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## Tech seeks better graduation rates

**FINISH FASTER:** Officials hope to see four-year rate of 21 percent to improve; Six-year rate is 55 percent.

By Adam Boedeker/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech is working to improve its graduation rate. For the 1997 entering freshman class, the six-year graduation rate was 55 percent.

The four-year rate stands at 21 percent, which is the rate Tech is really working to improve, Provost William Marcy said. This rate is not below the average for universities nationwide; it is just lower than Tech wants it to be.

"It certainly isn't something we'd want to brag about," he said. "It tells you that most

students are taking more than four years to graduate. When you look at the numbers for five- and six-years, they go up steeply, which tells you people are simply taking five or six years to graduate."

The administrators are stressing the importance of graduating in four years. There are numerous factors that can help improve the sub-par four-year graduation rate, Marcy said.

"The No. 1 thing is advising," he said. "Students who take courses in the right sequence and don't get out of sync with their catalog will get out faster."

He said another factor is the amount of

hours students take. The average course load for Tech students is a little more than 12 hours. For a student to complete a 120-hour degree program at this rate, which is the minimum program, graduating would take 10 semesters, he said.

"If (students) take 15 hours per term, they can graduate in four years," he said. "We're also trying to move toward a stronger summer program that looks more like a trimester than a reduced summer semester."

Marcy said Tech is one of many schools

with the problem of a low graduation rate. He said students often transfer somewhere else and end up graduating or decide college is not for them.

"I think we're pretty comparable with other universities," he said. "I know of other schools taking similar actions and trying to offer incentives for students getting out in four years."

Some schools have begun looking at the idea of offering "block tuition," Marcy said. These schools include the University of Texas and Texas A&M.

This plan would charge students for 15 hours, no matter how many hours they take between 12 and 18.

With this plan students can sign up for 18 hours and only be charged for 15, he said. At the same time, if a student takes only 12 hours, they will still be charged for 15, providing greater incentive for taking 15 or more hours.

"The original four-year degree plan included 17- and 18-hour semesters," Marcy said. "Now, reality is that the average is about a 12-hour semester, which just isn't efficient."

Ronald Phillips, chief of staff for the president, said Tech has looked into block tuition, but the option has not been considered yet.

"We're talking about block tuition," he

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TEXAS TECH NATIONAL INTERCOLLEGIATE RODEO

## COWBOY UP

Event started Thursday, continues through Saturday

By Justin Vallejo/Staff Reporter and photos by Tyson Jeffreys/Staff Photographer

Cowboys and cowgirls young and old came out to the South Plains Fair Grounds Thursday night to kick-off the 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas Tech University National Intercollegiate Rodeo.

The rodeo began with performances in the bull riding competition, followed by the calf roping competition.

Competitors from 15 schools in the Southwest Region came out to compete and advance their standings en route to the national finals, which will be held in June.

The Texas Tech Rodeo is the fourth competition out of 10 scheduled for the year.

Students as well as members of the local community were on hand to witness the tradition of the rodeo.

"It's amazing, it's man against animal. It's amazing to see how these men and women handle the animals," said Drew Workman, a senior communications major from Midland. "It's only gonna get better as the competition gets stronger."

He said that he was especially excited to see the bull riding competition. He was also enthused to see the team roping competition.

A former bull rider, Workman knows what the competition is all about and how competitive the rodeo can get.

This is Workman's first time to attend a Texas Tech Rodeo, but he was impressed, even though the rodeo was just getting underway.

Workman said he was also impressed with the quality of competitors participating in the event.

"It's exciting because there are future professionals. It's just a good time," Workman said.

Workman said he wishes Lubbock would host more rodeos like this throughout the year.

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ABOVE: DANA LEWIS from Eastern New Mexico University competes in the roping contest during the Texas Tech Intercollegiate Rodeo Thursday night at the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium. BELOW: A unidentified student from Sul Ross University tries to hold on in the bareback riding portion of the competition. The rodeo will continue through Saturday night.



## Tech monitors computer fraud

By Sally Gunter/Staff Reporter

Personal information typed on public access computers is not as safe as it appears.

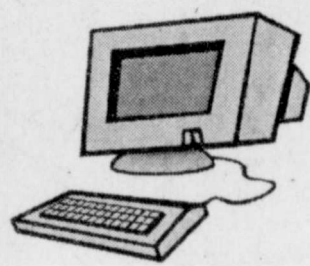
For two years, a New York man, Juju Jiang, bugged computers at Kinko's to obtain user names and passwords. He used the information to steal money or sell stuff on the Internet.

Jiang used a key logger program that recorded all letters typed to e-mail the data to his own computer. A judge charged him with computer damage, access device fraud and software piracy.

"Keyboard-capture programs are logging what's typed to another computer on the Internet," said Chris McClimans, director of Texas Tech undergraduate labs.

There has been an increase in the number of various spy-ware programs being sent through e-mail addresses in recent years, McClimans said. Estimating an exact number of increases is difficult because users of spy-ware programs can go unnoticed and remain anonymous.

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## Tech campus reacts to Florida woman's right to live or die

By Heidi Toth/News Editor

Texas Tech freshman Ryan Cotgreave said when a person has been kept alive by machines for 13 years, the decision should be the family's, not the government's, whether to let the person live or let her die.

"I think if someone's in a coma for that long, go ahead and take the life tube out," the freshman pre-dentistry major from Amarillo said.

Cotgreave is one of many with an opinion on a person's right to live or die, as the country considers the case of Terri Schiavo, a 39-year-old Florida woman who has been in a "persistent vegetative state" and on a feeding tube since 1990, according to the Associated Press.

Michael Schiavo, who has custody of his wife, got a court order last week to take the feeding tube out and let her die. The Florida Legislature quickly passed a bill, signed Tuesday by Gov. Jeb Bush, to reinsert the feeding tube, despite cries of unconstitutionality.

The case has divided the nation, state and legislature but it is also splitting up a family. Mike Schiavo has said his wife would

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## First Lady Perry speaks at March of Dimes function

By Beth Aaron/Staff Reporter

The March of Dimes has recently campaigned extensively throughout the state in an effort to raise money not only to fund research exploring causes and treatment options for issues facing expectant mothers and their children but also to raise awareness of such topics.

A reception was held in Lubbock Thursday at the Lubbock Club in the Wells Fargo Bank building.

Delia Case, executive director for March of Dimes, said March of Dimes held the event in an effort to attract people of Lubbock in hopes of recruiting new annual Texas Society members.

"The purpose of the reception is to bring people from the community together to hear about March of Dimes and the important life-saving work that we do," she said.

Texas society members of March of Dimes are individuals who give \$1,000 or more each year to the organization.

Case said March of Dimes does not have a specific monetary goal in mind, but they would like to raise as much money as possible for their cause.

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# GSP not getting easier despite failure rate

By Jennifer Prieto/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech mass communication students are required to pass the Grammar/Spelling/Punctuation test before they can take any writing class required for their major.

But some never do, and others have difficulty with the exam.

Jerry Hudson, director of the school of mass communications, said 50 percent of students fail the GSP test the first time they take it, and 12 to 13 percent of students never pass the test.

Courtney Bobb, a junior broadcast journalism major from Garland, said she has taken the GSP test twice and has not passed it.

"I have 27 hours left, and if I don't pass the test this semester I'm going to have to change my major," she said. "I think the study sessions are stupid and they are a waste of money, and the study sessions did not help me on the test."

Bobb said the test is not helpful and does not teach students anything. There are students who know writing skills but still cannot pass the test.

"They just need to get rid of it," she said. "It is not fair that if we do not pass the test, we cannot take a class. We are not even given the opportunity to prove that we can handle the material taught in class."

Hudson said students must make a 70 average to pass the GSP test. Students are not limited to the number of times they can take the exam. There is no reason why the test should be easier, he said.

Students should not want to go into a field that is writing intensive if they cannot perform the skills needed, he said.

Hudson said about 20 years ago the advisory committee at Tech discussed some of the skills students should have once they enter the mass communication work force.

One of the main skills advisers discussed was students' writing skills, which is a skill many students lack but is a primary need in any mass communication field.

