

Tech begins task of maintaining accreditation

By Adam Boedeker/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech will soon begin the process of reaffirming its accreditation through the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges.

Universities must apply for accreditation every 10 years. It is required for many things, including qualifying for federal government grants and contracts and other federal programs like the Guaranteed Student Loan Program.

Tech has been accredited since 1928, which means the university has met and complied with SACS standards.

Vice Provost James Brink said SACS accredits institutions from beauty colleges to Level VI research, doctoralgranting universities, which is what Tech is.

Tech's report on accreditation for compliance is due Aug. 15, 2004. The Quality Enhancement Plan is due six

weeks before an on-site visit from SACS.

Brink said Level VI universities are evaluated by people from other Level VI universities. The only requirement is they cannot come from the same state the university is in. Brink said this accreditation will not be as painful as

ones in the past. "In the past this has been a very arduous process," Brink

said. "They (SACS) used to have a book of 468 criteria, which I called the 'adolescent approach.' By that, I mean the authority doesn't believe anything you say, and you must prove everything. Now what we have is more of an 'adult approach.' Now there are only 68 standards to meet; it asks you 'do you comply with this standard, if so tell us how?"

Brink said instead of a lengthy 3-inch thick book as a report, they will instead be able to submit an online report it be groundskeepers, traffic and parking or the School of

rate the university's claims of being compliant.

Brink said in this report they will tell the university's story.

"We have to tell the story of the university," he said. "They want to know if our students are getting a good education, if the core-curriculum classes are laying a solid foundation for the students' education. They are also interested in things like students services being available like the recreation center and whether the buildings on campus are heated or cooled properly, everyone is truly involved."

Brink said the key to the reaffirmation process is constant assessment.

"We are constantly assessing what we're doing, whether

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that will link readers to other sources that will corrobo- Mass Communications," Brink said. "We need to make changes based on assessment and always make sure what we are doing is right. If it's not, we have to know how to fix it."

> The other element of the reaffirmation process is the Quality Enhancement Plan. This plan will take feedback from the university community and use it to better the current state of the university.

The Quality Enhancement Plan is due by February 2005 at the earliest. The plan will include suggestions provided by SACS, which will get feedback from the university community, including students, faculty, staff and alumni.

"The QEP is very exciting because it involves as much

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Thousands evacuate as 'Cane Isabel charges

MANTEO, N.C. (AP) - Traffic surged off the Outer Banks island chain Tuesday as more than 100,000 people were urged to evacuate the North Carolina coast before the arrival of Hurricane Isabel, which had weakened but remained a dangerous storm on a track toward land.

The National Hurricane Center posted a hurricane watch from Little River Inlet, S.C., to Chincoteague, Va., including Pamlico and Albemarle Sounds and a large part of Chesapeake Bay.

On tiny, low-lying Tangier Island in Chesapeake Bay, Wallace Pruitt stored outdoor furniture at the bed-and-breakfast inn he runs with his wife, Shirley.

"I don't usually get too excited about something like this, but this one has so much force I've been preparing for two days," said Pruitt, 63.

Forecasters said Isabel appeared to be on a course to hit Thursday on the North Carolina coast and move northward through eastern Virginia. Large



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SGA Freshman Council election process begins

By Jennifer Prieto/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech Student Government Association Freshman Council elections are just around the corner, and preliminary preparations for students planning to run for a position with the organization start Thursday.



Heather Smith, director of freshman committees for the SGA, said the Freshman Council is comprised of elected individuals who aim to bridge the gap between high school and college student government.

She said one of the main objectives of Freshman Council is to support the Student Senate and to be the representatives of the freshman class.

"It is a great transition between student council in high school to student government at Tech," Smith said. "It helps them learn more about their university and their peers."

She said members of the Freshman Council participate in all SGA events, including SGA Day and RaiderGate. They are involved in community service, and they raise money for a scholarship given to a student senator.

Smith said her personal goal is for Freshman Council members to learn how the Student Senate works and about the different Tech departments.

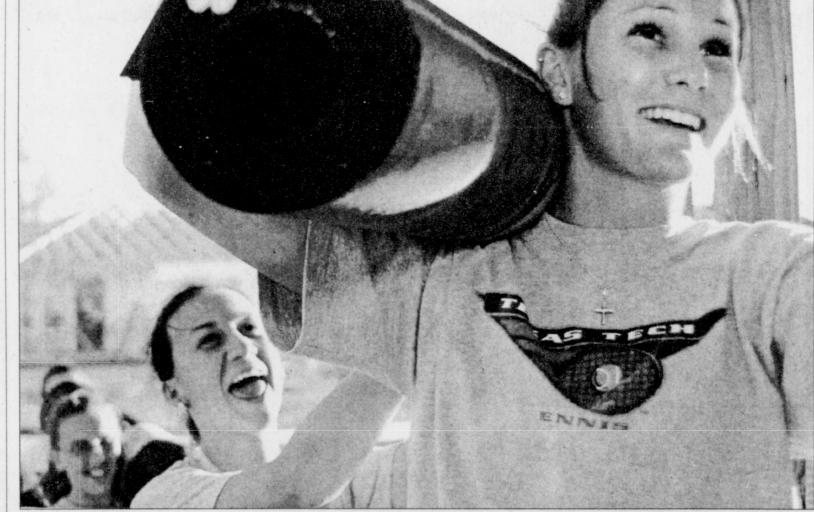
She also wants members of the Council to get involved and learn from

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ING KNOWLEDGE

TERRY ALLEN, AN artist from Santa Fe, N.M., steadies the sculpture BOOKMAN Red "Reader as Byron Peterson from Wala Wala, Wash., prepares the base for installation. DARREL THOMAS/ Student Media





Tech women's tennis team builds team unity while constructing a house for Habitat for Humanity

> By Joey Kirk/Staff Reporter and photos by Jaime Tomás Aguilar/Staff Photographer

nstead of tennis rackets, the Texas Tech women's tennis team had ham mers in their hand Monday night.

After a long day of classes and hours of practicing, the team gave back to the community by building a house as part of the Habitat for Humanity program. Building wins can wait.

For three hours Monday, head coach Cari Groce and several tennis players gathered at the site.

"It is important to make sure and instill that giving back to the community is a great opportunity," Groce said. "We are excited to help out with the effort.'

Groce said she is already seeing the positive affects of the team's unity after a couple of practices and this event.

"For the year coming ahead and the team we have, I am proud and pleased to see what they have accomplished," she said. "They are really enthusiastic about helping and to know that, it is a good sign."

Iva Gyurgina, a freshman player from Bulgaria, said she liked helping out because of the people, as well as getting to play with the tools.

"I wanted to help," she said. "We get to meet a lot of nice people, and I wanted to hold a hammer."

Tara Browning, a sophomore from Perth, Australia, said she enjoyed getting to give back to the people who support the team.

"Coach Groce came and told us about the event and decided to change

on the house the team helped build as part of Habitat for Humanity. practice," she said. "Also, it is the least we can do for the community and those who actually come out to the games and support us."

TOP: LAKANN WAGLEY, a freshman tennis player, moves a roll of roof-

ing felt up a latter. ABOVE: Wagley and teammates nail down roofing felt

After reading about Habitat for Humanity, Groce said she jumped on the opportunity to help out.

"This is our first opportunity to work with Habitat for Humanity," she said. "This is just the beginning because we plan to help out more this year with things around the community."

Along with constructing houses, Groce said the team builds a bond together while working.

