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Proposition 12 passes by slim margin

By Sally Gunter/Staff Reporter

Proposition 12 passed Saturday 51 percent to 49 percent during the statewide constitution amendment election.

According to unofficial results, all 22 constitutional amendments passed.

The unofficial election night returns become official when Gov. Rick canvass must be conducted no earlier than the 15th and no later than the 30th day after the election, the Office 69 percent to 31 percent. of the Secretary of State said.

higher than the 9 percent predicted ponents.

by the Secretary of State.

health care providers to \$750,000. The money is awarded from three different areas such as physicians, hospital or nursing homes and a second care

Effective Jan. 1, 2005, the awards Perry conducts the state canvass. The in all other types of cases also will be

The proposition passed in Lubbock

The ad campaign promoting The state voter turnout for the Proposition 12 cost a total of \$13 mil-

'Texans Against Proposition 12' 12 percent if Proposition 12 passed. Proposition 12 limits non-eco-said, with the passing of the amendnomic damages against medical or ment, politicians have now been given litical science professor, said that while are not 22 amendments every two tion. access to the courts.

> medical malpractice insurance costs able or help keep doctors. an emergency issue for lawmakers and proposition. His wife, Anita Perry, joined in support efforts as she traveled across the state with the 'Yes on 12' campaign.

Clarke Cochran, a Texas Tech pothe authority to rewrite the constitu- there are significant problems in the years," said Linda Kreftin, president of tion and have taken away citizens' medical malpractice system, Proposithe Lubbock division. tion 12 does go too far and will prob-Early in the year, Perry declared ably not make health care more afford will alter because of the additional 21

"I don't think it'll make much of a campaigned for the passage of the difference one way or another," in which the former owner of a min-misdemeanor case has been reduced Cochran said. "There won't be much eral interest that was sold for unpaid from 12 to six. effect on the medical practice in property taxes may buy back the min-

The League of Women Voters of Texas Medical Liability Trust, the Lubbock were not as concerned about election was 12 percent, which was lion between the supporters and op- largest underwriter in the state, prom- the amendment as they were about zation that is leased for use as a school ised to reduce its rates in January by process of amending the constitution or will be used to expand or construct

in general.

amendments that passed Saturday.

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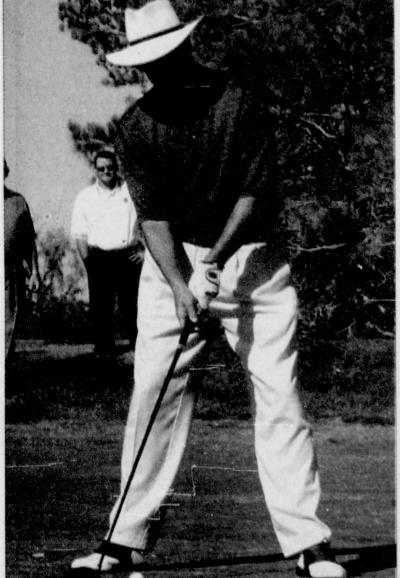
Conservation and reclamation districts can use taxes to develop and fi-Areas other than the medical field nance certain parks and recreation

The number of persons who make Proposition 12 expands the period up a jury in a district court criminal

The Legislature can regulate the eral interest from six months to two operation of wineries in Texas, regardless of whether a winery is located in an area in which the sale of wine has

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TOP: IERRY S. Rawls, far right, helps cut the ribbon along with Texas Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith (to his right), at the ribbon cutting ceremony at the Jerry S. Rawls Red Raider Golf Course Friday morning. Rawls donated \$8.6 million to help build the course. ABOVE: Rawls gets ready to tee off at the celebrity golf tournament Friday afternoon. Celebrities Tom Arnold, Sparky Anderson and Bob Knight all played.

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Jerry S. Rawls Red Raider Golf Course officially opened to the public Saturday after Celebrity Tournament

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter and photos by Heather Dougherty/Staff Photographer

erry Rawls had the honors on the No. 1 tee of the Jerry S. Rawls Red Raider Golf Course following the ribbon cutting. He opened the course in good fashion, sending the first official shot on the course down the middle

The man who donated \$8.6 million to make the construction of the Rawls Course a reality said the dream came a long way from more than two years ago. "It's hard to imagine if you look back two and a half years ago that this was a cotton field," Rawls said. "An awful lot of hard work has gone into what is

there. It's something I think we can all be proud of at Texas Tech." Rawls received compliments from a number of people at the grand opening of the course Friday morning, and Chancellor Dr. David Smith was one of those singing praises to the man with the dream of building a golf course on the Tech campus.

"Obviously, none of us would be standing here today in this incredible setting, in this incredible weather in West Texas if it weren't for this man and Pam (Rawls)," he said. "Their generosity has made a difference at this university, and I think it has laid the predicate for years to come."

The official unveiling of the Rawls Course brought celebrities from across the nation in to see the course and enjoy the new facility created for Tech and Lubbock alike, and Smith said Tech and the people of Lubbock should be indebted to Rawls for everything he has done for the university and the com-

"Many people set out to make change, many people are able to leave a legacy that is truly living," he said. "Jerry has done all of that, but I would sum it up in this way: There are many people who strive in life to change the landscape of the world, well literally, Jerry and Pam changed the landscape of West Texas forever with their generosity, their leadership, their commitment, and we will forever be beholding to his dream, his generosity and more importantly to Jerry Rawls' heart."

The vision of building a golf course on campus came to Rawls years ago when he was in graduate school at Purdue University. He said Purdue has two courses on campus, and it was where he learned the game and saw how much

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Students question usage of paid fees

By Jennifer Prieto/Staff Reporter

Many Texas Tech students wonder what each department in the university is doing with the tuition and fees that students pay.

The largest fee increase was the library fee. This semester, Tech students pay \$15 per credit hour in library fees. In average, student will take about 15 credit hours, which will cost most students \$225 in li-

said the library is not getting more dent money. money than it did last semester. The majority of the money the library had last year was state money, but



because of the budget cut, the library Dean of Libraries Donald Dyal had to increase its fees and use stu-

"We swapped state money for stu-

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Faculty Senate addresses lack of funding in library

By Adam Boedeker/Staff Reporter

Dean of Libraries Donald Dyal was the guest speaker at the Texas Tech Faculty Senate's first meeting of the fall semester Wednesday afternoon.

cern raised by the faculty and Dyal was the lack of funding for the library, which now is solely from the library fee. The fee is paid by students and is \$15 per credit hour.

Dyal said one of the consequences of the lack of funding could be the inability to continue subscriptions to serial journals, which are scientific and research journals

Faculty Senate

One of the main topics of con-available for students' and professors' research in the library. The only sure solutions are to either cancel some subscriptions or get more funding.

"Since 1986, journal and magazine subscriptions have increased in price by almost 300 percent," Dyal said. "Last year was a bad economic year, and it increased 10 percent; we expect

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Air Force ROTC honors military with 24-hour vigil

The cadets of Air Force ROTC Detachment 820 held a 24-hour POW/MIA vigil on Friday to honor all who have gone before them in serving the United States of

Assistant professor of Aerospace studies, unit admissions officer and public affairs officer Capt. Lee Curoe said the Arnold Air Society at Detachment 820 has held this was cancelled because of the attacks on Sept.11 that year. The vigil is

By Brent Young/Staff Reporter held every year to publicize the experience that prisoners of war and soldiers missing in action have gone

> 'The vigil is a public remembrance to honor those who have gone before us," he said. "And to let them know they are truly not forgotten."

> The vigil also is held to honor those individuals, as it is not enough merely to remember the sacrifices they made, he said.

The vigil is co-sponsored by the vigil every year since 1985 with the Lewis C. Ellis Jr. Squadron of Arnold exception of 2001. The 2001 vigil Air Society and the Texas Tech Sil-

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CANNON AFB HONOR guard fires a 21-gun salute Friday morning. **CIRCULATION: 806-742-3388** E-MAIL: ud@ttu.edu

STRAINS SPRAINS

The beginning of intramural sports season means more students being treated for ankle, foot injuries

By Beth Aaron/Staff Reporter

Intramural sports will be in full swing next week, and muscle sprains and strains are already an issue for doctors at Thompson Hall, said Evelyn McPherson, director of the health department at Texas Tech.

"It could be that it's just that time of year, with intramurals starting again," she said. "But it seems like a lot of students have been treated already this

Dr. Mimi Zumwalt, assistant professor of orthopedic surgery, specializing in sports medicine, said neither sprains nor strains are serious unless they go untreated.

A strain is when a tendon is pulled, and a sprain is when a ligament is

it is difficult to move the joint without pain," she said. "They may feel inflamand sore to the touch."

Zumwalt said it is normal for the injury to swell even after treatment, but unless it continues to worsen after 10 to 12 days, medical help is not necessary. If pain or swelling does not subside, medical assistance is necessary.

"Feeling or hearing a pop is an in- surgery, never returned for a second dication of a tear," she said. "If a rup- visit. ture (or complete tear) is not treated, the patient could lose motion and usage of that extremity."

