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## Butler appeals his termination from HSC

By Beth Aaron/The University Daily

Dr. Thomas Butler, the Texas Tech Health Sciences professor and plague researcher, has decided to appeal his termination from the HSC.

Butler was convicted of 47 counts, including embezzlement, and mail and wire fraud, in December. He was not convicted of lying to the FBI, tax evasion or smuggling.

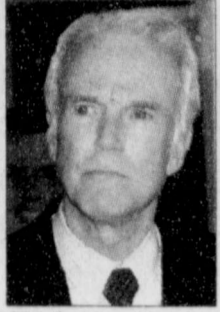
When the Butler residence was contacted, a person close to the case said. Butler was unable to comment.

"He doesn't agree with it so that's why he's asking for a hearing," she said. "He doesn't

feel he has done anything wrong."

An internal hearing will be held as soon as a committee is formed, said Suzanna Martinez, assistant director of news and publications for the HSC.

"We're following our policy, and we referred to our faculty so a hearing can be held," she said. "(Holding) an internal hearing is the next step in termination."



Butler

Martinez said the committee would be made up of seven people as outlined in the school of medicine bylaws. Butler will pick three members; Dr. Richard Homan, dean of the medical school, will pick three members, and the remaining member will be chosen by the other six members of the committee.

Dr. Ted Reid, professor of ophthalmology at the HSC, is one of several Tech faculty members who put together a petition addressed to Chancellor Dr. David Smith and HSC President M. Roy Wilson on Butler's behalf in an effort to keep him out of prison. Reid said the petition is a humanitarian

effort. According to the petition, those who sign it believe Butler deserves to be able to sustain his family life and income and the possibility of continuing his vital scientific research.

"I really believe he was just a person who was trying to do something good for the world and he was trying to do it in the best way he could," Reid said. "Now he faces financial ruin and prison time."

The petition has 75 signatures, including those belonging to retired Tech faculty as well as Nobel Prize winners. Reid said the passing of the petition has been halted because of Butler's impending sentencing.

"The impression I think people have of him is that he's some sort of devious criminal," Reid said. "What this trial represents is a very complex story that can be skewed in a number of different ways depending in what interpretation you want to take."

Reid said if Butler is terminated or sent to prison, it could cause concern for other faculty members who are unaware of Tech's regulations in their entirety.

"It could be very scary for the faculty at Tech if he is sent to prison for regulations he didn't know about," he said. "It's a sad story"

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## THREE DAYS OF PROTEST

Kansas church protests gay-friendly businesses in Lubbock area.

By Michael Castellon/The University Daily

The city of Lubbock and Texas Tech came under fire last weekend by a controversial and outspoken anti-homosexual organization that alleges both the city and the university is engaging in activities that wrongfully promote anti-Christian values.

Members of the Topeka, Kansas-based Westboro Baptist Church protested throughout Lubbock and the Tech campus Saturday and Monday in a series of demonstrations against what the organization refers to as the enabling of an anti-Christian gay culture throughout the Lubbock community.

Carrying signs that read "God Hates America," "God Blew Up the Shuttle" and "Thank God for Sept. 11," members of the church dragged an oversized American flag behind them as they picketed.

Sites for the WBC's protests included the Buddy Holly Center, which according to a press release posted on the organization's Web site, is a "sodomite propagandist mill" that wrongfully promotes gay culture by displaying a pair of recording artist Elton John's sunglasses.

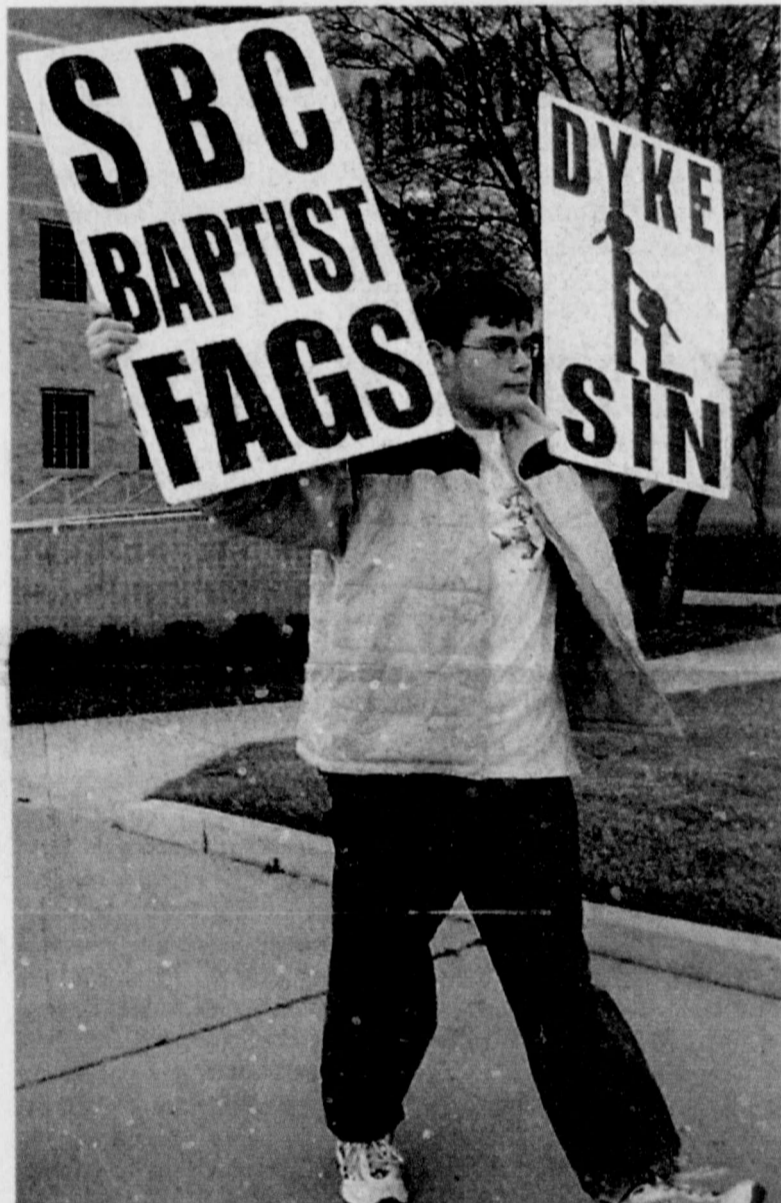
"(The Buddy Holly Center) is promoting to honor an article of clothing that was worn by a man who lived his life in opposition to God Almighty," Steve Drain, a member of the church, said. "And we have a problem with that."

On Saturday, the WBC demonstrated at Urbanovsky Park just before the Lady Raider basketball game in a protest against the No. 1-ranked team that Drain said promotes lesbianism.

"The university and the city are silent as a tomb on this issue, and the students and the city just let it go on like there's nothing wrong with it," he said.

The church may best be known for its anti-gay demonstrations following the highly-

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MANY PEOPLE protested in Lubbock against homosexuality Saturday and Monday at numerous sites in the Hub City. The protest was headed by a Kansas-based church.



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### Student Affairs

## Goin' Band member murdered in Dallas

By Andrew Bell/The University Daily

While the Texas Tech football team played against Navy in the Houston Bowl, members of the Goin' Band from Raiderland were on the sidelines mourning one of their own.

On Dec. 20, Mayra DeLoa, a sophomore English major from Garland, was stabbed to death at a Dallas residence. According to the Dallas Police Department, DeLoa was found dead in the front yard of the Sahara Way Apartments after being allegedly stabbed to death by Paul Milne.

Paty Diaz, DeLoa's older sister, said Milne and DeLoa had been dating. Milne is in jail, but Diaz said the family has not received much information on the case. However, they expect the trial to begin in the next within a year.

As a member of the Goin' Band, DeLoa played the piccolo. Diaz said after playing the flute in high school, DeLoa decided to play the piccolo for the Goin' Band and enjoyed the experience.

"She enjoyed the trips and her bandmates," Diaz said. "She had gone to Colorado and had been to Disney World."

Outside of her work in the band, DeLoa was studying to become a teacher. Diaz said while DeLoa was in high school she came across inspiring teachers that had a positive effect on her. She noticed being a teacher can make a differ-

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### Student Affairs

## Tech student dies in San Angelo house fire

By Andrew Bell/The University Daily

As the New Year began, Texas Tech lost a student to a house fire in San Angelo.

The fire broke out in the kitchen of the three-bedroom house where Mitzi Sessom, a sophomore English major from Eldorado, decided to stay the night at a friend's for the New Year.

Don Vardeman, an inspector and investigator for the San Angelo Fire Marshal's Office, said the fire was determined to be accidental. Vardeman said the office determined the fire began at 4:45 a.m. on Jan. 1 after two oven burners having been left on spread the fire from the kitchen cabinets to the living room.

At the time of the fire two others were present in the house. Brett Stroman, 20, suffered minor injuries during the blaze. Vardeman said Stroman of Sweetwater was treated and released from the hospital.

The other occupant of the home during the fire was Mel Childers, 79. All of the occupants were taken to University Medical Center for their injuries. Despite being at the opposite end of the house when the fire began, both Childers and Sessom died from the injuries sustained in the blaze.

Sessom's father, Steve Sessom, said his daughter was am

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### Public Affairs

## No city manager named after finalists not offered job

By Sally Gunter/The University Daily

The Dec. 18 decision of the Lubbock City Council to not offer the position of city manager to either of the two finalists led to the resignation of interim city manager Tommy Gonzalez and left Lubbock still without a city manager.

"There was a consensus that we not offer Tommy the job," Mayor Marc McDougal said. "Very quickly after that it was decided we would not offer Mr. Childers the job."

The city manager position could be filled within the next few days, McDougal said.

The morning of Dec. 18, hours before the Council was scheduled to meet to discuss the candidates, candidate William Pupo backed out of the selection process to accept a position elsewhere.

"That was something I had been very concerned with all along," he said. "I told the Council I didn't believe Mr. Pupo would take the job even if we offered it to him, but he remained in the process."

McDougal said Pupo's withdrawal would not have influenced the final decision of the Council.

"My personal feeling is that we would have done exactly what we did even if he stayed in the process," McDougal said.

The decision also led to heated debate that race influenced the Council. Gonzalez is Hispanic, while Longview City Manager Rickey Childers is black.

McDougal denied these claims and held a press conference Jan. 6 to ensure the public that race had nothing to do with the decision to not offer the position to Gonzalez or Childers.

"In the meantime there was a large outcry from the Hispanic community about Tommy not getting the job," he said. "Race came up in that."

McDougal said he met with a number of leaders from the Hispanic groups before the council meeting on Thursday to answer

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Emilio Abeyta, a local attorney from Lubbock, addresses the city council last Thursday.

The Rundown



Missing 6-year-old's skull found in woods

SAGINAW (AP) — They had been preparing for this call for nearly five years, since the 6-year-old with big blue eyes under a fringe of thick bangs was snatched from the front yard in the middle of a spring day.

Opal Jennings' family had expected the worst as months turned into years without her and as a child molester was convicted in her kidnapping.

