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## Enrollment boost causes conflict, concern

**WHO'S RIGHT?:** Administrators say it is not a problem; faculty disagrees

By Heidi Toth/News Editor

This semester's record enrollment will not stop most Texas Tech students from getting into classes they need to graduate, according to administrators.

But not all faculty members agree. At a faculty address on Aug. 26, Provost William Marcy told the assembled faculty there would be a problem getting students into classes because Tech does not have enough classes to accommodate the record enrollment of almost 30,000 students for the fall semester.

However, Vice Provost Liz Hall, who told Marcy of the problem Tuesday morning, said after Marcy made the announcement, the provost's office immediately came up with some solutions to the problem, including adding sec-

tions and making existing sections larger.

"We've been working on it all summer," she said. Lewis Held, an associate professor of biological sciences, said Marcy told the faculty he was caught off guard by Hall's statement that day.

Marcy was not available for comment. Interim President Donald Haragan, who was at the address, said Friday that Marcy reported to him that everyone is registered for classes they need, and as far as he knows the situation is not a problem.

Held said his major concern is there will be too many students in classes, causing the student-teacher ratio to skyrocket, which could hurt Tech's ranking and its accreditation, something the Faculty Senate has discussed. He did, however, commend Marcy for making the issue public, saying it is a positive first step.

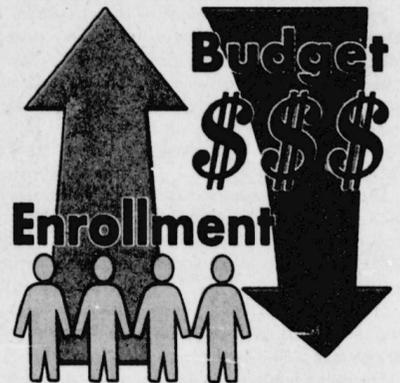
Marc Giaccardo, associate professor of architecture, expressed similar concerns. He said he taught a class in 1992 that had about 90 students. The same class two years

ago had almost 200, forcing him to change the way he teaches. Instead of hands-on learning, the students now listen to him lecture.

Hall said many professors this year will have an additional two students in each section, which should not put much extra strain on the teachers. Students also may have to take a class at the time they did not want, but they will be able to take it.

Nor will the changes stop when class starts. Hall said the administration gets feedback daily from students who are unhappy with class availability, and it continually works to solve those problems.

The political science department is experiencing some of the difficulties of too many students, as all Tech students need a political science class to graduate. However, assistant professor Martin Edwards said although students have been calling him to get an override into his 1301



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## West Nile virus infects 45 in area

By Beth Aaron/Staff Reporter

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** (The Texas Tech student in this story wished to remain anonymous; his name has been changed to "Bob".)

Bob is a Texas Tech student in his 20s studying mass communications. Like many Tech students, he enjoys going out with his friends at night. One of those nights, however, changed his life.

He noticed symptoms of West Nile Virus two months ago, he said. He said he believes a mosquito carrying the virus bit him during an evening out with friends.

"It was just a normal night of going out," Bob said. "The next weekend I had inflamed lymph glands. I went to the health center at Tech, but the doctors weren't sure it was West Nile."

West Nile is a viral infection that is transmitted into the bloodstream by infected mosquitoes. The virus is dangerous because it can potentially wreak havoc on the central nervous system.

Bob was tested for surveillance purposes only because West Nile's symptoms are similar to those of other ailments, such as the flu and meningitis. The doctors did a blood test, which showed the chemicals in his liver were not at normal levels. He waited two weeks to see if they improved. Things did improve, but Bob said he still felt weak.

"My body was fighting the virus, and it was draining everything out of me," he said.

Bob was one of 45 cases of West Nile that have been documented in Lubbock as of Friday, said Tiji Ward of the Lubbock Health Department. West Nile has a 15 percent mortality rate.

The disease has been a factor in two Lubbock deaths, one of an elderly man and the other a 42-year-old man who reportedly suffered from other illnesses as well.

Dr. Kelly Bennett, chief of staff at Thompson Hall, said those most susceptible to the virus are the very young, the very old, and those with weak immune systems, habits associated with the college lifestyle contribute to

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## Red Raider DEBUT



JENNA HANSEN/Photography Editor  
TEXAS TECH PRESIDENT Jon Whitmore and his wife Jennifer, sit in the student section during Tech's 58-10 win against Southern Methodist University on Saturday at Jones SBC Stadium. Whitmore was hired for his new position Friday. His last post was at the University of Iowa.

### New President Jon Whitmore says Texas Tech Lubbock right fit for him

By Adam Boedeker/Staff Reporter

It only seems natural that Jon Whitmore has ended up where he is today. Growing up in North Dakota, he was constantly around farming and ranching. Now he is in Lubbock, a city deeply rooted in agriculture. The only difference between now and then is that then he was baling hay, and now he is the president of a university.

Whitmore was officially announced as Texas Tech's new president Friday afternoon, signing his contract as soon as he set foot on campus. Friday officially marked 21 days after he was announced as the sole finalist.

Whitmore had offers as a presidential candidate from several universities and said Tech will be a good fit for him.

"I think the right fit is Tech because I've been in Texas before (at the

University of Texas) and I grew up in a farming and ranching country in North Dakota," Whitmore said. "Coming to a place with a strong agricultural environment is a comfortable fit."

Whitmore has a long history in academics. He has worked in various positions at universities nationwide, including the University of Iowa, the University of Texas, the State University of New York at Buffalo and West Virginia University. Now he is ready for the challenge of being president at a major university.

"The big thing is, it's quite a different job," he said. "I've been a department head, I've been a dean at two institutions, I've been a provost; the only other major administrative position I haven't had is president. It's sort of a

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### West Nile Virus

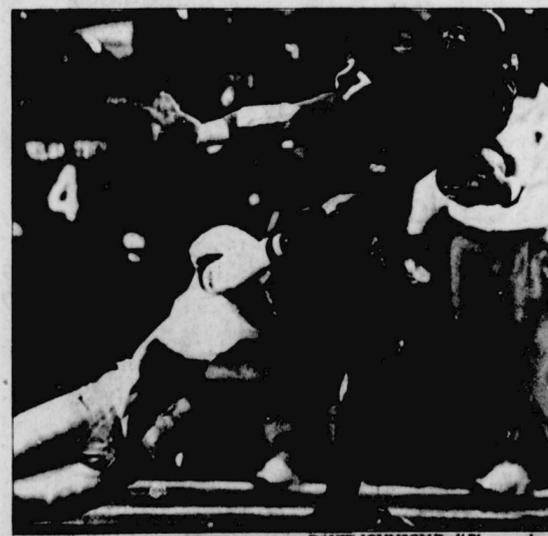
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## Symons steps into spotlight; Red Raiders power past Mustangs



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SENIOR WES WELKER gets dragged down during Tech's 58-10 win.

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By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

B.J. Symons proved people can forget about Kliff Kingsbury as the new starting quarterback for the Red Raiders led Texas Tech to a 58-10 win over Southern Methodist University Saturday at the new-look Jones SBC Stadium.

The first-year starter commanded a Tech offense which amounted for 437 yards and may have silenced any critics he and the Raiders have, but he said he is not worried about outsiders.

"I didn't know I had any critics," he said. "I just want to go out there and play my game. You can write what you want to write about me. You can say what you want to say about me. The guys on my team know what my abilities are and so do I."

His abilities led to 297 yards through the air on 23-of-38 passing. He had three touchdowns in his debut on top of the depth chart, and his fire was seen every chance he had to show it.

"I'm a real emotional guy," he said. "I think I show my emotions more than Kliff (Kingsbury) did, but that's just part of my competitive nature."

Symons' teammates said any questions about the quarterback's ability to lead the team were answered in the huddle. Sophomore running back Taurean Henderson said Symons took the starting job over well.

"B.J. was very confident," he said. "He's a great player, and I'm just glad to be out on the field with him."

Henderson started the 2003 campaign from where he left off last season. He finished with 793 yards rushing and 633 receiving last year and tallied 13 touchdowns.

Against SMU Henderson racked up 92 total yards on nine touches and three touchdowns, all three coming in the second quarter. He said he was simply doing his job and getting things done on the field.

"Every time I get the ball, I'm looking to do something," he said. "Make something happen, be a playmaker."

One Red Raider fans are used to seeing make plays is senior Wes Welker who put his name on the top of the NCAA record books Saturday night.

Amid the chants of "Wes! Wes!" from the student section of Jones SBC Stadium, Welker ran a punt return back 50 yards for a touchdown, an NCAA record-tying seventh time. He said it is nice to be in the record books, but he was just glad to help contribute to the win.

"I think it's definitely something I'll look back on my career when my career is over," he said. "But right now we're still playing games."

Welker was not the only returner on special teams to make an impact in the game; in fact Welker's touchdown came with just minutes to go when the game was weighed well in Tech's favor. Johnnie Mack made a statement earlier in the game as the Raiders' kickoff return man. Mack broke his first kickoff return for 40 yards, and had his eyes on the end zone before being brought

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## The Rundown



### Three found dead in Texarkana restaurant

TEXARKANA (AP) — Three employees were found shot to death inside an Outback Steakhouse early Monday, police said.

All three were from the Texarkana area, Police chief Danny Alexander said. They were identified as manager Matt Hines, 31, Chrissy Willis, 23, and Rebecca Shifflet, 24.

Sgt. Danny Presley of the Texarkana Police Department said authorities were called to the restaurant at Central Mall on Interstate 30 at about 3 a.m. after the wife of the man who was killed said he hadn't come home and she wasn't able to contact him at the restaurant.

She went to the restaurant and saw his car and those of two other employees, but could not get inside the business because the doors were locked from the inside.

She dialed 911, and police who arrived later entered the restaurant using a key from another employee.

The bodies were found in the office area. Police had few other details.

"At this point we're unsure that the motive was," Presley said.

### Dual-acting anthrax vaccine being tested

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) — A new vaccine that launches a two-pronged attack on anthrax — battling both the bacteria itself and the toxin it produces — is undergoing preliminary tests.

The dual-acting vaccine goes a step beyond the current product that only targets the deadly toxin, according to researchers at Harvard Medical School, who tested it on mice.

Their findings are being published this week in the online edition of Proceedings of the National Academy of Science.

Interest in anthrax was spurred two years ago when spores of the disease were mailed to news media and legislators. Five people died and the Postal Service had to shut down major facilities for decontamination. The agency continues to irradiate mail designated for federal offices to prevent another such attack.

In another sign of progress, researchers say they now know how to diagnose anthrax quickly and efficiently, an advance that could help doctors better deal with a large-scale

### Saddam tape denies role in Najaf bombing

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — As a huge funeral procession for a beloved Shiite cleric marched to the holy city of Najaf, Arab TV broadcast an audiotape Monday purporting from Saddam Hussein denying any involvement in the bombing that killed the moderate ayatollah.

The U.S.-picked Iraqi Governing Council, meanwhile, named a new Cabinet in a step toward reclaiming some powers from the American occupiers. The new government mirrors the ethnic and religious makeup of the 25-member council.

The voice on the tape appeared to be that of Saddam and employed his well-known rhetorical flourishes in urging Iraqis not to believe those who blamed him and his followers for Friday's attack on the sacred Imam Ali shrine in Najaf that killed Ayatollah Mohammad Baqir al-Hakim and 124 other people.

"Many of you may have heard the snakes hissing, the servants of the invaders, occupiers, infidels, and how they have managed to accuse the followers of Saddam Hussein of responsibility for the attack on al-Hakim without any evidence," said the tape, broadcast by the Qatar-based Al-Jazeera satellite television station and the Lebanese Broadcasting Corp.

"They rushed to accuse before investigating," the voice said.

While denying a role in the Najaf bombing, the voice made no mention of the Jordanian Embassy bombing on Aug. 7 or the U.N. headquarters attack 12 days later, which investigators suspect may have also been committed by Saddam followers.

It was impossible to immediately authenticate the tape. The CIA said Monday it was reviewing the recording.

## TORTILLA SURFING



JENNA HANSEN/Photo Editor

A TEXAS TECH fan dressed in a large foam tortilla makes his way up the crowd in the student section of Jones SBC Stadium during Saturday's game against Southern Methodist University

### Iraq's Governing Council names 25-member cabinet

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The U.S.-picked Iraqi Governing Council named a 25-member Cabinet on Monday, a much-delayed move that could accelerate the return of some powers from the American occupation administration to Iraqi authorities.

The ethnic and religious breakdown of the 25 members showed the body was made up of 13 Shiites, five Sunni Arabs, five Kurds (also Sunnis), one ethnic Turk and an Assyrian Christian.

Those numbers exactly match the ethnic and religious breakdown of the 25-member Governing Council.

The new Foreign Minister will be Hoshiyar al-Zibari, who was spokesman for the Kurdish Democratic Party. The key Oil Ministry will be headed by Ibrahim Mohammed Bahr al-Uloum, the son of Governing Council member Mohammed Bahr al-Uloum, who on Saturday suspended his membership in the interim body because of the lack of security in Iraq and what he saw as the

American's inability to protect prominent figures.

The elder Bahr al-Uloum cited the car bombing Friday in Najaf, the holiest Shiite city in Iraq, in which 125 people were killed, including revered cleric, Ayatollah Mohammad Baqir al-Hakim.

Nisreen Mustafa Siddiq Barwari, the only woman in the Cabinet, is a Kurd and was named Minister of General Works. The exact responsibilities of the various ministries have not yet been announced.

The infamous Information Ministry was abolished in the new government list.

The Governing Council, formed on July 13, had been promising for weeks that it would name a government. It was unclear what delayed the naming of the Cabinet, but several members of the council had spent much time on international trips seeking recognition for the body as the legitimate representative of the Iraqi people.

U.S. officials have voiced frustra-

tion at the slowness with which the council has gotten down to work, especially as regards taking a greater role in Iraqi security.

The council said it had been prepared to announce the government list late last week but delayed because of the Najaf bombing.

Since being formed in July, the naming of the government was the third major achievement of the council.

After considerable delay, the council settled on a nine-member presidency with officials serving on a rotating, monthly basis. The council also has set up a commission to study how the country will proceed toward selecting members of a constitutional assembly to write a new legal framework for Iraq.

L. Paul Bremer, the U.S. civilian administrator for Iraq, has said the process of drafting a constitution, holding a referendum on it and conducting a national election for a new, independent government could be finished by the end of 2004.

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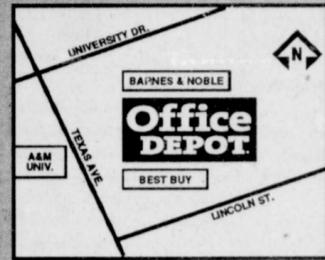
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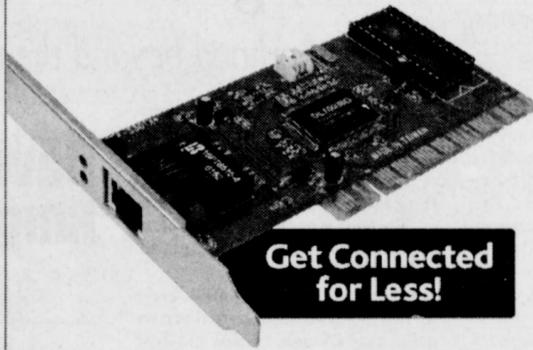
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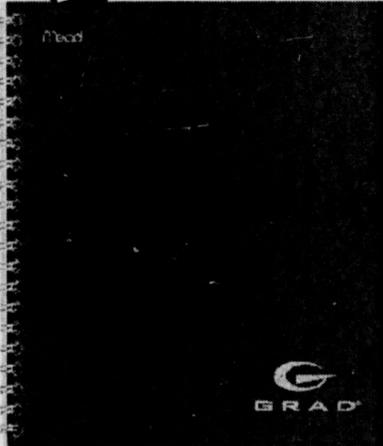
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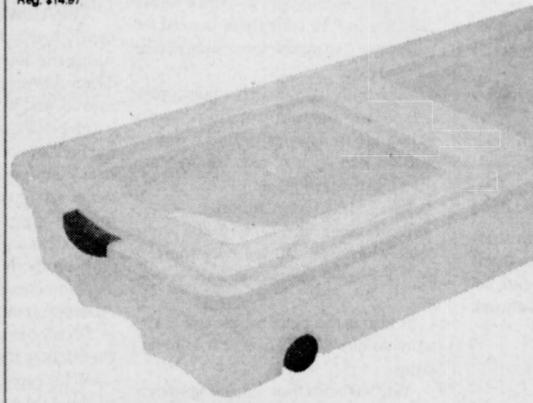
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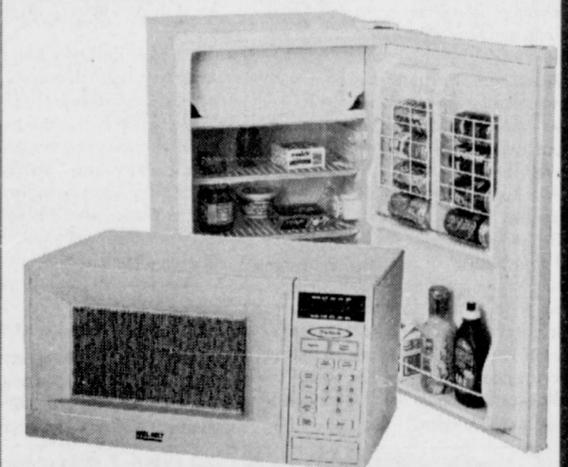
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But, the power it contains when people gather there to voice their views is beyond measure.

If you're reading this column, you've found the location.

Even though Texas Tech is in the process of changing their restrictive free speech zones, nothing compares to Page 4 of *The University Daily*.

In the past, use of university property for free speech activities was limited to the grating-sized gazebo between the Student Union and the library.

Tech has now designed five new areas where speaking your mind is deemed appropriate.

But, *The UD*, as a student-run publication, is beyond regulation of Tech faculty or administration.

There is no grounds-use request to be handed-in and approved.

Students own this space every day of the week.

There are student-writers known as "rent" a portion of this page each week, or every other week. They volunteer their time for a much higher purpose than getting their picture in the paper: They all are exercising their fundamental freedom awarded to each of us in the First Amendment.

Their opinions are not the opinions of *The UD*; they reflect the author. Student-editors do not censor their views for content, and they are not subject to prior-review.

As someone who transferred from a private university where the newspaper was under close supervision and scrutiny by administrative officials, I cherish *The UD's* lack of censorship.

As the editor of this page, I work for you, the reader.

But, more than anything I work for the goal of sustaining our basic civil rights because they are paid-for-in-blood privileges we cannot allow to be taken for granted.

In the 1964 court case *New York Times v. Sullivan*, Justice William Brennan wrote the First Amendment provides that "debate on public issues ... (should be) ... uninhibited, robust, and wide-open."

**Kristen Gilbreth**



I guarantee you that much.

The faces featured on this page are diverse in every sense of the word. Different races, ethnic backgrounds, ages, religious persuasions, genders, sexual orientations and political philosophies all will be showcased in order to mirror the student body.

I agree with John F. Kennedy when he said, "The wave of the future is not the conquest of the world by a single dogmatic creed, but the liberation of diverse energies of free nations and free men."

But liberating these energies is the polar opposite of political correctness, so be prepared.

You will not always agree with the views expressed here. And is that not the point? To the point? Our minds would be to divorce the democracy we should commit to until death do us part.

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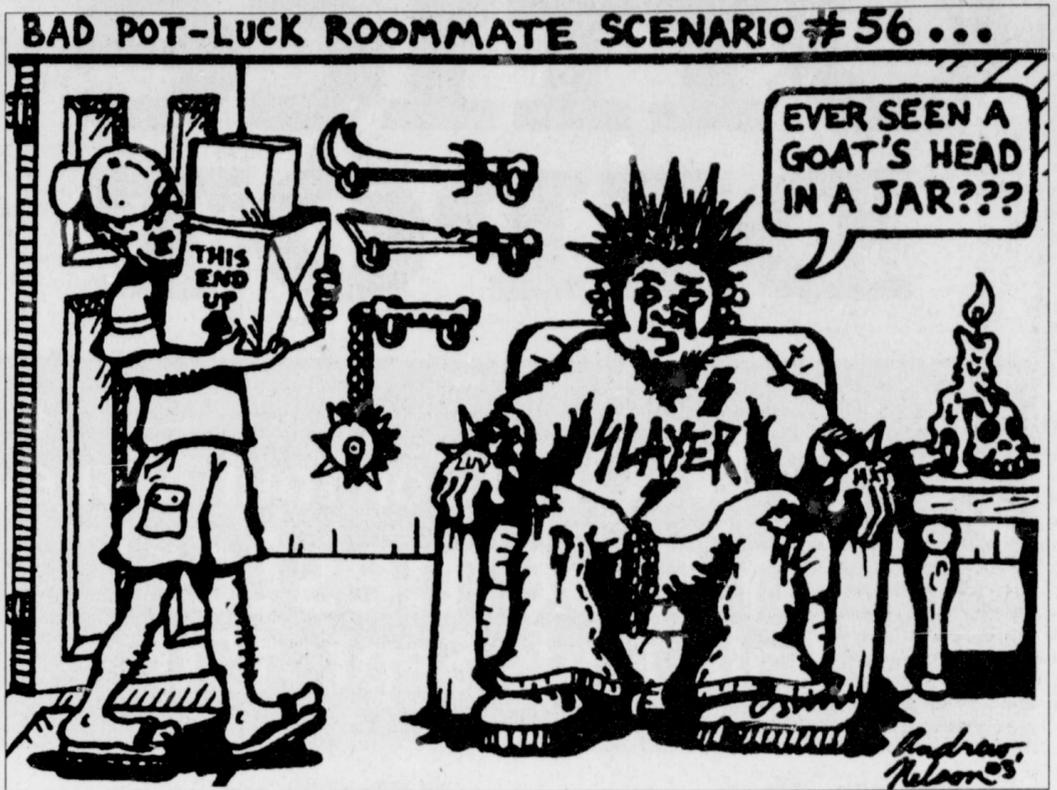
The purpose of higher education is intellectual exchange. The purpose of journalism is the pursuit of truth. You'll find both when your fingers turn to this page. Sometimes we'll make you laugh, and sometimes we'll make you cry. Other times, you'll throw the paper down in anger.

But, no matter what emotion evolves, we will always make you think.

As Philosopher John Stuart Mill once said, "Truth emerges from the clash of adverse ideas."

Put your seat belts on. Let's get ready to clash.

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## God, government bad bedfellows

Brotherhood beyond the walls church and state create

Warning: religion and politics, two topics they say not to discuss around the dinner table, will go to war within the ink of this page.

The issue is as old as civilization itself, yet many cower over the controversy that mixing them creates.

We, being social animals, have formed these two institutions that have defined our cultures, borders and lives.

Religions and governments are creations of man meant to serve purposes beyond our understanding. They order and ordain us to squeeze into neat little packages, so we don't get confused about who is on our "side".

This summer has brought a landslide of controversies involving religion and politics.

Bush once again, more dogmatically than ever, decreed that the "oh-so-sacred" institute of marriage should not be extended to same-sex couples.

(But, according to "W", since we are "all sinners," he feels there is need for "tolerance," so maybe something can be worked out.)

Obviously, this is a huge problem facing our nation; Bush wants White House lawyers to find a way to sneak a ban against such unions into the Constitution.

Yes, THAT Constitution.

Remember, the U.S. is the same place where you can see two strangers on TV getting married by call-in voters.

It also is the place where divorce is more common than five-year anniversaries.

Yet, we must not let gay partners wanting to become legally monogamous steal marriage's "oh-so-sacred" status.

Move south from Washington and you'll find another clash going on in the great state that brought us George Wallace and "Free Bird".

**Dave Ring**



Hopefully, we as a nation can pull ourselves together to start setting the example of a cooperative civilization, instead of a bickering melting pot of spoiled gas-guzzlers.

The Alabama state judicial building recently had a three-ton granite brick featuring the Ten Commandments installed. Three lawyers filed a suit to have it removed, and won.

Hopefully, most of you know the details, but here is another detail you may not have heard: The preaching "protesters" vying for neo-martyrdom (read: getting arrested/being on TV/getting mustard-gassed) are carrying signs and wearing T-shirts oozing with brotherly love bearing slogans such as, "Homosexuality is a sin, Islam is a lie, Abortion is murder".

It's nice to see people connecting with their fellow hypocrites, isn't it?

"Who cares about the commandment to 'love thy neighbor'?"

Judge thy neighbor has a better ring.

I don't doubt that an individual's personal moral structure affects and guides their decisions.

I have no problem with religion being a part of one's life, as long as they have

real justification.

And in the realm of politics it is no different. There are fundamental issues that get dealt with by one's own beliefs, but when this flies in the face of the good of the country, it cannot be seen as a beneficial thing.

Any basic belief, whether political or religious, that teaches intolerance, as moral makeup is simply a bad thing.

So when these two crazy kids get together to spark some polarizing issue, we get dangerously close to losing this freedom so many of us take for granted.

We know exactly what kind of societies spawn from too much intermingling of gods and governments.

Hopefully we as a nation can pull ourselves together to start setting the example of a cooperative civilization, instead of a bickering melting pot of spoiled gas-guzzlers.

Who knows if the separation of church and state will ever settle into a well defined, and more importantly practiced part of our society.

But we still lead the western world in freedom to exercise the natural autonomy ingrained in our humanity.

As nerve-racking as it is having such an in-your-face religious man in the most powerful position in the world, it is nice to see our system trying to work.

Bush is free to hold what beliefs he wishes, as are we. It is his choice to use these beliefs in pretending to run Karl Rove's country.

But it also is our right to shout and complain our support or dissent.

