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# Summer tuition payment plans not available

**SHORT TERMS:** Officials say semesters not long enough to offer options.

By Jenny Klein/Staff Reporter

Though the spring semester is coming to an end, some students will continue classes through the summer, but not if their tuition for the summer terms is not paid on time.

The tuition deadline for the first summer term is May 24 and July 3 for the second summer term. Students have to pay 100 percent of their tuition full by the first day of classes or opt for one of the

and fees by these dates, or they will be cancelled from the classes they are enrolled in, Jennifer Branch, operations manager for Student Business Services, said.

For those students who do not make their payment on time, Branch said they would have a second opportunity to re-register.

"They will not be able to re-register until they have paid their tuition, and those dates for reregistration are May 28 for the first summer session and July 8 for second summer," Branch said.

This method works similarly with new spring tuition payment put into effect this year. Students had to have 100 percent of their tuition paid in

available payment options. Students could pay 50 percent of their tuition by the due date and sign a promissory note, which allows students to pay the rest of their tuition and fees in two additional payments of 25 percent each. Arrangements had to be made before the payments were due, Branch said.

However, there are no payment plans available in the summer.

"We don't accept payments in the summer because the semesters aren't as long as in the fall and spring. It's too short," she said.

Students who receive financial aid need to meet the deadlines to avoid penalization. Those who are approved for aid but have not yet received it are exempt.

The Office of Student Financial Aid offers an emergency enrollment fund for student who cannot meet the tuition deadline, Branch said. Students need to make arrangements to receive this aid by the due date.

Becky Wilson, associate director for Student Financial Aid, said the emergency enrollment fund has to be paid back in full after 30 days.

"The emergency enrollment funds are good for both sessions. It is due back 30 days from the first date of cancellation," Wilson said.

Students who do not meet the deadline on May 24 and receive an emergency enrollment fund would have to pay it back on June 24, Wilson said. For the second summer session, payment would be due back on Aug. 3.

To receive financial aid, students have to fill out an institutional application and a FAFSA form (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Wilson said the office prefers these forms be turned in by March 1 for summer aid, but there is no set deadline.

"The sooner students get summer applications in, the sooner we get them processed. Financial aid, especially grants, is given on a first-come, firstserve basis. That's why we have preferred deadlines," Wilson said. "If students turn in their applications later than our preferred date, we don't refuse them as long as they are eligible."

# RELEASING TECH SPIRIT



COURTNEY BOBB, A freshman mass communications major from Garland, releases balloons into the cloudy skies during the Arbor Day celebration on Memorial Circle on Friday.

# Celebration continues despite dreary weather

By Natalie Knox/Staff Reporter

Despite the rain and fog, Tech students came out to the Arbor Day celebration Friday.

Students began to gather at Memorial Circle around 11 a.m. and the band Blue October began to play at noon. Housing and Dining had food booths set up with \$3 hamburgers and \$2 hot degs. Tech students got half-price.

Everything went as scheduled, although the planting of the trees was cancelled because of the weather.

After Blue October played, student organization awards were given out, including the student organization of the year and the student organization adviser of the year. Student organization of the

year went to Alpha Phi Omega, and student organization adviser of the year went to Daniel Brown, of Alpha Phi Omega. The Greek Week winners were also announced; they were Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Phi.

Lori Romero, a senior information systems and quantitative science major from Lubbock, said she will attend the event next year and hopefully will get to

"I'm glad I came out," Romero said. "I kind of hoped we could do the planting thing, but it was nice. A bunch of us came out to this sophomore year, but it was different. It was smaller."

Arturro Corrales, a junior psychology major from El Paso, was at the celebration. "It was a good experience," Corrales said. "And there was a very good turnout considering the weather." Others said they enjoyed the concert.

Whitney Boatright, a freshman elementary education major from Amarillo, said her friends came down from Amarillo just to see the band play.

Megan Wright, the panhellenic adviser of sororities, said she was at Arbor Day for the Greek Week winners and to enjoy the festivities.

"It went great, even with the cold weather," Wright said. Wright said she thought the band was

a good addition to Arbor Day. "I think they were great, and they helped the students to stick around," Wright said. "There was a lot more stu-

# Engineering tunnel simulates tornado, severe weather winds

By Preston Files/Staff Reporter

Students in Texas Tech's College of Engineering are being blown away by research they are conducting using wind tun-

Chris Letchford, professor in civil engineering, said they use the wind tunnel to look at and simulate wind flow around

"It is a bit hard to just wait on nature to give us strong



JAIME TOMÁS AGUILAR/Photography Editor TONETTE RITTENBERRY, A mechanical engineering adviser, gives a tour of the wind-research tunnel to Ramirez Elementary kindergartners Friday. The kindergartners were on a tour of the engineering department and experienced 50

winds to look at wind flow around buildings, wind pressures and wind forces on buildings," he said. "We use the wind tunnel to simulate nature and speed up the research."

Letchford said the wind tunnel has been in use for about three years and wind research has been going on at Tech

He said the interest in the project is basically trying to establish what sort of loads would be applied to buildings by the wind so that structure engineers can make it stand up against the force.

"The wind is turbulent and gusty so we need to create that gustiness," he said.

Letchford said just like the surface of the earth is not smooth, in the wind tunnel, they have placed rocky elements and barriers on the floor to create mountains to simulate the turbulence of the wind.

He said between .01 or .03 is the typical scale of the models used in the wind tunnel.

Letchford said there are three different types of synthetical models of wind tunnels to simulate different types of

A big wind tunnel simulates straight-line winds and another device creates down bursts and tornado simulations for the thunderstorm winds.

Letchford said about 10 graduate students are working on various projects associated with the wind tunnel.

He said one particular test is looking at debris. Once a building falls, it typically sheds a lot of debris into the wind

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# Tech health officials advise, give warnings on proper sunscreen use

By Natalie Worthen/Staff Reporter

Medical experts warn the public to be health conscience in the sun by wearing sunscreen that has not expired.

Dana Jeng, physician at the Dermatology Association of Texas Tech, said it is important to abide by expiration dates on products. "You should not use sunscreen after the expiration date

because the chemicals in it will not be as effective after the date is expired," she said. The chemicals do not maintain their chemical integ-

rity after expiration, Jeng said. Dr. Justin Clark, a dermatologist at Lubbock Dermatology and Skin Cancer Center, said chemicals in the sunscreen will break down at different times for different rea-

sons during an extended period of time. "Those who keep sunscreen bottles in the sun, their car or their golf bag will cause the chemicals in the sunscreen to degrade very quickly," he said.