"Many advertising students think they do not have to know how to write because someone else will catch their mistakes, or that the only skill needed by a public relations student is the ability to communicate with people," he said. "This is completely wrong. All mass comm stu-

dents need to know how to write." Hudson said the main purpose is to teach students writing skills they will use throughout their classes and in their careers.

When the test was not required at Tech, he said, the faculty would spend more time teaching about basic

writing skills than focusing on the main course curriculum.

"We can't get to the real content of the class if we are constantly having to teach students skills they should already know," he said. "Students should already know how to write when they take those classes."

The test is not intended to be difficult so students can be kicked out of the mass communication department, he said. Students are required to take the test to make sure they have the skills they need in their career.

"Some of the students don't pass it because they don't study or because they do not care to learn about it," he said. "Those students are not going to be successful in their careers, and we do advise they change their majors."

There are common punctuation mistakes students make and words that are incorrectly used or misspelled, Hudson said. Students are required to be able to identify and correct these mistakes in the GSP test.

He said students are not required to take the test their freshman year, but he encourages them to take it as soon as possible because those students who do not pass it the first or second time might be delaying graduation another year.

"We would not be doing the industry or our students a favor if we made it easier," he said. "We think our skills ought to be the at the same level as any engineer or a doctor."

The faculty says the quality of students has increased after the GSP test was implemented at Tech, Hudson said.

Randy Reddick, advanced reporting professor, said the test has dramatically increased the quality of students.

He said he taught at Tech from 1990 to 1996 and then left for seven years.

When he came back the students knew more about basic writing skills.

"When I was here, I spent a lot of time on mechanics — It was just one week in Texas, over 800 babies are born pre-term," Smith said though some of these children can be saved by modern technology, many of them do not survive.

He said March of Dimes realizes the road to better strategies in combating pre-maturity is a long one, and the organization is in the march for the long haul.

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## Perry

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"The Texas society has a stretch goal of \$20,000," she said.

First Lady of Texas Anita Perry spoke at the reception. She has experience as a pediatric nurse and said she became involved with March of Dimes when Rick Salwen, March of Dimes chairman, asked her.

"I have a history of health care," she said. "I want to make people more aware of what March of Dimes does."

Case said March of Dimes also is involved in educating women on how to have healthy pregnancies and deliveries and encourages legislators to pay attention to the growing need for prenatal knowledge.

"We give community grants to organizations that support our mission with their programs," she said.

The focus of last night's gathering was pre-maturity in infants.

Perry said spreading information about prematurity is important because so many reasons for the phenomenon are unexplained.

"Most of the money that is raised goes to research for March of Dimes, which makes us very happy," she said.

Texas Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith is the state chairman for the March of Dimes prematurity campaign.

He pointed out that one out of every eight babies born in Texas is premature.

"It's a huge problem," he said. "In just one week in Texas, over 800 babies are born pre-term."

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not know about why some mothers go into labor before they are due.

Some known causes of pre-maturity are: diabetes, smoking while pregnant, certain bacterial infections as well as other nutritional reasons.

"A lot of people believe we have all the technology to help them survive," he said. "In a lot of cases we are able to, but in a lot of cases, we aren't."

Smith said nationally funded research is going on at the Health Sciences Center in the area of pre-maturity. He said Lubbock should pay attention to this growing problem.

"We have a large population and a lot of deliveries," he said. "If it affects you or your family, it's the right thing to do."

Smith said he became involved with March of Dimes while he was still the Lubbock Health Commissioner.

He helped launch a folic acid campaign and got legislation passed in Austin to establish a birth defect registry. March of Dimes asked Smith to be the statewide chairman of pre-maturity shortly after those accomplishments.

He said he has continued to stick with the organization because he believes in their goals and has seen what they can achieve.

"March of Dimes has gotten the job done before," he said. "What better organization to be involved with than one with a track record of success?"

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— JERRY HUDSON  
Director of the School of Mass Communications

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**Rate**

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"But we haven't considered implementing it. These are options that many institutions, not just Tech, are looking at right now."

The six-year graduation rate seems to be the common measuring stick for universities, Phillips said.

The rate is measured on six-year cohorts, he said. For instance, the class that was reported in August came from the freshman class of 1997. The number of students who graduate in six years from that freshman class is the rate.

Tech's six-year rate of 55 percent is on course with most other universities across the state, Phillips said.

"If you'd put (the six-year rate) up against other universities, you'd see it's not too far out of line," he said. "I'm

sure UT and A&M are ahead of us, but if you look at schools like North Texas and Houston, we're right on line with them."

Phillips said it is important with the increasing costs of higher education to be sure students graduate in four years.

"We need to extend our course days and let more classes be available throughout the day," he said. "We also need to be sure we have more faculty to allow the students to graduate faster."

Vice Provost James Brink said Tech has shown a tremendous improvement in its six-year rates over the last four years.

"Forty-seven to 55 percent in four years is remarkable progress," he said. "In 1998 we implemented more stringent enrollment requirements, so we hope it will be an even bigger rise when the numbers come out in August for the '98 cohort."

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rather die than be kept alive artificially, but family members, led by parents Bob and Mary Schindler, say their daughter could still recover, according to the AP. This division is what has brought this case into the public eye, said associate professor of political science Craig Emmert.

"I believe in most cases like this there's not this disagreement," he said.

Mike Schiavo will most likely win the fight, Emmert said. The courts thus far have said the law is unconstitutional and this trend will probably continue, giving him the right to remove his wife's feeding tube.

"I anticipate that at some point the courts, either the Florida Supreme Court or the U.S. Supreme Court ... will probably order the removal of the feeding tube again, in effect declaring unconstitutional this law passed by the state of Florida," he said.

While this case is more controversial, another case sets the precedent for situations like this, he said. A 1990 case from Missouri said Nancy Cruzan, who had been tube-fed for seven years, could be permitted to die if clear and convincing evidence could be found proving that was what she wanted.

The key difference between the Cruzan case and the Schiavo case is that high standard of proof Cruzan's parents needed, which does not exist in Florida, Emmert said. Regardless of how the Schiavo case ends, the 1990 will most likely remain the guiding precedent.

"It gives states leeway to set the bar high in terms of the evidentiary standards that have to be met," he said. "(The Florida Legislature) has in effect passed a law dealing with really only one person."

The bill is worded to apply only to cases in which the patient does not have a living will, is in a persistent vegetative state, has had feeding tubes removed and where a family member has challenged the removal.

Alex Oberman, a junior business major from San Antonio, said the gov-

ernment becoming involved should not have happened.

"I don't think anyone has the right to tell anyone that they can or can't live," he said.

Since Terri Schiavo is not in a condition to decide, her family should make that decision for her, he said. Her parents, however, should have precedence over her husband.

"That would be a hard thing to deal with," Oberman said. "I think in this specific case, she has a right to live. I think her friends and family have the best right to decide, because they knew her best."

Kaki Aufdengarten said Schiavo should be allowed to die for her husband's sake as much as her own.

"That's sad," the junior communications studies major from Fort Davis said. "How long does he have to wait before he has closure?"

She disagreed with Oberman, saying Mike Schiavo should have the final decision.

"He made the choice, if he thinks that's what she'd rather do," she said. "If he thinks that what she wants, I don't think they should tell him no."

Haley Hatfield, a senior advertising major from Flower Mound, said the decision for her was in a gray area, and she could see the situation from both sides.

"It could be abused," she said. "But in many instances, it would be the things that needed to be done."

**Computer**

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Spy-ware e-mails, or spam, continue because people receiving them are gullible and believe the programs will work, and sometimes the programs really do work, he said.

A former Boston College student, Douglas Boudreau, pled guilty in April to charges of interception of wire communications, unauthorized access to a computer system, larceny and identity fraud. Boudreau, 22, collected the personal data of students and faculty to create campus identification cards.

He used the cards to access buildings on campus and make purchases amounting to more than \$2,000. Boudreau faces five years probation and must reimburse Boston College.

McClimans said fraud of this type could easily occur in various ways. The encoding in the new strips on student identification cards is transferable to another card, allowing a replica of the card to be made.

