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At least 19 dead, 120 injured in Israeli bombing

By Jason Keyser/Associated Press

NETANYA, Israel — A suicide bomber burst into a hotel dining room and blew himself up Wednesday just as Israelis dressed in their holiday best were sitting down to a Seder meal celebrating the Jewish Passover. At least 19 Israelis were killed and more than 120 wounded.

The explosion tore through the ground floor of the Park Hotel in this northern coastal resort, blowing out walls of rubble and overturning tables and chairs. Bits of window and wires dangled from the ceiling. In the chaos, one table remained standing, covered by a white cloth and with the

elaborate Seder place settings still in place.

"Suddenly it was hell," said one of the guests, Nechama Donenhirsch, 52. "There was the smell of smoke and dust in my mouth and a ringing in my ears."

The Islamic militant group Hamas claimed responsibility for what Israeli government spokesman

Gideon Meir called a "Passover massacre." The bomber, a 25-year-old Palestinian, had worked in Netanyahu hotels in the past.

The bombing in Netanya threatened to derail the latest U.S. truce mission, just hours after President Bush said his envoy to the region had

made some progress. In later comments, Bush said "this callous, this cold-blooded killing, it must stop."

Israel, which had reluctantly accepted the latest U.S. cease-fire proposals, said it would have to reassess its policy and held Arafat responsible for the bombing. Police Minister Uzi Landau called for retaliation, saying the Palestinian Authority must be destroyed.

The Palestinian Authority said it "strongly condemned" the bombing, and that it would take tough measures against those involved. Palestinian security sources said Arafat ordered the arrests of four key militants in the West Bank.

The bombing came just hours after Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah presented a new peace initiative at the Arab summit in Beirut, offering Israel normal relations with the Arab world in exchange for a complete withdrawal from the territories it occupied in the 1967 Mideast war.

Arafat, who remains confined to the West Bank by Israel, embraced the initiative in a televised speech, and said he hoped it would be adopted by the summit.

Israeli officials responded guardedly, saying the Saudi plan was too vague and somewhat weakened the idea of "normalization" initially floated by Abdullah. The prince's last-minute addition

— a demand that Israel recognize the right of return of Palestinian refugees — is "totally unacceptable," said Danny Ayalon, a Sharon adviser.

Earlier reports said 16 Israelis were killed, but police officials said later that the figure had climbed to 19. The injury toll rose to more than 120, including more than two dozens who were in serious condition. It was one of the worst suicide bombings in the past 18 months of Israeli-Palestinian fighting. The deadliest was an attack in June outside a Tel Aviv disco that left 22 dead.

The explosion occurred at about 7:20 p.m.

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Tech breaks ground on building today

By Michael Mondragon/Staff Reporter

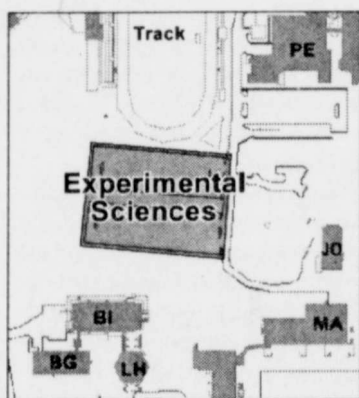
Texas Tech administrators and professors will hold a groundbreaking ceremony at 1 p.m. today for the new Experimental Sciences Building north of the Biology building.

Carl Phillips, chairperson and professor of biology, said the new facility will feature many technologies the Biology building does not have.

"Technology changes all the time, and Texas Tech needed a biology facility that will keep up with the technological changes," Phillips said.

The new facility will house the Biological Informatics Office, a new initiative by Tech to explore the biological and geophysical data in the state of Texas, Ron Chesser, professor of biology, said.

"Specifically, we are hoping that the data will help make wise decisions for management resources and to use this for economic strategies and business de-



velopment," Chesser said.

The office will also contain maps of areas contaminated with radiation from around the world, Chesser said.

"This will help on how we can predict where the radiation is going to go, where is the biggest risk going to be, if there is another terrorist at-

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PRACTICING PREPAREDNESS



JAIME TOMÁS AGUILAR/Photography Editor

AFTER THIS ACTOR was evacuated from a smoking building, he attempted to go back into the building for his friend and was stopped by a firefighter responding to the scene.

RaiderGate to move due to construction

By April Tamplen/Staff Reporter

RaiderGate, Texas Tech's student-run tailgating section, will have a new location next year in the R-9 parking lot, which is west of the Chemistry building.

Outgoing Student Government Association President John Steinmetz said the reason for the move is the construction of the new Experimental Sciences building, which will be located north of the Biology building.

"The student government wanted to ensure that a greater number of students can take part in the RaiderGate experience," he said. "Kelli Stumbo (incoming SGA president), the office of Campus Activities and I wanted additional changes to improve the experience."

Along with the move to a new parking lot, a free shuttle bus system will provide transportation for football fans from the R-9 parking lot to Jones SBC Stadium.

Steinmetz said 4,600 to 5,000 stu-



FILE PHOTO/The University Daily

dents attended RaiderGate at each home football game.

"I can say that this year, Tech broke a school record of student attendance at football games," he said. "At the Texas A&M game, 9,083 students attended."

No tickets or citations were given at RaiderGate last year, Jenn Henley, coordinator of special events, said. All problems last year were controlled.

"We wanted and still want a safe environment that is still fun for students," she said. "Think of it this way, there was a problem the night before the A&M game and a problem in the day of, but there was never a problem in the parking lot."

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SPRINGTIME FUN



DAVID JOHNSON/Staff Photographer

MEREDITH WOOLARD, (LEFT) a freshman interior design major from Prene, misses a flying disc thrown to her by Courtney Johnson, a freshman before-medicine student from Amarillo (background).



JAIME TOMÁS AGUILAR/Photography Editor

LUBBOCK FIREFIGHTERS RESPOND to a simulated terrorism situation where citizens were "exposed" to contagious agents set off by "terrorists."

City officials, actors simulate a terrorist attack in Lubbock

(Editor's note: This article describes a simulated terrorism attack.)

By Jenny Klein and Laura Sepeda/
Staff Reporters

An explosion releasing a deadly chemical agent occurred at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday morning at Reese Technology Center, resulting in mass casualties and injuries.

One minute later, 911 received the first call from a victim at the scene.

Innocent civilians slowly began to stagger out of a smoke-filled theater, where the Lone Star Musical Festival was taking place. Many suffered burns, others abrasions and still some breathed in the toxic chemical, later to be identified as Lewisite.

Minutes later, emergency response teams arrived, including fire trucks, ambulances and police officers, only to be bombarded with screams and pleas from victims of the explosion.

Because of the suddenness of the event, emergency responders were not prepared for the confusion that accompanied the attack. With no armor against the contaminated civilians, many responders were contaminated as well.

Fortunately, there was no real danger for participants in this scenario, which

was part of the weapons of mass destruction exercise arranged by the city, state and federal governments as part of the Project Impact program.

The U.S. Department of Justice, office for Domestic Preparedness, funded the exercise.

The scenario was treated like an actual crime scene. The Lubbock Fire Department set up the decontamination tent to aid victims of the supposed weapons of mass destruction attack.

The chemical being simulated was Lewisite, which causes respiratory illness, foaming at the mouth and destroys skin tissue immediately upon impact.

The exercise was to be treated as if it were a real attack; however, only 30 minutes into the exercise, a time-out was called.

Assistant Police Chief Tom Mann said responders needed to regroup and reorganize. Too many responders were contaminated, which incapacitated their ability to continue with the full-scale exercise.

"In the real deal, responders don't know what to expect. It's dangerous for them," Mann said. "We lost several responders. They were tagged as being contaminated and couldn't participate further. In reality, they would've died."

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The Rundown



Convicted killer tries to overturn sentence

AUSTIN (AP) — Convicted child killer Darlie Routier should have her conviction reversed because the record of her 1997 trial is plagued with inaccuracies and prevents her attorneys from raising important legal questions, her lawyer argued Wednesday.

Attorney Stephen Cooper also said Routier's rights were violated because her lead trial attorney had a conflict — he had previously represented Routier's husband.

That conflict kept the attorney from pointing to the husband, Darin Routier, as a possible suspect in the stabbing deaths of Routier's two sons, Cooper said.

A record, or transcript, of a hearing on whether Darlie Routier waived any conflict involving the lawyer wasn't found, her attorneys said.

"This whole record issue is so outrageous," Cooper said. "It impacts other fundamental constitutional rights of my client, to boot."

A lawyer for the Dallas County District Attorney's Office rejected those arguments. He said Routier's capital murder conviction should stand.

There was no immediate ruling by the Court of Criminal Appeals.

Routier, a homemaker in the Dallas suburb of Rowlett, was arrested two weeks after her sons Damon, 5, and Devon, 6, were killed in their home June 6, 1996. An infant son in another room was unharmed.

Routier claimed an intruder attacked her and the boys and fled through the garage of the home.

A Kerrville jury convicted Routier for Damon's slaying and sentenced her to death by lethal injection. She has maintained her innocence.



IRS relaxes deadlines for Sept. 11 charity

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tax season is getting easier for people and charities involved in the outpouring of generosity that followed the Sept. 11 attacks.

The Internal Revenue Service announced Wednesday it won't require as much immediate documentation as usual for people who made donations last fall, making it simpler for taxpayers to claim deductions and lifting a paperwork burden for hundreds of non-profit organizations.

More than \$2 billion has been contributed specifically in response to the attacks on New York and Washington, according to the *Chronicle of Philanthropy*. Much was donated to established groups such as the American Red Cross, but the IRS also lists 262 tax-exempt organizations that were created in the weeks after the attacks.

These less-experienced groups, tax experts say, could be having trouble getting out the paperwork a taxpayer needs to justify claiming a charitable deduction.

"More established charities are more accustomed to sending out letters automatically," said Bob D. Scharin, editor of Warren, Gorham & Lamont's *Practical Tax Strategies*.

Current law requires taxpayers making contributions of \$250 or more to have "contemporaneous" written documentation from a charity if their tax return is challenged. A canceled check by itself isn't good enough because cheaters could pad the amount with money used for some non-charitable purpose.



Nineteen wounded in French shooting

NANTERRE, France (AP) — A part-time school hall monitor armed with semiautomatic pistols sat silently through a six-hour city council meeting Wednesday, then rose and methodically killed eight city officials. As he was restrained he shouted: "Kill me, kill me!"

Nineteen people in the city council chamber were wounded in the attack in the Paris suburb of Nanterre.

As authorities sought a motive, the shooter's mother said her son was deeply disturbed, had been in psychiatric treatment for years and had spoken of wanting to die "probably 10 to 20 times."

A shocked Prime Minister Lionel Jospin, who rushed to the scene in the early morning darkness, called the shooting rampage "a case of furious dementia."

It is "a horrifying tragedy that harms democracy — a city council meeting in action," Jospin said.

President Jacques Chirac, who met with grieving family members, described the events as "a completely unimaginable drama."

Rightist presidential candidate Alain Madelin called the shooting, "This American-style byproduct, we wished not to have in France."