Dermatologists at the Tech's Dermatology Clinic said most people do not use enough sunscreen.

accumulate over time when you're walking to class every day or out jog-Clark said a white person or someone with fairly light skin could receive skin damage walking to class

"People should apply sunscreen daily," Jeng said. "The ultraviolet rays

at certain times of the day. "I recommend wearing a sunscreen with a minimum SPF 15 because the sun is very damaging in the middle of the day," he said. "If someone is going to be outside for an extended period of time, they should

and re-apply every three hours or so." Clark said college students should be aware of the risks and hazards of

use sunscreen with a SPF 30 to 45



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# Bikers brawl in casino, three killed

By Angie Wagner/Associated Press

LAUGHLIN, Nev. — Rival motorcycle gangs armed with guns and knives clashed on a crowded casino floor early Saturday, leaving three dead and at least 12 wounded as terrified gamblers ducked for cover.

The shooting, the worst ever inside a Nevada casino, occurred during a weekend gathering of motorcycle groups, including the Mongols and Hells Angels.

Denise Massey, 48, was gambling with her fiancé on the first floor of Harrah's when she noticed 20 to 30 bikers

"Next thing you know you just hear 'Bam, bam, bam," she said. "All of a sudden they're running and just shooting at each other."

Police said the violence erupted when a Mongol member walked into a group of Hells Angels. Sixty to 70 people, armed with guns and knives, were involved in the violence inside the entrance to Harrah's casino, authorities said. All three of the dead were bikers, police said. One person was

arrested and police had recovered several guns. About 200 people were being interviewed, said Lt. Vince Cannito, of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, which patrols the Colorado River gambling resort 80 miles southeast of Las Vegas. Authorities also warned of the danger for further violence.

"The rumors of retaliation have already hit the street," said Larry Tunforss, spokesman for the fire department in Bullhead City, Ariz., which is across the river from Laughlin. "Our police department is beefing up intensely. There's a definite con-

cern of further incidents.' SWAT teams and law enforcement officers from across Arizona and Nevada were called in.

The shooting occurred during the 20th annual River Run, a motorcycle gathering which attracted up to 80,000 people into Laughlin. The resort town of about 8,000 residents has nine casinos and attracts about 5 million visitors a year.

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"I kind of hoped we could do the planting thing, but it was nice."

- LORI ROMERO. Texas Tech student, on Arbor Day. Please see RELEASING, page 1.

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Mayor, council draft plan for homosexuals

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas City Council is reviewing a proposal that seeks to protect gays and lesbians in hiring, housing and public accommodations such as hotels and restaurants.

Under the proposed ordinance, employers with more than 15 workers would not be allowed to hire, fire or in any other way discriminate against employees on the basis of sexual orientation.

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"You are why Al Gore isn't in the White House," NRA executive vice president Wayne LaPierre told more than 4,500 delegates at the NRA's 131st annual meeting.

"No other group could have done what we did collectively in 2000, and now it's time to finish the job," NRA lobbyist James Jay Baker said. "The Senate is the hole in our armor. ... The Senate is our battleground."

Georgia Sen. Zell Miller, the first Democrat to give the NRA's keynote address in more than a decade, agreed that Gore's stands on gun rights cost him key states, including Arkansas, West Virginia and Tennessee.

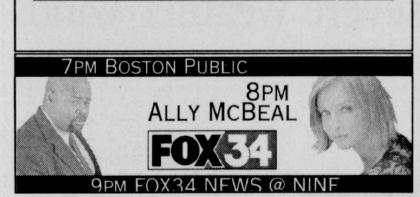


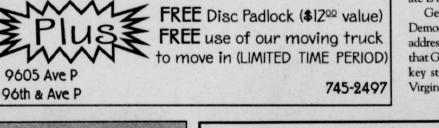
# Israel, Palestine agree on a U.S. proposal

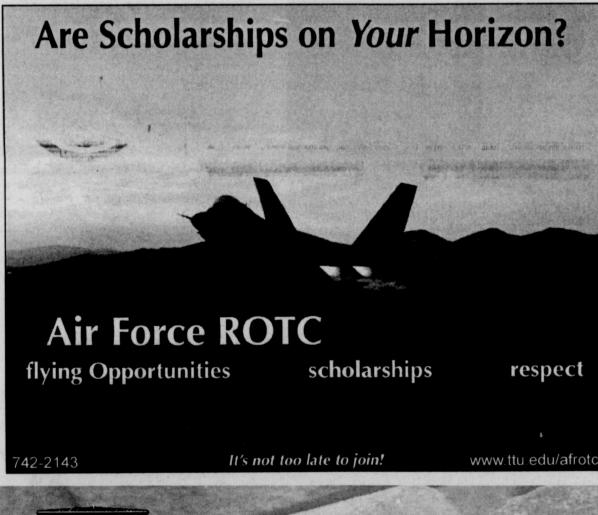
JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel and the Palestinians agreed Sunday to accept a U.S. proposal that would place six wanted men in a Palestinian jail under the watchful eyes of American and British guards — a deal that would end the month-old Israeli siege of Yasser Arafat's West Bank headquarters and enable the Palestinian leader to travel freely for the first time since December.

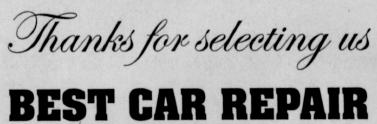
Israel's Cabinet adopted President
Bush's proposal in a 17-9 vote. Senior
Arafat aides said the Palestinian leader
also accepted the plan, which ultimately
would free him from the sights of Israeli
snipers crouched in the buildings around

"We expect the siege imposed on President Arafat's office to be lifted the day after tomorrow," said Palestinian Information Minister Yasser Abed Rabbo. The deal would allow Arafat to travel in the Palestinian territories or abroad.







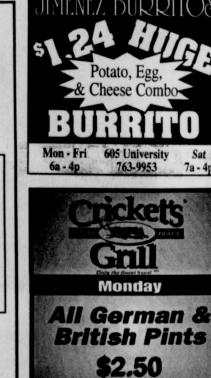


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# Tunnel

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field. Letchford said they are looking at various simplified models to see how debris is initiated, how pieces start to fly, what speed they attain once they are in the wind field and ultimately, the impact of that debris on other building's windows and such.