But as relatives watched home videos of the raven-haired youngster grinning and cradling her dolls, they couldn't stop hoping that Opal might come home alive.

The heartbreaking confirmation of their worst fears came in a phone call from the Tarrant County medical examiner on Monday, about two weeks after two people on horseback found part of a small skull in woods and brush in northwest Fort Worth.

The remote area is about 10 miles from the working-class neighborhood in Saginaw where Opal had been playing in her grandparents' yard when she vanished in March 1999.

After the skull was found in late December, authorities scoured the area and found more bone fragments, a toy and a pair of pink Barbie tennis shoes similar to those Opal was wearing when she disappeared, said Dr. Nizam Peerwani, Tarrant County's chief medical examiner.

Wal-Mart audit finds many labor violations

NEW YORK (AP) — An internal audit of about 25,000 workers at Wal-Mart stores found thousands of labor violations, including minors working during school hours and workers not taking breaks or lunches, a newspaper reported.

The audit found 1,371 violations of child-labor laws, including minors working too late, too many hours in a day or during school hours. On more than 60,000 occasions, workers missed breaks and on 16,000 they skipped meal times, in violation of most state labor regulations.

The audit, conducted in July 2000 and distributed to top Wal-Mart executives, polled employee records at 128 stores across the country, the *New York Times* reported in Tuesday editions.

Wal-Mart officials downplayed the audit's findings, saying workers often forgot to punch in and out during breaks or skipped lunches so they could leave early.

The audit, by Wal-Mart auditor Bret Shipley, "doesn't reflect actual behavior within the facilities," Mona Williams, Wal-Mart's vice president for communications, told the paper.

The company had enacted no reforms in response to the report, she said, because other Wal-Mart auditors had reviewed Shipley's work and found it flawed.

But Wal-Mart critics said the audit revealed the company had sacrificed workers' rights in pursuit of profit.

Pope won't do Ash Wednesday ceremony

VATICAN CITY (AP) — In the latest sign of concern over his frail health, Pope John Paul II has canceled his traditional Ash Wednesday service at a Rome basilica, the Vatican said Saturday.

For decades, John Paul would open the Catholic church's solemn Lenten period with a ceremony in St. Sabina's Basilica, a 5th-century church on Rome's Aventine Hill.

During the service, the pontiff would smudge ashes, a sign of penitence, on the foreheads of clergy and lay people.

But the Vatican said that this year the afternoon ceremony won't be held.

Instead, the pope will preside over a prayer ceremony, which will include a blessing and smudging of the ashes on the faithful in a Vatican auditorium the morning of Ash Wednesday, Feb. 25.

The change eliminates the taxing drive from the Vatican across Rome to the Aventine Hill and the transfer from cars to the wheeled decorative chair he has been using to get around.

John Paul, 83, no longer walks in public ceremonies, a result of the progression of Parkinson's disease and hip and knee problems.

Over the past year, he began delegating assistants in several ceremonies to read some of his speeches.

BOOKING IT



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DALLAS WEBB, a senior public relations major from Dallas, finds her books at the Student Union's Barnes & Nobles bookstore Tuesday.

TECH TALK

QUOTE OF THE DAY

NATALIE RITCHIE Lady Raider Guard

"You always think how you would want a game to go and how you would want to perform. And I got to live my dream game."



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USA Today reporter forced to resign

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — Foreign correspondent Jack Kelley was forced to resign from USA Today last week after he repeatedly misled editors during an internal investigation into some of his stories, the paper's top editors said.

Kelley told The Washington Post he concluded he should resign because he "panicked and used poor judgment" by encouraging a translator who was not present during a 1999 interview that had come under scrutiny to impersonate a translator who was there

and confirm his story to USA Today investigators. He told the Post he realized his error and apologized to the paper's top executives two weeks later.

"The reason for ending Kelley's employment was that he engaged in an elaborate deception during an investigation into his work," USA Today editor Karen Jurgensen said in a lengthy statement posted Tuesday on the paper's Internet site. "He admitted that he engaged in conduct designed to deceive the investigation."

Her statement said the paper "had

chosen to treat the issue as a confidential personnel matter, but because Kelley made it public and because some published accounts have contained inaccurate information, we are providing a summary of the central events that led editors to end Kelley's employment."

The statement said Kelley did admit attempting to deceive USA Today investigators, but only after being presented with evidence of his deception. Jurgensen said Kelley then resigned after being told he had two days to quit or be fired.

In a follow-up to the story it published Sunday, the Post reported in Tuesday's editions that Kelley's attorney, Lynne Bernabei, said USA Today told her last November that private investigators hired by the paper had discovered the Kelley deception. "They confronted us," Bernabei told

the Post. "It was after that that Jack disclosed he had done that."

Despite the furor and exhaustive investigation, USA Today said it was not now making any changes to the underlying 1999 Kelley story under investigation because it has been unable to determine it was not true.

Kelley continues to stand by the original story, which involved a notebook he said he was shown documenting Serbian war crimes. He maintained to the Post that he felt the USA Today investigation of his work — prompted by an anonymous letter — amounted to a witch hunt.

The Post quoted Barbara Davis, a former United Nations mission chief in Yugoslavia, as saying Monday in an interview from Belgrade that "the fact that it (the notebook) existed in the form that Jack described is very probable."

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Bush to ask for 5 percent increase in NASA's budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush will seek to boost NASA's budget by 5 percent annually for the next three years to help pay for his plan to put a base on the moon and to mount a manned expedition to Mars later in the century, a senior administration official said Tuesday.

The plan calls for establishing a permanent presence on the moon within two decades and to put astronauts on Mars sometime after 2030, the official said.

Congressional negotiators have previously agreed to a NASA budget of nearly \$15.5 billion for fiscal 2004, which began last Oct. 1. That's a \$90 million boost over the previous year. The measure, part of a broad-based spending bill, was passed by the House and awaits approval by the Senate.

A 5 percent boost, as proposed by Bush, would increase the budget by an additional \$775 million.

The official said part of the funding for the moon-Mars initiative would come from reallocation of money already in the budget of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

In a speech planned for Wednesday, Bush will talk of establishing a moon base that would be used as stepping stone to deeper space exploration, to Mars and perhaps beyond.

Part of the funding for the ambitious projects would come from phasing out of the space shuttle and quickly concluding the U.S. obligations to the International Space Station. The shuttle now costs NASA about \$4 billion a year and the station about \$1 billion.

Bush's plan, the official said, calls for sending exploring robots to the moon by 2008, landing humans there by 2020 and then launching a Mars expedition after 2030.

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## Protest

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publicized murder of Matthew Shepard, a 22-year-old gay Wyoming college student.

Also targeted by the organization was Lubbock High School, which has recently been the center of national attention because of the proposed formation of the Gay/Straight Alliance, a student organization that strives to promote equality among gay and straight Lubbock High students.

On Monday, nearly 200 counter-demonstrators picketed and carried signs alongside the protestors outside Lubbock High School and the LISD offices to protest the group's presence.

Ty Shirley was one of the

counter-demonstrators in attendance.

"This isn't an issue about homosexuality or anything like that," he said. "We're here to abolish the hatred. All they have done is show why an organization like the GSA is necessary."

While police officials stopped short of discussing details involving their contingency plan, nearly a dozen police cars representing the Lubbock police, Lubbock County Sheriff's Department and Department of Public Safety were in the immediate area of the protests, and several officers created perimeters around the demonstrators at each protest site.

A van carrying WBC members to each protest site was escorted by several Lubbock police cars.

LISD Police chief Thomas

Nichols said the WBC had remained orderly throughout their protests and abided city laws.

"They've been willing to walk and demonstrate separate from each other so we can avoid the chance of someone responding to inflammatory rhetoric," he said. "The visiting group particularly has certainly done this many times and they know the rules and laws. They might press the envelope a little bit but they stay on the legal side of everything."

Jared Horsford was present for a demonstration outside First Baptist Church on Sunday, in which the WBC protested methods used by mainstream religions.

"I pity the people that are here protesting because they don't know the truth but they've convinced themselves that they do," he said.

## Butler

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— We have a person who has devoted himself to coming up with treatments for these pathogenic bacteria; who cooperated fully with the FBI for this investigation, (and) is now facing prison time because he

supposedly violated university rules."

Reid said although each faculty member is given a handbook outlining rules, regulations and procedures, some regulations, such as those concerning supplemental income, are not clearly defined.

"What I think would be nice is if they showed us what rules he broke

and where they're written," he said. "It would be informative to the faculty. I don't want to go to prison for breaking the rules."

Butler is still on Tech's payroll, receiving \$130,467 each year, although he is not allowed on campus. Butler's sentencing is set for late January or early February.

## Wife of top Enron exec in plea negotiations

HOUSTON (AP)— The public discussion of efforts to negotiate a package deal of plea agreements for former Enron Corp. finance chief Andrew Fastow and his wife, Lea, could force the hands of their attorneys and prosecutors to get it done or face seriously damaged rights to fair trials, a professor said.

"I can't believe they won't resolve it," said Edward J. Bronson, a political science professor at the University of California, Chico, and an expert on moving trials from the crime's place of origin. "Now you have what amounts to a confession in the public domain. It clearly affects the fair trial rights of either of them if they were to go to trial."

Lea Fastow's lawyers on Sunday continued efforts to negotiate a plea deal for her that would allow a separate deal for her husband to go through, possibly leading to more prosecutions of top executives more

than two years after the bankrupt energy giant's collapse.

"They are ongoing," Mike DeGeurin, Lea Fastow's lead lawyer, said Sunday about plea negotiations.

DeGeurin declined to elaborate. Leslie Caldwell, head of the Justice Department's Enron Task Force, and Justice Department spokesman Bryan Sierra didn't return calls for comment.

Andrew Fastow is charged with 98 counts of fraud, money laundering, conspiracy, insider trading and others for allegedly running a web of partnerships and schemes designed to enrich himself as well as inflate Enron's profits and hide company debt. His wife is charged with six counts of conspiracy and filing false tax forms for allegedly taking part in laundering money skimmed from the deals and failing to report the income to the government.

A proposed package plea deal for the Fastows hit a roadblock last week

when the judge presiding over her case balked at being required up front to impose a five-month sentence. Instead, U.S. District Judge David Hittner said he would accept a plea, but a plea agreement would have to give him discretion to impose whatever sentence he deemed appropriate after federal probation authorities conduct a pre-sentencing investigation.

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## Murder

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ence and decided to become a teacher to help other youth.

While deciding on a career between being a philosopher and becoming a high school English teacher, one of her professors described DeLoa as a student who was willing to take direction and listen well and then apply it in her work.

"She was somewhat quiet in class, but when she contributed in group discussions she showed a sophisticated, talented level of analysis," Marjean Purinton, a professor of English and associ-

ate chairwoman of the department, said.

Through the time DeLoa and Purinton spent together during the semester, Purinton said she believed DeLoa valued her education. In class once, DeLoa had written she enjoyed literature that refined and challenged her own beliefs.

DeLoa's father, Rafael DeLoa, said she had been on the honor roll many times during her earlier education and had graduated eighth in her class at South Garland High School. He said his daughter's goals for academics made her serious about studying.