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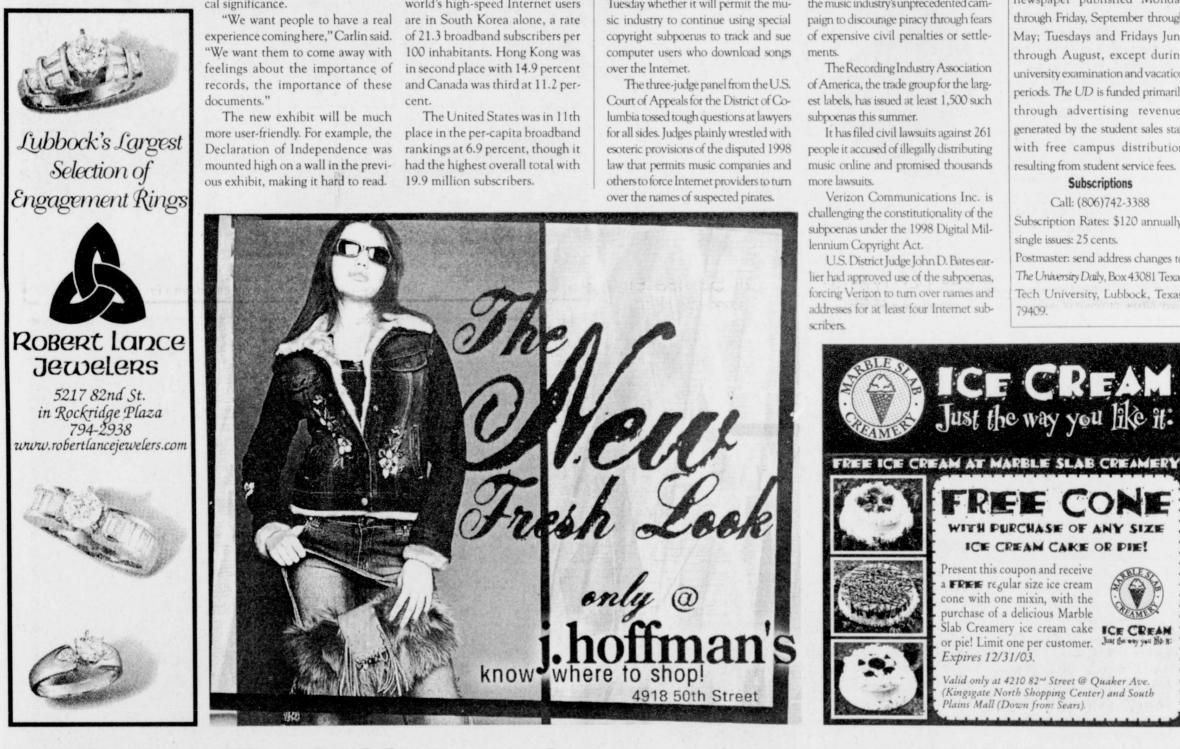
AUSTIN (AP) - The bitter insix weeks gave way to handshakes and warm embraces Tuesday as Democrats month and a half.

"Today was a wonderful showing of good faith on every senator's part," Sen. pages of the Constitution will be on Chris Harris, R-Arlington, said after the Senate met briefly.

"All of us are professionals," said Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas. "We can disagree without being disagreeable."

During the last six weeks, the senators seemed to be anything but agreeable after 11 Democrats staged a boy- tunda was closed to tourists on July cott of the Texas Senate over GOP at- 5, 2001, for renovations. The docutempts to redraw the state's congressional districts. The boycott brought the Senate to a standstill during the second . special session because not enough senators were present to make a quorum.

Republicans, who hold every statewide-elected post in Texas, say they should have more representation in the Texas congressional delegation, currently controlled 17-15 lic. by Democrats. The Democrats have argued that the current districts tional Archives and a former Kansas should stand and have said that plans before the Legislature this year would hurt minorities.



The Rundown



lawmakers Historic documents on S. Korea takes lead in shake hands in Senate display in Washington Internet connections

WASHINGTON (AP) - The fighting in the Texas Senate for the past original Constitution, Bill of Rights rea holds a large lead over the rest and Declaration of Independence, of the world in the percentage of locked away for two years for treatand Republicans appeared together on ment to ensure their longevity, are the Senate floor for the first time in a going back on display in state-of-theart cases.

And for the first time, all four permanent display. Previously, just the first and last pages had been on exhibit at the National Archives.

The documents, displayed at the Archives since 1952, were shielded from the public when the building's enormous marble and limestone roments were then given a careful review, the first close examination of the three pieces of history in half a century.

President Bush will help unveil the new exhibit Wednesday, along with Chief Justice William Rehnquist and congressional leaders. On Thursday, the rotunda will open to the pub-

John Carlin, archivist of the Nagovernor, thinks the newly remodeled rotunda and remounted documents will help convey their historical significance.



GENEVA (AP) - South Kopeople who have high-speed Internet connections, the U.N. communications agency said Tuesday.

Between 60 and 70 percent of all households in South Korea have a broadband connection, and cybercafes where students play online games are "almost on every corner," said Taylor Reynolds, one of the authors of a report by the International Telecommunication Union.

"Broadband is just an essential part of everyday life. They use it for e-mail, they use it for chat, for music, all sorts of things," Reynolds said.

The ITU's 196-page report found 63 million broadband subscribers worldwide at the start of 2003.

The report also found more mobile phone users than people with fixed-line phones, 1.13 billion. The ITU first estimated that wireless phones had begun outnumbering landlines in May 2002.

More than 10 million of the world's high-speed Internet users



LUKE MACKLE, A junior finance major from Cypress, catches the ball during a Pi Kappa Phi intramural football practice on the area south of the Merket Alumni Center on Tuesday afternoon.

Court considers to allow music industry suboenas

eral appeals court panel offered few hints Tuesday whether it will permit the mu-

The decision, expected later this fall, could have important consequences for the music industry's unprecedented cam-

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Tech Express accepted at more businesses

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BySally Gunter/Staff Reporter

McDonalds, United Supermarket, Ralph's Records, Lowe's, Rawls Golf Course, and the Lubbock Cotton Kings do not appear on the surface to have much in common.

However, all these companies, plus more, help support Texas Tech students by welcoming TechExpress, a debit-type student ID program.

TechExpress expanded its off campus vendors to 78 locations this fall. Last year, six off-campus locations offered the alternative payment option.

Dolores Harper, manager of the TechExpress system, said new locations are being added every day.

TechExpress is accepted at most on-campus locations, including the new campus bookstore and Starbucks. All of the dining halls on-campus take TechExpress.

The program was established in 1989 by the dining services. More than 8,000 students are taking advantage of the program.

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contacting local companies interested in becoming a vendor has expanded the supporter list. Efforts are under way to add

at least 20 more locations by the end of the semester, Harper said.

of TechExpress by

Cilantro's Burrito Grill and Wendy's will accept the card in the near future, as will Hub City Creamery, a new

ice cream shop on Broadway Avenue, once it is open for business, she

said. "I think it is a good program for

Wells Fargo's active role in help- students," Harper said. "It is a conve-

The Lubbock I think it's a market. "It is an ex-

wonderful pendable income opportunity for that we'd love for them to spend students and with us," said Matt Marshall, parents to make broadcaster and director of media sure students have relations. "That's why we did." food.

There is a catch to accept-COLTON BATCHELOR ing TechExpress, SGA External though. Vice President

The organization must pay a certain amount

that is deducted from what they make, Marshall said.

us and good for them."

Although TechExpress will be accepted at the entryway and to purchase tickets, it cannot be used at the concession stand areas or souvenir booths.

cause of alcohol," said Marshall. "We only have one machine, and it will probably stay at the gate."

Since then, they have had great success with students purchasing their textbooks using the card, general manager of Double T Bookstore Chris Toelle said.

men who come in who think they can automatically use it without putting money on it," Toelle said. "Some stuit works."

Toelle said the monthly fees for "It allows for more students to having the program available, simi-

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come out," he said. "That is good for lar to those credit card vendors must pay, have decreased.

> "It was a lot more expensive before Wells Fargo started doing it," he said. "It is now attracting more businesses."

Students have the opportunity to add money onto their account through various avenues.

Payments can be made online at the TechExpress Web site by credit card; in person at ID/TechExpress Office in Room 123 of Doak Hall or the Student Union across from the information booth, or checks can be mailed to the TechExpress office or

deposited through any of the Wells Fargo Bank locations.

There is a 2 percent deposit charge when money is added to TechExpress by a credit card, Harper said.

Student Government External Vice President Colton Batchelor said he supports the program and encourages students to take full advantage.

"I think it's a wonderful opportunity for students and parents to make sure students have food," Batchelor said. "Then the parents don't have to worry about where the money is going."

Some businesses that use Tech Express are:

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of the university as possible," Brink said. "An on-site committee will come in Spring 2005 to look at our QEP. When we tell them we're going to do something very ambitious, they'll want to know how we're going to accomplish these goals. They're coming to pick apart what we said in the QEP report and then they write a report based on their visit. That will be sent to the SACS membership and in December 2005 they will make the decision whether we've been reaffirmed for both compliance and the QEP at the same time."