In the end, it is all about how we will look to our children. Will we be seen as radically intolerant and close-minded? Or will we be that great awakening of culture and brotherhood humanity could use right now?

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### EDITORIAL

## Get out of denial about West Nile

Prevent infection: Wear protection

When it comes to the West Nile virus the Editorial Board of *The University Daily* takes a practical position: It's better to be safe than sorry.

While there are numerous newsworthy issues affecting the Texas Tech community, we believe those concerning your health are of top priority.

According to the Lubbock Health Department 23 human cases of the virus have been reported in the area, with at least one ending in death in mid-August.

Statistics recorded on the Texas Department of Health Web site show this number puts Lubbock in the top three Texas counties with confirmed cases of the mosquito-delivered disease.

Our intent in reporting these facts is not to create panic, but rather to make readers aware of the recent wave of West Nile in West Texas.

West Nile, which first came to North America in 1999, is a disease of birds, but

is transferred to humans by mosquitoes that come in contact with an infected bird.

Symptoms range from mild to severe. They can include, but are not limited to, high fever, muscle aches, vomiting, mental disorientation, eye pain and swollen glands.

Anyone experiencing any of these symptoms should contact Student Health Services at (806) 743-2848 immediately.

However, since there is no cure, your best protection is proactive prevention against mosquito bites.

Since no age group is exempt from the virus, having an it-won't-happen-to-me attitude is to be in denial about a real danger.

As we reported in our coverage of the illness, one Tech student was infected during an evening out with friends. Another

member of our campus community was simply gardening in her backyard when she fell victim to the virus.

Mosquitoes feed at dawn and dusk, so as football season kicks off and classes begin, we need to arm ourselves when outside during these times.

Keep this in mind: If we take time to drench ourselves in perfumes, attempting to turn-on the opposite sex, we can make time to apply repellent guaranteed to turn-away disease-ridden mosquitoes.

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DEET does for West Nile what condoms do for STDs: You are at risk if you're not wearing it.



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# West Nile

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students' bodies not being able to fight off the virus immediately, she said.

Many factors can lower someone's resistance to germs. Smoking, drugs, working too much, eating poorly, not sleeping enough or taking too many classes can weaken resistance to disease.

"Someone who drinks one or two drinks when they go out won't have that affect their immunity," Bennett said. "Someone who drinks more than three drinks daily or binges (more than four drinks in a sitting) routinely will have their immune system compromised."

Bob said he has changed his eating habits because of the illness and abstains from drinking heavily to improve his general health.

"I wanted to help my body fight this disease," he said. "It changed the way I look at my body."

Bennett said the virus is not a cause for much concern, but students need to know the potential harm it could cause.

"Students should be aware enough that they change out water and wear repellent when they're out jogging and walking in the early morning and early evening," she said.

Lubbock resident Trudy Borrelli was hospitalized for West Nile. She said she believes she contracted the virus while gardening in her backyard.

Borrelli said her symptoms started about three weeks ago.

"From the waist up to my neck it felt like a terrible sunburn," Borrelli said. "My skin was sensitive. The doctor thought it was a pinched nerve."

A few days later, her head and neck began to hurt, then she became

nauseous.

"From there it was all downhill," Borrelli said. "I was very weak, I could hardly walk, and I was not able to keep anything down. ... I was admitted to the hospital with a temperature of 103 degrees."

Ron Warner, doctor of veterinary medicine and epidemiologist at the Health Sciences Center, said at its worst, the virus can result in pathology similar to polio, causing immobility of the limbs.

"I had excruciating pain in the right side of my neck," Borrelli said. "It still hurts all through my shoulders down to my elbow."

Despite her unpleasant experience with the virus, she will not let it stop her from tending to her fishpond and garden.

"I'm just gonna be real cautious when I go outside," Borrelli said. "Put on DEET, wear long sleeves and slacks

from now on to reduce the risk of getting bitten. You can't worry about stuff like that. I'll take precautions and move on; try and prevent this."

Students can take many actions to protect themselves from the virus. These include using insect repellent often and on all uncovered skin, keeping yards mowed short and emptying pets' water bowls daily. Anyone exhibiting symptoms of West Nile should get to the nearest medical facility immediately.

"This thing is 100 percent preventable if people will just use DEET," Warner said. "It's like not picking up your car keys when you've had too much to drink. Just use common sense."

Since there is no vaccination for the disease, the only treatment available for those who contract the disease is supportive. Borrelli anticipates a full recovery to take up to eight

weeks.

Andrew Sanders, an animal science major from Houston, said he is not concerned about West Nile, and does not plan to protect himself from getting bitten.

"I've lived in Houston, and I wasn't really concerned about it," Sanders said. "I think now that I'm in Lubbock, I'll just wing it."

Jenny Jackson, a freshman elementary education major from Austin, said she worked outside all summer and was exposed to mosquitoes.

"I worked outside with kids at the YMCA in Austin all summer, and they got bit by mosquitoes all the time," Jackson said. "I got bitten a few times too."

She said she plans to continue working for the YMCA in Lubbock and will take precautions against mosquito bites.

"I'll wear repellent and make sure

the kids wear it too," Jackson said.

West Nile Virus has spread rapidly west across the United States since it was introduced to the western hemisphere in 1999.

It was brought over by birds, and mosquitoes get the virus when they bite an infected bird. Within four years, the disease was detectable throughout the entire continent.

The city of Lubbock is trying to prevent the spread of West Nile by spraying for mosquitoes, covering the city every seven to eight days and adding chemicals to kill any larva found in bodies of water around the city, said Joe Vargas, vector control supervisor for the city.

"We are really eliminating a lot of mosquitoes, but more are hatching every day," Vargas said. "The most we can do is educate the public so that they empty out artificial containers to eliminate any standing water in places we can't reach."

# Whitmore

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natural progression and the next big challenge for me. I hope to be here for several years and make a difference at Tech."

Moving from school to school because of promotions is nice, but it can take a toll on a family, Whitmore said. He and his wife Jennifer and their two children, Ian, 16, and Amy, 15, look forward to the change and are ready to become Red Raiders.

"There's mixed feelings for all of us leaving a place that we had a good life in and had good friends and so on," Whitmore said. "We see it as a growing opportunity for the whole family, and are ready for a new culture. My children have vague but fond memories of Texas from when we lived in Austin."

Whitmore said he has many lofty goals for Tech to achieve in his tenure.

"I said when I interviewed that there are three major points that are important to me, no matter what institution I'm at," he said. "One is to continuously improve the undergraduate education, both in the classroom and in the living, social aspect of an under-

graduate education.

"Secondly, this is a research university; it has numerous graduate programs as well as a professional law school. One great way to build a national reputation is to have great graduate programs that are highly respected and recognized."

"The third point is to broaden and deepen research activity on campus. One of the things I like about Tech is that it's not only a research university for the graduate students, but also for the undergraduate students. It's a goal to have undergraduates understand what research is and to some point actually be involved in it."

Whitmore comes from a background in fine arts, with an emphasis in theater arts. He has directed more than 60 theatrical performances and plans to use his extensive background to his advantage.

"In college at Washington State, I got into directing plays and I was in a number of plays," Whitmore said. "I took to directing more quickly than acting. Directing is like being an administrator in many ways; you have to bring people together to help produce a beautiful work. You're only successful if you get the best out of other people and let them contribute their own talents to the effort, instead of just telling

people what to do. That's why I like directing so much."

Though he will be busy in his new presidential position, he still plans on branching out to other areas of the university.

"I taught a freshman seminar class at Iowa and really enjoyed it," Whitmore said. "I'd like to go into some classes as an invited lecturer or maybe team-teach another freshman seminar class."

Whitmore said he has many reasons to be excited about his move to Lubbock. One of these is learning Tech's traditions, a few of which stand out in his mind.

"I can't wait to see that horse running out on the field in the open, it's going to really be a sight," Whitmore said. "The first time I saw it was on television, then I saw it live at the Alamo Bowl when Tech played Iowa and it was really stunning - it was very exciting."

Whitmore is already aware of the coordinates of Soapsuds' rear end, facing College Station.

"I've also seen a lot of pictures of the wrapping of Soapsuds and Will Rogers," Whitmore said. "I need to learn a little more about that, but I think it's a really neat tradition. I also can't wait until Christmas for the lighting of campus (Carol of Lights). I've seen pic-

tures and it's absolutely gorgeous."

Whitmore said he is excited about Tech's football season. Although he admits he still needs to do some research and learn the players' names, he already has his favorite.

"I was at a reception saying 'goodbye' to me in Iowa," Whitmore said. "This guy walked up to me and said 'there's a guy there (at Tech) that you're going to really enjoy watching; he catches passes, runs the ball and is an amazing punt returner - he's spectacular.'"

Congratulations, Wes Welker. Meet your newest fan, Tech president Jon Whitmore.

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# Church leaders throw support behind Dallas police chief

DALLAS (AP) — Several predominantly black churches in the Dallas area threw their support behind fired police chief Terrell Bolton over the weekend, and vowed to support the city's first black police chief.

The Rev. Sheron Patterson led a congregation of about 200 in prayer for Bolton at St. Paul United Methodist Church.

"We have plans to keep pushing for justice," Patterson said. "We spoke up and said, 'We're not having this mess.'"

City Manager Ted Benavides abruptly fired Bolton last week, saying he was dissatisfied with his performance.

Under Bolton's watch, the police department faced a fake drug scandal, lawsuits by demoted commanders and conflict over hiring practices.

The decision touched off a wave of criticism and protests within the city's black community, many of whom blame Mayor Laura Miller for instigating Bolton's dismissal.

Mt. Tabor Baptist Church featured

one of the more fiery sermons Sunday.

"Dallas is a racist city and what are we going to do about it?" said Rev. Stephen Nash, as about 150 congregants passionately clapped and shouted. "What Terrell Bolton is facing is not a solo thing. We want to send a signal to this city that we're not going to take it anymore."

Nash urged the congregation to attend a downtown rally and march scheduled for Wednesday, the Dallas Morning News reported in its Monday editions.

Bolton himself took to the pulpit at the Red Bird-area church where he is a deacon to deliver his own pointed message.

"I didn't bow down. I refuse to bow down," he said, as supportive shouts of "amen" and handclaps rang out among the 1,500 people at Antioch Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church.

Bolton said Benavides was "tricked by Satan" and called Miller a "wizard pulling strings."

Both Bolton and Senior Pastor Karry D. Wesley made references to the crucifixion of Jesus Christ as well as the recent 40th anniversary of the civil rights march on Washington in describing his situation.

Bolton, 44, said his firing made him reflect on his childhood in rural Mississippi where "racism dripped like honey from a tree."

The Rev. L. Charles Stovall, pastor of the Camp Wisdom United Methodist Church, said that Bolton's firing would not solve the

department's or the city's problems.

"Even though Chief Bolton is no longer the chief, the problems we have are still here and we have to work on these problems," said Stovall, head of Unified Organizations for Justice, one of several community groups that have denounced Bolton's dismissal.

"Conflict is not always bad," Stovall added. "This is a necessary conflict because this conflict has to do with a community that has been offended, misunderstood 1/8 and 3/8 taken for granted."

## Football

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down after an 80-yard return the next time around.

His performance garnered praise from special teams coach Ruffin McNeal.

"I knew when they saw him coming on the field there were laughs when they saw a little guy coming in with dreds," he said.

But everybody was smiling because we knew what he was capable of doing. He's got a lot of heart. He's got a lot of talent. ...I'm very proud of Johnnie Mack, and we feel good about what he can bring to the team."

Tech's new defensive coordinator, Lyle Setencich, said he was pleased with how his defense shut down the Mustangs offense.

But he knows he will have a lot to correct once he watches game

film.

"There were nine times we misaligned, and only one time did the SMU offense take advantage of it," he said. "If it had been our offense out there, they would have got us eight more times."

Setencich said starting five freshmen against SMU was not really a concern.

But he said he was glad to get them the experience because all the practice in the world could not pre-

pare them for the fast-paced world that is collegiate football.

"For the young kids who played out there (Saturday) this was probably a good first start for them," he said. "We're not very deep ... this was the first time you can evaluate someone and see the speed of the game."

Head coach Mike Leach said he was happy with his team's performance and accomplishing his goal of winning one game a week.

He said he is aware of the preparation that will go into a winning season beginning after the first game, however.

"Every first game you learn an awful lot," he said.

That's probably where you grow the most is from the first game to the second game. ...So we've got a lot of work to do. I think we have a great base to build on, and we need to have a good week."

## Enrollment

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class, it is not surprising given the increased enrollment.

Assistant professor of political science Frank Thames said the department worked over the summer to get new sections of both the freshman and sophomore level classes, including hiring adjunct professors and having teaching assistants teach classes.

There will not be discussion sections for 1301 and 2302 this year, because of the decreased funding, Thames said. For junior and senior level courses, which are traditionally hard to get into, some classes have increased in size and requirements are stricter for non-majors.

"It's a critical problem that we're trying to address as best as we can," he said.

The department's main concern is still giving students a valuable education, and the professors are working to

ensure each student gets one. They are also making sure there are plenty of opportunities to take classes and that there are enough upper-division courses so majors can graduate.

The university has the same concerns, Hall said. However, she does not anticipate larger classes or classes taught by teaching assistants will decrease the value of a student's education.

"We have evidence that there can be just as good learning in large classes as in small classes," she said.

Also, teaching assistants will be qualified to teach the classes they are given, and they receive training and help from other faculty both before and during the semester.

Giaccardo also discussed another concern. He wants to know what Tech's athletic department is doing with its money, particularly when the faculty has not gotten a raise in two years and there is not enough money to hire more faculty members, who could then teach more classes and accommodate the increased enrollment.

"Faculty are stepping up, the staff is doing more with less, but I don't see that happening as of last year with the athletic department," he said. "I don't believe all the components of this university are pulling together."

He said when he raised this question at the faculty address, Haragan said the athletic department was not increasing its budget, which Giaccardo called a positive step. However, he said the programs need to start bringing in more money, so the university's funding could go to academics.



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# Tuition deregulation to take effect this spring

By Sally Gunter/Staff Reporter

The Texas Legislature passed a bill that could drastically affect college students and their wallets. The legislature voted to deregulate tuition, giving each state university's Boards of Regents the power to set tuition.

The bill, which will take effect in the Spring 2004, is to help ease a \$9.9 billion budget shortfall. While Texas Tech students and their families may not have been thrilled to see their tuition and fees increase by more than 20 percent this fall, Chancellor Dr. David Smith said there is no way around it.

"Tuition will have to increase to make sure that we have the resources to cover the student body," Smith said.

However, campus leaders have said they

will try to keep students' expenses as low as possible.

"We will do our best to find alternate ways to charge tuition," said SGA President Jeremy Brown.

These alternate ways could include a set tuition, no matter how many hours a student is enrolled in. This means a full-time student taking 12 hours and a full-load student taking 15 hours would pay the same amount in tuition costs, Vice Provost James Brink said.

A larger number of students are taking up to five and a half years to graduate on a four-year degree plan. Tech loses money when a student repeats a class after the second time, and it also costs the student money because they are paying for the same class again, Brink said.

To slow this increasing trend, another suggestion includes not allowing a student to repeat a class if they had a C or higher, Brink said.

"We want to try to get students to commit to class," he said.

For that reason, entering freshmen would only be allowed to drop three classes, Brink said.

"Another idea we are exploring is a long summer semester that lasts twelve weeks," he said.

Tech is not the only university in Texas that is trying to find avenues to combat the decrease in state funding. Texas A&M passed a proposal to increase tuition by nine dollars per semester credit hour for the spring semester, Deputy Director of University Relations

Lane Stephenson said.

The University of Houston will see a higher increase than A&M. The university passed a proposal to increase tuition by \$19 per semester credit hour. This will generate \$16.2 million in funds, according to the university's Web site.

The University of Texas is still undecided as to what plan of action they will take, despite being one of the major forces behind deregulation. The President's Tuition Policy Committee was scheduled to hold an introductory meeting today to discuss the committee's charge, said Gail Spiller, UT executive vice president and provost.

Tech, along with other state universities, now has the job of finding what tuition rate will make up for the deficit and still keep stu-

dents coming.

"The thing we want to watch is to not drive away students," Smith said. "Middle-income families have a greater chance of being left out."

Twenty percent of all tuition costs will go back to scholarships, said Shonrock. The administration is aware, however, that this percentage is not high enough.

"With the tuition increase, we have got to get more scholarships," he said. "That is the goal for this year and is on the agenda."

Brown agreed with the need for more financial support. "With an increase in tuition we want to make sure the students' voice is heard," he said. "I am confident in the administration to look at the students first."

# Free speech areas extends to five additional areas on campus

By Sally Gunter/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech students will be able to take further advantage of their First Amendment rights this fall because of revisions of the university's free expression policies. The revised policy now sets aside five additional areas that are available on a "first come - first served" basis.

The six designated forum areas include: the northernmost one-third of the Engineering Key, the northeast side of the Student Union building, the southernmost one-third of the plaza between the Student Union building and the library (upon completion of the facility in September), the western half of the courtyard between the Jerry S. Rawls College of Business Administration building and the Architecture building, the Amphitheatre in Urbanovsky Park and the gazebo

area outside of the library.

The updated policy also changes the number of days prior to an event a student must submit a request for any free expression activities outside of the forum areas. Students now have two days to submit this request to the Center for Campus Life, instead of the six days required previously. The request's approval will be on a non-content basis in accordance with reasonable time, place and manner restrictions, said Greg Elkins, managing director for the Center for Campus Life.

"We anticipate that individuals will take the opportunity to use the areas," said Elkins, "just because there are more of them."

The policy revision began in February in response to a formal complaint received from the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education, said Victor Mellinger, Tech's associate general counsel.

The complaint said Tech's free speech policies were "remarkably restrictive," and it calls on Tech to "tear down the barriers to speech and declare all of the university a 'free speech area.'" Trevor Smith, a graduate student from Chicago studying philosophy, brought this issue to the attention of the foundation in December.

"It is a basic kind of freedom that all students should be allowed to express," Smith said, adding he was not satisfied with the revisions Tech made for the fall.

"They did minimal just to get by," he said. "The revisions are the least amount they could do for the students instead of the most beneficial and just."

A lawsuit filed in June only fueled Tech's efforts to change its free expression policy. Jason Roberts, a student at the Texas Tech School of Law, filed suit against 13 Tech employees, claiming the university "unlawfully restricts

students' First Amendment rights.

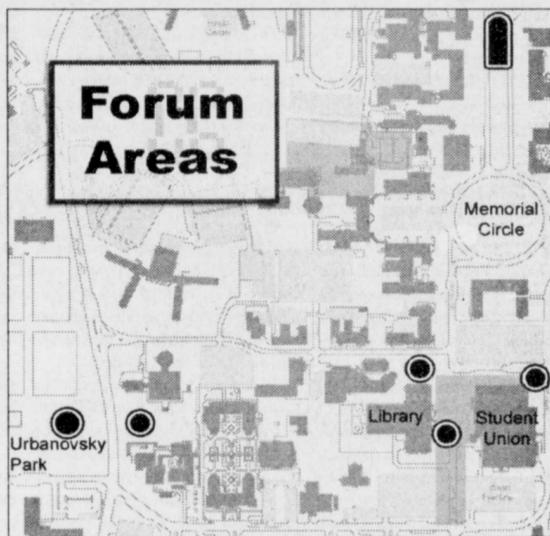
Hiram Sasser, a staff attorney for the Liberty Legal Institute representing Roberts, said the new policies will not have any bearing on the lawsuit.

"If you have to ask permission, then free speech is not really allowed," he said. "It won't affect the case. The point is that there should be no free speech zones at all."

The case is still waiting to be reviewed by a judge. Tech administrators, however, are not overly concerned about the lawsuit.

"There was already a group reviewing the case and policy before the lawsuit, and there is documentation that action was being taken," said Michael Shonrock, vice president for Student Affairs. "We are ahead of the game."

Tech has tried to accommodate various groups and to make sure its policies are meaningful, officials said. "We're not saying you can't speak



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# Traffic and Parking trying to change stereotype

By Andrew Dell/Staff Reporter

Col. Buddy Knox is ready to tackle all the parking problems Texas Tech students, faculty and staff have. As managing director of Traffic and Parking Services, said he understands complaints from the students and recognizes the work it will take to accomplish this task.

"We know all of the names that students call us behind our back and we want to lose that parking Nazi image," Knox said.

Since his appointment in February, Knox has been working with Tech officials to change how Traffic and Parking conducts business.

This week, any parking violators will get a yellow envelope on his or her car with a slip that acts as a freebie in the event of another parking violation.

Even if a student does not have a parking permit, no ticket will be given, Knox said.

"Think of it as a get-out-of-jail-free card," he said.

The pass is good for the first month

of classes, Knox said. It is void if not used within that time.

After the second week of classes, tickets will be given. However, Knox does not intend to repeat last year's parking problems.

All students who had more than 10 tickets per semester added up a total of \$23,010 in fines.

One student managed to accumulate 52 parking tickets in one semester, he said. The total for the violations equaled \$1,800, not including the tow charge.

To fix these problems, Knox met with Max Hinojosa, vice president for operations, Michael Shonrock, vice president for Student Affairs, Jeremy Brown, Student Government Association president, and Ethan Logan from the Student Mediation Center.

The group came up with a new solution to deal with stacked-up parking tickets.

Every semester, Traffic and Parking will tally how many tickets each student gets, Knox said. Once a student gets their sixth ticket, he or she will receive an invitation to go to a

free Parking Education class.

The class will be held on a Saturday morning. Speakers from the Tech Police Department, SGA and the Student Counseling Center will give lessons and be there to explain the rights and wrongs of parking on campus and answer any questions, Knox said.

By taking the three-hour course, two of the six tickets will be thrown out. Knox said if the student has already paid off the tickets, the student would be reimbursed the full amount.

Once a student has received 10 tickets, the car will either be booted or towed, Knox said.

"If they are parking in an annoying spot we'll give them a boot, but if they're just parking in a stupid spot we'll tow them," he said.

Michael Lopez, coordinator of events and transit for Traffic and Parking, said he wants students to realize that parking on curbs any time during the school year will not be tolerated.

"We want to keep cars off of the

curbs, because the curbs are considered fire lanes," Lopez said.

Akron Avenue will be the one street hit hard by this enforcement during the football games, Knox said.

The only time students will be towed during the football season is if the student is parked on the curb, Lopez said.

Traffic and Parking also took steps before school started to encourage legal parking without ticketing. Parking personnel called students who parked in the incorrect place and told them where to park.

Also during that week, all students illegally parked got a yellow envelope with an explanation of the owner's offense, Knox said.

Students will be able to park within the pay station parking lots this semester. However, students are still expected to abide by parking lot signs and only park in spots clearly marked for students.

All pay stations will have 30 minute and one hour time tables and the cost is \$1 per hour.



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/Staff Photographer

A TRAFFIC AND Parking employee places a parking citation on a car parked on Broadway in a reserved zone last week. Traffic and parking officials will be giving out yellow envelopes this week that account for another parking violation instead of tickets.

## Millionaires helping Democrats avoid redistricting

HARLINGEN, (AP) -The two Rio Grande Valley millionaires who donated private planes to fleeing Texas Senate Democrats are known throughout their community as deep-pocketed philanthropists.

They sit on nonprofit boards. They fund Hispanic scholarships.

But when it comes to their generous donations of political dollars, they remain mum.

Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, D-San Antonio, has confirmed that one plane used by the boycotting senators on July 28 to fly to Albuquerque, N.M., belongs to First National Bank of Edinburg, headed by David Rogers; the other to Greg LaMantra, president of Deep South Texas' predominant beer distributorship.

The special legislative session on congressional redistricting, which the Democrats left to block a Senate quorum, ended Tuesday without any passage of a redistricting bill.

It remains unclear when, or how, the senators plan to return to Texas.

Hidalgo County is known nationally

as a Democratic stronghold, and despite the region's overreaching poverty, millionaires are being made from opportunities created by the North American Free Trade Agreement and the exploding Mexican border population.

It is home to generous donors to former President Bill Clinton, a Democrat who appeared in the Valley four times during his eight years as president and last summer was keynote speaker at a \$10,000-a-plate scholarship fundraiser held in a real estate

developer's backyard.

That prominent businessmen are tied in politically should be no surprise, said Jerry Polinard, a University of Texas-Pan American political scientist.

"This is as old as politics itself," he said. "You can track public policy often by looking at campaign contributions. ... I think this action simply reflects an involvement by two individuals who basically have taken an active role in the community and they opposed the redistricting."

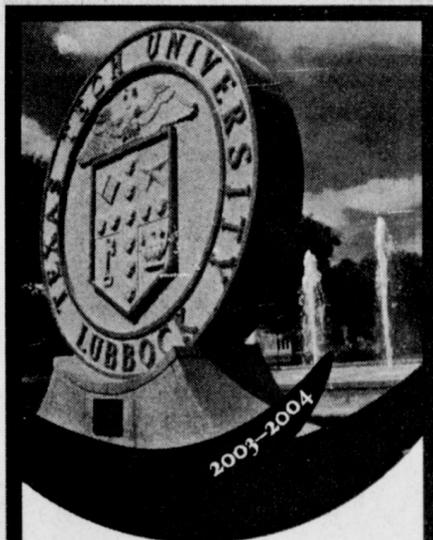
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# Mass Comm approved for college status

By Adam Boedeker/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech Board of Regents recently approved the School of Mass Communications' application to become a college separate from Arts and Sciences.

The application, which was approved Aug. 8, now must be reviewed by new Tech President Jon Whitmore and forwarded to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. The board will send representatives to the campus for approval. Once it passes the coordinating board it will go to the Board of Regents for final approval in May. If all goes as planned the school will become a college in September 2004.