"The one thing she had in her mind was to reach her goals," he

said. "She was good at whatever she wanted to master."

Despite being very serious with her studying, Rafael DeLoa said his daughter was always smiling and she could make a lot of friends easily. Diaz described her sister as being more laid-back around the family.

Her family-oriented mentality made her great with the children around the house when she would take them out.

Both Diaz and Rafael DeLoa explained they were proud of who Mayra DeLoa was and what she wanted to become of herself.

In honor of her memory, the flags at Memorial Circle will be lowered on Jan. 26.

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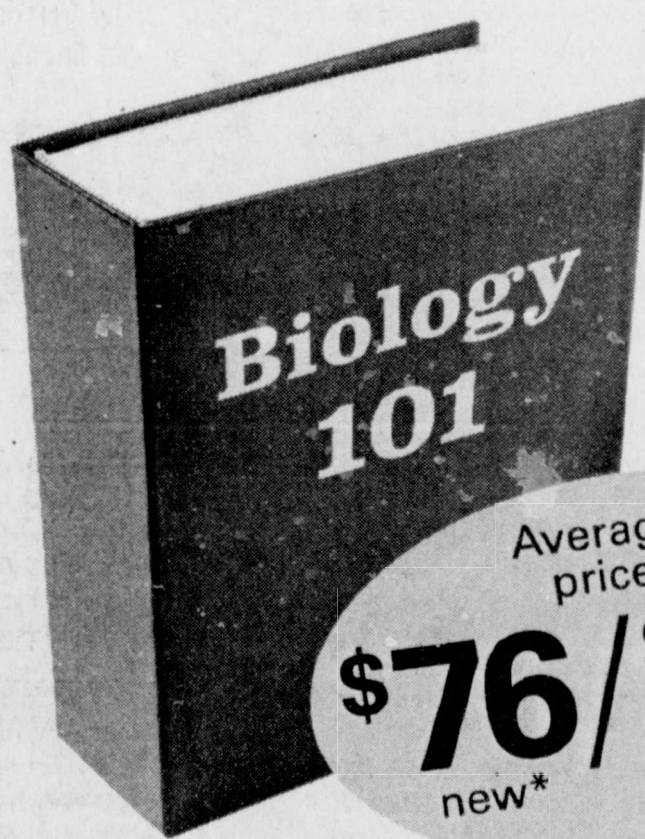
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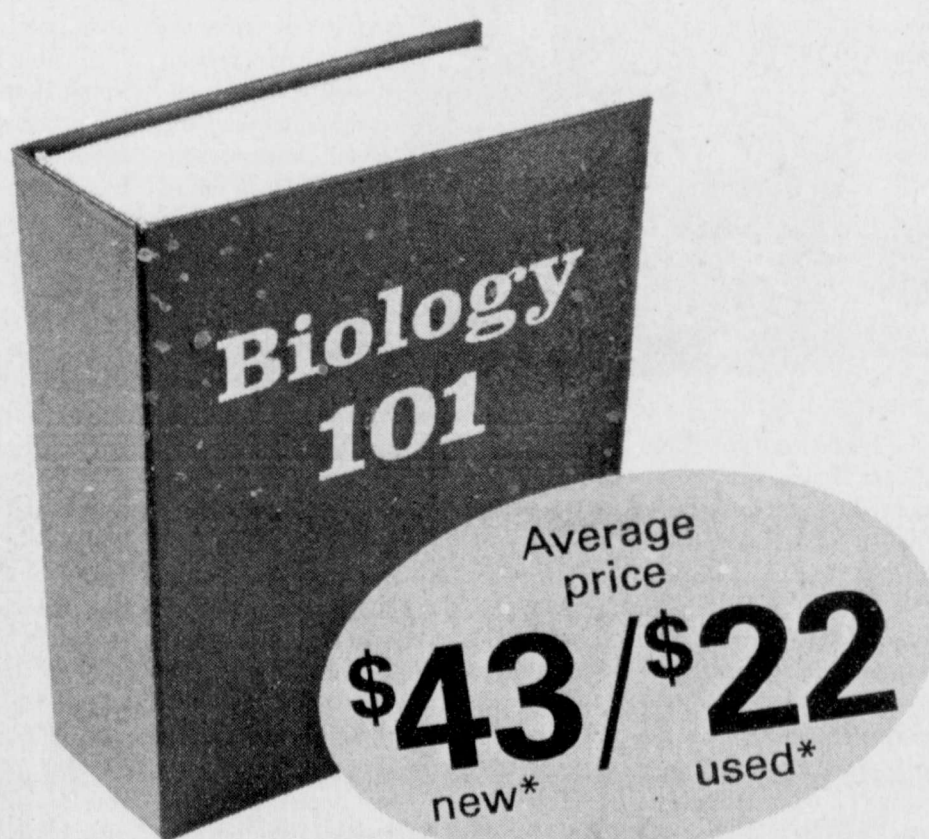
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## Presidential picks, predictions for 2004

The presidential election year of 2004 is upon us. Here are my sure-to-be controversial predictions for how it's all going to shake out.

President Bush, of course, will run for reelection. With an improving economy, the capture of Saddam "Mother-of-All-Cowards" Hussein and the power of incumbency, Bush will be hard to beat.

As I see it, the Democratic candidates fall into three groups: the Serious, the Also-Rans and the Silly.

The Silly candidates are Al Sharpton, a "minister" from New York, Carol Moseley Braun, a former senator from Illinois and Dennis Kucinich, a former mayor of Cleveland. These people don't have a chance and are wasting their time and lots of other people's money, not to mention diluting the Democrats' focus.

They know this, so why do they stay? So that from now on, they will be referred to as "former presidential candidate" so-and-so. Well, big fat hairy deal. After a few primaries where they get .0001 percent of the vote (combined), they will drop out.

The Also-Rans are Joe Lieberman, John Edwards and Wesley Clark. Lieberman is a senator from Connecticut and a former vice-presidential candidate. Edwards, a former trial lawyer, is a senator from North Carolina. Clark is a retired army general and former commander of NATO forces in Europe.

These candidates also are wasting their time, though they don't seem to know it.

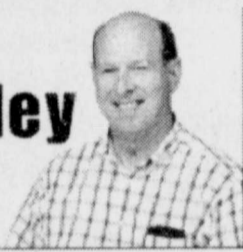
Lieberman is the most qualified of this group, the most sensible and one of the most decent politicians in this country. Unfortunately, being president is more about style than substance, so the charisma-challenged Lieberman has little chance, which is too bad — we need more like him.

Edwards is running for president because lots of people have told him how pretty he is, and he believes them. But he has nothing to say except that he will fight for the little man, which most little people have a hard time believing of a multi-millionaire lawyer. Before long, he's toast.

Clark is only in the race because the Clintons want him to be. They're terrified that Howard Dean might actually beat Bush and ruin Hillary's plans to run for president in 2008.

Clark will stay for a while as the

**Tim Hadley**



Clintons funnel lots of money his way, but he can't capitalize on his background because of serious questions about his military performance. Without that card to play, he can't win. However, he doesn't really care because he's willing to wait until 2008, when he plans to take his promised place in Hillary's cabinet.

Now we come to the Serious candidates — Howard Dean, Dick Gephardt and John "F" Kerry. Dean, a medical doctor (internal medicine) and former governor of Vermont, leads most polls at the moment. Gephardt is a long-time congressman and perennial presidential candidate from Missouri. Kerry is a senator from Massachusetts.

Dean is the front-runner at the moment, but he's also George McGovern, Part Deux. All this anti-war, anti-establishment stuff didn't work for McGovern in 1972, when there really was an unjust war going on, and it won't work now, either.

He's leading the polls, but most polls are about as meaningful and accurate as a Ouija board. Dean may hang on longer than I think he will, but the Democrats will only nominate him if they really, really, really want to get stomped in November.

Kerry has everything a Serious presidential candidate ought to have — looks, money (mostly his wife's), Vietnam war experience, a name (John F.) that Democrats love — except for one thing: a message.

His greatest achievement so far has been his spectacular inability to articulate any coherent idea of how he would be an improvement over Bush — or anyone else, including my grandmother, who's been dead for 15 years. He'll hang in there for a while, but only a little while.

The Democrats' best hope is Gephardt, one of the few left-winged (along with Lieberman) who had the sense (or political savvy) to support the Iraq war. This will help him immensely as things improve in Iraq, which they will, and he will pick up momentum as the primary season plays out.

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*Short of some major political cataclysm, despite Bush's shortcomings, which are many, there is no way any Democratic candidate can beat Bush in 2004.*

Gephardt has some good ideas — like getting us off our dependence on Arab oil — and has charisma to burn. He is an excellent speaker, he can articulate his positions well, and he has good teeth and great hair.

Gephardt will win the Democratic nomination and will oppose Bush in the November general election. He'll run a good race and get lots of votes, but he'll lose. Short of some major political cataclysm, despite Bush's shortcomings, which are many, there is no way any Democratic candidate can beat Bush in 2004.

There is also a fourth group — the No-Shows. They include Al Gore, former vice president, and Hillary Clinton, former first lady and current senator from New York.

Gore won't run because his party won't let him lose again (as he would). He endorsed Dean partly because he can't stand being out of the spotlight but mostly to shaft the Clintons.

Hillary won't run because she doesn't want to risk losing. Her motto is "Wait until '08."

That's how I see it. If you'd like to discuss this with me, I'll be glad to hear from you. You'll find me open-minded and approachable. Come November, I promise not to say "I told you so."

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## Let's talk about sex, Texas Tech

**Heidi Toth**



Lubbock has played host to several visitors this week — the flock of Pastor Fred Phelps of Westboro Baptist Church from Kansas. These people came to protest several Lubbock places, including the Buddy Holly Center, Lubbock High School and Texas Tech, for being "gay friendly."

This brought to my mind the never-ending argument about homosexuality and its place in American society. There are so many angles to look at it from, depending on whether you're religious, an atheist, agnostic, liberal, conservative, from a big city or a small town. It also brings to mind the rather confusing place sex itself has in our society.

But we've heard all of these arguments, so I want to look at it from a crazy talk show host's point of view — Bill O'Reilly of "The O'Reilly Factor."

I do not like this man and what he does to journalism. But I'm reading his first book to find out what the enemy is saying so I can fight it. And in his book, I came across some excellent wisdom.

He wrote: "It's time that we all lighten up about sex, accept the reality of the situation and keep our sexual activities where they belong: in the privacy of the bedroom."

Ladies and gentlemen, I think we have a winner. Let's stop dragging sex into the spotlight! I think homosexuality is wrong. But frankly, I don't want to see two heterosexual people groping each other any more than I want to see two homosexual people doing the same. No matter who is involved, the place for sex is not the public arena. It is a private issue and should be dealt with privately.

Of course, there's no way to remove sex from the public eye. The entertainment media has found a way to entertain, advertising found a way to sell and celebrities have found a way to get attention. There's no way to erase these facts. But we can stop dragging people's sex lives, acts and faux pas through the mud.