The computer technology staff at Tech is aware of the vulnerabilities.

For this reason, the library technology staff updates the Windows system on the first floor public comput-

ers on a nightly basis to ensure nothing was overlooked, said Stan Chen, manager of desktop support for the library.

The staff began taking this measure after the MBlaster virus infected campus computers last year, he said.

"We have had a little problem," Chen said.

That problem was resolved since the switch over to Windows 2000, and the computers began using Windows patches to make the system immune to holes, he said.

"What we follow is what the standards of how the university manages computers," he said.

This standard is tight. Only administrators are allowed to download hardware in the ATLC and residence hall computer labs.

"We don't allow users to install software," said Jeff Foxhoven, manager of lab operations and technological support in the Information Technology division. "It's completely locked down."

Despite this, McClimans said a person would only need access to where the keyboard cable enters the monitor to install a piece of key logging hardware only detectable physically.

"If they can physically get to the computer, even for a couple of seconds," he said.

**Rodeo**

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Newcomer to college rodeo competition, Brandon Gonzales, a freshman from Frank Phillips College and participant in the team-roping contest, said he has been looking forward to the Texas Tech Rodeo.

"There's a lot of teams, and competition is pretty tough," he said.

Gonzales said he was impressed with the atmosphere and the way Tech has put everything together.

He said his main goal is to perform well in his event.

"It's gonna get better, that's for sure," said Gonzales. "It will get pretty good on Saturday night."

Members of the local community were also on hand to witness the event.

Preston Upshaw from Lubbock said he makes a point to come out every year.

Since he has farmed and ranched all his life, he said he just enjoys coming to watch the students perform.

"I've worked with horses all my life," he said. "I just love the rodeo."

Beth Eager, a graduate student studying for his master's degree in equine reproduction in the animal food and sciences department, came out as an observer but also had a role in the event.

Given her area of study, Eager had the role of assigning stalls to all the different animals.

She said the whole event seems better organized than the last one she attended and was impressed with the overall turnout for the opening night.

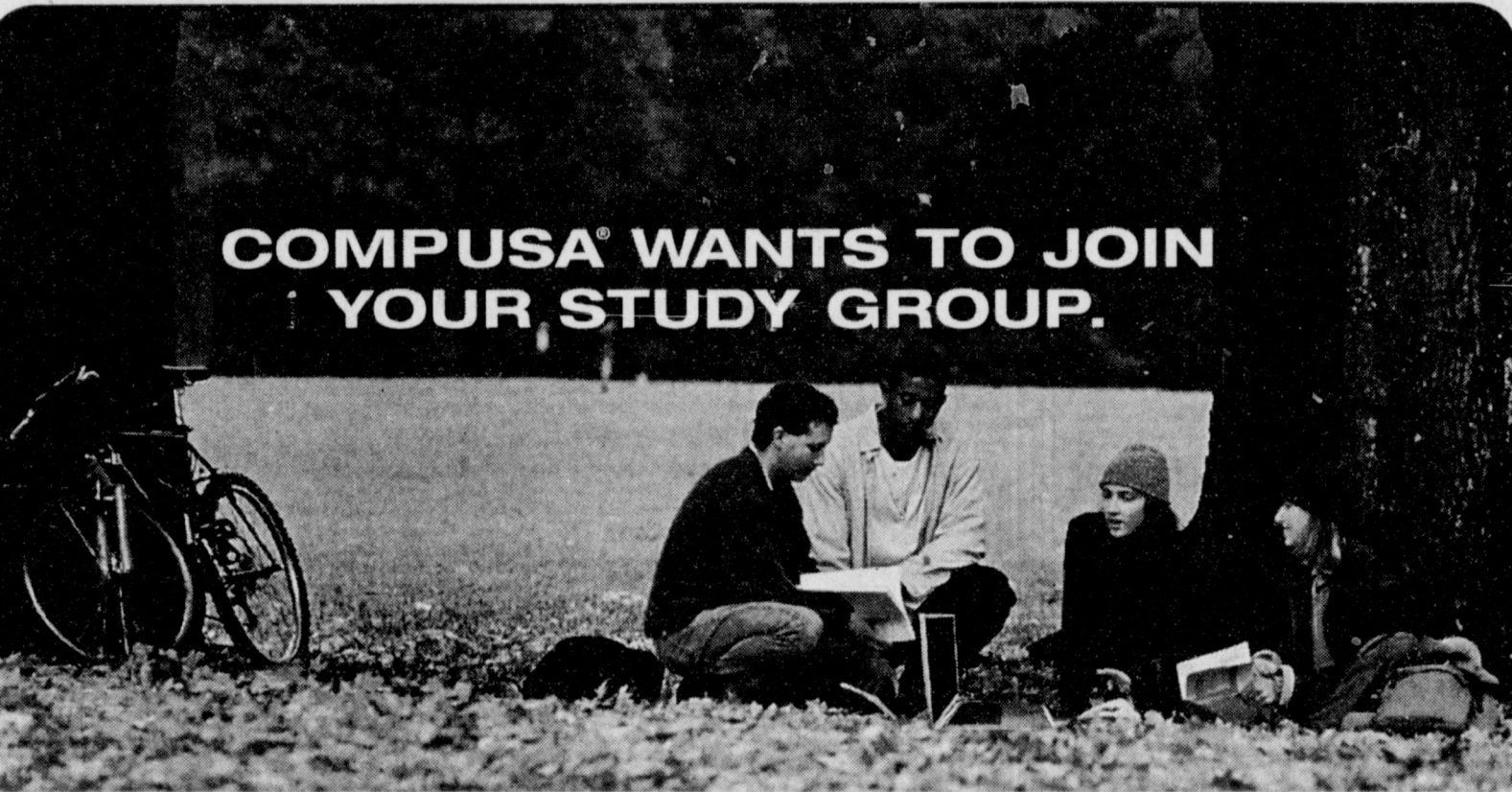
"I came out tonight to support my friends and Texas Tech," she said. "I just enjoy watching all the competitions."

Eager commented on the quality of sportsmanship that the rodeo displays.

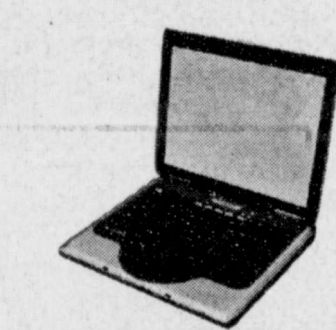
"It's neat to see the high level of competitiveness but at the same time to see how each competitor supports each other."

Eager said she hopes to see more support from the students and the university as the event progresses.

The rodeo will continue Friday with slacks and performances, and finals take place Saturday night.



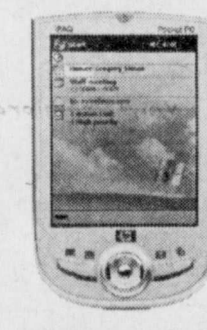
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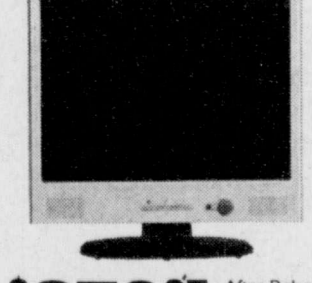
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# Make marijuana a legal medicine

One man lays on his deathbed in Lubbock suffering from an unimaginable amount of pain from the effects of chemotherapy.

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Although many do not realize it, medicinal marijuana can turn many people's pain-filled life into an enjoyable, and more importantly, a livable existence.

Last week, the Supreme Court made a decision not to address the case of medicinal marijuana.

Surprisingly, it is actually the Supreme Court's inactivity that I am so impressed with. By the Supreme Court's decision to not take on this particular case, the 9th Circuit Ruling will stand.

This ruling gives states the right to determine their own medical marijuana policies without federal intervention.

Therefore, medical marijuana patients could move to one of the eight states that legalized doctor recommended marijuana — Alaska, California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Colorado, Hawaii and Maine — and be safe from arrest prosecution or jail for possession of marijuana.

Surveys have shown that the majority of Americans agree medicinal purposed marijuana should be available for those who need it. But, the change seems to be difficult to put into effect.