Keyi Wang, graduate civil engineering student from China, said in his studying the effects of debris, they use the wind tunnel to identify the relationship between the force that causes debris to fly and the wind speed.

Additionally, some students are looking at thunderstorms studying down bursts and tornados. Letchford said they are particularly interested in thunderstorms because they are the sort of strong wind events that we see around here and that cause the most damage.

Matthew Mason, a graduate student studying civil engineering from Australia, said the wind tunnel models the down drafts that you get in sever thunderstorms.

"You often get lots of rain and violent winds, and that is really what we are doing," he said. "We are modeling the winds that thunderstorms produce so you can model the effects the wind has on buildings."

Letchford said other studies include looking at the grouping effects in mobile home parks and the grouping effects of buildings cable aerodynamics.

"Students benefit from the projects because they are gaining experience in using wind tunnels and making pressure and velocity measurements," he said. "It is actually contributing to hopefully being used in codes of practice so that structural engineers can use this information to design buildings hopefully more safely and economically."

The college often has tours of the wind tunnels. Letchford said people are welcome to come by and have a look at them when they are running experi-

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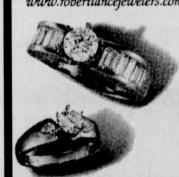


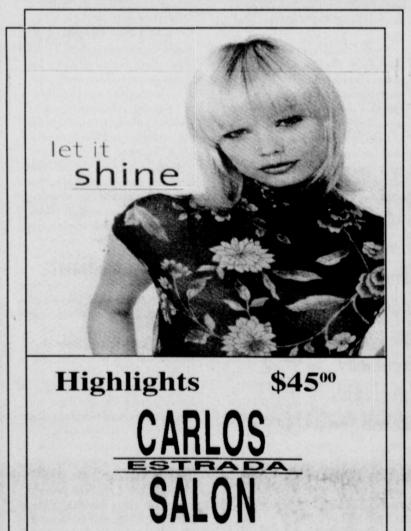
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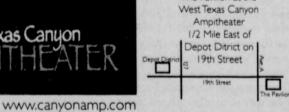
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# Sunscreen

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not using sunscreen.

"Students should be aware the tans they desire today could cause them to need skin therapy 20 to 30 years from now," he said.

"Scaring and warning the public

doesn't work in this area," he said. "I would be happy if people wore sunscreen, protective clothing or a broad-brimmed

Jeng said using enough sunscreen is important in preventing skin cancer.

"If you have the same sunscreen bottle for a whole year, you aren't using enough," she said. "Daily usage of sunscreen moisturizer is ideal."

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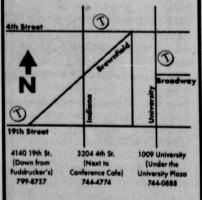


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# Sadness, jubilation mingle in the end

My turn is up. Not

knowing if I should be

I just might do both.

to an end eventually,

and well, I'm glad it's

ending like this.

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**BRANDON FORMBY** 

ere it is — the waited and prayed, and worked and struggled for. It's not next semester. It's not next week. It's here. Right now. Today. My last

I could dance. I could

climb the bell tower and scream at the top of my lungs. I'm going to have a goofy grin on my face all day today.

Whoooo hooooo! When I packed up my car, left Plano and headed west to pursue this dream four years ago, my mom said something to me I've never forgotten.

"Oh, Brandon," she said as she hugged me goodbye, "it's going to feel like forever until you get there."

Thinking she must have been talking about the long drive from the metroplex to West Texas, I hugged her back and headed on my way.

Not knowing how I was going to pay for it or even where I was going to live and lay my head that night, I arrived in Lubbock with a car full of clothes, \$3,000 in my checking account to pay for the semester and a consuming desire

to get a college degree in journalism. That was the beginning of this adventure. And now here we are at the last chapter. The chapter, at times, I honestly thought I would never survive to write. But I did. I'm not sure whether it's by the grace of God or some screw up in the universe that I am finally graduating. But I don't care. I'm just going to play along and pretend I know what I'm doing.

So, what did I learn? Jesus, what didn't I learn? Wait. I know better than to ask that. Because I have learned enough to know I'll never stop learning. I'm still learning things today.

There will always be another trial. There will always be another test. You can't let that get you down. You can't give up. Go ahead and complain and

cry, but draw the line somewhere. Then get back up, fight like hell and play to win. That's the only way to live. I promise you this.

I have seen the darkest, murkiest recesses of my psyche. And I've faced them. To find peace and balance within your own heart, you must journey deep inside yourself and not just explore but also accept what is there.

I have slept with loneliness and flirted with defeat. At times, self-doubt and bitterness were my only companions. There were nights when I could not help but cry myself to sleep. Sometimes your heart is so heavy, that's all you know to do. But those are

least they let you know you're still alive — you're still human.

This has not been a journey bathed solely in sorrow, though. Oh no. God no. I had more than my fair share of joy. At times, laughter was all I had fueling this dream. If you learn nothing else from me, learn this - a sense of humor

can make your soul soar when you cannot make your feet take another step.

One of the biggest lessons I've learned is none of this - life, goals, dreams — means anything without people to share it with. People are inherently good. Some just make bad decisions. But they will help you when the chips are down. I'm living proof of that, you know. If it weren't for my friends and co-workers these past four years, I don't know where I'd be.

There have been times when school was a struggle, work was driving me nuts and money was nonexistent. And the only reason I kept going was the people around me. My friends have spoiled me. Not with material gifts but with love, encouragement, tenderness, acceptance and companionship.

To be honest with you, I don't know why they put up with me. I'm moody

and crabby and always have some drama going on. I'm a walking tragedy who can't get it together long enough to find my car keys in the morning. I don't know what they've gotten out of being friends with me, but I'm glad they're around. Dear God am I glad for

I wish I could figure out a way to thank them. But how do you thank a group of people who spent the last four years rooting for your worn-out, tragic, difficult self? How do you thank your

I will miss much. But you know what I will really miss? This. That's right, this right here. You and me

week.

I will never understand why anyone would want to hear what crying or smiling, I think some crazy, foolish, smart aleck punk has to say about Everything has to come anything. But for some messed up reason you did. I know I made you furious at

times. But that

was never an

intention. I'm just not the kind of person who can sit back and watch in silence. I don't know why, but there is just something inside of me that has this burning need to get involved — to

be a part of the process. I know I ruffled feathers. I know I pushed envelopes. But, hell, isn't that the point? If you're not going to contribute something, what's the point of even being here?