As a society, we could also stand to lighten up about sex. Granted, it's a serious subject and should be dealt with in a serious manner. I don't think people should have sex before marriage, and I think it's something God ordained for married people as a way to deepen their relationship.

However, I don't think God has ordained me to call everyone to their knees and sentence them to hell for disagreeing with me.

Also, sex is hot taboo. Talk about it! Too often, especially in religious families, sex is never mentioned. It's forbidden to talk about, think about and obviously engage in. Then all of a sudden someone gets married and sex is OK. That's a huge, scary jump to make, and it can be difficult. Sex is natural. It's part of life; it's part of the human race. Ignoring sex is the reason you don't know any people of the Shaker religion. Shakers don't believe in sex. How else are you going to pass the religion on?

Let's go closer to home and talk about the Lubbock Independent School District and its stance on sex education. Officials have said that teaching teenagers about birth control and condoms is advocating teenage sex, so only abstinence is taught. The teenage birth rate in Lubbock County is the highest in the state. I don't know how closely these two facts are correlated, but many people are fighting to get the policy changed, while others are

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fighting to keep the status quo.

I'm torn. Part of me agrees with the officials that if we teach teens to use condoms, we're sort of endorsing irresponsible sex because the consequences are lessened. But you know what? A lot of those teens are going to have sex anyway. I don't think that anything we do or say can stop that. So maybe we should teach them to be responsible about sex. Or, maybe if we're forthright about sex, they won't feel the need to run out and participate in it.

The one thing we can do, as parents, children, friends, neighbors and siblings, is to act like the adults we are. Put sex back in the bedroom, and leave it there. Life is not an episode of "Friends." Sex has consequences, most of which are very serious and not pleasant. Don't judge or harass people for their choices about sex. It's their business, not yours, no matter how wrong you think they are.

Be informed about sex and the things that come with it. Tell your children the truth when they ask questions. In the right hands sex can be a beautiful act of love and bonding between two people who truly care for each other. In the wrong hands it can lead to destruction.

I'll close with a few more words from Mr. O'Reilly, who may have a few screws loose but isn't too off base about some things: "(Bob) Packwood and Hillary Clinton have one thing in common. They are both dupes about sex. Don't you be. Respect it and teach your children about it. Control it; don't let it control you. Have fun and be safe. And never, never take suggestive photos to Kmart for development."

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### Editorial

## Church protest offensive, ineffective

Members of the Westboro, Kan., Baptist Church were in town since Saturday protesting what they called "gay-friendly" entities around Lubbock. Targets of this protest included the Buddy Holly Center, Texas Tech and Lubbock High School.

The largest demonstration took place at Lubbock High on Monday morning. Protestors, who were there because of student attempts to form a Gay/Straight Alliance, carried signs saying, "AIDS cures fags," and "Matt (Shepard) is in hell," followed by their slogan, "God hates fags." The protest at the museum occurred because a pair of Elton John's glasses are part of a display.

In addition to the protestors, many Lubbock residents and Texas Tech students showed up and took part in a counter protest, carrying signs asserting that God does not hate anyone, and hate is of the devil.

While the editorial board of *The University Daily* commends all of the protestors for exercising the right to free speech granted Americans in the First Amendment, we do not agree with the Westboro protestors' message. The issue at stake is not that of homosexuality, but instead the offensive and hurtful method used.

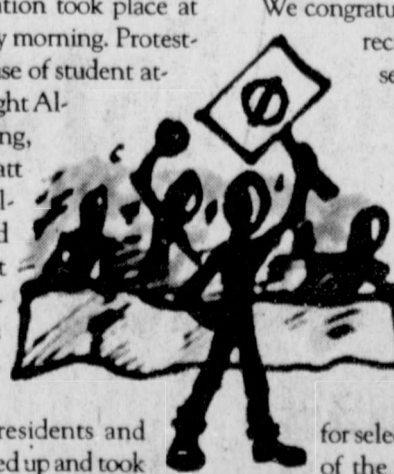
The students at Lubbock High did not

need their education disrupted with this kind of disturbance. We feel it was disrespectful to both students and teachers, and we believe that a school is not a place to be protesting about homosexuality. The students should be left alone.

We congratulate Catherine Prose, the director of the Buddy Holly Museum, for doing nothing about the protest. Elton John is internationally known for his musical works, not for being homosexual, and we believe the museum is correct in leaving the displays as it is, honoring many musical legends.

Additionally, we question the church's reasons for selecting homosexuality as its sin of the week. Why do the church members not protest something extramarital sex, also a sin according to the Bible? And why have they come to Lubbock to protest? It seems that the place a church from Kansas that wants to protest something belongs in Kansas, not Texas. We question their motives in coming here and what they are doing.

Finally, we commend the participants for their peaceful involvement and encourage people to continue standing up for what they believe in, but to do so in a positive way.



Agree or disagree with Hadley's 2004 presidential election predictions? E-mail a letter to the editor to UD@ttu.edu and tell us your opinion.

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# Manager

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their concerns.

"The bottom line is regardless of how good a reason a council member may think their reason is for not supporting Tommy for city manager," he said. "There is not anything short of hiring Tommy that would make some of those folks happy."

Despite the controversy, McDougal said he would provide answers to all citizens.

"I wanted to make sure we didn't avoid the questions," he said. "I wanted to make sure this wasn't a race issue."

Another issue influenced the decision by the council far more than race. An age and sex discrimination complaint filed through the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission by a former employee of the city of Lubbock, Sharlett Chowning.

Gonzalez laid off Chowning during a reduction in force last spring. In a letter to the Lubbock Director of Human Resources, Scott Snider, Chowning claims she was told her job was no longer essential. She was then replaced by younger male who received a similar salary, according to the letter.

The issue has yet to be resolved, but it is not surprising to McDougal.

"When you have layoffs like we did last April and May, you are going to have some work force issues and you're going to have some complaints," McDougal said. "It wasn't like we picked-like we want you, and you and you. Everybody had the

same opportunities."

The EEOC complaint against the city of Lubbock played a role in the decision of some Council members to not hire Gonzalez, but McDougal said it was not the only reason.

"Tom Martin said Tommy is too inexperienced," McDougal said. "There were four or five other reasons."

Despite the controversy surrounding layoffs last year, McDougal said Gonzalez did not fail in his efforts as interim city manager.

"I think Tommy did an outstanding job," he said. "The city of Lubbock has lost an outstanding man in Tommy."

The Council approved a \$200,000 severance package for Gonzalez on Thursday.

The city manager selection process will not be reopened, but instead the council will identify people around the state and recruit them personally.

McDougal said if he decided to go to San Antonio to recruit someone, he might take one or two members of the Council with him and later send the other members to visit with the candidate.

Quincy White became acting city manager after Gonzalez quit. It is a role White said he was accustomed to performing.

"It is no different than at any point where the city manager was out on vacation," he said.

As assistant city manager, White frequently filled the position of acting city manager when Gonzalez was out of town.

"It is not a role I haven't been in before," White said.

White has seven and a half years experience working for the city of Lubbock, but he said he did not and does not plan to apply for the city manager position.

"My role is not to make changes but to keep the city operating," he said. "The new city manager will make the long term decisions."

The terms of Council members Frank Morrison, Jim Gilbreath and TJ Patterson are up for re-election in May along with the mayoral seat.

McDougal said he will run for mayor again and does think the activities of the past month will not have much influence on the race.

"People may agree or disagree with our decisions," he said. "But they know what's going on."

# Death

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extremely outgoing person who was a good friend to many people.

"If you looked up extrovert in the dictionary, you would see a picture of her," he said.

When it came to activities, Steve Sessom said Mitzi Sessom rarely found something she didn't like to do. If she was not helping her father with livestock, then she could be found with water skis on her feet or a softball in her hands.

Her father also described her as a driven and academic person. Upon completion of high school, Sessom had graduated with more than 20 hours of college credit. Her goal was to graduate from college in two and a half years.

After her college career, her father said she wanted to attend law school or try to make it in Nashville. Russ Murphy, university minister for the Indiana Avenue Baptist Church, said she made several trips to Nashville to get people in music to listen to her demos.

Once, Mitzi Sessom had used her own money to go to a record-

ing studio to make her own album. At her funeral, Steve Sessom said they played the song from that album in honor of his daughter.

Mitzi Sessom was raised in a home where singing was all around her. Steve Sessom said growing up around singing started her love for it.

In her free time, Mitzi Sessom involved herself with a praise and worship team at the Indiana Avenue Baptist Church of Lubbock. Steve Sessom said the work his daughter did for the church involved singing and being in front of a crowd, but the crowd never intimidated her.

"She had an entertainer's heart. She loved to sing and help people have a good time," he said.

As a part of the praise team,

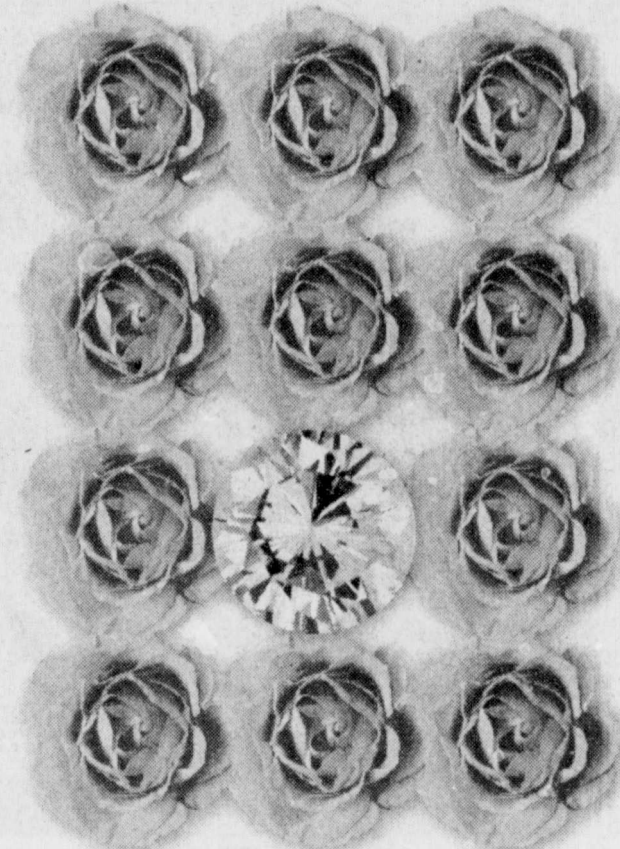
Murphy said Mitzi Sessom and other students would lead the music for Sunday gatherings. Sessom also spent time as a lead singer in a jam band with the church that had been planning a summer trip to London and Germany to perform.

When Sessom was not singing, Murphy said she was a person one would enjoy being around because she was always willing to help out.

"She was a great, great person that we already miss," Murphy said.

In memory of Mitzi Sessom, the flags at Memorial Circle will be lowered on Jan. 26. Although her mother did not wish to speak about her daughter, she did write, "Most of all, she loved God, her family, and her friends."

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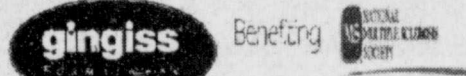
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# Fires destroy local pizzerias

By Sally Gunter/  
The University Daily

Texas Tech students craving pizza from Double Dave's Pizzaworks will have to wait 60 to 90 days.

