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A CHILD OF one of the residents who lives in Harmony Homes apartments walks in front of her family's apartment complex with the contents of most of the units stored outside their home. The tenants were told to move out by April 1 at a meeting held March 17.



HARMONY HOMES APART-MENTS' owner Lonnie Balch entered into a contract agreement with McDougal Companies a little over a year ago.

Tenants have two weeks to vacate their apartments in Harmony Homes

By Jenny Klein/Staff Reporter

Linning Ye, a graduate student studying electrical engineering at Texas Tech, arrived in the United States from Chengdu,

By Feb. 1, Ye found an apartment complex, Harmony Homes Apartments, just east of the Tech campus on Main

The rent was affordable, its location convenient and the interior was furnished; however, like many other apartment complexes and homes in North Overton, this one is set for destruction.

Harmony Homes Apartments owner Lonnie Balch entered into a contract agreement with McDougal Companies a little over a year ago, Mark Murdock, vice president for business development for the McDougal companies, said. The closing

date has been set for March 31.

According to the contract agreement between Balch and McDougal Properties, the apartment complex was to be vacant at the time of the closure, Murdock said.

Extenuating circumstances involving an agreement between the tenants and the landlord could upset these plans. According to the tenants living in Harmony Homes, the

landlord, Balch, approached them with a lease agreement in February. Most of the tenants, like Ye, were allowed to move in during that month and thereafter.

"When we came here, the manager said we could stay as long as we want, so we signed a lease," Ye said.

But Sunday afternoon, without any warning, Balch evicted the tenants, giving them notice to be out by April 1, Ye said.

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Student Senate focuses on money disbursement

By April Tamplen/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech Student Senate read the second of three readings of the 2002-2003 budget Thursday.

The Senate is dividing \$211,800 among 126 registered student organi-

After the first set of presented appeals to the Senate, \$4,600 is left for the next reading April 4.

Tammy Dickie, chairperson for the Senate's budget committee, said the money given to registered organizations comes from student services

"Appeals can be brought up at the next meeting; if an organization wants to make an appeal, they need to contact their senator," she said.

An appeal is filed when an organization does not agree with the amount of money the Senate has set aside for their organization.

Dickie said she was excited the Senate gets to increase the amount of money given to organizations in order to help students in student or-

"Students always ask what the senators do them throughout the

year; well, giving money to organizations is what the senator does for you," she said. How much

money a student organization receives from the Senate depends on 20 to 30 percent of the student organization's current budget, how much recognition the organization brings to Tech, how many active members the organization has and how much the organization gives back to the community.

Kelli Stumbo, internal vice president for the SGA and president of the Student Senate, said she was proud the Senate is giving back to student organiza-

"We are very grateful to have the

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Pope speaks out on sexual abuse scandal

By Victor L. Simpson/ Associated Press

VATICAN CITY (AP) - Breaking his silence, Pope John Paul II denounced the "grave scandal" of priests implicated in sex-abuse cases rocking the Roman Catholic Church, saying they had betrayed their vows and succumbed to evil.

In an annual pre-Easter message to priests released Thursday by the Vatican, the pope used some of his strongest language to address an issue that has seriously embarrassed the church in the United States and else-

"As priests, we are personally and profoundly afflicted by the sins of some of our brothers who have betrayed the grace of ordination," John Paul said.

He said they had succumbed "to the most grievous forms" of what he called, using the Latin phrase, the "mystery of evil."

"Grave scandal is caused, with the result that a dark shadow of suspicion is cast over all the other fine priests who perform their ministry with honesty and integrity and often with heroic selfsacrifice," the pope said.

John Paul said the church "shows her concern for the victims and strives to respond in truth and justice to each of these painful situations.'

It was the first time the pope publicly addressed the issue since widespread accusations of sexual misconduct by priests surfaced in the United States in recent months. The accusations have led to the fall of one bishop, from Palm Beach, Fla., actions taken against dozens of priests around the country, and the tamishing of the reputation of Cardinal Bernard Law of Boston for failing to take action against a child-molesting priest.

A top cardinal who presented the pope's letter defended the church's efforts to uphold morality and punish wrongdoers within its ranks.

He refused to answer any specific questions, however, including whether the Vatican was planning new measures to screen candidates for the priesthood and whether Cardinal Law still had the pope's confidence.

Another vehicle, bicycle collide on campus

By Justin Matthews/Staff Reporter

The second car-bicycle accident on the Texas Tech campus this semester occurred Tuesday night.

Leslie Dutton, a graduate student at Tech, was traveling north at the 1800 block of Boston when she collided with bicyclist Tech student Yasuko Matsumoto, who was traveling east on 18th Street

According to police reports, Dutton was proceeding from a stop sign but failed to yield right of way when she struck . Matsumoto with the front left fender of

Neither party was given a citation.

Tech police officer Chad Demaray notified emergency medical personnel upon arrival at 7:44 p.m. and Matsumoto was transported to University Medical Center with class B injuries. She was not wearing any safety gear. Class B injuries, as described on the police report, are "non-incapacitating."

Tech police said the injuries were visible but not life threatening. Matsumoto, a graduate exchange student from Japan, said the accident punctured a two-inch hole in her leg.

"I absolutely do not feel that this was my fault," she said. "I am not going to stop riding my bike though; it's the best way to get around."

Dutton refused to comment on the

Capt. Gordon Hoffman, spokesman for the Tech police department, re-emphasized his statement from the previous accident in February that bicycle accidents involving motor vehicles are fairly uncommon.

"Bicyclists need to be very careful," Hoffman said. "Even though they may have the right of way, they still need to

be watchful. On a bike or even a motorcycle, you don't only have to watch out for yourself, you have to watch out for the other guy.'

This accident came a month after cyclist Gina Vandiver collided with assistant professor Zhangxi Lin at the intersection of 15th and Flint on campus. Vandiver was also transported to UMC with minor injuries and was treated and released. The accident totaled Vandiver's \$4,000 bicycle.

Vandiver, a member of the Tech cycling team, said she will not continue to

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JEREMY MOORE/Staff Photographer DR. RANDY SCHIFFER checks eye movement, looking for altered reflexes while examining a patient with muliple sclerosis in the HSC.