The same day of the Supreme Court ruling, Dr. Andrea Barthwell, of the White House office of national drug control policy, argued against medicinal marijuana by claiming, "And the fact is that the constituent part of marijuana ... is available to physicians to prescribe in the form of Marinol."

Marinol is a pill that has the same effects of marijuana. Although this pill also is a noteworthy solution, most of the patients who need this pill cannot keep it down.

This is the reason why so many patients prefer the plant medicine (smokeable) versus this pill, which can be seen as an expensive waste usually just flushed down the toilet.

Just because there is one remedy to this medical problem does not mean we should not allow other medicines to be available if proven equally as effective.

For example, if there was never an alternate medication for penicillin, I would have been dead by age 5 because I am allergic to it.

My point is there is no reason not to legalize a medicine just because another similar medicine exists. What if there was only one antidepressant? Imagine how much crazier our world would be.

Best stated in the words of the executive director of the Marijuana Policy Project, Rob Kampia, "It would be like saying that vitamin C is good for you but an orange is not. Clearly, marijuana has chemical compounds in it that are medically beneficial." Actually Kampia explains that benefit four years ago, The Institute of Medicine

**Kori Hahn**



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(funded by Andrea's office, the White House drug czar's office) proved that marijuana has medical value for certain patients, namely those suffering from cancer chemotherapy, AIDS, wasting syndrome and chronic pain.

Dr. Barthwell's reaction to this was "Well, the facts here are that the Institute of Medicine did determine that there are constituent parts of marijuana that may in fact have some utility as medicine."

Ok then, so what really is the big deal with this legalization battle? The need is apparent.

Perhaps Barthwell is paranoid about some sort of widespread weed distribution to 10-year-old children, but this result would not occur, I assure you.

These user-patients that are free from arrest, jail and prosecution carry identification cards, much like a drivers license, which signify to officers not to arrest this person for marijuana.

So, college potheads would still be going to jail because this has absolutely no benefit on their behalf.

And one more extra fact supporting your new cause, even medical establishments are moving towards a new generation of pro-patient rights.

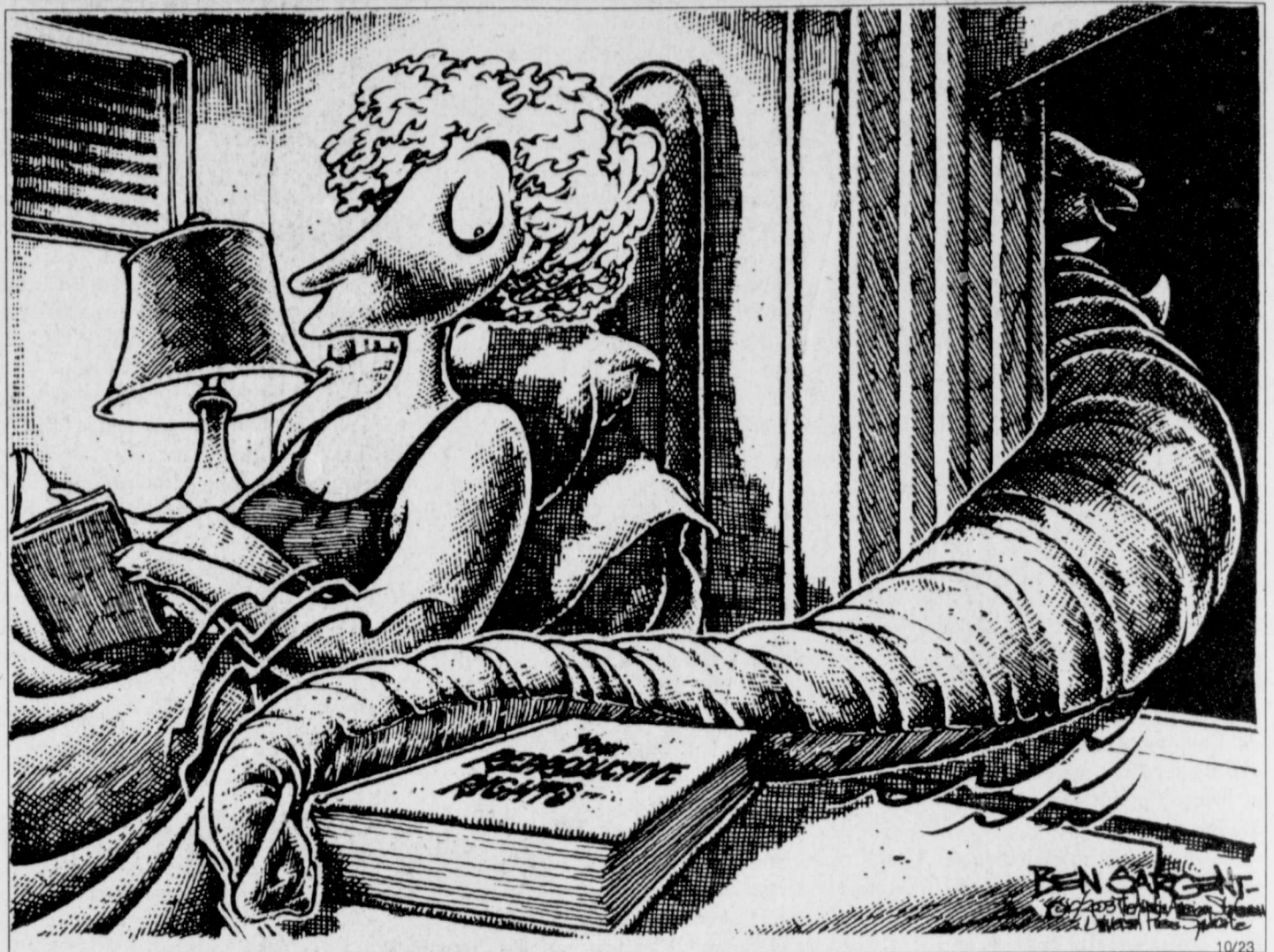
The American Nurses Association, which represents 2.6 million nurses, just passed a resolution supporting legislation to remove criminal penalties, including arrest and imprisonment for bona fide patients and those prescribing therapeutic marijuana.

And from the eyes of the unfortunate man dying in Lubbock, Tom Petty says it best, "Last dance with Mary Jane, one more time to kill the pain."

While recreational marijuana use is a debatable topic, protecting the rights of these medicinal marijuana users is not.

The facts prove that this form of medicine works, and until state governments make more changes countless people remain living in avoidable pain.

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# Quit blaming the 'liberal' media

I come from a Republican family. My family votes Republican. We fight for the Republicans, and we hate the Democrats. These roots go far, far back, and severing them now could cause irreparable damage.

I also, however, am a tried and true member of the so-called "liberal" media. These two positions are polar opposites.

I've tried to explain to my father that Republicans aren't always the good guys. I've tried to explain to my uncle that conservative doesn't mean right, closer to God or superior in any way. I've had to defend myself in many family discussions about why I don't want to be a Republican anymore.

Now don't get me wrong; I'm not a Democrat either. One of my biggest tasks at *The University Daily* has been following the election last year and the special election earlier this year.

I've talked to Democrats, and I've talked to Republicans. I didn't really agree with what any of them were saying. Frankly, I don't want to belong to a political party. I'm perfectly happy to claim political independence.

Unfortunately for me, I don't have that option as a member of the "liberal" media.

Because I work for a newspaper, I am automatically labeled a flaming, off-the-cuff, bleeding-heart liberal reporter.

How people automatically label all media outlets and media personnel as liberal never ceases to amaze me.

Here's an example: I worked for the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal* over the summer. Anyone who has read the *A-J* knows it is not a liberal publication. If you're about to disagree with me, check out the prayer on the front page.

Liberal is not the first adjective that jumps to mind when thinking about the *A-J*. The word is not even near the top.

The *A-J* ran an editorial telling Gov. Rick Perry to stop with the redistricting nonsense, because obviously the majority of Texans didn't want the redistrict-

**Heidi Toth**



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ing. It certainly wasn't good for Lubbock.

Democrats were screaming foul because under the proposed map, they would most likely lose seats in the U.S. House of Representatives.