The process has been years in the making and is finally becoming a reality after a few failed attempts.

The main problem in past attempts has simply been a lack of private funding needed to upgrade from a school to a college, said Jerry Hudson, director of

the School of Mass Communications.

Hudson also said the school set a goal to reach the \$400,000 amount in four years. In just one year the school has received \$200,000.

"Two individuals have given \$100,000 each to meet the goal," Hudson said. "We have some good prospects for the remaining \$200,000. I don't think it will be an issue of funding this time."

Other small obstacles have pushed the plan off track.

"It's been in progress for a year," Associate Director Dennis Harp said. "We thought we were on track to become a college in the fall (2003) because we were originally on the May Board (of Regents) agenda and got pushed back to the August agenda."

When the school receives its college status, it will become the 19th College of Mass Communications in the country and the second in the state, along with the University of Texas' col-

lege.

"There will be four major benefits," Hudson said. "One is getting the best faculty we can possibly attract, and we will have a lower faculty turnover. The great faculty will bring the best students we can get to represent our university."

"Third, foundations and corporations will start giving money for endowments after seeing the research the faculty has done and the success the students have. Fourth is an intangible factor that will affect students. The employment opportunities will be much better and the college will be

more prestigious to employers."

Provost William Marcy said he believes the title will attract more donors to the college.

*"Donors want to believe that the college is in charge of its own destiny."*

— WILLIAM MARCY  
Texas Tech Provost

they have stayed close to home when considering the dean.

"We will appoint a founding dean," Marcy said. "There doesn't have to be

an official search for an internal appointment."

Marcy said Hudson will be appointed dean when the school gets its college status because he is familiar with the workings of the school.

"You need to have someone who absolutely knows what they're doing in a new college," Marcy said. "Dr. Hudson will just change his title from director to dean, but he'll have all the same responsibilities he's had with some new ones being added."

Hudson said he is ready to take on any challenge that comes his way and will serve the university in any capacity.

"I'm honored that the provost would make that statement and consider me a worthy candidate for the dean's position," Hudson said. "I certainly would not be opposed to or object to an external search to bring in a qualified person from off campus. It's sometimes beneficial to the program to

get some new administrative ideas."

Associate professor and former director Roger Saathoff said the dean decision makes perfect sense.

"I think it's a logical step by the provost because he knows who he's working with," Saathoff said. "If he brought in someone new he'd have to get to know the person and that's fine for an established college, but you want someone who knows the ropes when it's just being started."

The prospect of becoming a college has many people excited.

"I'm really looking forward to this year," Hudson said. "It's a fantastic opportunity for our university when schools like A&M are cutting back because of budget, but we are still making all the proper steps forward."

"We're doing this even though we're in a tight budget like everyone else is, and that's a compliment to the administration."

# RHA proposes alcohol policy

By Jennifer Prieto/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech Residence Hall Association is proposing an on-campus alcohol policy seeking Board of Regents approval later in the semester.

RHA president NoE Elizondo said the policy allows students of legal drinking age to possess and consume alcohol in their on-campus residence.

"The reason why we are doing this is because students talked to their residence hall senators and they told them they wanted this new policy," she said.

The RHA Senate researched the Big 12 Conference universities and learned that the the University of Texas, Texas A&M and the University

of Oklahoma have this policy on their campuses.

Elizondo said the policies have been in progress for two years at those universities.

"I still don't know exactly how it's going to be implemented," he said.

The RHA is still meeting with students, faculty, staff, the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission and local judges, who will help set the guidelines to implement this policy.

The policy will not be put into effect until next fall if the Board of Regents approves it, but the RHA will try to do a pilot test next spring.

"There is not a specific location for the pilot testing up to this point," Elizondo said. "We are doing our best

to have it some time during the spring, but if we can't do it we will have to do it some time before the policy comes into effect."

The proposal states there are about 600 students that are 21 or older living in the residence halls. One of the reasons students say they move off campus is the restrictive alcohol policy in the residence halls.

It also states all residents in the room or apartment must be at least 21 years old for alcohol to be present. Residents and their guests will be asked to provide valid identification to staff members upon request.

According to the proposal, students will be able to possess and consume alcohol, but cannot sell, manufacture or distribute it.

Megan Christy, a community adviser at Stangel Residence Hall, said she agrees with the proposed alcohol policy.

She said most 21-year-old students live in the Carpenter/Wells complex, but some live in other halls.

"It is not fair for them to be penalized just because this is all they can afford," Christy said.

*"I think it would be fair for them to be able to drink in their rooms because this is their home."*

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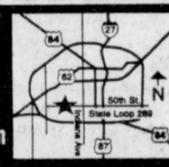
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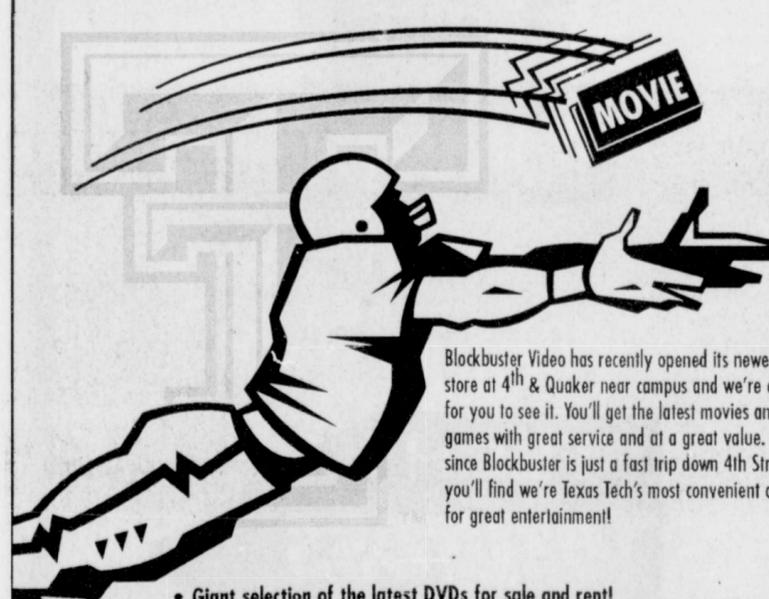
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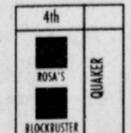
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# IN BRIEF

## Ex-Tech student pleads guilty to porn charge

David Russell Brigham, a former Texas Tech student, pleaded guilty on Aug. 25 to downloading child pornography from the Internet.

Brigham, 23, was indicted by a Lubbock federal grand jury in March for 13 counts of receiving and transporting child pornography by computer in interstate commerce.

He could face a maximum of 15 years in prison. U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings will issue a sentence after the probation office files a report. It could be November before he is sentenced, Assistant U.S. Attorney Steven Sucusy said.

As part of the plea agreement, all additional charges will be dismissed; however, Brigham must forfeit his computer and floppy disks to authorities.

Brigham has been released on bond.

## Four-year medical school in El Paso could become reality

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in El Paso is slowly on its way to becoming a four-year medical school, Elmo Cavin, executive vice president of the Health Sciences Center, said.

"This idea has been hashed around for the past three to four years," Cavin said. "It is now on the verge of becoming a reality."

The new developments concerning the El Paso HSC include the Texas Legislature giving Tech the authorization to create a four-year medical school, establishing intent to acquire \$2 million from the Governor's enterprise fund for economic development, and the Board of Regents approving a \$2.25 million budget for construction planning, Cavin said.

"We can't proceed right away, because we have no funding," Cavin said.

The Texas governor must make the final decision whether or not to grant Tech the \$2 million in order to start the process of faculty recruitment, seeking accreditation, and

curriculum development. Cavin is optimistic about the final outcome of the HSC.

"I think the probability (of its success) is excellent," Cavin said. "There is a need for more doctors in West Texas, given the population base in El Paso, and given the specific medical needs of people living on the Texas border."

Nothing has been accomplished yet, and anything solid is three to four years down the road, Cavin said. The governor is expected to make a decision about whether or not to fund Tech within the year.

"We are taking one step at a time, and we are very comfortable that with careful planning we'll have an exceptional educational experience with a very special niche in the university system," Cavin said.

Work has, however, begun on a new research tower, as well as the addition of a third floor to the HSC El Paso's clinic facility. Both of these projects are expected to be complete in two years.

If the HSC in El Paso becomes a four-year institution, Cavin said, it would be the first medical school on Texas' border under the Tech/HSC umbrella.

Jose M. delaRosa, regional dean for the School of Medicine, said the city of El Paso has shown interest in the school by raising nearly \$2 million in scholarships for future medical students.

"It looks like it's for real," delaRosa said. "It's rolling very well. We are elated, and the community of El Paso has been very supportive."



## Tech law grad named head of Drug Enforcement Administration

The U.S. Senate confirmed Tandy July 31 to be the new head of the Drug Enforcement Administration and the first woman ever to head a federal law enforcement agency.

Tandy began her career as a leader long before moving to Washington, D.C. Law School Dean Walter Huffman, who went to law school with her, said she has always exuded leadership qualities, including being president of the Student Bar Association.

As head of the DEA, Tandy has many responsibilities. She is responsible for both the strategic and operational effort to combat drugs. She also will be instrumental in negotiations between the United States and countries like Afghanistan and Colombia, which are major drug-producing countries.

The DEA also works closely with the U.S. Border Patrol and Customs to prevent entry of illegal drugs into the country. They also deal with educating and helping to rehabilitate drug users.

Huffman said it is no surprise that Tandy has become such a successful person.

The Fort Worth native previously served as Bush's associate deputy attorney general in the Justice Department as well as the department's criminal division. She was also a federal prosecutor in both Virginia and Washington, D.C.

"She's worked for years with the Justice Department against organized crime and drug cartels," Huffman said. "I think it's a tribute to her, Texas Tech, and our law school. We're all about producing leaders and she's a shining example that it works and we are very proud of her."

## Kappa Sigma reinstated at TCU

(U-WIRE) FORT WORTH, Texas - Kappa Sigma fraternity will return to the Texas Christian University campus this year following its suspension by the university and its national chapter for a hazing violation in 2002.

Brandon Lobell, president of the fraternity, said he couldn't be more excited. He said the recent suspension made it difficult to run the fraternity.

"It was pretty tough," Lobell said. "We had no official place to meet, so we would end up having weekly meetings at people's houses or even apartments."

The suspension went into effect following a Campus Life investigation in late spring of 2002. The investigation resulted when several allegations of hazing were made against Kappa Sigma.

Lobell said many members because the members had to improve in many areas. He said not only did they raise their GPA to more than 3.0 overall, but the fraternity also increased its community service efforts.

"We haven't been as active as this in the past," Lobell said. "We've done a lot this last year to get on the right path of success."

Lobell said many members have become leaders in groups around campus.

"In a sense we felt left out [last year] because we were doing so much, but we weren't really on campus," he said.

Kappa Sig Rush Chairman Mason Abshire said the suspension made recruiting almost impossible because it did not allow the fraternity to have a pledge class or to participate in formal rush.

"Without a pledge class, you have no connections," Abshire said. "With no connections, you have to dig a little deeper to find guys."

## Former Red Raider defensive tackle pleads guilty to drug possession charge

A former Texas Tech football player pleaded guilty on Aug. 21 to charges of distribution of crack cocaine and retaliation against a witness.

DeTwill Williams, a defensive tackle from 1998 to 2000, was arrested May 13 and has been held without bond based on his endangerment to the community. Assistant U.S. Attorney Tanya Pierce said Williams had no previous criminal record.

Police informants had made several crack cocaine buys from Williams before he was arrested, after he assaulted an informant and charged

with retaliation and the drug charge.

Pierce said Williams will probably be sentenced in October or November after a pre-sentence report is filed with the federal judge.

The possession charge carries a minimum 10-year prison sentence with the possibility of life in prison, and up to a \$4 million fine.

The retaliation against a witness charge carries a maximum 10-year sentence and up to a \$250,000 fine.

Two more men were involved in the assault. Their cases are pending at the state level.

Williams was also a standout athlete at nearby Estacado High School.

## Viewers gaze at closest view of Mars

Hundreds of people gathered at the Texas Tech observatory Wednesday night to get the closest view of Mars any earthlings have had in 60,000 years.

The observatory, at Memphis Avenue and Fourth Street, opened Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday nights so the public could get a better view of the Red Planet. Scheduled viewing times were between nine and 11 p.m., but the observatory stayed open later

on Wednesday night because of the large crowd.

Many people showed up before nine to see Mars through the observatory's main telescope. The large crowd caused those who were holding the event to use eight more telescopes in addition to the main one. Although the view was not as clear through the smaller telescopes, many spectators decided to wait and look through both.

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# New home away FROM HOME

Tech students crowded the elevators as they moved into the residence halls last week

By Beth Aaron/Staff Reporter

Several incoming freshman had one unexpected experience when moving into Texas Tech. The third floor of Wall residence hall flooded Wednesday about 11:30 p.m., forcing several women to abandon ship and head for the halls.

The flood was caused by an overflowing toilet, said Rebecca Smithie, a music performance major from Amarillo.

"The hall had standing water in it," Smithie said. "Some of the water seeped through to the second floor and through the vents. Peoples' stuff got ruined on the third floor, and one half of the second floor, some posters and stuff were ruined."

Judy Harveson, Wall/Gates secretary, said another cause of the flood might have been the building hadn't been used all summer.

"These problems are sometimes common at move in," Harveson said. "Age and water conditions are also factors."

Sean Duggan, director of Housing and Residence life, said maintenance fixed the problem within 15 minutes.

"We repaired the problem and got everything settled ASAP," Duggan said.

Sarah Nessler, assistant area coordinator for south community Wall/Gates, declined to comment.

Smithie said none of her things were damaged in the flood. She also said the flood became a bonding experience for her and her hall-mates.

"This made us able to meet everyone," Smithie said. "We were all out of our rooms talking to each other."

Residents moving into Sneed Hall had a drier experience than the women in Wall, said Adam Walthall, an electrical engineering major from Angleton. Sneed is an un-air conditioned residence hall.

"It was hot," Walthall said. "We leave the doors and windows open, and we have a lot of fans."

Despite the heat, Walthall said the residence hall experience is a pleasant one.

"It's pretty fun with all the people around here," Walthall said. "They're willing to talk, and I've made a few friends."

He is looking forward to his first semester of college.

"It'll be nice to test my mettle - see what I'm good at; what I'm worth," he said.

Harveson said the overall atmosphere of students moving in was frenzied, but attitudes remain positive and focused on the upcoming semester.

"It's crazy is what it is," Harveson said. "The staff is elated to have all the new students come in. We're all excited about the coming year."

Duggan said as of August 27, 4,994 students were living on campus.

"We're happy to have them," Duggan said. "Usually when residence halls fill up, it's a sure sign school's about to start."

Last year's problem of too many students and not enough space is not an issue this year because single rooms were not given out as freely.

"We offered a lot more singles last year," Duggan said. "Last year we had 350, this year we only have 100. We have about the same number of students coming in this year, but we have a lot more space."

Lisa Crespo, a pre-occupational therapy major from Tulsa, Okla., said she is looking forward to life in the residence halls. She said she chose Tech because the campus made her feel at home.

"I actually think it's gonna be a fun experience living in the dorms," Crespo said.

"I've met a lot of friendly people."



ABOVE: SARA VICKERS, A freshman business major from Pilot Point, organizes her wardrobe in her new room this year in Chitwood Residence Hall on move-in day on Aug. 24. Left: Tom Crews, Richard Fenner and Aaron Burris, a sophomore business major from Alice, help move Tate Crews, a freshman pre-med major from Alice, into Weymouth Residence Hall on Aug. 24.

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## Investigator wants more NASA safety recommendations, adds report

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Columbia accident investigator who is skeptical that NASA will make all the required safety changes says even more, tougher recommendations are needed

and has issued a supplemental report to highlight his concerns about space shuttle inspections and mechanical breakdowns.

Air Force Brig. Gen. Duane Deal

contends the extra measures — and warnings — are needed to prevent another space shuttle tragedy.

"I feel an obligation that if I know of something that could cause the next

accident that's waiting to happen and I didn't bring it forward, that's when I wouldn't be able to look myself in the mirror," Deal said in an interview Wednesday with The Associated Press.

Deal said he felt compelled to draw attention to these issues after they ended up being buried, downplayed or dropped from the final report of the Columbia Accident Investigation Board.

His 10-page supplement, which will appear in an upcoming volume of appendices, is not a dissenting opinion, he said. It started out as a minority opinion a week ago, he acknowledged, but many of the 12 other board members jumped on board.

"We are all very proud of this report," he said of the board recommendations made public Tuesday. "Some people think it ought to do more, some think we're too blunt. But I think there's almost universal agreement that our 207 days of work were good."

But Deal questioned whether the National Aeronautics and Space Administration would fulfill all 29 recommendations in the full report, let alone the ones referred to as observations.

"This supplement is presented to augment the board report and its condensed list of recommendations," he wrote. "It is written from the perspective of one who's presided or participated in a dozen space and aircraft accidents, who fears the report has bypassed some items that could prevent 'the next accident' from occurring."

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# Housing: Accommodations met despite increased enrollment

By Jennifer Prieto/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech students should expect some changes because of the enrollment increase for the fall semester.

Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith said the campus is changing and growing because more students are choosing to come to Tech. "Now that the campus is growing, we will see a major push on academics, technology and the construction of new facilities," he said.

Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management Stephanie Hays said the total enrollment is expected to be between 29,000 to 29,500 students, compared to last year's 27,569 students. Hays said freshman enrollment would increase about 6 percent, about 4,400 freshman students. She said she does not know the total for graduate students because the number is still increasing.

Director of Housing and Residence Life Sean Duggan said although enrollment has increased, he is doing every-

thing possible to accommodate every student.

Duggan said there are 100 single rooms available, compared to last year's 450, opening about 350 beds for students.

Last year Tech had about 180 rooms reserved for the Gateway Program, he said, which allowed students who attend South Plains College to live at Tech. This year, Tech students have priority over those rooms.

"Because we have more rooms to work with this year, we are able to accommodate students' needs," Duggan said. "Students moving in this year looked much happier."

Duggan said he is not expecting an overflow of students this year, a change from previous years when students living in residence halls had to spend their first few weeks in the study rooms.

All the laundry machines in the residence halls have been replaced be-

cause the machines were old and in bad condition, he said.

Director of Traffic and Parking Raymond Knox said there will be more students trying to find a parking spot this year because of the increase in enrollment.

Knox said there are 16,879 parking spaces, and 3,700 of those are reserved parking, which is not enough to accommodate all the students that are expected for the semester.

He said there is a new commuter lot available for students located south of the International Cultural Center, which provides an additional 195 parking spots the campus has not had. The lot will have a bus system that will take students to and from it.

Knox said the parking meters will be available for students who want to park on campus after 5:30 p.m. The meters are targeted mostly to night students who do not pay for a parking sticker.

"It is not fair that night students don't have to pay for parking, but it would not be fair for them to pay full price to park," he said.

In previous years, students were allowed to drive on campus after 3:30 p.m., but this year the time changed to 5:30 p.m.

*Because we have more rooms to work with this year, we are able to accommodate student's needs.*

— SEAN DUGGAN  
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STUDENTS AND THEIR families wait in line in Chitwood Residence Hall on move-in day, which was Aug. 24.

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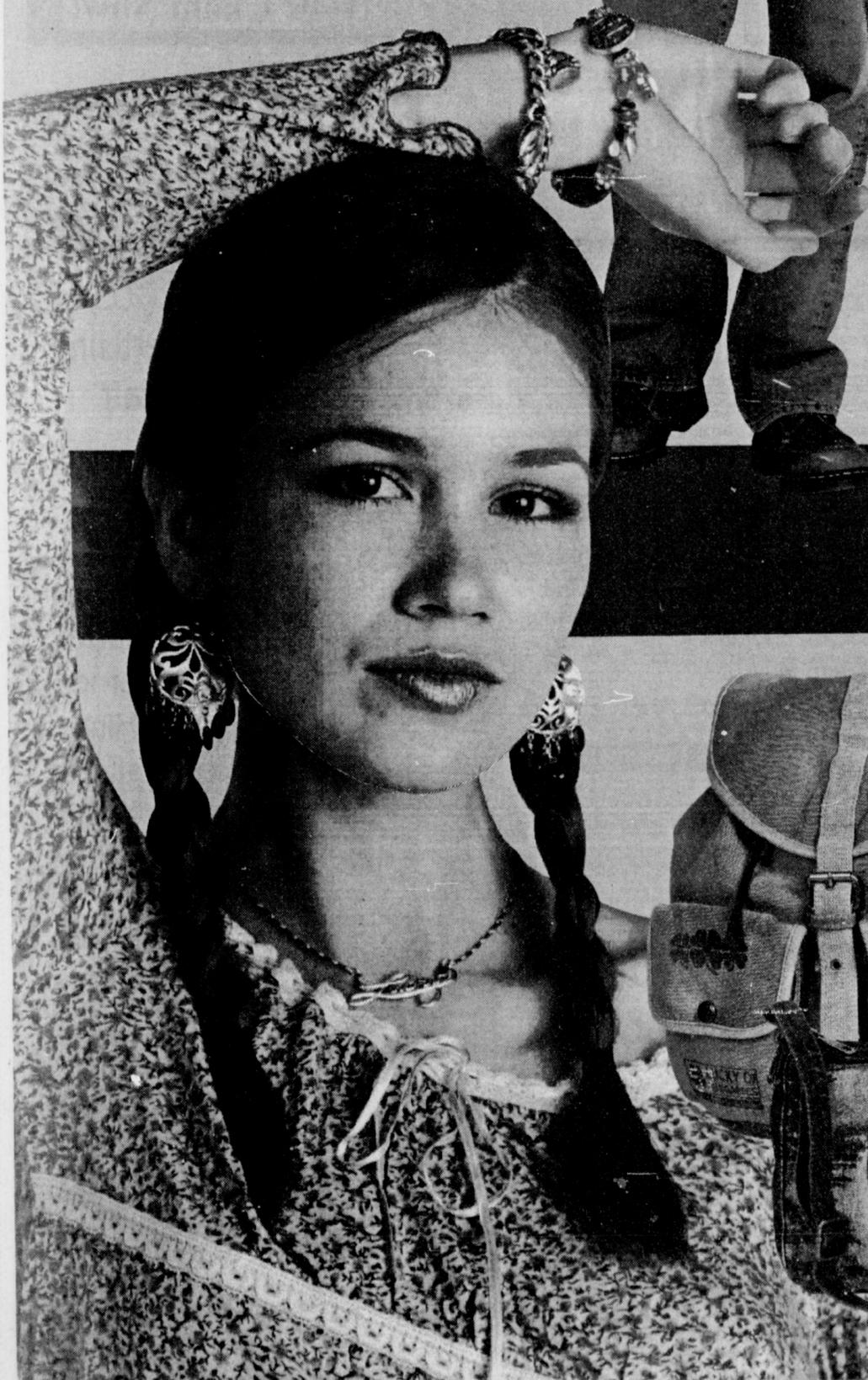
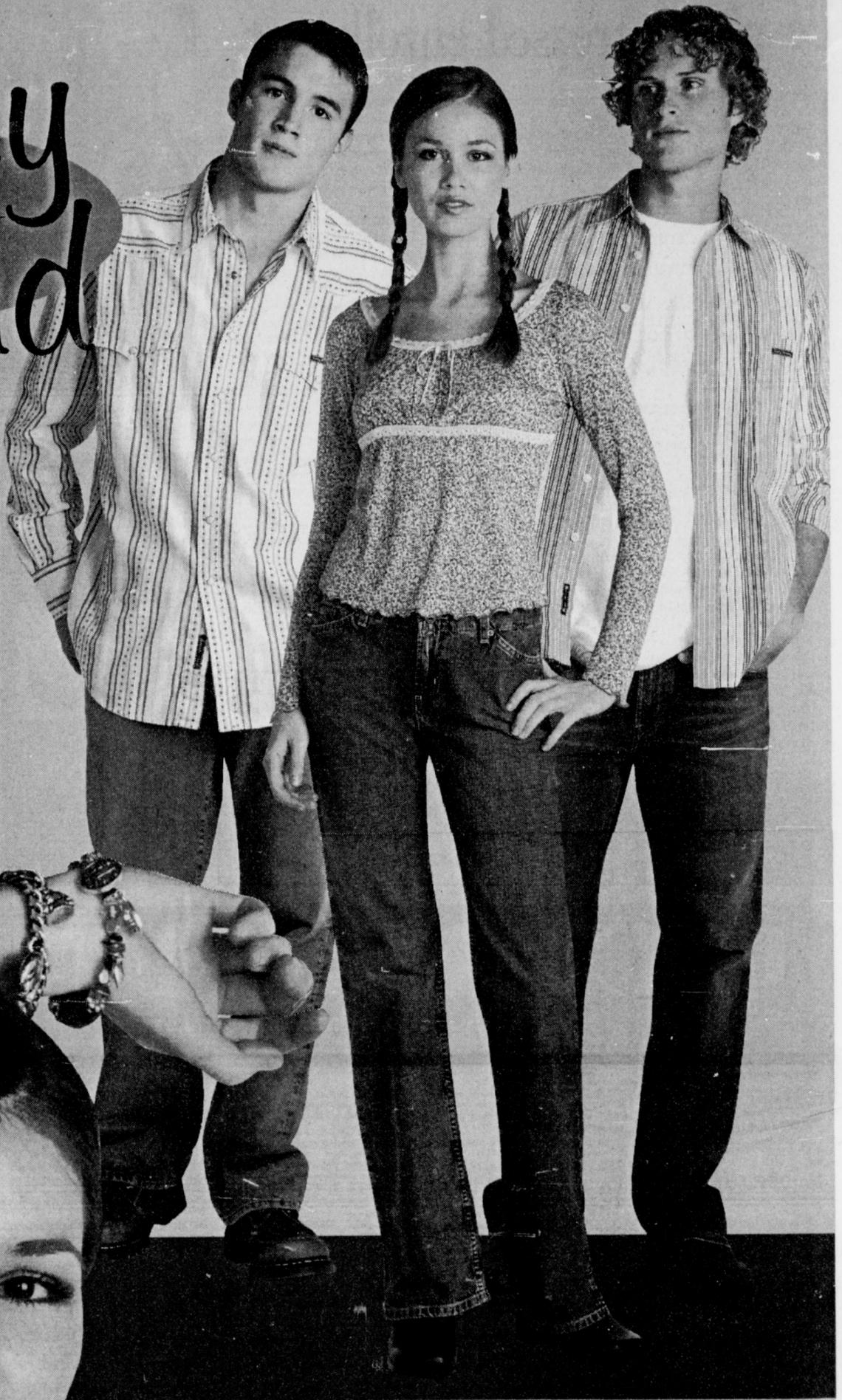
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## HEROES' SALUTE

By Sabra Jennings/Staff Reporter  
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Josh Araujo stepped off a bus in Iraq and came face-to-face with a sandstorm blowing at 50 mph. Looking around and seeing nothing but desert, Araujo thought to himself, "What have I gotten myself into?" Araujo, a Texas Tech senior mechanical engineering major from San Angelo, is a lance corporal in the Marine Reserves. Instead of preparing for his spring 2003 classes like most Tech students, Araujo found himself preparing for war. Now, Araujo and other reservists are stepping back onto the Tech campus for the fall semester instead of into a sandy abyss.