After a fire Dec. 27 destroyed the Double Dave's restaurant at 4th Street and Slide Road, owner and manager Scott Mosier closed the pizza parlor doors until smoke and fire damage are repaired.

A second fire occurred early Thursday morning at the Broadway location of Double Dave's. It is also closed for rebuilding.

Mosier said the 4th Street and Slide Road location sustained more fire and smoke damage than the other pizza parlor.

"Smoke damage at both stores pretty much ruined everything," he said.

An insurance investigator for the ownership conducted an investigation

at the 4th Street store. He concluded the fire began in a trash can in the back of the restaurant that was probably caused by a cigarette, Mosier said.

Lubbock Fire Marshall Bob Bailey is conducting a criminal investigation into the cause of both fires.

He said it is an ongoing investigation.

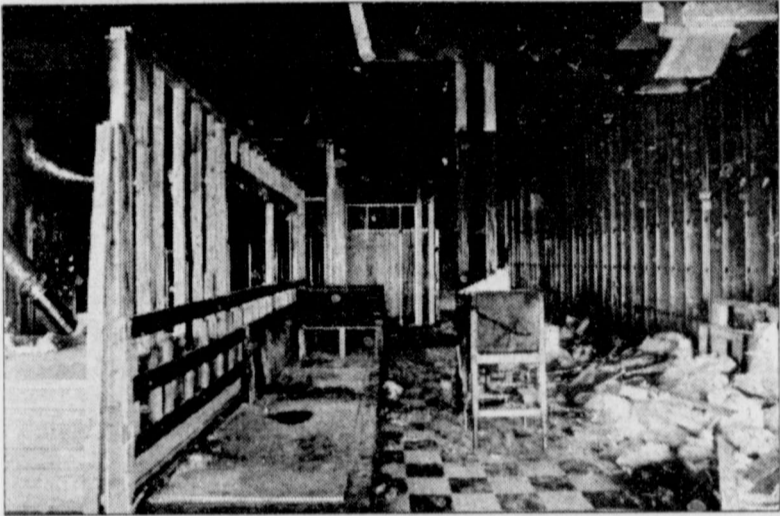
Until the investigation is complete, Bailey said he is unable to comment on any leads or connections between the two fires.

It will be at least two months before either store can reopen, but Mosier said business will not suffer.

"We have some insurance that covers for a loss of income," he said. "Once we get back open we will do fine."

Despite what the insurance company called a total loss, Mosier encourages customers to keep faith.

"We absolutely will reopen," he said. "It is just a question of when."



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THE DOUBLE DAVE'S at 4th Street and Slide Road was destroyed Dec. 27 in a fire.

# Board of Regents vote in favor of pay raise for Tech, HSC faculty and staff

By Michael Castellon/  
The University Daily

The Texas Tech Board of Regents last month agreed to allow for a tuition hike in an effort to finance a pay increase for the university's faculty and staff.

The \$10 per credit hour tuition increase will provide about \$3.75 million, which will in part be used for the first university-wide merit-based pay increase.

Faculty and staff at the university's academic campus can expect an average 3 percent salary increase, based upon merit, while Health Sciences Center employees will average a 2 percent

merit raise.

Tech Provost Bill Marcy said the merit-pay increases will primarily serve to help the university's among potential employees.

"This is the first merit increase we've had in two years," he said. "Hopefully this will allow us to attract new faculty."

At the main campus, about \$900,000, or 25 percent of the revenue generated by the tuition hike, will be used for financial aid purposes.

The remaining balance will be used to finance the pay increase, new faculty positions and laboratory equipment.

Funds from the HSC's tuition

hike will generate about \$275,000, of which \$45,000 will be earmarked for financial aid purposes.

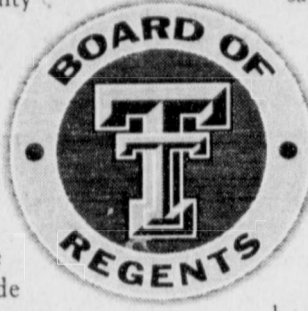
Also at last month's meeting, the university's two new regents, J. Frank Miller III of Dallas and Rick Francis of El Paso, were sworn in.

Miller and Francis will replace former Regents John W. Jones and J. Robert Brown, respectively. Jones' term expired last year, while Brown resigned last year halfway through his second appointment to accept a

position with Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission.

Miller is chairman of the board and CEO of JPI, an apartment development company. Miller earned a business administration degree from Tech in 1974.

Francis is chairman and CEO of Francis Properties, Francis Holdings, and Prime Funding, all firms that manage investments. He earned his bachelor's degree from Tech in 1978.



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# Connecticut legislators call for governor's resignation

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Six more Republican state senators called Monday for Gov. John G. Rowland to resign, as did U.S. Rep. Christopher Shays, and a new poll indicated the governor's public support continues to erode.

In a news conference at the state Capitol complex, Shays said he had been prepared to forgive his fellow Republican for lying about accepting gifts from employees and a state contractor.

"But I am not prepared to stand by a governor, even a friend, who has done wrong, lied about it and

then refused to account for his actions," said Shays, who is serving his ninth term in Congress. He had called on Rowland to offer a fuller explanation of his actions.

The University of Connecticut poll found 63 percent of state residents think Rowland should resign. A similar poll taken last week put the number at 58 percent.

The new poll finds 56 percent of residents support impeachment, compared with 50 percent last week.

"Public opinion about Rowland continues to spiral downward," said UConn poll director Ken Daurrich.

The six Republican senators who came out in favor of resignation joined five other Republican senators who did so last week. There are 15 Republicans and 21 Democrats in the Senate.

"Mindful of the potential that we may have the obligation to act as jurors in an impeachment trial and knowing that this decision belongs to Governor Rowland alone, we believe that the interests of the state of Connecticut would be best served if the governor to resign," the six said in a statement Monday.

They are Judith Freedman, George

"Doc" Gunther, Thomas Herlihy, John McKinney, Andrew Roraback and Win Smith Jr.

If impeached in the House, Rowland would stand trial in the 36-member Senate. A two-thirds majority would be required to remove him from office.

Rowland, a third-term Republican, has admitted accepting gifts from several politically appointed state employees, including a former aide, Lawrence Alibozek, who has pleaded guilty to federal charges that he took bribes to steer state contracts. He also accepted work for his cottage from the Tomasso Group, a New Britain contractor at the center of a federal investigation into corruption in Rowland's administration.

Federal agents say Rowland is now a subject of their probe.

Earlier, all 15 Republican senators had backed a proposal by House Republicans that would convene a bipartisan committee to investigate the scandal. Such a committee would be a step shy of starting the impeachment process, as some Democrats want. The final decision on which option to take is up to the speaker of the House, Rep. Moira Lyons, a Democrat.

"The governor, like any private citizen accused of wrongdoing, is entitled to due process and a thorough investigation of the facts," Senate Republican Leader Louis C. DeLuca said Sunday.

State Senate Democrats as a group have already called on the governor to resign and said they would support beginning impeachment proceedings.

## MYSTIC STARS

By Lasha Seniuk

**IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS THIS WEEK ...** Long-term relationships will enter a brief but intense period of family discussion, social decision and short-term promises. Communications between loved ones will be scattered and unpredictable; watch for quickly reversed social plans and minor outbursts.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)** Sensuality is a powerful theme in key relationships. Expect romantic partners to offer delightful flirtations and sultry invitations. Allow deeper emotions and tender sentiments to rise to the surface. At present, creativity and renewed intimacy are strongly favored.

**Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)** Intuitions and sudden social realizations will prove accurate. Pay special attention to the comments of a friend or lover. Important business proposals or employment announcements will trigger complex career decisions. Provide encouragement and constructive ideas.

**Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20)** Last-minute invitations may cause confusion. Expect friends and relatives to quickly change their plans and offer unusual social explanations. Maintain a cheerful attitude. Complex emotional demands and rare romantic opportunities may be at issue.

**Aries (March 21-April 20)** Friends and relatives may challenge family ideals, social announcements or group celebrations. Expect last-minute cancellations or delayed home agreements. Moodiness and introspection will be temporary. Remain patient and watch for subtle permissions from loved ones.

**Taurus (April 21-May 20)** Sudden intuitions or romantic insights are compelling. Carefully study the recent comments of friends and lovers. The social behavior of a friend or ongoing motives of a lover may need to be discussed. Set firm boundaries before taking action.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)** Strained family relationships will improve. Watch for previously distant relatives to ask for greater involvement in your social life and daily activities. Some Geminis will experience this wave of optimism as renewed faith between loved ones.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** An older business official may make an unusually ridiculous error. Missed deadlines, written documents and fast financial reversals are highlighted. Be empathetic. At present, workplace attitudes may need to be forgiving. Romantic partners and loved ones request subtle promises or private family information.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** Social planning will be difficult. Expect close friends to provide misinformation, vague promises or inaccurate dates. By late January, however, loved ones will rely heavily on your group awareness and attention to detail. Stay focused and ask trusted friends for definitive social commitments.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Long-term relationships may experience a brief but intense moment of expectation. Competing values, sudden decisions or revised home expectations may require delicate diplomacy. Trust the inner voice and ask for added time. Careful consideration and slow progress are best.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Unique business partnerships may be proposed. Areas affected are shared funding, land investments or property management. Some Librans may develop a secondary career interest. If so, expect complex decisions and steady gains over the next three months.

**Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Financial promises may be briefly delayed by home repairs or late payments. Check facts and obligations thoroughly for hidden costs. Watch also for a long-term friend to offer controversial social or romantic advice. Remain quietly detached and watch for subtle group changes.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Home discussions may reveal vital emotional information. Restless loved ones may outline revised family goals, financial strategies and long-term expectations. Recent career disappointments or home loyalties may be underlying influences.

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# Telecomm company opening in Hub City

By Sally Gunter/  
The University Daily

The closing of West Communications in December left hundreds of Lubbock residents without jobs, but an announcement Monday may provide new opportunities.

CEO of Market Lubbock Inc. Gary Lawrence announced the establishment of a new company that will provide 600 jobs to the community.

ChaseCom is a Houston-based customer contact and relationship management firm, said CEO Morgan Smith.

"Lubbock stands out above other Tier 1 markets in that it has a consistent rate of economic growth and vast pool of skilled labor," he said.

Kenny McKay, director of business retention for Market Lubbock, said ChaseCom is expected to bring \$9 million to \$10 million in salaries annually.

The company will be based in the former West Communications call center, Smith said.

Previous managers for West Communications will continue to serve in management positions at ChaseCom, and 25 to 30 management positions will be added, McKay said.

After employees of Market Lubbock realized Lubbock was one of four finalists for ChaseCom, they increased work efforts to compose an attractive incentive package, McKay said.

"In a short amount of time we were able to put this together," he said. "It is exciting because we are not just replacing jobs but upgrading jobs."

Founded in 1999, ChaseCom provides clients such as SBC Communications Inc, with cost effective solutions for changing customer demands.

This includes customer relationship management, technology support, account management and business-to-business sales and service, Smith said.