The map didn't pass the first time because the Democrats went to Oklahoma, so Perry called a special session, at a cost of about \$2 million. After the second special session was called, the *A-J* ran the editorial.

The *A-J* got a letter to the editor about a week later condemning the *A-J* for being such a liberal newspaper!

I laughed when I read it. Just because the editorial board disagreed with something the Republican governor was doing, the opinion was liberal.

I've read several letters and heard many comments regarding the "liberal" media.

I read a book discussing how destructive the "liberal" media was to society. I've heard so many complaints from readers and viewers about the "liberal" agenda of the media that blasts through all the facts and jumps out at the page. To all of those people out there, I have a few words for you — look in the mirror.

The media are not liberal. Are some outlets?

Yes.

But don't judge all of us because CBS, NBC, ABC and *The New York Times* are liberal. Most newspapers endorsed Bush in 2000, and most newspapers endorse the Republican candidate in any presidential election.

The slant that you see in stories is most likely a reflection of the bias that you hold.

I can write a objective article about an issue such as abortion. If I interview five students and three are pro-life and two are pro-choice, people in favor of abortion are going to say I slanted it that way on purpose and I tried to find students who agreed with me.

However, if I led the story off with comments for a pro-choice person, all the pro-lifers are going to say I wanted everyone to read that position first because that's what I really felt.

In other words, your mind is already made up before you pick up the newspaper or turn on the news.

When you read a story and see a bias, the bias is not mine nor is it the newspaper's. The bias is yours.

I don't have an agenda that I'm pushing so I can make everyone on the Texas Tech campus think like me. And I am tired of hearing about the "liberal" media.

Try reading a newspaper objectively for a change, without putting your slant into it. We try to write it objectively every day, and the thanks we get are people screaming at us because we gave two more lines to the other side of the story or because contact information was cut for space issues.

And for all of you out there who think this column is just another example of how "liberal" the media is, so be it.

If you choose to close your mind, nothing I say is going to help you.

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## Letters to the Editor

### It's time for Tech's free speech zone policy to go

This is in response to Rebecca Foyt's letter, "Let's keep free speech areas," in which she writes that she is "against a free-speech campus" and that it is up to "Tech (to) grant us free speech."

Reading Ms. Foyt's letter, one comes away thinking that we have only the rights that institutions, such as Texas Tech, decide we should have.

To the contrary, our right to free speech is guaranteed by the First Amendment to the Constitution.

It is a right that we are endowed with solely because we are a free people. Ms. Foyt and others might not like the voices that are being silenced.

In fact, I find many of the messages of

"cause heads"—people who protest things just to be contrarian—to be annoying, repugnant and ignorant.

However, I recognize, as the Framers of the Constitution did, that protecting the right of people to speak unpopular views is what protects all of us from tyranny. Seeing a public university attempt to restrict open dialogue, discussion and protest is especially disheartening. What message are we sending our students about their freedoms?

— **Larry Cunningham**  
assistant professor of law  
and director of the criminal  
prosecution clinic

### Tech needs to reinstate campus recycling program

Our university contributing to the endless mound of trash piling up in America today is a shame.

In Bell's article published in *The UD* Oct. 23, he thankfully exposed Tech's shortcom-

ing in the interests of recycling. This University is supposed to be a leader in this nation on agriculture and land ecology, the least we could do is put paper in a blue box and food in a trash can.

I am sure that college students as well as some absent-minded professors are capable of distinguishing between a trash can and a recycling bin.

I believe first graders can make the distinction.

Why can't we? Bell's article stated that Tech produces 21 to 22 tons of paper waste each month.

Did we stop recycling because we are not interested?

Take an interest in this: 4488 trees, 100,320 gallons of oil, 792 cubic yards of landfill space and 1,848,000 gallons of water a year could be saved by this university alone.

Tech MUST return the recycling program to campus.

I hope the paper this letter is written on is used again.

Hell, let your pet piss on it, roll it up and smoke it, clean your windows with it, I don't care, just don't leave it on the floor!

— **Brad Moulton**, senior landscape architecture major

### Thank you Mr. Preston Smith for your kindness

When our daughter advised us that she had decided to go to Tech, I must admit I had not anticipated her decision to spend some time in West Texas.

Later my son followed. We fast became Red Raider fans and fell in love with the school and Lubbock. (I even enjoyed the five-hour drive).

I remember first seeing Mr. Smith at a homecoming parade, where he proudly walked with all of his Red Raider colors.

I liked him right off. I asked my daughter more about this interesting man, and she explained to me who he was. I was impressed.

A year or so went by and one day my

daughter told us a story about the time when she and a couple of her buddies were sitting at the base of statue of a man, when an old man wearing a hat slowly walked up to them and began to sincerely thank them for selecting Texas Tech as their university.

My daughter all of sudden said to this man, "Wait a minute, you're the man in this statue. You're Preston Smith."

Yes, here was Mr. Preston Smith, taking time to thank some students for selecting his beloved Texas Tech.

Needless to say, my daughter and her friends were quite impressed.

Since that time, I have often thought about going by Mr. Smith's home to tell him what that meeting meant to my daughter.

Now is too late to give that thanks, but I want to take this opportunity to pay my respect to Mr. Smith and to thank him for his contributions. A great Texan and the very symbol of why Texas Tech is such a great university.

— **Warren Lewis IV**, from Arlington

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# 'Anything' an entertaining outlet for students

The Texas Tech Theatre Main Stage musical production, "Anything Goes," is a sweet little bon-bon of a musical that manages to be quite enjoyable, if hardly memorable. Director Jonathan Marks is working with an old (1934, to be exact) vaudeville-type musical that plays out like a situation comedy with crooning cartoon-ish characters and a silly plot complete with mistaken identities and misunderstandings.

The show features music and lyrics by the legendary Cole Porter and is performed with sharp precision by the orchestra of seven, conducted by Alan Shinn. The musicians getting involved with the action in the second act is especially fun.

As the show opens we meet Billy Crocker (Kelly Parker) and his boss Eli Whitney (Joe Ginnane) in a nightclub. Whitney, an investor, is leaving on a luxury liner the following day and is leaving Billy to take care of business for him on Wall Street. We also

## James Eppler



meet Reno Sweeney (Nadia Brodie), a prominent nightclub singer who has a crush on Billy. She too will be on the ship.

But when Billy goes to bid Reno farewell, he spots his former love, Hope Harcourt (Cathy Huey), who is about to be married to a tight-wad British man named Lord Evelyn Oakleigh (Jon Osbaldeston) under the supervision of her mother, Evangeline (Mary Housewirth). He decides to stow away on the ship to keep Hope from marrying Evelyn while making sure to stay out of Eli's sight.

Also on board the luxury liner is Public Enemy No. 13, Moonface Mar-

tin (David L. Wygant), who is on the run from authorities. His partner in crime, Public Enemy No. 1, did not make it onto the ship, so he offers his passport to Billy.

Of course, chaos ensues. Part of what makes this production enjoyable is the cast seems to be having a lot of fun with the material.

Wygant is a scene-stealer throughout the show, especially in the second act with his "Be Like the Bluebird" number. Wygant's comic timing is as slick as his pin-striped zoot-suit. Audiences leaving the show will surely be talking about his performance.

Osbaldeston also is often hilarious as the out-of-place Brit who swears he has a wild side in "Gypsy in Me." For what Parker and Huey lack in chemistry together, they make up for with nice singing voices in such numbers as "Easy to Love" and "It's De-Lovely."

Possibly one of the most conflicted performances in the play, however, is

by Brodie, whose energy is extremely fickle. Her opening number of "I Get a Kick out of You" lacked enthusiasm and spark, but then she turned on the electricity with "Anything Goes" and "Blow, Gabriel, Blow" later on. She also seemed to be content being upstaged by Parker in "You're the Top." When she's in full swing, however, she does very well. Hers is a decent performance overall, but there's no doubt in my mind that it had the potential to be great.

One of the show's best performances, however, is found in four sailors (David E. Wahmud, Nathaniel Carter, Andy Midkiff and Robert Todd) who do a fantastic song and dance routine with "There'll Always Be a Lady Fair."