Research looking for links between zinc, MS

By Natalie Worthen/Staff Reporter

Scientists researching multiple sclerosis are looking for a possible link between the disease and zinc smelters, factories where zinc is refined.

Randolph Schiffer, chairman of neuropsychiatry and behavioral science at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center, said there was talk of a connection with zinc and MS.

"I'm not sure if I believe it, but there has been talk that zinc, which is an immune suppressant, pushes the risk for

people to be susceptible for MS," he said. 'Americans love to take pills, and many people will take zinc because they believe it may cure the common cold."

Schiffer said the Texas Department of Health study he was involved in tested the population of a small town in Illinois for a possible connection between MS and zinc, which was funded by the

Illinois Department of Public Health. The study was conducted in DePue, Ill., which has a population of 2,500

why MS occurs in clusters and dependent upon time and space."

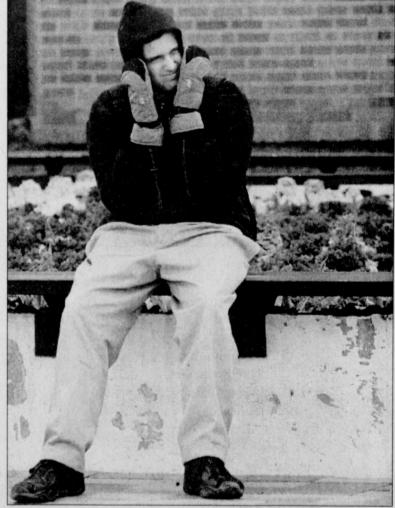
Schiffer said in that time period, nine people out of 4,000 were diagnosed with MS, which is a high rate compared to previous research, which reports about three people would be diagnosed in a town of this size.

with an onset of multiple sclerosis from

1970 to 1990," he said. "No one knows

Schiffer and the Department of Health conducted a similar study in El

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JEREMY MOORE/Staff Photographer ROBERT ICAZA, A freshman industrial engineering major from Managua, Nicaragua, shields his face from the wind while he waits for the Red Route bus in front of the Student Union on Thursday.

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Man requests leg to travel the 'last mile'

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A one-legged condemned killer, whose health blocked him from being fitted with the artificial limb he warted, headed to the Texas death chamber Thursday night for a fatal robbery and shooting almost 17 years ago.

Rodolfo Hernandez, 52, who lost his leg last year to complications from diabetes, would be provided crutches or a wheelchair to travel the last 50 feet from a holding cell to the chamber, Texas prison officials said.



Schools notifying parents of obese kids

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Some parents are getting letters home from school these days saying their children are too fat.

The letters are worded with more sensitivity than that, of course, but the idea is to encourage parents to change their children's eating habits and help them get more exercise.

Parents of students in the East Penn school system in Pennsylvania and in Florida's Citrus County district have been getting such weight alerts since the fall.



New drug may stop breast cancer early

BARCELONA, Spain (AP) — Recent research indicates a new hormone-blocking drug works better than the standard medicine in preventing women with early-stage breast cancer from developing tumors in the healthy breast.

In the largest breast cancer treatment study to date, women taking Arimidex were less than half as likely as those taking tamoxifen to develop a new cancer in the other breast.

Quote of the Day

"I'm too nervous to ride on campus; there are too many people not paying attention."

- GINA VANDIVER, Tech student, cyclist, on recent accident. Please see ANOTHER, page 1.

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The Lubbock Dietetic Association and the Texas Tech Student Diabetes Association will host a Nutrition on the Run 5K race and a one-mile fun run/walk at 9 a.m.

Saturday at Mae Simmons Park, located at 2004 Oak Ave. Admission is \$20. All proceeds will benefit the South Plains Food Bank. For more information, contact Michele Butler at (806) 743-3433.

Sigma Lambda Beta will host a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at 48th Street and University Avenue. For an appointment, call Luis at (806) 891-7557.

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Rumsfeld details military tribunals

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said Thursday that the Pentagon's new rules for military tribunals were designed to protect the rights of accused terrorists while also protecting the security of Americans.

Outlining the new rules, Rumsfeld noted that any defendants brought before the military tribunals will enjoy the presumption of innocence, be provided attorneys and not be required to testify or implicate themselves.

But the rules were also designed to respond to what Rumsfeld called "unique circumstances," allowing the presiding officer, for example, to close the proceedings if evidence was classified or sensitive.

The presiding officer also could close the proceedings to guarantee the safety of the trial participants, Rumsfeld said, noting that some past judges handling terrorist trials have faced threats.

"It is balanced, it is fair, it is designed to produce just outcomes," Rumsfeld said of the process.

Overall, the military tribunals set up for terror cases will offer defendants many of the same rights as regular trials — a move apparently designed to answer critics who complained the courts would be stacked against defendants.

Defendants will have limited right of appeal, however, and standards for evidence will be looser, with hearsay allowed, for example.



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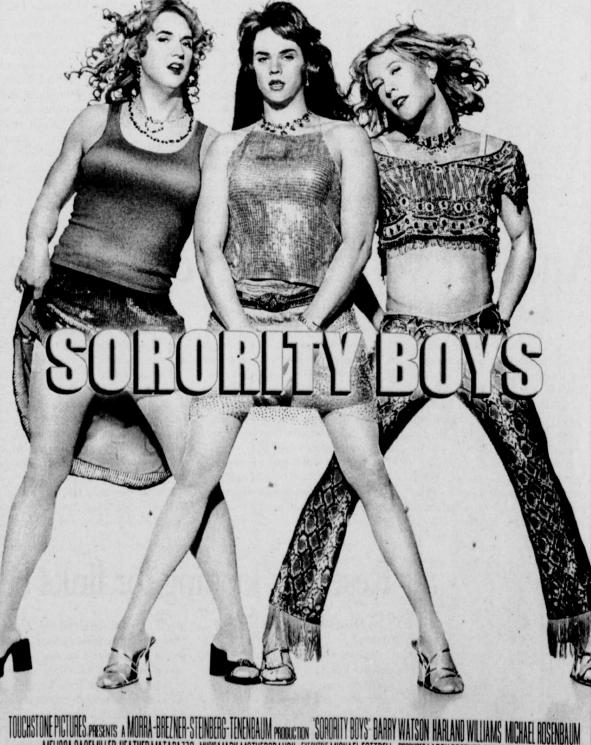
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Tenants

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Ye, along with seven other Chinese students and families, had two weeks to pack up their belongings and find new homes.

