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Wait is over; Perry appoints two new regents

TWO DOWN THREE TO GO: Texas Tech still short three regents; State says appointments are still pending.

By Sally Gunter/Staff Reporter

The recipe for a good Texas Tech Board of Regents member includes commitment, dedication and experience. The two new regents have the ingredients to be good Board members, said Board chairman C. Robert Black.

Gov. Rick Perry appointed J. Frank Miller III, of El Paso, and L.F. "Rick" Francis, of Dallas, to the Board on Tuesday afternoon.

The two new regents and both of their wives are graduates of Tech.

Miller is replacing John W. Jones, whose term expired Jan. 1. Miller's term will expire Jan. 31, 2009.

Miller is the CEO of JPI Co., a national apartment developer. He serves

on the boards of the Urban Land Institute, National Multi Housing Council and the Real Estate Round Table. Miller also serves on numerous community boards including the University Medical Center Inc.

A graduate of Tech in 1974, Miller said he has had a continuous love for Tech from the time he was a student. He said he plans to attend the Tech football game Saturday with his son, who is a junior in high school.

"I'm honored and thrilled to get to serve the university I wanted to," Miller said. "I look forward to doing it."

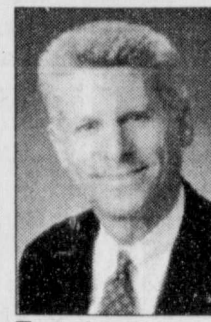
It is more than just another activity on his resume. Miller said he wants to take the



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Miller



Francis

is the chairman of both the Sierra Medical Center and Providence Hospital. He serves on the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center-El Paso Dean's Advisory Board.

Francis has family in Lubbock and a daughter that is a junior at Tech.

"We have a deep affection for Tech, but not only for the school but a deep affection for Lubbock," he said. "As an incoming board member I want to get my hands around the challenges for the university in the coming years and be a team player in promoting the school."

Francis is replacing former regent J. Robert Brown of El Paso, who announced his resignation from the board Monday. Because

Francis is taking over the remainder of Brown's term, the term of Francis will expire Jan. 31, 2007.

Brown accepted an appointment to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission during the middle of his second term on the Board of Regents. He said he has worked with Francis on fund raising projects in El Paso and believes Francis will be a good replacement.

"I know Rick Francis real well," Brown said. "He will be an excellent regent and do a great job."

Francis and Miller will join the four active regents. The Tech Board of Regents still lacks the appointment of three new regents, but Gene Acuna, spokesman for the governor's office, said the appointment process is ongoing.

Despite the expiration of their terms, the

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IRS agent: Butler cheated on taxes

By Heidi Toth/News Editor

Dr. Thomas Butler's tax preparation was called into question Tuesday, with prosecutors saying he intentionally listed more than \$100,000 as tax-exempt business expenses and the defense team saying he made an honest mistake and corrected it as soon as possible.

One of Butler's 69 charges for which he is on trial is making and subscribing to a false tax return. According to the indictment, he received \$114,000 from two pharmaceutical companies he was contracting with. He then listed this amount on Line 17 of Schedule C of his 1040 form as a business expense, which resulted in an understatement of his 2001 federal tax liability.

Mike Metzler, a criminal investigator and special agent with the Internal Revenue Service, said after reviewing Butler's tax

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Butler

Tech tightens security for OU football game

By Joey Kirk/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech football players and fans hope to extinguish the flame that has kept the undefeated Oklahoma team running all season long on Saturday at Jones SBC Stadium. But if the Red Raiders pull off the upset of the year, Tech officials encourage fans to stay in the stands and off the field.

With 52,706 total capacity completely sold out, Tech athletics director Gerald Myers said the athletics department plans to have a full staff of police officers and security to handle incidents, if any, at the game.

"The security will be composed of campus and city police as well as the Texas Department of Public Safety," he said. "It's the same basic plan we had at the Texas A&M game."

More than 13,000 students were in attendance at the game against A&M, and out of those, only one student was arrested

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Airport inputs tips to make security faster

By Jennifer Prieto/Staff Reporter

Texas Tech students will find it easier and faster to get through security check lines if they follow the Lubbock International Airport's tips on what objects they can and cannot carry on the plane and what articles of clothing are better to wear when flying.

After the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, airports nationwide have implemented stricter security methods, which create long lines at the security check points.

Norman Michael, stakeholder liaison for the Lubbock airport, said the Thanksgiving holiday and the Christmas holiday are soon approaching, and airport security personnel want to make sure passengers have a safe trip, but they want passengers to be able to get through the security lines faster.

"We want to overcome what causes a long wait in the air-

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MARK BUSSELL, A Knight history major from Plano, heckles the Davidson Wildcats while Chris Garinger, a senior management major from Mesquite, dons his Coach Bobby Knight pose. See men's basketball tech on PAGE 6.

Seatbelt awareness campaign begins; buckle up or face fines

CLICK IT OR TICKET: Campaign to run until Dec. 1 in an effort to increase seatbelt usage.

By Sally Gunter/Staff Reporter

Buckle up or face a \$127 fine.

This is the message the Texas Department of Transportation, the Texas Department of Public Safety, the Lubbock Police Department and the Texas Tech Police Department are sending drivers via a national Click It or Ticket mobilization.

The campaign, where officers from all departments issue an increased number of citations in an effort to increase seatbelt usage from 76 percent to 85 percent, started Monday and will end Dec. 1.

Lubbock Police Department Traffic Sgt. Sowell said this is phase two of the seatbelt enforcement program. The first phase occurred in May during the Memorial Day holiday.

Officers issued 1,171 seat belt citations during the first phase, he said. The enforcement of the seat belt law is not just during these two times though, Sowell said. It is an ongoing situation that is worked year-round; these dates are just to add extra emphasis of the importance of wearing a seatbelt.

Officers only need probable cause to stop drivers. Similar to being issued a citation for not wearing shoes while driving, it is fictitious that officers need a reason in addition to not wearing a seatbelt to pull a driver over, he said.

Drivers and front-seat passengers who fail to fasten their safety belts face a fine up to \$50, plus court costs. A fine of \$100 to \$200 or mandatory attendance at a traffic safety

education class on safety belts and child safety seats is the punishment for drivers who fail to properly secure children under 17 years old, according to the Texas Click It or Ticket Web site.

Increasing safety belt use in Texas by 9 percent will result in 241 fewer traffic deaths and 5,275 fewer injuries each year, according to the Web site.

Professional researchers will conduct observational surveys to determine the effectiveness of the campaign. Researchers conducted similar surveys following the Memorial Day Click It or Ticket campaign that found the campaign to be effective in increasing safety belt usage.

The survey found statewide that front passenger safety belt usage was 84.5 percent. The total safety belt usage increased from 81.1 percent in 2002 to 84.51 percent this year, said Karen Peoples, safety specialist for TxDOT.

The increase was higher in Lubbock as the safety belt usage increased from 81.8 percent before the Memorial Day campaign to 88.3 percent afterward, she said. This is not surprising to Peoples.

"Lubbock has always been 80 percent or more in seat belt usage," Peoples said.

Maj. Gordon Hoffman said Tech police officers will be on the look out for students violating the seatbelt law.

"When officers see violations like that they have been instructed to cite or warn them," he said. "We encourage them to cite those observed not wearing seat belts."

Hoffman said the judge sets the amount for the seatbelt ticket.

The Click It or Ticket campaign is a good program because it raises awareness of wearing seat belts, he said.

"A good number of injuries could have been prevented if people were wearing their seatbelt," Hoffman said. "We support the program and think it's a safety concern."

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The Rundown



UT System approves tuition increases

AUSTIN (AP) — The University of Texas System Board of Regents on Tuesday approved tuition hikes at all nine campuses beginning next spring.

After making broad cuts to higher education, the Texas Legislature in June gave public universities in the state permission to set their own tuition rates.