Police arrested 33-year-old Richard Durn, who often attended council meetings. Durn did not speak as he shot his victims, nor did he make a statement as he was arrested. He did shout "kill me, kill me!" as he was subdued before police arrived to make the arrest, said Nanterre Mayor Jacqueline Fraysse.

Quote of the Day

"They ice me down pretty good. But I'll take getting hit. If they want to put me on base that's fine."

— NICK BLANKENSHIP, Texas Tech third baseman, on being hit by pitches. Please see HIT, page 12.

Entertainment Briefs

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Middle-earth is getting bigger and bolder on home video.

The theatrical version of "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring" debuts on video Aug. 6, followed Nov. 12 by an extended edition that will add about 30 minutes to the three-hour film.

The theatrical release was rated PG-13, but distributor New Line said Tuesday the extended version probably would be explicit enough to carry an R rating.

The August DVD release will come in a two-disc set with two hours of bonus material, including a 10-minute sneak preview of the second chapter in the film trilogy, "The Two Towers," due in theaters Dec. 18.

The longer version of "Fellowship of the Ring" will come in a four-disc set with six hours of extra material, including behind-the-scenes looks at how director Peter Jackson recreated J.R.R. Tolkien's mythical land of hobbits, elves and wizards.

Jackson shot all three films simultaneously. Part three, "The Return of the King," hits theaters around Christmas 2003.

"Fellowship of the Ring" was nominated for 13 Oscars and won four on Sunday night, for cinematography, makeup, original score and visual effects.

ISHPEMING, Mich. (AP) — A popular Upper Peninsula TV show, "Suomi Kutsuu — Finland Calling," is

celebrating 40 years on the air.

On Sunday, Carl Pellonpaa was the host of the 2,000th telecast of the show on Marquette television station WLUC TV6.

It's one of the few Finnish-speaking travel, talk and music television shows in the United States.

Pellonpaa retired from WLUC in 1995 after working at the station since 1961 but continues as host of the show, *The Mining Journal of Marquette* reported.

Pellonpaa's boyhood dream was to be a professional baseball pitcher. He won a contract with the Boston Braves in 1949 but a hunting accident ended his baseball career before it started.

After working various jobs during the '50s, including as a miner, he went to work for WLUC in 1961, where he did the weather, sports, "everything except sweep the floors." On March 25, 1962, he produced the first live broadcast of "Suomi Kutsuu."

Pellonpaa was born in Ishpeming, but his parents were from Finland. He had always spoken a little of the language with his father but not particularly well.

"I was a laughingstock with the Finns in our area," he said of his poor Finnish-speaking abilities in those early days.

The first live shows were sponsored by local travel agencies. Pellonpaa played Finnish music on records, showed black-and-white travel pictures of Finland, and had Finnish guests and musicians.

In 1962, he led his first of 22 tours to

Finland and now estimates more than 1,000 people from the Upper Peninsula have taken the trip with him over the years.

Now the shows are taped in advance, but he liked the style of the early days.

"Anything live is best," he said. "Once you make a mistake, it's gone. But it's all been fun. That's what it all about. Fun. Meeting people. Talented people."

PARIS (AP) — American soprano Deborah Voigt and Italian baritone Leo Nucci were to be awarded the French Chevalier of Arts and Letters at the Bastille Opera House on Wednesday night.

Voigt, who is appearing at the Paris Opera with Nucci in Verdi's "Macbeth," was cited for singing roles in Paris ranging from Chrysothemis in Strauss' "Elektra" in 1992 to Senta in Wagner's "The Flying Dutchman" in 2000.

Nucci sang in Verdi's "La Traviata" in Paris two years ago and Verdi's "Rigoletto" last year.

The award is given by the French government.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Get ready for Billy Bob Thornton's rockabilly twang.

Thornton, who co-stars with Halle Berry in "Monster's Ball," will go on an eight-city concert tour starting May 17 at the El Rey Theatre.

"I remember going to concerts and feeling like you were actually a participant in the show, and that's a feeling I want to give back to the audience," Thornton said in a statement Tuesday.

Correction

In Monday's article titled, "Seven candidates vie for Lubbock mayor," *The UD* erroneously reported that several candidates did not return phone calls.

The sentence should have read, "Fowler, Luna, Montes, Rogers and Spivey were unable to be contacted by press time."

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Vatican art exhibit to visit Tech's museum in June

By Justin Matthews/Staff Reporter

The "Medieval Frescoes from the Vatican Museums Collection," will make their way to the Texas Tech Museum in June touching American soil for the first time in history.

The art will be on display from June 2 to Sept. 15.

The frescos, wall paintings that are painted on wet plaster, predate the Christian era and are part of the Vatican Museums' collection.

They were originally located in Rome at two locations: the Basilica of Saint Agnes fuori le Mura and Saint Nicholas in Carcere.

The Vatican did early restoration work on the pieces in the 1930s.

According to published descriptions of the frescoes, the pieces from Saint Nicholas in Carcere were painted circa 1120 to 1130. The pieces from Saint Agnes fuori le Mura are believed to have been painted in 1280 to possibly 1310.

David Dean, assistant director of Tech's museum described the pieces.

"They are coming from murals much like Peter Hurd's mural in the Holden Hall rotunda," Dean said. "The exhibit does something for Lubbock, the museum and the university. We are the first of this size to ever receive this

caliber of art."

Malcolm Neyland, a Roman Catholic priest with the diocese of Lubbock, and the director for the Vatican museum, Francesco Perdenelli, worked together to bring the exhibit to Tech's museum.

"Dr. Perdenelli and I worked for years to bring the exhibit to the U.S. and to get it housed here at Texas Tech's museum," Neyland said. "I am most appreciative of the countless number of individuals who have worked so hard and diligently to bring this exhibit together."

Other exhibitions will accompany the Vatican pieces at the museum dur-

ing their stay including material from the Museo Franz Mayer in Mexico City, the Sarah Campbell Blaffer Foundation in Houston and the Comisi n Nacional de Arte Sacro of Mexico.

All the exhibits will mimic the style of the Vatican art.

Although tickets will be required to view the art, the tickets will be free. The reason behind the required ticketing is, according to museum officials, to allow adequate time for visitors to enjoy the exhibition.

The tickets acquired for admission will be for a specific hour on a particular day.

"We already have over 121,000

tickets reserved," Dean said. "We will allow only 200 people per hour so that people can enjoy the experience more."

Security at the event is being taken seriously, Neyland said.

"They've never left Rome before and now they are coming 5,000 miles," Neyland said. "There will be very important people coming to visit the exhibit so security will be very high-profile, and that is all that can be said about it."

Tickets will be available for admission to the exhibition Tuesdays through Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and can be received during regular working hours

by calling (866) 803-6873 or (806) 742-6800.

People requesting tickets should know the hour and date they wish to attend the exhibition, as well as the number of tickets they would like.

The art will immediately return to the Vatican after the Lubbock exhibition; no other museum will be receiving the work.

Dean said it is rumored the 31 frescos will return to storage where they will be kept for 25 years.

The exhibition marks the first time in history the Vatican Museum has loaned art to a city with a population of less than 2 million.

Tech law students place third in national event

By Natalie Worthen/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech School of Law received third place in the Association of Trial Lawyers of America National Championship held Thursday through Sunday in Chicago.

Third-year law students David Glass from Texarkana and Andrew Jordan from Kaufman competed in a mock trial competition against students from all the Texas law schools Feb. 28 through March 3 and won the regional title.

They represented Texas law schools and finished third nationwide after competing against Harvard and Pepperdine, who took first and second place, respectively.

Glass and Jordan were able to choose their two witnesses: Kelly Petronis, a second-year law student from Stephenville, and Clay Nance, a third-year law student from Portland.

"We prep our witnesses on ques-

tions will we ask them, but they also speak to the competing advocates and have to be quick on their feet so they won't say anything that will hurt us," Glass said.

Initially, 224 teams competed across the nation. After that competition, the field was narrowed to 14 teams that went to Chicago to compete.

"It has been important to the advocates here at Tech to support our program and be successful in hopes the incoming dean will also be supportive of advocacy," Glass said.

Harvard won the national championship after competing with Tech in the semi-finals and overcoming Pepperdine in the finals. Pepperdine received second place in the competition.

Tech received third place and University of Florida received fourth place.

"We could've beaten Harvard on another day," Glass said. "We would've won if we had chosen a different strategy."

Glass said it was an honor to go to the competition.

"It was a real big deal going to ATLA," Glass said. "We competed against all the law schools in Texas, and Baylor and Southwestern University are hard to beat. It was nice to win our region."

Glass and Jordan said they both enjoy being active participants in the courtroom and feel a rush competing in mock trial competitions.

"Andrew and myself both want to be trial lawyers," Glass said. "This might give us the opportunity in a firm they wouldn't otherwise give associates."

Glass and Jordan will graduate in May. Glass said he will join a firm of 20 attorneys in Texarkana at Atchley, Russell, Waldrop and Hlavinka covering criminal defense work, and Jordan said he plans to join his grandfather in Kaufman at E.M. Jordan Attorney at Law.

"You won't be successful if you don't enjoy being out there in the courtroom," Jordan said. "I enjoy it, and so the work load spills over and pays off in the long-run."

Jordan said he is proud of how the Tech law school is performing because it is a young school.

"Going up against Harvard, who is an acclaimed law school, is like a giant boom," he said. "It shows Tech is out there and our lawyers and advocates are just as good as anyone else."

Murray Hensley and Dick Baker, adjunct law professors at Tech, helped coach the advocacy teams for the school.

"I am proud of the team for competing so well," Hensley said. "It is a tribute to the students that they stand up so well against national acclaimed law schools and Ivy League law schools such as Harvard and William and Mary. I'm very proud of them."

Boy stops shark's attack by tearing out one of its eyes

LIHUE, Hawaii (AP) — With a shark biting on his leg and thrashing him about in the water, Hoku Aki started tearing at the most sensitive part of the shark he could reach — its eyes.

On Tuesday, the 17-year-old sat in a hospital bed strumming a ukulele as he talked about the attack in murky water off Kauai that cost him one of his feet.

Aki had been body boarding about 150 yards off popular Brennecke Beach on Monday when witnesses saw him suddenly dragged under.

"I opened my eyes and I could see the shark," Aki said. "It was tossing me all over the place. I heard my leg break. I heard the bone snap."

"I tried to open the mouth and get it off of me, that didn't work. I grabbed the shark's eye and ripped it out and he let me go."

Aki struggled back to shore, where a nurse visiting from Colorado used a towel to slow the bleeding until firefighters and paramedics arrived. He said he could see his leg was torn up, but "I didn't really notice my foot was gone until I was in the ambulance."

National Marine Fisheries Service biologist John Naughton said hitting at the shark's eye was the right thing to do.

"They generally release where the guy hits or fights, especially around the sensitive areas of the gills or the eye," he said.

Aki's father, Harmon Aki, said his son was doing well, considering.

"He's a strong boy," he said. "We're thankful. It could have been worse. We still have him with us, and that's good."