Lubbock means more than just money to ChaseCom.

"We are looking at Lubbock from a profit and also a nonprofit standpoint," Smith said.

In 1999, ChaseCom developed a nonprofit organization called The

Technology Opportunity Institute. The organization is privately funded by ChaseCom and SBC Communications Inc, and operated by volunteers.

The Technology Opportunity Institute offers technology-training classes to youth and their parents in a variety of languages, Smith said.

"They are not only an effective source of labor," he said, "but they can utilize the skills learned in the classroom."

Smith said the nonprofit organization should be established in Lubbock within six months.

ChaseCom is interested in the Texas Tech community as a venue for prospective employees, Smith said.

"We have all full time positions the community can provide as well as a variety of part time positions available for students and single moms and dads," Smith said.

Employee training began Tuesday and will continue for an additional six weeks.

Kevin Christian presented representatives of ChaseCom with a proclamation from Gov. Rick Perry congratulating them on successfully creating a "solid foundation for tomorrow" through the classes offered.

Smith said students interested in a prospective job with ChaseCom should contact the company at (806) 785-2211 or visit the Web site at www.chasecom.net.

While he is aware of the challenges of staffing, Smith said he is looking forward to working here.

"Lubbock represents a dynamic educated workforce in which to provide up-market jobs," Smith said.

# Bells in Administration building silenced for repairs

By Beth Aaron/  
The University Daily

Although attending class this semester will be as traditional as it always has been, celebrating a win for Texas Tech after a big game may not be.

The east and west towers of the Administration building are in need of attention, which they are receiving. However, to properly tend to the towers' conditions, Tech maintenance removed the "victory bells" and the carillon from the towers.

Mike Hurlow, mechanical superintendent for building maintenance and construction, said the bells have been removed to protect them while repairs are being made.

"We'd discovered some deterioration in the structure, and a project was developed to re-do some structural elements in the bell towers," he said.

Hurlow said the bells were removed by a carillon company from Ohio and are stored on campus.

"They're actually a very valuable set of bells," he said. "The bell towers are an integral part of the Administration building; it's a historical building, worthy of preservation."

Hourly chimes will still be heard ringing from other corners of campus, just not the Administration towers, because those also had to be disconnected for repair.

Carolyn Kennedy, executive administrative associate to the provost, said her interest in the Administration building bell towers lies in the carillon, a musical instrument that was given to Tech in the early 1970s.

"It's a shame that a gift to Tech that's very, very valuable can't be maintained," she said. "It's kind of held together by chewing gum and wires."

Kennedy said there are no funds to keep up maintenance on the carillon, and volunteers who give their time to repair it are not enough.

"We weren't able to play the carillon at the Carol of Lights in December," she said. "(Repairs must) be done, but it's just a shame."

Kennedy said the bells are usually played at graduation, but this year, students did not have the pleasure of hearing them during their commencement in December.

J. Ross Lacy, a junior business major from Midland, is president of the Saddle Tramps, a Tech organization that is known for utilizing the bell tower in many of its traditions.

"The Saddle Tramps support the administration's decision 100 percent because it's not safe for students right now," he said. "Some things happen when you have an old building like that."

Saddle Tramp Joshua Baca, a sophomore political science major from Las Vegas, N.M., said one of the goals of his organization was to have the carillon restored. He said he considers the bells to be one of Tech's greatest traditions.

"Every time Tech wins, we get to ring the victory bells," he said. "We know the tradition isn't going away; they're not doing it on purpose, but it's kind of a bother to us."

For more information about the Tech carillon, go to [www.sounddoc.com/carillon.html](http://www.sounddoc.com/carillon.html).

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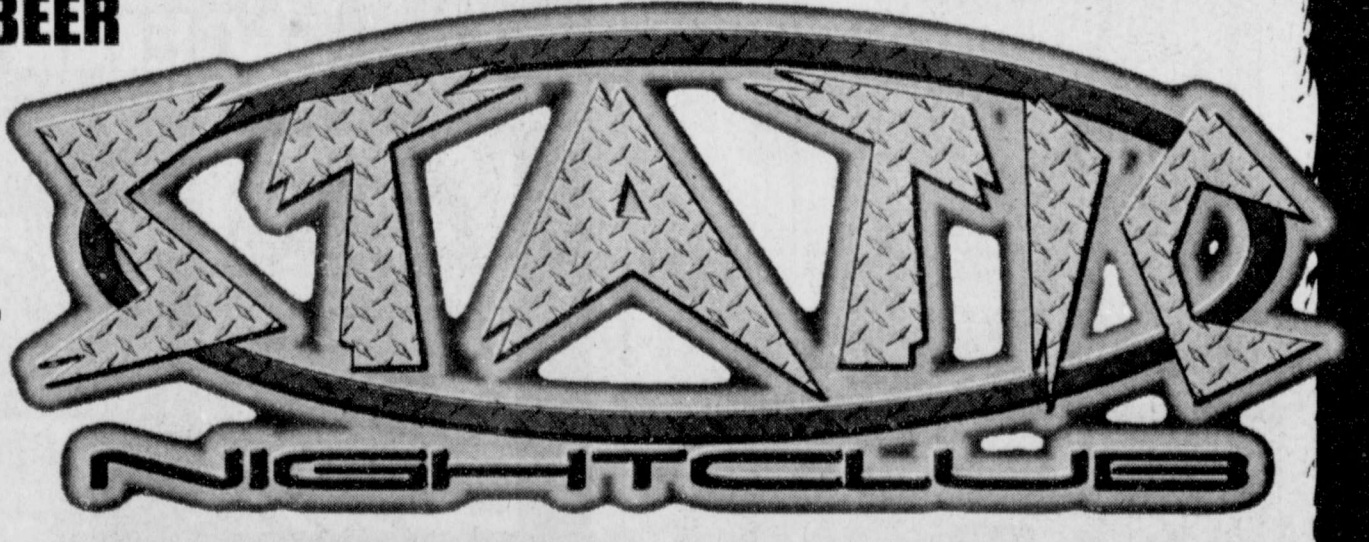
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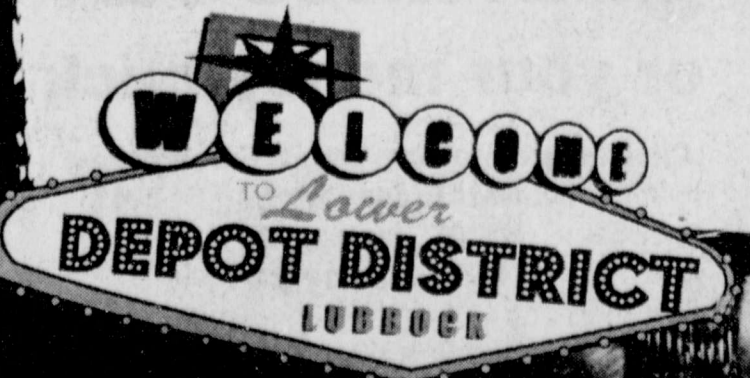
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# SGA focusing on sportsmanship, bike lanes

By Andrew Bell/  
The University Daily

In order to stick to its motto of raising the standard, the Student Government Association at Texas Tech will continue to listen to student concerns and make greater progress on campus.

Colton Batchelor, SGA external vice president, said progress would continue now that the SGA has the information and capabilities to further help the students of Tech.

Three areas the SGA and the Division for Student Affairs would like to improve upon in the next semester are sportsmanship, bicycle lanes on campus and creating more gathering areas for students, Vice President for Student Affairs Michael Shonrock said.

In the past few years, Tech has received a reputation for having a negative attitude at sporting events toward visiting opponents. Shonrock said he would

still like to keep enthusiasm in sporting events, but an enthusiasm that creates a positive image.

"We are tired of the media bashing for our conduct," SGA President Jeremy Brown said.

To change the image that other universities have of Tech, Brown said the SGA has begun to set up focus groups with various leaders and athletes to find out what the problems are while finding objectives to keep a good attitude and fun present at future sporting events.

A master plan is being developed for Shonrock said. This would not only help develop any future bike lanes but other future projects coming to Tech in the future.

Since a master plan is being developed, Batchelor said he will be meeting with transit authorities so the SGA and Shonrock's will be able to evaluate proposals coming in from companies inter-

ested in the job.

As Tech President Jon Whitmore drove through campus, he noticed students do not have many places to gather when they are not in class, Shonrock said. Some suggested gathering areas for students in the future are groups of benches that would have overhangs to shield students from sunlight or snow.

The idea of student gatherings coincides with the objective of the SGA to continually help students and get them involved with events and organizations on campus.

"We want to get out to students as much as possible," Brown said.

The SGA plans to continue town hall meetings where the organization can hear concerns from students and ideas for possible campus improvement. Brown said the SGA would also begin to implement legislation from last semester to help students in the New Year.

Since the current officers of the SGA

only have a limited amount of time before their tenure is up, Internal Vice President Jacque Steinmetz said the Student Senate will continue to focus on improving the colleges on campus and creating a bond between the student population and the Student Senate.

"We want (the senators) to pinpoint key areas on campus for the students," Steinmetz said.

Such areas include senators focusing on the colleges on campus and developing stronger relationships with the deans of the colleges. Steinmetz said she would like to see the senators become more visible in their classes so students will know who to talk to if they have concerns with the university.

To increase the amount of legislation created this semester, Steinmetz said she would like to see more senators attend the SGA town hall meetings so they have a better understanding of what the students would like to see changed while



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SGA PRESIDENT JEREMY Brown discusses major issues of the semester with his chief of staff, Carmen Terry. They are at Tech.

Most importantly, the members of the SGA said they would like to emphasize to students that the organization is for the benefit of Tech students. "If students ever need anything, we encourage them to please contact us," Brown said.

## Landscape architecture readying for accreditation

Texas Tech's landscape architecture graduate program began its initial accreditation process and expects to receive official results in early March.

Department chairman Alon Kvashny said an accreditation committee conducted interviews in late November with several of the program's graduate students and alumni, as well as the provost and practitioners.

"The initial report came back very positive," Kvashny said.

The program has never been accredited.

A Texas law passed in 1999 states students must graduate from an institution accredited by the Landscape Architecture Accreditation Board to be a certified landscape architect.

"Accreditation is very, very important," Kvashny said.

He added that because the graduate program is fairly young and the law was only passed in 1999, there has been

no real need until the present to have the program accredited. The undergraduate program was recently reaccredited.

The initial accreditation process has three possible results, Kvashny said. The landscape architecture program can receive full accreditation, which will last six years; provisional accreditation, which is good for two years and suggests that some things have to change fairly rapidly in order for the program to be re-accredited; or the accreditation can be denied altogether, said Kvashny.

Although Kvashny believes the accreditation process has gone well thus far, he is tentative about being too optimistic.

"Until I see it in writing, I'm not going to be positive," he said.

Kvashny said Tech's landscape architecture graduate program has about 14 students enrolled.

## Mad cow disease not a threat to Lubbock

By Katie Hepburn/  
The University Daily

Headlines across the nation have been splashed with news of mad cow disease since Dec. 23 when the USDA announced that a Washington state dairy cow tested positive for the malady.