Sue Couch, chairwoman of the Quality Enhancement Plan Committee and a professor in the College of Human Sciences, said the main focus is to improve student learning.

"The purpose of the QEP is to improve student learning over the years to come, by focusing on some issues that can improve student learning," Couch said. "We'll be asking the university community for input on that."

Gary Elbow, professor of geography, said there is a link on Tech's homepage for SACS reaffirmation at www.ttu.edu. In a few weeks it will include a

questionnaire for students, faculty and alumni to fill out.

"We will ask people to rank five suggestions that were identified by the Quality Enhancement Program," Elbow said. "We can identify what people's priorities are based off their answers. There will also be a space to add additional input for issues that weren't addressed.'

Issues that will be addressed in the questionnaire include experiential learning such as internships, ethics and professionalism, and other topics such as improving diversity and undergraduate, and graduate research and teaching.

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"It is awesome," she said. "I can see the team is building relationships with one another and unity between all of them."

Another positive affect of helping is changing the setting.

"Usually, we are always on the court practicing," she said. "And this is a chance for us to get away from that and be involved with other things besides school and tennis."

The women's tennis season begins next week when they will travel to Tulsa, Okla., Sept. 26-28 for the Hurricane Invitational.

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Cotton Kings also want to tap into the Tech student

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Double T Bookstore was one of the first locations to begin accepting TechExpress in 1997.

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Playboy, Wal-mart a perfect match

am Walton just rolled over in his grave.

Wal-Mart, the family-oriented chain of department stores and No. 1 retailer in the world, has been approached by Playboy.com to allow a "Women of Wal-Mart" series, according to a Monday article on CNN.com.

Playboy wants any woman over the age of 18 who works for Wal-Mart, sports a wellendowed chest and has the courage to flash more than just a smile.

An offer like this one is akin to Pat Robertson asking porn star Ron Jeremy if he would like to work with him on his next book.

Typically, Wal-Mart tries to ingratiate itself with the morally respectable middle class families of America.

For instance, Wal-Mart stores will cover up magazine covers depicting scantily clad women while they are on the shelf.

CDs with explicit lyrics are often edited, sold without certain tracks or not sold altogether.

Wal-Mart spokesman Tom Williams said the Playboy thing isn't where the corporation wants to be.

In fact, Wal-Mart stopped selling the men's magazines "FHM", "Maxim" and "Stuff" earlier this month in order to enhance its image as a family-friendly store.

However, I think it could both be a boost to sales and downright hilarious if Wal-Mart played along.

You think the Wal-Mart parking lot is an endeavor.

crowded on weekends now? Imagthe ine new slogans: "We're rolling back more than just prices.'

"Wal-Mart: Dad won



Think how much more fun a trip to Wal-mart would be if they ousted the enfeebled old retired soldier with the loverboy tattoo on his forearm who greets you at the door in favor of someone a little more sensual, like a Playboy centerfold.

There is, admittedly, a glaring concern I have about Wal-Mart taking part in such





Embrace change; status quo needs to go

aterpillars become butterflies. Oceans rise and fall, carving out new shorelines, feeding rivers that flow and flood and cut and curve. Amoebas become fish; fish grow legs

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and breathe air and become reptiles. Wind buffets mountains, altering their

- shape over millennia.
- Nations rise and fall. Every few years our leaders are replaced with a new set of our choosing. As the poet Yeats said, "The center

cannot hold, things fall apart." If there is one constant in this world it is change.

For

Relentless, unstoppable change permeates our lives. We change our tastes, our clothes, our



Change offers us a new way of looking at the world. It grants us the opportunity to experience new things,

people are choosing to act and speak and love in ways that, not too long ago, would have gotten you jailed or shunned or stoned (the mineral variety.)

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This change requires us to take long, hard looks at many of our moral strictures and decide if they really still apply.

What is the good of keeping them? What's the real harm of revising or outright discarding them?

With change comes uncertainty. This is justified.

No change is guaranteed to be for the better, and many times change has wrought some harm to us.

Pollution. Disease. Warfare. Chaos. It's easy to look at the world and blame progress for our ills.

mind shopping here anymore.' "We're all smiles.

You will be, too."

"Now you know why we have a smiley face for our logo."

"Hardware ain't the only place to find knockers anymore."

"Wal-Mart: Always low prices ... and hot women."

It doesn't have to end there.

Think how much more fun a trip to Wal-Mart would be if they ousted the enfeebled retired sailor with the loverboy tattoo on his forearm who greets you at the door in favor of someone a little more sensual, like a Playboy centerfold.

I know I'd be making more trips to get cans of Pringles at 4 a.m.

Wal-Mart has also recently started selling NFL inflatable dolls.

Well, why stop there? The cutie that checked you out could have her own inflatable doll down on aisle 7.

The Playboy people could do their shoots in the store, too.

People would have to steer clear of the produce section for a while after they did, but I imagine they would get a lot of business in the meantime.

with rapidly developing senile dementia and a strange phobia of the credit card machine or the embittered young high school student stricken with acne and wishing he was playing Street Fighter.

Then again, I have faith in the wisdom of the Playboy decision-makers to prevent a disaster like that from occurring.

Wal-Mart is stuck between a rock and a hard place on this one.

On one hand, they could possibly make themselves seem really cool to the younger demographic, but on the other hand, the Wal-Mart executives don't want to see several hundred old women have heart attacks.

Although it likely will never happen, I can only implore the higher-ups in the Wal-Mart hierarchy to have pity on the otherwise bored men of America and permit the pretty ladies they have working for them to show why Wal-Mart has surpassed Disney Land as the greatest place on earth.

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minds.

We change a five spot. We change a tire. Talking Head David Byrne wrote, "I've changed my hairstyle so many times now, I don't know what I look like."

We even change time twice a year. So, it's with some confusion I note

there are some people who resist change, Change, or die. Adapt and live. who want nothing more than to remain in a static status quo.

sires to remain in its original state is called "conservative."

It's become a political banner as well, ing at the world. signifying a return to "traditional" ideals. Silly, really.

you can stop the tide.

Still, there are those that try.

Conservatives (meant in the sense above, and not in the political sense of the opposite of "liberal," though it often works out that way) fight to keep in place outdated laws, uphold a sort of archaic, dead morality that exists in dogma and language only, but not shown to be a living part of their lives.

all you want, but come nightfall, it will with these days. swallow you.

to walk in someone else's shoes, to be on the front lines of progress.

There are those of us who know this, who accept and embrace change, not just as the Something that resists change and de- inevitable result of any given process, but as something desirable and wondrous.

Change offers us a new way of look-

It grants us the opportunity to experience new things, to walk in someone You can no more resist change than else's shoes, to be on the front lines of progress.

> We live in a time now that requires change. we are left breathless trying to keep up. Increased communication allows ideas to move at near-light speed.

> Globalization of commerce sweeps across the planet, bringing with it economic development, education, and opportunity.

Social change is one I think we're You can stand and rail against the tide having a particularly hard time grappling

It comes as quite a shock to many that john.p.acreman@ttu.edu

It's easy too, to step aside, evaluate the situation and find a solution.

Environmental problems arise; we can see that our methods of industry must be altered.

Crime increases, and we note that perhaps the old way of dealing with criminals isn't really helping.

We look on our political horizon, and well, we see that sometimes things don't change that much.

Still, transforming natural change to real progress often involves stepping aside from an old way of thinking, and adopting a new paradigm, which requires more change.

When does it end?

It doesn't - not ever.

So stop trying to avoid it. Stop trying Technology moves at such a pace that to cram our feet into shoes that we have long since outgrown. It's a human race out there. So pick up your feet and start running. There's a new world on the way, and some of us want to hurry up and catch up with it.

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Letter to the Editor

Students should stop complaining

You always get more by spending less, right?

Lately I have become fed up with the money situation at Texas Tech.

No, not that Tech raised tuition or mandatory fees, but, rather, the constant complaints from the student body.

Every day it seems that I hear someone complain that "Tech is becoming too expensive," only to follow up that comment by saying "And the parking sucks, we need more lots," and "I'm tired of TAs teaching classes; Tech needs to hire more professors."

Memo to Tech students: Parking lots cost money. Professors cost money.