Monday's attack was the second reported in Hawaii this year. On New Year's Day, a California man was treated for bite wounds on his thigh and buttocks.

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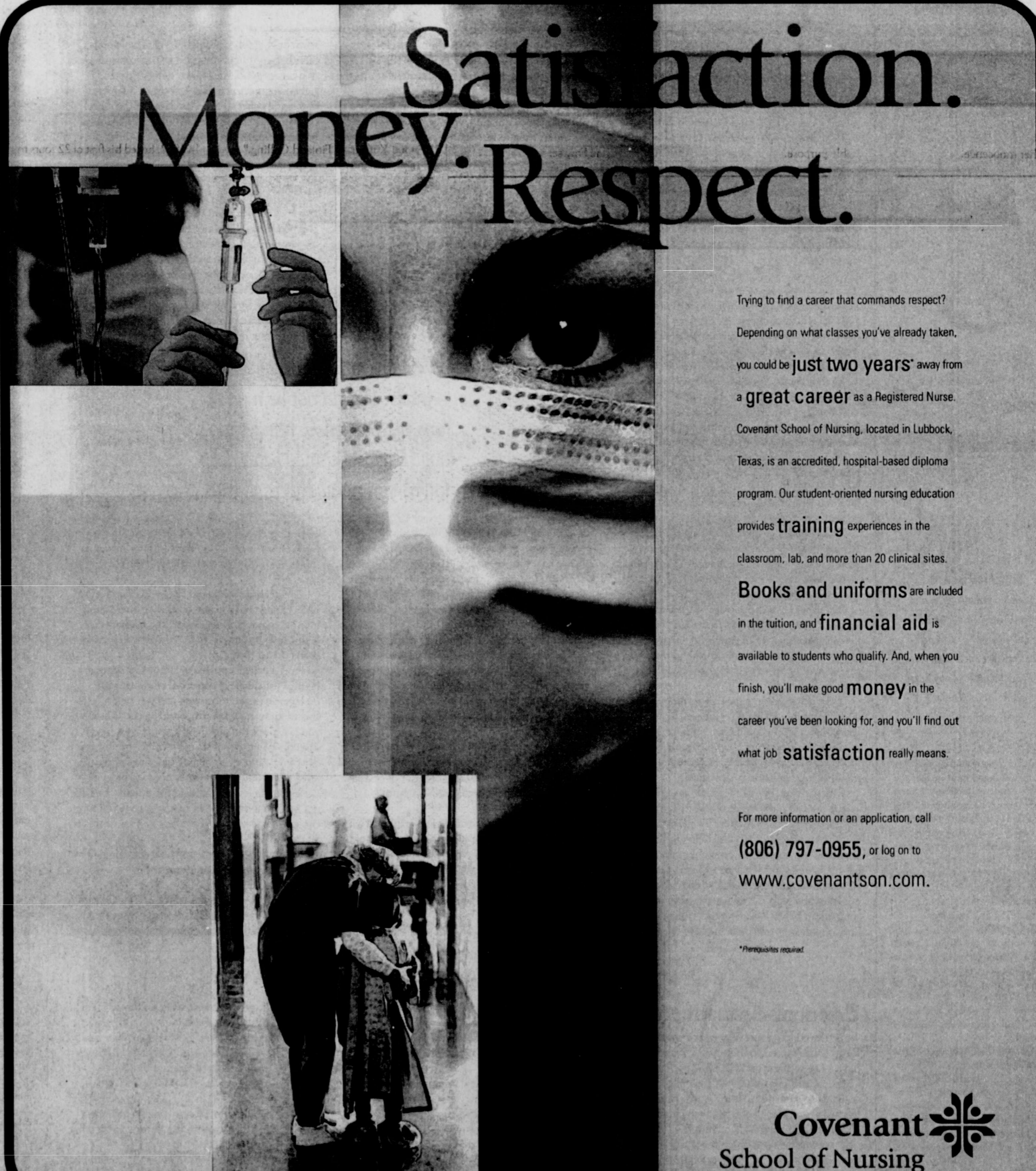
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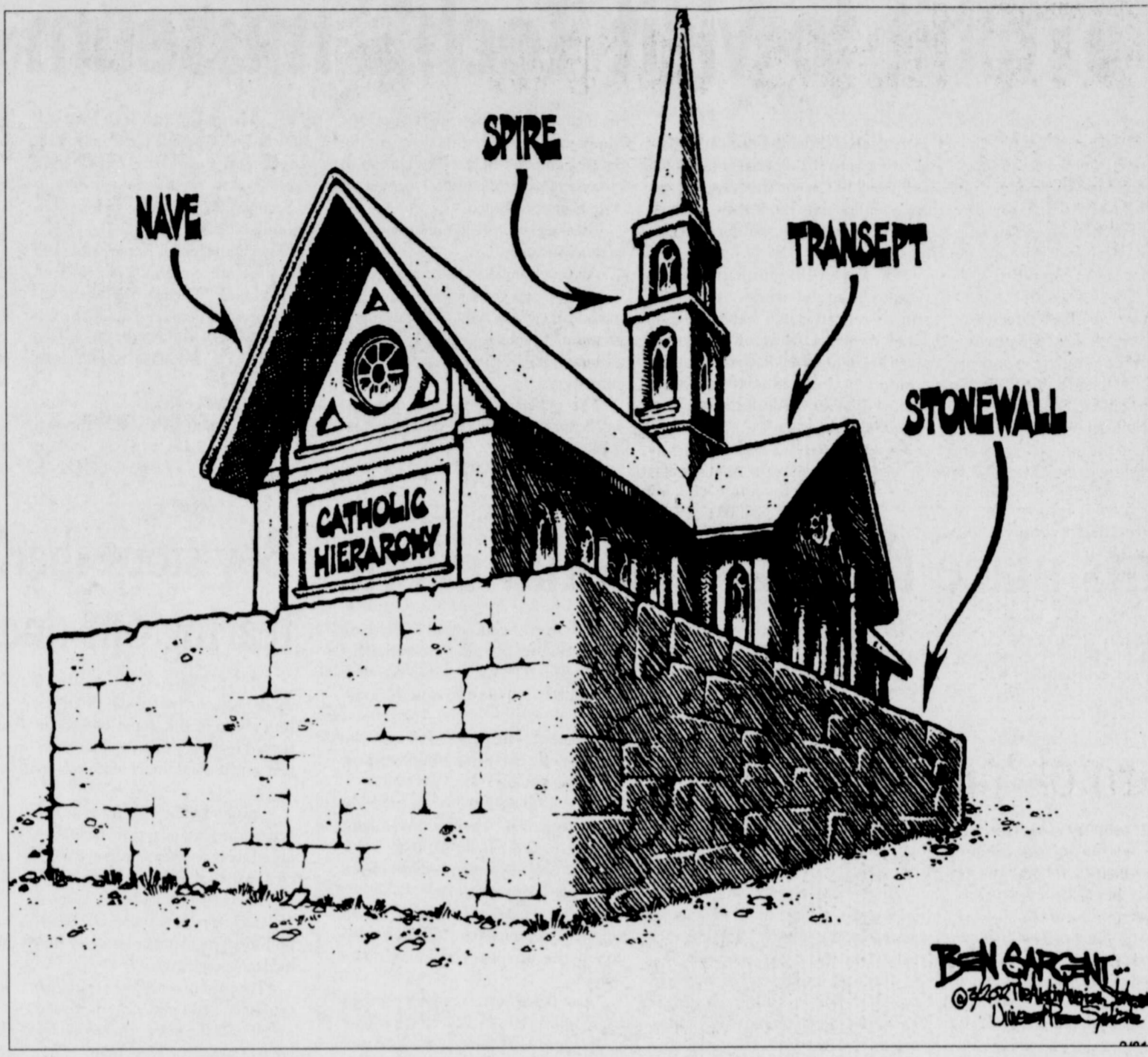
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The first breath I took was of Lubbock air. By the time I could toddle (or should I say waddle), my parents up and moved us to the big city of Dallas.

So upon my return to the Hub City to pursue an education, I finally got the chance to acquaint myself with my birthplace.

Now that I am (hopefully — dear God puhlease) on my way out of Lubbock,

I have been etching its character into my memory. And what a lot of character this town has. Yet, the most disturbing and frustrating part about life in Lubbock is knowing beyond the shadow of a doubt that this town's worst enemy is itself.

Do not get me wrong — there will always be a special place in my heart for this little West Texas city. But I see what it could be, and I am left to feel a bit cheated that a city such as Lubbock seemingly refuses to live up to its potential.

In a city where the fear of change is allowed to trump the potential of improvement, it is no wonder Lubbock has a tough time attracting long-term residents and alluring recent Texas Tech graduates to begin their lives here.

The Lubbock caste system is made up of four types of citizens. There are those with money and power, which in Lubbock generally means it has been passed down from generation to generation, who hold tightly to their stature at all costs.

Then you have the average, middle-class Lubbock citizen who works to make a comfortable living, never questioning anything but rather going along with local politicians and business people plainly because that's the way things are done around here.

Then there is the portion of the population not quite lucky enough to be considered middle class. Ignored and brushed aside like some skeleton, prominent Lubbockites feel like should be left locked in the closet, they have yet to find a voice in either local politics or local media.

Last and certainly not least are the college kids — the ones who are treated by both Tech and the community as small children. To them, our job is to come in, spend money and help out the economy. We should not question anything about Lubbock, especially if we are from bigger cities because Lubbock does things its own way and does not want any help. Of course we leave upon graduation. What is here for us — no change, little opportunity and an attitude of offensiveness

toward the ideas, plans and dreams we just got done paying \$20,000 to be instilled with.

This kind of defensive attitude really stunts the growth of this region. Shooting down new ideas, ignoring massive portions of the population and running the city like it's some sort of board game are some of the most offensive, counterproductive and heart breaking things about Lubbock.

Given Lubbock's geographic location, it is poised to be a major metropolitan area. Of course, this means things would change and everyone would get all bent out of shape and butt hurt when things change around here.

Take that other newspaper in town for instance. After recently redesigning their paper with minimal changes to actual content, you would think the people of Lubbock would actually be elated the paper ditched its old 1984 look.

But I recently overheard a staffer from that other paper talk about how people are complaining about the change just because they hate change.

People, really. I never thought I would stand up for that other paper, but get real. Resisting change is only going to keep Lubbock stagnant.

We do not have to model ourselves after Dallas or Houston or Austin. We do not have to lose our own identity or heritage. But for God's sake, what is wrong with a little growth.

We will never be able to attract big companies as long as we have nothing to offer employees relocating here. Talk about Buddy Holly and Lubbock International Airport until you're blue in the face, but do not expect many people to listen.

The feel and upkeep of this town is absolutely shameful. When you drive down a major street, you should not see run-down buildings and piles of rubble. Heck, when you drive down the street, you should be able to do so without losing a tire to a pothole the size of Amarillo.

Sitting around and waiting for people to come to Lubbock is useless. What we need to be doing is going out and giving this city the shot of adrenaline it so desperately needs and so rightfully deserves.