However, Kevin Pond, Texas Tech professor and chairman of animal and food sciences, and Chance Brooks, assistant professor of meat sciences, said Lubbock's food supply is safe from the mad cow risk.

"I have no concern over the beef being consumed here in Lubbock," Pond said.

According to BSEinfo.org, mad cow disease is caused by the build-up of abnormal proteins in brain cells, which eventually cause the brain cells to malfunction and die.

Pond said cattle brain, spinal tissue and small intestines — the only cattle parts that can contain the disease-causing bacteria — will no longer be used in the meat supply because of the Washington state scare.

"The USDA has been very proactive in testing for BSE," Pond said.

That reason, he said, led to finding the infected cow and is why the food supply continues to be safe.

In addition to certain cattle parts no longer in meat processing, Pond also said non-ambulatory cows, cows unable to walk, will no longer be on the food market.

Pond wants consumers to be aware that the United States has the safest beef supply in the world.

Brooks echoed Pond's statements. "There was no time that there was a threat to American consumers," Brooks said in reference to the mad cow scare.

"I think that we should learn from the process," he said. "We have used this experience to identify those areas."

However, Brooks said the USDA already has a strong food-guideline process in place to protect consumers, and it has been open with its investigations and findings.

Brooks said the mad cow scare has not decreased America's demand for beef.

"Actually, it's just the opposite," he said. "I think consumers realize we have the safest food supply in the world. They realize it's a very isolated case."

Based on a survey conducted by the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, Brooks said about 96 percent of consumers have heard about the disease. Despite this high figure, there has not been a significant change in the domestic demand for beef.

In addition to high demand, Brooks said beef prices also have stayed relatively high. He said cattle prices in the United States continue to be high because of a variety of factors: the U.S. cattle supply is lower than it once was, cattle are no longer being imported from Canada due to the scare — which lowers the U.S. supply by approximately 10 percent — and beef is currently in high demand because of the popularity of the Atkins diet.

"When you consider the circumstances — the U.S. doesn't have as

many cows, the Canadian border [is] closed, and the demand for beef in the U.S. stayed high — prices (are) naturally very high," said Brooks. "Historically, in times like these, the retailer's profit margins are enhanced. In the past, retailers had a tendency to keep prices higher and weather the storm."

However, packers' prices have decreased because of the mad cow case in Washington. Brooks said packers' wholesale meat prices have dropped 10 to 15 percent since the scare.

Pond does not view this decrease as a reason for concern. "I think people are fairly optimistic [wholesale prices] will recover quickly," he said.

In the South Plains and Panhandle cattle market, Pond said there have been fewer cattle going to auctions. However, if the prices recover soon, as expected, these changes will not have any long-term effects on Lubbock's economy.

Pond also stressed that the infected Washington cow was from Canada, and most cattle in Lubbock's market are processed in the region. Additionally, Pond said most of Lubbock's meat supply is of beef origin, while the infected cow infected was of dairy origin.

For these reasons, Pond does not feel that mad cow disease presents any threat to Lubbock consumers.

Brooks said Tech is not researching the disease. Its causes are a relatively new discovery, and few universities have the expertise to research it at this point.

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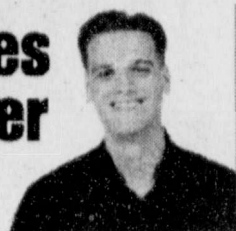
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# 'Rings' still 'King' of holiday season

The holidays are typically the best time of the year to go to the movies. It's the time in which studios roll out their big guns (and sometimes small guns) to commence Oscar campaigns for an academy with a memory span of a 3-year-old.

**James Eppler**



But along with the Oscar contenders, studios also release big-name star vehicles — some of which can fall flat on their faces. For the last three consecutive years, the holiday season has been ruled by one film — "The Lord of the Rings," based on the books by J.R.R. Tolkien.

The final installment, "The Return of the King," opened in mid-December and has reigned over the box office ever since. Rightfully so. Not only is "King" a monumental achievement on its own, but taken as a whole piece of work, there is simply not a cinematic experience to match Peter Jackson's "The Lord of the Rings."

It has awakened a new generation to an old work. "King" is both visually stunning and emotionally gripping. Patrons are returning to see it several times over, which is saying something for a film running three and a half hours.

It is widely thought that "King" is nearly a lock for Best Picture this year and Jackson as Best Director, unless the academy chooses to shun fantasy — which is in its history.

It does face stiff competition, however, from Anthony Minghella's "Cold Mountain," based on the novel by Charles Frazier. The film, which tells the story of a Confederate army deserter (Jude Law) traveling home to reach his love (Nicole Kidman) has been accused of being a "chick flick" in Civil War epic disguise. But the film is not simply a love story. It's a survival story that does not shy away from showing us the horrors of war and the ghastliness of raw human nature.

Minghella ("The English Patient") has written and directed a gorgeous and sweeping epic with strong performances from his leads. Renee Zellweger also gives a dynamite performance in a supporting role.

Strong performances are not in short supply this year. "21 Grams," which opened this past weekend, features performances that are actually stronger than the film itself. Sean Penn, Naomi Watts and Benicio Del Toro are incredible in a film about sad things happening to sad people. Each actor deserves to be recognized. Director Alejandro Gonzalez Inarritu ("Amores Perros") has made a difficult and complicated film that demands audience involvement.

The film itself is like a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle that has been dumped on the ground. The pieces are randomly handed to you. This serves as an interesting idea, but one begins to wonder why the film is being told in this fashion. In the end, it doesn't seem to serve as anything but a gimmick. However, the film is riveting at times but fails to be consistent because of its form.

Not all films released this holiday season deserve high praise. "Mona Lisa Smile" was a mildly

charming film with excellent performances from an all-star cast, including Julia Roberts, Julia Stiles, Kirsten Dunst and Maggie Gyllenhaal. Roberts is an unorthodox art professor who has come to Wellesley College circa the 1950s to teach young women about art, and eventually, feminist values. Even though the film presents a good message — women should not be afraid to be independent — it continuously rams that message down our throats until we nearly choke.

The film views marriage as representative of a woman's failure to be independent, and paints all men as liars, cheaters or chauvinist pigs. Certain scenes — especially the ending — are straight out of "Dead Poets Society." Grading on the curve, the performances would receive an "A" and the material a "C."

When recounting the bad films of 2003 Ben Affleck's name readily comes to mind because of "Gigli." It doesn't get any better for him with "Paycheck," which turned out to be the biggest turkey of the holiday season. The film, directed by action veteran John Woo (who is also in a rut) begins with an interesting premise.

A scientist (Affleck) does top-secret work for large corporations and then has his memory erased. But when he finds that one of his employers is now hunting him down, he must rely on a set of clues he has left himself and his girlfriend (Uma Thurman).

The film starts out as simply flawed but descends quickly into an idiotic wasteland. It soon becomes insulting to the viewers' intelligence. Affleck needs to make some new years resolutions, and Thurman can't finish killing "Bill" soon enough.

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# balancing ACT

## Tech students examine how to better juggle school, work

By Nikki Siegrist/  
The University Daily

Derrick Johnson said the fall semester was less than ideal, but this time around he is starting with a clean slate.

"My job wants me to be a manager and drop out and have my own store," the junior chemistry major from Austin said. "I'm really (active) in my fraternity, and the upper-level classes I'm taking are out of control. I'm trying to take on a lot of responsibility."

Being a part-time employee at The Buckle and a full-time student often clash. But he said he needs to work to pay his bills, even if it takes time away from school.

"They make (work) like it's your career," Johnson said. "I'm not here for that. I'm here for school."

Johnson is not the only student trying to balance school and work.

Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Mary Jane Hurst said she sees many students struggling to juggle everything.

A common problem is students working to pay their bills and go to school but needing extra hours to cover their expenses and consequently dropping out of a class needed to graduate.

Dropping a class is frustrating, she said, and can be avoided if the student manages his or her time wisely.

"Study a little every single day for 15 to 20 minutes," Hurst said. "The cumulative effect of learning is so much more powerful than cramming. It's really

manageable and not so overwhelming."

Students can read ahead in many classes. However, it is not practical for all courses, she said.

When the professor hands out a syllabus, Hurst suggested making a master calendar with all the semester's assignments and project dates.

Then, students can see all their assignments before they happen and plan ahead if they know two projects will be due close to the same time.

Hurst suggested using spare time between classes for short review sessions and to always have something to study. Even reviewing notes while waiting in line at the store is beneficial.

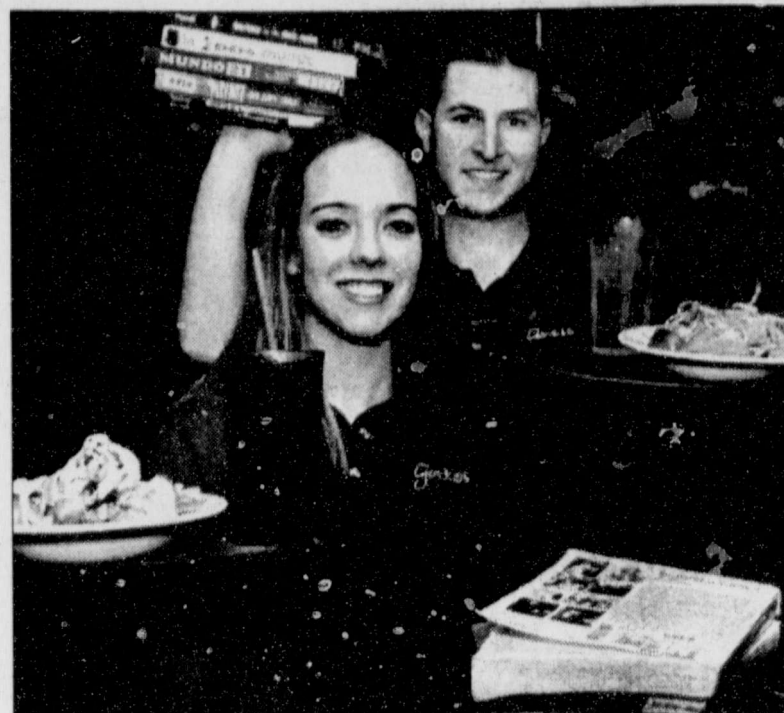
Hurst also encourages students to meet with their professors outside of class.

"It's really positive to go during their office hours," she said. "So they know your name and that you enjoy class."

But students must prepare for and attend class to retain most of the information, she said.

Scheduling specific times to work and times to attend class and not letting those overlap is important.

"It's good to have a regular schedule," Hurst said. "To eat meals at the same time and get up



DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily  
GARDSKI'S SERVERS STACEY Bomar, a junior photo communications major from Lubbock, and Ryan Robertson, a senior marketing major from Southlake, balance school and work.

at the same time every day is good. It allows students to stay balanced and stay healthy and to keep a saner sense about themselves."

Much of the stress students face comes from finances, she said. Tuition rates are rising, and students are encouraged to graduate in four years instead of the five-year average.

Tammy Roark, a senior vice president with Plains Capital Bank, said students should try to balance their checkbooks to help balance their lives.