Zumwalt said treatment for sprains yet." and strains is simple.

"Rest the limb and treat it with compression, elevation and ice."

lievers such as IB Profin is a good way to reduce the discomfort of having a sprain or strain.

However, Zumwalt cautions anyone taking stronger medication without consent from a physician. She said overmedicating a problem does not make it go away.

"Pain is the body's way of protecting you," she said. "Don't take stronger meds "If they pull a tendon or ligament, to mask the pain because you could just end up injuring yourself further."

Zumwalt said if an injury goes unmation, and the joint could be warm treated, many times it will become bad enough to require a brace, a cast or at the very worst, surgical treatment.

Chris Avila, a junior from El Paso, said he sprained his knee three years ago while playing football for Friendship High School. He said he went to the doctor, but upon hearing talk about

"I don't like all that therapy stuff," he said: "They say it'll hurt worse in a couple of years, but I'm not worried

Avila said he would rather deal with "It's the usual first-aid," she said. the pain than have surgery to correct

"It's still messed up. It hurts pretty Zumwalt said taking mild pain remuch every day," he said. "I can move my kneecap around."

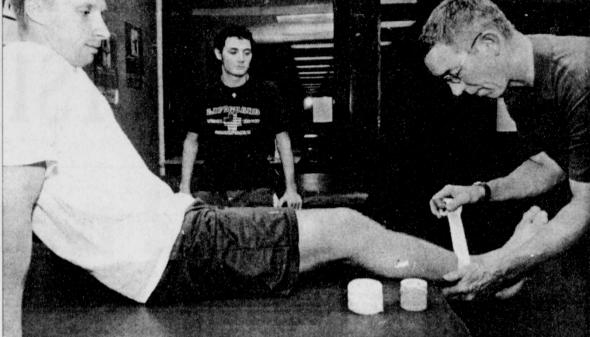
> To prevent injury while playing sports, working out or doing any other kind of vigorous activity, Zumwalt suggests warming up with some kind of cardio exercise for five to ten minutes

"Stretching doesn't necessarily prevent injury," she said. "But, if you are involved in any kind of vigorous activity, it is important to cool down and stretch afterwards."

often may help reduce the occurrence of charley horses, but taking potassium pills to remedy muscle spasms could have adverse effects on the heart.

enough potassium in your muscles, you could get cramps," she said.

Zumwalt helps to oversee the



TYSON JEFFREYS/Staff Photographer

PHILIP MAGUIRE, A senior exercise and sports sciences major from Corinth, has his ankle wrapped by Joe Maclean, recreational sports director, while John Mcfarlin, a sophomore exercise and sports sciences major from Godley, watches.

HEALTHSOUTH facility located in are played on the fields surrounding the cal attention for his injury, instead, he the Robert H. Ewalt Recreational Center. The facility works closely with the Health Sciences Center. The HSC provides sports medicine information as well as clinical support for around," he said. HEALTHSOUTH.

Lance Carlson, a senior exercise sports science major from New Orleans, La., works at the Fitness/Wellness Cen-Zumwalt said eating bananas more ter at the rec center. He said HEALTHSOUTH has licensed athletic trainers who are ready and willing

"The trainers working in "Sometimes if you don't have HEALTHSOUTH will wrap any injury," he said. "I've been there for a back injury before."

The majority of intramural sports

rec center, and Carlson said injured players have already filtered into the Fitness/Wellness Center.

"We've seen them hobbling

Athletes can HEALTHSOUTH to have injuries iced or treated with heat, but must supply their own wrapping tape or purchase tape at the facility. The Fit/Well provides a massage therapy service for injured or stressed-out students.

Matt Schoberg, a senior construction engineering major from Albuquerque, N.M., said he strained his back about two weeks ago while doing lateral pulls at the rec center.

Schoberg said he did not seek medi-

just took it easy.

"Well, it's kind of hard to ice right there, so, I just stretched every day," he said. "I didn't work out for about a week.

Now, of course, I'm back." Schoberg said he wasn't aware of HEALTHSOUTH.

"I wish I would have known about HEALTHSOUTH," he said. "I should have gone there."

Schoberg said he has been playing intramural flag football and softball for about six years, and is looking forward to the start of the season.

For more information about Fit/ Well and HEALTHSOUTH, visit www.ttu.edu/recsports.com or call (806) 742-3828.

The Rundown



Baylor coached faced DHS cuts confusion S. Korea typhoon

WACO, (AP) - With the Baylor violations, the world's largest Baptist alert system more user-friendly. university turned to a coach praised for his ethics and integrity.

wins," said the man named to rebuild to state and local government offi-Baylor's faltering program.

— Dave Bliss.

Now, a new coach, Scott Drew, faces the challenge of cleaning up Bliss' mess and answering this question: Can Baylor practice the Christian mission it preaches and still succeed in the pressurized world of NCAA Division I athletics?

While emphasizing that no one is immune from potential problems, officials at Brigham Young and Notre Dame — two renowned universities with religious ties — say it's absolutely possible.

"I'm not trying to say that we're holier than thou," said Duff Tittle, sports information director at Brigham Young, which is affiliated with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. "I just think we always look at the rules and we try to stay as far away from any potential gray area as we can."



with on-court cleanup of terror alert system kills 72; 24 missing WASHINGTON (AP) - The

basketball program at a low ebb and Homeland Security Department typhoon lashed coastal South Korea reeling from probation for serious rules wants to make its color-coded terror with a fury unseen in a century, lift-

force to review ways that the system an evacuated cruise ship. Officials "Success is not just measured in could provide more specific guidance cials about how to respond when the The year was 1999 and the coach alert level is raised, department spokesman Brian Roehrkasse said

> He said meetings have been set up in October to get reaction from states and localities about how the system is working for them.

When the alert level has been raised in the past, local officials complained the threat information provided by the government was too vague and left police and others scrambling to figure out what security measures needed to be put in place.

In Saturday's Democratic radio address, Rep. Jane Harman of California said the system needs to be im-

"A threat warning system only works if it gives local law enforcement and the public specific and timely information about what to look for and what to do," she said.



SEOUL, South Korea (AP) - A ing shipping containers in the air, The agency has created a task toppling gigantic cranes and flipping said Sunday there were 72 confirmed deaths and two dozen others feared

> Typhoon Maemi hit the southeastern coast Friday night with record winds of 135 mph before weakening to a tropical storm Saturday. More than 24,900 people fled their homes to seek shelter in schools and public facilities, said the National Disaster Prevention and Countermeasures Headquarters, or NDPCH.

> Vast tracts of farmlands, cities and rivers were flooded as Maemi — Korean for the insect cicada — dumped rainfall of up to 17.8 inches.

> Maemi is "by far the most powerful typhoon since we began compiling weather records in 1904," said Yoon Seok-hwan, an official at the Korea Meteorological Administra-

> He said Maemi's wind speed was the fastest ever, topping the 129.6 mph record set by Typhoon Prapiroon

Hurricane Isabel's 160 mph winds inch toward East Coast

CHURNING UP: Hurricane refusing to weaken, could hit states within week.

days from land, Isabel refused to gist Eric Blake said Saturday. weaken Sunday, as the powerful

The tenacious storm had earlier been lowered to a Category 4, when wind speeds fell to 150 mph. The storm was reclassified after a hurricane hunter plane flew through the eye of the storm and found its intensity had increased. A hurricane hits the top of the Saffir-Simpson hurricane scale when its winds reach 156

"Typically they don't sustain these winds for very long," said Stacy Stewart, a hurricane specialist at the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

Forecasters were not certain it would strike the United States. However, computer models predicted it would turn toward the Carolinas over the next five days.

"It's not definite, but things are looking more ominous than yesterday for the East Coast," Na-

MIAMI (AP) — Still several tional Hurricane Center meteorolo-

At 5 a.m. EDT, Isabel was censtorm swirled in the Atlantic tered about 340 miles north-north-Ocean toward the East Coast east of San Juan, Puerto Rico and County Emergency Management packing 160-mph winds, making moving west-northwest at 13 mph. Agency encouraged people to review it a dangerous Category 5 hurri- Forecasters expected it to continue their hurricane plans, which should that movement into Monday.

> Large ocean swells and dangerous surf conditions were forecast for the Leeward Islands in the northeastern Caribbean. The U.S. State Department issued a travel warning advising tourists to avoid the Bahamas because of the storm.

The long-range forecast placed Isabel farther north than previously thought. Now, hurricane experts say Isabel could make landfall Friday morning somewhere along the Mid-Atlantic coast. But hurricanes can be unpredictable, and long-range forecasts have large possibilities for

Forecasters said Hurricane Isabel could still strike anywhere on the Atlantic coast, and officials warned residents to be alert.

"If you've been lax with your hurricane preparations, now's a really good time to catch up," Blake said.