Lubbock's attitude toward visitors is laced with typical West Texas style warmth. But the attitude toward newcomers and outsiders is one doused in resentment. Of course, the big-time players (politicians, businesspeople, educators, etc.) do not want to hear this. But they really do not want Lubbock to change.

The McDougals, Montfords and Sittons of this

town are big fish in a small pond. They are so afraid of what might happen to their prominence in a bigger pond, they make sure not to let Lubbock grow too much. It is this selfish attitude of putting personal agendas ahead of the city's potential that sucks the life out of this beautiful spot on the map.

One of this university's own biggest recruiting problems is Lubbock. This place is too conservative. It is dying. When you are young and still full of ideals and life, why take up residence in a town that looks down upon such radical, leftist characteristics? Why not head to the cities looking for answers that come from outside the box?

Of course, the media does not help one dam bit. The city newspaper prints a prayer of the day on page one every day, never questioning what message that sends to the entire town, not just the vocal Christian readers. It is rare for a local media outlet to ever question anything or look into something beyond the surface.

Schmidly or Sitton call and BOOM there's your story. Balance is thrown out the window as everyone races to placate each other rather than do their jobs. Sure, we could all do what we're supposed to as ethical members of society, trying to drive ourselves and this town forward, but it is just too hard and not nearly as much fun as patting each other on the back all the time, is it?

So, go ahead with your "move back to Dallas" letters and your "you are such a negative young man" comments. Because you know what? At least I love this town enough to want to see it get better.

And go ahead and make fun of this paper for being a little college paper full of idiotic staff members who are too young and wet behind the ears to know how the real world works. But when you lay your head on your pillow tonight, you should recognize that we are at least striving every day to do our part — to raise questions and to have the courage to say what needs to be said.

Write the letters and send the e-mails. But do not be mad at one of your fellow natives too long. Because somewhere, deep down, you know this is all true.

But that thought will probably get trumped by the ever-present change-is-scary card.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Creationism a matter of faith

To the editor: I am writing in response to Justin Ritter's letter to the editor, "Creationists do have a Leg to stand on" (UD 03-19). I am Catholic, and I do agree with the belief of the seven days of creation. It is the first thing I learned about when I attended religious education, but I also believe in evolution.

It was during junior high that I was first exposed to evolution, and I really did not know what to believe. I had always been taught that God created the universe. When I learned more

about evolution, I realized that it did make sense. It seemed completely logical. So, I had a battle between religion and science. I even visited a priest; he told me that I just have to accept some things on faith.

I was indecisive several years until I started to prepare for confirmation. That is when I looked at the subject again. I still had no position on the topic until I talked to my pastor. I asked him about creation and explained that evolution made much more sense than the universe and everything in it being created in seven days. He thought for a minute and said something very profound.

"God's time is different from our time," he said. I realize now that the Bible was right; God created the universe and in seven days, but one day to God could be the equivalent to billions of years. So, I am asking people not to be so stubborn that they can only go one way or the other between evolution and creation, when both could be right. After all, someone had to start everything in motion with the knowledge of what will happen in the end.

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Columnist offers action to back up his words

COLUMN



LOREN BELL

The people have spoken. The gauntlet has been thrown. And, as I am not one to flee in the face of adversity, I accept your challenges. You see, amid the wash of name calling, damning to hell or questioning of my sexuality, which I regularly receive in response to the ideas I present on this page,

there is the occasional sane, intelligent and thoughtful rejoinder. These usually run along the lines of, and I am paraphrasing here, "why don't you quit bitching and do something about it." Fine. You asked for it, so here it is: my plan to save the world. But first, let us review the issues.

To start, aside from global warming issues recently addressed in this column, air pollution is one of the greatest health risks Americans face each day. Smog and soot spewed forth by vehicles and energy plants alike result in "159,000 trips to the emergency room, 53,000 hospital admissions and 6 million asthma attacks each summer," according to a Sierra Club report.

The young people are at greatest risk, suffering the consequences of the decisions we make.

Second, a sedentary lifestyle leading to obesity is one of America's fastest growing health epidemics. According to a joint statement by the Center for Disease Control and the American College of Sports Medicine, each year 250,000 deaths are attributed to physical inactivity. Witness our gross consumption of stroke-a-colas and fats-food and our complete dependency on our automobiles, and this should come as no surprise.

And finally, as you are all aware, the Alaskan National Wildlife Refuge is only one of several parcels of public land that are under attack by oil interests. These wild lands are an integral part of our cultural and environmental health, yet private interests would have them destroyed under the pretense of an impending "energy crisis."

Some may find it odd, but these three issues are more tightly interwoven than the lives depicted in a daytime soap opera. Broken down quite simply, walking less means driving more. Driving more equals a greater need for energy. Pollution results from both the driving and the energy production. And this industrial love triangle is fueled by oil, a small amount of which might be found under our public lands.

So, without further ado, the solution: We must curb our dependence on fossil fuels! Whether it be through a process of decreasing demand through alternative transportation or through the development of alternative fuel technologies, it is imperative that we break this addiction. And here is what I am going to do about it.

I am coordinating an education campaign called RIDE TO FREEDOM! During the summer of 2003, we will distribute the message of alternative transportation and sustainable energy production by means of a self-propelled journey from Texas to Alaska. The neat part of it all is that you are invited to come along and make a difference with us. We need help spreading the very real dream of a world that is:

- 1) Free from polluted air that is impossible to breathe.
- 2) Free from attacks on our remaining wild public lands.
- 3) Free from an unhealthy and sedentary lifestyle.

During this several-thousand mile journey, we will talk to any person interested, disseminating information about sustainable transportation and alternative fuels. We will address schools, churches and other civic groups in each major town through which we pass to remind the young and old alike that fossil fuels are not our only option.

This self-supported, grass roots-funded expedition is looking to our friends, our family and the organized groups that believe in our message to assist in making this task possible. Even if you cannot ride with us, we will need people to help with the logistics and to serve as contacts during the campaign to update our web page or act as liaisons between us and the world during this ride. If you do not have the time, then we will humbly accept donations of gear, food, places to stay during our journey and anything else you may be able to provide.

Granted, this is no small undertaking. But, sometimes when you believe in something so strongly, it is time to quit talking about it and start doing. Who is with me?

■ Loren Bell is an activist from Lubbock. He encourages anyone at all slightly interested in seeing this ride happen to send a "Here, here!" to lbel@ttu.edu.

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Tech AFROTC hosts career fair

By Preston Files/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech's Air Force ROTC will sponsor Air Force Career Day from 3 to 6 p.m. today in the Student Union Courtyard.

The event will provide students the opportunity to talk with officers who have a wide variety of career experience in the Air Force.

The event is open to all Tech students, Health Sciences Center students and the general public.

"We just want to be out on the campus and available to answer questions people who are curious about the Air Force have," Captain Adrianna Creech, assistant professor of aerospace studies said.

Each Air Force member will have a booth set up in the Student Union Courtyard. Creech said the event will be informal.

"It is fine if a student just wants to walk up and just say hello," she said. "With the presentations, they also have

the chance to sit in a classroom-type environment."

Creech said there would be no pressure for the students to join the military or sign up for the ROTC class.

Creech said representatives at the job fair would discuss career opportunities in fields such as civil engineering, finance, acquisition, pilot, navigator, space, missile maintenance and operations, and security forces.

Two presentations on professions within the medical and aviation fields will be held in the Student Union Senate Room.

Maj. John Bell and Sharon Restivo, both from the Air Force personnel center in San Antonio, will give a presentation on medical field opportunities in the Air Force at 4:15 p.m.

The second presentation at 4:45 p.m. will feature Maj. Steve Moynihan, a pilot from Randolph Air Force Base in San Antonio, and Capt. Mary Beth Lowe, a navigator at Laughlin Air Force Base in Del Rio. They will discuss flying for the Air Force in fields such as pilots, navigators and air battle managers.

Maj. Lester Ball, commandant of cadets, said Career Day offers students the opportunity to learn about the wide variety of careers available to Air Force officers.

"From flying jets to nursing to engineering and a whole lot more, we offer great training and professional experience," he said. "We've brought in officers from around the Air Force to provide first-hand information about many of these careers."

Representatives from four different bases will be present during the event.

Cadet Cedric L. Clark, a graduate student from Austin in the College of Health Sciences, said he is looking forward to meeting new students at the event and letting people know about the Air Force.

"It provides the students with an understanding that military is not a cold and impersonal entity," he said. "It's a rewarding career."

Cadet David F. Osterhaus, a senior accounting major from Atlanta, said he is looking forward to having a big crowd show up.

Clark said Sept. 11 definitely made an impact in his decision to be involved with the Air Force.

"The terrorist attack solidified my desire to serve my country and join the Air Force," he said.

Cadet Osterhaus said he is proud to be an Air Force cadet.

"I know my future job will be protecting my country," he said.

Officer Training School recruiters will also be available to attract seniors and recent college graduates into their program.

The mission of Detachment 820, the Tech AFROTC program, is to provide a first class academic- and leadership-training environment. The goal is to produce future Air Force officers who are ready to exceed tomorrow's air and space challenges.

Afghanistan quake relief efforts continue

NAHRIN, Afghanistan (AP) — Strong aftershocks jolted mountain villages Wednesday, setting off landslides that blocked relief convoys trying to reach earthquake survivors who were burying their dead and searching the rubble for survivors. The United Nations said the death toll appeared less than first feared.

The Wednesday tremors, one aftershock measuring magnitude-5.4, rumbled through villages at the base of the snowcapped Hindu Kush mountains. A 6.1 quake Monday devastated Nahrin and many surrounding villages 105 miles north of Kabul.

Kabul Afghan leader Hamid Karzai flew to the stricken region and said about 1,000 people died. U.N. disaster relief officials said the final count probably would be somewhat lower.

Reena Ghelani of the U.N. Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs said an onsite investigation of 42 villages indicated the death toll was believed among the dead.

Afghan officials initially estimated up to 1,800 people had died. In Kabul, Red Cross spokeswoman Caroline Doulliez said about 730 bodies had been recovered from the wreckage, and that 500 of them had already been buried.

Aid workers estimated up to 30,000 people were homeless, as aftershocks continued to jolt the majestic Hindu Kush that tower above Kabul and separate the capital from the extreme north of the country.

"Everything is in ruins," said Joerg Denker, a program manager for the aid group, Mercy Corps. "There's nothing standing anymore."

The thousands of newly homeless camped out in their yards and slept in the open. Adding to their misery, in-

termittent rain soaked the drought-stricken region, touching off fears of more landslides. The rain made some roads impassable and cut off access to victims to the north.

The quake struck in a desperately poor region already suffering the effects of years of drought and war. Aid workers said they had not managed to reach some isolated villages because access was blocked by minefields left over from the war between the Taliban and the opposition northern alliance.

Journalists flying in Afghan army helicopters from Kabul could see clusters of villagers, standing before wrecked houses, waving frantically at the aircraft, motioning it to land.

Addressing a crowd of several hundred survivors and aid workers, Karzai said that "all the people of Afghanistan share your pain." He told the crowd that the people of Nahrin were "very, very brave. They haven't asked for much."