"Two weeks notice isn't very useful to move out. Time is short," Ye said.

Zhiwen Feng, along with his wife Lixiang Zhu and their two children, fourmonth-old Judy and 12-year-old Max, have lived in the apartments for two months.

Feng is a graduate student and parttime research assistant at Tech.

When the Feng family moved in they noticed many of the apartments were

Furniture was being removed and sold; yet, Balch welcomed the Feng family.

Feng said he even helped move some of the furniture from the vacant apartments, up until the Friday before Balch gave the eviction notice.

"I got the feeling he had sold. Even at the time, though, he kept his secret. He said no he had no sold the apartments," Feng said. "I regarded his words as true."

After the tenants were given the notice, Feng sought legal assistance from Tech's Student Legal Services.

Jill Taylor, attorney for the Feng family, said legally, any landlord is required to give adequate notice when breaking a lease agreement.

"These tenants did not get adequate notice and certainly no notification was given in writing," Taylor said.

It is customary, she said, for property owners to give their tenants 45 to 60 days written notice. Though Taylor could not discuss the

specifics of the case, she guarantees "things will get interesting." However, Balch has a different story to tell. He said he has not wronged his tenants.

come in and sign the lease.

served the tenants with a notice.

specific dates of those notices.

Since the notices, Balch said he has offered to accommodate the tenants in

any way he can. He has offered to pay

for moving expenses and help them find

new homes, but for the students who are

dents living in the complex, said now is

an inconvenient time for them to move.

May because of school, and the remain-

der of the semester should be used for

move out after the semester in May; at

Murdock said the situation is between

the tenants and the landlord, but none-

theless, they will go ahead and purchase

contract that the apartments were to be

vacant," Murdock said. "Are we going

to run down there and kick those people

out? No, I don't think so. We want to

try to help them in any way we can."

"Our position is we had terms in the

that time, we're free," Ye said.

Ye and Feng, along with other stu-

Housing will not be available until

"We have a loss of time. We should

Since the deal has not been closed,

living there, this is not enough.

schoolwork, Ye said.

the property.

Balch has owned Harmony Homes Apartments for 14 years, during which, he said he has had only Chinese tenants.

"I'm real good to my Chinese. I love ride her bicycle on campus if she can 'em. I wouldn't hurt them at all," Balch said. avoid it.

"I'm too nervous to ride on cam-Balch said he had changed his mind pus; there are too many people not about selling the apartments to McDougal at the beginning of the year, paying attention," she said. "If people ride on campus, they need to ride deand therefore, allowed new tenants to

Collision

However, after the closing date was Vandiver said she often rides established, Balch said he decided to move forward with the contract and Balch said the tenants were given two 30-day notices, though he would not give

with the Lubbock cycling team, who rides off of Slide, Martin Luther King Boulevard's 3-mile loop and out by Buffalo Springs Lake, as well as some highways outside of town.

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The Tech police department has regulations in place for bicyclists and pedestrians to follow as stated in the Texas Bicycle Laws brochure, which can be found at Student Legal Services in West Hall, Room 308 or at the Tech police department.

Officials at the Tech police department said bicycle riders are supposed to travel in the same direction as traffic, obey traffic signs and lights, use hand signals, keep to the streets, not ride on sidewalks and yield to pedestrians. The Tech police department enforces these rules.

There are also state laws in effect to protect pedestrians, most of which follow general traffic rules. In addition, all bicycles must be equipped with a standard braking system capable of skidding on dry pavement as well as a headlight if the bike is being used af-

The light must be visible from 500 feet and a rear red reflector must be visible from a minimum of 300 feet. These state laws, when violated, entail fines up

Hoffman recommends wearing a helmet as well as reflective clothing when riding and ensures it is safe for bicyclists on campus.

"I would say it's still safe, but safety is in the hands of the people involved," he said. "Streets by themselves are harmless, but you throw two vehicles into the mix, and if both of them aren't acting or driving responsibly, then you've got a

MS

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The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, a division of the National Institutes of Health, provided funding for the El Paso study.

Schiffer said a possible cause for the disease could be identified because environment affects genetics, and there might be a relationship between the disease and the envi-

Rona Bowerman, regional programs manager for the National MS Society, West Texas Division, said it will be interesting to see if Schiffer's theories pan out.

"It would be beneficial to learn if the environment affects MS, and we could have some control on MS," she said. "We could then test people to see if they had too much zinc in their sys-

Bowerman said the majority of MS patients are females between the ages of 20 to 50, and there is no explanation why women are at risk more than

"MS, being an autoimmune disorder where the body's white cells attack the myelin coverings around nerves, sufferers may have attacks in remission at any point in time after being diagnosed," she

There is speculation on whether the El Paso study may be able to point to a cause if the environment is found to be linked with MS.

"The study in El Paso examines students who attended the same elementary school from 1948 to 1970. The study found 12 cases of MS, two possible cases and one person at risk," Shiffer said. "This case may provide a possible environmental cause for MS."

Schiffer said he tells his multiple sclerosis patients to live their lives as best they know how.

"Science is like art," he said. "It sometimes doesn't prove anything and is there for other people to decide what

Bowerman said the disease is puzzling. "We don't know why some people go through their entire lives without begin diagnosed until they're 60 or 70 years old or why some people are diagnosed early in life," she said "It's a mystery."