Some residents along the East Coast were taking that advice, buying water, plywood and other supplies just in case Isabel made land-

"They don't want to get caught with their pants down," said Steve

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Myers, who sold plenty of plywood - despite the highest prices in a decade - at the 84 Lumber he comanages in Georgetown, S.C. A half-inch-thick sheet now costs about \$20, but that's "cheaper than a \$300 window," Myers said.

In coastal Georgia, the Chatham include adequate supplies, updated insurance coverage and evacuation

"It's still a long ways away (but) we have to prepare as if it's coming here," said agency director Phillip Webber.

South Carolina Gov. Mark Sanford and other state officials were briefed Saturday by the state Emergency Management Division on emergency preparations. The state went on an elevated alert status Fri-

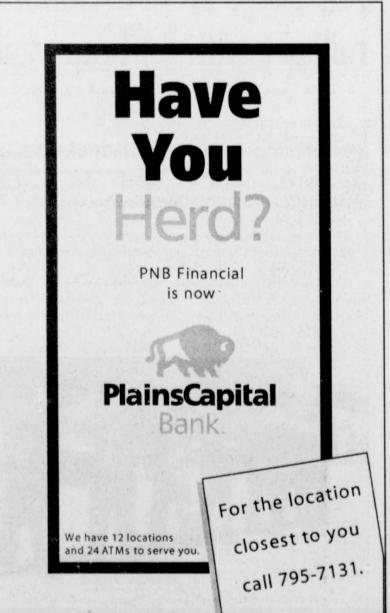
Water management officials in Florida were worried about some of the already-swollen rivers and lakes, because a direct hit from a hurricane could cause severe flooding.

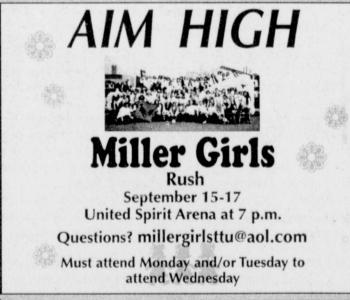
National Guard officials in the Southeast said enough troops were ready to help if necessary, despite mobilizations in Iraq and other parts of the world.

The last Atlantic hurricane to develop into a Category 5 storm was Mitch in 1998, which killed about 11,000 people in Central America.

The last two Category 5 hurricanes to strike the U.S. coast were Andrew in 1992 and Camille in

Andrew, still the most expensive natural disaster in U.S. history with a \$30 billion damage toll, tore through south Florida and Louisiana, killing 43 people. Camille killed 143 on the Gulf Coast and 113 in Virginia flooding.









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Students react to California governor race

By Andrew Bell/Staff Reporter

On Oct. 7 the voters of California will be given a chance to recall the existing governor, Gray Davis.

According to the Associated Press, a recent Los Angeles Times poll found 47 percent of likely voters were inclined to vote against the recall, with 3 percent undecided. The rest of the voters are in favor of recalling the governor.

The recall is taking place because of the financial problems that have plagued the state since Davis has been in office.

Kevin Scott, a political science professor at Texas Tech, said the people of California are being hurt in numerous areas of the governmental structure.

"The property tax is what is killing the people of California. There is a huge fiscal crisis, in part, because of the size of the state and, in part, because of the structure of the state government. It is hard for them to finance schools, build roads and run hospitals."

However, many students at Tech are unaware of the problems in California because it does not directly affect the Tech student population.

Thea James, a junior general business major from Stratford, said

California

Recall

he does not know much about the situation.

"It sounds pretty crazy to me," he said.

Others on campus who do know more about the issue shared a different view.

"It is actually really interesting

because I don't have to live with the consequences of the media circus," Scott said.

The media circus that Scott refers to is the fact that there are 135 candidates in the race to take over as governor. The number of candidates will require a punch-card bal-

Those who are opposed to the.

punch-card ballot want the vote to be delayed, because they feel that the poor and minority voters, who have difficulty with the ballot, will experience potential discrimination, according to the Associated Press.

> 'The ballot could deter voters," Scott said.

The leading candidates for replacing Davis are Lt. Gov. Cruz Bustamante, State Sen. Tom McClintock, former baseball commissioner Peter Ueberroth, colum-Arianna nist Huffington and actor Arnold

Schwarzenegger. Other candidates for governor include an adult film actress and Gary Coleman, who starred in the television show 'Diff'rent Strokes.'

"I liked 'Diff'rent Strokes.' I would vote for Coleman, if he was a good candidate," said Bekah Getts, a senior landscape architecture major from Allen.

Many Tech students are only aware of one of the candidates, Schwarzenegger, because of his status as an American icon.

"Arnold is a pretty decent guy. With his role as a celebrity, he should be able to get the people behind him," Joel Acosta, a junior petroleum engineering major from Sunray, said.

Lara Amis, a sophomore communications major from Cleburne, said she believes the move to governor would be a good one for Schwarzenegger.

"He's a horrible actor so he could use something else to do," she said.

If Schwarzenegger is going to have a chance at the governor's mansion, McClintock will need to be pushed out of the race, Scott said.

The exit of McClintock would help Schwarzenegger with conservative votes, but if McClintock stays the split of conservative votes will help Bustamante, according to the Associated Press.

"If Bustamante is elected, it will

be very good for the Democrats. If Arnold is elected, it will be a big pickup for the Republicans," Scott said.

Many voters in California may be unsure if they are going to vote because of the number of candidates. The feeling is mutual among some Tech students.

Chelsi Lewis, a sophomore advertising major from Flower Mound, said, the recall seems like a big joke in California.

"If a leadership position is taken lightly, then nothing good can come out of that."

Many other students said, if given the chance, they would not vote.

"I probably wouldn't vote for the recall or a new governor," Lewis said. "I definitely wouldn't vote for Arnold or Gary Coleman."

According to CNN.com, absentee voting has already begun for the Oct. 7 vote. The growing trend of absentee voting could account for up to a third of the votes in the election.

"It should be entertaining to watch, but it will be a media circus," Scott said.

Vigil

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ver Wings organization. Formal ceremonies began at 11 a.m. on Memorial Circle and featured guest speaker Dr. Reckner, director of the Vietnam Center at Texas Tech, said Curoe. Reckner's speech emphasized what the military does for the United States of America and some of the things soldiers go through in being prisoners of war or missing in action.

"We, who have never lost our freedom, can but wonder at the fortitude of those who suffered such great privation as captives of our enemies in America's wars," Reckner said.

Formal ceremonies also included a wreath laying and a 21-gun salute by the Cannon Air Force Base Honor Guard. The flags on Memorial Circle were lowered to half-staff for 24 hours and guarded by a sentry posted by the cadet Sabre Flight Drill Team. The cadets also will marched within Memorial Circle for the entire 24-hour period.

"It was a beautiful day and a great ceremony," said Curoe. "Truly befitting of the honor of those we are remembering."

Golf

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the courses did for the university. He said students, faculty and staff played the course every day and he believed it was a chance for him to develop as a, person. He said he wanted to bring that to Tech, and now he has.

Perhaps the man most qualified to speak about the course itself would be the architect Tom Doak. He said the Rawls Course was the most challenging course he's built, and because of that it is one of his favorites.

Tech agreed to his terms and the course is a reality and Rawls said his expectations of having the best collegiate course in the nation were met.

"(This collegiate course is) the best one I've ever seen," he said. "It's going to get better, though. We're only half way there. We have a temporary clubhouse."

Rawls said raising money for the clubhouse is next on the agenda, and it will enable the course to have locker rooms for the golf teams, a restaurant, pavilion and media accommodations for future events.

The beauty and potential for the course was seen by Judy Rankin, a golf analyst and field reporter for ABC and ESPN, who said the course will enable Tech to do tremendous things in the future.

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spouses.

"I think it's gonna do a lot for the university, I think it's gonna do a lot for the community, period," she said. 'In the world of Tech golf teams, I

the big college events." Country star Pat Green and Tech alumnus said he was amazed by the golf course and is glad the students will

think it's gonna help in recruiting tre-

mendously, and I think it's gonna make

Tech a big player in drawing some of

have something like it to play on. "I love it. It reminds me of Prairie Dunes (in Nebraska)," he said.

Green said he would make the course a regular stop while on tour or visiting his in-laws.

"Hell yeah (this will be a regular stop); It already is," he said.

The potential for the golf course is unmeasured, Green said, and he believes it will be a huge asset to Tech in a number of ways.

"Hell, this is a recruiting tool," he said. "Not just for the golf teams but the entire school. You know I think most of the real large business deals in the world are done on the golf course."

Women's golf coach Stacey Totman said she is looking forward to the future of Tech golf and is glad she and her team have something to call

"I'm very proud of this golf course," she said. "I'm proud of the direction everything is going, and I think it will just be awesome."

Existing rural fire prevention districts will convert to emergency service districts to repeal the legislature's authority to create rural fire prevention districts.

Proposition 20 authorized the issuance of general obligation bonds, in a total amount not to exceed \$250 million, that will be used to provide loans for economic development projects that benefit defense-related communities in Texas.

The 22 amendments will go into action after the state canvass has been con-

Fees

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dent money," Dyal said. "In contrary to what people think - We are not getting both types of money."