Every week, for four years, you have invited me into your lives for about 11 minutes at a time, and for that, I thank you. You have been a part of this journey just as much as anyone else. Because when all hell broke loose, I came to you, and I vented, and you let me. You listened. You watched as I fumbled my way through this endeavor. And sometimes you even fumbled right along with me.

You, too, have spoiled me. I just do

not want you to think it went unnoticed.

I have so much to say - so many words and emotions and feelings. But, alas, there are more words than space. Such is the nature of this beast I have dedicated my life to.

My turn is up. Not knowing if I should be crying or smiling, I think I just might do both. Everything has to come to an end eventually, and well, I'm glad it's ending like this.

Of course, I am scared about what's out there. But I know better than to let fear hold me back from doing anything.

I always imagined I would crawl away from this with my tail between my legs. But instead I get to walk out the front doors with my pride, four years of awesome moments and a life full of love. I get to leave knowing I made one million mistakes but have no regrets.

I get to leave knowing I not only did everything I could, but I also did more than I thought I would be able to. And I leave wondering if my mom was really talking about the drive to Lubbock or the journey I would travel to get to this day.

I must be off to the next big adventure now. I know I'll get knocked flat on my face, but I don't care. Bring it. I'm ready. I don't know how far I'll make it or how long I'll last, but I know I still have fight left within me. I don't know where I'm going yet, what the next lesson is or where this life is going to take me. But something tells me it will probably feel like forever until I get there.

With my head full of memories, my heart full of swelling happiness, my character stronger for the whole ordeal and a Double-T permanently emblazoned on my soul, it is my turn at last.

Head up. Shoulders back. Footsteps firm. Here I go ...

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# Weddings stressful

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KATIE **HARRIS** 

these summer months with finals soon behind us, I have one piece of advice you should all follow. Do not have a wedding. I am not

saying you should not get married. You should definitely do that - someday when you

ready. What I am saying is you should avoid having a wedding at all costs. If you have already signed up for this wonderful joy ride you will probably feel encouraged knowing you are not the only one caught in this trap. You others just heed this warning and book

have met the right person and you are

a flight to Vegas as soon as that engagement ring is slipped on. If not, the following are some consequences you will surely endure. Yeah. Wonderful. You are engaged, happy and on cloud nine for about, oh, two weeks. And then it all begins. The

budget often begins at a small amount,

maybe \$5,000 or so. The key words become "simple yet elegant." Simple yet elegant. I think this is an oxymoron. Simple equals cheap, involving little time. Elegant equals expensive, involving lots of time. Yet, in your engagement bliss this seems to work.

So does the guest list of 100 people. Let's fast-forward a few months. The guest list is now at 175 and counting. You have already spent that \$5,000 on the building and photographer alone. Family members feel left out. Moms are turning into those stereotypical mother-of-the-brides you swore they would never become. Suddenly, it matters what kind of knife you use to cut the cake. What has happened in the last few months to turn the most important day of your life into your worst nightmare? It is called trying to create the "perfect" wedding.

First things first. I swear, if someone hears you are shopping for a wedding, they assume you are so happy you will start writing blank checks. Some examples. Well, the building for my wedding cost an extra hundred bucks because, well because it is a wedding.

My mom and I went to a wedding supply and rental store recently and asked for a price list. The lady looked at us like we were mad. A price list? How can you put a price on such an important day? They do not want you to know they charge like \$80 to rent a serving fork.

Weddings start to mess with your mind. At a bridal dress shop I saw a girl try on a hideous ugly dress with a price tag of a whopping \$1,200! Either she had no taste or she had completely lost it. Expensive dress equals perfect dress equals perfect wedding.

Speaking of bridal boutiques, they must think brides are complete idiots. A woman recently told me every dress, I mean every one, had to have alterations done. I was like why the hell do they have sizes at all if they are not going to fit. Of course, there is my blank-check theory in action again.

Guys, do not think for one second you are immune to this blessed event. Your fiancée will turn into a monster. Trust me. The girl you thought would never ever care about what type of pen was used to sign the guest book, will finally, after much resistance, become brainwashed by the billion-dollar wedding industry.

Every detail will seem huge, very huge. You are the only one who can keep her sane. Though you will have to endure many backlashes, you must persevere so that for her sake and yours this wedding will truly be a day to remember.

It is not all that bad. Some people will not charge you an arm and leg. And you do realize, eventually with a lot of reminders, what this day will really be all about.

Good luck to those who have, like me, chosen their path and taken on the monumental task of planning a wedding. For those of you who have not already decided on Vegas, here are some final thoughts. Be willing to spend; do not think about what other people will like or want, and for god's sake, hire a wedding planner.

M Katie Harris is a junior English major from Lubbook. She can be reached at raiderx81@cs.com. Have a wonderful summer break and good tack to all those getting married this stammer!

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Muench unfairly spoke about High Riders

To the editor: Matt Muench recently wrote a column in which he degraded an organization - without knowing all the facts about it - whose members devote most of their time to promoting Texas Tech, supporting women's athletics at Tech and serving the very

athletes he writes about in his articles. He chose to do this before knowing about this organization. He is entitled

to his opinion, but for the open-minded individuals of this great institution, I will inform you of the many purposes of the High Riders.

First, we are dedicated to service and leadership to the university and the student body. We pride ourselves in upholding traditional Christian standards of honesty, integrity and

servitude in promoting spirit at Tech. Second, we spend a considerable amount of time preparing goodie bags for each and every women's team here at Tech. Yes, that's right, not just

basketball but volleyball, softball, soccer, tennis, golf and track. We attend all home games of the basketball, volleyball, softball and soccer

Also, at volleyball games, we provide a very important service to the team. For those that attend the games, we are the girls that shag the balls up into the stands and around the court to keep the game moving and keep the players from having to do it themselves. They appreciate our service because when they go to other schools, they

don't get it very often.

We agree with Muench - that we do not have as much recognition as the Saddle Tramps. They have had 40 more years of earning that recognition than we have. However, we work every day to achieve that recognition. How, Mr. Muench, do you expect us to gain notoriety with you writing negative things about us for the whole student body to read?

Kacie Arends vice president High Riders

# 'Novacaine' only promising new movie rental

MOVIE REVIEW

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# **JAMES**

tin as Dr. Frank Sangster who plays a dentist who gets caught up in a web of sex, drugs and murder all be-

cause of one little lie

Sangster in engaged to Jean (Laura Dearn) but gets a sexy new patient named Susan (Helena Bonham Carter), who shamelessly flirts with him and offers him a chance to fulfill his wildest sexual fantasies.