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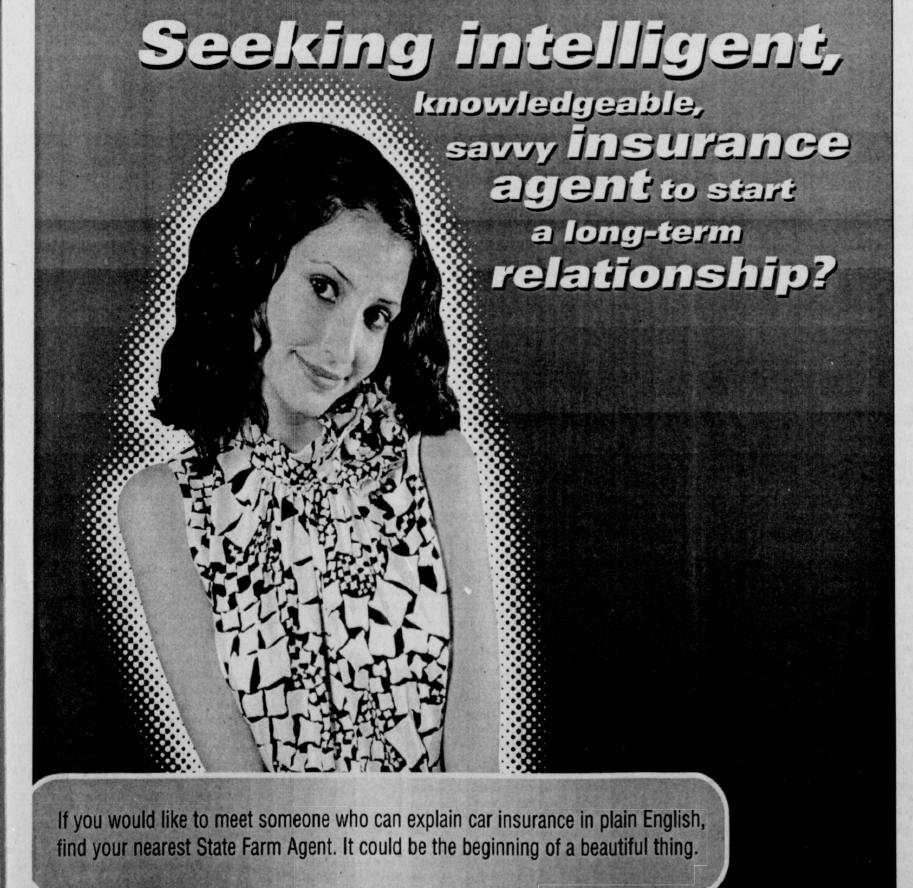


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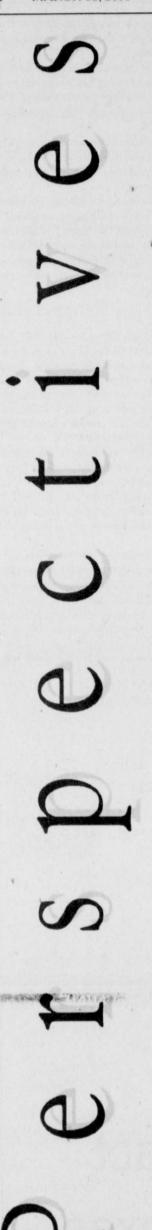


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Substance use becoming too casual

COLUMN



DANIEL WHITE

o one wants to come right out and talk about it anymore. It is almost as if alcohol and drug abuse does not exist on this campus.

Did you ever consider that the federal government spends billions of dollars every year on the war against drugs, but at the same time, you will hardly ever open up a newspaper or turn on the

television and see the outright condemning of alcohol abuse and illegal drug use and abuse?

At the same time, every year innocent people are killed in alcohol-related accidents, families are torn, children are abused and individual lives are ruined as a direct result of alcohol abuse. But, all of that only affects the people that it happens too, right?

So often as students, we don't always step back and look at the potential repercussions of the choices that we make. We focus only on the freedom that these college years bring while never thinking about the cost that adulterated freedom can bring.

You see, the truth is every drug addict and alcoholic started somewhere, and they probably never believed the alcohol or drug, which they once took to get high or buzzed, would be that which would cause the destruction of their lives.

So many of us think that we are above the addicting and life-threatening effects that drug and alcohol abuse can cause, but the reality is it could happen to any of us if we are not careful and don't care enough about our futures to take the time to think about what we are doing to ourselves every time we use alcohol or drugs as an escape route from the trials of life.

There is nothing wrong with drinking when we do it responsibly, but the minute that alcohol

becomes our way of avoiding a reality in life we don't want to face, we allow ourselves to depend on that drink in the bottle to get us through our problems. I hear so many people declaring there is nothing wrong with smoking a bit of weed here and there. I have heard it all — from the only reason that it is not legal is because it can't be taxed to the fact that it is used for medicinal purposes. What can I possibly say to dispute that argument?

I guess the only thing that I can really say is maybe, while the world is trying to find out what is wrong with drug use, the question should be what is right about drug use? You see, you don't have to be Catholic or Christian, Buddhist or Jewish to find something morally wrong with the affect that chronic drug use and abuse is having on our society.

Sure, we could get into those taboo drugs like cocaine and heroin that everyone wants to be hush-hush about and pretend as if they do not exist on this campus, but the truth is they exist everywhere.

To anyone who may struggle with these highly addictive drugs, please get help; if for no other reason, do it for those that love and care about you.

care about you.
Yet, I am not
writing to speak about
those drugs. I am addressing the drugs that many
people in our society selectively choose to
overlook as true drugs. I am speaking of the social
drugs that have somehow been successful in
infiltrating the party scene — weed, LSD, ecstasy,

etc.

All I want to know is, when did life become so complicated that we needed to turn to a narcotic to have a good time? If you choose to use these drugs, I have one question for you. When, if ever, do you think that the complications of life will

reduce enough to where you won't want or need these narcotics to get a high or have a good time? Will it be two years, four years from now or maybe when that lavish job you will land after graduation requires an employee drug test? I do not now nor have I ever written to be judgmental toward anyone because I am unworthy to take the position to judge.