He said the library gets about \$5.25 million from fees, but it needs about \$6.5 million.

Dyal said the library does not use the fees to offer new services to students. The money pays for personnel, books, journals, computers and other services.

"We used to have a variety of sources that would give money of the library," Dyal said. "Now, the money is coming from the stu-

He said donations by Tech basketball coach Bob Knight and other gifts is the money used to start new services for students.

Dyal said a new computer laboratory and a multimedia library will be built for students to "Students can compose music

or watch movies in the multimedia library," Dyal said. "We are doing this to support academics, but also for recreational purposes."

Dyal said the prestige that a university has is something that increases the ability of a student to get a job. "There is no top five school

that does not have a top five library," He said. "There has to be a parallel growth between the university and the library."

Another mandatory fee is the recreational fee, which is \$59.50 per semester.

Ashley McKeever, a junior sports science major Crawford, said she does not have a parking permit, but she does not understand why she has to purchase one

if she wants to use the recreational

"I pay for a recreational fee," McKeever said. "I should not have to buy a parking sticker on top of that fee for me to be able to workout."

Joe MacLean, director of the student recreation center, said the recreational fee pays for facility operations, aquatic center, intermurals and other services.

He said the parking lot is completely separate from the recreational center.

The staff works hard to be able to have some designated parking for the recreation center.

"I know it is frustrating to them, but the fees support the facility not the parking lot," MacLean said.

Many architecture students are questioning the technology fee, which is \$14 per credit hour. Brandon Sasser, freshman archi-

tecture major from Richardson, said sophomore year architecture students are required to buy a laptop because they use it to store information that will be used in most of their

"I guess I'm going to have to buy one," Sasser said. "It says on the Web site that we have to have a laptop.'

David Driskill, associate dean for the architecture college, said students are not required to have a laptop but it would be easier for them because they are going to use the same computer program in every

He said the technology fee students pay goes to up-grade the technology they all ready have in their computer labs.

"We told incoming freshman during orientation that a laptop would be better," Driskill said. "Spend your money well - if you're going to spend it."

He said students do not understand that the money they pay is to improve what Tech already has.

Library

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12 percent this year, and inflation is nowhere near that."

Dyal said these companies are essentially charging universities for their own faculty's research.

"The great injustice is that our tax dollars pay for scientific research," he said. "Then, the researcher gives the journal the article and all the rights to it, they even often have to pay page charges, which can be hundreds of dollars. Then, the publisher hikes the

Dyal said the institutional subscription rate to these publications is often 10 to 50 times more than a subscription for an individual household for the exact same thing. He said the trend of annual price increases does not bode well for uni-

price up to the libraries."

"If there's a 10 percent increase annually, once every 10 years your budget goes 'poof," he said. "You, all the sudden, don't have a budget unless you get 10 percent more money or cut 10 percent of your subscriptions you will have 10 percent less money to work with every year."

Dyal said the unsubstantiated price hikes are putting a strangle on

"The nature of scholarly communication is not about making money," Dval said. "It's about sharing information. I don't see why these companies' need to make money should interfere with our research capabilities and the sharing of our research.

Dyal sees a financial problem

with it next year also. "This next year the amount of

money it will take to just keep the journals we already have and not get any new ones will cost \$300,000, and this is a cheap year."

Lewis Held, associate professor of biology, spoke of one company, Elsevier, which is based in Europe and owns 60 percent of all the journals used in university libraries across the country. He said they are price-gouging the academic community.

"For example, Academic Press used to publish a lot of academic journals," Held said. "They still do, but now they're under the umbrella of Elsevier. They've been hiking up their prices unfairly without any good reasons."

Elsevier executives did not return

Held said he agrees it's a serious problem but hopes to find a better solution then to cancel subscriptions or raise fees, neither of which he said are too satisfy-

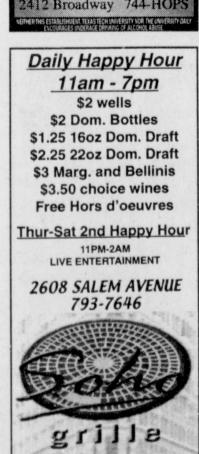
"My colleagues and I need access to these journals in order to do our research," he said. "(Dyal's) faced with a shortfall if enrollment goes down or even just levels off. I want to ask (Tech) President (Jon) Whitmore if there's any other ways to fund the library besides the ones that are in

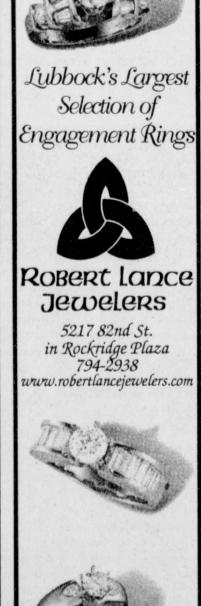
Whitmore was out of town and unavailable for comment.

Dyal offered at least one idea for a solution to the problem.

"A possible solution is to publish refereed, peer-reviewed journals on the Internet either free of charge or just at a very reduced cost," he said. "This would be reduced from paying \$10,000 for a quarterly journal. It's an alternative model-why pay for our own stuff two or three times."

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Hold on to Hope

Light is in the midst of the deepest darkness

t was seven years ago when they sat me down and injected a fatal dosage of re-Lality into what I believed to be a stable

My mother uttered those lethal words -Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, a cancer of the lymph nodes.

Looking back today, it seems as the words traveled from my mother's lips to my ears, the only phrases that successfully translated, to my understanding, were "the cancer is in my bones" and "the doctor's prognosis is three to four years to live, maximum."

At that moment in time it seemed nothing else mattered other than I would graduate from high school, but my mother would not be there to see me receive what, to me, was the manifestation of her and my father's diligence in raising me, in the form of an academic award.

I am blessed to say my mother is still alive and stands, this day, as a testament to the fact that the doctor does not have the final

Just as I, too, stand, this day, as a testament of the fact that the sun still shines behind the clouds.

You see, just when you think the storms and trials of life had become more than you can bear, I am here to tell you behind those clouds that seem to keep you from seeing beyond your circumstances, there is a sun that awaits you on the other side.

Can we cut out the fake and the counterfeit and be real for a moment?

I get the feeling that in the course of everyday life we get so used to telling every person that we encounter that we are "fine," "fine" is what we really are.

humble world, people still hurt, and people still cry when the pain of this life is unbear-

People still find themselves bewildered by the unpredictability of life.

anguish of addictions, and people still find themselves in the middle of situations that seem to have no way out.

the sun could still be shining in the midst of your cloudy days, but if you can just hold out and know your circumstances do not thinks they can no longer go on. dictate how the story ends.

life's trials as what they are, and remember that all trials last only for a time and will ei-

I like the way Ralph, Waldo Emerson so profoundly stated, "We learn geology the morning after the earthquake."

The story is told of a baby girl who, at the age of two, contracted brain fever, a disease similar to scarlet fever. Before the age of two, this disease had caused her to go blind, deaf and mute.

I really don't know how anyone could press on and continue to live in what seemed such a tragic state of being. More than that, how did this little girl go on to graduate from college cum laude?

How did she become a spokesperson for White is a senior technical communiall over the world? How did this little girl dl.white@ttu.edu.





I know it may seem that there is no way the sun could still be shining in the midst of your cloudy days, but if you could just hold out and know your circumstances do not dictate how the story ends.

grow up and receive honorary doctoral degrees from Harvard University, the Temple University and four foreign universities?

This historical figure, Helen Keller, defied the odds that predicted her future to be nothing more than a failure. She learned to see that the sun can and will still shine in spite of the clouds.

Edmund Hillary said it best when he declared, "it is not the mountain we conquer, but ourselves." If only we could stop looking at the circumstances in life and focus on that we begin to convince ourselves that raising our heads to see around and through those clouds and storms we face, we just I don't know about you, but in my might understand what it means to see the sun shining in the midst of the rain.

We just might understand what it means to smile in the midst of heartache and pain. We just might understand what it means to identify with the infamous phrase, "troubles People still struggle with the guilt and don't last always." We just might under-

This is not for those of you who don't go through trials and storms in life. This is not I know it may seem that there is no way for those "fine" people who never have a worry and never have a fear.

This is for that person out there who

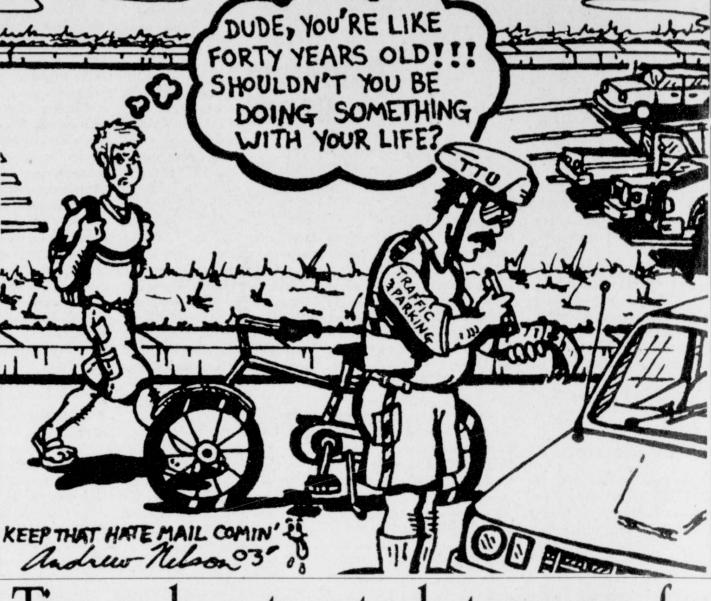
This is for that person who feels they We must learn to shift our focus and see have reached the end of the rope and thinks there is no hope.