That said, choreography by Amy Cox is relatively strong throughout the production, and even the few throwaway musical numbers are still fun to watch.

Marks does about as good a job as

can be expected with this nice little bit of fluff. The production does not pretend to be anything other than nonsensical entertainment. With several serious dramas in much of the theatre season still ahead, audiences are sure to enjoy this diversion.

Eppler is The UD's entertainment critic. Send comments to James.D.Eppler@ttu.edu.

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# Urban beats to get Tech students moving

By Justin Vallejo/Staff Reporter

A dance style not too familiar to West Texas is coming to the Texas Tech campus.

"Urban Roots: Ode to Hip-Hop" is the theme as campus organization, Body Art & Soul Expression, present the National Urban Dance & Step Conference. The event will be co-hosted by Zeta Phi Beta, Tobacco Free Tech and Black Students of Mass Communications.

"Our purpose is to educate and entertain and raise a little awareness," said Jannibah Coleman, a senior public relations major from Irving and vice president of BASE.

The event takes place this week-

end beginning at 8:30 p.m. Friday in the Human Sciences building, Room 169 with "The Jump Off" and continues through Saturday. The conference will feature a variety of dance groups from different colleges and universities, with performances by dance groups Tribal Evolution, from Hurst and Planet Funk from Houston.

Friday's event also will feature a freestyle dance competition.

Coleman said Saturday's events, beginning at 9 a.m. and lasting until 2 p.m. in the Human Sciences building, will feature a dance workshop with four separate sessions and a 9 a.m. warm-up session. Six choreographers, Tesia "Hollywood" Truitt, Gary "G-man" Conner, Taz Bright,

Crystal Aguilar, Cheryl Bushey and Gretchen Kellett will be on hand to give instruction on the styles of hip-hop and funk, flamenco and belly dance.

Coleman said BASE is looking forward to bringing the unfamiliar dance styles to the West Texas community.

"This is kind of a conservative area; a lot of us are from bigger cities, and we're aware of this style of dance. We noticed a lot of people around here don't know about dance, specifically urban dance," she said.

Catherine Warren, a sophomore international business major from San Antonio and director of the BASE concept team, said she is glad

to see the event arrive.

"We've been planning this for about five months," she said.

She views the conference as an overall learning experience and is especially excited about the workshops on Saturday because she will get to experience the different styles of dance and incorporate them into her own sense of creativity.

BASE encourages anyone interested from the student body, faculty, staff and members of the Lubbock community to attend the conference.

Entry fee for "The Jump Off" will be \$5 at the door and \$15 for the workshop on Saturday.

For more information visit the Web site at [www.freewebs.com/nudsc](http://www.freewebs.com/nudsc).

# Tech fight song up for national recognition by ESPN

By Megan LaVoie/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech football might have bowed out of the No. 23 spot on the ESPN/USA Today Coaches poll last week, but ESPN is now recognizing Tech for something else — "The Fight Song."

Tech's fight song, "Fight Raiders Fight" is up for the best university fight song on [www.ESPN.com](http://www.ESPN.com).

Britta Tye, the coordinator for the First Year Experience, said Red Raider campers were used in the video played on ESPN.

Rowdy Grenado, the producer of the video and director of Tech's News and Publications, said ESPN contacted the sports department and asked that Tech send in a video of its fight song being performed. Tech's version features men's basketball coach Bob



Knicht.

"We made a video featuring highlights of 'The Fight Song,' and supposedly it has been playing on ESPN, but I have yet to see it," Grenado said.

Grenado said the video had to

be turned in by Sept. 9, and it was to begin airing the next week.

Blayne Beal, assistant director of media relations, said the competition started with several universities, and each week the field of contestants gets smaller until the winner is announced at the end of the season.

"ESPN plays the videos of the Fight Songs of three universities during prime time — the videos are then judged by people voting on [www.ESPN.com](http://www.ESPN.com). Tech won last week," he said.

Carrol McMath wrote "Fight Raiders Fight," in the 1930s.

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their favorite university fight song at [www.ESPN.com](http://www.ESPN.com) and click on Fight Song Frenzy.

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# Walk to raise money for heart association

By Nikki Siegrist/Staff Reporter

The American Heart Walk will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Frazier Alumni Pavilion. The Heart Walk is designed to raise money for research for the American Heart Association.

The event has taken place for the last 10 years, and this is the first year it will be held on the Texas Tech campus.

Co-chairman and Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith said helping the event on campus will get more people involved.

"It will help get bigger crowds and more awareness in younger crowds," he said. "People pay attention to what students do, and it resonates even further than what old fogies like us do."

Several Tech departments and Greek organizations will participate in the event, and the Saddle Tramps will start the walk by ringing their bells.

"It's a good cause, and it's rel-

evant," Smith said. "Our students have a great tradition of giving."

About 450 walkers are expected to participate, making this one of the largest American Heart Walks in the history of the local chapter. There will be two tracks, a 1.3-mile and a 3.5-mile track.

"I'm excited," said Nathan Peters, an intern for the American Heart Association. "Most people have a good time."

The money raised will be given to the state fund and then to the national association, which then distributes the money based on a percentage back to the local agencies.

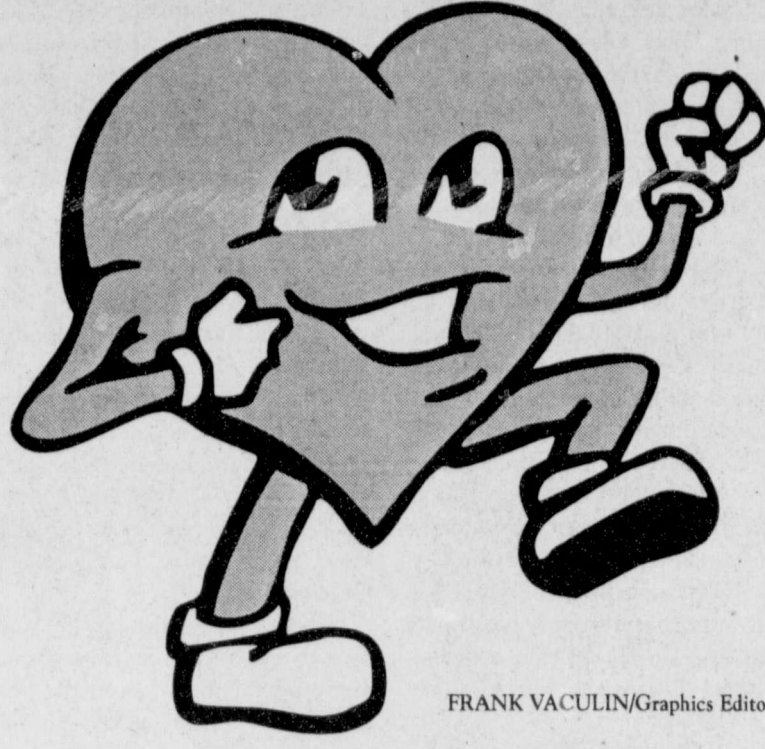
Heart disease is the No. 1 killer of Americans, Peters said.

The walk plans to raise \$100,000, but so far it has raised only \$52,000.

This is a 50 percent increase from the amount raised last year.

The walkers can be individuals or teams; both raise money through donations.

Ron Wolfe, chairman for legis-



FRANK VACULIN/Graphics Editor

lators, said money raised goes toward stroke research and helping raise awareness of heart diseases.

"One of the main problems of people dying, especially at an early age, is that people just don't know,"

Wolfe said. "Everybody knows someone this affects."

Wolfe is a four-year survivor of a heart attack and said if he hadn't known some of the symptoms of a heart attack he might not be alive today.

"People my age die from it because they are not aware," he said.

The walk is important for all people because the community raises the money and the money goes back to the community, he said.

"We put auto defibrillators in public places every year," Wolfe said. "We also push municipalities to put them in all police cars."

Others who benefit from the research are current sufferers of heart disease.

One young heart disease survivor, 3-year old Silas Sonnenberg, will participate in the event.

Sonnenberg, son of manager of parking enforcement, Lee Sonnenberg, has an 8-millimeter hole in his heart between his upper

and lower chamber. His father raised more than \$1,000 by himself for the walk.

