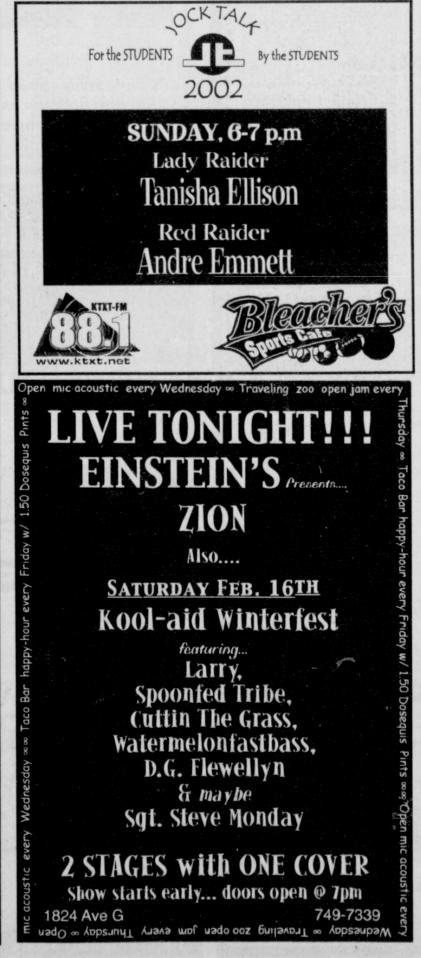
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# Creagor, Miller and local bands set to play at music festival

### **CHARITY PLAY:**

Concert at Midnight Rodeo will benefit the March of Dimes.

By Whitney Wyatt/Staff Reporter

Delta Sigma Phi will host their 2nd Annual Texas Music Festival benefiting the March of Dimes at 9 p.m. Saturday at Midnight Rodeo.

Roger Creagor and Dub Miller will headline the event. Local bands, Heath

Tolleson and the Orange County Band and Swamp Donkey will open for Miller and Creagor.

Lloyd Lim, event chairman for Delta Sigma Phi, said he is excited about the concert.

"The bands will bring in lots of people," said Lim, a senior political science major from El Paso. "Roger (Creagor) has a big following in Lub-

Creagor said he feels welcome when he plays in Lubbock, and he is working hard to keep his acceptance.

"Tech is a great school and a great bunch of people," he said.

Even though Creagor has degrees in accounting and agricultural development, he said he is lucky to be perform-

"I love what I'm doing," he said. "I have two degrees, and I'm not using either one of them."

While music is his passion, Creagor describes his performances as fun.

"Having good music not always brings in the crowd," he said. "Having a fun show will."

Lim said Miller has a fun show as well. Miller said it is easy to be energetic when the fans are excited about being

"It just feeds off each other," he said. "It's easy to be energetic when you roll into Lubbock.'

Since Texas country music spread into other states, Miller said he has been touring outside Texas. However, he said he is anxious to get back to the lone

"Nothing is sweeter or makes you feel better then getting back where it started," Miller said.

Every couple of months, Miller said he has the opportunity to perform at benefit concerts.

"It feels good to be in a position to help out," he said.

Miller's new album, "Post Country," which will be released April 16, will be available at the concert, he said.

Josh Adair, a freshman business major from Midland and a member of Delta Sigma Phi, said students could buy tickets from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday in the Student Union or all day at Ralph's

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Tickets are \$10 today or \$15 at the door Saturday.

Adair said the ticket sales of the concert benefit a good cause.

"All the proceeds go to the March of Dimes," he said. "It is our national

fraternity philanthropy.' While the concert will be fun, all the money goes to help a good cause, so it

is a win-win situation, he said. "It's going to be a good time," Adair

said. "I think everyone benefits." Adair said this is a good way to be able to give back to the community as

college students. "This is something to feel proud about," he said.

Sandy Anderson, Walk America director for the March of Dimes, said she appreciates what the members of Delta Sigma Phi do for the organiza-

Besides donating more than \$1,000 to the March of Dimes last year, she said the fraternity members volunteer their

time as well. They also sponsor Miss Greek Texas Tech, which also benefits the organization.

"We appreciate them getting out and working for something besides them-

selves," she said. Participating in community service projects is also a learning experience, she said.

"It's real simple," Anderson said. "They need to learn how to give back to their community. We look to them as college students, as our future."

Anderson said she would be attending the concert Saturday to show her appreciation and support for the members of Delta Sigma Phi, as well as the March of Dimes.

The mission of the March of Dimes is to bring healthy babies into the

Anderson said this is possible through the research the organization does as well as educating expecting par-

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# Raiders look to herd Buffaloes

The Texas Tech men's basketball team will try to snap its four-game losing streak on the road when the Red Raiders travel to Boulder, Colo., to face Colorado at 3 p.m. Saturday.

Tech is 1-4 on the road during Big 12 Conference play this season and has not won a game away from the United Spirit Arena since Jan. 9 when it defeated Texas A&M in College Station.

The Raiders (17-6 overall, 6-5 Big 12) are coming off of a 90-65 win against Baylor Tuesday at the United Spirit Arena and are tied for fifth place in the Big 12 with Oklahoma State.