My intent through these words is a hope that we would think about the potential consequences of our actions. We are living in a time where lives are being ruined more and more because of the affects of alcohol and drug abuse and where people are making life-altering decisions without any concern for the risk that is involved in those decisions. If you use drugs by choice, at least take the time to research the effects that continued use

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of that drug has had on

At the same time, if you have an alcohol problem or do drugs and you have tried to stop getting high or getting drunk but you have been unsuccessful on your own, there are people who want nothing more than to see you kick your addiction.

You can contact Student Health Services at Thompson Hall by calling (806) 743-2848.

Honestly, if we could turn back the hands of time and change things in our past, I wonder how much of our past we would choose to erase and how much we would change.

Just as well, have you ever wondered how much of the life you live right now you will wish that you could erase or change 10 years from now?

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Bell needs more research

To the editor: I suggest to Loren Bell that he do research himself concerning the so-called evidence for evolution. It is my belief that the reason that evolutionists will not engage a creationist in debate is because they know their so-called evidence is really stacked against them.

There is no empirical evidence for evolution, nor is there really any independent evidence which supports evolution. It is all indirect at best.

You say that when scientists find a single shred of evidence contradictory to theory, they modify it. Well then, why hasn't evolution as a whole been totally dismissed? What about the fact that more than 50 percent of all Homo erectus fossils do not fit within their time range? What about the Kanapoi elbow bone? What about the fact that the majority of human fossils overall do not fit into the evolutionary scheme?

You blame creationists for intellectual dishonesty and deference to unbending dogma, when it is actually the evolutionists who are guilty of this. The theory of evolution was developed by Darwin well before the majority of human fossils were found, and in their desperateness to prove evolution, scientists bend the truth or totally break it to make the fossils fit where they want them to, thus deferring to unbending dogma

instead of facts. This is the worst form of intellectual dishonesty. If you need an example, read up on Eugene Dubois.

You say that taking evolution out of schools would consign our children to ignorance; well, I wholeheartedly disagree with that. By allowing evolution in schools, we are teaching our children a lie, a dogmatic lie masked by science.

Here are some sources for those who want to do research on their own: "Bones of Contention," by Marvin Lubenow; "The Lie: Evolution," by Ken Ham or check out www.drdino.com for more sources.

senior general studies

Arguments not logical

To the editor: In response to Loren Bell's creationism column (UD, 03-07), I must make a few comments. I do not intend to argue for a creation hypothesis but rather against the illogical assumptions Bell uses to base his column.

First, saying there is no evidence to challenge evolutionary theory is a false statement. In fact, many of the challenges have come not from creationists but from evolutionary scientists.

One such scientist, Michael Denton, in his book "Evolution: A Theory in Crisis," makes a formidable case, pointing out many weaknesses of evolutionary theory. This book, as do others, raises questions that the "experts" have difficulty answering. This would be a good place for Bell to start since he is committed to looking at all the evidence.

Secondly, Bell's terminology congeals into a heap of confusing contradictions. Evolution and creation are not necessarily mutually exclusive. Creationism addresses origins (literal or figurative seven-day creation) whereas evolution deals with processes (higher species have evolved from lesser species).

Therefore, it is possible to believe in both the origin via creation and the process of evolution without a contradiction. The big-bang and creation theories are mutually exclusive (origins), as are evolution and the theory of forms (processes), yet he does not mention these crucial issues at all.

Finally, it is ironic that Bell argues against the "blind faith" of creationism and for the empiricism of evolution. The irony is that Mr. Bell provides no empiric evidence supporting his beliefs. His rhetoric rings similar to those that he is denouncing. To speak so boldly of the reality of any theory without providing evidence is the very definition of dogma.

Brent Shook physician School of Medicine

Where did all the gentlemen go?

COLUMN



RACHEL RICHMOND

n my adventure to beautiful, fun-filled Las Vegas, I had an epiphany. Well, not really an epiphany, but I did realize some issues about the American men of Generation X and women.

My friend and I set out for a night on the town with a few hot spots in mind and some money to spend. On our journey, we met three

men in their late 20s from the New York area, whose names were not worth remembering.

The conversation between the five of us seemed harmless at first, until one of the men complimented me on "my rack." Yes, he used the term rack. I'm sure you can understand the downward spiral and evil twist the discussion took. Discretion is advised for the remainder of the chat.

My friend and I hauled out of the casino, grabbed a cab and headed back to where we were staying. I was so disgusted and appalled with the content of the conversation that I was completely turned off by men for the time being. We both agreed it was a horrible experience that should never be repeated.

We sat in our hotel casino and discussed the matter at hand. Now, I have been spoken to like that before. I've been catcalled, whistled at and grabbed before. I've taken all the derogatory behavior in the past like a champ. But frankly, I am tired of it, and I am putting my foot down.

What ever happened to the days of female respect, where doors were opened, chairs were pulled out and the only compliments that touched a man's lips were harmless enough to say in front of his own mother? Are those acts of chivalry locked in a textbook only lived out by our parents and grandparents? Or do women of today have to constantly search for the perfect gentlemen of Generation X?

I have commented before that chivalry for our generation is dead. I know I am not the only woman who believes this. But, the very night, just hours later, that my friend and I met the three most horrific men, we also met three amazing men that literally took my breath away. These three changed my mind about the death of chivalry for men entirely - at least for men with an accent.

The most acts of chivalry I have ever witnessed has, for the majority, been from foreign men. I have met an array of foreign men in my short life on this earth from Australia to Ireland, to England and Sweden, these men have got American men beat in the realm of chivalry. Well, at least my generation

I have found that foreign men are more attentive and care more, or at least pretend to care more, about the content of conversation, no matter how lame the topic. You could be talking about a cheese sandwich, and they will want to know what kind of cheese. Dumb example, but you get the picture.

The time my friends and I spent with the "good" guys last week was priceless. They were complimentary, attentive, cultured, and I never once questioned my value as a lady. We were both treated with respect and enjoyed a stimulating conversation with topics other than our "racks" or other women's "racks."

In my entire dating career, not once was a chair pulled out for me by someone other than a family member or a waiter. One of the "good" guys pulled out my chair and waited until I sat down for him to relax in his seat. This caught my eye and prompted me to write this column. Women notice these things and they like them.