He said he is raising money in hopes that new technology will be developed to help his son combat an arterial spetal defect - a hole normal for all babies that normally closes. However, Sonnenberg's did not.

"When Silas was born, they just started in Boston and recently in Houston," Lee Sonnenberg said.

The event mean much more than just a walk to Lee Sonnenberg's.

"This money is helping to pay for research to invent technology and fine tune it," he said. "The technology they're introducing can save Silas."

This year, the Sonnenberg family will be walking to support heart research.

"We are really looking forward to it," he said. "We'll all be down there, and Silas will be in a red Radio Flyer wagon. Our whole family will be out there."

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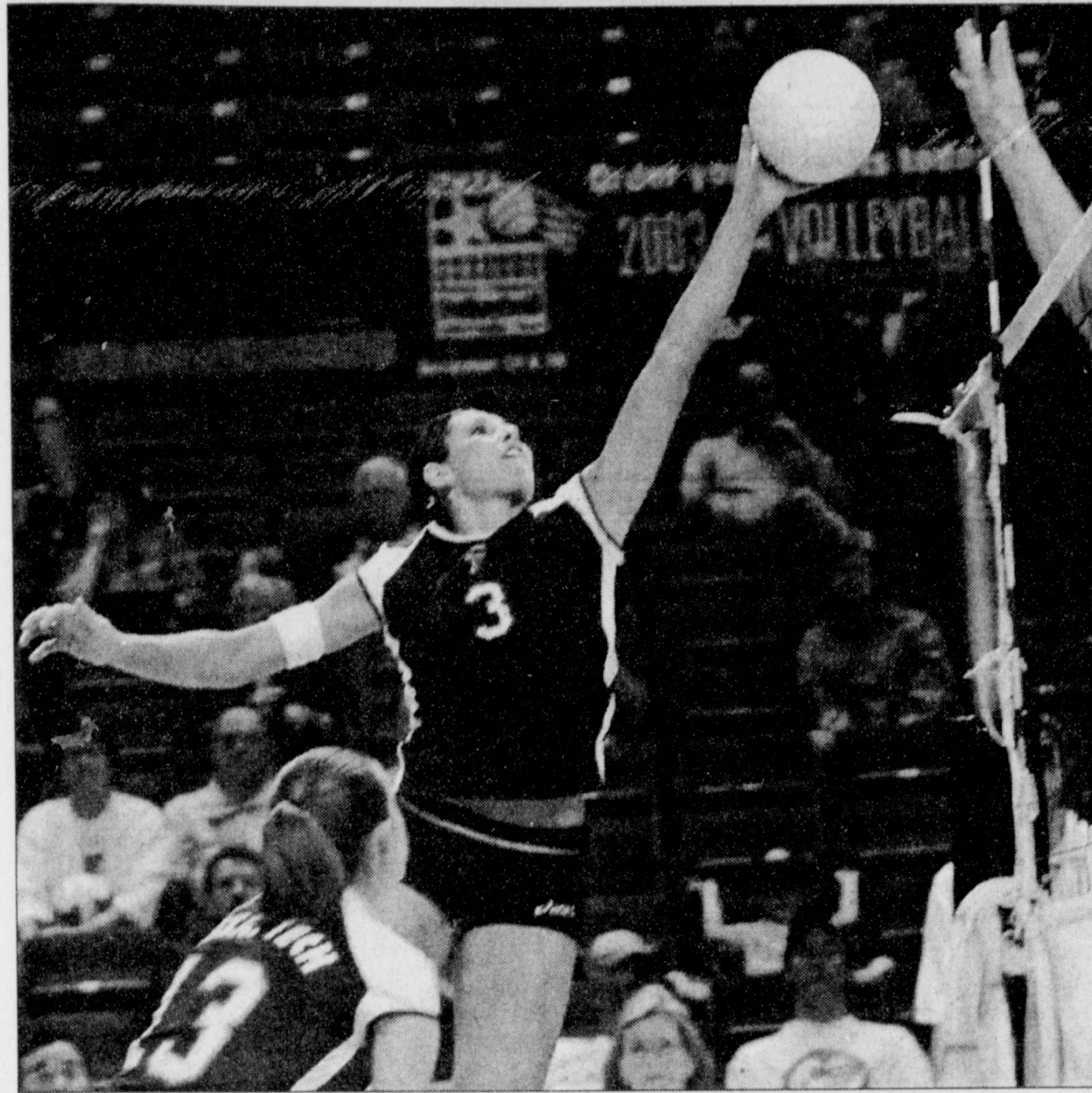
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# Tech hoping for sneak attack against Tigers



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TEXAS TECH OUTSIDE hitter Breanna Weatherl attempts to hit the ball over the net while middle blocker Raven Garrett waits to assist during the Raiders three-game win against the Oklahoma Sooners Wednesday. Tech will face the No. 24 Missouri Tigers at 7 p.m. Saturday in the United Spirit Arena. Missouri defeated the Raiders earlier this season in Columbia, Mo., but Tech won the last meeting between the two teams in Lubbock last season.

By Jason Lenz/Staff Reporter

The bigger they are, the harder they fall. Or at least that belief is what some of the Red Raiders (9-10 overall, 1-9 Big 12 Conference) are hoping for when they face the No. 24 Missouri Tigers (14-4, 8-2) at 7 p.m. Saturday in the United Spirit Arena.

Freshman outside hitter Kiley Lyons said she thinks she is better prepared for the upcoming match against the Tigers.

"They had some pretty big girls," she said. "They were kind of slow. They have some good outside hitters and some girls who can block...if we just keep it fast, then hopefully they can't keep up with us. We need to play our game."

This game against Missouri begins the second half of conference play, in which the Raiders play each Big 12 team a second time. The Tigers won the last meeting in three games, but Texas Tech upset Missouri in the USA last season.

Tech's only senior, outside hitter Angela Mooney, has been out of action for several weeks following knee surgery. With her out, younger players like Lyons have had to step in, and Lyons said she understands better now how Big 12 play works.

"I think it'll be a lot easier since we know what to expect," she said. "The first go around, everything was such a new experience, but now we know what to expect, and so we can work on that."

Junior setter Laura Grote said Missouri has a lot of weapons, such as senior outside hitter Mary Lauren Smith, and any weapon could hurt Tech.

"We can't really key in on (Smith)," she said. "They have a great setter who can mix up the offense to be prepared for, too."

Tech is coming off a three-game win against Oklahoma, which snapped

a 10-match losing streak and gave the team its first conference victory. Grote said staying in the right frame of mind is important for the team.

"We have to be confident enough to know to play aggressive," she said. "We can't go out there and start not tipping balls or going for blocks or putting balls away. We have to be confident to play aggressive, play with attitude and play with emotion but not overconfident to where we overlook the team."

For the younger players, head coach Nancy Todd said seeing victory happen might change some of the players' perspectives.

"Sometimes you good to have to how to win," she said. "It always helps."

The Raiders had been plagued by problems with communication on the court for most of the season until the win versus Oklahoma, and Grote said maintaining that communication is a mental thing.

"We have to keep our focus and keep working on it," she said.

Playing the Tigers this week, the Raiders hope they can catch the team off guard. Junior defensive specialist Jessy Herrera said Tech has improved since the last match against Missouri.

"When we played them, we played mediocre," she said. "Missouri is always a hard place to play, but now we're at home, and we'll have our home fans. Hopefully we can get the win."

## Coaches honor Raiders' Emmett

Texas Tech senior forward Andre Emmett was named the Big 12 Conference preseason Player of the Year in a poll released Wednesday by the league's coaches.

Emmett, who almost left for the NBA last season, led the league last season with 21.8 points and was an All-Big 12 selection in each of the last two seasons. He was a unanimous choice by the panel's 11 voters.

Tech was picked to finish No. 7 in the poll, behind Colorado and in front of Kansas State. Missouri, which returns four starters from its NCAA tournament team, was picked to win the conference.

NCAA 2003 Final Four team Texas finished second in the poll with three first-place votes.