"The cuts we have suffered are astounding," UT System Chancellor Mark Yudof said. "It's clear to everybody that tuition is going to have to go up significantly."

The hikes will affect about 178,000 students enrolled in campuses in Arlington, Austin, Brownsville, Dallas, El Paso, Odessa, Tyler, San Antonio and Edinburg. Increases range from 29 percent at the Arlington campus next fall to 3.94 percent for the spring semester at UT-Permian Basin.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst last week asked Texas universities to wait to implement tuition increases until lawmakers could review the impact. He said many of the proposals were higher than he anticipated.

Most of the increases approved Tuesday will be implemented next semester. Increases for the fall 2004 semester, though approved Tuesday, will become effective Jan. 23, giving the Legislature and others time to study the proposals and offer feedback.

Michael Jackson's ranch searched by police

LOS OLIVOS, Calif. (AP) — Officers conducting a criminal investigation searched Michael Jackson's Neverland Ranch on Tuesday. The purpose of the raid was not disclosed.

Court TV cited unidentified sources as saying the search warrant was tied to sexual-abuse allegations brought by a 12- or 13-year-old boy. But there was no immediate confirmation from authorities.

More than 20 investigators from the Santa Barbara County sheriff's and district attorney's offices served a warrant as part of an "ongoing criminal investigation," Sgt. Chris Pappas said. No immediate arrests were made.

The district attorney's office had no comment.

Jackson and his three young children were not at the ranch at the time, his spokesman, Stuart Backerman, told The Associated Press. They have been in Las Vegas, where Jackson is making a video, he said.

Backerman declined further comment, saying he lacked detailed information about the purpose of the investigation.

The 45-year-old singer who had international hits with the albums "Thriller" (1982), "Bad" (1987) and "Dangerous" (1991) saw his career begin to collapse in 1993 amid allegations he molested a boy. Jackson has maintained his innocence, and charges were never filed.

U.S. gunships blast targets in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — U.S. jets and helicopter gunships launched the biggest air operation in central Iraq since active combat ended, blasting suspected ambush sites and hideouts with 500-pound bombs on Tuesday. Explosions rocked western Baghdad as American troops mounted fresh attacks against insurgents.

While the military stepped up its campaign to put down anti-U.S. guerrillas, it also claimed progress on another front — preventing foreign fighters from entering Iraq from neighboring nations to carry out attacks on American forces.

Maj. Gen. Charles H. Swannack Jr., commander of the 82nd Airborne Division, said the number of U.S. soldiers in Anbar province, bordering Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia, has been tripled in the past two months to 20,000. That, he said, has curbed infiltrations.

"We are not fighting foreign fighters coming across the border in significant numbers," Swannack said. "We are fighting mostly ... locals" loyal to Saddam Hussein's ousted regime.

Insurgents struck again Tuesday, wounding two U.S. soldiers with a roadside bomb in the northern city of Mosul, the military said. The military also said a U.S. civilian contractor was killed Monday by a land mine near Baghdad.

The air activity Tuesday was centered around Baqouba, 30 miles northeast of Baghdad. U.S. jets and Apache helicopter gunships blasted abandoned buildings, walls and trees.

LIGHT LOAD



DAVID JOHNSON/Staff Photographer

RESIDENT HALLS ASSOCIATION director of communications Anthony Bustos, a freshman pre-medicine major from Hawley, and Vice President of External Affairs Jessica Alagvinez, a senior psychology major from San Antonio, load Christmas lights into the back of a truck east of Drane Hall on Thursday afternoon. The lights were then distributed throughout the residence halls to be sold from 5 to 7 p.m. for the "Deck the Halls" fund-raiser program. The lights will be sold in all the halls for \$2 for 50 strands and \$3 for 100 strands.

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Smith launches program for pre-maturity research

By Beth Aaron/Staff Reporter

Chancellor Dr. David Smith was at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas on Tuesday launching a support program for pre-maturity research.

Smith is the chairman of the Texas Pre-maturity campaign for March of Dimes. He said March of Dimes chose Parkland as the site of the national launch because it has one of the largest obstetrics programs in the country as well as a large neo-natal unit.

"What's great is that they selected Texas to roll out the national campaign for the March of Dimes foundation," he said.

March of Dimes announced it

would give \$1 million in funding for hospitals throughout the country, including Texas, in order to provide assistance for families. The funding will be available in 2004. The launch also marks today as the inaugural pre-maturity awareness day.

Delia Case, director of the Southwest chapter of March of Dimes, said a press conference addressing the cost of care for pre-mature babies in America was part of the event.

In addition to these proceedings, Case said about 150 pregnant mothers formed the No. eight to emphasize that one out of eight babies born is pre-mature.

Smith said he was eager to see

many concerned parents and leaders willing to make a statement about pre-maturity.

"The exciting thing is there are a lot of moms," he said. "Leaders from all over the country came to talk about why (pre-maturity) is important."

More than 10 percent of all deliveries are pre-mature. Smith said Lubbock has an equivalent number. He said pre-maturity is the leading cause of infant mortality in America.

"We need to have an aggressive research agenda in this nation," he said.

There are some known causes of pre-maturity, but 50 percent of all cases are indeterminable. Smoking while pregnant, bacterial infections and diabetes can cause pre-term labor. Smith said pre-maturity is an indiscriminant phenomenon; anyone can have a pre-term labor, even college students.

"Awareness needs to start early," he said. "Potentially anyone can be at risk. Everyone always thinks it's someone else; that's not always the case."

Dr. Kellie Flood-Shaffer, assistant professor of obstetrics and gynecology at Texas Tech's Health Sciences Center said the project's goal is to help discover the causes of pre-maturity so that measures can be taken to prevent it.

"One of the reasons March of Dimes is putting so much money into pre-maturity is we don't know all of the reasons," she said.

Flood-Shaffer said March of Dimes is working hard to get the word out about pre-maturity in America.

"March of Dimes wants to cut the rate in half over the next five years by discovering other causes of pre-maturity," she said. "The savings in health costs and long-term costs is mind-boggling."

Smith said dedicating time to finding more information about pre-maturity is important not only from a medical standpoint but also from the business end of things. Caring for pre-mature infants is difficult and costly.

"It's often over \$1 for each baby," he said. "Everybody thinks they do well, but they don't always."

Flood-Shaffer said pre-maturity rates are on the rise.

"Over the last 20 years, it increased from an 8-percent rate to a 12-percent rate in the United States," she said. "That's a huge impact on health insurance systems and families in general."

Smith said pre-mature babies often have problems with motor skills, learning and eyesight later in life. Problems such as these require both medical and educational attention.

"It isn't true that we can just hook them up to a machine and make them all better," he said.

Flood-Shaffer said because children who are born pre-maturely have many learning disabilities and they are at a higher risk for blindness and deafness, costs stack up quickly and problems never fully go away.

"The burden on the system continues when they reach school age because they have so many problems," she said.

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Security

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port so we can get people checked at the security lines at a faster pace," he said. "If people knew what slows them down, then it will speed up the process."

He said passengers need to follow the One-plus-One rule when it comes to carry-on bags. Passengers are allowed one carry-on bag and one personal bag.

Michael said he wants to prevent passengers from going through secondary screening because every secondary screening will delay the line about three minutes per person.

Secondary screening happens if passengers set off the main metal detector, he said. There is a glass area where passengers are asked to remove shoes, open

bags and be screened with a wand.

Certain types of shoes should not be worn when flying, including any closed-toe shoe, shoes with metal or any shoe where there could be a place where people could store objects, he said.

"We advise them to wear those rubber flip flops," he said. "We do not punish anyone for wearing other types of shoes — it would just speed up the process if they wore shoes they could take off faster."

Venita Bledsoe, customer support and quality improvement manager, said belts and jackets need to be put through the X-ray machine just like shoes.