This is for that person that cannot see ther be the end of you or make you stronger. past their circumstance enough to believe

that there is a way out. I am here to tell you that what you think is impossible in your circumstance does not

constitute inevitability of your fate. You can make it through that which seems impossible. The interesting fact about clouds is that they are constantly in motion and constantly changing in form; however, on the cloudiest of days, it is only a matter of time before the sun is able to fully shine once again. You can make it.

promoting the rights of disabled individuals cation major from Dallas. E-mail him at



Tips on how to get what you pay for

t cost more to go to Texas Tech this year than last year - duh. No groundbreaking news there.

There's a lot of complaining about the increasing fees, tuition, room and board and well ... everything.

I wanted to be armed with facts before I took it upon my self to start a "Coping with Collegiate Price Gouging" cam-

What a marvelous time I had getting

The facts are all available on Tech's Web site -- available, but not easy to find. I persevered though.

If you are interested, go to http:// www.irs.ttu.edu/Tuition/newindex.htm. You, your parents or the government

paid Tech quite a few Benjamins. Actually, we spent \$758 more on

mandatory fees. We spent \$878 more on tuition.

If you live in the dorms, you had to pony up an extra (estimated mind you) \$526.

That's a total increase of \$2,162 from the year before.

I know we as a collective group of students can't change the price of attending Tech, and I don't in anyway endorse or believe in whiners, but I do firmly believe we can make sure we get our money's

It has been brought to my attention that Gordon Hall has no toilet paper. Nope, this is no joke.

I asked a couple of Gordon residents, and they confirmed the travesty - No toilet paper.

You might not be aware of this, but toilet paper is a very vital household product, especially in the morning.

What else can you blot your lipstick with?

If I lived in Gordon, I would be borrowing lots and lots of toilet paper from Tech, more than I could possible need. I

Sarah Looten

Now that is costs money to ride the bus—ride it. Ride it over and over and over. And around and around and around. All day long. Ride it until you get dizzy.

would make toilet paper forts, toilet paper angels and have toilet paper ball fights.

It would be like a fluffy, white, toilet paper wonderland. Remember, since it's just back when you are done.

There was just a slight increase — \$2.50 in the medical service fee. You might not be aware of this, but medical aid is expensive with a capital E. Even with the increase, it's a very valu-

able service.

I can't help but think I could get so much more mileage out of my money if I were a hypochondriac, but what can a gal do?

So, for all of you hypochondriacs out there, kudos for using the service for all its

The library fee increased 200 percent. That's a lot. Anything with 200 is a lot. 200 percent. Wow.

I can advise you to check out lots of books. Lots and lots of books. Maybe 200. They make great booster seats.

The library has some real pretty ones. You should also use the computers. They

Use them as your own coffee table books.

don't charge you for printing. You could print your own books, or at least 200 pages Ahhh ... the ever-controversial athlet-

ics fee. All I can say is go to all the gamesevery single one of them - football, basketball, baseball, soccer, lacrosse, softball, golf, cross-country, track, volleyball and the campus favorite — tennis. Squeeze every last penny out of that \$50. Now that it costs money to ride the bus-

ride it. Ride it over and over and over. And around and around and around. All day long. Ride it until you get dizzy. The international education fee might

seem like a funny joke in West Texas, but it isn't. It's there for scholarships, so study If that is not your thing, you can just go

to the events at the International Culture Center and enjoy the free refreshments. There is no fee for sitting, but I suggest

you sit in ever chair in every classroom in every building. You deserve it. Take a load borrowing, save the toilet paper and give it off. The chairs were bought for you to sit in, so sit in them! And the No. 1 way to get the most out

of your check made out to Tech?

Call Student Business Services and ask about all the other fees.

Starting this year they have their own \$7 per credit hour fee — just for them. Even though their children have Christmas because students pay such fees, they can be impolite, aloof and vague.

Don't settle for a Web site or redirections. Stay calm. You can get some answers.

The supervisors are quite pleasant. It's your money and you should know where it goes. They should tell you. After all you paid

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Letters to the Editor

Walt the weather man weakens higher education

This has nothing to do with smoking vs. nonsmoking. Like many others, I wonder why in a

time when unemployment is high, and budget cuts are plenty, does Tech hire and keep employed someone like "Walt the Weather Man?"

I refuse to believe that private donors fund Walt. His costume, commercials, mouse

pads in the library and his likeness on the side of our buses all cost money. If Tech says that they want to become

a better higher education institution then shouldn't they be hiring the best professors their resources can buy?

Instead we would rather hire mediocre professors, or no professors at all because of the hiring freeze, and keep "Mr. 70 percent" around.

Personally, I would much rather have another professor in my department instead of being taught mainly by TA's. But no, Tech can't afford that, so we are stuck with some school DARE program gone wrong.

Here's my advice Tech -fire Walt, plant less flowers and get us students some more professors. At least give us that education

-Jeffrey Toler, senior theater major

Students should pick up after themselves on campus

It seems every year is the same at the School of Music.

There is an invasion of non-music majors who are desperately trying to fulfill a fine arts credit. With this invasion comes a growing

problem — litter. Non-major courses must be held in

Hemmle Recital Hall to facilitate the num-

ber of students. Hemmle is the only performing hall we have at the School of Music.

It might not be pretty or even acousti-

cally superior, but it is all we have. Almost 100 percent of music performances are held in this venue.

It bothers me to no end when I walk by and see that once again the floor is trashed with hundreds of newspapers and food wrap-

This has got to be a chore for custodians at the end of the day, not to mention that it is unsightly and rude.

While I cannot suggest an idea to remedy the situation, I would appeal to the basic kindness of all the students who are "guests" to our facility to please help out by picking up after themselves.

> -Hector Aguero Jr., graduate student studying music

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Texas West fest premieres, rocks out Lubbock

By Nikki Siegrist/Staff Reporter

Austin has Sixth Street. Dallas has Deep Ellum. As for Lubbock, there is no distingguised district of live bands every night. That was until Saturday rolled around.

More than 1,000 people gathered at what some said was the best thing to happen in Lubbock in some time.

The sun shone and set and stars rose over the Texas West music festival on Saturday.

Nineteen bands played from late

Fest, benefiting the March of Dimes.

afternoon to early morning in the gether for this event. Depot District, including headliners Dexter Freebish and Blue October.

Travis McElroy, the head of advertising and design for Hub Club Entertainment, the coordinators of the event, said he was excited the event was finally happening.

"It's been four and a half months of planning," McElroy said. "It's been stressful and now it culminates on one day—it's very exciting."

McElroy said he was excited to get the bars of the depot to work to-

"This is one of the main parts of Lubbock," he said. "But it has been stale these last few years. This should give it a kick-start.'

Texas West is designed to be an annual event, and McElrov said he hopes to attract bigger bands next year and enlarge the festival.

"We want this to be something are 1,000 people Lubbock can be proud of," he said. "We hope to draw in people from out of town, make it our own Deep Ellum or Sixth Street."

Natalie Franchini, a senior interpersonal communications major from Albuquerque, N.M., helped Hub Club ob-

tain sponsors. "We worked really hard," she

said. "But it was worth it. There in the street. This is what Lubbock needs."

Franchini said the students of Texas Tech and the people of Lubbock need and want events like this in Lubbock.

"People want this," she said. "I hope people realize it's out there. This is the ultimate Lubbock.'

Franchini said she thought having the music festival in the Depot District was a good idea and that the festival should grow to be big.

"I thought it was awesome," she said. "The Depot District never has stuff like this. Hopefully, this will turn into Woodstock."

Wendy Sowards said she thought the festival was a good idea and she

"I think

Sowards,

a sophomore

political sci-

ence major

from

Wichita

Falls said the

festival has

potential to

it's great," Sowards We hope to draw said. "I love it. It reminds people in from out of me of a spring break town, make it our atmosphere." own Deep Ellum or

- TRAVIS MCELROY Head of Ad and Design, Hub Club Entertainment

Sixth Street.

become a big, well-known festival in Texas and that she would not change much of

"This is great drinking music," Sowards said. "I wouldn't change it. I would just bring more people."

Emily Nowlin, a freshman political science major from De Leon, said the festival was a great way to get more business back into the depot.

"This is business," Nowlin said.