The money has to come from somewhere. It seems Tech students feel that this is their problem, and no one else has to deal with such travesties.

Ever tried to park at UT?

Heard of the student/faculty ratio at Texas A&M?

They are both awful, and Tech does not even compare.

Students need to understand the money they are paying is funding the betterment of their education.

You may not use the bus, but a law student uses it to get to class on time every day. Appreciate that.

You may not use the library, but premedicine students use it. Appreciate that. You might be grateful if a Tech grad is your doctor one day.

You may not use your sports pass, but the athletic department brings in millions of dollars every year.

They keep some of that money, but most of it goes to pay for new buildings, new parking and better professors.

Enjoy your college years, as expensive as they may be.

If you complain now, just wait until you graduate and meet your new best friend, Mr. Government and his buddy, Taxes.

> - Dean M. Williams, junior broadcast journalism

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NEWS

Ey Brent YoungStaff Reporter

The College of Human Sciences and the Family Development department at Texas Tech can save a marriage before it even starts. Plus, they pay participants \$20.

Steve Harris, associate dean of the college, said he and his colleagues are offering a pre-marital education and counseling program.

Students in committed relationships with the possibility of marriage visit the college and complete a compatibility determining survey. The compatibility test is designed primarily to determine how each person perceives the other, said Chance Ates, a doctoral student in the College of Human Sciences. If the couple perceives each other about the same, the relationship will probably work; if they do not, it probably will not.

Each couple is then assigned to a six-week treatment program suited to their counseling needs. The counseling session is not therapy.

"We assume all the relationships are healthy and that there are not major existing problems," said Ates. "If major relational problems do exist, the counseling is stopped and the couple is referred to therapy."

Upon completion of the counseling, which can be completed in three to eight weeks, the department performs a follow-up six months later to determine the post-counseling status

of the relationship and gives the said. couple a \$20 gift certificate.

The program currently has 50 couples participating but would like to see that number increase to 75, Harris said

In terms of the success of the program in lowering the divorce rate, there has not been sufficient data collected to determine. There is also a lack of data to determine how beneficial the program has been for couples.

Kim White, a graduate student from Dallas, said the program benefited her.

"I think the program is very effective in determining whether or not the relationship has potential," she

White participated in the program with her boyfriend and said she would strongly encourage other serious couples to participate.

"It makes you talk about things you need to talk about but wouldn't ordinarily think to," she said.

Harris said while not all relationships will work after the counseling, the program is still beneficial.

"The success of the program does not necessarily hinge on the success of the relationships," he said.

Some participants have decided not to pursue the counseling and education portion of the program.

Upon completion of the compatibility test and receipt of low compat-

ready to stay put.

On Hatteras Island, Margie and Joe Brecker screwed plywood onto the door and windows of their Christmas gift shop in Rodanthe, but left up the colored holiday lights. They planned to stay.

"That way, we are right here when it's time to clean up, and we're able to help others," Margie Brecker said. Despite the order, Dare County spokeswoman Dorothy Toolan said no one would be forced to leave.

At 2 p.m. EDT Tuesday, Isabel's maximum sustained wind had slowed to near 105 mph, down from about 125 mph at 5 p.m. Monday, making it a Category 2 storm. On Sunday, Isabel's wind had hit 160 mph, making it a Category 5 storm.

The storm was moving northnorthwest at around 7 mph and was about 595 miles southeast of North Carolina's Cape Hatteras, the hurricane center reported.

Eric Blake said people should not let their guard down even though the storm was weakening.

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On Thursday, September 18th,

ibility scores, they have simply decided to break up, said Harris.

While this is a failed relationship, it is probably one less divorce to occur in the future, he said, and that is a reduction in the divorce rate.

Other couples, however, have gone on to get married, some during counseling and some after. This is also a success because the couples are aware of the extent to which they are compatible, in which areas, and how to effectively communicate with each other as spouses, said Ates.

The program is confidential. The person who records the personal information does not see the test results and the counseling facilitators do not see any personal information.

The program was started two years ago, when the Texas Legislature raised the price of marriage licenses in the state, said Harris. Part of the funds raised from the price increase went into the Family Trust Fund, which is used to fund research projects aimed at lowering the divorce rate. The College of Human Sciences received a grant from this money for premarital education and counseling.

"The government basically hired Texas Tech to lower the divorce rate," said Ates.

The state's concern with the divorce rate is the money divorces cost the state. Harris said divorces cost the federal and state government approximately \$33.3 billion per year.

SGA

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other organizations in campus.

"This way they can represent a wide variety of students," Smith said. "They need to learn about other organization so they can learn about Tech students.'

Smith said she wants the Freshman Council to be more organized than last year. She also wants to have more speakers come in to give presentations, and require Council members to attend Senate committee meetings.

Jacque Steinmetz, internal vice president and president of the Student Senate, said the Freshman Council is exposed to everything the SGA does.

"They will be required to attend two Senate meetings," Steinmetz said. "They won't be able to vote on legislation, but the Senate will enquire their opinion about different issues because we want to represent the freshman students as well."

She said she is excited to see the number of students that run for Freshman Council.

"I want them to have a lot of fun this year," Steinmetz said. "My goal is for us to have a good turnaround of students that will run for Student Senate next year."

Steinmetz said the Freshman Council will elect their own officers after all members are in place.

hard. They have to campaign, and they have to talk to their peers so they can learn what freshmen want from a Council member.

Buchanan said the Freshman Council is closely modeled after the Student Senate, and they participate in many activities throughout the vear

She said she wants to see members interact with their classmates more than they did last year.

"They should find out problems they have in the dorms, with schedules, or anything else they might need help with," Buchanan said. "I really want them to be the voice of their classmates."

She said she wants freshmen this year to know the Freshman Council exists, and students can come talk to them or any SGA member about their problems.

Amanda Floyd, a freshman psychology major from Kingwood, said she would like to see Freshman Council cater to freshmen's needs.

She said she would like to see the cafeteria schedule changed so students that live in the dorms can access their service after they get out of class

"The Market is too expensive," Floyd said. "I would like to see the other cafeterias open later during the day."

Katie McIver, a freshman marketing major from Kingwood, said she was thinking about running, but she still has not decided.

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swells and dangerous surf already were being felt along the coast.

The storm's maximum sustained wind had decreased to about 105 mph. More weakening was possible but the storm could strengthen again before landfall, the National Hurricane Center said in Miami.

The latest evacuation orders were for the low-lying Outer Banks islands, including an estimated 75,000 people from Hatteras to Duck in Dare County, plus 15,000 to 20,000 in Currituck County north to the Virginia state line and 13,000 along beaches near Morehead City in Carteret County. A day earlier, hundreds of residents of vulnerable Ocracoke and Bald Head islands were ordered to evacuate.

Thousands of vacationers and residents left Outer Banks on Tuesday but traffic was moving smoothly. With the storm weakening, many residents appeared

Hurricane center meteorologist

"Hurricanes are notorious for

fields inland.

Stream," he said. Even at a Category 2, he added, "there's still a lot of potential for danger." North of Manteo in Virginia,

ships from the Navy's Atlantic Fleet started heading out to sea Tuesday from Norfolk, Va., and Earle, N.I., to sail out of the hurricane's direct path and avoid being battered against their piers. The Air Force had started flying airplanes from coastal bases to

Moving the ships, manned by

some 13,000 sailors, costs "in the millions" but the expense would be far greater if the ships were battered in port, said Adm. Robert J. Natter, commander of the Norfolk-based Atlantic Fleet. "We cannot afford to have these very expensive, valuable national assets caught in port in a storm like this."

Isabel hadn't veered from its expected track, said Lt. Dave Roberts, a Navy meteorologist at the hurricane center.

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She said she wants a diverse group of students to run because it will lead to a better representation of Tech students.

"I'm not going to say one group should be excluded, or that we need more of another group of student," Steinmetz said. "I just want a diversity of students."

Kelly Buchanan, student senator and Freshman Council advisor, said she had a great experience as a Freshman Council member last year.

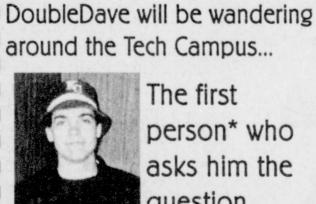
"I was very involved in student council in high school," Buchanan said. "Freshman Council was a great way to bridge that gap between being involved and wanting to be involved again."