The Buffaloes have lost three of four games including Wednesday's letdown against last place Iowa State.

# Men's netters set for three matches

After an 11-day layoff, the Texas Tech men's tennis swings back into action this weekend with matches against Arizona, Arizona State and Northern Arizona.

The Red Raiders are 2-0 on the season with wins over Centenary and New Mexico Military Institute Feb.

Tech beat both teams 7-0. ASU and Arizona are ranked 42 and 43 in the nation respectively.

Tech plays ASU today in Tempe, Ariz., Arizona in Tucson, Ariz., Saturday and Northern Arizona in Tempe, Ariz., on Sunday.

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# Tech hopes for solid pitching in Round Rock

By Jeff Keller/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech baseball squad will compete in its second tournament of the season this weekend when it travels to Round Rock to battle in the Southwest Texas Tournament at Dell

the tournament with a battle against Houston at 5 p.m. today. Tech will face Texas Christian at noon Saturday and will conclude its portion of the tournament against Southwest Texas at noon Sunday.

Tech enters the contest with the Cougars with a 6-3 record. Last weekend the Raiders dropped two of three contests at the Astros College Classic in Houston.

The Raiders averaged nine runs per game heading into last weekend's in the entire tourney resulting in two

Tech catcher Willie Durazo is second on the team in batting average among regular starters with a .379 batting average.

Durazo has two home runs on the The Raiders will begin their run in season and said the Raiders received a wake up call from their two losses in the Astros College Classic. "What we will take from that tour-

nament in Houston is that no matter

where we go or where we are at, we have to be ready to play all the time," Durazo said. Tech received a complete game win from starter Chris Phillips in its

lone win of the Astros College Classic against Texas Christian University. Phillips went 10 innings in the game, collecting his second victory of

sic, Raider pitchers combined to give performances from Phillips and

loss to Louisiana-Lafayette. In the finale of the classic, Tech pitchers combined to give up 17 runs in a loss to Rice.

up four runs in a

Tech coach Larry Hays said strong pitching will be key if the Raiders are to reverse their fortunes in the Southwest Texas

Tournament. "We have to get three good pitch- Tech and Houston has been a closely ing performances instead of two,"

tournament but scored only nine runs the season. In game two of the clas- Hays said. "We had two outstanding

Gooch (Steve Gooch). Then we had one game where we just We are kind of didn't have a chance because coming away from our pitching got us behind early." that tournament with Houston en-

Rice.

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The all-time

- CHRIS PHILLIPS Texas Tech Pitcher

a bitter taste in our

mouth.

from the Raiders while giving up 36 games to Tech. The Raiders and Cougars were ri-

vals in the Southwest Conference but have faced each other once since the conference was terminated in 1996. Houston took an 11-5 decision against Tech last season.

in the overall series taking 41 games

Phillips said after dropping two of three games in the Astros College Classic, the Raiders are anxious to get back on the diamond against the Cou-

"Our last two games weren't the most well played down in Houston," Phillips said. "We have a lot of things to improve on. We are kind of coming away from that tournament with a bitter taste in our mouth. We are going to come out down in Round Rock ready to play."

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The Lady Raiders led 30-24 at halftime.

Tech was able to extend its lead to 10 points in the second half, but Oklahoma State clawed its way back to take a 52-51 lead with 4:22 left in

Tech regained the lead at 55-54 but OSU reeled off four points off of two Lady Raider turnovers in the final minute to claim the upset victory.

Lady Raider guard Amber Tarr led Tech in scoring in the losing effort with 14 points.

The Lady Raiders are now 14-9 on the season and 6-7 in Big 12 Confer-

The Lady Raiders will return to Lubbock to face Wisconsin at 1 p.m. Sunday at the United Spirit Arena.

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# Softball squad uses slow start as motivation

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech softball team has lost its last five contests, but the Red Raiders may be down, but they are not out, Tech outfielder Eva Harshman said.

"We are definitely not out of it," Harshman said. "This weekend we got a wakeup call."

Four of Tech's losses last weekend in Tempe, Ariz., came to teams ranked in the Top 25.

Tech enters this weekend's University of Nevada at Las Vegas Classic with a 3-7 record.

Harshman said the schedule will not be any easier for the Red Raiders when they travel to Las Vegas to face four ranked teams.

a row with No. 2 UCLA. The Raiders will also face No. 4 Louisiana State, No. 6 Oregon State, UNLV and No. 13 Ala-

"We know they are tough teams," baseman Carmen Grindell said. "Noth-

Harshman said. "But we believe we are better than we played (last week). We just need to compete against them better than we did, and the season's not getting any easier."

Assistant coach Rich Wiegliman said the team is not down, and playing a hard schedule will benefit the Raiders.

"I think we're far from down," Wiegliman said. "It's important to play strong teams early to get ready for con-Wiegliman said the losing streak has

helped Tech improve by focusing on what did not work in Tech's last outing. "You learn more from your losses than your wins," Wiegliman said. "We know

how far we can go, and we've set the bar off guard. higher. We need to get better and focus Tech opens its second tournament in on what we need to improve on." The players said they agree that the

team's winless performance in Arizona aided in opening their eyes to trouble spots.