Sangster soon finds out all of the drugs he has in the office have been stolen, and now the Drug Enforcement Administration wants him for questioning. Susan's brother enters the picture threatening to hurt Sangster if he ever touches his sister again. Sangster's deadbeat brother is in town visiting, and we know he's probably trouble.

When someone ends up dead in the doc's house, he starts to realize that he is getting played. But whom can he trust? "Novocaine" delivers bitingly clever dialogue and characters you might find yourself warming up to whether you like it or not. Even when the film begins to falter, and it does, it still has enough charm and intrigue to keep you interested. Martin de-

**EPPLER** 

#### This woefully dumb movie tells the story of a fighter pilot (Owen Wilson) who is shot down behind enemy lines and must survive the enemy chasing him until he is rescued. Gene Hackman also

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EPPLER'S RATING: ★★★

livers a good performance.

stars as the Admiral determined to get their boy back home. The action scenes end up becoming more and more moronic as the film progresses. How can a tank follow a man onto a frozen lake when it was cracking

under his feet just minutes ago? The only positive thing about this tripe, if there is one, is that if you own a good entertainment system, the loud explosions and gunfire will shake the foundations of your house. Other than that, this film seems to think that it's extremely patriotic; when in fact, it's just a live action video game.

Now Available on video and DVD EPPLER'S RATING: ★1/2

## Not Another Teen Movie

People who thought the "Scary Movie" films were good will think this film is brilliant. Instead of spoofing horror movies, however, it spoofs teen flicks from the 80s and 90s. "She's All That," "Pretty in Pink," "Sixteen Candles," "Varsity Blues" and "Bring it On" are all targets here.

The no-name cast is unimpressive and just when I thought the film might have a clever moment, I was disappointed. Characters are referred to by the stereotype that they represent (the popular jock, the pretty/ugly girl, the nasty cheerleader, and so on).

It's the same old stuff-drugs, toilet and sex jokes. I'm not sure I laughed one time, which is bad considering it's marketed as a comedy.

The DVD included 18 deleted scenes, an alternate ending (like it matters),

commentary from the director and a teen movie pop quiz, which is probably the most intelligent thing on the entire disc. Available on video and DVD

on April 30th. EPPLER'S RATING: ★

### Ali

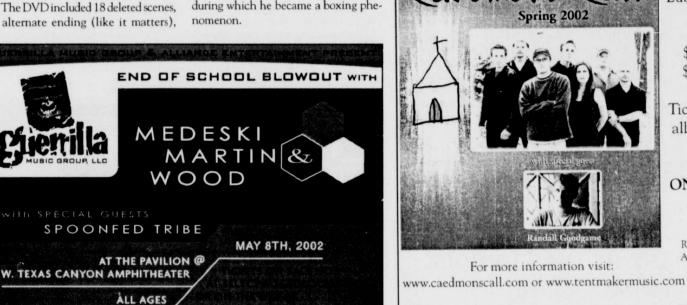
Will Smith earned an Oscar nomination for his portrayal of "The Champ." Unfortunately, he's not given much to work with here. The usually reliable Michael Mann ("The Insider") directs this film about the 10 years of Ali's life during which he became a boxing phe-

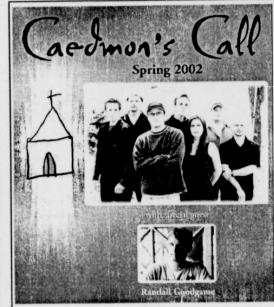
It is a shame we are given no insight as to who Ali was or what really made him who he is. The DVD includes the theatrical trailer and digital sound capabilities, but that's it. It's strange that they chose not to include a legitimate documentary on Ali for the DVD.

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April 30. EPPLER'S RATING: ★★ \*\*\*\* - Flawless \*\*\* - Excellent \*\*\* - Good \*\* - Mediocre

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# Alan Jackson stops on tour at Hub City

Alan Jackson will ride into Lubbock and make a stop for his country fans during his Drive Tour at 8 p.m. Wednesday at the United Spirit Arena.

Jackson will tour throughout 2002 promoting his new album, "Drive."

The album, which is double platinum, has hits on it such as "Drive," the cover title; "Designated Drinker," a duet with George Straight; and "Where Were You (When The World Stopped Turning,)" a song about the Sept. 11 attacks.

Included on the "Drive" album are two versions of "Where Were You," the studio cut and the live version from Jackson's Nov. 7 performance at the Country Music Association Awards.

"Drive" is Jackson's 11th album. The album was released Jan. 15.

Dan Burns, associate director for the United Spirit Arena, said 6,389 tickets had been sold as of Friday. He said he is expecting an attendance of at least 7,000.

Tickets are \$39.75 and \$54.75 through Select-A-Seat or at the concert. — Whitney Wyatt

# 'The Bachelor' finale watched by 18 million

NEW YORK (AP) - The season finale of ABC's "The Bachelor" drew the highest ratings of its six-episode run, as some 18.1 million people tuned in to see which bachelorette would get the ring.

ABC's much-hyped reality series came in second in its time slot to CBS' ratings juggernaut "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," which drew 23.4 million viewers Thursday night, according to Nielsen Media Research.

All those fans of "The Bachelor" didn't exactly get the fairy-tale ending they may have expected, however.

Harvard-educated management consultant Alex Michel chose Amanda Marsh from the 25 single women who had competed for his affections, but he didn't ask her to marry him.

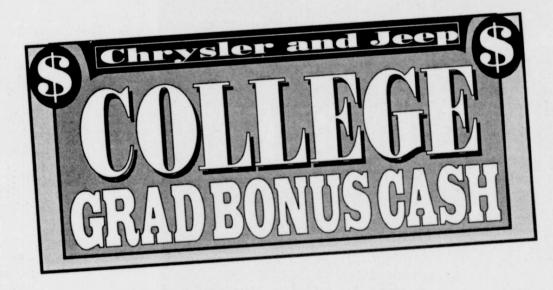
Instead, Michel showed Marsh the Harry Winston diamond engagement ring he'd chosen and told her he'd hold onto it. She's agreed to move to California with him so they can get to know each other better.

"We are dating and very excited and happy to kind of get on with our lives in a more normal way," Michel, 31, said Friday on ABC's "Good Morning America.'