Passengers should put belts, cell phones, coins, keys or other metal objects inside carry-on bags before getting to the airport so they do not run the risk of missing something, which will make passengers go through secondary

screening, she said.

"People need to look at what they are wearing before they get dressed when they travel," she said. "It is easier to take it off at home than it is to take it off when you are in line."

She said people should not wrap their presents before they get to their final destination. If security personnel needs to inspect the box, then they will have to unwrap the present, and the airport is not responsible for rewrapping boxes.

Bledsoe said cameras at 800-speed and above need to be handed to the security personal for hand inspection because the film is developed if passengers put it through the X-ray machine.

Passengers need to carry cameras in their carry on, and passengers should have it hand screened if they are going to go through more than two security checks. Digital cameras and video re-

orders do not need to be placed in the carry on or have them hand checked.

Passengers need to take laptops out of the case and put them through the X-ray machine, she said. Passengers should do this before they get to the checkpoint.

If passengers need any special attention because of medical reasons, they should let the security personnel know about it, she said.

If passengers think they can get to the airport 30 minutes before they have to board, Michael said, they should not be surprised if they miss their plane. He recommends passengers be at the airport at least two hours before boarding. He said passengers need to have a picture ID and their boarding pass ready before they go through screening.

Architecture brings in semester's final speaker

The College of Architecture will host its last speaker of the semester today at 4 p.m. in the courtyard gallery of the Architecture building.

Marianne Stockebrand has a master's of art and a Ph.D. in art history from the Ludwig-Maximilians University in Munich, Germany. She works with the Chinati Foundation in Marfa.

Stockebrand will deliver a lecture entitled "Donald Judd's Chinati Foundation in Marfa, Texas." Stockebrand, director of the Chinati Foundation, is speaking to bring attention to the foundation and fulfill the vision of the late Donald Judd. Since becoming director in 1994, she has been instrumental in ongoing fund raising, acquisitions, promotion and coordinating installations.

After the lecture, there will be a reception in the architecture library gallery. The event from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

will mark the formal opening of an exhibition of drawings documenting the architecture of Donald Judd in Marfa.

The exhibit documents the ongoing research of assistant professor of architecture Urs Peter Flueckiger who has been assisted by three graduate students: Jesus Robles, Stephen Still and Tyler Vigil. The research for the project has been supported with a grant from the Helen Jones Foundation.

The exhibition has been in place since Nov. 3 and will continue until Nov. 30. The lecture is free and open to the public. The W.B. 'dub' Rushing Lecture Series Endowment and the Josephine Perkins Student Enrichment Fund has supported the entire lecture series.

Those who would like more information concerning the current or future lectures can contact the College of Architecture at (806) 742-3136.

Game

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for rushing the field following the game.

Myers said the Big 12 Conference still has guidelines in effect to prohibit fans on the field after the game's activities.

"No one is allowed on the sideline; it's just a policy," he said. "Only if you are credentialed to be there. Other than that, no post-game celebration is gonna happen on the field."

Maj. Gordon Hoffman of the Texas Tech Police Department said they will provide "adequate force to handle any situation." He said the amount of security and officers present at the game will be similar to the A&M game.

Hoffman also offered a warning to fans tailgating before kickoff.

"Don't drink excessively. It doesn't reflect positively on Tech," he said. "We will be addressing those violations, and fans need to feel safe at the game."

The main purpose of the Big 12 regulations set earlier in the year, Hoffman said, is to protect the fans and players

from incidents.

"We are looking at the safety issues," he said. "We don't want anyone to get hurt, and we're looking at the big picture. Everybody should adhere to those rules and support the athletic department's wishes."

Myers said the problem with the bleachers being ripped out of the stands is a lack in sturdiness.

"When you have 30 or so students standing and jumping up and down on the bleachers, that will happen," he said. "We have to look into the future about that so it won't happen anymore."

Dave Welsh, assistant athletic director and ticket operations, said an overflow section will be available for students.

"At the A&M game, we didn't sell one section of the stadium so we could use it as an overflow," he said. "This time, we're going to open up the grassy area. We haven't sold it just for that reason."

The gates open at noon Saturday for students and at 1 p.m. for the rest of the stadium. Tech will face the Oklahoma Sooners at 2:30 p.m. for the final Big 12 conference game of the season.

Butler

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return and his tax records, he figured Butler should have paid \$41,097 in taxes. This was about \$39,000 more than Butler paid.

Defense attorney Chuck Meadows said Butler was not familiar with tax law, despite Metzler's testimony to the opposite. Metzler said he found numerous documents indicating Butler did tax planning for his children.

He was aware that Butler had filed an amended return in early March and paid the deficit he owed.

Carolyn Stephenson, a certified public accountant, said she met with Butler earlier in the year about filing an amended return.

"He didn't understand tax law; he didn't have sophisticated understanding," Stephenson said of Butler. "I've seen certified geniuses do unbelievable things on their tax returns."

On cross examination Assistant U.S. Attorney Bob Webster asked how she knew Butler was telling the truth when he spoke with her about how the tax return was prepared.

Stephenson said she assumed Butler was telling the truth because she needed the statement to file a return.

"And also to form an opinion of whether or not he's sophisticated?" Webster asked.

Senior internal auditor Bowie McGinness said Butler was getting a portion of grant money sent directly to him, not to Texas Tech Health Sciences Center as is stated in HSC operating policy.

McGinness said all research funds that go to HSC have 20 percent taken off the top for expenses incurred during the research. Butler bypassed paying that 20 percent since the money went straight to him, McGinness said.

On cross examination Floyd Holder questioned the internal audit in which McGinness took part.

Butler refused to sign a consent form authorizing the auditors to get copies of those contracts, so they never proved the contracts' existence. Holder questioned the reasoning behind the conclusion.

"If they were clearly against Tech policy, you don't need to know how much to make a report, do you?" Holder asked.

Regents

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two members will serve on the board until Perry appoints replacements, Acuna said.

Perry needs to be thinking ahead of further appointments to be made once terms of other members expire in 2005,

said Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith.

"He has to make eight appointments between now and next January," he said.

The appointment of more regents will force an additional orientation session. Smith said only one session would be necessary if Perry appoints the remainder of the regents before then.

Black said he spoke with Perry concerning the regents and believes the gov-

ernor will take further action in appointing the remaining regents soon.

"I am pleased the governor moved and appointed two new regents," he said. "(Perry) recognizes he needs to appoint new regents and as soon as possible appoint the remaining three."

The combined efforts of organizations and a few political people pressured

Perry into finally making the appointments, said Student Government Association President Jeremy Brown.

"When you have a governor that's an Aggie, there is a concern he's an Aggie and doesn't care what's going on," Brown said. "I never understood the reasons it took so long. He finally listened to his constituents."

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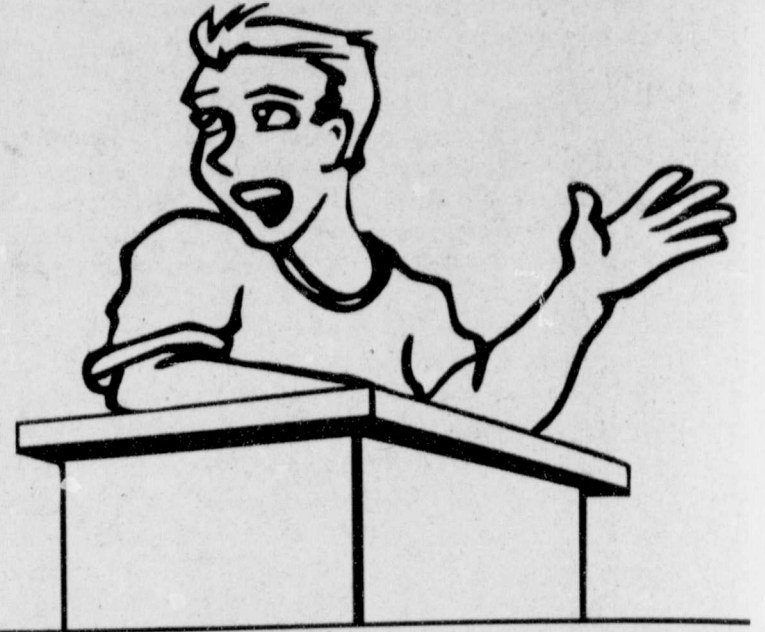
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I am announcing my conversion from darkness to the proper order. I see now, all too clearly, the error of my ways and wish to make amends with the entire progressive community by making public my switch to liberalism.