"The depot needs it, since Graham's (club on west side of town) opened and took some of their business."

She said she enjoyed the music and the crowd and hoped the event

is held every year. "I love the music. Drop Sky is awesome," Nowlin said. "This is a great crowd and they are really good

big name bands." Austin Millspaugh, a sophomore architecture major from Houston, said he believes Lubbock could use

more events like this one. "This is teally good," he said. "We need more of it here. It's something to do besides sitting at people's

house." Millspaugh said the only thing he

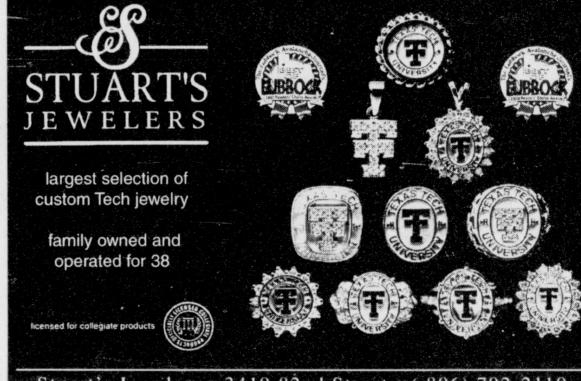
would change is the time it was held. "They (Hub Club) did a good job promoting it," Millspaugh said. "I would extend it a little later. Keep

the bands on main-stage until 2 a.m."

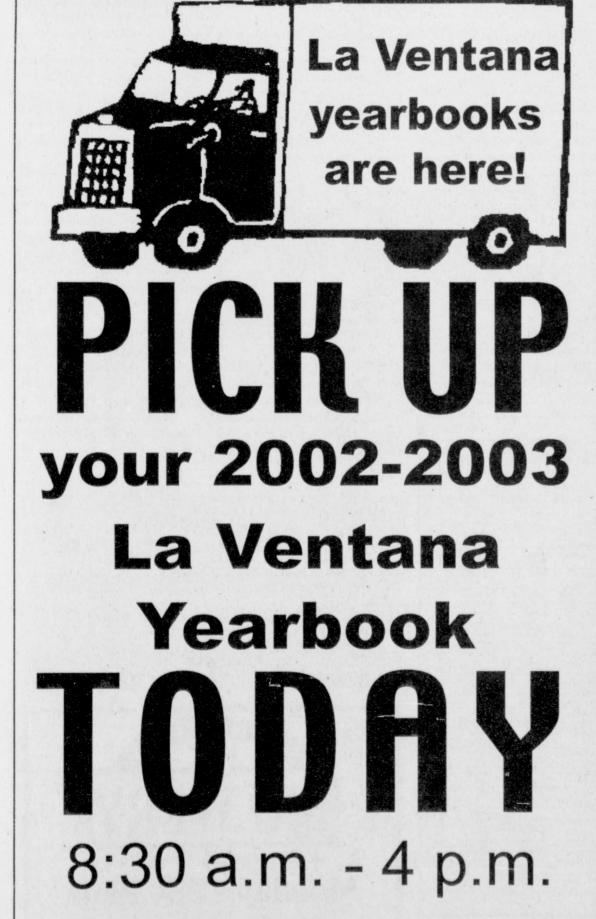
He said Lubbock needed to embrace more local artists and give them a chance to come together and showcase their music.

"We need more things like this," Millspaugh said. "Because most people here don't know what good music is. Lubbock needs more music festivals."





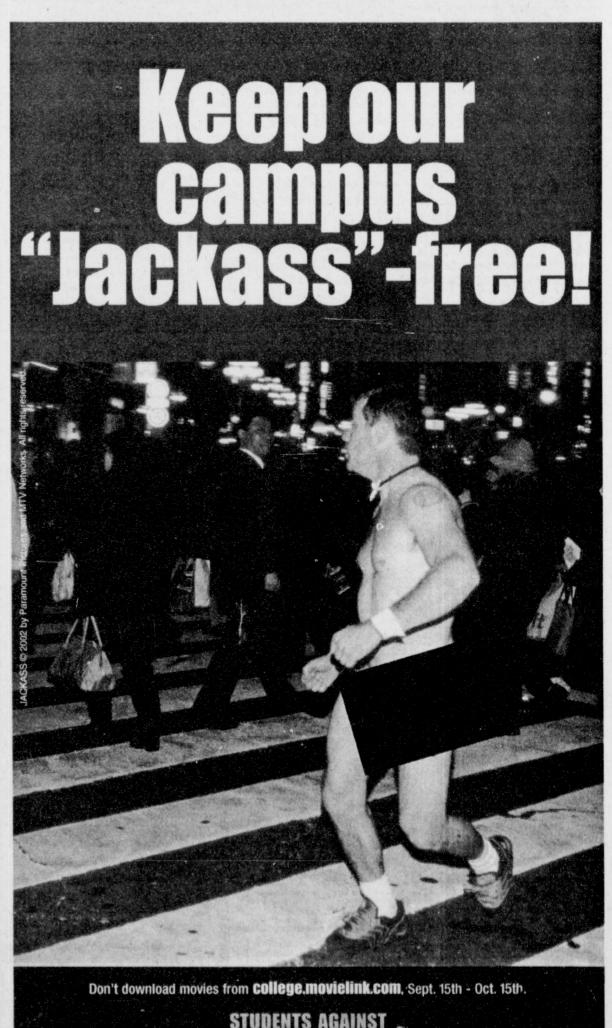
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From the bottom up, Habitat does it again

By Megan LaVoie/Staff Reporter

The tap, tap, tap of hammers filled the air as the community of Lubbock gathered Saturday to share their compassion and their time for the 16th annual Lubbock Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build.

More than 500 volunteers donated their time from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday to lay the foundations for seven homes that are to be finished by the middle of October and two on the fast track program expected to be finished by Sunday.

Carmen Lopez and her four children will hopefully be receiving a key to their new home on Sunday. As part of tradition, Lopez drove the first nail into her new home. Lopez said that she will be helping to build her home every day this coming week.

"I am drawn to being here night and day," she said. "This is my home that people are helping to build; it truly is a miracle how people are donating their time to help me and my family."

Robin Buckner, director of development for the Lubbock Habitat for Humanity, said the process for the families to qualify for the Habitat program is long and tedious, but the end result is well worth the work and the wait.

are a donation. We like to call it a handup not a hand-out—the families have to work to be here," she said.

Members of the program have to complete 500 sweat equity hours, which is 500 hours helping to build other homes, before they can qualify to have a home built of their own.

All of the homes in the North Lubbock neighborhood have been built in conjunction with Lubbock Habitat for Hu-

"People who live in this neighborhood worked so hard to get to this point and all the families know each other and help each other and that's the beauty of this neighborhood," Buckner said.

"This is truly a community that cares for each other," she said.

Michelle Janssen is having a home built for herself and her two children.

"I have always rented because I couldn't afford to buy a home, but now I am so overwhelmed because my boys who are 12 and 16 will finally have a foundation," she said. "This process is so emotional, when I got here this morning there were so many volunteers here to help me and they don't even know me."

"It is so overwhelming to know that fully use," Elliot said.

"Some people think that the houses everything is going to be ok, because I don't have to rent anymore and to know that this house is finally going to be something that I worked for and something that is mine,"

> D'Nay Freeland, a senior public relations major from Wichita Falls, was an intern with the Lubbock Habitat for Humanity this summer.

Freeland said her favorite thing about the process is getting to meet the families. "I love getting to meet the families and

seeing their reactions. It's fun; reactions are always fun," she said. Marine Reserves Lance Cpl. Dustin Craig, a Habitat volunteer, said he under-

"I want to help these families out because a lot of them are single parents and my mother was a single parent. It's tough,"

stands the difficulties single parents go

Charles Elliot, a senior architecture major from Lubbock, has been working with the Tech Chapter for eight years. Elliot said the Tech chapter of Habitat for Humanity is celebrating their 10th year.

"It's fun to see Tech Students come out and help because by the end of the day they will have a new skill that they can hope-



DAVID JOHNSONStaff Photographer TECH HABITAT FOR Humanity member Q.T. Felton, a sophomore mechanical engineering major from Houston, helps put up the walls on a Habitat house on the 2200 block of Duke Street during the Habitat for Humanity Blitz Build on Saturday afternoon.

Ex- Red Raider Pat Green Batchelor takes life on with enthusiasm plays old stomping ground

By Megan LaVoie/Staff Reporter

Nearly 10 years ago, Pat Green was a just a regular Texas Tech student who liked to drink beer and play his guitar. Today Green is quickly becoming a household name and he proved on Friday night that he can put on a concert just as well, if not better than, any famous country singer.

After a nearly 45-minute delay, Green, wearing a bandana on his head, a beer cup in his hand and a guns-up sign in the other hand, opened with the song "Southbound 35" for a diverse and anxious Lubbock

On the grassy hills of the Canyon Amphitheater many adults laid back, ate potato peels, smoked cigarettes and drank beer, while the younger crowd, student at Tech. made up mostly of enthusiastic Texas Tech students, crowded the area in front of the stage and sat on each other's shoulders to get a better glimpse of Green.