Villagers interrupted, shouting that they had no water or electricity and were in dire need of help.

President Bush called Karzai on Wednesday to express his condolences. They spoke for about five minutes, according to White House spokeswoman Claire Buchanan.

Throughout the day, residents crawled over the ruins of the town of Nahrin, pulling out the dead and burying them. As many as 700 volunteers dug with simple shovels through mounds of dirt, mud and debris, government officials said. Survivors pulled belongings out of their destroyed homes, some of which were reduced to piles of dust.

Aid pouring in Wednesday, with the Red Cross sending 400 first aid kits to the affected area. Medecins Sans Frontieres, also known as Doctors Without Borders, sent two medical teams on Tuesday.

Health officials warn of 'pre-diabetes' in American adults

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nearly 16 million Americans have a type of high blood sugar the government is now calling "pre-diabetes," and new guidelines urge most middle-aged people to get tested so they can take steps to prevent full-blown diabetes.

"The good news is if you have pre-diabetes, you can do something about it," Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson said.

Some 17 million Americans have diabetes, 8 percent more than previously estimated, the government announced Wednesday. The updated figure reflects new census data.

Some people are born with diabetes.

But the vast majority have Type 2 diabetes, an illness that develops, often in middle age, when their bodies lose the ability to turn blood sugar into energy.

It is a leading cause of blindness, kidney failure, amputations and heart disease, and kills 180,000 Americans each year. Proper therapy can ease those complications, yet experts say one-third of diabetics do not know the disease is silently festering in their bodies.

Diet and exercise can at least delay, if not completely prevent, Type 2 diabetes from striking. The question is how to identify and help people at high risk; diabetes screening is not routine.

Doctors have long known that a con-

dition called "impaired glucose tolerance" was an indication of such risk. Testing shows the sugar in their blood gradually rising.

The government released data estimating that 16 million Americans over age 40 have impaired glucose tolerance — and renamed the condition "pre-diabetes" to make it easier for people to understand.

New guidelines recommend that millions of middle-aged people get tested during their next regular doctor visit to see if they have either pre-diabetes or the full disease.

According to the guidelines from the American Diabetes Association and National Institutes of Health:

—Everyone 45 or older should consider getting tested. Testing is strongly recommended if those people are overweight.

—Doctors should consider testing younger adults if they are significantly overweight and have another risk — a diabetic relative; bad cholesterol; high blood pressure; diabetes during pregnancy or gave birth to a baby bigger than 9 pounds; or belong to a racial minority group.

—If the test is normal, repeat it every three years.

If the test finds someone has pre-diabetes, a major study last year found that walking 30 minutes a day and dropping about 15 pounds can cut in half the risk of getting the disease.

Building

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tack and/or another accident," Chesser said.

Chesser said he wants the Biological Informatics Office to deal with national and international issues. Chesser said the facility would be one of the few such facilities in the country.

Another office that will be located in the Experimental Sciences building is the Plant Environmental Growth Facility, said Scott Holaday, associate professor and associate dean of biological sciences.

"There really is no other facility like it in Texas. The nearest university similar to the facility would have to be in Duke University," Holaday said.

The facility is designed for graduate students' research.

The facility will be introduced to undergraduates, but there is no real involvement in the facility for them, Holaday said.

He said the facility would be beneficial to Tech because many people who work in the fields of biology, chemistry and plant sciences come to Tech, Holaday said.

The building also will have additional space to deal with overcrowding of the biology building. The Department of Biology is hiring new professors and needs a place to put the additional classes, Phillips said.

"This facility will be a much better work environment for both students and professor," Phillips said.

The new facility is funded mostly by the state of Texas, but Phillips still held fundraisers to raise the remaining amount of money.

"Currently, we are looking into having some foundations fund some money to buy the equipment for the new facility," Phillips said.

Plans for constructing the new facility went into effect last year; however, Texas Tech faculty have been wanting a facility like this for years, Phillips said.

Tech President David Schmidly and Chief Financial Officer Jim Brunjes were involved in approving the plans for the new building.

"President Schmidly and Jim have supported this new facility since they first heard about it, and I am real grateful for their time and support they are putting into this facility," Phillips said.

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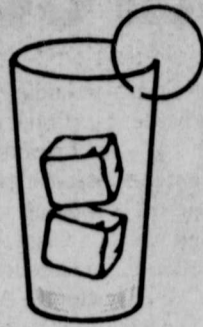
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Bomber

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Wednesday, as dozens of guests in the Park Hotel along Netanyahu's boardwalk settled down for the Passover Seder in the dining hall. Guests were dressed in their holiday best; the women in festive dresses, the men in white shirts and dark pants.

The bomber, carrying a large bag of explosives, made his way past an armed guard at the hotel entrance who did not consider him suspicious, Israel TV said. From the lobby, he ran toward the dining hall, where he blew himself up.

Donenhirsch, the guest, said that as she and her family fled, they saw a little girl, about 10 to 12 years old, lying dead on the ground, her eyes wide open as if in surprise.

Some of the wounded staggered out of the lobby, which was plunged into darkness by the explosion. Others were taken to ambulances in stretchers, including a young boy who had an oxygen mask pressed to the face.

One man was covered by a blue blanket, blood dripping from his face. An elderly woman, her face covered with blood, sat on the sidewalk, attended to by several people. Witnesses said they saw five bodies lined up on the pavement, some of them dismembered, including that of a woman in festive holiday clothes.

"They attacked innocent Israelis on one of the most sacred nights to Jewish people, Passover," said Meir, the Israeli government spokesman.

Israeli police had been on high alert for possible attacks during the weeklong Passover holiday, with more than 10,000 officers deployed in potential trouble spots.

The country's police commissioner, Shlomo Aharonishki, said it was impossible to prevent all attacks.

"Even with more policemen and a

broader deployment, we cannot block the centers of the cities," Aharonishki said.

Hamas identified the bomber as Abdel Baset Odeh, 25, from the West Bank town of Tulkarem.

Palestinian security sources said Odeh was wanted by Israel and the Palestinians.

Israel has said repeatedly it cannot tolerate more attacks on its civilians. Earlier this week, Sharon convened his security Cabinet to discuss possible options in the event the truce mission fails. One idea raised was a large-scale military operation in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Israel has accused Arafat of doing nothing to rein in militants. Raanan Gissin, a Sharon adviser, said the attack in Netanyahu "will require us to re-evaluate our overall policy."

"We are still working to achieve a cease-fire to which we are fully committed, but if the Palestinians have decided to choose the road of terrorism ... then we have to decide what measures we will take," Gissin said.

Secretary of State Colin Powell urged Arafat to go on television and demand an end to attacks against Israelis. The attacks endanger any negotiations toward a Palestinian state, Powell said.

"This sort of activity and the tolerance of this sort of activity will destroy the very vision the Palestinian Authority stands for and Chairman Arafat says he's committed to," Powell said in Washington.

RaiderGate

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Henley said 80 more parking places are available to students who want to park their vehicles at RaiderGate.

"I think the new location for RaiderGate gives us a bigger opportunity," she said. "The biggest reason for moving RaiderGate was because of the bigger parking lot."

Steinmetz said the SGA is aware of alcohol being used at RaiderGate.

"The SGA follows the Student Code of Conduct, which means zero tolerance," he said. "We know it happens, but we will continue to abide by the school policy."

Steinmetz said the two biggest challenges with RaiderGate were trying to get all the parking passes released efficiently and controlling the littering problem.

"The trash was a problem at first, but since then, we have solved this problem by making the passes individual with names and social security numbers," he said.

The cost of RaiderGate is taken out of the student service fee. Steinmetz said RaiderGate costs about \$65,000.

Steinmetz said other schools in Texas have contacted him about having a program like RaiderGate at their school.

"The success of RaiderGate surpassed my wildest expectations, and I hope the number of people attending increase next year," he said. "Everyone involved was proud of the way students self-policed themselves."

If Jesus' resurrection was fiction, why endure such harsh reality?



THE TWELVE APOSTLES:

1. Andrew - crucified
2. Bartholomew - beaten then crucified
3. James, Son of Alphaeus - stoned to death
4. James, Son of Zebedee - beheaded
5. John - died of old age while exiled for his faith
6. Judas (not Iscariot) - beaten and stoned to death
7. Matthew - speared to death
8. Peter - crucified upside down
9. Philip - crucified
10. Simon - crucified
11. Thomas - speared to death
12. Matthias - stoned to death*

*source: Fox's Book of Martyrs

Three days after being crucified and buried, Jesus was missing from his burial tomb. Some say Jesus' disciples stole his body and concocted a story that he rose from the dead. If that were true, why would they die for something they knew was a lie? Each of them traveled to distant countries preaching that Jesus died and came back to life. If the disciples made it all up, each of them chose to die prematurely for something they knew wasn't true. Even while being tortured, the disciples insisted that they, as well as hundreds of other Jews, had seen Jesus alive. They knew Jesus had been beaten, whipped, nailed to a cross, and a spear thrust into his side to confirm his death. Roman soldiers were stationed at Jesus' tomb, because he had stated that three days after being

crucified, he would rise from the dead.

On that third day, the guards fled, the two-ton boulder that sealed the tomb's entrance was up a slope, and Jesus' body was gone - but his burial cloths were still in the tomb. After that, the disciples saw Jesus many times, even had lengthy conversations and eating with him - all after his death by crucifixion. These disciples went to their deaths proclaiming what they had no doubts about - that Jesus had risen from the dead, proving that he was the Savior, the Son of God.

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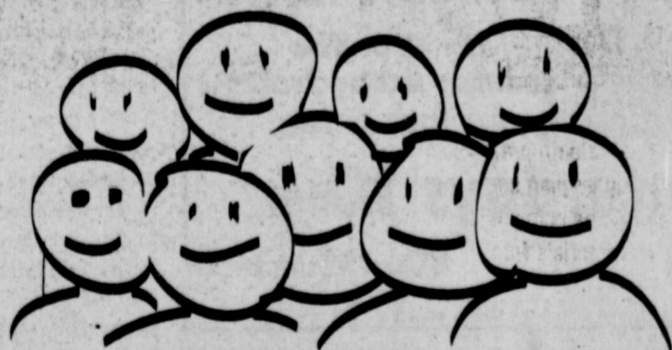
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Easter Bash brings excitement to holiday

By Whitney Wyatt/Staff Writer

Texas Tech students may be too old for Easter egg hunts and Easter bunnies, but they are not too old to have fun.

Students not going home for the Easter holiday might not want to miss the 16th Annual Easter Bash at 1 p.m. Sunday at the Golf Station, located on 116th

Street and Indiana.

Tim Cameron, of STD productions, named after the owners' first names: Sam, Tim and David, helped start Easter Bash in 1986 when he was 18 years old.

He said he did not know Easter Bash would turn into what it is today.

"One Easter Sunday, we decided to

throw a party, and 300 people showed up," he said. "It keeps getting bigger and wilder."

More than 11,000 people showed up one year, Cameron said.

Co-founder Sam Ford said it is "back to basics" at this year's Easter Bash.