Lance Cpl. Michael Huey, a senior advertising major from San Angelo, said he was shocked when he found out his unit had been activated right before the spring semester began. Like Araujo, Huey is back at Tech to continue the education that was interrupted last spring.

"It delayed me a semester, and it's really nothing I can't handle," Huey said. "It just means I'll have to stay around an extra semester."

Huey knew he had to prepare himself for the upcoming situation.

"After it sunk in, I immediately started preparing myself mentally," he said. "I was really preparing myself to go to a major conflict and for any possibility that might happen."

Some reservists found it especially difficult to tell their families they were being deployed to Iraq.

Lance Cpl. Wesley McDowell said he discovered he was being activated for war three days before the spring semester began. His family was reluctant to believe he had to leave the country, he said.

"My mom thought I was joking with her, and I had to leave pretty unexpectedly," he said. "It was pack-and-go."

Lance Cpl. Ryan Robertson said his father is a retired Marine and was proud that his son was in Iraq. However, his mother and sister were very worried.

Robertson's 18-year-old sister Christie said it was hard to accept the fact that her brother had to go to war.

"When he first left, I thought, 'Oh my gosh, I could lose my brother,'" she said. "It was pretty hard watching TV when they say 'another Marine died.'"

Araujo said he was not scared in Iraq, but there were times when the adrenaline raced through his veins.

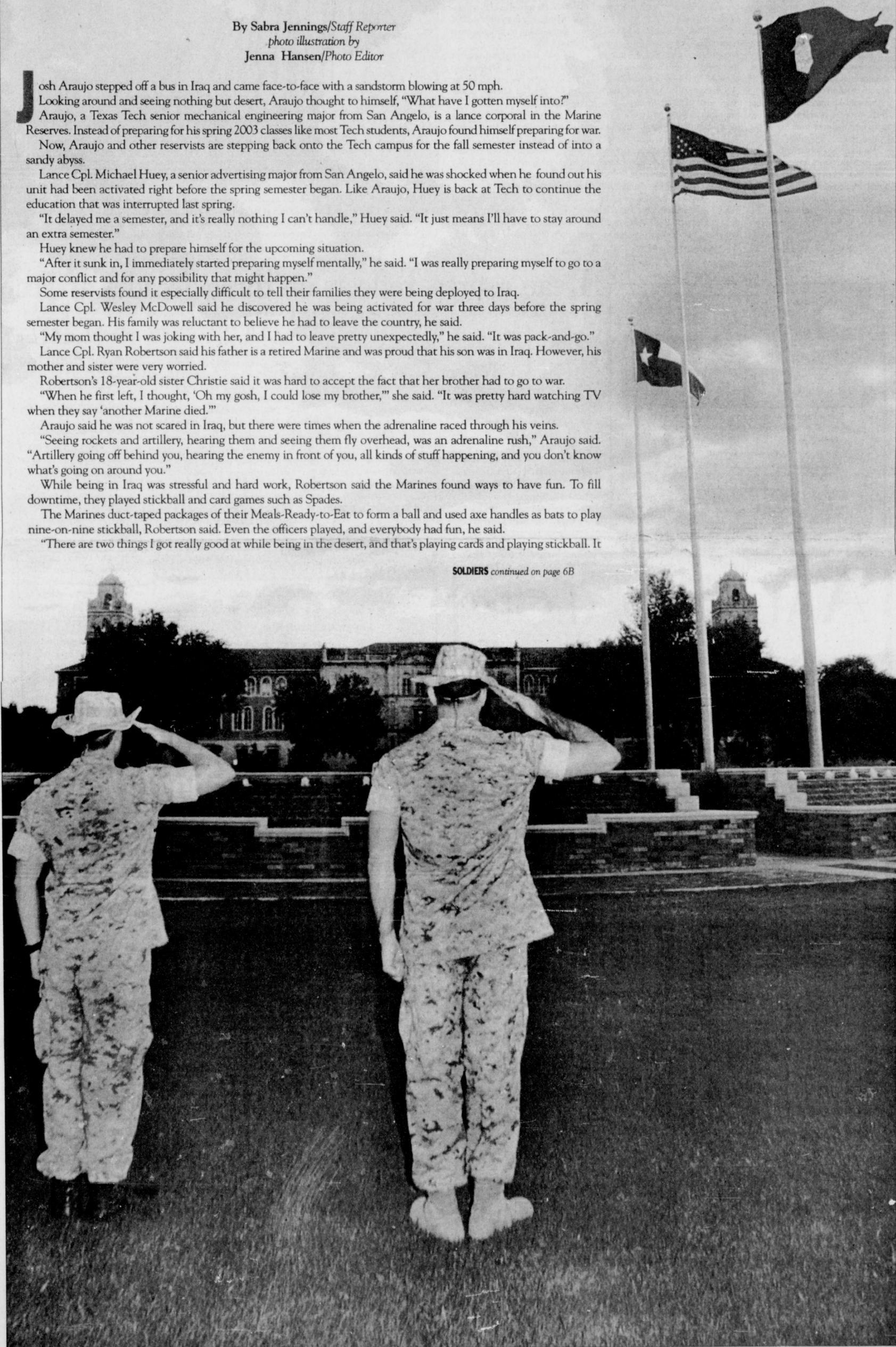
"Seeing rockets and artillery, hearing them and seeing them fly overhead, was an adrenaline rush," Araujo said. "Artillery going off behind you, hearing the enemy in front of you, all kinds of stuff happening, and you don't know what's going on around you."

While being in Iraq was stressful and hard work, Robertson said the Marines found ways to have fun. To fill downtime, they played stickball and card games such as Spades.

The Marines duct-taped packages of their Meals-Ready-to-Eat to form a ball and used axe handles as bats to play nine-on-nine stickball, Robertson said. Even the officers played, and everybody had fun, he said.

"There are two things I got really good at while being in the desert, and that's playing cards and playing stickball. It

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# Ambassador appointed cultural director

By Sally Gunter/Staff Reporter

With diversity prevalent in the United States today, Ambassador Tibor P. Nagy Jr. said he wants to bring an open mind to Texas Tech and expand views. Nagy was named the new executive director of International Affairs and the International Cultural Center in June.

Nagy was appointed following the retirement of Idris Traylor. Traylor had been an employee of Tech for 37 years.

"Everyone has their own areas of emphasis and interest," Nagy said. "Dr. Traylor was here for the evolution. He was the one who got the whole program going."

He anticipates expanding on the foundation that Traylor laid during his tenure at the ICC.

"You can always see further on the shoulders of giants," Nagy said. "I plan to build on what he created."

He said he wants to send more Tech students overseas and bring more international students to the United States, Nagy said.

He also plans to strengthen university-to-university interaction and make Tech more active in international development.

"He's trying to give study abroad a higher profile," said Katherine Quinn, International Student Counselor. "He believes that everyone should have a chance to

study abroad."

Tech had an enrollment number of 1,100 international students last year and the number could be higher this fall.

"People are very enthusiastic," Nagy said. "But it takes work to develop international linkage and contacts."

And he has the background to develop those contacts.

Born in Budapest, Hungary, in 1949, Nagy was forced to flee his homeland with his father in 1957. After Hungary's failed rebellion against the Soviet Union after World War II, Nagy's father, a high-ranking officer in the Hungarian military, was labeled a traitor.

"We were penniless in Austria," Nagy said. "The embassy in Vienna helped us get to the U.S. Because of their help, my goal in life was to become an American diplomat."

Upon arrival in the United States, Nagy went to Camp Kilmer, a refugee camp in New Jersey, for a few weeks. He then lived in Washington, D.C., until coming to Tech in 1966. He received a bachelor's degree in government and history in 1972 and moved back to Washington, D.C.

"The university has changed tremendously since I was first here," he said. "The campus has become a lot more diverse and views have changed. The reputation of the school has become much more positive."

Nagy received a master's from George Washington University in 1978. He joined the Foreign Service in 1978 as a management analyst in the Bureau of Personnel.

"Ambassador Nagy has wonderful experience," said Phillip Marshall, chairman of the political science department. "He brings a kind of breadth and depth to International Affairs that will benefit the university in many ways."

Nagy represented the Foreign Service in various African countries for 23 years. He and wife Eva Jane Nagy even saw their triplets born in Africa. He served as U.S. ambassador to Ethiopia from 1999 to 2002 and ambassador to Guinea from 1996 to 1999.

He has received a Superior Honor Award, five Meritorious Awards, and was runner-up for the "Deputy Chief of Mission of the Year" award.

"It was a culture shock coming back here," said Nagy. "The standard of living is quite different."

Nagy's exposure to various cultures has left him with a philosophy that he will use to further the international program.

"The best way to understand somebody else is to spend time with them," Nagy said. "We can't deal with each other out of ignorance."



ANDREW WEATHERL/Staff Photographer

AMBASSADOR TIBOR P. Nagy Jr., associate vice provost for international affairs at Texas Tech University, poses for a picture in his new office at the International Cultural Center. A Hungary-born Tech graduate, Nagy has represented both the Foreign Service and the United States in Africa and seeks to broaden Tech's diversity and expand its international scope. Nagy will take the place of Idris Traylor, who worked at Tech for 37 years.

## Dean retires, reflects on three decades at Tech

By Brent Young/Staff Reporter

John Abernathy will no longer serve as dean of the Texas Tech College of Agricultural Science and Natural Resources.

He said he retired Sept. 1 to spend time with his family so he can travel and work on projects he has not had time to complete during the last 30 years.

"Although I am retiring from Texas Tech, I am not retiring from the love of agriculture" he said.

He has been dean for the last six years. Abernathy said the accomplishment he is most proud of is the working partnerships he has developed with other universities and governmental agencies. He also is proud to be the first representative

of a non-land grant university to be selected to the National Advisory Council in Washington, D.C., to advise Congress on major research and allocation of resources.

Abernathy said his favorite part of being dean was working with the diversity of the department as well as the entire agricultural industry.

In his absence, he would like to see the College of Agricultural Science and Natural Resources establish a stronger presence in Washington, D.C., in order to obtain more resources and funding.

He also would like to see the number of students grow and the college be recognized for excellence in teaching and service.

"I will miss the energy and dynamic atmosphere that the faculty and students bring to this university," he said.

Abernathy's students are going to miss working with him as well, said Will Moseley, a junior range and wildlife management major from Stillwater, Okla.

"We are certainly going to miss him; he has done a lot for the college in general as well as the students," Moseley said. "He has definitely done his part to further the college over the past six years, and his retirement is well deserved."

Provost William Marcy, during his time as dean of the College of Engineering, worked on several projects in precision agriculture with Abernathy

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— JOHN ABERNATHY  
Retired Dean, College of Agricultural Science and Natural Resources

and called him a good colleague.

Marcy has the responsibility of replacing him.

"You're not going to replace John Abernathy with another John Abernathy," Marcy said. "It is difficult to replace someone with a long history of being an effective administrator."

The search for a new dean is expected to take six to nine months.

A search committee will be formed and will solicit applications and eventually narrow the field to fewer than three prospects to be interviewed.

Marcy will then select Abernathy's successor.

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## Dean of Education plans improvements in programs

By Brent Young/Staff Reporter

Sheryl Santos, dean of Texas Tech's College of Education, is no stranger to the obstacles she will face as she embarks on a mission to enhance every aspect of the college.

Santos has experience as dean of education at California State University at Bakersfield and has wasted no time in planning improvements for the college since she took the position July 1. Her three biggest priorities are enhancing undergraduate and graduate programs, seeking external funding, and diversifying the college.

"The College of Education will be looking at ways to enhance its offerings through academic undergraduate programs," Santos said.

One aspect of the program Santos sees as a shortcoming is the College of Education offering only one major in fourth through eighth grade certification.

She said this to be insufficient and intends to develop academic majors in instructional technology, language literacy and culture, and many other areas, although

she is satisfied with the current state of the university's graduate programs.

"We are robust in our graduate programs, which prepare superintendents, principals, counselors, and even college professors," Santos said in reference to whether or not any changes were necessary in the graduate areas of the college.

External Funding is another priority for Santos. She plans to seek more external funds from nontraditional communities by creating an office of resource development and external relations. She will be looking to the Hispanic community, the African American community, and other under-represented populations to obtain this external funding.

"It is my responsibility to find money to help kids come to college, especially those who want to be teachers," said Santos.

As the mother of a college student, Santos understands the hardship that comes with paying for college.

"Scholarships and fellowships are the most important things we do in the area of fundraising," she said.

# Grad school dean stresses quality

By Andrew Bell/Staff Reporter

A new face with a familiar message stepped into the role of graduate dean for Texas Tech.

John Borrelli is hoping to continue to unleash good Tech graduates to the rest of the state and country.

"The message is best spread by producing great students," he said, adding he wants Tech to be prepared to send that message to the state and the nation.

As dean, Borrelli said he wants quality control to be the main purpose of the graduate school. If the professors live up to their own potential, they can pass that quality on to the students, he said.

Members of the administration hold that same vision when looking at the future of the graduate school. Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith said graduate growth is part of the vision for the university. If the graduate program continues to grow, then the doctoral programs may be able to grow as well. The success of the university in the state and the nation depends on a vibrant graduate program, Smith said, and having good programs is what keeps the college going.

"Quality (is what) will keep students coming to Tech," Vice President of Student Affairs Michael Shonrock said.

Borrelli said he knows the importance of graduate degrees firsthand. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in agricultural engineering at Colorado State University. He earned his Ph.D. in civil engineering from Pennsylvania State University.

"Look at the way education is going today," he said. "Fifty percent of all engineers end up with a master's degree. The architecture school, you can't graduate without a master's. You have to have it to become a professional. And business, it opens up a host of opportunities."

His opportunity came when he got his first teaching job as an agricultural engineering professor at University of Wyoming. Doors continued to open for him when he started teaching civil engineering at Tech in 1984. Since then, he has served as senior associate dean and associate dean for academic affairs in the College of Engineering, interim dean of the College of Architecture and chair of the Department of Agricultural Engineering.

His position as interim dean of the



JENNA HANSEN/Photography Editor  
JOHN BORRELLI, THE dean of the Graduate School, at his desk in Holden Hall.

College of Architecture lasted a brief eight months. Within that short time, Borrelli administered the first formula system for course fees, helped regain the college's accreditation and searched for research money to bring into the College of Architecture,

Beth Trischitti, manager of financial and administrative services, said.

Sharen Hart, senior development officer in Architecture, said Borrelli is intuitive. "He can look at a problem, understand it and see the solution," she said.

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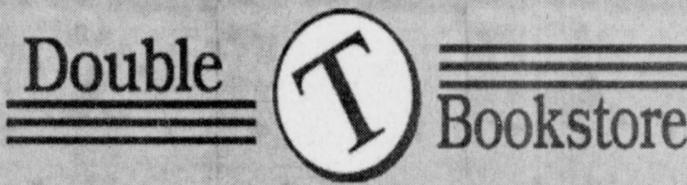
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# PATIENTLY PROGRESSING

Campus construction close to completion as John Montford's Master Plan begins to show form led by the renovation of Texas Tech's state-of-the-art football facility, Jones SBC Stadium, which first began construction in 1999

By Adam Boedeker and  
Joey Kirk/Staff Reporters

When matched against facilities like the University of Florida's "Swamp" and Ohio State University's "Horseshoe," Texas Tech officials said they believe Jones SBC Stadium's new appearance will help it reach that high stature of prestige. "Our (stadium) is just as good as any of the top stadiums in the country," Tech athletics director Gerald Myers said. "It is not the biggest, but it's comparable to the best in the Big 12 and in the nation, and I think it is the best."

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TEXAS TECH ATHLETICS  
DIRECTOR

The stadium received the final stitches of a long facelift during the summer months, making it ready for the Red Raiders' 2003 football season. The renovations are a large part of Tech Chancellor Emeritus John Montford's master plan to bring Tech into the competitive circle of universities.

The changes include a state-of-the-art facility designed to hold media, ad-

ministration, coaches and other individuals.

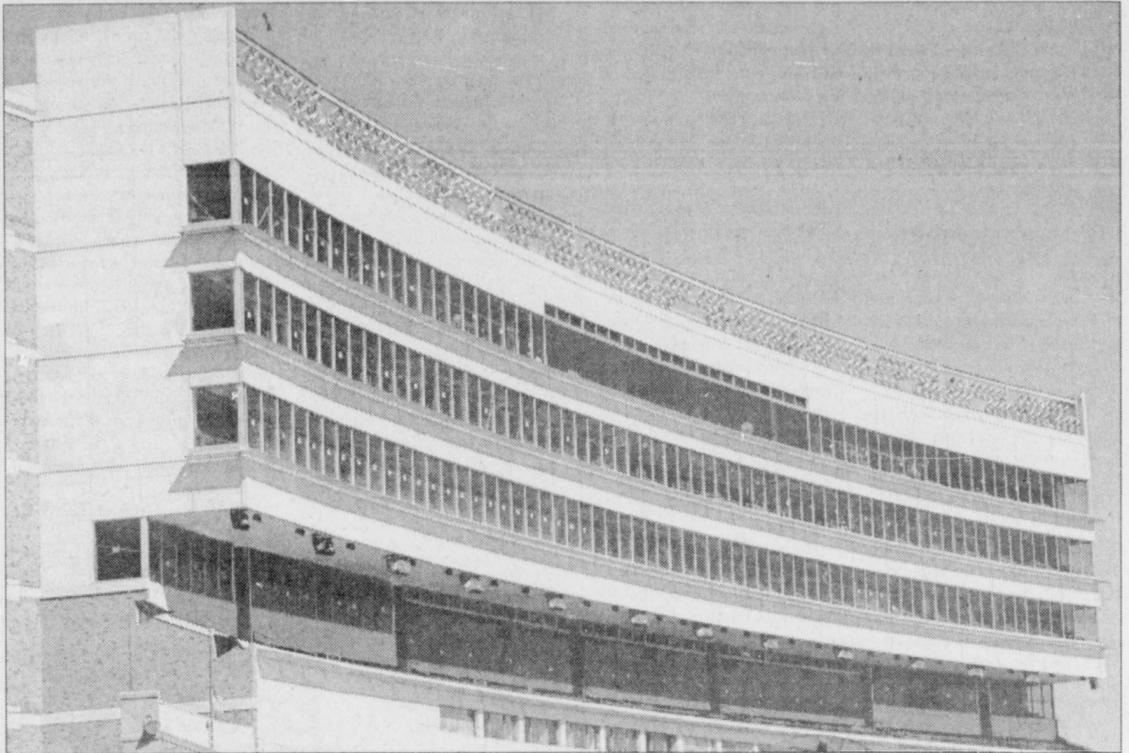
Myers said improvements are first-class and offer fans much more than a pretty sight.

"It is more than just a press box," he said. "It houses game operations, the press, suites, club boxes and workers. It is second to none, and I hope that the atmosphere provides fans with enjoyment and satisfaction."

With the addition of more than 3,500 seats built into the stadium's existing structure, the new press box that, at nine stories high towers over Lubbock, also brings seating for 2,000 more attendees, raising the capacity to about 55,000 spectators.

Mike Ellicott, vice chancellor for Facilities Planning and Construction, said the grand opening will not be held until the Oct. 4 game against rival Texas A&M, but the club seating, press level and available extra seats are fully operational.

"Not all of the stone, brick and tile roof work on the exterior of the west



ANDREW WEATHERL/Staff Photographer

THE PRESS BOX of Jones SBC Stadium began to show form in the summer. The structure will hold media, administrators, coaches and luxury boxes. The entrance is complete as of right now, but the rest of the building is ready to go," he said.

The club level houses eight suites along with 1,070 seats. The two levels that top the club section make up 36 of the 46 total suites available to companies, private individuals and groups, Ellicott said.

"Most of the suites can hold anywhere from 20 to 26 people," he said. "The cost of the private boxes range from \$35,000 to \$45,000 a year depending on location, with a 10-year lease requirement."

So far, the stadium's advances have cost \$84.9 million, slightly under the \$90 million budgeted for all three phases, Ellicott said.

"It is a pay-as-you-go project," he said. "And we are not spending money we don't have. Donations as well as

most of the revenue from additional seats will go toward future improvements."

Following the completion of Phase I, Ellicott said restroom facilities were doubled and concessions were tripled to accommodate the supplementary seating.

"We also added handicap-accessible seating, which provided about 1,000 of the seats built into the stadium," he said. "The grassy area in the north end zone was reduced in size so that we could add approximately 2,500 seats."

The development of Phase II is in its final stages with work at the west entrance and exterior as well as the press box, while Phase III is still under construction but soon to be completed,

Ellicott said. "Phase III of Jones SBC Stadium is the football training facility," he said. "It's a 55,000 square foot project with locker rooms, meeting rooms, a 10,000-square foot weight room and the coaches' offices."

The coaches will not move into their new offices until the end of the season because it would cause problems with the system they are using, Ellicott said.

The building is next to the football practice field and has a players' lounge and a Hall of Honor at the entryway, he said.

They are considering plans to add up to 9,000 more seats within the sta-

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## Construction

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dium and giving the stadium the overall Spanish Renaissance architecture inside and out.

"We have room to complete the bowl by building seating in the four corners of the stadium," he said. "We want the east side entrance to match the design of the west and include a brick and stone wall around the field."

With a new look and more space, Myers hopes to increase recruiting to Tech.

"All people, including the team, students and the community should have pride in this facility," he said. "And with this, I think it will have a significant influence in our recruiting for the football program as well as the student body."

Chancellor Dr. David Smith said they plan to renovate the east side of the stadium and tie it into the rest of the campus' facade.

"The athletic department is part of the new view of the campus," he said. "We eventually want to do something with the east side of Jones. That's a business plan. We first want to generate people to put in the seats."

### STUDENT UNION BUILDING

The stadium is not the only facility on campus that will soon match up with universities across the nation. Montford's master plan also includes renovations to the Student Union, which are complete and will officially open on Oct. 2.

"We needed Montford's master plan," Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith said. "He put us in the position for growth. We're seeing a natural progression and investing in infrastructure. We're the only university in Texas that is ready to accommodate the huge growth of high school students in the state. I'm really proud that there have been no budget overruns, everything has gone as planned."

The project has been a long time in the works. It started 10 years ago when the university began conducting surveys among students. These portrayed what students thought would be best to have in the University Center, which it was called at the time.

The project has received its funding from two sources and was designed by Hardy, Holtzman, & Pfeiffer of New York. All the money has come from sales and services in the Student Union and from the student-implemented mandatory Student Union fee of \$58 per semester.

"It's a \$38-million project," Ellicott said. "The actual construction was \$28 million; the rest was used for design fees, furniture and asbestos abatement."

Students will get satisfaction knowing they made all of the new amenities possible.

"The students made the Student Union happen," Smith said. "It will be world-class and is one of our first doors to the university. It's often a first impression for future students and their families and we think it will be a great one."

The new building will house a 100-seat movie theater, student organization offices, the Barnes & Noble bookstore with a Starbucks, which opened

on Aug. 11, a new location for High Tech Computer Store, which opened on Aug. 18, and an unprecedented amount of space for students. When it is finished there will be about 10 square feet for each enrolled student.

There will be 66 cubicles for student organizations that register with the Student Government Association. These work centers will have access to computers, fax machines and other essential items.

SGA President Jeremy Brown said the new building is a place of pride.

"When you see the Double Ts (inlaid in the tile floors) it makes me beam with pride," Brown said. "The best thing is that it's all from student money and it's paid for by us - it really is our building."

### MARSHA SHARP CENTER

Come Nov. 17, Tech's student athletes will have a new place to congregate instead of their respective fields of play. On that day, the Marsha Sharp Center for Student Athletes will open the doors to its new \$3.6-million, 15,000-square-foot facility.

"When we were trying to put it together we were being investigated by the NCAA for poor academic compliance," Sharp said. "I thought we needed to make a statement by stressing academics. It will be great to give athletes the chance to do what we're really all about and that's getting degrees."

Ellicott said the facility will include an academic area with 27 tutor rooms, two classrooms, two computer labs and a quiet study area. It will also have space for the department of athletics administrators and a hall of honor for Academic All-Americans and Big 12 honorees.