For instance, I know now that the real golden rule consists of only two words: Be tolerant.

I'm sick and tired of being so damned closed-minded. It is downright shameful that I could have the audacity to believe that what I believe is right. If someone does not concede, after all, that his or her beliefs are inherently flawed regardless of the historical evidence for or against them, then that person is being disgustingly intolerant. I find these insensitive people entirely intolerable.

Furthermore, I see now the fallacies inherent in the conservative method of problem solving. Social and economic problems cannot be solved through individual determination. We absolutely must have a government program. They are our elected representatives, except for the president, and they certainly have our collective best interest at heart.

On that note, why is the Electoral College still around? It obviously cheated Al Gore out of his rightful place as president. If it weren't for the Electoral College, then the most populous urban areas could freely elect whomever they choose. If that had been the case since the country's inception, then we would have had two and a quarter centuries of nothing but Kennedys. Imagine how much better things would be today if that had happened.

I also now realize that little white owls and endangered rats have to be protected under the law and afforded the same rights as any human being. We cannot stand idly by any longer and allow these poor furry and cute creatures to go without the most dedicated advocacy we can muster. Even if people will lose their jobs or their homes, we have to keep our priorities straight.

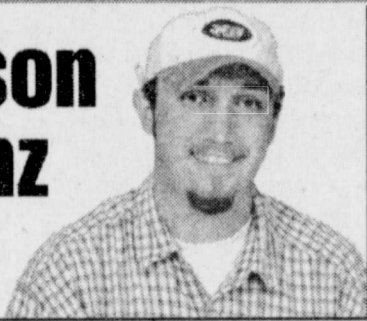
I'm a pacifist now, too. Wouldn't life be great if there was no need for an army or even a police force? Sure, millions of people would be out of work and humans wouldn't know what to do with themselves, but we could build really cool campfires and buy marshmallows, graham crackers and chocolate.

The first step toward this end is to ban all guns. We need to put signs up all over the world like the ones we have at the entrances to Texas Tech to make sure no one has a weapon. Mean criminals who want to shoot people will see those signs and not bring the scary guns around everybody else. Then we can confiscate all the guns, like they did in Australia. Don't try to talk about the fact that the violent crime rate increased dramatically when they did that because it has nothing to do with the gun confiscation. It is because Australia is made up of the descendants of former British criminals, and it was bound to happen anyway.

I also see that pro-life is simply anti-woman. Extramarital and contraceptive-free sex is nobody's fault

On the left

Jason Lenz



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except the moral right-wingers who preach abstinence. It is demeaning to a woman to say that she does not have the right to control her own body. It is sickening to think that a mere fetus should supersede that intrinsic right.

Tobacco is bad, too, because the companies that make it just want to kill everybody.

I now see how horrible the situation in Iraq is as well. We had no place getting involved. The Iraqi people were better off with Saddam Hussein as their freely elected president. After all, in the last election, he received nearly 100 percent of the votes cast. That means the people love him and wish we'd never gone to war at all.

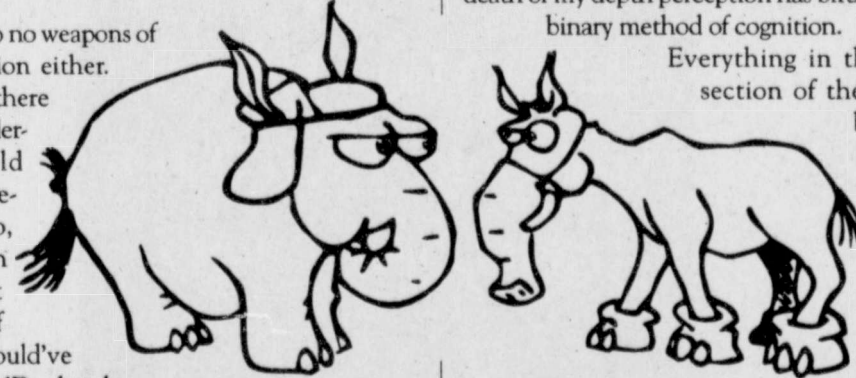
There's also no weapons of mass destruction either. The fact that there were plans underway to build them is inconsequential. Also, even though Iraq is almost the size of Texas, we should've found the WMDs already.

And surely there is no reason to stabilize the region after the war. Let's just get the hell out. I can't believe I've been so wrong for so long.

Please grant me forgiveness, my liberal left-winged colleagues. To my former mates on the conservative side, good-bye, so long, via con Dios and good luck.

Your fellow freethinker,
Jason

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Leaving behind my liberal bleeding heart

Dear Conservatives,
It happens: I was driving, cigarette in hand, when an animal ran out in front of my car. I threw my foot down on the brake.

The car stopped, the animal survived, but somewhere in the lurching and cursing the coffin nail had found its way into my eyeball.

When I emerged from the hospital to view the world through a myopic lens, I had an epiphany: like the Norse god Odin, I had gained true wisdom in the elimination of perspective. Everything I had ever known was wrong, and somewhere inside of me, the dangerous fires of passion had burned down to the earthy ash of conservative reality.

First, I realized that the hot tobacco cinder driven into my ocular socket was but an expression of God's love. It is good and right that I walk the path of God, for if I don't he'll cast me into an eternal flaming pit of suffering and decay and send demons to flay the skin from my genitals and fill my mouth with putrid ichor.

I feel sorry for the people to whom he will do this and try now to tell them of the fate my loving God has in store for them. I tell them of his word, transcribed by men hundreds of times over the centuries, and even though the meaning in the words can vary wildly between versions of God's eternal truth, I know what he really means. God watches intently every lustful, deviant pleasure they indulge in and will remember in vivid detail their acts for when judgment comes. God's love is wonderful.

Before, my liberalism just confused me. All the colors and shades and vagaries of the world and situations therein conflicted with my previous ideas. This forced me to constantly adapt my beliefs to accommodate all that God had placed in his creation. Now, I see this is futile. The death of my depth perception has birthed a new, simple binary method of cognition.

Everything in the scope of my beliefs is right, and everything different or conflicting must be wrong.

Government exists, not to serve its citizens as I previously believed, but for the use of the wealthy and powerful to further entrench their wealth and power. These people are obviously smarter than me, for I am not wealthy or powerful. They are clearly the best hands in which to trust the welfare of the nation, for they are kind, benevolent and wise.

Speaking of welfare, I was silly to not see it as a communist plot to make the populace slack-jawed puppets of a Godless dictator. Only lazy minority-types are on welfare, and what do they do anyway? If it weren't for professional sports, they'd be worthless to me.

The problem with brown people is they aren't white.

To the right

J.P. Acreman



Before, my liberalism just confused me. All the colors and shades and vagaries of the world and situations therein conflicted with my previous ideas.

And they're mostly criminals. I came from a good family who paid good money for me to get a college education so I could make the world a better place for my peers. If they can't do the same, it's because they're stupid and/or lazy.

I don't know why they feel the need to steal and be naughty — there's plenty of stuff to get.

See, look at all mine. No, you can't touch it. No, really, I have a gun. My stuff is worth more than your life.

And women — Lord — don't get me started. Ladies, if God wanted you to think, he wouldn't have given you a uterus. No, you don't get any say in what you do to your body: it's where my penis goes, so that makes it mine.