"We are going back to the way we used to do it," he said.

Since school is canceled on Monday, he said this is a good way for students to relieve their stress of school and work.

"It's a relaxed atmosphere," he said. "It's a peace and love kind of thing."

Easter Bash is going to feature three out-of-town bands and three local bands.

Larry, Spoon Fed Tribe, Zion, Cuttin the Grass, Sgt. Steve Monday and Watermelonfastbass will perform, he said.

Kerr Hager of Cuttin the Grass said this is the band's first time to perform at Easter Bash. While Hager said he has never been to Easter Bash before, he is looking forward to Sunday's performance.

"It's good music and a lot of fun if you are in Lubbock for the weekend," said Hager, a junior wildlife management major from San Antonio.

Cuttin the Grass is a blue grass, folk band, he said.

"We're pure acoustic music," he said.

The music of the bands range from blue grass to alternative to reggae to jazz.

Kegs and cans of beer are welcomed, Ford said. However, no glass bottles of any kind are allowed.

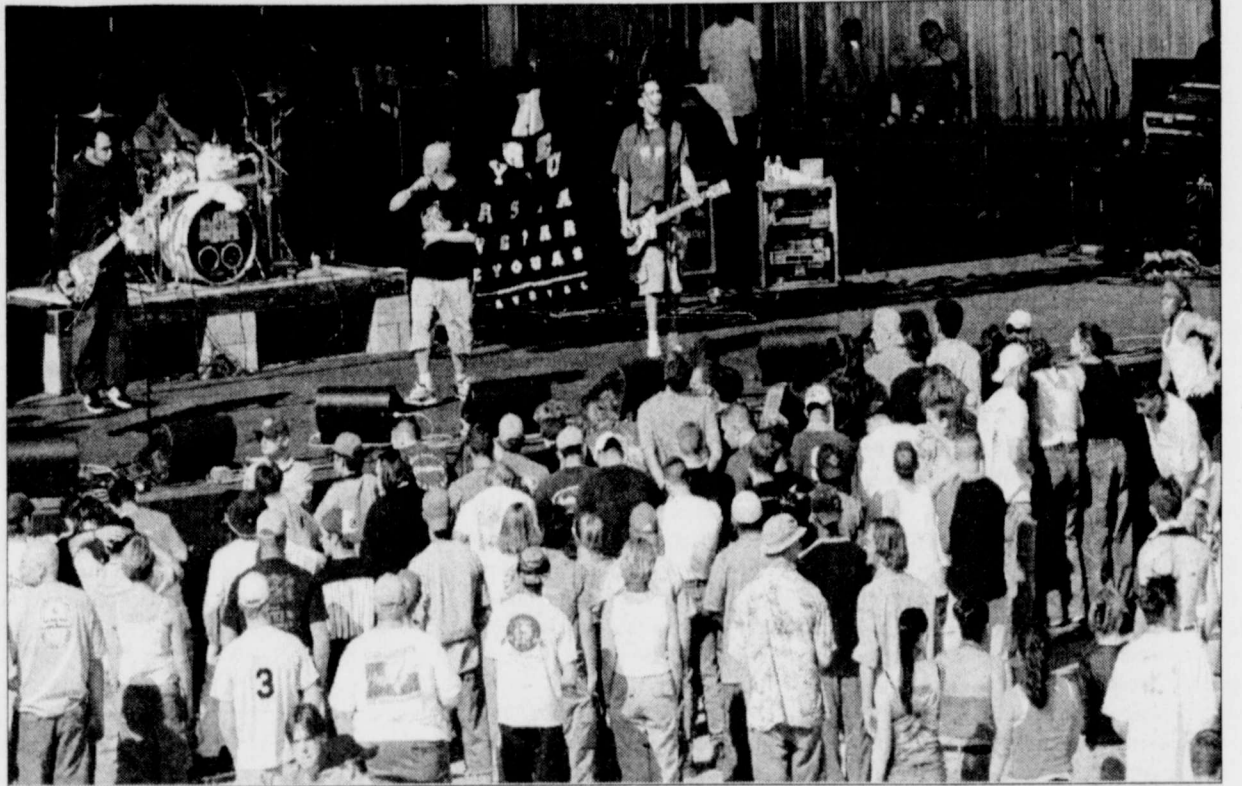
People are encouraged to bring barbecue grills, dogs on leashes and tents, he said.

"If they don't have a designated driver, they can spend the night," he said. "But we encourage designated drivers."

Ford said a group of designated drivers will be available because he does not want trouble of any kind.

Tickets are \$8 at Ralph's Records or \$10 at the door.

"The price is right," he said. "People will certainly get their money's worth."

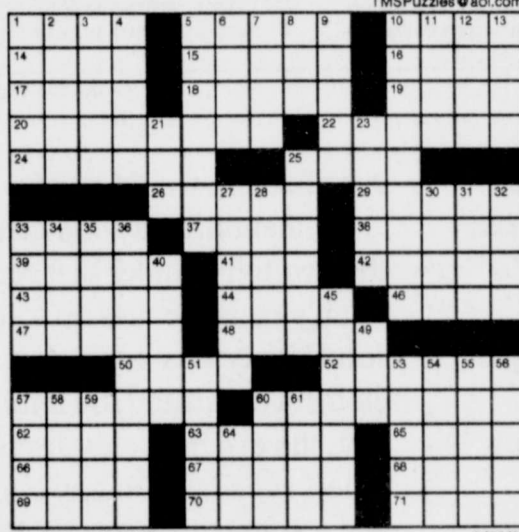


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THE 2001 EASTER bash was held at the West Texas Cannon Amphitheater, this years bash will be held at the Golf Station, located on 116th Street and Indiana. Tickets are \$8 at Ralph's Records or \$10 at the door.

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PBS gets in the news business

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The time news consumers spend reading, watching and listening to the latest word out of Washington, Kabul or their local city hall can be enriched by adding one element: "Media Matters" on PBS.

The "60 Minutes"-style series dissects the newsgathering process for the public in a way that is involving, nonpolitical and wholly informative.

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"People depend on information to run their lives, whether they like it or not, no matter how critical they are of the media," said series host

Alex Jones, a Pulitzer Prize winner

and director of Harvard University's Joan Shorenstein Center on the Press, Politics and Public Policy.

"What we've tried to do is make how the process works clearer, examine the process and the journalistic enterprises that are doing it and hold them accountable," Jones said in an interview.

Consider the series' latest installment airing 10 p.m. EST Thursday on PBS (check local listings), which includes a segment on how broad the scope of college sports reporting should be.

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Milton Berle dies at age 93

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Milton Berle, the acerbic, cigar-smoking vaudevillian who eagerly embraced a new medium and became "Mr. Television" in the dawn of the video age, died Wednesday, a spokesman said. He was 93.

Berle died at 2:45 p.m. at his home after a lengthy illness, publicist Warren Cowan said. Berle's wife, Lorna, and several family members were at his side.

Berle had been under hospice care for the past few weeks. He had been diagnosed with colon cancer last year.

"He was responsible for the television set in your home today," Cowan said. "He put television on the map."

"Uncle Miltie" was the king of Tuesday nights, and store owners put up signs: "Closed tonight to watch Milton Berle." The program's popularity spurred sales of television sets and helped make the new technology a medium for the masses.

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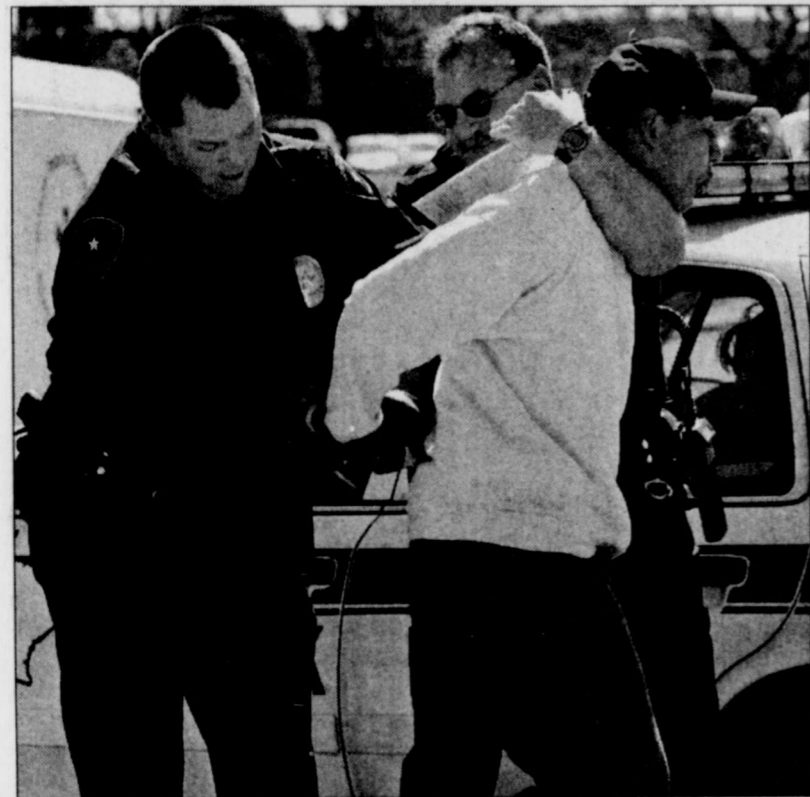
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RIGHT: A MEDICAL officer participating in a mock bioterrorism simulation, deals with "patients" affected by the staged fake attack at Reese Center on Wednesday morning.

BELOW: DURING THE simulation of a weapon of mass destruction attack, "victims" were seated on tarps outside a decontamination tent set up by the hazardous materials team.



ABOVE: FIREFIGHTERS HELP "victims" of Wednesday's bioterrorism simulation in order to prepare for the event of a major, large-scale emergency in Lubbock.

LEFT: LUBBOCK POLICE officers "arrest" a participant in the bioterrorism simulation for disturbing the peace after the participant did not heed the officers' requests.

Simulation gives area groups opportunity to be prepared

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Mike Forgy, exercise manager with the office of domestic preparedness, said such breaks are normal. Wednesday's event was Forgy's 70th exercise.

"It's better to re-evaluate and learn from mistakes in the exercise than make those mistakes in the actual event," Forgy said.

Resources were limited in the scenario, allowing only a few people to enact a large-scale exercise, he said.

In the event of an actual attack, many more responders would be called to the scene, Forgy said.

Though emergency personnel prepared for the exercise, obstacles were placed in their way to make the scene more realistic, Richard Burdine, assistant city manager, said.

A backhoe was blocking the main entrance to the location causing the first responders to find a different way to approach the scene, Burdine said.

In order to get to the scene, the responders had to bypass a crashed car, also strategically placed in the way, Burdine said. A device was placed in the car, meant to lead officials to believe it was the getaway car of the terrorist. The bomb squad was called out to examine the device.

"We had the confusion we were hoping for," he said.

The emergency personnel, however, were not the only participants of the event.

Those who "played" victims of the attack also knew in advance what was going to happen. Steve Donaldson, a Lubbock citizen, was one of the players.