Sitting next to each other and holding hands, they both promised that this is the real thing, and not just a show for the TV cameras.

T'ru definitely falling in love with Alex, yes," said Marsh, a 23-year-old evens of anner from Chanute, Kan. "This

is very real to me." Neither of them would place odds on whether they'll walk down the aisle.



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# Former Tech student makes good with Cilantro

By Natalie Knox/Staff Reporter

Burritos and quesadillas comprise the menu of a recently opened restaurant that is owned and operated by a former Tech student.

Justin Barnard, opened his new restaurant, Cilantro, this January. Six Tech students and one Lubbock Christian University student work at the restaurant. Cilantro serves only burritos and quesadillas and is located in downtown Lubbock off Avenue J and Maine at 1106

Barnard said he went to Tech for three years and took time off this semester to work. He said he will return for the second summer session to finish his fourth year.

Barnard said he would describe the restaurant as an artsy, gutted out, downtown

space with music "pumping" all the time.

"It's a Subway-styled restaurant where you can build your own burrito or quesadilla," Barnard said. "We only have four or five people working at a time."

Right now they are open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Saturday, he

The reason for this is after lunch, the downtown area slows down, he said.

When you go to make your burrito, there are four different flavors of tortillas you can pick from. You simply go down the line and pick out whatever you want, he said.

Most of the crowd that comes to Cilantro is Tech students, he said.

"I'd say 50 percent of everyone who comes in here is from Tech," he said.

Kelli Stumbo, a junior public relations major from Flower Mound and the Student

Government Association President, said she was impressed with Cilantro.

"I would encourage any Tech students who are looking for a new taste to check out Cilantro," Stumbo said. "It's like walking into a Dallas restaurant. The food and atmosphere are awesome."

Stumbo said when she and her friends went she had the spicy beef and potato

"We're going to start going there a lot more often," she said. There are no waiters or waitresses,

and the 1,000-square-foot area seats 35 people, he said. Despite the small space, Barnard said

Cilantro's business is increasing every day.

"At lunch time we have people in a line out the door," he said. "Sometimes parking is even an issue, but people still

Their popularity is amazing considering the fact they have not spent any money on advertising, he said.

"We were listed as the top performer on 'Food for Thought' six weeks ago, and ever since then, we've been getting more business," he said. "Most of our advertising is just through word of mouth."

When asked why he opened the restaurant, Barnard said it was just something he wanted to do.

"I'm a fan of places with huge burritos," said Barnard. "I just wanted to eat big burritos."

David Hill, a sophomore public relations major from Houston, said he enjoys working at Cilantro.

"I have a lot of fun," Hill said. "We get a free meal when we work lunch."

Hill said the employees all share responsibilities.



JONATHAN MILLS (FOREGROUND) cleans up the kitchen area as manager Justin Bernard and Dave Hill eat burritos after closing time Thursday afternoon in Cilantro's Burrito Grill on Ave. J and Main Street.

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# 'Fights' a find for action fans

speed dial.

By James Eppler/Staff critic

The good thing about a DVD is you have the ability to pull out a favorite film and go straight to a scene that you love. A company called Flix Mix has taken this idea to a different level.

"Ultimate Fights" is a collection of 16 different fight scenes from various movies. They range from fistfights, swordfights, martial arts, boxing, gang fights and gunfights among others. Films

clips include ...so make sure you scenes from "First Blood," "Rumble have some extra tape for in the Bronx," "Black Mask," your glasses, fellas. Also "Blade," "Crouching Tiger, Hidden be sure to have 911 on Dragon," "Gladiator," "Snatch," "Scarface" and

It's interesting the way this DVD is set up. The clip is introduced by showing some shots from the film, and then we see the two fighters in still shots with dialogue explaining who they are. For example: "Blade: the Vampire Hunter vs. Frost: Leader of the Vampire Nation." We then go right into the fight. When one of the characters dies or taps out the fight is over

The DVD is also packed with extra features. There are fight cards for each fight showing who landed how many blows, how many blows delivered and their percentage. There are also fighter profiles detailing who the person is and their fighting techniques. Also available is an on-screen movie trivia that pops up during the fight. This is just an option and can be disabled, although I did learn some interesting little factoids about the production.

There are also different audio commentaries from Hollywood Fight Master James Lew and Legendary Hong Kong Producer/Director Tsui Hark.

For those super action-movie geeks, there is a 10-minute featurette on how to stage your own personal movie fight at home. Instruction is given by James Lew whose credits include the "Rush Hour" films. I realize that this featurette is just asking for trouble so make sure you

have some extra tape for your glasses, fellas. Also be sure to have 911 on speed dial. There are also

the original movie trailers for all of the films included on the disc and a

music video by "Puddle of Mud." The only real problem I have with

the DVD is there are certain fights I thought should have been included that weren't there. A scene from any of the "Rocky" films is nowhere to be found, and what about that great bar fight in the classic western "Shane?" Of course everyone has their own personal favorites, and it would have been impossible to please everyone, but the fights they have chosen are a good mix.

Overall, the pacing of the DVD works well, and the way Flix Mix has chosen to handle the fights is pretty creative. Now, the company may want to start thinking of other collections like "Ultimate Love Scenes" or "Ultimate Gross-Outs" or "Ultimate Bowel Movements" or even "Ultimate Horror Movie Bloody

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# ABC's financial woes leads to Jennings paycut

NEW YORK (AP) - ABC's need to reverse years of excessive spending by its news division may be prompting the network to ask Peter Jennings to take a substantial pay cut, an industry analyst said Friday.

ABC doesn't want to "dismantle the news division or change the personnel as much as have it operate as it is, but at a lower cost," said Andrew Tyndall, publisher of The Tyndall Report, a weekly newsletter that monitors television network news.

But another observer urges caution by the network and its corporate parent, the Walt Disney Co. "What ABC does is both substantive in terms of the finances, and symbolic in terms of the commitment that Disney has to ABC News," said Bob Steele, director of the ethics program at The Poynter Institute, a journalism research center.

Suffering from downturns in ratings and revenue, ABC has found its motives discussed in recent weeks as it allowed correspondent Connie Chung to go to CNN and made a failed attempt to lure David Letterman from CBS to displace its late-night news program "Nightline."

Now ABC is taking a tough stand with its star anchorman in contract negotiations, according to various published reports.

Jennings, who reportedly makes \$10 million a year, is being asked to accept a \$3 million trim as a condition for renewing his contract, which runs out this summer, Newsday reported.