She said students that run for Freshman Council have to work very

"I would run because I want to get involved in school," Mciver said. "I would like to have input on what happens in campus."

She said she probably would not run because it takes too much time, and school has to be a priority.



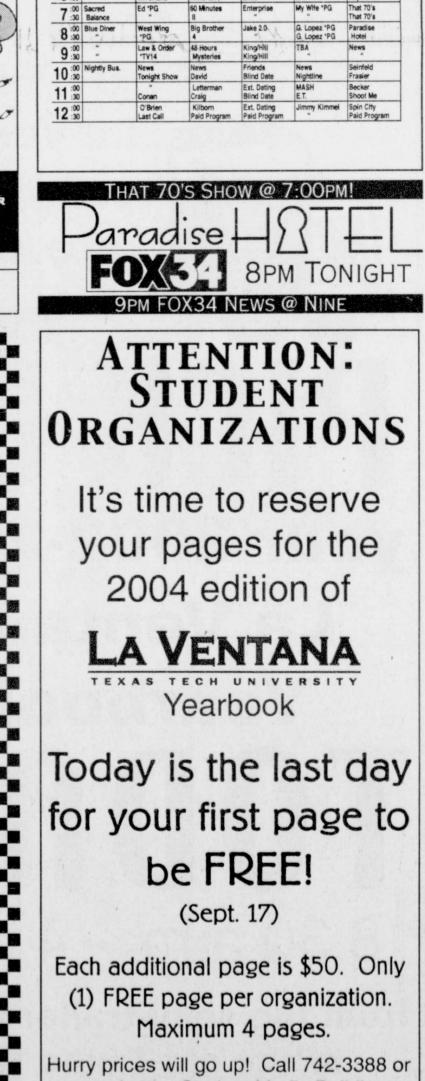


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Mentoring program helps female students

By Megan LaVoie/Staff Reporter

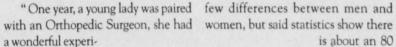
How often do women dream about what it is really like to be a woman in their chosen career? How do women in a certain profession dress? What is a typical day on the job like?

Answers are on the way. The Texas view the doctor Tech Department of Women's Studies is sponsoring its fifth annual Women's Studies Community Connection Program for the 2003/2004 school year.

Esther Lichti, coordinator for the Women's Studies Program, said female Tech students classified as a sophomore or above are encouraged to participate.

"The program is designed to match women students at Tech with a woman professional in their desired career that works in the Lubbock community," she said. The student becomes the professional's protégé and the professional, the student's mentor." Lichti remembers one student's

experience.



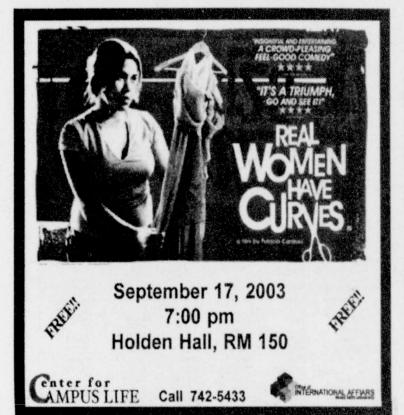
ence because she was able to accompany the surgeon on her rounds and performing a surgery," she said. Gwendolyn

Sorell, an associate professor and director of Women's Studies believes the mentoring program is an excellent way for

women to get a head start in a difficult job market.

'There is still a speculation that the gender gap in the job market still exists," she said. "There are most definitely male and female dominated professions; however, there are very few that are both."

Sorell said she believes there are



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there is no evidence to support these widespread beliefs." Sorrel believes women have made significant increases in the work force as well as graduate school enrollment in the past few years.

"Currently at Texas Tech, the medical school and the law school's enrollment is 50 percent men and 50 percent women," she said.

The downside to those statistics is



women do get jobs; they just don't get paid as much as men do.

Sorrel said she believes the mentoring program could make a small dent in the gap between women and men.

"The mentoring program gives students an inside view into their desired profession, a contact with a professional that can give them guidance and advice, and the mentoring program is a great networking device for students to use once they are ready to head out into the work force," Sorell said.

Kristin Ryan, a junior public relations major from Dallas, said she had never heard of the mentoring program but thought it was a good idea.

"I didn't know a program was offered like that; it sounds interesting and I will definitely look into it," she said.

Beth Shapiro, director of the Women's Studies Community Connection Program believes the program is a unique and neat opportunity for students to experience an inside look into the career that interests them.

"This program works very well-last year we had 23 protégé's, and this year we expect to have even more students participate," she said.

For applications or more information, contact The Office of Women's Studies at (806) 742-4335. The Office of Women's Studies is located in 213 of the Administration Building.



Latin Film Fest to bring Hispanic culture to light

By Nikki Siegrist/Staff Reporter place on campus.

Students have a free glimpse at different cultures coming their way.

Starting today, the Center for Campus Life, in conjunction with is showing three films from Latin America for FILM

three days. The committee responsible for the festival is called What If?, and the films will be shown at 7 p.m. in Holden Hall Room 150.

Jana Vise, coordinator of events and pro-

grams for the Center for Campus other movies to be provided for the Life, said the film festival's purpose is to make students aware of Hispanic Awareness Month, from Sept. 16 to Oct. 15.

"This gives them insight into a new culture," she said. "It introduces them to painters and artists. It gives them a chance to see movies made outside of the U.S. that reflects different cultures."

Vise said the crowd she anticipates could be from 30 to 150 students, depending on what is taking

Myra Michele Brown, a member

of What If?, said she was excited when Vise came to her with the idea.

"People can learn about other cultures," Brown said. "We have a lot of the Office of International Affairs, international students that will also be interested."

> Brown said events like the festival help promote diversity.

"Things like this make the world more connected if we can learn about others," she said. "These are current movies that cover real issues."

Brown said there are

students of other cultures later in the vear

"We are going to show a German movie for Oktoberfest," Brown said. "We're showing a Chinese film for new year. There will be something for evervone."

Miguel Lopez, a senior management information systems and marketing major from Fresno, also is on the What If? committee.

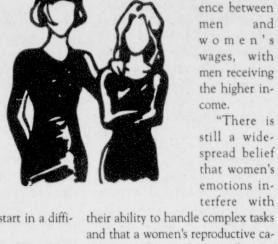
"I helped to review the films," Lopez said. "I made sure they were something that reflect the Hispanic culture. These are very well selected films.'

Lopez said the films should be inspriring to students.

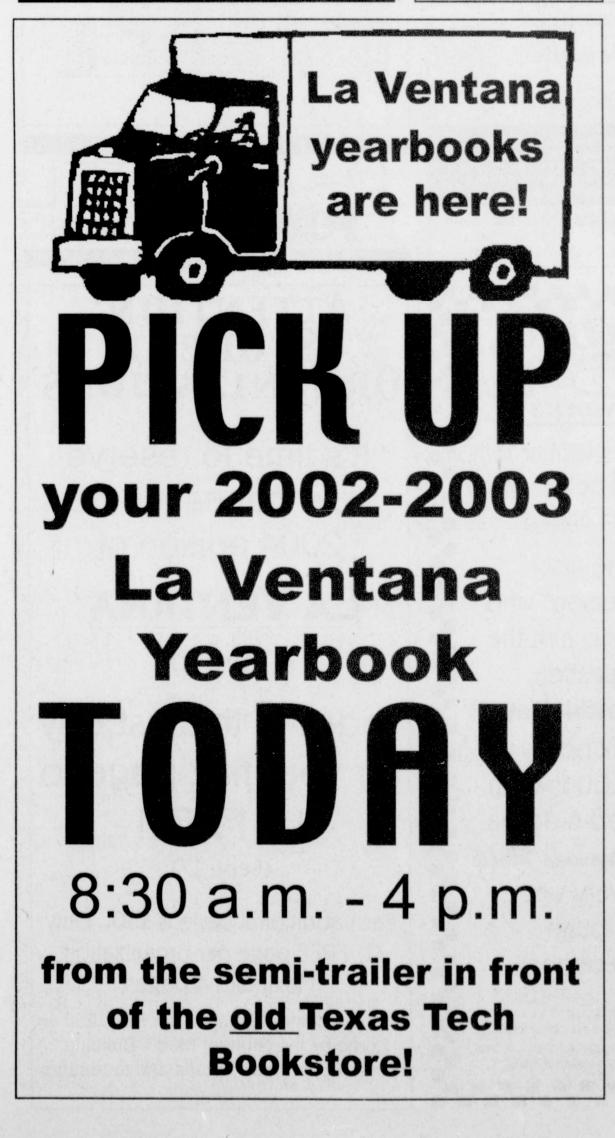
"I think most of the films are a bit inspiring because the characters face and overcome some of the struggles put in front of them," Lopez said. "It's interesting how they overcome their struggles."