"There was an explosion in the theater," he said. "There was a flash and lots of smoke everywhere. It was chaos, complete chaos. People's eyes were burning; people couldn't breathe; there were all kinds of injuries."

Donaldson said once people got outside, no one knew what to do.

"It took a long time for anybody to get there, and by that time, people had wandered off," he said. "We had to re-start the whole drill after everyone got here because there were not enough

people, not enough responders. The fire department was overwhelmed and contaminated; the police were overwhelmed."

He said the police, EMS and fire department did a good job the first time, but the number of victims and the fact that the first people who responded were immediately contaminated affected the scenario.

"We needed double or even triple the people," he said.

The injuries were fake lacerations, blood splatters, sprains and other injuries that could happen in the event of a similar attack.

Charles Gose, a paramedic trainee also played one of the victims.

"We did this as a learning tool but also to help out the community," he said. "As paramedic students, we will have to go through this ourselves."

Through the process they received experience in treatment, staging and transport, Gose said.

"It was fairly realistic," he said. "But in all actuality, it would have been a lot more chaotic. You have to contain the people walking around and tend to the wounded. Our region responded very well."

Gose said the event taxed the resources of the community.

"It was a sobering experience to know, with my family living in Lubbock, that if something like this does happen, people are being trained to handle it," Donaldson said. "It's just as sobering to know that the number of people we had responding were not adequate."

Donaldson said he was pleased with the drill but not the response.

"But that is what this is for," he said, "for the city and the county to make an assessment of their capabilities, go back and re-evaluate where we are and get adequate manpower out there to deal with these situations."

However, Donaldson said he was confident the emergency workers knew what they were doing.

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Split personality: Schraml the tennis player, the biochemist

By David Wiechmann/Staff Writer

Student athletes at Texas Tech have the challenge of balancing class work with practice and competition, but there is one Red Raider who has to fit medical research in her schedule as well.

Barbara Schraml of the women's tennis team has a 4.0 GPA in cell and molecular biology and is researching lupus with Brian Reilly, an assistant professor in biological sciences, microbiology and immunology at Tech's Health Sciences Center.

Tech coach Virginia Brown said because of Schraml's strong academic performance, she could receive the NCAA's highest honor.

"She's an outstanding student, and she could be an Academic All-American," Brown said. "She's very intelligent in her area, and her professors think she's great."

Her research is through the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, a national program for undergraduate research.

Schraml said the balancing act is hard, but Reilly relates to her well and knows she will have to focus more on her tennis game.

"It gets hard, but my mentor (Reilly) knows I have to concentrate on athletics a little more," Schraml said. "It's tough right now because tests are coming up, and I get stressed."

The specific area Schraml is working in is testing the human complement protein 4.

Reilly said environmental toxins affect the protein, and people without this protein are more susceptible to having lupus.

The plan is to use a fish for the experiment because fish are vulnerable to toxins, Reilly said. The protein is put into the fish. Then the fish is introduced to a toxin to see if the protein becomes nonfunctional.

"She's trying to develop a model system on a catfish to study the complement protein," Reilly said. "This one protein is important because people that don't have it are predisposed to get the disease."

Schraml said she does not know how she manages to be on top of her game in both tennis and athletics and credits her success to her drive to do well in both aspects of her life.

"I always want to do my best," she said. "That's just the way I am."

Brown said her hard work on the court and in the classroom puts Schraml's personality in the open for everyone to see as an example.

"She shows a lot of character," Brown said. "I think today working, playing and maintaining grades is getting much harder, and I'm proud of the fact that she has some 4.0s and others with good grades on this team."

Reilly said Schraml caught his attention during the interview process when she applied to the institute.

"She struck me as motivated and dedicated," Reilly said. "She knew it was going to be tough, but we both thought she could do it."

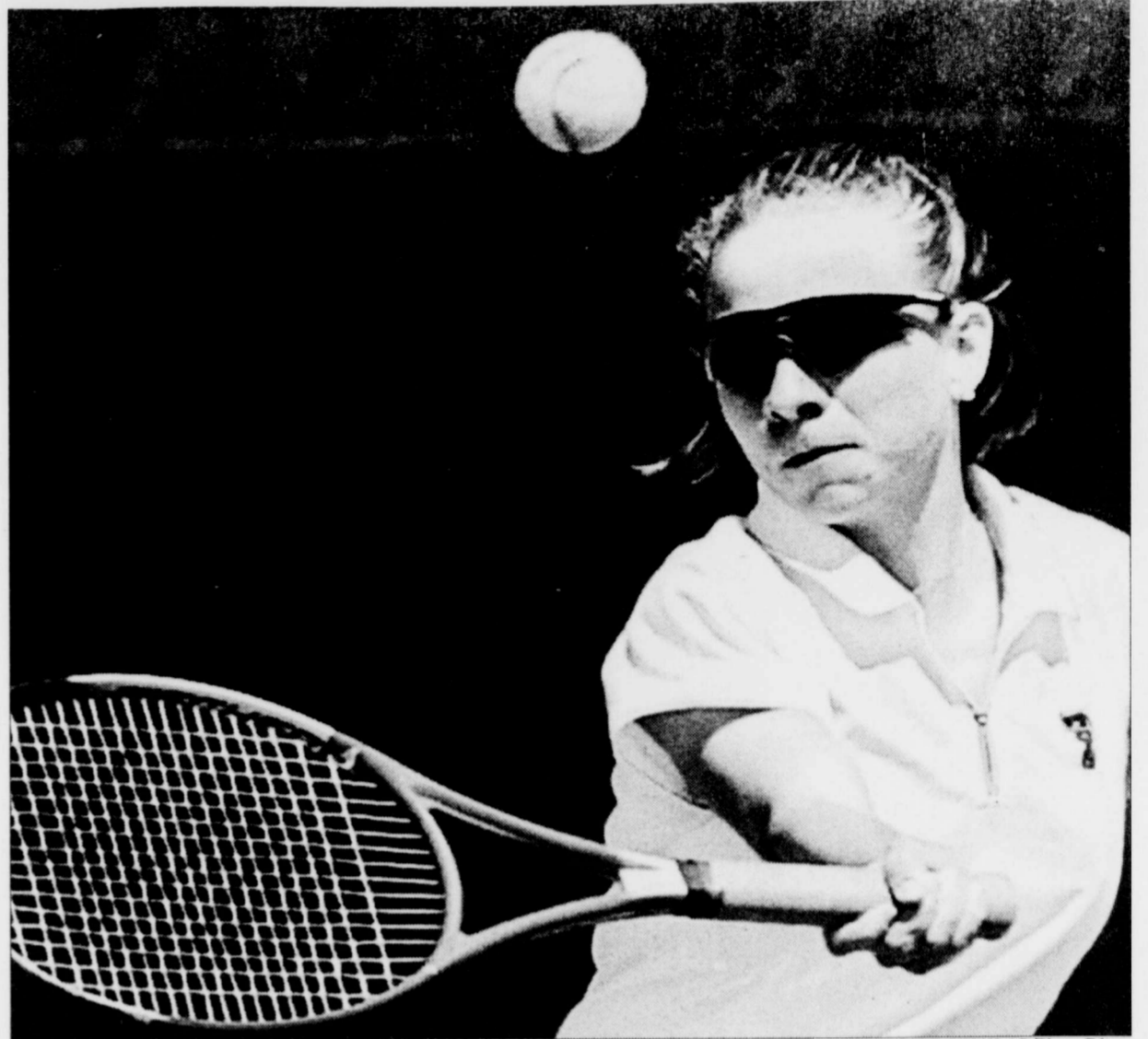
Reilly said her personality makes working with her more enjoyable, and it does not shock him that she has managed to successfully balance tennis and academics.

"She's dedicated, very bright and personable. She's a lot of fun to work with," Reilly said. "A lot of people can't do it, but with her, I'm not surprised at all that she can."

The experience may work out well for Schraml, as she will have the opportunity to present her research at an international forum in Italy in September.

Schraml smiled and her eyes widened when asked if she has liked doing the research and if it has been beneficial.

"Oh yeah, you learn so much you never would learn in the classroom," Schraml said. "It's amazing."



TEXAS TECH TENNIS player Barbara Schraml returns a serve during Tech's loss to Oklahoma on Tuesday at the McLeod Tennis Center. When she is not playing tennis, Schraml is in the lab working on research she will present in Italy in September.

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Kids these days are killing a dying breed — Wiffle ball in the summer

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The sun is shining, the leaves are turning green, the birds are beginning to chirp, and there is that wonderful scent in the breeze. This means it's that time of the year — baseball season.



DAVID WIECHMANN

For every boy growing up, this is the best season of all. It's time to riding your bike with your glove hooked on to the handle, meeting at school to play some ball before Little League tryouts and most importantly breaking out the Wiffle ball games in the front yard. But those were my days as a youngster.

It seems like the boys of summer have become a dying breed. No longer do you see groups of youngsters slapping around a plastic ball in their front yards and arguing over how far a home run should be. They don't spend half an hour trying to get the ball out of a tree. They don't have Frisbees laid in the yard to serve as bases. Home plate is not the bottom half of their old Darryl Strawberry tee.

Where have all the kids gone?

What has happened to America's pastime? Why don't they love baseball as much as we did when we were kids?

My friends and I would play Wiffle ball every day starting the day Spring Training started in the Majors. We would play home run derby for hours. We would play with balls until they couldn't take any more; then we would tape them up.

I had two friends that lived across the street, who were brothers, one down the street and friends from a few blocks away that would come over every day just to play Wiffle ball.

We got into it, too. We would decide which Major League player we would be before the game started, and we would imitate their batting stance and swing the whole time. After that game, we would switch teammates and alter egos and

play another game until we all played on each other's team. We would take it so far as to imitate pitchers, too.

All summer we kept track of how many home runs each of us hit. If the ball flew over the neighbor's tree, it was considered a grand slam.

We played in the dark. It didn't matter. We loved playing ball, and all we wanted to do was play.

One night a fight broke out because my friend Matt hit Zack in the leg with the bat, and he hit him hard. Matt made up some excuse about a mosquito being on his leg, but he was just upset because Zack and I beat his team.

They moved away, and I found new friends to play Wiffle ball with. They would come over at 9:30 a.m., and we'd play three games. Lunch break. Then, three games at their house. Dinner break. Then, three more games at my house. Nine games a day!

They moved away, too. Before we knew that, we decided the next summer we were going to build a fence line through the street and paint a foul line out of the broken sections that fell down in my back yard.

That was hardcore, and it's a shame that today kids would rather play video games than enjoy an entire summer filled with Wiffle ball and memories.

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For the weekend of the fight, Hagmaier expects to keep his cars rolling around the clock throughout Memphis, and to and from the casinos 30 miles to the south in Tunica, Miss.

The June 8 fight is expected to bring 12,000 visitors who will spend as much as \$10 million at Memphis hotels, restaurants, nightclubs and shops.

But while boosters describe the fight as a financial and public relations windfall for Memphis, some residents, particularly women, are less than pleased. They say they are embarrassed the city opened its arms to a convicted rapist who once was suspended from boxing for biting an opponent's ears during a fight.