That fetus stays right where it is. Life is precious, and I'll shoot anyone who says otherwise.

See, it's all mine. God gave me dominion over all the world, so that means what I say goes. All this hippie nature crap, the trees and animals and ecosystem, it's mine to plunder and despoil for personal gain. I don't know why God put these tree frogs here. I don't care. I want furniture, and I want it now. If they're important, I'm sure he'll make more.

Attempting to progress beyond and discard unjust and defective systems of behavior and rule is the sissy way to go about it.

If you don't think it works, it's because you're wrong. I don't see the problem. I mean, I've got everything I want right here on the right wing.

Forsaking my liberal sins,
John Paul

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Letters to the editor

Brink's remarks shake student

I am writing in response to Vice Provost Brink's insulting remarks related to working students in the article "Vice Provost Brink seeks faculty support for new graduation proposal."

In the article Brink suggests that many working students work for spending money only; and that "parents cover tuition and living expenses."

I consider this remark a hearty slap in the face to students working to support themselves.

When did living off of \$700 a month become living an "upper middle class lifestyle?" I suppose it is extremely easy to make such a remark when you make more than \$12,000 a year.

Is that not below the poverty line?

I wonder if the good provost ever considered how many hours a day students working part-time jobs and going to school actually put in? From the comments in

The UD, it is plain to me that he did not.

I am tremendously shaken and disillusioned to see such a man has been placed in charge of such a proposal. It is obvious that he is not thinking in the best interest of many students at Texas Tech.

I guess I should drop down on my knees and apologize for not being able to have my parents support me all the way through college.

— Jordan Woodruff, sophomore computer science major from Lubbock

Tech band rude during UT game

I was at the football game this past weekend in Austin, and I was very shocked to see how rude and unprofessional the Texas Tech band was.

First of all, every time the University of Texas band would play their fight song, the Tech band

would do the downward "hook 'em" to the beat of the song, and it was obvious that it had been choreographed before the game.

I just think that it is so incredibly rude to come into someone else's stadium and treat them with such blatant disrespect.

It is one thing for the fans to act like that because fans will be fans. But, for a university sponsored group to stoop to that level is just ridiculous and immature.

I would like to know why the band director did not stop them. He or she could have put a stop to it, but I guess that they don't understand the meaning of class.

Another thing that happened that was disrespectful was when the Texas announcer was announcing who had been inducted into the Longhorn hall of honor this past year.

While he was calling out the names, the Tech band decided that they would start playing a song, and as a

result, no one could hear the names or what was going on and give these people the applause and recognition that they were due.

That is so uncalled for and incredibly unclassy. If an opposing band came to Tech and did that, they would throw a fit and say how rude and unclassy it was.

So, why in the world would they act that way? I just could not believe that a university-sponsored group would conduct themselves in such an unclassy and unprofessional manner.

If I were a Tech fan, I would be very embarrassed. I hope that the band members are allowed to read this so that they realize how their actions were perceived.

Next time show some class and just root for your team instead of disrespecting someone else's song and interrupting a presentation.

— Valerie Boston, senior at Lubbock Christian University

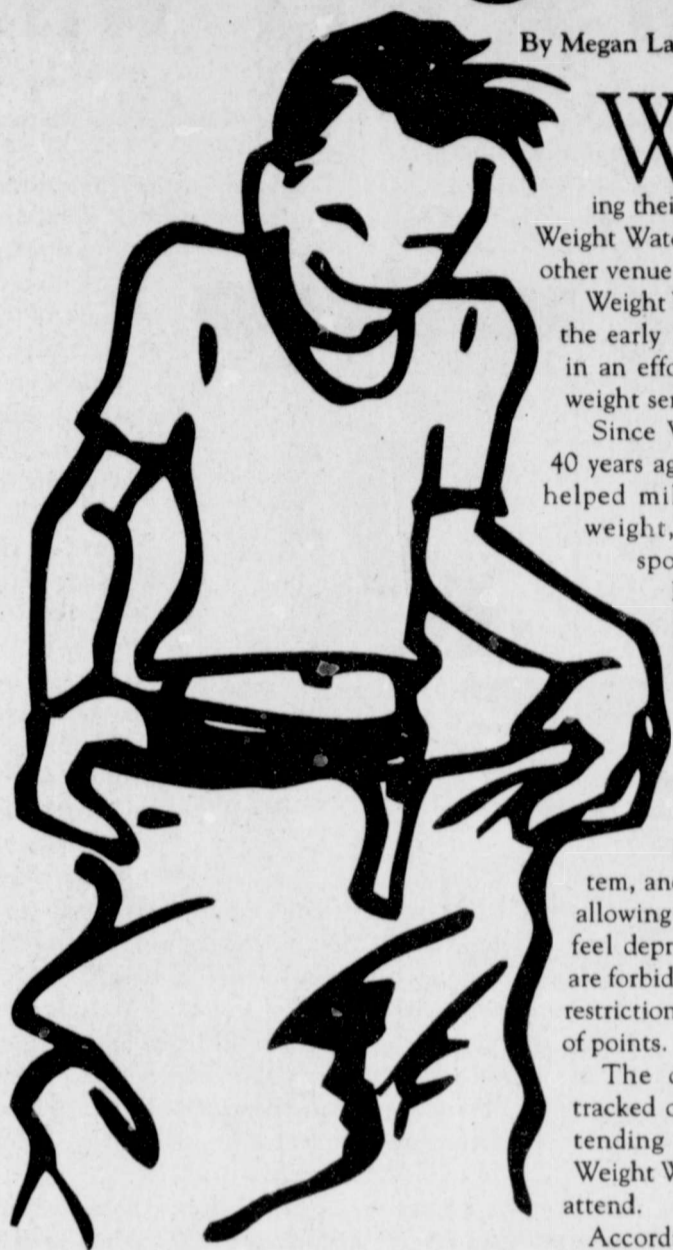
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Watching the points not only for sports

By Megan LaVoie/Staff Reporter



Watching the points fall or add up is not only for those fearing their upcoming final exams. Weight Watchers gives students another venue to watch their points. Weight Watchers was created in the early 1960s by Jean Nidetch in an effort to help people lose weight sensibly. Since Weight Watchers birth 40 years ago, the famous diet has helped millions of dieters lose weight, including the diet's spokesperson, England's Duchess of York Sarah Ferguson. The program today hosts weekly meetings to more than 25 million people. The Weight Watchers program is based upon a point system, and the diet is famous for allowing its participants to not feel deprived because no foods are forbidden; however, there are restrictions on the daily allotment of points. The dieters are carefully tracked on their progress by attending weekly meetings that Weight Watchers representatives attend. According to www.diet-i.com,

the average weight loss of Weight Watchers participants is 2 pounds per week. The Web site claims that if an excess of 2 pounds per week is lost, the dieter is more likely to regain the weight.

Betty Blanton, associate director of recreational sports at Texas Tech, said she tried Weight Watchers nearly 25 years ago when she was a graduate student.

"I liked Weight Watchers because it taught me how to eat and make substitutions with my food," she said.

Weight Watchers holds a meeting at 7 p.m. Monday at in the Robert E. Walt Recreation Center.

Blanton said her experience was one of the reasons they wanted to bring Weight Watchers to Tech.

"In the Rec Center we always got people asking what diets they should follow to lose weight. I felt strongly that Weight Watchers was a viable program for students to follow because it really teaches you how to eat correctly," she said.

Blanton said Weight Watcher meetings are helpful as well as informative. "The meetings start with a weigh-in

to track the person's progress, and then the meetings move on to more informative topics such as holiday eating and eating out and how to make real and practical applications in today's world where food is concerned," she said.

Shriver said the Weight Watchers diet makes sense because it teaches people to do what nutritionist want them to do — control their portions.

"Weight Watchers forces people to look at what they're eating and how much they're eating. You could eat one jelly doughnut on the diet and that is worth just as many points as a full meal, so if you're smart you will eat the meal instead of the jelly doughnut," he said.