"We need to forget the 0-5," first

ing good came out of last weekend besides the learning experience."

Harshman said the team wants to leave the negative Effects of its last five games behind and focus on what is com-

"This week is a way to move on, learn and throw away the bad stuff," Harshman

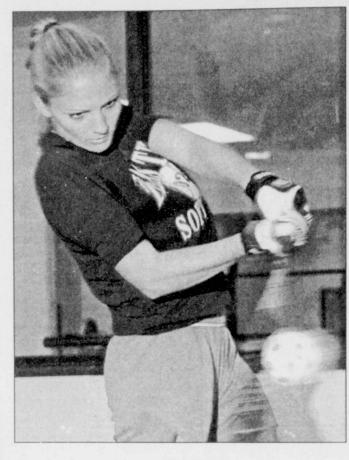
Throwing away the bad stuff will mean minimizing the number of runs the Raiders give up per inning, Wiegliman said.

He said Tech's games in Arizona were closer than the score said and opponents scored runs in bunches.

Grindell said the Raiders want to play more like themselves and not be caught

'It's one thing to give your all and get killed. It's another to not show up at all," Grindell said. "We realize we didn't show up, and that's not how we play."

Wiegliman said the team cannot let its difficult schedule be intimidating because the Raiders' opponents are just like



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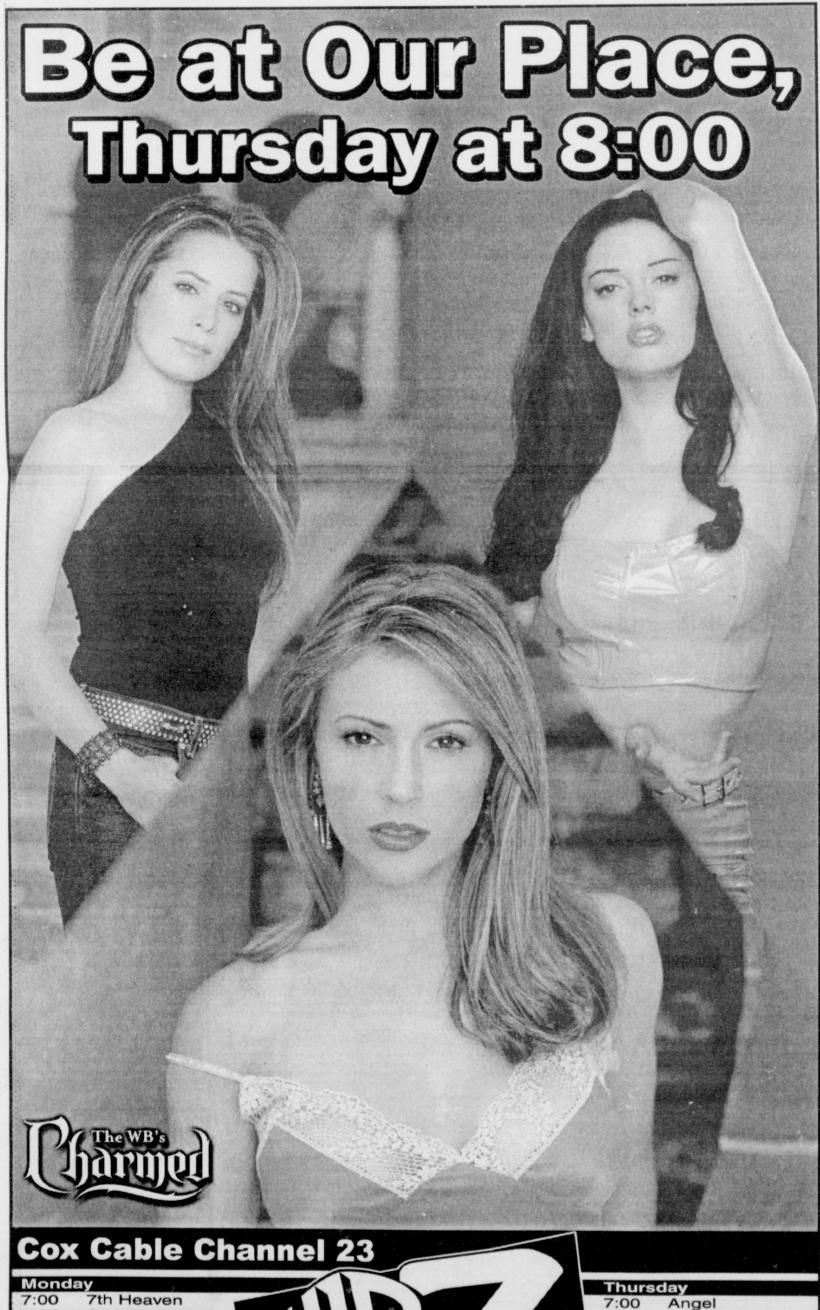
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