Tyndall says ABC is mounting "an overall attempt to reverse the excesses of the Roone Arledge era." Arledge, president of ABC News through much of the 1990s, won big-name news talent from competing networks with lavish salaries.

ABC is struggling financially, as is its corporate parent, Disney, which this week reported earnings off 51 percent from the second quarter of 2001.

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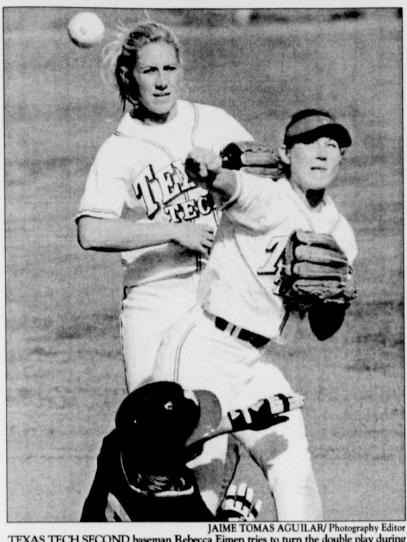
# Senior weekend spoiled as 'Huskers sweep Raiders

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TEXAS TECH SECOND baseman Rebecca Eimen tries to turn the double play during game one of Nebraska's sweep against Tech at Rocky Johnson Field on Saturday.

By David Wiechmann/Staff Writer

Senior Day did not end the way Rebecca Eimen, Carmen Grindell and Eva Harshman would have liked.

The Nebraska Cornhuskers came to Lubbock for a two-game weekend series. Nebraska ranks among the best teams in the nation at No. 4 in the National Fastpitch Coaches Association poll. The 'Huskers clinched third place in the Big 12 Conference earlier in the week as well.

The Raiders jumped on the Cornhuskers early Saturday by jumping out to a 3-0 lead in the first inning. Nebraska slowly came back to tie the game and force extra innings. Like their last home game that went to extra frames, the Raiders gave up an eight-inning home run, and Tech lost 5-3.

On Sunday, the Raiders were in the game until the end also. Tech was down 3-0 going into the seventh before Nebraska scored three runs on Tech errors.

The fight came from Tech in the bottom of the seventh.

Tech got a single from Brittney Stolle and Andrea Joachims. This brought Harshman to the plate for her final at bat at Rocky Johnson Field. Harshman lined a double to the fence scoring Tech's only two runs of the contest.

After the game, Harshman said she was excited to get the opportunity to have that last chance to score runs for

"I was thinking of what I would do if I got the chance while I was on deck," Harshman said. "(Joachims) has done it all year with two outs, and I thought I would get the chance. When she got that hit, I smiled all the way to the

Harshman was 0-2 before her hit in the seventh and said she could not control herself during the at bat.

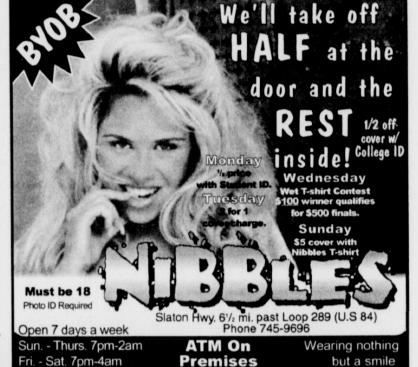
"My knees were shaking, but it felt so good to get that hit," Harshman said.

Eimen said how the team played this weekend and all year proves Tech has the ability to hang with top-notch teams and was not emotional after the game because she is aware the Big 12 Tournament is still to come.

"I don't know why I'm not crying because this was my last home game, but we played well, and I have this feeling we can win the Big 12," Eimen said. "We've shown all year we can play with these teams like Texas, Oklahoma and Nebraska.'

Harshman said the team demonstrated how big its heart is, and it is not going to give up no matter what.

"What we did (Sunday) shows the determination and fight this team has," Harshman said. "No matter how far down we were we fought so hard to prove that we're not going down without a



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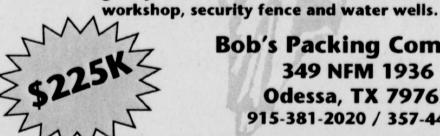
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# Alvarez streak comes to an end; Tech sweeps OU

By Matt Muench/Sports Editor

For the first time in 30 games, Texas Tech shortstop Gera Alvarez left the ballpark Sunday without a hit.

It was OK, he said, because for the first time this season, the Red Raider baseball team left the ballpark with a three-game sweep against a conference opponent.

The victim? Oklahoma.

Tech (34-16 overall, 13-11 Big 12) defeated the Sooners 10-5 Sunday after winning both games Saturday, 9-3 and 9-4, respectively at Dan Law Field.

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in the Big 12 Conference standings by moving from eighth place to third place by Sunday's end.

"This is the first time we have been in good position all year," Tech coach Larry Hays said. "Boy, it's tough on a team to have to fight back all year. This is two years in a row we had to do this. I am proud of this team, of where we are."

Alvarez' 30-game hitting streak came to an end Sunday after setting the school record a day earlier. He was one game short of tying the Big 12 record.

"It is tough to see it go to an end, but all that matters is we won today," said

Alvarez, who went 0-3 with 2 RBI on Sunday. "It was the first sweep against a Big 12 opponent and you can't ask for anything more than that."

Tech coach Larry Hays said Alvarez' feat was incredible.

Hays said. "That is just tremendous. Boy that is hard to do. I know how difficult it is. If I got a threegame hitting streak, I felt good. To (do it)

believable." Tech is on a ninewinning game streak, and Hays credits the turnaround to his pitch-

30 games, that's un-

ing staff. "It all starts on the mound," he said. "We have been nervous pitching the whole year, and we have kind of gotten

in a groove now." That groove was evident Friday when pitcher Steve Gooch held the Sooners

scoreless through the first eight innings. In game two, starter Nathan Fouts pitched five scoreless innings during the

seven frames he pitched. And on Sunday, starter Dusty Buck had just one wild inning as he pitched

into the sixth inning.

Closer Steve Rowe also added to the pitching dominance Sunday when he got himself out of an eight-inning jam.

With Tech leading 6-4, the Sooners had runners on second and third with "I'll talk about it now since it is over," one out.

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won today.

Rowe got Brandon Jones to strikeout and Greg Kish to groundout to end the Sooner threat.

"(Rowe) has done that all year for us," Hays said.