An incentive to the program, Blanton said, is when beginning the diet, people are asked to set a goal weight. Once they meet their goal weight they no longer have to pay for the weekly meetings.

Brent Shriver, an associate professor of nutrition, said Weight Watchers is one of the better programs in today's sea of diets to follow. Blanton said all students interested should come to the Monday meetings or visit www.weightwatchers.com for more information.

"I felt strongly that Weight Watchers was a viable program for students to follow because it really teaches you how to eat correctly."

— BETTY BLANTON
Associate director,
recreational sports

This is the third of a week-long series on fad diets.

The Biles files: Tech student takes on American history

By Justin Vallejo/Staff Reporter

Most 19-year-old students at Texas Tech are concerned with the activities in which they will be participating during the upcoming weekend, especially with Oklahoma blowing into town.

One particular student's main priority is a little different because he will leave Lubbock for a performance of his own. For this student, people will gather at two separate conferences to observe and absorb his expertise.

Joe Biles, a sophomore history and political science major from Mineral Wells, is considered to be an expert in a subject of critical importance to American history. Usually individuals twice his age are acknowledged as being experts in the subject.

For the 40th anniversary of the John F. Kennedy assassination, Biles has been invited to speak at two conferences focused primarily on the assassination and the controversy that surrounds it.

"I started getting into the assassination pretty hardcore my freshman year of high school," Biles said. By the time Biles was 17, before enrolling at Tech, he researched and compiled enough information to author the book "In History's Shadow: Lee Harvey Oswald, Kerry Thornley & the Garrison Investigation" about what many consider to be one the biggest American conspiracies of all time.

Biles, also a Student Government Association senator, has been invited to speak at the JFK Lancer: November in Dallas Research Conference and the Coalition on Political Assassinations Conference.

Biles said Oliver Stone's "JFK" is initially what sparked his interest in the assassination.

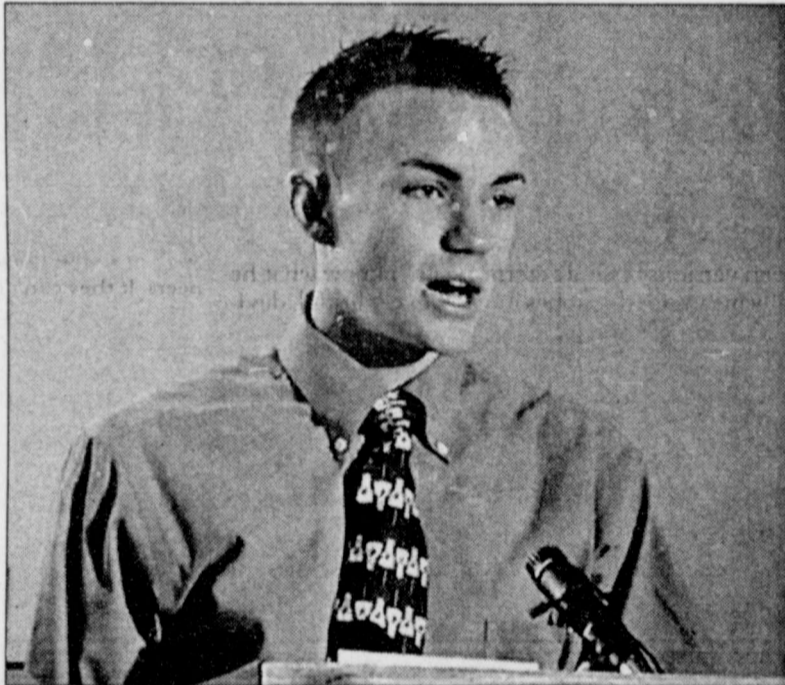
Biles said the movie inspired him to start reading books on the subject that expressed different opinions and viewpoints about the JFK assassination.

After two years of reading dozens of books and investigating many government documents, Biles was ready to construct his own opinion of what happened on Nov. 22, 1963.

Though there are varying opinions about what exactly happened before and after the assassination — even to this day the event is not fully understood — Biles openly expressed his opinion of what he believes happened.

"It's definitely a conspiracy," Biles said. "I don't think justice will ever be done. I think it's a black mark on our country."

He believes the assassination was motivated by Cold War poli-



COURTESY PHOTO

JOE BILES, A sophomore history and political science major from Mineral Wells, presents research at the Coalition on Political Assassination conference.

tics and Kennedy's policies toward communist organizations such as the Soviet Union and Cuba.

Events which took place and reasons for Biles' viewpoint are

chronologically documented in his book. Biles said he is honored to speak at conferences about the assassination and enjoys attending the con-

ferences each year to get reacquainted with the research community and to hear new ideas.

Biles said learning about the assassination has given him a great interest in history, which he believes will be useful in pursuing his career.

"I would enjoy a career in public service," Biles said.

He has already begun actively participating in activities he believes will enable him to accomplish his career goals.

This summer Biles worked as an intern for Randy Neugebauer.

Col. Dave Lefforge, professor in the department of aerospace studies, said he is glad to have Biles as a student.

Lefforge said Biles, like many other members of Air Force ROTC, shows the maturity that will enable him to succeed in achieving his career goals.

"An individual at that particular age that has taken an interest in a part of American history that occurred before he was born shows maturity and Americanism," Lefforge said.

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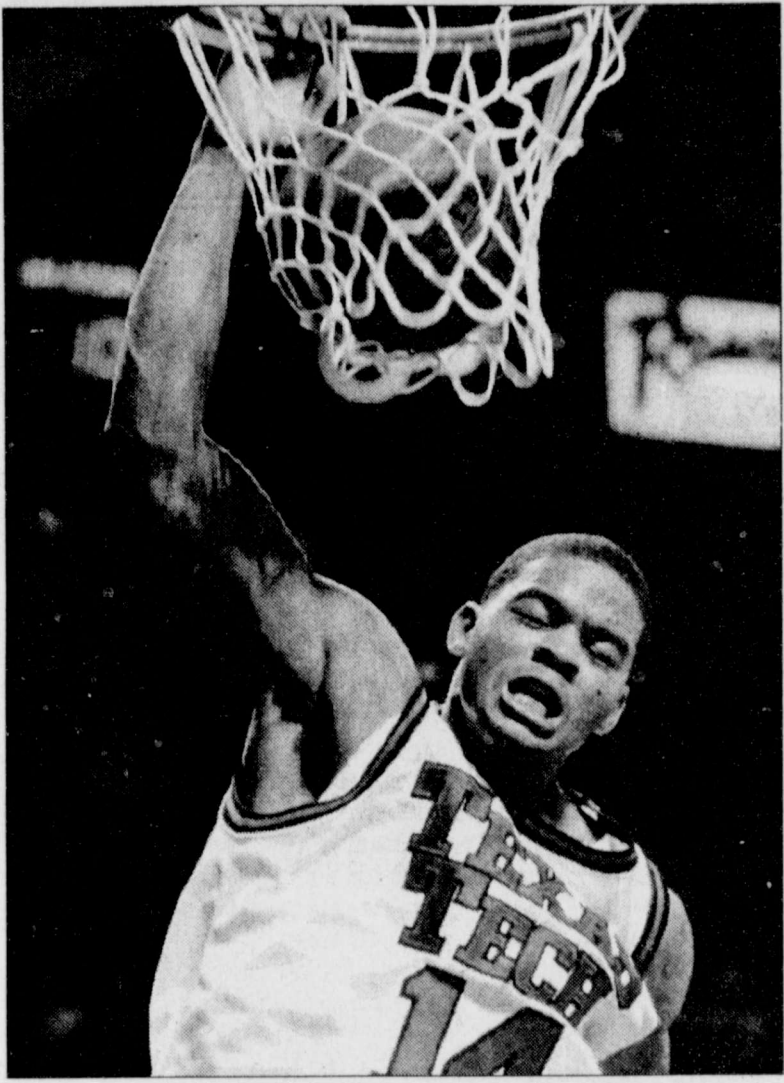
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Raiders down Davidson for first NIT win



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TEXAS TECH GUARD Andre Emmett dunks the ball during Tech's 89-58 victory against Davidson. Tech will face the winner of the Massachusetts versus St. Francis game at 6 p.m. on Friday in the United Spirit Arena.