Although I have noticed chivalry more in foreigners, some American men have got the routine down. My father and grandfather's generation learned how to treat a woman like a lady. Too bad I don't dig 50-year-old men. But, some American parents' of Generation X men have taught them right. They know how to treat a woman, and I have seen it before. Those priceless gems are just so few and far between. So, ladies if you have one, hold on to him.

Now, men are not all to blame. Women have to take some of the wrap as well. I am all for the independent women's liberation. Trust me, I am as independent as they come. I believe I can do just as much as men and sometimes even better. I deserve to get paid as much as a man and be respected as much as a man. But, I don't want to be treated like a man.

We want our cake of equality and to eat it, too. Because what is the point of having a cake if you can't enjoy it? Women deserve the prominence of a man but want the treatment of a lady. Of course we can open our own doors and pull out our own chairs, but these acts of chivalry makes us, at least most women, feel good. So, my suggestion to the men out there still reading this column, suck it up and open a door. You might catch her eye and capture her heart.

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World leaders call on rich nations to fight terrorism, poverty

MONTERREY, Mexico (AP) -Speaking to presidents and prime ministers from six continents, world leaders called on rich nations Thursday to increase aid to the world's poorest, saying the developing world would become a breeding ground for terrorism without more help.

"To speak of development is to speak also of a strong and determined fight against terrorism," said Peruvian President Alejandro Toledo, who excused himself from the U.N. summit on poverty to return to Lima after a car bomb in front of the U.S. Embassy killed at least nine people.

"Global security is closely tied to the health of the world economy," Toledo said. "Insecurity and the sinister role that terrorism plays must be confronted."

One after another, international leaders appealed for more development aid to prevent terrorism from expanding around the globe.

World Bank Director-General Mike Moore called poverty a "time bomb lodged against the heart of liberty," while the president of the U.N. general assembly, Han Seung-Soo, said the poorest nations are "the breeding ground for violence and despair."

"In the wake of Sept. 11, we will forcefully demand that development, peace and security are inseparable," Seung-Soo said.

Mexican President Vicente Fox inaugurated the U.N. International Conference on Financing for Development with a call for world leaders gathered in flowing robes and business suits to rethink the nature of development aid.

"For decades, the nations of the world have tried to confront the problem of development and poverty through international cooperation," Fox said. "But so far, the results have been poor, late and disheartening."

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan noted that in an increasingly globalized world, rich nations depend on the stability of poor ones more than ever.

"We live in one world, not two," he said. "No one in this world can feel comfortable, or safe, while so many are suffering and deprived."

Cuban President Fidel Castro, dressed in olive drab fatigues and tennis-shoes, launched a fierce attack on the international economic system, which he called "a gigantic casino."

"The current world economic order constitutes a system of looting and exploitation," he said.

He denounced the huge gap between living standards in rich and poor countries, which he called "true genocide."

"You can't blame this tragedy on the poor countries. It wasn't they who conquered and looted entire continents for centuries, nor did they establish colonialism, nor did they reintroduce slavery, nor did they create modern imperialism," he said. "They were its victims."

Senate

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opportunity to allocate funds to the organizations," she said. "We are giving organizations a chance to thrive and reach their potential."

Stumbo, who will become SGA president for the 2002-2003 academic year, said the Senate has done a good job representing the students this academic year.

"For the majority of the time the senators have kept focus on the job they were supposed to do and strived to do better," she said. "I will continue to show support for the Senate next year."

Issues the Senate has dealt with this year are red to black graduation

robes, beautification of campus and the athletics fee.

Stumbo said these issues have made the Senate stronger because they are constantly working on different issues.

"The senators have done a very good job relating back to their organizations," she said. "My goal would be to incorporate the Senate more, to work together and understand each other more.'

Plans for the Big 12 conference being held at Tech were presented to the

Stephanie Sanchez, associate for the SGA, said the student governments from all the Big 12 conferences will meet in Lubbock.

"The theme is 'Working together for a better Big 12,", she said. "The main issue we will talk about is sportsmanship."

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By Whitney Wyatt/Staff Reporter

Members of Pi Delta Alpha, a coed mass communication fraternity, will spend their Saturday morning working in the yard. They will be beautifying the

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outward appearance of the Lubbock nity action days are one-shot projects zation will be working outside doing garent local non-profit and service agencies. They also provide educational opportunities for the Tech community.

"Any faculty, staff or student can sign up," he said. "But it is usually student organizations that do community action

Courtney Rodriguez, public relations chairwoman for Pi Delta Alpha, said 25 members will participate in this community service project. She said her organidening tasks.

"Whatever they need help in, we will do," said Rodriguez, a junior public relations major from Baird.

Kathleen McCutchan, assistant director of community relations for the Lubbock State School, said Tech volunteers will be laying cross ties for the flower garden, cleaning up the track area, trimming trees and possibly planting new

"Even though the duties seem like

minimal work, it is important," she said. "It's building a neighborhood to us."

McCutchan said the state school could not afford all the manual work the Tech volunteers do so she is thankful for

'We appreciate the opportunity to be involved with Tech," she said.

While volunteering is beneficial for the community, it is beneficial for Tech students as well, she said.

"You feel good about yourself when you can help someone else," McCutchan

Rodriguez agreed. She said it is important for Tech students to give back to the Lubbock community because the community supports Tech.

She also said everyone should support the town they are living in.

"We're here," she said. "This is our town for now."

In addition to helping out the community, Rodriguez said community action days also provide an opportunity for members to network and find out about

"It is going to help us to get to know each other also," she said.

Pi Delta Alpha, which has 38 members, is open to any Tech student who is majoring or minoring in mass communications.

Students must have a 2.5 cumulative GPA. Rodriguez said that the fraternity has recruitments once a semester.

Anderson has hepatitis C

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Pamela Anderson said she contracted the potentially fatal hepatitis C by sharing a tattoo needle with ex-husband Tommy Lee, but the former Motley Crue drummer insists he's never had the disease.

"It is true, I have hepatitis Cand have undergone outpatient treatment" at the University of California, Los Angeles, Medical Center, Anderson said in a statement released Wednesday by her publicist, Marleah Leslie.