He said the goal is to fill the room and share the Hispanic culture with all students.

"This is not just for Hispanic students but for all students," Lopez said. "I would be thrilled to see students of all nationalities. It is important for all students to come out and see these films. This is really good and students who don't come will miss out, and it's



terfere with their ability to handle complex tasks and that a women's reproductive capacity interferes with their job manageability," she said. "It is so ironic that



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'Mexico' a stylish shoot 'em-up experience

hen Texas-based filmmakerRobert Rodriguez was shooting "Desperado," the sequel/remake to his "El Mariachi," he was advised by friend Quentin Terantino to make it into a trilogy—much like Sergio Leone's "Dollar" series with Clint Eastwood. That was in 1995. Eight years later, we have "Once Upon a Time in Mexico," which is supposedly the final film in the series.

"Mexico" plays like more of an afterthought than a continuation of the story. This film comes on like gangbusters with an opening similar to "Desperado," with a man telling a tall tale about El Mariachi (Antonio Banderas) shooting up a cantina full of men with automatic weapons only this time, he is aided by his woman (Salma Hayek). This scene, which is a blast to watch, is only a precursor to some of the action ahead. After the tale is told, the opening credits run as Banderas plays a song on his guitar.

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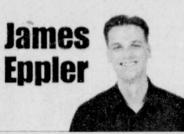
The free movies are "Real Women have Curves" on Wednesday, "Y Tu

M a m a Tambien," on Thursday and "Frida" on Friday.

"Curves" features a Latin American girl clashing with her parents' traditional mindset because of her new-world attitude, Lopez said.

"The movie shows the struggles a family

may have coming here and having trouble adjusting," Lopez said. "It shows a lot of what out culture is based on and our morals and how people have to break down their barriers."



called—has gone into seclusion after the murder of his wife and daughter.

He is found, however, and brought by henchmen to meet Sands (Johnny Depp), a corrupt CIA agent working in Mexico. Sands wants El Mariachi to kill a cartel kingpin (Willem Dafoe) who is planning an assassination of the Mexican president.

The desperado hooks back up with two of his Mariachi friends with lethal guitar cases to get the job done.

Perhaps one of the reasons that this film is not entitled "Desperado 2" is because Rodriguez chooses to focus much of his attention on new characters. In fact, El Mariachi nearly takes a back seat as other characters are given ample screen time—Sands in particular.

Brown agreed with Lopez and said she believes students could relate well to this film.

"A lot of students on some level or another are different from their parents," Brown said.

> "Tambien," is for a mature audience because it

> > has strong sexual content.

"This is about growing and learning," Brown said. "It's about friendship and trust and honor."

Brown said"Frida"is about the struggles painter Frida Kahlo and her husband Diego Riviera

overcame. "The movie is about overcoming things," she said. "Especially the bad things that happen. It's about family, life and growing as people. It's something everyone can benefit from."

There have been few truly fascinating characters in the movies this year, but two of them are played by Johnny Depp. His big splash with "Pirates of the Caribbean" has possibly provided him with an outside shot at an Oscar nomination, and he simply owns every scene he has in "Mexico." Half of the credit belongs to Rodriguez for writing the character, but Depp makes the character all the more intriguing. We watch his character go from authoritative and crafty to helpless and dependent. In truth, Depp nearly steals the film. These days, he is enough of a reason to watch anything.

There are so many things that work here that it is easy to forgive the silly plot and the ridiculous shootouts. Indeed, Rodriguez sure knows how to shoot 'em up. The action sequences are excellently photographed, ultraviolent, and super cool.

That's exactly what the first two films did, and Rodriguez delivers again.

Rodriguez is a bit of a rarity in that

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he nearly makes his movies by himself. In this film, he serves as writer, director, producer, cinematographer, production designer, editor, visual effects supervisor and composer. That's a lot of jobs for one man, but it conveys the idea to the audience that the results are exactly as he intended in every aspect.

One of the problems I had with the film, however, is that Hayek is grossly underused. Since her character is dead, we only see her in flashbacks. She probably doesn't have more than twenty minutes of screen time in total, which is a shame.

She does, however, sing a gorgeous song over the end credits called "Seinte mi amor," written by Rodriguez. In fact, the music in this film is one of the major appeals. The Spanish guitar is a thriving force in many scenes and Rodriguez also chose to let some of his actors write some of the music. Depp wrote his character's theme, and Banderas also wrote a song for the film.

"Once Upon a Time in Mexico"

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may not be as epic as it would like to be, but Rodriguez proves that he is still a stylish and innovative filmmaker who consistently comes out guns-a-blazin'.

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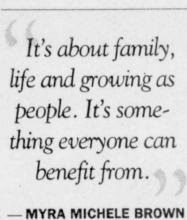
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Volleyball begins Big 12 play against Buffalos

By Jason Lenz/Staff Reporter

The Texas Tech volleyball team is ence schedule in which the Red Raid- has emphasized heavily.

ers went 8-1, all on the road. Now the Raiders are ready to run with the big dogs in the Big 12 Conference as they prepare to face off with Colorado Wednesday (8-2) in Boulder, Colo.

After starting the season 8-0, Tech dropped a match to New Mexico State in consecutive games Wednesday. Sophomore outside hitter Bre Pursley said the Raiders just broke down.

"It was not necessarily a mental breakdown," she

didn't have chemistry. It looked like start anew with conference play. we were exhausted out there from all

well together."

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- ANGELA MOONEY SENIOR OUTSIDE HITTER

nior outside hitter Ansaid. "We just weren't clicking. We gela Mooney said the team is ready to ing to be facing in the Big 12. Of to do a better job of that for sure, so

among the

Raiders. Se-

the playing. We just didn't play very ing and get going," she said. "Confer- night you know it's going to be a chal-Getting over the loss is something is to get you ready, and conference is to. We've just got to take it one night coming off a three-week, non-confer- Pursley said head coach Nancy Todd the real deal. Everybody's ready and at a time." fired up."

> "As soon as the game a different type of game. Mooney said Mooney said. was over, we the Raiders anticipate tough compejust put our tition from here on out.

"The Big 12 is one of the best conheads back up," she said. ferences in the United States," she "Everybody said. "If you think, all the best players just decided are on these teams, and there really isn't a bad team. You never know if we're going to win. After you're going to win on any given the game, night. When you play non-conference, you can sometimes determine Nancy was who's going to win on a given night, like, don't but it's not that way in conference. In dwell on the Big 12, it's very competitive, and this. Go out there and get everybody's really good."

Morale is ence schedule has been leading toward need to focus on their own efforts. still high Big 12 play.

in the non-conference play," she said. and it's headed toward what we're go- good job of serving tough. We need course the Big 12 Conference is one we can be a tough serving team and "Everybody is ready to start play- of the top three in the country. Every take them out of their system."

ence is a whole new season. Preseason lenge. It's nothing we can look ahead

One necessity in playing confer-The first conference game will be ence opponents is ample preparation,

> "All of it is preparation," she said. "Knowing about each team, knowing what each team likes to do, the tendencies of each player, who their goto players are, and really watch tape and prepare ourselves. Then when we get in the games we won't be shocked by anything. If we're prepared, then that's less time that we have to adjust during the matches and more time that we can worry about what we're doing and not be worried about what the other side is doing."