The building will be used for many activities, including class.

"We will teach a 2-hour class for freshman scholarship athletes," Associate Athletic Director for Student Services John Anderson said. "It deals with the transition of becoming a college athlete from a high school one. We teach nutrition, dealing with the media, career resources and how to handle money."

Sharp, who has coached women's basketball at Tech for more than 20 years, has had the idea for years.

### EXPERIMENTAL SCIENCES BUILDING

Next October, Tech's life science departments will obtain a unique building to have at their disposal. Ellicott said it will be an extraordinary building when all is said and done.

"It will be 130,000 square feet with 40 research labs, a plant stress lab and a geographical information systems lab," Ellicott said. "There will also be a virtual reality

cave which is a computer based simulation room, along with a genomic lab for gene research."

Out of the 130,000 square feet, about one-fourth of that will be left empty and is referred to as shell space.

"With the extra space we will be able to customize it for certain research requirements, for instance the possible installation of a BSL 3 Lab, which would house fatal but curable diseases on our campus."

Smith said students should not worry about going to class near the building housed with diseases like the bubonic plague.

"There's no health risk involved," Smith said. "You can go to prairie dog town and get monkeypox or come across a field mouse and contract the hantavirus. There's more to be worried about outside a lab like that than inside it."

### ANIMAL AND FOOD SCIENCES BUILDING

In August 2004, animal sciences students will have a new facility. The new Animal and Food Sciences facility will open its doors next to the meat lab in the C-6 commuter lot.

"The 55,000-square foot building costs \$17 million," Ellicott said.

It will have faculty offices, departmental offices, three classrooms, one of which is fit for distance learning, teaching and research labs and a retail store that will sell meat and dairy products.

Students can take solace in the fact that some of their parking space is being replaced by the retail store.

"They have the best ribeyes in town, hands down," Ellicott said.

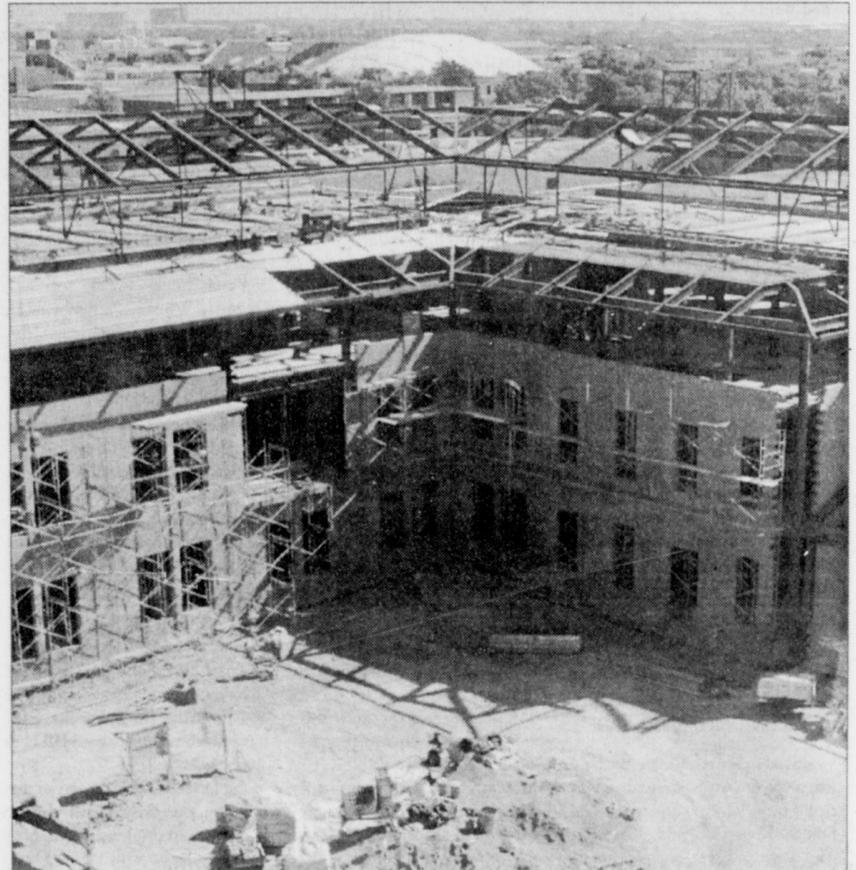
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CONSTRUCTION WORKERS BEGIN the finishing touches to the renovated Student Union building which is scheduled to open its new addition this fall.



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THE 130,000-SQUARE-foot Experimental Sciences building will open in October. It houses 40 research labs, a plant stress lab and a geographical information systems lab.

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# Band director aims to keep traditions alive

By Beth Aaron/Staff Reporter

Christopher Anderson plans to make every effort to keep the Goin' Band from Raiderland's well-known style intact. As Texas Tech's new director of bands, the music education professor from Stephen F. Austin University is in the perfect position to do just that.

"The biggest goal this year is ensuring the welfare of the Goin' Band so that from the outside looking in, it would seem like business as usual," he said. "I want the average citizen that sits in the stands to say, 'That's the Goin' Band. I recognize that.'"

Anderson said he was attracted to Tech because of the driven attitude of those in the music department, as well as the university's traditions.

"There are so many elements that are exciting about Tech," he said. "The thing that I'm most energized about is the desire for the students to have successful ensembles. They're all over the place; they're thirsty."

In addition to his love for music, Anderson also likes sports, making this job perfect for him.

"I have to be honest, though," he said. "Big 12 athletics—that's exciting too."

Nancy Cochran, music department chairwoman, was on the search committee that hired Anderson. Out of 60 candidates, she said Anderson was the unanimous choice

for the position. She discussed his enthusiastic mission of preservation.

"I know Christopher is very sensitive to the long-standing traditions at Tech, and I am confident that he will also add his personal touches to the band," Cochran said.

Anderson's job description includes overseeing the Goin' Band from Raiderland, and Tech's athletic bands and concert ensembles.

Music professor Cody Birdwell expects his colleague will have no problem handling the position.

"We're excited to have him here," Birdwell said. "We look forward to great things from the band this year."

Students involved in Tech's music program express similar excitement about their new leader and the year's events.

Charla Mayo, a sophomore music composition major from Nacogdoches, is a transfer student from Stephen F. Austin. Mayo worked with Anderson as a freshman and is happy to be working with him again.

"I have a world of respect for him," Mayo said. "He's extremely intelligent, enthusiastic and efficient. He's a great person, not just a great band director."

Anderson has been involved in music for most of his life. He took piano lessons as a child and took up the saxophone in high school. Occasionally, he still likes to play jazz.

"I got sucked into (music) in high school, and that was it," Anderson

said. "I'm a first-generation musician. No one in my family is musical."

He is not sure if he will pass the love of music on to his two children, both toddlers. His wife is not musical either, he said.

Jonathan Burkhard, a sophomore mechanical engineering major from Amarillo, said Anderson has a young, fresh attitude.

"He's almost like an old college kid," Burkhard said. "The general feeling is that everyone's pumped up again. He's a breath of fresh air."

Anderson displayed his enthusiasm by watching performance videotapes of the Goin' Band over the summer, Burkhard said.

"He watched old videotapes to clean up our shows," Burkhard said. "The amount of work he's done over the summer is incredible."

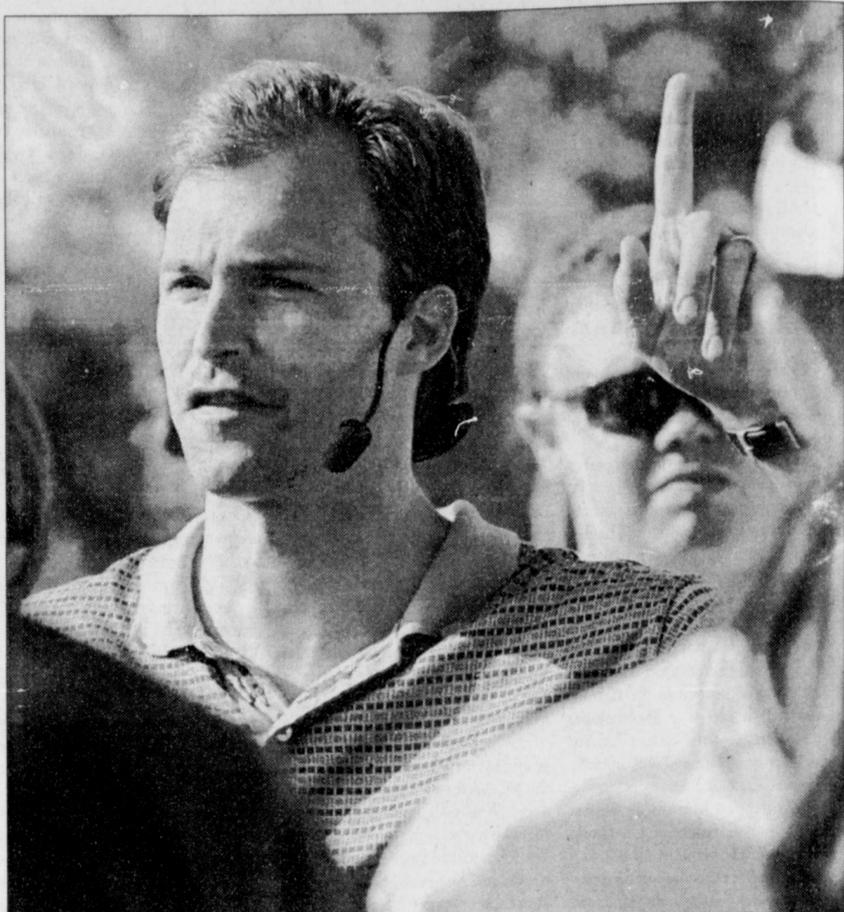
Anderson plans to not only work on preserving the reputation of Tech's marching ensemble, but also to raise the caliber of the program's concert ensembles by conducting the groups himself.

"The new thing is that this is the first time there will be two audition bands that both run all year," Anderson said.

Misty Williams, a junior music education major from Dumas, said that beyond marching season, she is looking forward to auditioning for spring ensemble.

"I hear he's really enthusiastic on the podium," Williams said.

Anderson expressed a desire to be equally involved in the two Greek organizations associated with the music department, Tau Beta Sigma and Kappa Kappa Psi, Williams said.



JENNA HANSEN/Photography Editor

CHRISTOPHER ANDERSON, THE new director of the Goin' Band from Raiderland, gives instructions last week during band practice at the band lot in preparation for Saturday's opening game against Southern Methodist University. Anderson is replacing Keith Bearden, who was a music professor at Tech for 23 years. Anderson will oversee the Goin' Band and Tech's athletic bands and concert ensembles.

## Soldiers

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was a stress reliever, especially when you are sitting around and do not know when you are going home," Robertson said. "The sun goes down and everyone goes out to

play stickball. It was the highlight of the day."

McDowell, said the worst thing about being in Iraq was the heat, wind and sandstorms.

"(Iraq) is 80 times worse than Lubbock. It was about 105 to 110 degrees in the shade, there was sand, sandstorms, your mouth would be

brown (from sand)," McDowell said. "Everyone complains about the heat and the wind (in Lubbock), but I have no complaints about Lubbock anymore."

McDowell and Huey agreed that the thing they missed most while in Iraq was cold drinking water. They had to come up with creative ways

to cool the water.

"If you pour (the water) on your hands to wash them, you wouldn't want to shower in that water, it's so hot," Huey said. "So, what we had to do was soak a sock in a bottle of water, and hang it out the window of the car was driving. It cools it down about 15 degrees."

Robertson said he is glad to be back in Lubbock and now he has more appreciation for day-to-day amenities like air conditioning.

"Since I've been back I've been more appreciative of everything," he said. "It's a little easier to handle situations now."

Huey said he has a new appre-

ciation for America since going to Iraq.

"It's given me a new perspective on everything. I have a new respect for America and what the people before our generation have done for our country," he said. "It made the world a little smaller, and it opened my eyes to different cultures."

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# EMERGING FROM THE SHADOW



After four years on the bench, quarterback B.J. Symons looks to prove he can replace Texas Tech record-setter Kliff Kingsbury

Story by David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter and  
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B.J. Symons wears a size 12 shoe. Kliff Kingsbury wears a 13.

Based on that alone, Symons would not be able to fill the shoes left behind by the career leading passer at Texas Tech. But don't let shoe size be the only determining factor.

His teammates have no worries that the senior can take over right where Kingsbury left off.

"(Symons) can read defenses, he can run, he can throw the ball deep," said offensive lineman E.J. Whitley. "Everyone just watch out."

Symons' experience may be another reason for opposing defenses to watch out, as the quarterback is no stranger to the Tech offense. Since his arrival at Tech four years ago he has been learning head coach Mike Leach's offensive system that led the nation in passing last season. Symons redshirted in 1999 then spent three years as the backup. That experience helped Symons get a feel for the system, and he said he is bursting at the seams for his chance to take the snaps. He compared the wait to pursuit of the opposite sex.

"It's sort of like chasing a girl that you really, really like for a long time and she never really gives you a chance," he said.

Symons waited it out. Now he has his chance. He has one year to make a name for himself, however, he said he plans on taking full advantage of that.

"I got one year," he said. "I know I got one year, and I'm going to make the most of it."

Symons threw for 329 yards last season, seeing limited action in nine games. He completed 28 of 43 passes for a percentage of .651 and also threw five touchdowns during

his junior campaign.

Although his numbers could be enough to prove he can do the job, Whitley said people still doubt him. He said Symons will prove the critics wrong.

"Just watch and you'll see what B.J. can do," he said. "He's not a joke. He's not a Division I quarterback for no reason. He didn't get a scholarship for no reason."

Symons' receivers have faith in him as well. Senior Wes Welker said Kingsbury is an after thought, and it is Symons running the show now.

"I think Kliff's already in the past," he said. "We talk to him every now and then, but B.J.'s our man right now, and he's getting it done."

Whitley said Symons would play a major part in proving the Raiders are not a total joke either this season.

"Basically we just got to get some Ws and show people we're for real," he said. "A lot of people think we're a joke because we lost Kliff, but they ain't seen B.J."

Whitley also said because Symons performed his job as a backup so well, he should step into the limelight without any problems because he has the talent to have

been starting under center his entire career.

"I think B.J. by far was the best backup a Division I college football team could have because he could have started on any team from his sophomore year on," he said.

Welker said Symons has always had a fire in his belly, and he also said he knows Symons has wanted the chance to lead the Raiders into battle for quite some time.

"He's a competitor, and he's always been ready to play," Welker said. "You could see it in his eyes when he was on the sideline. He was always ready, and it's his year to shine."

Symons indicated that the wait on the sideline made him the quarterback he is today, and he credits his success to his experience as No. 2 on the depth chart.

"I've had to sit back for four years and observe and take everything in," he said. "But it's sort of given me a higher level of gratefulness that I'm in this position. You realize not everything works out the way you had planned. I definitely didn't plan on sitting on the bench for four years before I got to start, nobody does. But it's helped build my character as a person. I think it's made it to the point where I relish the opportunity that I do have this year."

The innovator of Tech's offense, Leach, said Symons could blossom because of his time as a backup, and he's seen it happen before.

"I think it helped him a lot," he said. "You don't always get that luxury. When it's happened in the past, it's worked. Steve Young (Former San Francisco 49er) is a good example."

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— E.J. WHITLEY  
Texas Tech Sophomore  
Offensive Lineman



# Piercing predictions not phasing Tech

By David Wiechmann/  
Staff Reporter

Coach of the Year."

His coaching staff was voted 10th in the conference by the same magazine this season. His reaction — "Oh, wow."

The Raiders are not letting any preseason rankings get to them, though. Quarterback B.J. Symons knows those are preseason predictions, and he said he believes the team can prove a lot of people wrong.

"We take all those things in stride," he said. "We won nine games last year; we played nine bowl-eligible teams. It is disappointing we don't get any credit, but that's why they're preseason rankings."

Symons said the team is ready for action and the goal is to win one game a week and not to look down the schedule.

"If we don't win nine games this season it is going to be a little disappointing," he said. "But we're just going to take it one game at a time."

Tech's schedule last season was the second hardest in the nation, and this season it remains among the toughest. The Raiders play basically the same schedule as last year, minus national champion Ohio State, but the locations of the games change.

Tech faces Mississippi and North Carolina State in non-conference road games this season and both teams feature possible Heisman Trophy candidates in Ole Miss quarterback Eli Man-

ning and N.C. State quarterback Philip Rivers.

Playing two Heisman candidates on the road does not seem to frighten the Raiders at all. In fact, some of them said they are looking forward to hitting the road.

"I'm very excited about our road games because our offense is veteran," Whitley said. "We're going to go out there with fire and show people we came to play."

The offense returns nine of its starters from last season's unit. The only losses are quarterback Kliff Kingsbury, receiver Anton Paige and lineman Rex Richards. Richards and Paige both missed time last season because of injuries, so people taking their places saw a lot of playing time in 2002.

Leach pointed out that most of the receiving corps is made up of seniors who have been starting since their freshman seasons.

The Raiders are also looking to repeat as the kings of Texas by being the only team in the conference to beat all the teams from the Lone Star State on its schedule. Repeating that feat will prove difficult, but receiver Wes Welker said the Raiders are going to burst out of the gates this season and not be happy with anything less than wins.

"We plan to go out and compete in every game and win every game," he said. "And we won't be satisfied unless we do that."

## 2003 Texas Tech Schedule



DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
9/6	New Mexico	6 p.m.
9/20	at NC State	TBA
9/27	at Mississippi	TBA
10/4	Texas A&M	6 p.m.
10/11	*Iowa State	6 p.m.
10/18	at Okla. State	TBA
10/25	Missouri	TBA
11/1	Colorado	1 p.m.
11/8	at Baylor	2 p.m.
11/15	at Texas	TBA
11/22	Oklahoma	1 p.m.

\* Homecoming Game



The Texas Tech Red Raiders are no strangers to being underestimated in the preseason. This year was no different for the football team, and some players said it does not bother them because it happens every year.

"This program has been fighting for respect since before I came here," said junior offensive lineman E.J. Whitley. "So we're just going to have to take it and make people respect us."

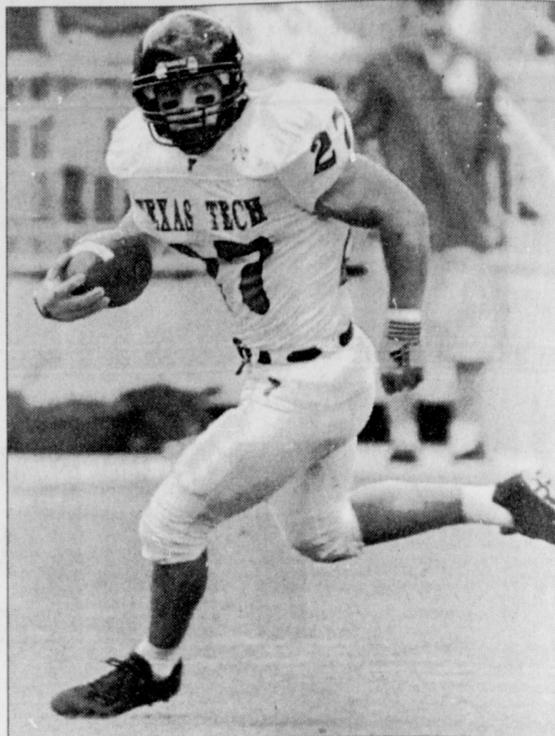
After a 9-5 season last year and a commanding victory against Clemson in the Tangerine Bowl, the Raiders find themselves off the radar of teams to watch in 2003.

Sports Illustrated ranks Tech 74th in the nation in its season preview issue, and head coach Mike Leach said he finds that surprising.

"Some of the greatest sports minds there are put us around 75th, so they must think we're not very good," he said. "But whatever they think is probably how it is."

Leach's high-powered offense that finished first in the nation for yardage last year was ranked ninth in the conference by the Sporting News this preseason. Upon learning that, Leach said he may have lost some feelings for the magazine.

"I used to like those Sporting News guys," he said. "They voted me Big 12



FILE PHOTO/University Daily

SENIOR WES WELKER returns to lead an offense that ranked first in the nation in passing yards, passing attempts and completions. Last season Welker had 1,054 yards receiving to lead the Red Raiders.

# Soccer team attempting to use one word to inspire improvement

By Joey Kirk/Staff Reporter



JENNA HANSEN/Photography Editor

MEMBERS OF THE Texas Tech soccer team practice in preparation for the team's road games against SMU and TCU this weekend. Tech is trying to improve from last season's 2-17 overall record and 0-10 conference record.

If there is one thing that not only remains in their minds, but graces the back of their shirts, it is the word commitment.

The Texas Tech soccer team wants to stay dedicated to excellence, each other and the memory of a fallen player.

After ending the season with an overall 2-17 record (0-10 in Big 12 Conference games), senior midfielder Kerri Campbell from Duncanville said she wants to end on a good note as her last year with the Tech soccer team.

"I really want my last season here to be good," she said. "The past few seasons I have played, we have obviously had more of a losing record and I feel good about the players we have here."

Coach Felix Oskam said problems arose from two different areas last season, and they hope to beat those obstacles this year.

"Last year, we weren't very strong mentally and physically, we weren't in the best of shape," he said. "But during our spring training, we worked on those things and we just have to get our confidence level back up."

Three seniors on the team including defender Tiana Boyea from Plano, forward Catie Arsenault of Keller and Campbell, all share duties of being captain.

Arsenault has noticed a significant change among the players from the previous year.

"Our morale is better, and we seem to look better on the field," she said. "We can't focus on what happened last year. It's a new season, and we have to start all over and fix everything that went wrong in the past."

Injuries prior to the season are already a problem the squad has faced. Before the preseason began, Oskam said he knew some of the players were hurt but it began to affect the entire team.

"A couple of players had surgery and are still recovering while one had broken her ankle," he said. "Then in the preseason, they worked really hard then started to get nicks and groin injuries, knee problems, then it started to snowball from there."

Jenna Wetzel, a freshman midfielder from Fort Collins, Colo., suffered from a broke ankle two to three weeks prior to preseason causing an unfortunate setback, Oskam said.

"I expect her to see a lot of playing time and she was going to start for us," he said. "But because of the injury, I am hoping that we get her back for the Southern Methodist University and Texas Christian University road trip this weekend."

Oskam said another freshman, Meghan Blume, a defender from Sammamish, Wash., is recovering from ankle surgery that she had in February 2003.

"She is not 100 percent as of right now but she is practicing with the team getting ready for the season,"

he said.

Without dwelling on the past, Allison Seifert, a junior defender from Albuquerque, N.M., said the team has to keep a positive attitude.

"We have to play our hardest and not look at the past because we have to take each game at a time," she said.

As a true freshman, Blume has not had the chance to experience college soccer and place it side by side to other seasons.

"I can't compare it to anything because I haven't had the opportunity to play in college other than preseason," she said. "I know that we need to keep the intensity up and put wins on the board. We have to look to the future, not too far ahead and not too far in the past."

Oskam said the goal every year is to reach the Big 12 Conference championships but improving from last year is their main focus.

"I think that it is important to get a win under our belt at home and our non-conference schedule shows tough opponents but I feel we have a good resolve against some of them," he said. "Being able to win more than two games is a step up from last year but we always shoot higher than that."

With a smaller number of players, Oskam said there is more diversity in age on the team from previous seasons.

"We have a very good balance of freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors," he said. "Last year, we had one senior and the rest were freshmen. The balance and the chemistry of this team are very good."

Younger players are also a big advantage to the success of the team, Oskam said.

"Freshman forward, Jennifer Vasquez of San Antonio, is showing good signs and speed aggressiveness," he said. "Lindsey Duke, Stephanie Colbert and Lindsay

McMahon all worked the hardest over the summer after not getting to play much last season."

Duke, a forward from Lubbock, and McMahon, a defender from Arlington, both were red shirted last season and will begin this year as freshmen. Colbert is a sophomore defender of Lubbock.

Two sophomore players are competing from the starting position of goalkeeper. Megan Knass, of Tigard, Oreg., and Beth Lippert, from Woodinville, Wash., both saw playing time last year, Oskam said.

"They have a year under their belt and they've seen the opposition," he said. "There will be a fight between the two to see who plays but we might split the games up equally. It just depends a couple of days before the season starts."

With the shirts adorned with the word, "commitment" on the back, Oskam said the coaches decided on that phrase for a reason.

"We wanted to make a difference," he said. "Commitment is what it takes and with a commitment to the program, players deserve to get to play the game."

Campbell said dedication is what it takes to be successful.

"We made a pact to stick with it and do whatever it takes," she said. "We have to be willing to make sacrifices and keep a positive attitude."

In March, a member of the soccer team, Allison Horn, a freshman defender from Colleyville, was killed in a car accident and in memory of her, the team is dedicating this season to her.

"There was no question to it," Oskam said. "We all agreed to commit our season to her memory because she was part of our team and we want to keep her with us."

The Lady Raider's soccer team will return to R.P. Fuller Stadium at 1 p.m. Sept. 28 to host Kansas.

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# OLD SCHOOL COMEBACK

New defensive coordinator, Lyle Setencich, brings his smash-mouth defensive scheme to Raiderland

By David Wiechmann/  
Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech Red Raiders will have a bit of a new look on defense this season.

With the hiring of defensive coordinator Lyle Setencich in the off season, the Swarm D will feature more aggressive blitz attack packages than it did under Greg McMackin, and the players are already falling in love with Setencich's smash-mouth football approach.

"I love it," said linebacker John Saldi. "We're blitzing a lot more, and it frees us up a bit more to where we can react to the offense and play with what they give us."