By Matt Muench/Managing Editor

Andre Emmett can take the weight off his shoulders now. Better yet, freshman Jarrius Jackson and other Red Raiders did it for him Tuesday night in the United Spirit Arena.

Emmett still put up numbers, but unlike last year, he had some help as Tech cruised to an 89-58 win to open the season. The win moves Tech into the second round of the NIT where it will face UMASS at 6 p.m. Friday in the United Spirit Arena.

So is the scoring load off of Emmett's shoulders? "I sure hope so," Emmett said. "Looking at the stats we had a lot of guys score today. And hopefully it will make it a lot easier for myself and the team."

Easy could be an understatement if Tuesday's game is any indication. Playing in his first collegiate game, Jackson looked like a seasoned veteran by scoring 17 points in 21 minutes of action. Freshman Mookie Works also finished in double figures. He had 13 points and junior Ronald Ross added a career high 15 points at the point guard position.

Tuesday's result is what Emmett said fans will see this season out of the Raiders. He summarized it in two words. Athleticism. Defense.

"We have been working on this," he said. "Defense is what is going to when you games. We just have to stay aggressive. We know we are not always going to put up a lot of points, so we just have to stay aggressive on defense."

Emmett said it is by far the most athletic team he has played with. What's the secret? Ask Bob Knight, and he won't go too far with the secret to his creation. "We have a special potion when they get here that turns bad players into good players," Knight said. "But I can't share my secrets with you at this time."

It was no secret how quick Tech was on the defensive end. Scoring was not the real story for Tech on this night. Defense stole 26 turnovers, including 18 steals.

Davidson coach Bob McKillop did not want to give all the credit to Tech. His team was 'sloppy on offense and never found a rhythm to get the nets dancing.

"We made some mistakes," he said. "But (Tech) was extremely effective at the defensive end. Their aggressive nature was very prominent."

They were quick to the ball and anytime we tried to make any statement they answered." Check the stats. The Wildcats never had a run larger than six or a lead bigger than three.

Davidson's only hope was six minutes into the first half when Tech was shooting 3 of 9 from the field and trailed 10-9. Then the scoreboard technician got busy. During the next two minutes Tech surged for a 10-0 run thanks to quick hands on defense and smooth execution on offense.

During the spurt the Raiders forced five consecutive turnovers as fans got used to seeing a steal transform into a quick dunk. "The major thrust I wanted to see us improve on during the

practice season was defense," Knight said.

Tech was just getting started. Later in the first half Tech went on another big run to extend its lead to 43-25 at the buzzer.

Knight credited his defense, which forced 14 turnovers in the first half. Tech utilized the Wildcat miscues by scoring 22 points off turnovers before the break.

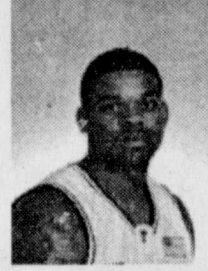
"Tech did a great job of creating turnovers and rapidly converting at the other end," McKillop said. "Our turnovers were almost like an easy assist for them."

Other scorers for Tech included Mikey Marshall, who has an impressive performance with 11 points against EA Sports Nov 11. Marshall finished 1-4 for two points against Davidson.

Forward Robert Tomaszek finished the game 4-7 with nine points. Curtis Marshall, a transfer addition from New Mexico Military Institute, finished 2-5 with five points against the Wildcats.

PLAYER OF THE GAME

TEXAS TECH: ANDRE EMMETT



STATS: 8-15 for 17 points. Also had five rebounds and three steals.

NOTES: Was named the 2003-2004 preseason Big 12 Player of the Year.

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7:00	JFK: Breaking	Ed 'PG	90 Minutes	Enterprise	My Wife 'PG	Stan Hooper	
7:30	Coyote	West Wing	King/Queens	Jake 2.0	Bachelor	G.C. 'PG	
8:00	Watts, An	'PG	Becker				
8:30	Amer. Mystery	Law & Order	Victoria's Secret	King/Hill	Karen Sisco	News	
9:00	Nightly Bus.	News	News	King/Hill	News	Seinfeld	
9:30		Tonight Show	David	Blind Date	Nightline	Fraser	
10:00			Latterman	Blind Date	MASH	Becker	
10:30		Conan	Craig	Blind Date	E.T.	Shoof Me	
11:00		O'Brien	Kilborn	Ext. Dating	Jimmy Kimmel	Spin City	
11:30		Last Call	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	

Toogood putting missed kick behind him



DAVID JOHNSON/Staff Photographer

TEXAS TECH KICKER Keith Toogood kicks the ball on the final play of the Red Raiders' 43-40 loss to the Texas Longhorns on Saturday in Austin. Toogood missed the kick to the left.

By David Wiechmann/Staff Reporter

Nobody's perfect, even with a name like Toogood.

Texas Tech kicker Keith Toogood discovered that fact Saturday night when he missed two extra points and a game tying field goal as time expired against Texas.

He could only hold his head in his hands after the missed 48-yard field goal, and many would think the miss would be enough to shatter his confidence. But Toogood is not taking a step back. He is moving forward. "It happens to everybody," Toogood said. "No kicker has ever gone without missing an important kick."

The redshirt freshman is right. In 1998 Gary Anderson of the Minnesota Vikings, one of the NFL's all-time leading scorers, had a perfect season going from day one to the NFC Championship game. He had not missed a field goal or an extra point until he missed a game-winning field goal as time expired in the NFC Championship game. The Vikings went on to lose to the Atlanta Falcons in overtime.

So, missing big kicks can happen to the best of the best. Toogood does not feel too disheartened by his miss, and he is not letting it bother him. "I still feel confident," he said. "(Saturday) night I was pretty hard on myself. You move on. It's one kick; hopefully I learned from it, and I'll do it right the next time I'm in that situation."

Toogood has not been in a clutch situation much this season. Up to that point he had kicked field goals of 40 yards or more twice, making one of them. He was six-for-nine in field goals before the UT game.

He had no explanation for the kick he missed, however. To him everything felt normal, but the kick did not have the anticipated result. "Honestly, I have no idea (what happened)," he said. "Everything felt the same; everything was going good. The only difference was the ground on that end was real muddy and real way, but that's no excuse I should have done the same thing I do every week, which is putting it through the uprights."

Toogood's kicking coach is Rocky Willingham, who has a national reputation as an instructor and has dozens of clients across the country. The coach, however, cannot come to Lubbock for every practice, so Toogood said he was going to make a phone call to him to get things straightened out and turn them around for this week's game against Oklahoma.

Toogood said despite seeking the extra help, he has not lost any confidence in himself and has found comfort in the way the rest of the Red Raiders handled his missing the pivotal kick. He knows he has somewhere to turn when things don't go his way because the team has his back. "It was pretty awesome, my teammates came and picked me up and said, 'This isn't your fault.' And they still have confidence in me," he said. "It's good to hear that they still trust me."

When the offense got the ball back with enough time to drive the field and set up a field goal attempt for Toogood, his excitement heightened. He said he wanted to have another shot at kicking the ball after missing the extra points and putting Tech in a situation to force overtime and possibly win the game. It could be the ultimate kick for any kicker, the kick players dream about, and Toogood was ready for it and was prepared. It just didn't work out the way he wanted. "I got real excited; I wanted to redeem myself," he said. "I started to get warm and going through my kick mentally."