Lindsey Felton, a freshman architecture major from Lubbock, said she was excited that she was able to come to the concert.

"I have been trying to see Pat Green for a long time now. Somehow, I always miss his concerts because I always have something else to do," she said. "I am really excited that I get to hear him tonight because I love his music.'

cal science major from Lubbock, was stage for two encores.

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also excited about attending the con-

"I like Pat Green and his music because Pat acts like an ordinary guy and he seems like the type of guy you could hang out with," he said.

Green reminded concert attendees just how normal he was by talking about his times at Tech and his wife, who is seven months pregnant, be-

Green yelled to the crowd that it was good to be back home and changed most of the words in his songs that said "Texas" to "Texas Tech.' Green told the crowd that he used to live in Room 806 in the Coleman Residence Hall when he attended Tech and he penned one of his favorite songs, "Here I go again" while a

Kim Doyle, a sophomore merchandizing major from Lufkin, and her friends were wearing "I love Pat Green" tank tops that they had made. Along with Doyle, the crowd would chant that phrase in between songs.

Doyle's only complaint about the concert was the parking situation. When the amphitheaters parking lot was full, people started to park along

We had to walk like a mile to get here, but it was worth it," Doyle said.

Pat Green ended with his hit song "Wave on Wave," also the title of his tour. The Lubbock crowd was so en-Josh Purkeypile, a freshman politi- thusiastic that Green came back on

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By Erica Gonzales/Staff Reporter

Colton Batchelor. To many students, he is just the Student Government Association's external vicepresident. But like several students, he takes on many roles. He is a son, a brother, a friend and recently, a new uncle. Now, as SGA external vicepresident, his new role is being an active leader at Texas Tech.

Before Texas Tech, life was different for this San Antonio native. After high school, many students attend college. But Batchelor took a different path. He took two years off after high school.

"I just wasn't ready for college," he said.

After graduating from high school, Batchelor worked at his hometown's local Harley Davidson shop. He also bought a Harley Davidson motorcycle from money he had saved from working in high school. He did not have a car for over a year. His motorcycle was his way of transportation through rain or shine, he said.

After working for two years, Batchelor decided he was ready to go to college and be serious. He sold his motorcycle and applied to colleges. He was familiar with Tech because his brother attended Tech. When the decision time came, he chose Tech because of its demographics and friendly atmosphere, he said.

"It was the best decision I've made in my life," he said. "It put me in a position to meet several people."

Upon arrival at Tech, Batchelor immediately got involved in several organizations.

"In all areas I'm in involved in my life, I take advantage of every opportunity I have," he said

And Batchelor did just that. He jumped at every opportunity he had to in order to have his voice heard. Therefore, there was no better place

COLTON BATCHELOR TYPES on his computer in his office in the Student Union Friday afternoon.

"I truly believe I have it in me to make a difference," he said. His decision to join the SGA co-

incided with the fact that the members of the organization had the same himself. "No sense in getting upset or

Campus

Celebrity

Batchelor; the SGA members had a positive attitude and

about Tech and genuinely wanted to listen strong support system of family, friends to students, he said.

Batchelor's new position allows him to do just that. However, he said it has been a challenge to be a fulltime student, full-time employee and

for Batchelor than becoming part of have outside responsibilities.

When things get tough for him, he said he just takes a deep breath and tells himself what his father and brother always say.

"I gotta do this," he said he tells

worrying about it. Might as well get it done." H

said

has and his girlfriend. He said his family is extremely important and encourag-

"If I'm frustrated with something, he makes me laugh," he said. "He around him, he makes you smile," she keeps the spirit around the place."

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Jeremy Brown, SGA president, describes Batchelor as the person keeping everyone else in a positive mood.

does, it makes it great to work with him, Brown said. "What I like about working with

Because Batchelor loves what he

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him is that he always brings in a new perspective I never thought of," he Brown said Batchelor is a lot like

him; they both are passionate about what they do.

Batchelor's girlfriend of nine months, Kathryn Moore, a public relations major from Austin, said he is very passionate about his job as SGA external vice-president.

"He loves his job and never complains," she said.

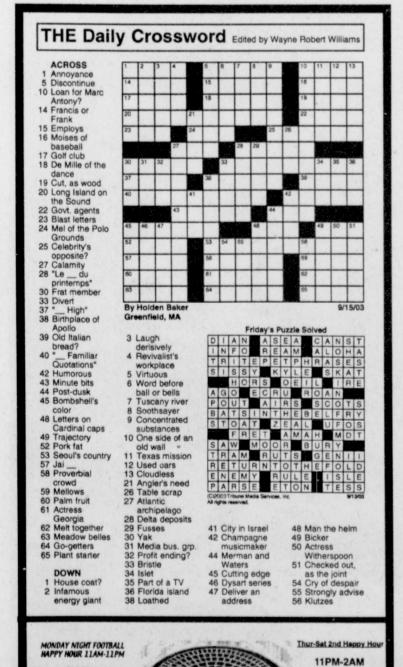
His positive attitude is contagious to those around him, Moore said. No matter who he meets or who he is around, he makes everyone feel important, she said.

"He is very uplifting - when you're

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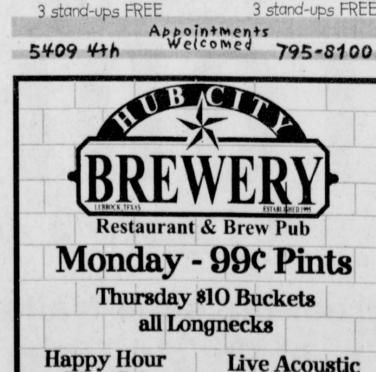
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Fiestas del Llano celebrates Mexican Independence Day, Hispanic heritage

By Nikki Siegrist/Staff Reporter

American and Mexican flags danced side by side in a breeze filled with the aroma of authentic Mexican food this weekend at Lubbock's annual Fiestas

And (Fiestas) is

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just one race but

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del Llano.

The Fiestas is celebrated in honor of Mexibringing everybody can Independence day (Sept. 16, 1811), as well as a time to celebrate the Hispanic culture, said Maria Rivas, one of the original board members of Fiestas del

Llano. "The group's vision was that it had to be something big, something for the whole community," Rivas said. "You still don't see many Anglos coming. You don't see many blacks. But, hopefully, that will change. We are interested in seeing people of different cultures coming."

Live music, a carnival, food, ven- idea of how broad the Hispanic culdors, a scholarship pageant, theater, dancing, a parade and chess lessons were a part of the weekend's activi-

Texas Tech was a sponsor of the

Fiestas, but has never in the past, directly been involved. This year, through Knight Raiders, the Tech chess club, and Teatro en Español, a part of the department of Classical and Modern Languages, and other organizations, Tech participated directly with the community.

Eduardo Cabrera, an associ-

ate professor of Spanish and sponsor for both Teatro en Español and Knight Raiders, said he was excited Tech was joining with the commu-

"People need to have a more broad idea of culture," Cabrera said. "Most people don't understand the ture is."

Cabrera's students agreed with him and said they felt a need for the Hispanic population to be better represented at Tech.

Beatrize Walker, a graduate student studying Spanish literature from Abilene, said performing at the Fiestas could help raise the number of Hispanic students at Tech.

"It is very important for education," she said. "It's important for integrating Hispanics and Americans. Our goal is to attract people from the community and see the 12 percent of Hispanic students rise."

Naida Gonzales, a senior Spanish major from Lubbock, also is a member of the Teatro. She said she believes Tech needs to participate in more community activities.

"It is very important for Tech to reach out to the community because of the low enrollment of Hispanic students," she said. "We can make changes that are long overdue. The need to go into higher education is a goal for the Hispanic population."

Dolores Garza, a senior marketing and management major from Mesquite, also is a part of the Teatro.



MEMBERS OF THE Ballet Folklorico Aztlan of Lubbock participate in the Fiestas del Llano parade Saturday morning.

She said that bringing the Hispanic community together is beneficial for

"This is a very mixed culture," she said. "And (Fiestas) is bringing everybody together. It's not just one race but several races."

She said she believes Tech taking advantage of this opportunity to reach the Hispanic population was a

"This is a good way to bring Hispanics in Lubbock together and get them introduced (to Tech) and let them know what's going on (at

Other participating organizations from Tech shared similar views about Tech's involvement.

The Hispanic Business Student Association was involved and part of the parade on Saturday.

"We are a fairly new organization," said Adam Cantu, the association's president. "This is a good outcome. It's pleasantly surprising to see the Hispanic community come out for this event."

Cantu, a Tech alumni, said he believes that by participating in the Fiestas, the association is helping to promote higher education among the

Hispanic population.

"(Fiestas) puts out our name," he said. "Future Hispanic students can know we do have an organization available when they attend Tech."

Brett Chaney, publication director for the Knight Raiders, said he enjoyed the Fiestas and encourages other students to learn about other cultures through activities such as

"Get out there and learn what it's like," Chaney said. "That way everybody would understand more and get along. People who don't experience things don't understand."