To be successful against Colorado Todd said the Raiders' non-confer- and beyond, Todd said the Raiders

We have to do things on our "Each week we kind of worked up side," she said. "We have to clean some things up from last week. We "New Mexico State is a great team, need to keep our fast pace and do a

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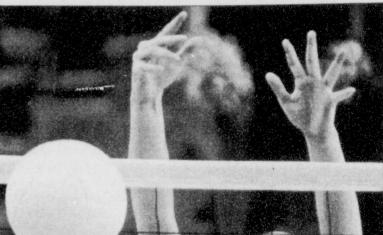
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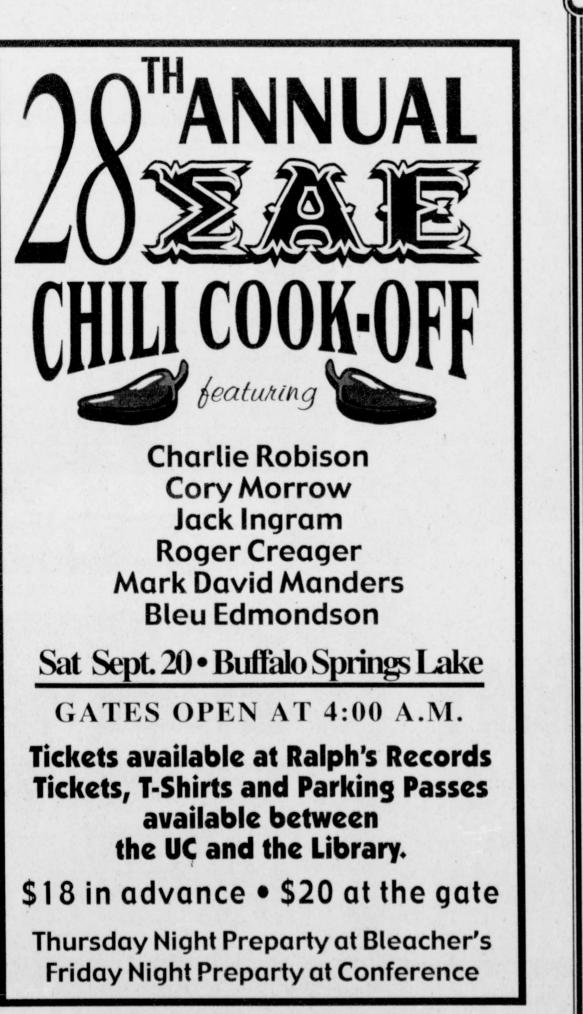
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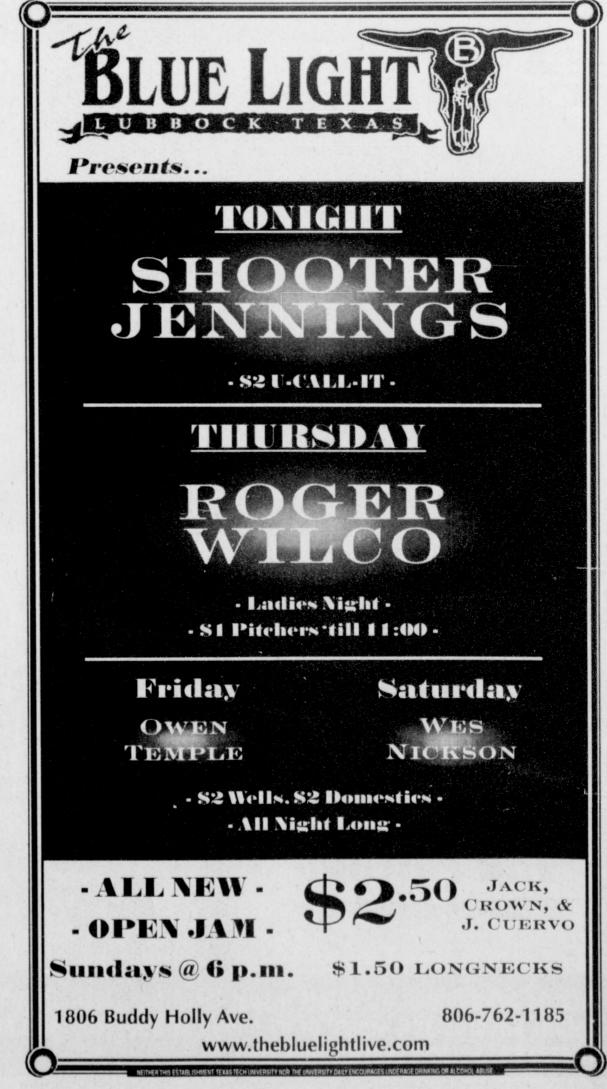
TEXAS TECH VOLLEYBALL player Laura Grote blocks the ball during last year's game against the Oklahoma Sooners. The Red Raiders begin Big 12 play against Colorado today at 8 p.m. in Boulder, Colo.

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Soccer team not feeling down despite losses

By Joey Kirk/Staff Reporter

Light conversation and joking with one another did not stop Tuesday at practice for the Texas Tech soccer team. Even with four losses and zero wins, the athletes still manage to enjoy their time

with each other. It is still early in the season. Many games remain for the team to tally some wins.

Tech coach Felix Oskam said the players may have their doubts, but are continuing to get prepared for their games.

They are upbeat and committed to the team," he said. "Questions like, 'Why are we practicing when we lose?' are not the case at all."

Oskam said with two games remaining before Big 12 Conference play begins, and with no wins this season, the team understands what they have to do.

"We are disappointed and mentally frustrated," he said. "But we have to remain positive because we are on the way up and improving every game."

Compared to starting last season at 2-2 to 0-4 this year, Oskam said this season is still much bet-

"Last year, when we started losing, it went from bad to worse," he said. "But this year, we are playing well enough to stay

competitive and stay in the game." Overcoming the first and most

> more goalimportant obstacle, Oskam keeper said, is always Megan the toughest. Knauss "We still said the

have to get team's that first goal morale of the seahas not son," he said. faced "The pressure hardship. of not scoring are staying yet or winning will then positive," be lifted off of she said. "Each us."

Senior midfielder Kerri Campbell said the team is disappointed, but not with each other. "We do have a bit of frustra-

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tion, but it is with the way things have turned out so far," she said. "We have a better offense and more opportunities to score in the past couple of games, but just a few unlucky breaks."

Although Campbells said the team is gaining more opportunities and having more shots-ongoal as the season progresses, she also said the team has to finish the job.

"We have to capitalize on the opportunities we are giving our-

selves," she said. "We tend to have given up a couple of shots," shoot more and more every game; he said. "But that is just what we have to

work on

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> - FELIX OSKAM TECH SOCCER COACH

game, we

gain a little more and we have to take what we have done posi-

tively and pull it together." With the intensity level up, Knauss said she has, so far, been impressed with the performance of the team.

"I still feel good about this team," she said. "We need to put wins on the board, but they have shown that they will not give up."

Oskam said changing the system of Tech's defense has allowed opposing team's shots to go in against them.

"When we changed to a three in the back defensive effort, we happens."

He also said the four losses have not hurt the team's confidence level and said the team could be close to turning the season around.

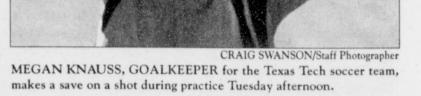
"Unlike last season, we were stagnant after losing only two games," he said. "This year, we still have a good feeling that if we can get one back, we will turn the season around."

Tech will have two more chances before Big 12 play begins to gain their

first victory of the season.

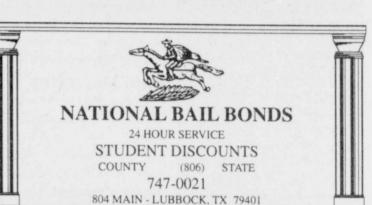
The Red Raiders will travel toAustin to face the Stephen F. Austin Lumberjacks at 7 p.m. Friday and then Sunday against the Texas State-San Marcos Bobcats in San Marcos. Tech will return home Sept. 28 to begin conference play against the Kansas Jayhawks at 1 p.m.

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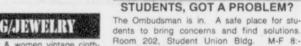
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A quick pulse around the Rec Sports world ...

Tennis Singles Coming

Attention all tennis players. Intramurals Sports will be conducting a Tennis Singles Tournament scheduled on Thursday, September 25, through Friday, September 26. There will be four divisions: men's and women's A (competitive) or men's and women's B (recreational). All entries for this event will be due by Tuesday, September 23, 2003 by 5 PM to ensure a spot. Tournament entry for this event is free of charge and champions will be awarded an intramural championship tshirt. See you on the courts!