Fixing what went wrong should be easy for Toogood because he has figured out why the kick went wide left. Toogood said he will work on his kick this week in an effort to rid himself of the hook. "I hit it solid; I think I pulled my hip just a little bit and it just didn't go straight. I hooked it a little bit," he said. "I don't even know how bad I missed it; I just know I missed it."

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Contemplating quitting smoking? Know someone who should? Stop by one of these booths from 11 am-1pm tomorrow to pick up a Quit Kit:
 - Holden Hall outside room 104
 - BA Rotunda
 - Stangel/Murdough outside the Market
 - HSC elevators near the cafeteria

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Have you had a massage lately? As the holiday season approaches, treat yourself to a wonderful relaxing or stress relieving massage. Now through November, 25 2003, 60 minute massages for Rec Members may be purchased for \$30. These \$30 massages must be scheduled by December 17 to receive this price. When scheduling an appointment, payment may be made by cash, credit, check or Tech Express. The special does not apply to non-members, gift certificates, or 30 minute massages. To schedule an appointment call 742-3828 or come by the Fitness/Wellness Center.

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OUTDOOR PURSUITS

Wilderness First Aid Workshop

The Outdoor Pursuits Center is hosting a Wilderness First Aid workshop January 9-11. This workshop is an introductory course designed to teach participants the basics in patient assessment and treatment when an ambulance isn't an option. The cost for this workshop is \$175 if you register by December 15.

For more information or an outline for this course checkout our website at www.recsports.ttu.edu or call 742-2949. If you wish to register at our office location outside the north entrance of the Student Recreation Center or call 742-2949.

Women In Climbing Thursdays @ 6pm



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 Climbing Instructor, Jennifer Andjelich (right) gives advice during a Women In Climbing session at the Student Rec Center. Women In Climbing is open to all skill levels and happens every Thursday from 6pm-8:30pm.

OPC New Staff Training Program

What is it?
 The Outdoor Pursuits program is offering an outdoor leadership candidate training program beginning in December. Candidates will learn the art of facilitation, leadership and human skills, Leave no Trace environmental ethics, technical skills and wilderness first aid. The program begins in December so sign up today.

- What's Included?**
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 - Cost: \$215

How Do I Sign Up?
 Pick up an application packet available in the Student Rec Center or in the Outdoor Pursuits Center. You can also download an application at www.recsports.ttu.edu. Call the Outdoor Pursuits Center for more info at 742-2949

Thanksgiving Group Exercise Schedule

	Monday, November 24	Tuesday, November 25	Wednesday, November 26	Thursday	Friday, November 28	Saturday, November 29	Sunday, November 30
Step Express	12:10pm	12:10pm	Step Express	12:10pm	Cardio step	Weekend Energy	3:00 pm
Total Body Conditioning	3:00pm	Shape & Tone	Thanksgiving—Closed	Thanksgiving—Closed	Cardio step	Shape & Tone	4:15 pm
Cardio Step, abs & back	5:30pm	Power Ball	Thanksgiving—Closed	Thanksgiving—Closed	Cardio step	Weekend Energy	5:30 pm
Shape & Tone	5:30pm	Total Body Conditioning	Thanksgiving—Closed	Thanksgiving—Closed	Cardio step	Weekend Energy	5:30 pm
Shape & Tone	5:30pm	Total Body Conditioning	Thanksgiving—Closed	Thanksgiving—Closed	Cardio step	Weekend Energy	5:30 pm
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Intramurals

Basketball

Special Events

Great American Smokeout
 Winter Slam Basketball Tournament

Entries Due

Jan. 22

Entries Due

Nov. 20
 Dec. 4

STUDENT RECREATION CENTER HOURS

Open Recreation Hours

Mon. - Thurs.	6am - midnight
Friday	6am - 10:30pm
Saturday	9am - 9pm
Sunday	noon - 11pm

Aquatic Center Hours

Monday - Friday	6:30am - 8:45am	Saturday-Sunday	2pm - 6:45pm
	Noon - 1:20pm		
	3:00pm - 8:45pm		

FACILITY THANKSGIVING HOURS

Wednesday, November 26

SRC: 6:00am - 7:00 pm
 Aquatic Center: 12 - 1:20pm, 4 - 6:45pm
 Outdoor Pursuits & Climbing Center: CLOSED
 FitWell: CLOSED

Friday, November 28

SRC: 2:00 - 6:00pm
 Aquatic Center: 3:00 - 6:00pm
 Outdoor Pursuits: CLOSED
 Climbing Center: CLOSED
 FitWell: CLOSED

Saturday, November 29 (cont.)

Outdoor Pursuits: CLOSED
 Climbing Center: 3:00 - 6:00pm
 FitWell: CLOSED

Thursday, November 27

All Facilities Closed

Saturday, November 29

SRC: 2-6 p.m.
 Aquatic Center: 3-6 p.m.

Sunday, November 30

SRC: 2:00 - 8:00pm
 Aquatic Center: 3:00 - 6:00pm
 Outdoor Pursuits: CLOSED
 FitWell: CLOSED
 Climbing Center: 2:00 - 6:00pm

INTRAMURALS

Table Tennis Results

The annual fall open Table Tennis Tournament was held last week on November 12th and 13th in the Student Recreation Center Lounge. There were a total of 62 open participants this year, which was almost doubled last year's participation for the open category.

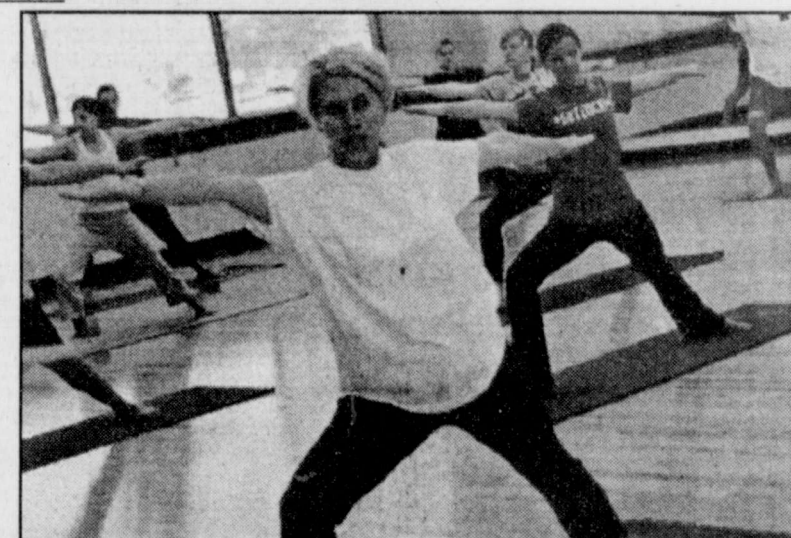
In the women's division, Monika Urlberger defeated Ting Zhang two games to one in an electrifying final game. In the Men's B division, drop in player Garg Divyakumar defeated Justin Lam two games to zero in a hard fought championship game. And finally, the Men's A division champion is Edison Dy, who narrowly defeated Philip Poelzl in a two games to one victory. Congratulations to all the winners of this years tournament and a thanks to all those who participated to make this tournament a success. For complete results of this year's tournament, go to the Rec Sports website at www.recsports.ttu.edu



COURTESY PHOTO/Rec Sports
 2003 Fall Table Tennis Champs (from left) Greg Divyakumar, Monika Urlberger and Edison Dy.

Got Game? Find Out Dec. 6th

It's that time of the year once again. The 3rd annual Winter Slam basketball tournament is Saturday, December 6th. The Winter Slam is a 5 on 5 self officiated event that lasts all day at the Student Rec center. There is a \$10 entry fee per team and winners receive a champion t-shirt. Registration is going on now till December 4th in room 203 of the SRC.



Balance Is The Key. Yoga participants get a workout in recently at the SRC. With finals coming up, don't forget to have a good balance of your school work, social life and exercise.

Thanksgiving facility hours available on-line: www.recsports.ttu.edu



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