"I contracted hepatitis C while sharing a tattoo needle with my ex-husband, Tommy Lee. A mutual doctor confirmed this at the time. Tommy has the disease and never disclosed it to me during our marriage," Anderson said.

Anderson, 34, and Lee, 39, are fighting in court over custody of their two young sons, Brandon and Dylan. The star of the syndicated TV series "VIP," who gained fame in the '90s as a lifeguard on "Baywatch," said Lee leaked the hepatitis story, which appears in Friday's Star tabloid and first came out Wednesday on "Entertainment Tonight."

"In a pathetic attempt to discredit me, he has decided to go public with this very private information," Anderson said.

"Entertainment Tonight" quoted an unidentified spokesperson for Lee as saying, "Tommy has never had hepatitis C or any sexually transmitted diseases. Pam's ridiculous accusations are attempts to try to change the current joint custody arrangement for their children."

Lee publicist Beth Katz did not comment on the "Entertainment Tonight" report, but released a brief statement on Thursday.

"Because the custody evaluation is ongoing and court proceedings are pending, further comment is not appropriate at this time," the statement said. "Her actions today are a clear attack on Tommy and hopefully she will realize that she is only doing more harm to her children and herself by trying to use the media as a tool to hurt Tommy and their two boys.'

Anderson's boyfriend, Kid Rock, said Thursday he didn't know she had hepatitis C.

"I was with her last night and she didn't really release that statement to me or say anything about it. She's fine," the rapper-rocker said during an appearance on "The KTLA Morning News."

"There's so much going on with the situation she's in that I really don't want to talk about. I think a lot of people try to say things that are very hurtful," said Kid Rock, whose real name is Bob

Ritchie. About 3.9 million Americans have hepatitis C, which is spread through blood-to-blood contact, most commonly through sharing needles for intravenous drug use or through unprotected sex, according to the Centers for Disease Control. In some patients, it can cause severe liver damage.

It causes inflammation of the liver, which can lead to cirrhosis, liver cancer and liver failure. About 8,000 to 10,000 people in the United States die each year from complications of hepatitis C infec-

'E.T.' phones home again

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The wrinkly, crinkly munchkin from outer space is coming back to Earth. His fairy-tale journey a bit longer and more benign than when he first landed in theaters 20

Steven Spielberg's "E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial" returns to theaters Friday, updated with a couple of previously unreleased scenes, visual enhancements, improved sound and excisions that have annoyed some purists who dislike tampering with beloved films.

And "E.T." is about as beloved as they come. Debuting June 11, 1982, the tale of a lovably homely alien befriended by a 10-year-old boy became a cultural sensation. The sight of E.T. and his buddy flying on a bicycle silhouetted against the moon is one of Hollywood most memorable images, and the film produced one of the pithiest movie quotes ever: "E.T., phone home.

Nominated for best picture and eight other Academy Awards, winning four, "E.T." remained the all-time top-grossing film domestically for 14 years, until it was passed by the reissue of "Star Wars" and later "Titanic" and "Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace."

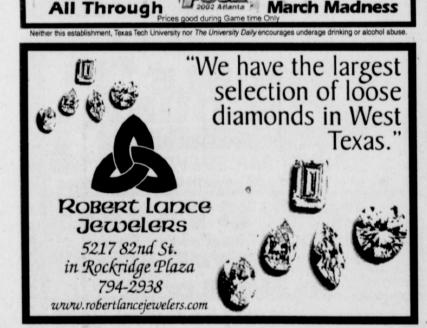
A film that delighted young children, "E.T." also has been analyzed and overanalyzed, with E.T. examined as a Christlike figure and his fall to Earth compared to a reversal of Dorothy's trip from mundane Kansas to glorious Oz.

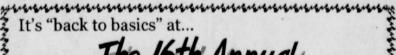
"People love to talk about 'E.T.' It holds an important place in their hearts, where they remember it from their childhood or it marks some key moment they remember in their adult lives," said"E.T." producer Kathleen Kennedy.



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Tech squads face Big 12 competition

Men netters battle Baylor

Fresh off its Big 12 Conference win in the league opener against Colorado on Sunday, the Red Raider men's tennis team will travel to Waco to face Baylor at 1 p.m. Sunday at the Baylor Tennis Center.

The Red Raiders (9-5 overall, 1-0 Big 12) defeated Colorado 6-1 and are led by senior Royce Ramey and the doubles tandem of Richard Crabtree and Ben Gudzelak

Baylor will play No. 7 Kentucky today before facing Texas Tech.

The Bears, who are ranked No. 16 nationally, are 12-1 and boast a 1-0 Big 12 record after defeating Colorado last week.

Junior Zoltan Papp, who is 10-0 in dual match competition this season, leads the Bears.

Tech returns to Lubbock March 30 to take on Abilene Christian University and the University of Texas-San Antonio at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. at the McLeod

Softball seeks sweep

Following its 0-2 Big 12 conference start, the Texas Tech softball team will attempt to even its record when they play two games against Iowa State this weekend.

The Red Raiders will play the Cyclones on Saturday at 3 p.m. and Sunday at 11 a.m. at Rocky Johnson Field. The Raiders (10-22, 0-2 Big 12)

have lost their last eight games and were shut out twice when they played Baylor on Wednesday in Lubbock.

Tech had 10 hits in the two games and lost 7-0 and 2-0 respectively. Tech has not won a game since March 3 when it beat Colorado State in Albuquerque, N.M.

The Cyclones are 9-8 on the year and are 0-2 in conference play as well, losing two to Missouri last

For the Raiders, catcher Jana Baker is carrying a career high fourgame hitting streak into the week-

Baseball plays Huskers

The No. 23 Red Raider baseball team will travel to Lincoln, Neb., to play a three-game series with the No. 13 Comhuskers.

Tech has not played since its series with Oklahoma State last weekend because of a cancellation Tuesday. Tech (20-10, 4-5 Big 12) was to play New Mexico on Tuesday afternoon, but the game was called off because of poor weather

Nebraska (12-6, 4-2 Big 12) is coming off a series at the Metrodome with Minnesota.