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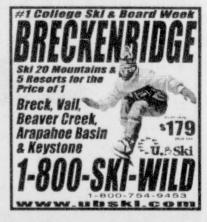
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Johnson continues to garner accolades

By Jason Lenz/Staff Reporter

Rarely does a walk-on become one of the greatest players in school history. Texas Tech volleyball's junior schools I was looking at. I thought it

outside hitter Kelly Johnson, however, has done just that after accumulating accolade after accolade to be become one of the leaders on the Red Raider squad.

In her freshman year in high school, Johnson picked up on the sport she now loves. She said volleyball had an appeal other sports comer of the Year after setting the

did not. "I liked it because it was a team sport," she said. "I did basketball and track in high school, but I liked volleyball because it was a team sport that involved a lot of high energy and athletic ability. It was a challenge to me."

Options were not plentiful, Johnson said, when it came time to decide which college to attend.

ally good facilities and a really good program compared to the other

> was a pretty easy decision. I actually walked on here at Tech without money and then earned a scholarship my sophomore year."

> As a freshman in 2001, Johnson was named Big 12 Conference New-

freshman record for kills in a season with 393. Today, the 2002 American Volleyball Coaches Association All-American finalist holds the school record for kills in one match with 35. She led the Big 12 in kills per game last year with 4.99. She was voted Big 12 Player of the Week for the week of Nov. 11 last season and given the

honor again last week. With one more

limited," Johnson said. "Tech had re- sole holder of the school record for a student athlete and going to school."

Despite her numerous accomplishments, Johnson said when she began her stint as a Raider, she did not initially see herself where she is today.

"It might not have been a vision at the beginning, but once I kept taking on the sport and picking it up so easily, I guess the only thing I could hope for was to be a team captain and lead and excel in anything I do, and right now I'm focusing on volleyball,"

In addition to her accomplishments on the court, Johnson was voted to the Big 12 All-Academic first team last year. Head coach Nancy Todd said she has known Johnson to succeed and lead both on the court and off.

"She leads by her play," Todd said. "She's pretty intense, and she obviously hits the ball hard. She's intense; she's aggressive, and the other girls see that. She's a great student. She has excellent study habits. She's organized, for sure. She's got good time manage-

"My decisions for college ball were service ace, Johnson will also be the ment skills, and that helps with being

Junior setter Laura Grote, who has been setting the ball for Johnson for three years, said Johnson helps get the team fired up.

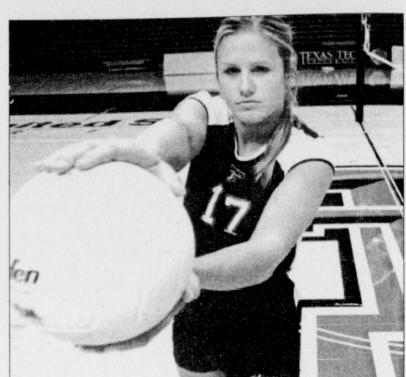
"She's like our motivator, and that's definitely a characteristic of what a good leader is - being a motivator," she said. "She provides energy, and not only with her hitting ability or anything like that, but off the court, like in the locker room before games."

Despite motivating the other players, Grote said Johnson provides another element for the team-fun.

"It's a lot of fun," she said. "It's always good to have a go-to hitter who can put the ball away. Me as a setter, I'm very confident in giving her the ball. She's very motivational, very energetic, very emotional."

Senior outside hitter Angela Mooney said, in the end, Johnson's drive is what makes her a leader.

"She wants to win; she wants to succeed, and we all know that," she said.



TYSON JEFFERYS/Staff Photographer

TEXAS TECH VOLLEYBALL player Kelly Johnson is at practice in the United Spirit Arena. Johnson, a former walk-on, leads Tech in kills this season with 5.91 per game. Johnson and the Red Raiders face Colorado on Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Boulder, Colo. Tech is 7-1 this season.

ESPN's "Playmakers" proves NFL is inferior to NCAA

or all of you Oakland Raider Na tion fans and Cheeseheads of Green Bay, if you have watched **ESPN** original series,"Playmakers", you would realize why professional football could never out rank the college atmosphere on the gridiron.

Here's proof of my point. The slogan of the three-week old show is, "If all you see is the athlete, open your eyes." The show is based around professional football players who get caught up with fame, popularity and fortune. Problems with greed and drugs also come into the mix which usually end the career they worked so hard for their lives.

In college football, you rarely see and hear about that problem. They are not paid, I think, but I know that they don't receive a protected salary fessional sports, especially football, players are paid to play, and I feel they are able to do whatever they want. The show depicts that.

I hate to hear about a player, who is making a lot more than the average working man, complain about show is still trying to get an edge on not getting a raise or bonus because

he sat on the bench all year cheering for his team. I did that in high school when I played football and I didn't

get a paycheck. In the show, the young, rookie running back gets away with drug use, tardiness to games and fighting it is more interesting than home fame has not taken over them. with other players without punish-

Look at what happened to Ohio State than go and see a NFC champion-their college years because there isn't all tailback Maurice Clarett.

Colleges and universities all besides their scholarships. But in pro- across the nation have dealt with ing up in Alabama, I'll still take time the university level, the general public penalties given by the NCAA for dirty programs, but few NFL players have been reprimanded seriously for

Here's another example.

his competition so he depends on the

demonstrates that professional sports ized all the problems of the NFL. are not natural anymore because of these enhancement drugs.

players from the eras of Babe Ruth of convicted felons that used to sport and Red Grange, when home run the Dallas Cowboy star. I would kings were fat, not fake and strong, rather consider my sports' role model and when the typical lineman a college athlete like Mickey Peters weighed the average of a normal, or Auburn's quarterback, Jason modern receiver.

I love football. And I don't refuse to watch the NFL on Sunday because decorating shows or dog competitions, but I would rather take tickets Not the case in the college ranks. to a Hofstra versus Dartmouth game I still love to watch them play during

out of my Saturdays to watch the Auburn Tigers and now, the Red Raiders because I feel they have a reason to play the game that doesn't depend on their financial stability or reputa-The older running back in the tion. But just out of the pure love for

I used to look up to players like

use of steroids to get him back into Michael Irvin and Emmitt Smith, his "prime." That's another problem but those days have been dead and with professional sports. The show decaying since I woke up and real-

Now I have to deal with trash talking Warren Sapp, selfish No longer can people look at the Keyshawn Johnson and the long list Campbell. They are in it for the game. Money is out of the picture. They play to win. The popularity and

Even though several college athletes grow to become these NFL hypocrites, the cash and girls going around con-Just like when I was younger grow-stantly. And if they are getting paid at remains completely oblivious about it and that is the way it should stay, so I, along with others, don't lose respect for the players. Then what would I watch?

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Longhorns still in shock after snapping home winning streak

horns woke up Sunday with a strange feeling. For the first time since most of them pulled on a burnt orange jersey, nearly four quarters to prepare for it. they were faced with the morning-after They led only after their first drive, and regrets of a home loss.

former nemesis Arkansas, ending a run scored again on their next possession

of 20 wins at Royal Memorial Stadium. It had been the secondlongest active streak in the country and goes down as the third-

longest in school history, one shy of sec- had 21 at halftime. The Razorbacks finond place.

Kansas State was the last visiting team to win in Austin, doing so in October 1999 when fifth-year senior Bo Scaife was a true freshman. He's the only player who played in both losses; seven out possession, that coming on its first other current players redshirted that sea-

Johnson, a high school senior the last

AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas Long- time it happened. "I don't know how to handle this."

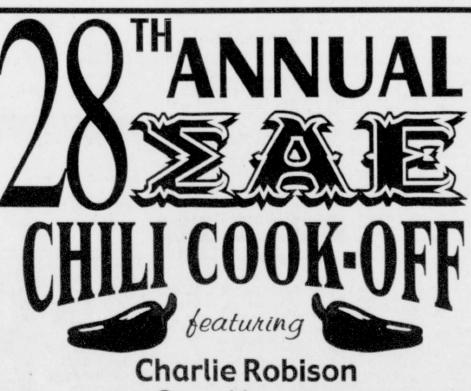
Actually, the Longhorns (1-1) had not for very long as the Razorbacks (2-Texas was upset 38-28 Saturday by 0) answered with a touchdown. They

and led by at least a touchdown the rest of the way. During the

home winning streak, no team had scored more than 20 points. Arkansas

ished with the most points by a visitor since October 1997 and became the first unranked foe to win in Austin since Texas Tech in November 1997.

Arkansas had only one three-anddrive of the second half. The Razorbacks had a 46-yard touchdown run and "This is very weird," said receiver B.J. a 60-yarder that set up the game-sealing field goal.



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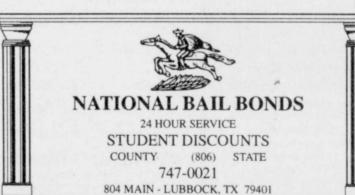
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