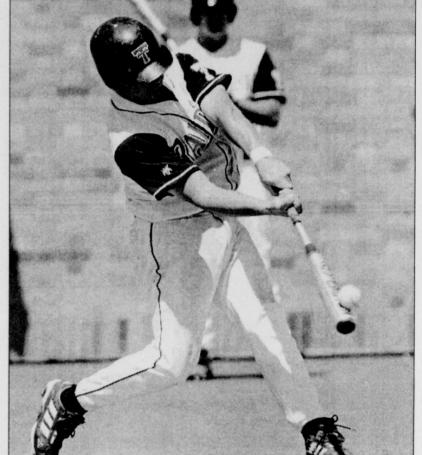
Alvarez said Tech has not been this confident.

"This puts us right in the battle," Alvarez said. "We were not playing well earlier, and now we are. We are playing defense and hitting the ball.'

Tech will take a week off for semester exams and return to action to play Texas-Pan American on May 10-12 at

Hays said the sweep is nice, but he wishes Tech did not have to take a week off.

"I was hoping to get two (wins) this weekend, he said. "But getting three is tremendous. It is almost a shame we have to take finals now."



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TEXAS TECH SHORTSTOP Gera Alvarez, who set the record for consecutive games to get a hit, hits a sacrifice fly Saturday at Dan Law Field. Alvarez's streak ended at 30 games on Sunday. Tech swept Oklahoma during the weekend.

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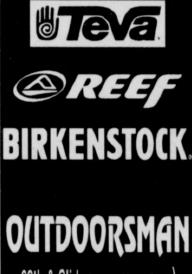
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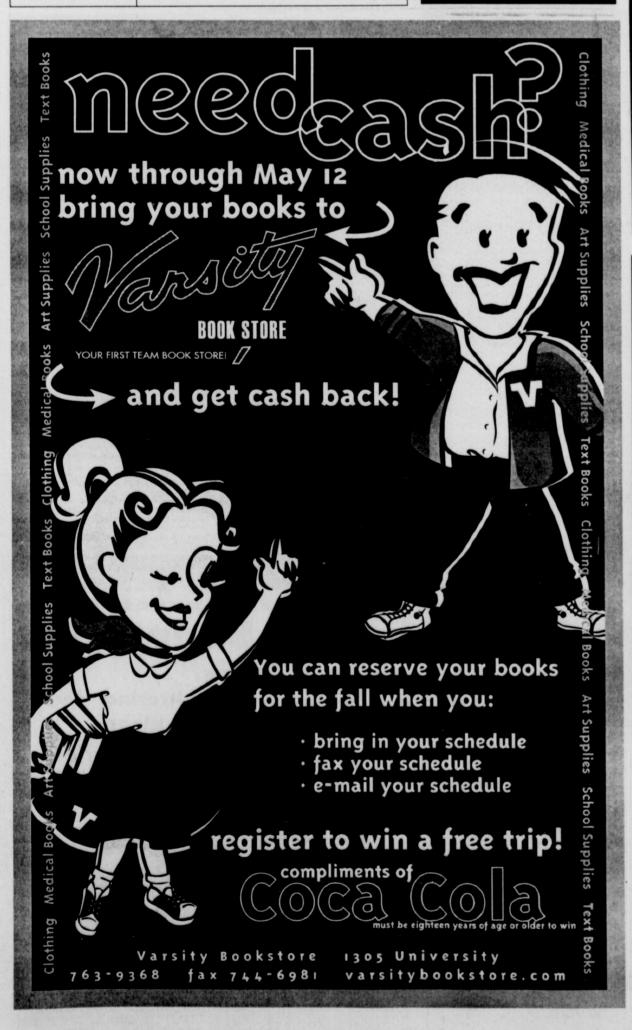
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# Mavericks sweep 'Wolves, advance to second round

Minneapolis, Minn. (AP) — Dirk Nowitzki didn't miss early on, and he simply lent his hot hand to Michael Finley in the second half.

Nowitzki scored 28 of his 39 points before halftime and Finley had 13 of his 30 in the third quarter, helping the Dallas Mavericks hold off the Minnesota Timberwolves and finish a threegame sweep with a 115-102 victory Sunday.

Steve Nash had 25 points and 11 assists for the Mavericks, who were 13-for-24 from 3-point range and advanced to the second round for the second consecutive year to meet the winner of the Utah-Sacramento series.

Kevin Garnett had 22 points and 17 rebounds, and Wally Szczerbiak and Anthony Peeler each scored 20 points for the Timberwolves, who made their sixth straight first-round exit from the playoffs.

Up by 18 starting the fourth period, Dallas suddenly went cold as Minnesota began the quarter with a 22-7 run and pulled within three points 104-101 on a free throw by Garnett with under three minutes to go.

But Eduardo Najera's rebound and putback after a timeout put the Mavericks back up by five, and Szczerbiak's 3-pointer rimmed out with two minutes to go.

Nash sank a 3 on the other end to make it 109-101, and Peeler's pass went right to Finley in the lane on the next possession.

Nowitzki, who scored 99 points in the series, had 17 rebounds and shot 11-for-17 from the field and 14-for-16 from the line.

Chauncey Billups, who scored 16 points, made an open 3-pointer with 3:48 left in the third to bring Minnesota to 85-77, but then Finley - despite tight defense by Szczerbiak picked it up.

Finley scored eight points during a 12-0 run by Dallas, giving the Mavericks their biggest lead at 97-77 just before the end of the quarter.

Minnesota didn't get beat on the fast break like it did in Game 2, instead hurting itself with ill-timed turnovers and misses on open looks, short shots in the lane and free throws. The Timberwolves made only eight of 15 foul shots in the first period.

With fans yelling, "They're in our house now!" the Target Center crowd of 18,795 was pumped up. Realistic-looking fireballs erupted above the scoreboard, followed by mock explosions, when each Minnesota starter was announced.

But Nowitzki didn't let Wolves fans get a word in after the tip, scoring the first four points of the game and putting Dallas up 19-7 with a 3-pointer from the wing.

Nowitzki kept up his astonishing half, giving the Mavericks their biggest lead at 49-30 after a pair of free throws with just under 10 minutes to go in the second. Nowitzki was 8-for-11 from the field and 10-for-12 from the line, and his first miss came on a free throw with four minutes left in the half.

Strangely, the Timberwolves climbed back when Garnett was benched after picking up his third foul with 6:09 left in the half. Minnesota went on a 15-5 run to cut the lead to six before Dallas