More blitz packages make Saldi's partner in crime Mike Smith smile, too.

"I love blitzing. I'd blitz every play if I could," he said.

Setencich comes to Tech from California. In his third season with the Golden Bears he had taken the No. 10 defense in the Pacific Athletic Conference 10 to the top of the league.

With a reputation of turning around defenses preceding him, Raider faithful may have high hopes for the defense with Setencich in charge.

Safety Ryan Aycock said he knew there was something special about Setencich the first time they met.

"He told me, 'We're going to be a mean, tough, kick-ass defense,'" Aycock said. "And I was thinking I already like this guy. I like how he

looks at things already; it made me want to say, 'let's go.'"

Setencich will be the first to tell you he comes from the old school, too and he knows it works.

"Most of us are brought up in a system over the years, and when you're an old guy like I am you've been doing the same thing for 25 years," he said.

He knows his defense works because he recalled shutting down a Nebraska team that had won 30 games in a row. Setencich said his defense shutout the Cornhuskers and held

them to 180 yards. He also has been in games in the PAC 10 where his defense out-scored the offense.

"That's the goal that you set. That's what you want to be like," he said. "How fast we can get there this year

with this group, we don't know."

Aycock said he likes the new system because it puts the defense in the best possible situation to put Tech's high-powered offense back on the field.

"It's awesome because coach Setencich is such a smart, intelligent man," he said. "He gets us in the right defensive calls for the right personnel. It's up to us after that to just play."

Setencich said that is necessary in the way offenses run in today's football era.

"I think that's imperative today," he said. "Offenses play by personnel groups, and you have to play defense in personnel groups."

Training camp did not treat some



JENNA HANSEN/Staff Photographer

NEW TEXAS TECH defensive coordinator Lyle Setencich, left, works on a drill with Red Raider linebacker Jeremy Woods during practice last week. He helped build the Cal defense from 1997 to 2001.

of the defensive players very well, and some starters were questionable the season opener. Aycock said if the players and Setencich did not have faith in those who would play they wouldn't be.

"The new guys learned quick and

really stepped it up, and we'll have few new guys starting on defense," he said. "But when they're out playing on Saturday they're not considered new anymore. They're considered the Texas Tech defense. So, if they're out there, they better be ready to go."

If the Red Raider defensive players didn't like him based on his idea of kicking butt and taking names, Setencich's old school motto should be the bait that gets them hooked.

"(We want to) hold them to one less point than our offense scores," he said.

## Florida football becomes more competitive

TAMPA, Fla. (AP)— The race to become Florida's next great college football program is on.

South Florida, Central Florida and Florida A&M have aspirations to join Miami, Florida and Florida State among the nation's elite and see no reason why they shouldn't one day be as successful as the Hurricanes, Gators and Seminoles.

"Who knows? When I was in high school ... Miami wasn't what Miami is today, Florida State wasn't what they are today, Florida wasn't what they are today," South Florida coach Jim Leavitt said.

"So who knows what can happen over a period of time? I don't know how many years it takes, and I don't know if those things are possible or not. I think they are, though, and I think we have a shot. We'll just keep working and see."

Leavitt launched USF's rapidly growing program from scratch in 1997, and the Bulls are entering their third season in Division I-A, and first as a member of Conference USA.

South Florida opens its season Saturday at Alabama in Mike Shula's first game as Crimson Tide head coach.

Central Florida has positioned itself to push for prominence, too, as a member of the Mid-American Conference and by finishing a new \$7 million, football-only training facility.

The Golden Knights also have a high-profile opener on Sunday at No. 9 Virginia Tech.

Both schools are considered potential targets for future expansion by major conferences such as the Big East, which will lose Miami and Virginia Tech after this season.

"Everybody's asking questions about this crazy conference thing, and our name is being thrown around," UCF coach Mike Kruczek said.

"I think the gratification of that is that the program's come this far in 25 years, to that a BCS-quality conference would talk about UCF.

Having the facility already done and whatnot just adds to the visibility of the program down the road."

## Texas' Benson aims for consistent season

AUSTIN (AP)— For most running backs, rushing for nearly 1,300 yards on an 11-2 team would be a heck of a season.

For Texas' Cedric Benson, 2002 was a season of frustration, full of aches and pains and the sinking suspicion that his teammates, coaches and Texas fans questioned his ability.

The new season, which kicks off Sunday night against New Mexico State, is a chance to put all that behind him.

"It was up one week, down the next," Benson said Monday, describing the kind of roller-coaster season when he would run for 49 yards against North Texas one week and 208 against North Carolina the next.

"It was crazy," he said. "I just couldn't get the ball rolling and stay in the groove."

Benson struggled partly because of nagging toe and rib injuries and an offensive line that was often powerless to move the line of scrimmage. Though he gained 1,293 yards and scored 12 touchdowns, Texas' 3.45 yards-per-carry average as a team was its lowest since 1988.

After setting a UT freshman record with 1,053 yards in 2001, Benson's sophomore season was expected to rank among the school's all-time best.

Statistically it did. He had the sixth-best rushing season in school

history in a record book dominated by Ricky Williams and Earl Campbell. But it lacked the fireworks of those players' best seasons and Benson failed to crack 100 yards over the final five games.

At times, he couldn't even stay on the field.

Al-ways a grinder, Benson fought through the injuries but seemed a step slower getting to the line of scrimmage. The coaching staff sometimes turned to Selvin Young to bring a quicker dimension to the offense.

Twice last season, Young had more yards than Benson in Texas wins.

"There would be games where I'd get rolling and get pulled out. You don't want to get pulled out when you're rolling, you want to stay in," said Benson, who acknowledges he didn't discuss his concern with his coaches.

"I'm sure they (the coaches) had expectations themselves for me and I guess when I didn't meet their expectations they kind of turned their heads and started second-guessing."

Texas coach Mack Brown has said

the coaching staff didn't know how banged up Benson was last season until the media told him what Benson had told reporters.

"If anything," Brown said Monday, "Cedric gained respect last year

because he played hurt. A lot of guys won't do that."

Senior wide receiver Roy Williams said he could see that something was wrong last year.

"I know how he can run. I played against him in high school," Williams said. "Last year just wasn't the Benson I knew. He still had 1,300 yards. If he was the guy that I knew, he would have had 1,800 or 1,900."

By all accounts, Benson is healthy this year. He cut short his minor-league baseball commitment with the Los Angeles Dodgers this summer to train for football. He's up to about 220 pounds, about 15 pounds heavier than last year, and says he's "bigger, faster, stronger" than ever.

"I'm working harder than I ever have," Benson said. Reviews of his performance in fall practice have been nothing short of spectacular.

Brown has a hint of sarcasm as he chuckles at suggestions Benson had a down year last season.

"He has a tremendous amount of pride," Brown said. "I believe he's the only back in our history to gain 1,000 yards or more for two years in a row. That's unbelievable and we're wondering what's wrong with him."

Benson says his only expectations for himself and No. 5 Texas this season are to win every week. He won't talk about personal goals.



Here is a comparison of Texas Tech's 2002 defense to Setencich's best defense at University of California in 1999.

TECH	NCAA	CAL
31	POINTS	27
240	PASSING YPG	235
164	RUSHING YPG	117
29	SACKS	52

**SETENCICH FILE**

- Lyle Setencich was the defensive coordinator at California from 1997-2001. In 1996 the Cal defense ranked last in the Pac 10 Conference. In Setencich's third year the 1999 defense finished first in the Pac 10.
- He started his collegiate career as the defensive coordinator at Boise State in 1979.
- He gave Tech head coach Mike Leach his first collegiate coaching job in 1987 at Cal Poly SLO. Leach was the offensive line coach under Setencich for one season.
- He was a two-year letterman at Fresno State from 1966-68.
- He helped coach Arizona State to the Rose Bowl in 1997.

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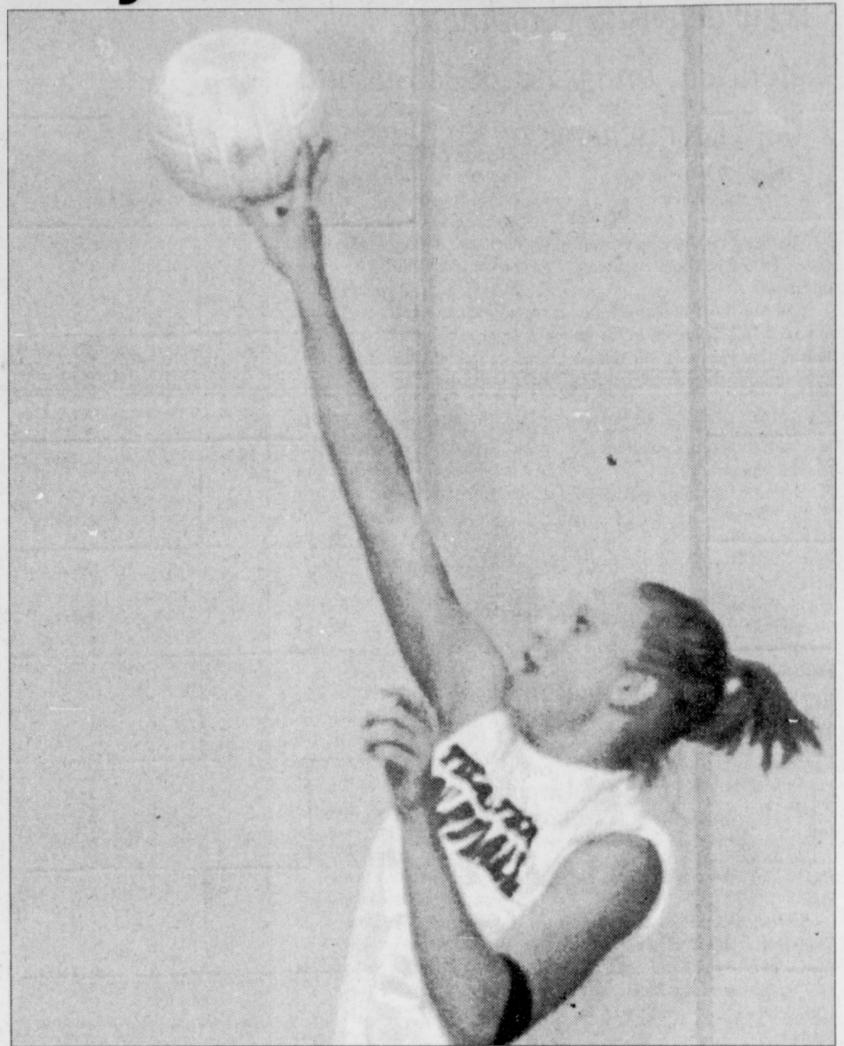
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# Senior volleyballer ready for court action

**STANDING TALL:** Outside hitter Mooney prepared to take the lead for final season.



TEXAS TECH OUTSIDE hitter Angela Mooney serves the ball at practice last week in the United Spirit Arena. Mooney, the only senior on the team, is ready to take a leadership role with the Lady Raiders.

By Jason Lenz/Staff Reporter

Angela Mooney, a senior outside hitter for the Texas Tech volleyball team, knows the benefits of being a quick study.

Mooney said she began her high school career as a basketball player at Monterey High School in Lubbock, but she was introduced to club volleyball by then Tech head coach Jeff Nelson. It was rough going at first, she said, but she caught on quickly.

"I really wasn't that good," she said. "I had athletic ability, but I wasn't skilled. I just worked hard, and I caught on really fast. The more I caught on, the more fun it was and the more I wanted to work hard to make (volleyball) my primary sport instead of basketball."

Today, the once unskilled Mooney is the only senior on the Tech squad.

She said pitching tent in the Red Raider camp was an easy decision to make, since her club coaches in high school were also coaches at Tech.

"I just knew that it was going to be an easy transition for me," she

said. "And (Tech) is in the Big 12 (Conference), and my family is here, and they're really important to me. It was just an easy transition and a great opportunity, so I jumped on it."

As the oldest member of a team with relatively limited playing experience, Mooney said she understands her role is different.

"I know I'm going to have to be a leader for sure, but I think the way I'm going to lead is through my play, not so much by what I say. It's not going to be how I talk on the

court, but my aggressiveness and intensity are going to be leading factors for me. When people see how intense I'm going to be, they're going to feed off that."

Junior outside hitter Kelly Johnson has spent two seasons with Mooney.

She said it's a comfort to know Mooney is playing on the other side of the court.

"It's reassuring," Johnson said. "She's got incredible athletic ability, and she's a good leader ... it's going to be different without her next year."

Intense is a word used com-

monly when describing Mooney's game time demeanor. Johnson said she has a take-charge attitude.

"She's really intense," Johnson said. "If something isn't going right, she'll get in your face and get things rolling. She puts a lot of pressure on herself, and she should. At the same time, when things are rolling, she's really fun to play with."

Nancy Todd, first-year head coach, said she has always been impressed with Mooney's natural leadership.

"She's an excellent leader, she's an aggressive player and she's an excellent role model," Todd said. "She's doing it, but I think she doesn't know she's doing it."

One of the players who said she has looked up to Mooney is sophomore Bre Pursley.

"I think everyone looks up to her on the court," she said. "She's one of our strongest hitters; she can pass and serve. We need her out there. I know I look up to her personally."

Mooney is not simply a leader on the court though, Todd said.

"On the court, she can do all the skills in an aggressive way," she said. "She gets done what needs to get done. She stays focused on the task at hand. She works hard in the weight room; she works hard in school, just all-around."

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— NANCY TODD  
Head Coach

## Volleyball team optimistic despite limited experience

By Jason Lenz/Staff Reporter

Like a caterpillar becoming a butterfly or a frog becoming a handsome prince, the Texas Tech volleyball team is ready for one thing this season: change.

After spending eight years at the helm of the Red Raiders, Jeff Nelson resigned to take a position at the University of San Francisco. Assistant coach Nancy Todd now takes the whistle for her first season as head coach.

Senior outside hitter Angela Mooney is the team is anxious to get things started.

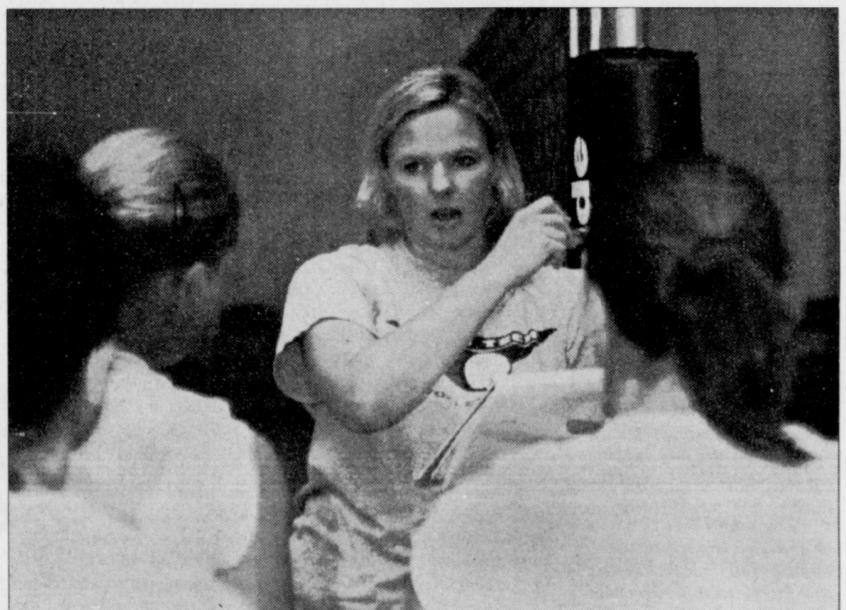
"People are really fired up and ready to work right now, just because it's a new thing," she said. "Everybody's excited about something new."

The attitude in practice is different, Todd said, and the team is motivated by the change of surroundings.

"(There is) a different atmosphere, different people and things like that," she said. "It's just new. When something is new, you're motivated by it."

Another key to the success of Todd's coaching staff this season is going to be the amount of respect Todd commands, said junior outside hitter Kelly Johnson.

"It's not as stressful," she said. "But at the same time, they make it very intense. It's also nice playing for someone I respect so much. I respect (Todd) on so many levels. I respect her as a coach; I respect her as a parent; I respect her as a role model. That makes it really easy to play hard for some-



TEXAS TECH HEAD volleyball coach Nancy Todd talks to her players last week during practice at the United Spirit Arena. The Lady Raiders started their season Friday at the Inlander Tournament in Corpus Christi. Their first non-tournament game is Sept. 9 at the University of Texas at El Paso, and the team starts Big 12 play Sept. 17 at the University of Colorado.

body like that."

Though Mooney is the only returning senior on the squad, the Raiders return 10 players from last year's roster. Mooney said, however, that many of those players are still inexperienced.

"Because of injuries and redshirting last year, a lot of the players didn't get

into the games last year," she said. "Sure they got a lot of practice time, which is good, but when it comes down to actual game experience, we're going to have maybe four people coming in to play who maybe played in a couple of games for us last year. We are young; we are inexperienced ... but practice has been real intense, and

team hasn't slowed down at all so hopefully when we get into a game, we won't have that issue either."

Among the returners who saw limited playing time last year is sophomore outside hitter Bre Pursley. She said the Raiders have no reason not to perform well this season.

"I think we can go out there and play well, like we know we can," she said. "We've been working hard over the summer."

Joining the returners are three newcomers. Freshman Raven Garrett said although she is one of the new kids on block, she believes the team is coming together.

"I think the team is gelling really well, especially since we have 10 returning players..." she said. "I feel like I'm part of the team and not just hanging out on the side."

Last season, the Raiders fell shy of a berth in the NCAA Tournament. This season, however, they are a team on a mission, junior setter Laura Grote said.

"We're going to make it to the NCAA Tournament, and we're going to make it past the first round," she said. "In the Big 12, a lot of teams have had their big hitters or their awesome setters graduate. It's pretty much anyone's game right now."

Pursley has an even more ambitious prediction for the season. "I plan on making the (NCAA) Tournament and making it all the way through," she said. "It's a high goal, but we can reach it, if we play like we can."

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A WATER HAZARD surrounded by three sand traps is a deterrent for shots at the Jerry S. Rawls Golf Course. The course features 96 sand bunkers on its 7,207-yard layout. The facility opened to the public Monday.

# T TEE TIME

The state-of-the-art Jerry S. Rawls Red Raider Golf Course opened to the public Monday as it offers a different blend of golf in the South Plains

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter and photos by Jenna Hansen/Photo Editor

After playing the waiting game this summer, the Jerry S. Rawls Red Raider Golf Course is ready for action, and the Texas Tech golf coaches are looking forward to their new facility.

"I think it's a great thing for the university, and I think it's a great thing for the city of Lubbock," said women's golf coach Stacey Totman. "It's going to obviously enhance our ability as coaches to work different shots than we were able to work with our practice facility before. We have the finest practice facility there is."

Men's coach Greg Sands said the course is a step in the right direction and a sign of commitment from the Athletics Department.

"With everything going on at Tech, it's rewarding for the smaller sports because it's nice to see that commitment right across the board to have good sports when it's golf or football," he said. "We don't have a ton of sports here at Tech, but what we're trying to do is have a good program in every sport we do."

Totman said she is glad to see the golf programs moving up in the world of golf to become more competitive and make a name for Texas Tech.

"For me it's doubly nice because I used to play here back in the early 90s," she said. "So it's just really great to see the movement of the program and the full programs we're going to be able to have with from where we've come when I was playing to where we are now with this facility. It's going to be awesome."

Athletic Director Gerald Myers said the commitment to building the golf course could not be done without the man whose name it bears.

"We dreamed about (this course)," he said. "We had plans and hopes of what would happen, but we didn't have any idea at one point that we had an alum out there willing to make a donation of \$8.5 million to make this possible. Because I don't think we would have had the funds to build a golf course of this caliber in any other way than to have a gift from an alum."

What has impressed many is the design of the course. The Red Raider Golf Course was designed by the nation's No. 1 designer Tom Doak as a links style course from what was formerly a flat cotton field. Doak's design of Pacific Dunes in Oregon was named best new golf course in 2001.

Links courses are traditionally open with few trees in play and a plethora of deep bunkers. Tech's course has more than 90 bunkers,

many of them jutting into the fairways.

Another characteristic of links courses is undulations. Finding a flat lie in a fairway may prove difficult on every hole.

Managing Director Jack North said he finds it hard to believe how much Doak changed the landscape to build a championship golf course on a cotton field.

"I have been amazed at Tom Doak," he said. "I have been amazed, shocked and surprised in the amount of detail that went into this, painstaking. I think the finished product is well worth whatever went into it."

In a press release from Doak he said the Rawls Course has been his most challenging work yet.

"The design of the Red Raider course is probably the most complicated we've done to date," he said. "Starting with a flat cotton field, we had to create an entire landscape from scratch, and then build our golf holes around it."

Sands said he has a lot of respect for what Doak did with the design of the course because of the challenge it was.

"I can't imagine what he had to do to come up with a design like this," he said. "Someone would say, 'Oh, it's easy. You got nothing to start with. You can do whatever you want.' At the same time (at other places), if you've got the roll of the land you can picture a hole and how it's supposed to look. He had to just create every hole."

The course is going to benefit more than just the golf teams. North said there will be efforts to reach out to the Lubbock community through clinics, and students may have the opportunity to use the course for classes.

Free women's clinics will be conducted every Saturday, and North is calling Tuesday's "Tip Night" where teaching pro Leon Van Rensburg will give quick tips to participants on the driving range.

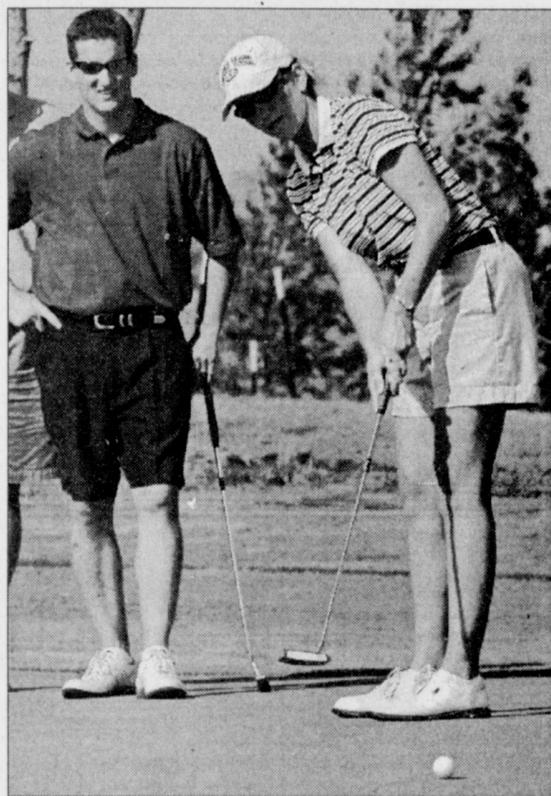
North also said four academic programs will benefit from the course along with the golf teams. The turf management program will be able to use the 268 acres for research or development to produce superintendents and landscape architects who know golf course management. The Rawls College of Business Administration is marketing the golf course. The restaurant hotel institutions management program will have labs at the course and help with catering events, and the sports science department will use the course for its golf classes.

North said it is a goal of his to do as much for the community as possible.

"We need to figure out a way to give back in a lot of ways," he said.

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Golf Course Architect



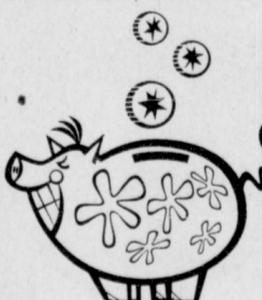
GREG SANDS, HEAD coach of the Texas Tech men's golf team, watches as Stacey Totman, head coach of Tech's women's golf team, putts on hole 8 of the Jerry S. Rawls Red Raider Golf Course. The green fee for students is \$27. A single person membership is \$2,500 per year. Full-time faculty and staff can receive a membership for \$2,250 per year, while full-time students pay \$700 per semester.

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# Summer blues quelled by hidden pleasures

I bet Tech quarterback B.J. Symons has a picture of Steve Young in his helmet.

Or maybe Symons has one of Young's cards or some of his stats from the retired quarterback's games with the San Francisco 49ers.

You would be surprised what you can find in the webbing of a football player's helmet. I know I certainly was.

When school let out last May I packed all my junk and descended on the destitute trail of dirt I like to call Texas Highway 385 on my way home to Odessa for what was hopefully my last summer back in the city that always sleeps.

I had no idea what I would find to do to occupy myself for three months before I got to come back to greener pastures and Cujo's mega mugs in Lub-

## Kyle Clark



bock.

As usual in mid May I was already itching for football season so when I heard that the local sporting goods shop was hiring people to repair area team's football helmets, I leaped at the opportunity.

I became a sturdy helmet technician at Odessa's downtown Athletic Supply Location. The pay wasn't great, the morning started early and I cut myself at least once a day, but just getting to be close to football helmets

made it almost worth it.

As I was saying earlier you'd be surprised what there is to be found in the webbing of a football helmet.

I would find stocking caps twisting into the helmet, but I expected to. It wasn't until my second week of work that I found a gummy bear lodged between a couple of pads that I knew tearing apart helmets was going to get interesting.

After that I regularly found condoms, women's underpants and other such risky items, which I figure had to be good luck charms. I mean who wouldn't play better with a Victoria's Secret thong plastered to their forehead.

Then there were the lineman's helmets, which almost always would contain some bit of left over food. French

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fries and candy seemed to be the most popular items. And they wonder why linemen have been dropping like flies in training camp.

The most serious players and stu-

dents of the game would have inspirational sayings scribbled into their padding or inspirational quotes from Vince Lombardi tucked under their webbing.