Kansas was third with the final first-place vote. In order, the rest of the poll was Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Colorado, Tech, Kansas State, Texas A&M, Iowa State, Nebraska and Baylor. Also named to preseason All-Big 12 were Missouri teammates Arthur Johnson and Rickey Paulding, Wayne Simien of Kansas and James Thomas of Texas.

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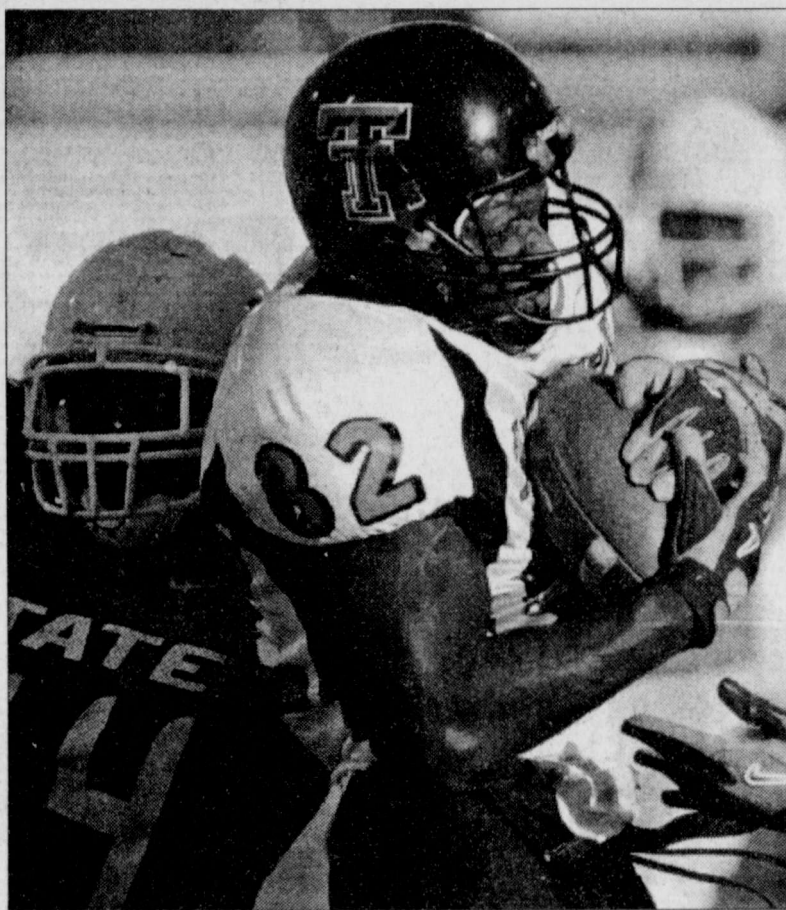
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- Missouri leads the Big 12 in penalties as the team has 33 penalties for 290 yards this season.
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# Raiders up to task of containing Smith



TEXAS TECH RECEIVER Carlos Francis pulls in a reception during the Raiders' 51-49 loss to Oklahoma State. Tech will face Missouri at 11:30 a.m. Saturday in Columbia, Mo.

### ONE YEAR AGO

■ Texas Tech defeated Missouri 52-38 at Jones SBC Stadium. Former Tech quarterback Kliff Kingsbury had 510 yards passing and five touchdowns.

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

Despite losing its first Big 12 Conference game of the season, the Texas Tech team felt discouragement last of all emotions at practice this week.

The Red Raider players said they know they are still in control of their season and are more than ready for the Missouri Tigers on Saturday in Columbia, Mo.

Preparing themselves meant the Texas Tech team had to forget about the loss to Oklahoma State and continue the discipline of winning one game a week.

“(The loss) is over right now, and our main focus is Missouri,” quarterback B.J. Symons said. “We gotta bounce back, and we realize we're still in pretty good shape with only one loss in conference if we can just put it behind us and continue to move forward.”

Playing the Tigers may present a challenge for the Raiders because the team is playing away from Lubbock for a second consecutive week.

“It's gonna be a challenge for us, but I think we're going to be up to the challenge,” Symons said.

Unlike past years in the Big 12, this year only one team remains undefeated in conference play after two weeks. Thus, if Oklahoma should lose one week, the race for the South Division Championship would be open for competition. Symons and the rest of the Raiders said they are definitely aware that they are still in the chase

for a conference title.

“There's only one team in the Big 12 that's undefeated of all Big 12 teams,” Symons said. “And we play them. We still kinda control where we go for sure. It's gonna be tougher now for sure. Winning (last week), it would have made things a little easier...we could probably still lose a game, but (now) we can't lose a game. That's how we have to approach every game.”

Last week Tech's defense struggled to stop Oklahoma State's offense as it gave up 673 total yards and allowed running back Tatum Bell to rush for a career high 238 yards.

This week the Raiders will have to stop the 2002 Big 12 Offensive Newcomer of the Year and Missouri's version of a multi-tool in quarterback Brad Smith.

Smith has 111 completions for 1,064 yards and eight touchdowns this season and also has rushed for 560 yards and seven touchdowns. The ability to run and pass could make him a threat in any situation, and defensive coordinator Lyle Setencich said stopping him will be difficult, but his defense will do its best to give the Raiders an opportunity to win the game.

“I think you have to defend him differently than you do a lot of other folks,” he said. “He is a factor no matter what down and distance it is.”

Setencich said if a passing-play breaks down, Smith has the potential to break free from the pocket and man-

age to get positive yards out of it. He also has done the same thing on running plays this season, and head coach Mike Leach said Smith is the true definition of being a quarterback with multiple weapons.

“He's the ultimate multi-dimensional guy,” he said. “The thing about Brad Smith is he can run and throw it. There's all these guys that people claim are good at running and throwing the ball, and the truth of the matter is most of them can't...and this guy really can do both.”

There may be a variety of ways to attempt to stop Smith or to contain him, but linebacker John Saldi said Tech will be implementing the shadow defense against Smith.

One player will be assigned to keep an eye on Smith every play and shadow him. It is a tactic Saldi has faith in because Tech put the hammer down on Smith fairly well last year.

“Last year we were successful at containing Brad Smith pretty well,” he said. “This year he's a lot more mature than last year though.”

The Raiders want to get back on the winning track and are looking to taste victory after Saturday instead of defeat.

“We want to take that loss and build off of that,” Saldi said. “We got that bad feeling after our first loss to NC-State, and we got that bad feeling again. We've got a bad taste in our mouth, and we want to get that bad taste out of our mouth.”

### GAMEDAY INFORMATION

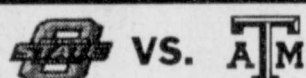


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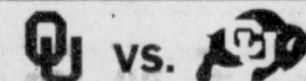


47	Offensive P.P.G.	29
32	Defensive P.P.G. allowed	22
103	Rushing Y.P.G.	193
524	Passing Y.P.G.	178
627	Total Y.P.G.	371
190	Rushing Y.P.G. allowed	148
301	Passing Y.P.G. allowed	209
491	Total Y.P.G. allowed	357
16	Sacks	17
17	Sacks allowed	11
-4	Turnover Differential	+7

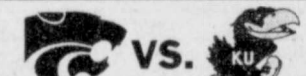
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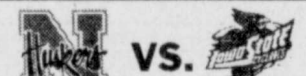
Oklahoma State against Texas A&M  
2:30 p.m. Sat. in College Station.



Oklahoma against Colorado  
6 p.m. Sat. in Boulder, Colo.



Kansas State against Kansas  
1:10 p.m. Sat. in Manhattan, Kan.



Nebraska against Iowa State  
11:40 a.m. Sat. in Lincoln, Nebr.

### PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

TEXAS TECH: B.J. SYMONS



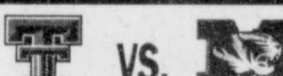
STATS: 264 completions for 3,506 yards and 32 touchdowns passing with eight interceptions.  
NOTES: Leads the Big 12 Conference in passing yards and total offense yards.

MISSOURI: BRAD SMITH



STATS: 111 completions for 1,064 yards and eight touchdowns with three interceptions.  
NOTES: Has seven rushing touchdowns this season and leads the team in scoring.

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Texas Tech, 42-38
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