OPC Blanca Peak Trip

Come sign up for an exciting Colorado mountain adventure. We will backpack and climb on the southern 14,000foot peaks of the Crestone Range in Colorado. Scheduled for October 9-12, this is a great trip for anyone who is physically fit and wants to experience adventure. We hope to summit both Blanca Peak (14,345') and Ellingwood Peak (14, 420'). Participants must be ready to carry a pack over moderate el-

OUTDOOR PURSUITS

Sports

2nd Annual Caprock Adventure Race

The Outdoor Pursuits Center and Mountain Hideaway are teaming up to put together Lubbock's only adventure race. Here is your chance to leave the safe confines of your couch and experience the thrill of adventure racing. The race consists of two member teams. Each member will climb two routes on September 20 and then canoe 2-miles, bike 7-miles, and run 2.5-miles on September 21. Teams member can chose to do all activities together or split the bike and run between members. Registration deadline is today.

Palo Duro Day Hike September 27

Come find out what the Outdoor Pursuits Center is all about. Join us on September 27 for a Day Hike through the Palo Duro Canyon. This trip is a great one-day excursion the most scenic canyon of west Texas. This trip includes transportation, access fee, lunch, and a trip coordinator for only \$15. The sign-up deadline for Ambush The Aggies Run Scheduled this trip is September 19. Call the Outdoor Pursuits Center for more information at 742-2949 or stop by our office outside the SRC.

FITNESS/WELLNESS

Wellness Blood Screenings

The first screening of the semester is set for Thurs., Sept 18 in the Fitness/Wellness Center from 7:00 am to 8:30 pm. Please call to register by noon on Sept 17. For the best test results please fast for at least 12 hours. Screenings include lipid profile, glucose, C-Reactive Protein and many others. For a complete list of tests check www.recsports.ttu.edu.

ACE Certifications

ACE-American Council on Exercise-will be a TECH offering national certifications for: Group Exercise Instructor, Personal Trainer, Clinical Exercise Specialist, and Lifestyle and Weight Management. Certifications are \$160.00 for TTU Students and Rec members, \$200.00 for others. Registration deadline is September 25, 2003. Exam date is October 25, 2003. Register online at www.acefitness.org, or call 800-825-3636 ext. 729.

Racquetball Clinics

Mud Volleyball

Third time is a charm. MUD volleyball is back and better than ever. That's right, you ask for it; Rec Sports delivers again. We have two-day tournament set for September 18th and 19th. The mud pit (located by the Intramural softball complex) will open on Thursday, September 18th @ 1:30 pm and play will begin at 2 pm. The Special Events department of Rec Sports will take the first 40 teams. So, get your friends and come pick an hour that you can play. There is still time to get your team in, or if you are an individual without a team, we can help. The deadline for entering your team is Thursday, September 18th. For more information call George Juarez @ 742-3351, or come by room 202 in the SRC.

Enjoy a fun run through campus and show your school spirit Saturday morning October 4 when Recreational Sports sponsors the annual Ambush the Aggies 2 and 4 mile fun run. There is not cost to run though those wanting a t-shirt must pay the \$7.00 fee.

No entries are required unless a person wants to ensure that they have a t-shirt. Entries are available at the Student Recreation Center and can be turned in at the Fit/Well Center or room 202. The race will begin at 9:00 am at the north entrance to the Student Recreation Center. Both the 2 mile and 4 mile route will be run through campus. Maps will be available on the day of the race. For further information please contact the Recreational Sports office at 742-3351.

INTRAMURALS

Wanted A Few Good Umpires

If you have been searching for a fun, flexible job that offers good pay, and a chance to meet new people, then we have the JOB for you. You can become an intramural softball official! Students wishing to learn how to officiate softball are encouraged to attend the first training clinic on Monday, September 22nd, at 5 pm at the Student Rec Center (SRC), Room 201. Softball officials make \$8 per game and are thoroughly trained in the rules, mechanics, and gamesmanship. Any questions should be directed to the intramural staff by calling 742-2945 or by coming by the SRC's room 202.

Take It Deep....Fall Softball Is Coming

As baseball prepares for the glories of October, intramural sports has one last chance to get the bats and

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Softball **Tennis Singles** Golf **Special Events** Mud Volleyball

Intramurals

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evation change and camp at a high elevation of 12,000 feet.

What is included in the trip cost? The cost of the trip includes leadership, transportation, camping and backpacking equipment, food at the activity site, and instruction.

What does Mt. Blanca Mountaineering cost? The cost of this trip is \$125

How do I sign-up? To sign up for this trip, stop by our office located at the north entrance of the SRC and fill out a trip registration form and pay the trip cost.

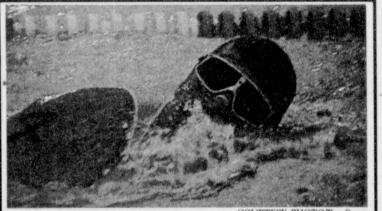
You may also call 742-2949 for more information or to reserve a spot. The sign-up deadline for the Colorado backpacking trip is October 2

Ultimate Frisbee Sign-ups due. Sept. 25

What a Deal! Improve your Racquetball game with help from ou

ir pro. All Clinics are from /-	8:30 pm.	
Forehand Mechanics	Tue	Sept. 23
Backhand Mechanics	Thurs	Oct. 2
Serve	Tue	Oct. 7
Return of Serve	Thurs	Oct. 16
Court Position/Strategy	Tue	Oct. 28
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Taught by an AMPRO Advanced Instructor All Clinics are \$5 and are held on Courts 8-10. Sign up at the Fit/Well Center.



COURTESY PHOTO/Rec This doesn't taste so good. Caleb Beck, one of the 128 participants in the RecTriathlon, tackles the first stage in the Aquatic Center. Participate? Complete results can be found at www.recsports.ttu.edu.

gloves out. Fall softball is coming. Sign up starting Tuesday, Sept. 23 in the intramural sports office. (SRC 203) Entries will close on Thursday, Sept. 25 at 5pm. Remember every Wednesday during team sign-ups is Papa John's Sign-Up Day. Register between 3-5pm and get FREE PIZZA!

Fall softball is open to Men's, Women's and Co-Rec teams. Team captains should bring their rosters, with student ID numbers and a \$30 refundable forfeit fee to enter. Players may play on one men's or women's team and one co-rec team.

Putt-Putt Golf Results

This past Friday, 22 participants came out to compete for a chance to win in this years first event. Once the smoke cleared, three participants came out on top. Philipp Poeld recorded the lowest round of 18 holes with a blistering 34 (2 under par). Unfortunately, he gave it all back on the second 18 to record a final score of 82. Tony Scanio drained 7 holes-in-one for a respectable score of 83 (40,43). However, John P. Garcia was the model of consistencity by winning the event over Sumeet Batra by two strokes. John recorded a 36 and 38 for a grand total of 74, whereas, Sumeet's scores were 36 and 40 respectively.

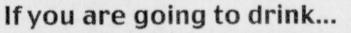
SPORTS CLUBS

Upcoming Games and Events:

- Men's Club Soccer travels to Texas A&M on the 20th and to Baylor on the 21st
- Women's Club Soccer hosts Texas State University (formerly SWT) Sunday the 21st
- Ultimate Club Travels to Austin on the 20th and 21st to compete in the Texas Sectionals
- Club Baseball General Information Session Wednesday, Sept. 17th at 8pm Room 201 of SRC Game Results from Sept. 6th

Men's Club Soccer beat Baylor 4-1 Game Results from Sept. 13th Men's Club Soccer beat Rice 1-0 (forfeit)

Women's Club Soccer lost to Baylor 5-0 Game Results from Sept. 14th Men's Club Soccer lost to UT 2-0





1,400 college students die each year from alcohol related incidents!

Use the following Harm Reduction Strategies:

- 1. Know what your consumption limits are.
- 2. Designate a driver. Safe Ride is available 7 days a week. Contact 742-RIDE.
- 3. Eat a meal before going out.
- 4. Always drink in moderation.
- 5. Learn to recognize the signs of alcohol poisoning.

For further information on alcohol awareness, visit www.alcoholscreening.org or www.rap.ttu.edu.

The legal drinking age in Texas is 21! It is illegal to drive with a BAC over .08 in the state of Texas!