After tearing apart the helmets I had a bevy of other chores to do. First I would wash the webbing pads, ear pads and chinstraps. Then I take off the facemasks with my power drill and steam them and finally I would test the air pads to make sure there weren't any leaks.

As tedious as it all sounds it gave me a lot of time to daydream, which is one of my favorite things to do, which my GPA is a testimonial to.

At which times I usually wondered what the players I had spent covering the previous year had stuck in their helmets.

Steve Young sat cheerily on the 49ers bench for four years behind NFL

legend Joe Montana waiting patiently for his chance to show the 49er fans that he could steer the team's ship as steadily as Montana.

When Young was given his opportunity in 1991 he did not disappoint as he replaced and injured Montana and led the NFL with a 101.8 passer rating.

For three years B.J. Symons has sat waiting on the Tech bench watching comrade Kliff Kingsbury torch opposing defenses. Now Symons has his opportunity as Young did in 1991.

And I wouldn't be surprised if Young's card is perched inside Symon's helmet encouraging him to play like a champion.

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# Cousin-in-law Vinny can hack it, get the job finished

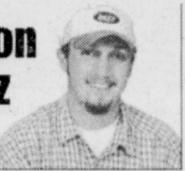
When I was just a wee lad, we received into our family a rather well-known addition. Although I've never really done the math, as far as I can see it, Vinny Testaverde is my cousin-in-law.

I've been a Testaverde fan ever since. I've followed his career from Tampa to Cleveland to Baltimore and finally to his hometown of New York.

Now Vinny is back in the spotlight. The young phenom Chad Pennington is hurt, and the soon to be 40-year-old Testaverde is leading the Jets again.

Not unlike many previous seasons, everyone is saying Vinny can't get the

## Jason Lenz



job done. Let's recap Vinny's career and see how the man with a paltry 39,558 career passing yards got to where he is today.

After winning the Heisman Trophy but losing the national title game as quarterback for the University of Miami, Vinny started his career in Tampa

in 1987. This was a time when simply visiting Tampa made you a worse football player. Steve Young was there for two seasons but turned pale like he saw a hurricane when he realized what he'd gotten himself into. Chris Chandler was a no name as a Buc, but he nearly won himself a Super Bowl in Atlanta.

Even the immortal Bo Jackson chose to play baseball in Kansas City rather than sign with the Bucs. Vinny, however, stayed in Tampa and had six miserable seasons.

When he went to Cleveland in 1993, everyone thought Vinny "Can't Hack It" Testaverde would live out the

remainder of his career in obscurity as a backup. Instead, he got the starting nod over Bernie Kosar and led the Browns to a playoff win against the Patriots. Then, Art Modell threw a hand grenade in the Browns' locker room and announced the team's move to Baltimore.

In Baltimore, Vinny "All Washed Up" Testaverde was given little to no respect. He responded with a 33 touchdown, 4,177-yard season and a trip to the Pro Bowl in 1996. The Ravens never made the playoffs though, and so Vinny decided to go to New York in 1998.

Having been born in Brooklyn, this was kind of a homecoming for Vinny. He would finally get to play in the Meadowlands, where he watched games as a kiddo growing up.

However, Vinny "Did you hear he's color blind?" Testaverde was made a backup yet again. It seemed as though this time Vinny was finished and deserved to be relegated to a backup role for the rest of his career.

Vinny responded by taking the Jets to the AFC Championship game. In 13 starts, he threw 29 touchdowns, only seven picks and 3,256 yards. The Jets lost the AFC title game to the Denver Broncos, who went on to win the whole shootin' match.

Now it's 2003, and we have everyone talking about Vinny again. This time everyone is convinced that Vinny "He's how old?" Testaverde is too far beyond his prime to lead the Jets.

A poll on Sports Illustrated's Web

site asked where the Jets were going this season with Pennington out. 83 percent said there would be no playoffs. Well, I guess ignorance is bliss.

Vinny is not finished. He does not want to enter the 40,000-yard club without a championship. I think Vinny himself put it best when he said there was a time when everyone thought the world was flat. If people don't think a 40-year-old quarterback can handle it, then let them wipe the egg off their faces when the fat lady sings.

Maligning Testaverde is nothing new, but it is a bad idea, for two reasons.

First, he will prove you wrong. Second, he's a 6 foot 5 inch, 235-pound Italian from Brooklyn.

Vinny's stats can be found at cbssportsline.com.

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## Tech's athletics gains new coaches

Texas Tech athletics feature some new faces this year, not only on the field of play, but also on the side coaching the action.

The Tech volleyball team has a new member in Mike Moffitt, who was hired by head coach Nancy Todd in July to complete her staff. Moffitt was a student assistant for the Red Raiders from 1998 to 2002 under former coach Jeff Nelson. Last season Moffitt was the director of volleyball at the All Saints Episcopal School in Lubbock.

Moffitt joins Doug Babington as Tech's assistant coaches for this season.

On the diamond the Red Raider softball team got a new addition when head coach Bobby Reeves hired Kellyn Tate as an assistant coach. Tate will take over for Dave Feinberg, who left the program.

Tate has experience with Tech as a graduate assistant for Academic Services. Tate also has experience with the sport of softball as she was a member of three Big 10 championship teams at Michi-

gan and played professionally for the WPSL Akron Racers.

Football also went through several changes last semester losing several of its 2002 coaches to other programs. Special teams coach Manny Matsakis left Tech

to become the head coach at Southwest Texas State, Art Briles left to become the head coach at Houston and defensive coordinator Greg McMackin left to become assistant head coach for the San Francisco 49ers.

Tech coach Mike Leach put together a staff that was completed for spring practice and began its first season together against SMU Saturday.

Bill Bedenbaugh was hired to coach the running backs, Johnny Barr was brought in to coach the safeties, Dave Brown was hired as defensive backs coach and Charlie Sadler was hired to coach the team's defensive ends. Leach also hired a new inside receiver's coach in Dana Holgorsen. Ruffin McNeill was promoted to assistant head coach and special teams coordinator.



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# Stargazing

*Stars and Stripes Drive-In brings classic movie culture back into style*

By Erica Gonzales/Staff Reporter and  
Photo Illustration by Frank Vaculin and Jenna Hansen

It was a flashback to the '60s for Doris and Richard Pirkle from Plainview as they pulled up to the Stars and Stripes Drive-In in their '33 red Chevy. For the Pirkles, this moment was reminiscent of their courting years at drive-in movie theaters.

The Stars and Stripes Drive-in movie theater is a new venue for movie-goers, located in north Lubbock on Clovis Hwy 84 between Quaker Avenue and Frankford Avenue.

The Pirkles were happy to see the drive-in theater, a famous recreation activity from their younger years, come to Lubbock. They were not the only people who were happy to see this new venue in Lubbock.

Ryan Smith, the owner of Stars and Stripes Drive-In theatre from Dallas, said he has received positive feedback from customers. "People were thanking me for building it," he said. "I am the one thanking them for watching."

Linda Smith, Ryan's mother and Stars and Stripes co-owner, said the box office opens at 7 p.m. and the movie starts at dark. Movies are shown daily Tuesday through Sunday and the movie selection changes every Friday. It is \$5 per person for everyone over the age of 5 and free for children under the age of 5.

Linda Smith said the entire family helped Ryan open up the drive-in theater.

"It's kind of like a dream come true," she said.

Ryan Smith was already familiar with the movie business before he opened up the drive-in theater. After graduating from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, he spent a summer working with his grandfather, who owns Lubbock's Showplace 6. That is when Ryan Smith realized he wanted to go into the movie business. He loved working every weekend with his grandfather and especially interacting with people every day. Smith's great-grandfather was responsible for opening the Sky-Vue Drive-in in Lamesa in 1948. And he said he knew people in Lubbock needed a drive-in.

"People will be surprised about how nice it is," he said.

The drive-in has an indoor café where people buy food and beverages or sit and have dinner.

The Stars and Stripes drive-in theater also sells his great-grandfather's trademark sandwich, The Chihuahua. The sandwich consists of two tostada shells, chili meat, cabbage and pimiento cheese.

Smith believes the drive-in theatre has been successful in attracting all types.

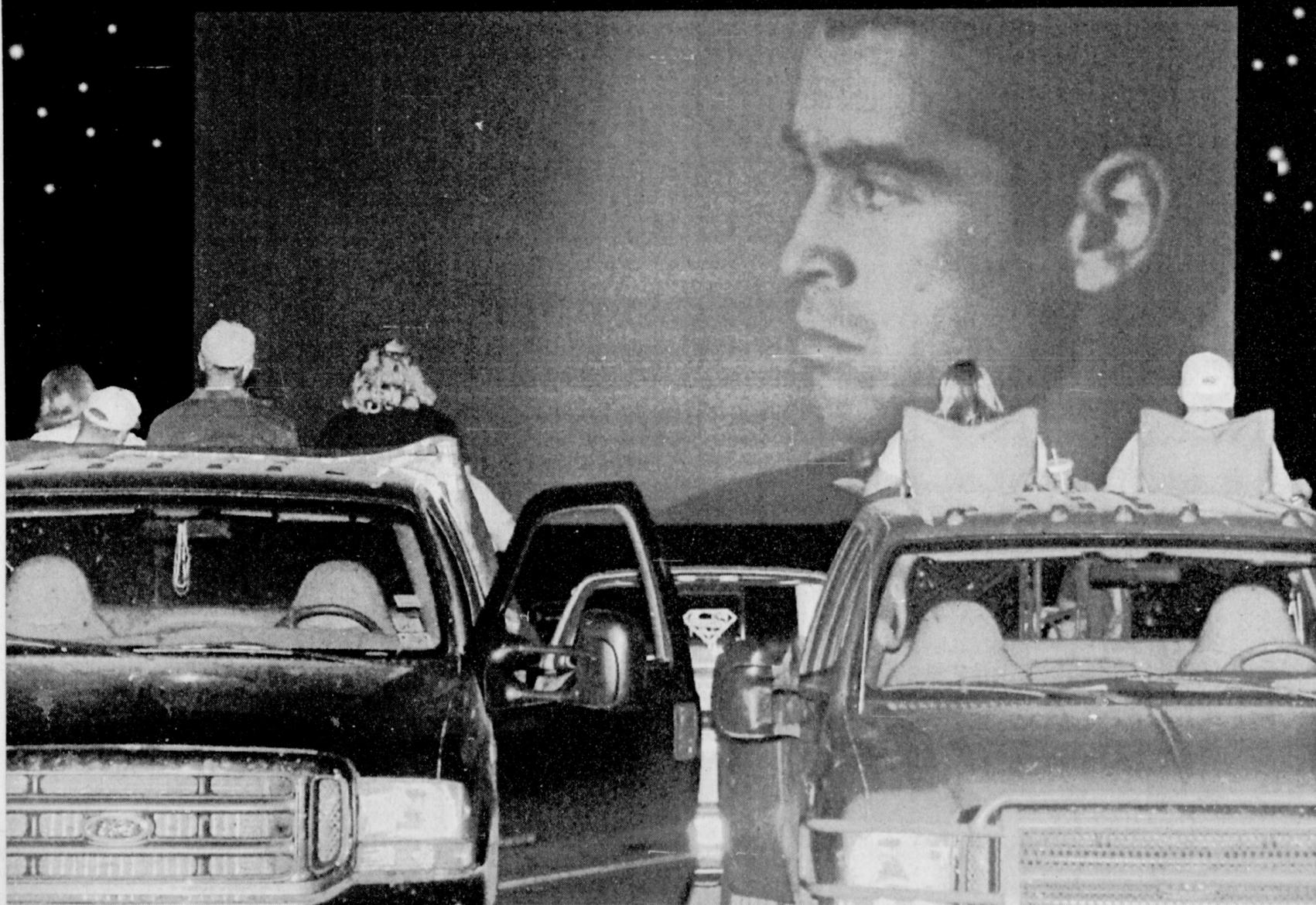
Tom Jackson, a Texas Tech alumni from Lubbock, said he believes the drive-in will attract people, particularly during weekends. He said it is a great idea, especially for summer nights, and might start a trend.

"Are they going to be profitable? Yes," he said. "Is it going to spur competition? Yes."

JaNan Grice, a senior English major from Dumas, heard about the drive-in through some friends and had to check it out. She came with her friends and viewed the movie in chairs on the bed of a truck.

"We have stadium seating in the back of our truck," she said.

She said she thinks the drive-in will be popular among Tech students, especially for dates. She said it is better and cheaper than going to a regular movie. Movie-goers are permitted to bring their own food and drink into the drive-in. Alcohol is not permitted.



# RED RAIDER E-HOOKUPS

Cupid is on the Web as RedRaidersSingles.com becomes Tech's new way of getting connected on the Net

By Nikki Siegrist/Staff Reporter

Cupid is now coming to a computer near you. Single students have a new way to meet prospective dates with RedRaiderSingles.com, a new online dating service created specifically for Texas Tech students, alumni and fans.

WhiteBuffaloVentures.com, an online company that creates dating services, sponsors the site and anticipates the online dating service and others like it to become a booming industry, CEO Brad Armstrong said.

In fact, Jupiter Research Projects, a research firm for the Internet industry and information technology, estimates that the 15 million Americans who use online dating sites will grow to 24 million in the next five years.

Tech is not the only school turning to the Internet to hook people up. University of Texas, Texas A&M, East Carolina University and Arizona State also have dating sites sponsored by WhiteBuffaloVentures.com.

"We're based out of Austin, so we launched a UT site and had Tech graduates say, 'Where's my site?' So we made them a site too," Armstrong said.

The universities did not fund the sites in any way and are not affiliated with these sites.

"We funded this out of pocket," Armstrong said. "It was just a bunch of entrepreneurs trying to pay bills."

Users of the site go online, create a username with a password and create a profile of themselves and what they are looking for.

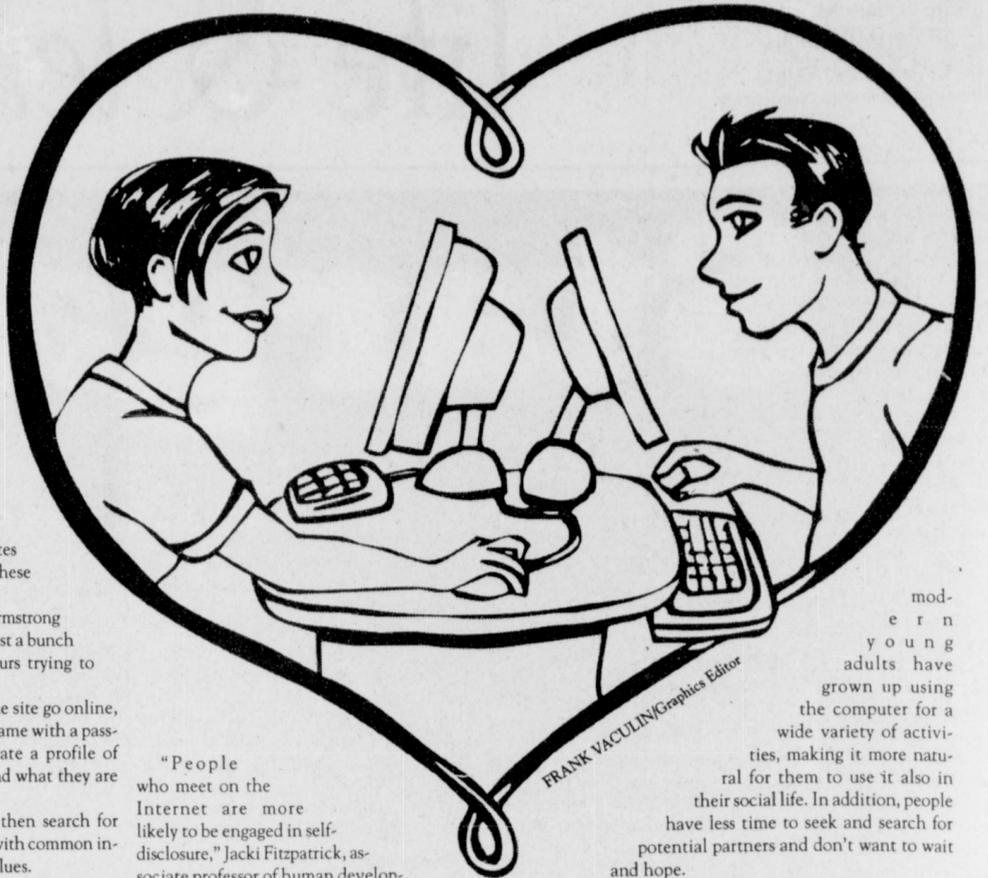
They can then search for other singles with common interests and values.

"People are communicating," Armstrong said. "It's being taken very seriously. The profiles are thoughtful and not flippant. Instead of meeting someone and thinking, 'He or she is cute, I wonder if we have anything in common,' you can think, 'Here's someone I have a lot in common with, I wonder if he's cute.'"

*"They reveal things about themselves that they might not be so inclined to do if they were meeting for the first time in person."*

— JACKI FITZPATRICK  
Associate Professor of Human Development and Family Studies

Researchers have some theories on the widespread use of online dating.



FRANK VACULIN/Graphics Editor

modern young adults have grown up using the computer for a wide variety of activities, making it more natural for them to use it also in their social life. In addition, people have less time to seek and search for potential partners and don't want to wait and hope.

Tech students have mixed feelings about using Internet dating services.

Kristina Buschow, a junior early childhood education major from Mineral Wells, said she might be interested in using RedRaiderSingles.com to meet other Tech students.

"I would, just to meet new people," she said. "The campus is very big and you don't get to meet everyone. You would also get to know more about them before you go on a date with them."

However, Buschow said she trusts her friends' judgment and would rather meet other singles through them, as they would be more inclined to choose someone she would get along with.

Brian Johnson, a graduate student studying psychology from Boise, Idaho, echoes Buschow's doubts but said he could see how it would be useful to other students.

"If you want to use that avenue," he said, "then it might work well for you."

Students wanting to use the site should log on to www.RedRaiderSingles.com, set up a profile, and then gain access to other profiles.

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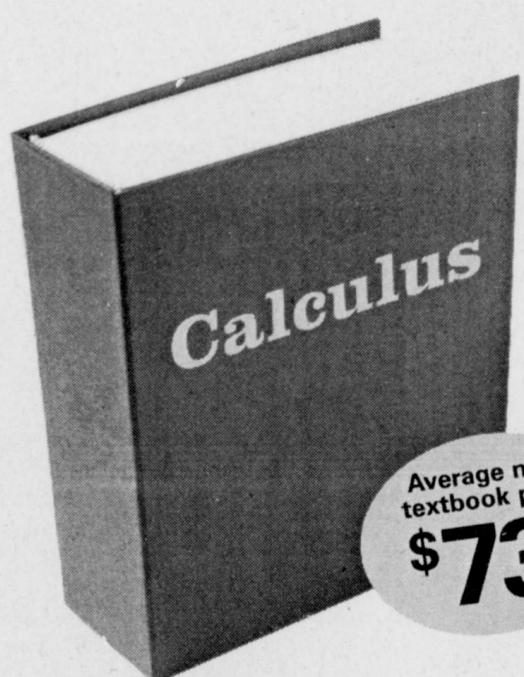
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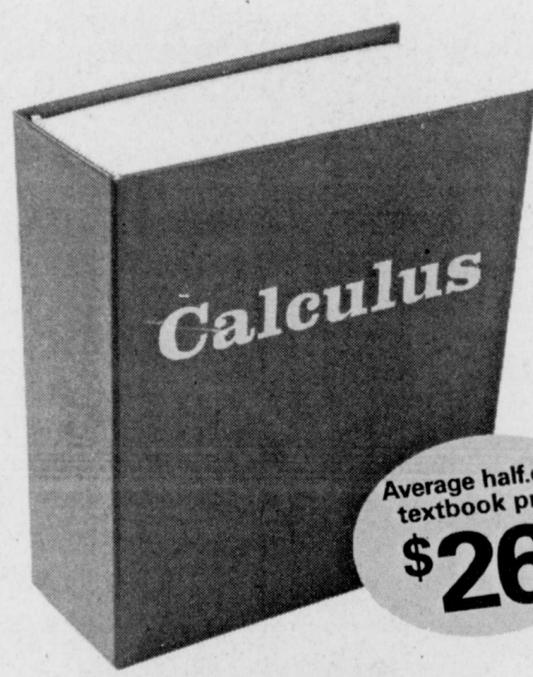
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# RaiderGate's new season breeds excitement

By Nikki Siegrist/Staff Reporter

Break out the barbecue grills and get ready for the biggest campus tailgate party in the country.

RaiderGate, a student-run tailgate party sponsored by the Student Government Association is held before each game in the R1 parking lot behind the Chemistry and Agriculture buildings. Gates open four hours before the game and close an hour and a half before kickoff.

"RaiderGate is a way to get students excited about the game," SGA President Jeremy Brown said. "I'm very excited about the new events we are going to be sponsoring."

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— JEREMY BROWN  
SGA President

Harvey is on the RaiderGate committee this year but still hopes to compete in the cook-off.

"I want to cook too," he said. "I want an apron."

This year the committee is going to try to get all those competing in the cook-off to line up in a row. Harvey said the judges will look for the food that stands out the most, and might divide into categories such as "Best Chicken" or "Best Beef."

"There are a lot of people competing, but you just see what everyone else is doing, pick up some pointers, meet new people, hang out with friends and listen to some awesome music," Harvey said.

In addition to the cook-off, there will also be live bands performing again this year, including Vallejo, Mo Robinson Band, Blue October and Wade Bowen & West 84.

"We have a different mix of music," Harvey said. "We had mostly Texas country last year. This year, it's not just the cookie-cutter country."

Saturday's RaiderGate will be a showcase featuring three bands made up of Tech students. Moynoy, Low Dog and Down 1450 applied and were chosen by the RaiderGate

committee to start out this season. "Having loud music playing creates a fun atmosphere that college kids enjoy," Brown said.

RaiderGate is the only known student-run tailgate party for all students in the country. Senior Shyama Golden, a design communication major from Houston, said it gives her even more of a sense of pride knowing that RaiderGate is a tradition that is unique to Texas Tech.

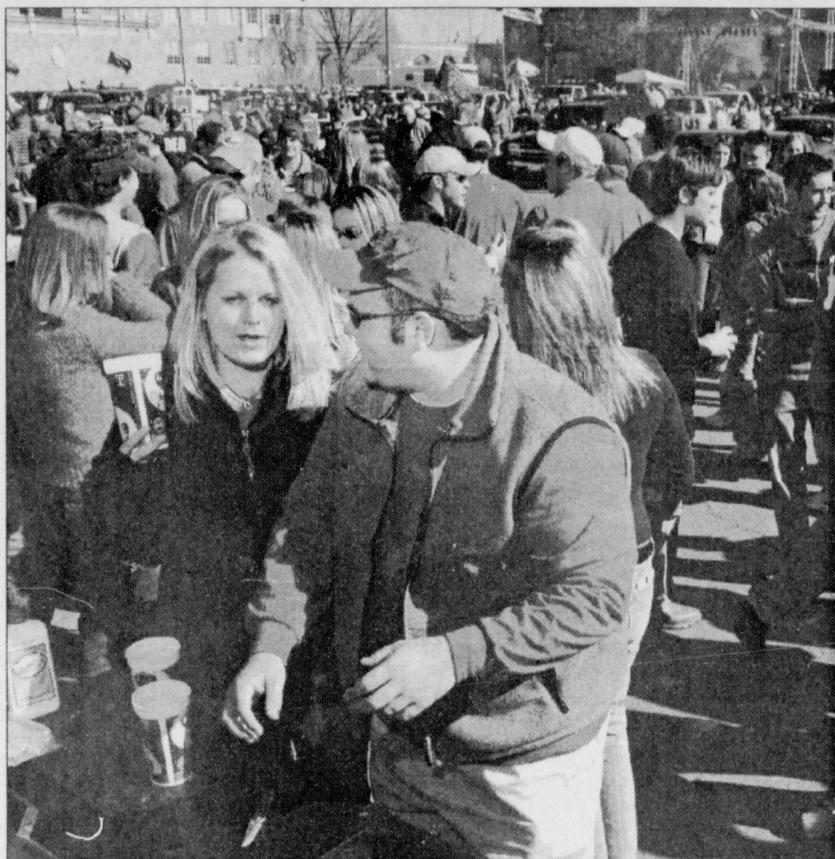
"It gives you a sense of spirit," she said, "and you get excited about the game."

The school spirit and Raider pride runs through all those attending RaiderGate, Golden said. It brings people from all organizations together for one thing and makes you proud to wear red and black.

"I hope more people come," Golden said. "Because if not, they miss out."

The Tech Police Department will have some officers on site to insure laws are being followed. No pets, alcohol or electronic recording devices are allowed and all students cooking must bring a receptacle for their coal and/or grease for the cook-off.

Passes will be given out for free starting at 8 a.m. in the SGA offices, in Room 303 in the new Student Union building. Passes are needed to enter the R-1 lot with vehicles. Individuals can have two passes and organizations can have up to six. About 300 passes will be given out, but every student is welcome to walk in and enjoy the fun, Brown said.



FILE PHOTO/University Daily

TEXAS TECH STUDENTS participate in RaiderGate before the football game against the University of Texas last season. The event will occur five more times this season for Texas Tech's five remaining home games against New Mexico, Texas A&M, Iowa State, Colorado and Oklahoma. The next RaiderGate is Saturday when Tech will play at Jones SBC Stadium against the New Mexico Lobos at 6 p.m.

## New card game storming gaming market

SAN ANTONIO — Inside a Heroes and Fantasies comic book shop, teen boys sporting dark T-shirts and peach fuzz face off like dueling fortune-tellers, slapping down arcane cards across tabletops. Only instead of tarot, the artful cards they flash resemble film stills straight out of "The Lord of the Rings."