Tech will be Nebraska's second conference opponent to venture into its new stadium. Texas A&M was swept by Nebraska in the Cornhuskers' home conference opener in front of more than 3,600

After playing the 'Huskers, Tech will return home for a series with Missouri on March 29 to 30.

Women netters at UT

The Texas Tech women's tennis team will play in two matches this weekend when they travel to Austin to face the University of Houston and No. 16 Texas at the Penick-Allison Tennis Center.

The Red Raiders (4-8 overall, 1-3 Big 12 Conference) are slated to play Houston (8-4 overall) in a nonconference match at 10 a.m. today.

The Raiders return to Big 12 competition when they face the Longhorns (8-3 overall, 4-0 Big 12) at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

Tech is coming off two consecu-

tive wins against Missouri and nonconference opponent UC-Irvine. The win against Missouri was the first Big 12 win for Tech this season. Texas has lost three of its last four.

All those losses came against nonconference opponents. Tech returns home to face Okla-

homa at noon Tuesday at the McLeod Tennis Center.

Caminiti pleads guilty to cocaine possession, sentenced to probation

HOUSTON (AP) - Former Houston Astros third baseman Ken Caminiti was lectured by a judge Thursday after he pleaded guilty to cocaine possession and was sentenced to three years probation.

"You've committed your last offense," State District Judge Bill Harmon told the former National League MVP. "You've ha'd your last drink. You've had your last controlled substance."

After Caminiti, 38, left the courtroom, he told reporters he deserved the admonishment.

"When you do bad things, you get scolded," he said. "I tell my kids that all the time."

Harmon told Caminiti he must receive counseling three times a week, speak to students about drugs, continue attending Alcoholics Anonymous meetings and submit to periodic urinalysis. The judge also ordered Caminiti to pay a \$2,000 fine.

"You're getting a break," Harmon told Caminiti, referring to the plea arrangement that allowed the former player to avoid prison time and a conviction on his record if he meets the court's stipula-

Caminiti was arrested Nov. 14 after Harris County Sheriff's Department deputies said they found him in a southwest Houston-area motel room with unspecified drugs and drug paraphernalia.

The deputies reported smelling what they believed to be crack cocaine and arrested two other people with Caminiti.

"This is the largest mistake I've made in my life," Caminiti said.

Astros star Jeff Bagwell, a longtime teammate and friend of Caminiti's, said he and other Houston players would continue to stand by their comrade.

"Obviously, three years' probation is a lot," Bagwell said Thursday in Winter Haven, Fla., where the Astros played the Cleveland Indians. "We wish him the best and support everything about him."

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Lady Raiders seek sweet revenge

MARCH MADNESS:

Tech faces OU in the Sweet Sixteen of the NCAA Tournament.

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

Games against Big 12 'Conference opponents were supposed to be over in early March. But that is not what the NCAA Tournament bracket reads for the Lady Raider basketball team. Texas Tech will face a familiar foe Saturday when it faces Oklahoma at 10:30 p.m. in the Sweet Sixteen of the NCAA Tournament in Boise, Idaho.

The Sooners are a No. 1 seed in the tournament while the Lady Raiders are

Oklahoma defeated Tech in the teams' previous two games, but coach

ing well and is aware of this game's im-

"We're playing better now than we were the other two times we played them," said Sharp, who has led her squad to the Sweet Sixteen four consecutive years. "I think we're more prepared, and my players understand it's do

If the Raiders are to live, Sharp said they cannot have a repeat performance of the last OU game.

Oklahoma held Tech to its lowest shooting percentage of the season at 31 percent when the teams squared off in Norman, Okla., Feb. 27 to close out the Big 12 campaign.

Sharp said it was not Oklahoma's defense that produced that number it was the Tech offense.

"Part of it was Oklahoma plays good defense, but we just didn't shoot well," Sharp said. "We missed 10 uncontested

Marsha Sharp said her team is perform- shots. That's a little encouraging, knowing we could get those shots. If they go in, it would have been a different game."

> Tech guard Amber Tarr said the key to stopping the Sooners will be shutting down their transition offense and slowing them down.

'We have to focus on stopping their transition offense," Tarr said. "They like to run, and they're effective at it. They are good in the open court and always know where each other are."

Tech guard Jia Perkins also said stopping the transition game will slow the pace of the game down and possibly work to the Lady Raiders advantage.

"If we can get them to play a halfcourt game, we'll have a good chance to win," Perkins said. "We've played them twice so we know how they play. It's just a matter of executing.

Both teams have been dominant lately, winning their most recent games in the NCAA tournament in commanding fashion.

Tech beat Mississippi State in the second round by 22 points, and OU upended Villanova 66-53. In that game, Sooner guard LaNeisha Caufield scored nearly half the points with 30.

The Raiders said what determines which team continues rolling into the Elite Eight on Monday against the winner of Saturday's Stanford-Colorado

"Whoever comes out to play will win," Perkins said. "We have to play hard for 40 minutes and make hustle plays. It will come down to hustle and playing good defense."

Tarr said a variety of things will affect the game, and desire is one, but it is hard to say who wants the win more at

"A mixture of things will decide who wins," Tarr said. "Focus, intensity and defense will play a huge part of it. It's hard to say who wants it more because we both want it pretty bad."

The two losses to Oklahoma earlier may have left a bad taste in the Lady Raiders' mouths, but Tarr said it is a new season in March and the losses are behind them

"Anytime you lose to someone you want to get revenge, but we're not approaching this game as wanting to seek it," Tarr said. "It's not revenge we're after now. We just want to make it as far as

Because Oklahoma enters the game as a top dog in the brackets, Sharp said her team can be more relaxed than the

'Since they're a No. 1 seed, they have a lot of eyes on them," Sharp said. "We'll have to see how they handle the pressure because it's all on them."

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TEXAS TECH FORWARD Casey Jackson drives to the basket during Tech's game against Oklahoma on Jan. 5. The Lady Raiders face the Sooners in the Sweet Sixteen of the NCAA Tournament at 10:30 p.m. Saturday in Boise, Idaho. The winner advances to the Elite Eight of the tournament.

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