"I just don't care for Mike Tyson one bit," said housewife Christy Trammell. She said Memphis also looks "like second best" for taking a fight that was intended for Las Vegas, but denied when Nevada officials refused to give Tyson a boxing license.

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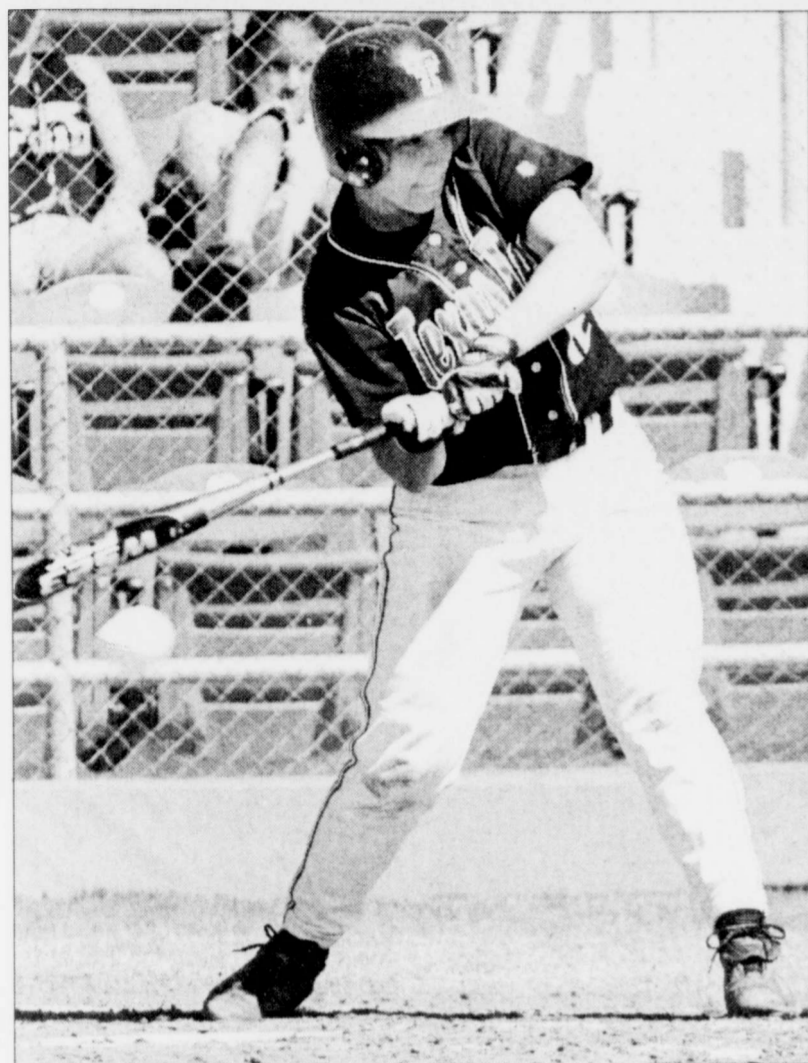
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Tech softball squad tries to forget 10-game skid



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TEXAS TECH SOPHOMORE Britney Stolle check swings during an at bat last week-end against Iowa State at Rocky Johnson Field. Tech has lost 10 consecutive games and look to end the slump when it faces Oklahoma twice Friday in Norman, Okla.

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By David Wiechmann/Staff Writer

In the midst of its second 10-game losing streak of the season, the Texas Tech softball team hopes to put an end to their losses in Norman, Okla., Friday.

Tech (10-22 overall, 0-4 Big 12) will play a double header with No. 9 Oklahoma (28-8, 2-1) Friday starting at 5 p.m. The Red Raiders and Sooners were originally scheduled to play one game Friday and one Saturday, but because of expected rain, the teams agreed to play a double-dip Friday.

The Raiders know they are in a slump, but they are not thinking about it.

"We've decided as a team to focus on other things besides the record," first baseman Carmen Grindell said.

We know something is broken, and we're trying to fix it. We have to find a comfort zone because our abilities are not flowing, that way they could come out.

— CARMEN GRINDELL
Texas Tech First Baseman

"We can't take any of it back, so we're just trying to keep positive. We're not even thinking about that stuff right now."

Tech coach Bobby Reeves said the number of losses the team has does not matter at this point.

"To be honest, I haven't even counted how many games we've lost in a row," Reeves said. "It doesn't make any difference because we can't change anything. We're going to try and get after it for what's left and salvage what we can. Hopefully, we can start off by getting one from Oklahoma."

The Raiders' second double-digit losing streak at a bad time because the last four have been in conference play, and Reeves said a victory

would help the team, and continuing to win could complicate the standings.

"One win would be a tremendous step for this program," Reeves said. "And if we could keep on winning, that would throw this whole conference into a frenzy."

Grindell also said if Tech could get a win to break out of the slump, it would be great, but at this point, one win does not have as large a magnitude as perceived.

"One win would be big," Grindell said. "But a win is not as big as you think it is."

The Raiders have failed to score more than two runs in each of their last four games, and Grindell said she

knows it is crunch time for them.

"We know something is broke, and we're trying to fix it," Grindell said. "We have to find a comfort zone because our abilities are not flowing; that way they could come out."

The Raiders have taken a new approach to the rest of the season to help fix what is broken.

"We have a do or die theory now," Grindell said. "Either we do it or it just gets worse."

Reeves agreed with the players' new outlook and said his team plans to accomplish what it sets its mind to.

"Yes, I think we have a do or die attitude," Reeves said. "And as for that we're going to do the do and see what happens."

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TEXAS TECH THIRD baseman Nick Blankenship fouls off a ball during the TCU series in early March. Blankenship leads the nation in getting hit by a pitch 20 times this season. He also leads the Big 12 Conference with 12 home runs.

Hit 'point Blank'enship

Texas Tech third baseman Nick Blankenship has been hit by a pitch 20 times this season. He leads the nation in that stat.

By Matt Muench/Sports Editor

When the last out is recorded, Texas Tech's third baseman Nick Blankenship is used to finding a warm tub to sit in or a bag of ice. It is his post-game ritual. Not because he wants to but because he has to.

Blankenship leads the nation in getting hit by a pitch, a stat he would rather not lead in. Twenty times this season, the 6-foot-8 198 pounder has made the slow walk to first base rubbing a hand, limping on an ankle or rubbing his back.

"They ice me down pretty good," he said. "But I'll take getting hit. If they want to put me on base, that's fine."

Why does he get hit so much? Blankenship said he likes to think opposing pitchers are scared of him. And they might be. He also leads the Big 12 Conference in home runs with 12 long balls.

"I keep telling myself that (pitchers) are scared," said Blankenship, who has hitting 322 with 49 RBI. "It's probably not true, but that is what I keep telling myself."

Another reason he gets plunked a lot, Tech coach Larry Hays said, is he is an aggressive hitter.

"He is aggressive, and he won't give in," Hays said. "He dives in a little bit, and some pitchers would rather give into him than let him hurt them."

Hays said he offered to give him some

padding to wear, but Blankenship declined to sport it.

"He looked at me like, 'you crazy?'" Hays said.

Blankenship said he never gets too angry about getting hit because it is a free pass to first base. He said he knows it is part of the game.

"Occasionally, I will throw (pitchers) a little look," he said. "But if I charged the mound, Coach Hays would ring my neck in a heartbeat. It has never crossed my mind to charge."

Another common theme this season for Blankenship is when the box score reads a Blankenship home run, more than half of the time, it also reads a Blankenship hit by pitch.

Seven times this season Blankenship has hit a home run and has been hit by a pitch.

In four of those games, he has been beamed the at bat following one of his home runs.

"That is just the way it has gone this

year," he said. "But I can't complain about it. There have been times I thought they threw at me intentionally, but you never know really. That's just baseball. You have to take what you get."

Two cases show Blankenship hitting a home run after getting hit by a pitch the previous time he stepped to the plate.

"Sometimes after I get (beamed); I go up (the next time) thinking I really want to get a hit off this guy," he said.

Tech short-stop Gera Alvarez, who is second on the team in getting hit by a pitch, said he does not know how Blankenship

does it.

"I don't know how he has done that, but it seems like every game he is getting hit," said Alvarez, who has been plunked six times. "He is not afraid to take one for the team, and if he sees the pitcher make a mistake, he is not afraid to put his leg into it."

"I keep telling myself that (pitchers) are scared. It's probably not true, but that is what I keep telling myself."

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As the four surviving teams and their supporters make their way to the city, local organizers of the NCAA Women's Final Four tournament have put together a South Texas fiesta that will swirl around

the hoops event.

Take Friday's afternoon pep rally prior to the evening matchups between Duke and Oklahoma, and then Connecticut vs. Tennessee.

Rather than cramming supporters into a bland and boxy gym, each team will board its own small barge for a cruise along the San Antonio River while fans cheer from the adjoining Riverwalk pedestrian mall.

An estimated 2,500 people of all ages will take part in Saturday's mass basketball dribble from the Alamodome, site of the games, to the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center, where the NCAA is running coaching clinics, shooting contests and a 3-on-3 tournament.

The U.S. women's national team, which will defend its world championship later this year, is in town for the week. Sheryl Swoopes, Lisa Leslie and other court stars are here to practice, sign autographs and play a game Saturday against top college seniors.

And thousands of out-of-town visitors will also help judge a contest to find the Best Hot Sauce in a city that knows its way around the pepper patch.

"We hope to raise the bar on hospitality events," said Wendy McCauley, executive director of the San Antonio Local Organizing Committee.

Top-ranked and undefeated Connecticut got a little taste of that hospitality when they arrived Tuesday — a mariachi band was part of the large crowd waiting at the Huskies' downtown hotel to welcome them.

"That was great," Connecticut guard Diana Taurasi told local reporters. "We didn't get that reception last year in St. Louis (for the 2001 Final Four)."

The Alamodome is the largest venue to host the women's tournament, with a seating capacity of nearly 30,000 for Friday's semifinals and Sunday night's finals. Nearly all of those seats are sold, surpassing the previous mark of 23,300 in Charlotte, N.C., in 1996.

San Antonio is certainly no stranger to big-time basketball.

In recent years, the city has hosted the 1998 Men's Final Four, the 1999 NBA finals and NCAA men's regional tournaments in 1997 and 2001. It will have another men's regional next year, the Men's Final Four in 2004, and it is one of two finalists for the 2007 Pan American Games.

Lynn Hickey, athletic director at the University of Texas at San Antonio, says the women's tournament has a good opportunity to further prove itself.

"It'll be interesting to see if a light is turned on that people realize this is a big event like the men's tournament," said Hickey, a former head coach at Texas A&M and Kansas State.

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Sgt. Steve Monday
Watermelonfastbass
Sunday March 31st

The Golf Station
116th & Indiana in Lubbock
Gates open @ 1:00p.m.
Tickets available @ Ralph's Records
For more info visit www.easterbash.com
sponsored by STD productions
no glass allowed

Big E B Grillin' Outdoors

Ticket's \$8 pre-sale, \$10 @ the gate

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