At one end of the store, a shining White Knight stares down a mucky Withered Wretch and an equally grimy Putrid Raptor. At another, an Angelic Page struggles to keep its master from meeting defeat.

Amid the din of shuffling and shouting, the card sharps smirk from behind their colorful hands, eager to throw down that next card that could spell doom for their adversary.

Welcome to the world of Magic: The Gathering — the most popular trading card game on the planet.

Part Dungeons and Dragons, part UNO, Magic pits fantasy fans (read: 12- to 24-year-old males) in an epic battle of armored warriors, teeth-grashing monsters and other wizardry. Think of it as a grittier, more sophisticated alternative to the kiddie combat you'd find in popular card games such as Pokemon or Yu-Gi-Oh!

Designed by math professor Richard Garfield, Magic debuted at the GenCon game fair in August 1993. Since then, Magic publisher Wizards of the Coast has dealt more than 6,300 distinct playing cards and 34 different expansion sets, unleashing millions of Goblin Raiders, Rods of Ruin and other enchanting cards across the globe.

To celebrate this decade of domination, Wizards just released a 10th anniversary Magic Core Set. Listed as the Eighth Edition, the core set features 350 cards reprised from every Magic expansion series ever made, including 34 never-before-reprinted cards dating back to the Alpha base set.

Joe Hauck, vice president of trading card brands owned by Wizards, says Magic's magical decade is plenty testament to its prominence.

"There have been more than 120 trading card games introduced in the United States alone and not many are left," Hauck says. "This year we're experiencing a healthy amount of growth.... We want it to become a clas-

sic game."

Looks like it's well on its way. Magic already ranks among the Toy Industry Association's "Top 100 Games of All

Time." This fall, Wizards expects to see Magic inducted into Games Magazine's Game Hall of Fame, joining Monopoly, Scrabble and Dungeons and Dragons.



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ABOVE: WORKERS POUR cement at Depot Alley, a section of the Depot District that will be completed Sept. 30. Below: A drawing of what Depot Alley is anticipated to look like.



Courtesy Photo

# DIMENSIONS of the DEPOT

## Depot District expands into what will be known as the Depot Alley

By Erica Gonzales/Staff Reporter

Meet a friend for coffee. Go shopping for clothes or home décor. Have lunch outside on a patio while watching a live band.

Without driving all around town, all these activities can be accomplished in Depot Alley. Depot Alley, a project set for completion late September, is in the alley behind The Library and Smokey River in the Depot District.

Damon and Nola Richards, partners for the Depot Alley project, began working on it more than a year ago. After visits to hot spots such as Sixth Street in Austin, the West End in Dallas and other metropolitan downtown entertainment areas, Damon Richards said they saw a need for something similar in Lubbock.

Damon Richards said they thought the alley behind The Library and Smokey River would make a great entertainment area for pedestrians. He said he also was familiar with the area because his wife's store, The Art Depot, is located in Depot Alley.

"We're really trying to draw people in and make this an area for congregation," Damon Richards said.

The project, contracted by Midwest Builders, will include yellow, green and blue neon arches throughout the walkway of the alley. The entrance of the alley will have brick and stone pillars. Damon Richards said he hopes to display pictures of Buddy Holly on the pillars. Several trees will be planted along a brick walkway and a stage will be built outside for bands

to perform.

"We want to leave the stage open to the public as much as we can," he said. "It will be good for some bands getting started."

Gates at each end of the alley will secure a safe area for pedestrians and keep cars from coming in, Damon Richards said.

Soon, new shops will be opening up along the alley such as a winery, a bistro and a fabric store. In the future, Damon Richards said he hopes Depot Alley will become more of an entertainment area.

"I hope the entire area will continue to expand," he said. "People can come and find something that fits their niche."

That is what Rachel Garrison, a freshman music education major from Frisco, hopes for. She said she has found there is not much to do in Lubbock, especially being younger than 21.

"I want to be able to go out and have a good time without drinking," she said.

Being from the Dallas area, Garrison said she is familiar with the downtown Dallas nightlife and thinks Depot Alley would be a nice entertainment addition to Lubbock.

Tahnee Elliott, owner of T.C. Ell's clothing store, is excited to have her store located in Depot Alley. One of the reasons she recently moved her store to Depot Alley is because of the traffic she hopes Depot Alley will bring.

"I think a lot of businesses will branch off and hopefully it will become the hub of the depot," she said.

But the depot was not always this prosperous.

Don Caldwell, president of the Cactus Theatre Corporation, said when he started the Cactus Theatre in 1993, some owners of nearby restaurants in the Depot District wanted the depot to grow into an entertainment district.

He said at approximately the same time the Cactus Theatre was renovated in 1993, there were many vacant buildings and run-down businesses in the Depot District.

Since then, he said the Cactus Theatre musical entertainment has grown tremendously. Even though many restaurants and bars have come and gone, many stay and more venues are opening up, he said.

The Buddy Holly Center was added in the late '90s, which has attracted more traffic to the Depot District, he said.

"Since 9/11, regional tourism has grown a lot," he said. "I think we're becoming an attraction for regional tourism."

He believes Depot Alley will give the Depot District a new spin.

"The development of the alley gives a whole new point of interest," Caldwell said. "I'm really excited about this being the next step forward."

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# August not a month for movie goers

It was quite an interesting summer at the movies, wasn't it? Since May, it was a constant game of King of the Mountain to claim the top spot at the weekend box office. No film throughout the months of late May through July could retain the top spot for more than its opening weekend. Event film after hyped blockbuster were opening every weekend. Most of them were hit-and-miss.

**James Eppler**



This August was ripe with weekends to take vacations.

August is typically the month in which studios release all of their summer leftovers. True, there are a few surprises here and there, but they are sparse. Box office numbers are way down from the months of June and July.

This may be because many people take their summer vacations in the month of August. But because of the garbage that gets released in theaters, it's usually the month that film critics take their vacations as well.

Usually, when a film critic is deciding on when to take a vacation, they'll ask themselves, "Which would be the best weekend of movie releases to miss?"

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Jackson. Had it not been for these two actors' names on the marquee, I have a suspicion that it would have gone straight to video.

In this month of mediocrity, there was one weekend that opened two solid movies. The first was the much anticipated "Freddy vs. Jason," which pitted the two franchise killers

against one another. It was a guilty pleasure to watch and tons of fun for fans of both murderers. Director Ronny Yu drenches the screen in blood and gore, and admittedly, it was an extremely silly horror movie and terribly corny at times. But I liked enough things in it to recommend it as bloody fun.

That same weekend, however, opened one of the year's best films. Kevin Costner revitalizes the classic western with "Open Range," a well-acted and beautifully photographed film with a wholly involving story. Robert Duvall and Costner play two cowboys who "free-graze" their cattle on the open range. The ranchers living in the nearby town, however, hate free-grazers. One night while Duvall and Costner are away, their two workmen are attacked, beaten and left for dead. Duvall and Costner swear revenge.

"Open Range" has all of the elements of a classic white hat/black hat western. Much time is spent getting to know the two cowboys and their way of life. Based on a novel, the film rightfully moves at a novel's pace and takes

every possible opportunity to soak up the scenery. It's all climaxed by a spectacular shoot-out that ranks with some of the best ever filmed. It's doubtful that this movie will win any awards, this being the year many think that the "Lord of the Rings" trilogy will be honored. But in a different year, it would be no contest.

The following weekend of releases was back to the old August garbage heap. Miramax worked hard to promote the new Ashton Kutcher vehicle called "My Boss's Daughter" but refused to give critics an advance screening. That's never a good sign. Sure enough, the film was about as funny as a gooey head wound. None of the gags work in this laugh-free romp, only proving that Ashton Kutcher is no more than a flash in the pan-or toilet. The movie was only 90 minutes long, but I could have sworn that I sat in that theater for four hours.

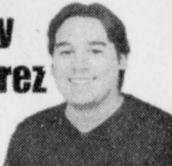
Perhaps we can hope for better things in September.

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# Lubbock music scene comparable to Austin's

It seems like all too often in this city ad meeting that you live in Lubbock goes hand in hand with the assumption that you're ashamed that you don't live in Austin.

**Rocky Ramirez**



Ah, the beautiful city of Austin! Regarded by most Tech students - whether they want to admit it or not - as the great motherland of culture in Texas and a bustling musical utopia. Being a musical geek, do I myself see Austin as a musical promised land? Thanks, but no thanks.

As great as it is to be able to throw a rock in any direction and knock out a black-framed glasses-clad Emo kid, I am going to have to respectfully decline from cow-towing to the bloated behemoth that is the Austin music scene. I don't deny that Austin residents are lucky to be able to catch every single touring band that takes it to the road.

The mindset that I want to alleviate is the one that says that the Lubbock music scene is in any way inferior to Austin's. In fact, in many ways I think Lubbock boasts a red-hot music scene that many would be surprised to discover.

If you want to talk about scale, then there

- all of these cities boast thriving music scenes, and all of them have a few things in common.

One of the first things that is apparent is that most of these cities are not huge metropolises — the biggest of these cities is Omaha, which has a population of 716,998 (sounds big, until you realize the city of Houston has nearly 2 million people).

All of these places are in the middle of nowhere, essentially commerce centers of surrounding small towns. Olympia, Wash., population 42,514, is probably one of the hottest music centers in the world right now, and is itself a small hick town.

What you come to find out about these smaller cities with hick surroundings is that the people who grow up in these areas tend to use music as a release from their drab environment.

Kurt Cobain grew up in Aberdeen, Wash., a small logging community where there was not much to do but pick up a guitar and change the world. Around sixty years prior to this a young man in a small city changed the world with his guitar — and by changed

the world, I mean completely leveled the way that people looked at this thing called rock 'n' roll. It seems like a fact that many people tend to overlook - but Buddy Holly is one of the main roots of rock 'n' roll, and that root grows straight from the flat soil of Lubbock, Texas.

I really can't stand when a band comes to Lubbock from Austin and looks at this town like it is below them. I can't stand how the people of Lubbock hang their heads in shame when they admit they go to school here. They say there is nothing to do in this town.

They say there will never be a music scene to come from Lubbock. They say things are going to always be the same, and it is not worth fighting for a lost cause. Well, 'they' can all go straight to hell.

I freely admit that I love this city from top to bottom. I love going to shows in this city to see the young people of Lubbock being inspired by music. I love seeing the looks on the faces of young adults when they are watching a local band that really means something to them - that look that says 'one day, that will be me up there'.

I love driving back into town and smelling that good old Lubbock 'whiff', not because I am into how cow shit smells, but because it reminds me that I am in a place in which wherever I go in the music crowd, I will not be just another face in the crowd, but I will be among friends. A place where it's not how you look, but who you are - a place where I can go just to be myself.

Texas Tech is a school that has the amount of people needed for a scene - the only problem is that by the time kids find out that there is a small but active music scene in town, it is already too late for them.

In order to foster the growing scene, students of this school need to get themselves out of the "weekend is only for drinking" mindset, and get themselves to some of the incredible shows going on in town.

Lubbock doesn't have the size of Austin, nor does it have as many liberal thinking students in its colleges - but what Lubbock does have to offer is a place to feel welcome, and a lot of heart.

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# The Skinny on the MINI

Retailers, designers say the miniskirt is back on racks with a variety of styles for day and evening

By Megan LaVoie/Staff Reporter

Just when you thought it was safe to hang up your gym sneakers because swimsuit season is coming to a close, there's another reason to put 'em on and hop on the treadmill: the miniskirt is making a comeback.

From the racks of familiar department stores to the runways of fashion capitals all over the world, the hot new fall item is the miniskirt. And Lubbock should be no exception.

"Black pleated minis are the number one item you should have in your closet this fall," said Blair Buescher, a senior merchandising major at Texas Tech from Fort Worth.

This time, the mini is even shorter and tighter than most previous mini revivals, according to the Lifestyle Monitor at www.cottoninc.com. The miniskirt of 2003, these textile gurus state, is not only short but also low-waisted, paying homage to the low-rise waistline prevalent in today's fashion.

While linen magazines touted summer styles such as pastel colored linen and cotton minis, fall styles found in stores lean toward a variety of pleated, denim, corduroy, pinstriped, plaid and suede miniskirts, with an emphasis on the colors black and white.

Retailers and designers are stressing the versatility of the new miniskirts by pairing a black pleated miniskirt with a sweater and stilettos for evening, and with tank tops and flip flops for daytime wear. This makes shopping, especially for college students, easier and cheaper because the same skirt can be paired with and used for both casual and dressy looks. This versatility is not only practical but also fun, one Tech miniskirt fan said.

"There are so many new styles and colors that are popping up in miniskirts that make them fun to incorporate into any wardrobe," said Stephanie Riddle, a sophomore public relations major from Denison.

Denim miniskirts are another huge trend showing up this fall in retail stores. Across campus one will see young women wearing denim minis with T-shirts and flip-flops for a casual look to class. At night, denim minis are often worn with button-down shirts or halter tops for a classier look. In terms of versatility, denim minis should be a fashion must on all girls' lists because they can be paired with different accessories, shoes and shirts to create casual or dressy looks, said Ashley Menzie, a sophomore merchandising major from Bedford.

"I personally like the mini denim skirts," Menzie said. "They are great because you can dress them up or down and they can be paired with practically anything."

Besides being easy on the eyes for gentlemen, women are also enjoying the versatility of the miniskirt, said Kari Jo Knox, a sophomore nursing major from Vernon.

"Short skirts show off your great legs," Knox said. "Plus, if you wear one with heels, they can make short legs look longer."

Buescher agreed with Knox's statement.

"Miniskirts make women feel confident, sexy and stylish," Buescher said.

The mini is nothing new, according to Cotton's Web site. The mini first showed itself during the mid-1960s "sexual revolution," the site says, and sashayed its way back onto the runways during the 1980s - a revival Cotton attributes to Madonna. Minis came back in the 1990s, popularized as part of office-type suits. Minis fell short later in the '90s with the popularity of longer skirts and pants.

But the current miniskirt fashion craze shows no signs of slowing down. Designers have been previewing winter styles that include the miniskirt with fleece jackets and turtle-necks.

Much to the dismay of some women, it looks like running, lunges and squats will be part of a daily routine, because the miniskirt is back.



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## THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

**ACROSS**

- Extends
- Relish
- Most animated
- Martini garnish
- Ladylove
- Faceted
- Ancient Greek slave
- Word before Deco or Nouveau
- "Pretty Woman" man
- Amer. ship designation
- Lot
- Slangy negative
- Cut the hair of
- Mister turkey
- Phonies
- Thole insert
- Wonder
- On the line
- One who bends downward
- Cat's wink
- Barnyard enclosure
- Transmitters
- Supped
- Walked unsteadily
- Garr of "Mr. Mom"
- Nourishes
- Flatfoot
- Distraught flair
- Swampy wetland
- Mrs. Ralph Kramden
- "Blue Bayou" singer Ronstadt
- Zealous advocate
- Diminishment
- Engage in delaying tactics
- Came up
- Unicom constellation

**DOWN**

- Benefactor Yale
- Drama dialogue
- Roundish shapes
- "Nautilus" captain
- Language: suff.
- Broadcast
- Coloring or Darjeeling
- Heir's inheritance
- Ill-fated
- Distress letters
- True up
- PCR insert
- Subdue
- Ones who turn in coupons
- Broadway destinations
- Ripped free gauge
- 38 Bizarro
- 44 Look after
- 27 However
- 28 Alter to fit
- 29 Speak monotonously
- 31 Long, slender
- 32 More majestic
- 33 Artificial international language
- 38 Sizzars
- 44 Look after
- 46 Arabian Sea feeder
- 48 1996 Horse of the Year
- 49 Eye: pref.
- 50 Strips away the skin from
- 53 Guinness of "Star Wars"
- 54 Arthur of "The Ruling Class"
- 56 Mimic slavishly
- 58 Very long period of time
- 59 John Lennon's Plastic Band

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**THE MINI REVOLUTION**

- The mini was first seen showing off the legs of sexual revolutionaries in the mid-1960s.
- In the 1960s, the miniskirt was risqué and daring.
- The mini returned in the 1980s with Madonna, who brought them back in a tighter form than before. Minis were not considered as daring as before.
- In the mid-1990s, minis briefly returned as part of professional suits.
- Now they're back again as part of everyday or going out chic wear.

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# going GREEK

Hundreds of Tech students invaded Greek Circle last week to figure out which organization was right for them.

By Nikki Siegrist/Staff Reporter and Jaime Tomas Aguilar/Staff Photographer

A sense of nervous excitement filled the air as about 800 women filed out of buses onto Greek circle. After dividing into groups, the young women anxiously took in the scene as they made their way to prospective sorority houses.

These women were looking to find their perfect match in the Greek system during fall recruitment.

The groups were led by two Recruitment Counselors, part of a recruitment organization called Rho Chi, wearing identifying light blue shirts.

"I'm completely nervous," potential new member Andie Todd said as she fidgeted with her folder. "It's competitive, but easygoing and relaxed too."

Todd, a sophomore international business major from Houston, is rushing for a Greek sorority for the first time and said she is excited.

"It's a great way to meet new people and have connections after school and stay connected," she said.

Potential new members were introduced to every sorority, with equal time afforded to every potential new member.

Rho Chi guides are active members of one of the 11 sororities on campus and serve as aids and escorts for the new women during recruitment.

"Any questions or concerns we have, we call them," Todd said. "They're our confidants for this week to get us through."

After filing through the sorority houses, the young women undergo a mutual selection process where they and each sorority choose each other.

"The Greek system helps to find a place here you belong and you can be comfortable and you can be yourself," recruitment Director Shannon Smith said. "It also helps to develop leadership abilities and a social network that will last even after college. The community service also helps get the girls more involved."

Young men also were trying to find their home in the Greek family through last week's recruitment. The atmosphere for the men was easygoing, one potential new member said.

"It's really relaxed, really comfortable," said Lyle Patman, a freshman business major from Dallas. "It's a really good feeling. We're all in the same boat."

The brotherhood that forms within the fraternity is a big deal, Patman said.

"It's good to have a group of guys that you can be tight with and have a connection with," he added.

Potential new member Darrel Hasley agreed with Patman.

"Being in a fraternity gives you a place to belong and have friends," he said. "That's why you join a fraternity, so you can be there for them and they are there for you."

The men go through the same mutual selection process as the women and have a rush captain, comparable to a Rho Chi leader.

"We make sure everything goes on time and that we don't lose anyone," Rush Captain Jason Moore said. "We also answer questions for the guys."

Moore, a junior psychology major from Dallas, recommends going Greek to anyone.

"You can party anywhere," he said. "But being in a group of good, quality guys is worth the time in college to join."

Bid Day was not conducted this year as it was in previous years.

Stephen Hirst, a Coordinator for the Center for Campus Life, said he was excited about a new system in place since the spring that allows Greek organizations to file through potential new members with greater ease.

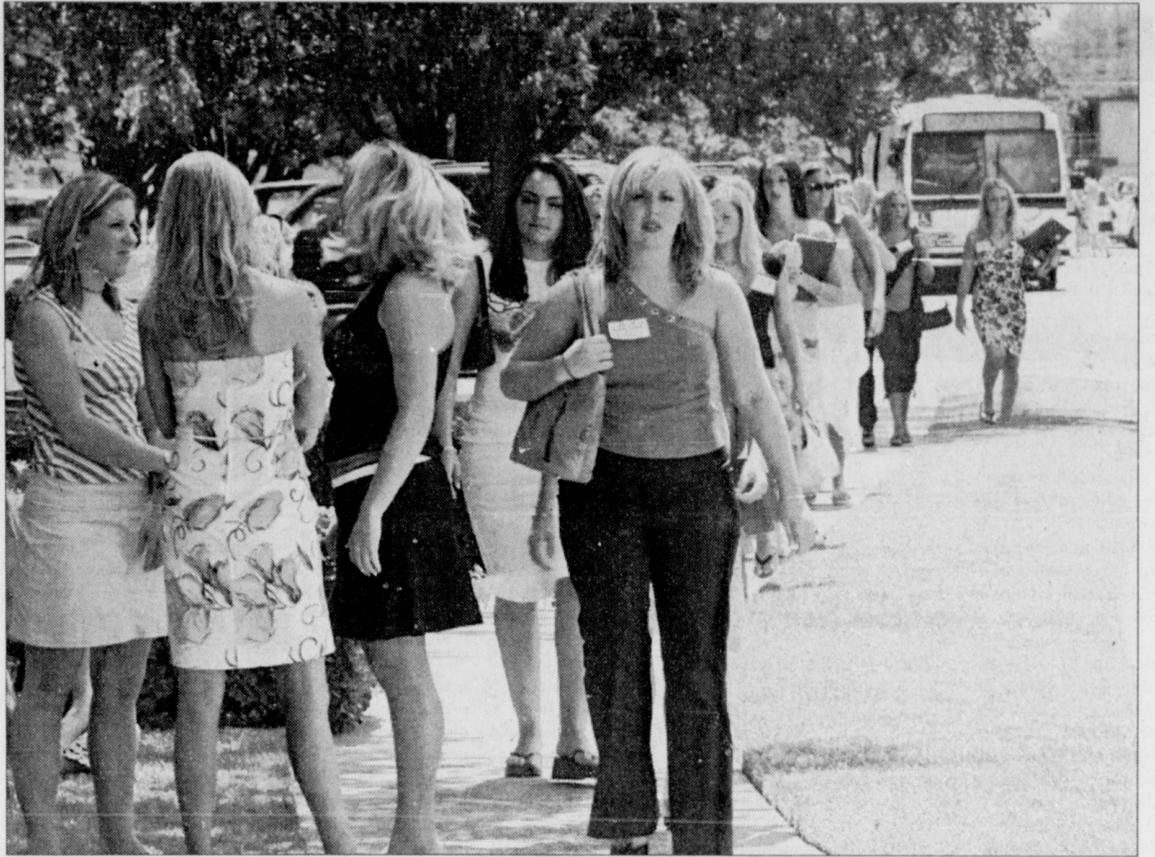
"Tech is the first university to do an online formal rush," Hirst. "Everything used to be done by hand. The chapter would go back to headquarters and have a list of 600 numbers and have to go through and select the men with a marker."

Now the selection process takes only a few hours, he said.

This is a big step in the long history of the Greeks, said Ethan Logan, associate director for the Center for Campus Life.

Logan advises students to keep an open mind and to be objective when choosing how to get involved at Tech, but strongly encourages being involved.

"Involvement is so beneficial," he said. "It helps a student with the whole education process."



ABOVE: TEXAS TECH women get off buses at Greek Circle last week to participate in this year's fall recruitment.



LEFT: A GROUP of Texas Tech potential new members make their scheduled visit to the Kappa Sigma fraternity house last week. More than 500 men were involved in this year's recruitment.

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# Recording industry cracks down on download abusers

By Sabra Jennings/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech students may want to think twice before downloading music onto their computers.

The Recording Industry Association of America announced in June that it would begin scanning public directories to find individuals who violated music copyright laws by illegally downloading the music onto their computers.

Louis Miller, associate editor of "College Music Journal," said the RIAA is trying to do everything possible to control illegal file-sharing of music.

"The big thing going on is (the RIAA) is trying to get a handle on all of online pirating of music," he said. "All major labels are scared of people downloading their music."

According to the Tech Web site, the 1998 Digital Millennium Copyright Act updated copyright law to encompass the growing use of computers and the Internet.

"(Section 512(h) establishes a procedure by which a copyright owner can obtain a subpoena from a federal court ordering a service provider to disclose the identity of a subscriber who is allegedly engaging in infringing activities," according to the court summary of the DMCA.

Information Technology Vice President Sam Segran said students should be aware that RIAA is going after individuals. It is possible that students could be subpoenaed for illegally downloading copyrighted music.

Segran said although the RIAA has not had any subpoenas issued to Tech students on their behalf, Tech's Information Technology department received about 160 complaints from the RIAA between February and March.

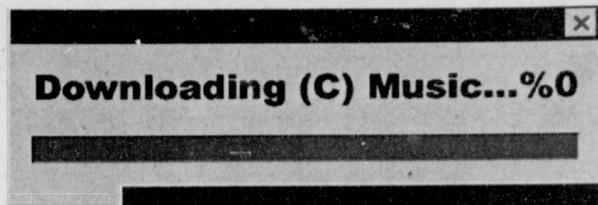
"They tell us, 'We find that this particular system on the university network has some of our material on it,'" he said. "When it comes in as a complaint, that's when we block the connection and work with the

housing and dining folks who work with the students to remove the violation."

Segran said one of the RIAA's main targets seems to be college students because most students have access to high speed Internet. This makes it easier for them to download files. Also, music is a big part of college students' lives.

"What folks like the RIAA have claimed is that the students form the largest group of people who download music because they tend to stay together as a common group of people," he said. "They share music, they share files, they share similar interests. It's a lifestyle issue."

Miller said even though the RIAA is making a major push toward outlawing file-sharing, he doesn't believe they will ever be able to get rid of it completely.



artists could be putting back into their ministry."

Hill said even though subpoenas have been issued on behalf of the RIAA, their actions might not scare people that much.

"The chances of you being caught are so low that it possibly may not affect anyone at all," he said. "But I figure, why take the chances?"

Segran said officials at Tech are working to inform students of the possible consequences of file-sharing. The Information Technology Department has been working with Student Affairs, Housing and Dining and at the summer orientation sessions to make sure all students are aware of the law.

He said he hopes students take the warnings seriously.

"We have sent e-mail announcements to the student Tech Announce list about the RIAA's recent actions and (telling them) not to get too involved in illegal activities," he said. "In this particular case it is to protect the students because the RIAA is going after them personally."

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