Though this year's tuition is more expensive, the government did not raise the maximum limit of loan money a student can receive in one academic year.

Therefore, she said, students have to find other means to pay for their education. But, student loans are still more economic because of the lower interest rates they have compared to credit cards, which can have interest rates as high as 18 percent.

Budgeting is something that will

help many students as long as they follow the budget, Roark said.

The budget should include all living expenses, school expenses and entertainment, along with the student's income, and they should balance.

Putting the budget on paper or the computer makes it more concrete and easier to follow, she said. Also, pay at least the minimum balance on all bills each month to remain in good financial standing.

When shopping, students should find sales and discount stores, Roark said. Students should ask themselves if they want the item or needs the item being purchased.

While college can be stressful, David Kraus, director of the Texas Tech Career Center, said students should try to relax and not stress.

"It's not traumatic. Don't stress out about it," he said. "You are not the first and won't be the last, and almost everybody survives. What I would hope students would do is enjoy the ride."

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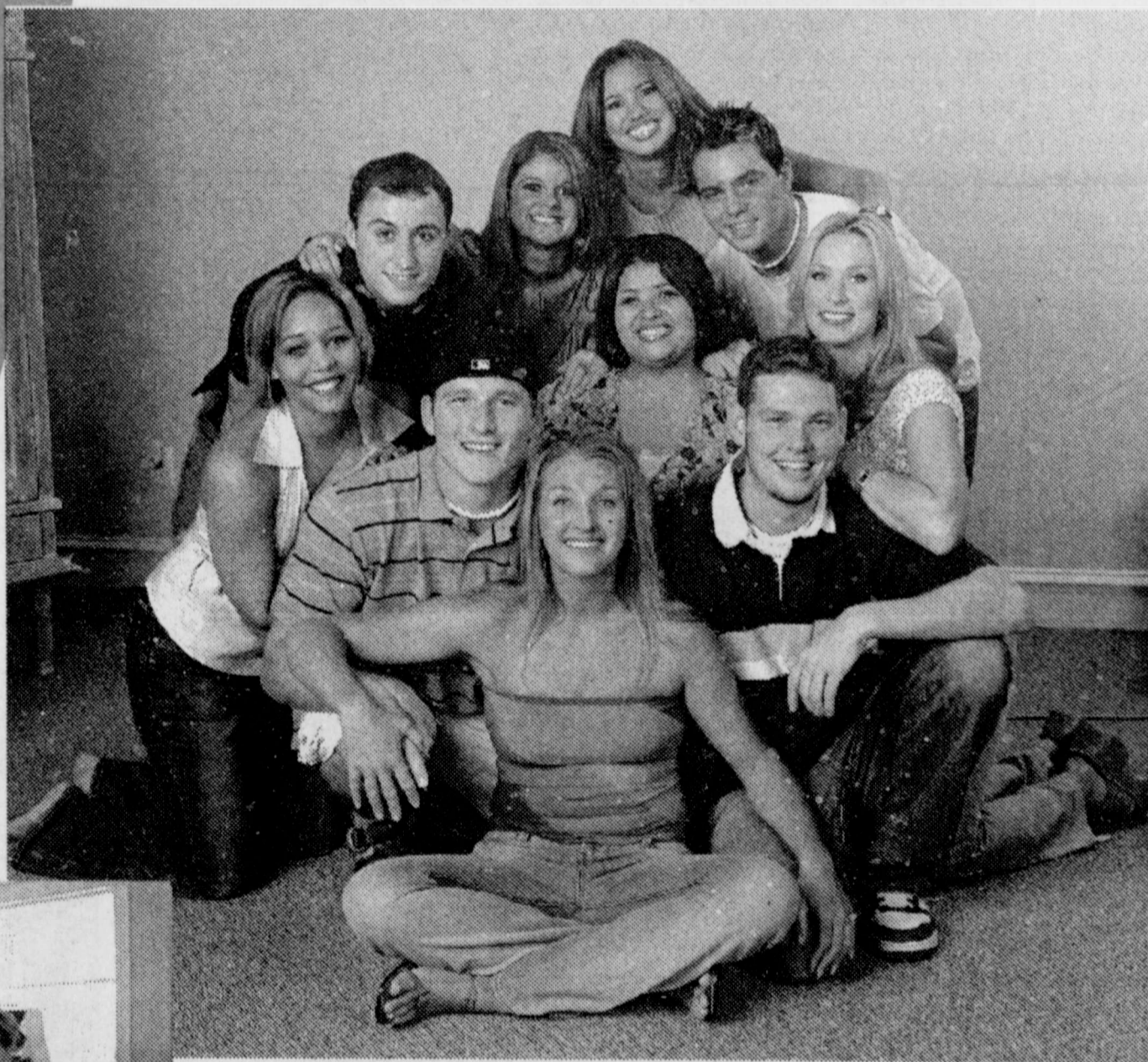

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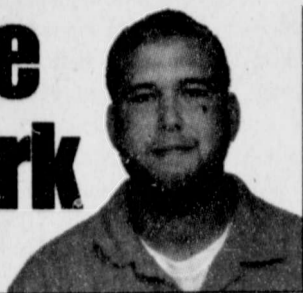
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## Sports Column

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## BCS mess tops list of eventful winter moments

It's been so long since I've scribbled my thoughts that my mind is now overflowing with things to say.

Winter break was an eventful time in the world of sports so to hit every area I've decided to write a notes column. Try to stay with me because I will be moving quickly.

### BCS Mayhem:

After Oklahoma took a swan dive in the Sugar Bowl and USC preserved Michigan quarterback John Navarre's streak of mediocrity with a rousing performance, college football was left with two national champions.

I won't even begin to speculate which team is better. USC and LSU are both deserving champions and my opinion on the issue won't make one team better than the other. However, I can still chastise the NCAA for allowing this situation to occur.

The entire reason the BCS was founded was to end the era of split national champions. The tie between Nebraska and Michigan in 1997 left such a bad taste in fans' mouths that the BCS was born. But much to my delight the BCS truly does nothing to prevent the existence of dual national champs.

In the end BCS commissioner Mike Trangese said he knew this would happen. If he knew it would happen I wish he would have done something before everything went haywire, but now that the system has proved to be broken maybe it will be fixed.

### Oklahoma's falter:

Who would have thought the juggernauts would ever fall? Not me. I could not have seen the two losses coming. Not only did Oklahoma lose two games, the Sooners players looked horrible. Jason White had two embarrassing performances and likely left a nation of fans screaming "Heisman recount!"

I can only guess that time is starting to catch up with the Sooners, and USC and LSU are hot on the trail of wonder boy coach Bob Stoops.

But Sooners fans should not fret. White returns next season, and with Mack Brown still secure as head coach in Austin, Oklahoma can be penciled in as 2004 Big 12 South champs. Raider Nation meets 'Husker Nation

Former Oakland Raiders head coach Bill Callahan has signed on to coach the Nebraska Cornhuskers next season.

The coaching search led by Nebraska athletic director and the corn state's most beloved man, Steve Pederson, was cause for laughter for a week.

After being rebuffed by a bevy of NFL assistants and having a private jet sent back to Lincoln, Neb., without Arkansas coach Houston Nutt inside, many scoffed and cackled at Pederson's efforts.

The search was saved when Callahan surfaced and the for-sale signs being stuffed in Pederson's lawn disappeared. Callahan will bring the West Coast offense to Lincoln and try to move the 'Huskies out of the Stone Age.

Lost in the process was defensive coordinator and interim head coach Bo Pelini, who was passed over for the job. I like Pelini and I pray he is persuaded to remain in Lincoln and not leave to take the vacant Oklahoma defensive coordinator spot, but I understand why Pelini wasn't selected.

Bad things happen to guys who cuss at Kansas State coach Bill Snyder.

### Houston Bowl touchdown celebration:

In case anyone wasn't watching, the Red Raiders of Texas Tech thrashed the hapless Navy Midshipmen in the EvI.net Houston Bowl. However, the pummeling on the field took a back seat in discussion after a fourth quarter touchdown celebration by the Red Raiders.

Old men and purists (whatever the hell that means) commenced bitching after the celebration with interesting tales of "in my day Donny Anderson would have never done that."

Well, Donny Anderson didn't listen to Lil' Jon and the Eastside Boys either. Times change and touchdown celebrations are part of football now. The celebrations are entertaining, and I enjoyed watching the Raiders have a good time in the end zone. It's a bowl game, for goodness sake. Lighten up.

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## A VIEW FROM THE TOP

# SHARP AS EVER

■ Lady Raiders ranked No. 1 in USA Today/ESPN Coach's Poll for first time since Texas Tech won national title in 1993.

By David Wiechmann/The University Daily

During the Lady Raiders game Saturday evening at the United Spirit Arena, the student section chanted, "We're No. 1! We're No. 1!" They were right according to one national poll.

The Texas Tech Lady Raiders were ranked No. 1 in the nation four days earlier in the USA Today/ESPN Coaches Poll, something that had not happened since head coach Marsha Sharp led the team to a national championship in 1993.

"We're trying to take that and turn it into a real positive for us as we start conference play and use it as a confidence builder and something that brings a lot of excitement to the arena whenever our fans are here because they really have been proud of that and excited to be associated with a team that's ranked at that level. I think that really has done more for us in that regard than anything else."

Tech jumped into the No. 1 spot when Connecticut lost at home to then-ranked No. 4 Duke at the buzzer, breaking a 69-game home winning streak for the Huskies.

Despite the No. 1 ranking, one should not expect the Lady Raiders to buckle under any added pressure, because members of the squad said they believe it is not there. The Lady Raiders have been ranked every week since January 1992 and made the NCAA Tournament every year since that same year.

The players are not worried about being No. 1. The Lady Raiders said they just look at it as something that is put in the newspapers. They don't put themselves there; it is writers and coaches that vote them so high in the polls.

"It is just rankings," said forward Casey Jackson. "We don't have any control over rankings; what we can control is how we play."

How they have played is like a No. 1 team averaging 79.8 points a game and

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■ The road began with a preseason ranking of seven; eight weeks later Texas Tech sits at top

By David Wiechmann/The University Daily



Women's college basketball finds itself in a strange place right now. It has a split for who is No. 1 in the nation. Duke sits atop the Associated Press Top 25 Poll, and the Texas Tech Lady Raiders are in the top spot in the USA Today/ESPN Coaches Poll.

It also is strange because it marks the first time in many years that Duke, Connecticut or Tennessee have not been No. 1 in the Coaches poll. So just how did Hall of Fame coach Marsha Sharp get her team to the top this season?

Preseason: Tech comes off of an Elite Eight season in 2002/2003 and opened this year at No. 6, with UConn receiving all 40 first place votes. Duke, Texas, Tennessee and Kansas State round out the top five.

Week 2: Tech starts off the year 4-0 and wins the WNIT and beats No. 18 UC-Santa Barbara and No. 17 Rutgers by 27 and 28 points respectively. Kansas State loses to No. 9 Purdue and causes the Lady Raiders to move up to No. 5. Texas beats Duke and jumps into the No. 2 slot. Duke falls to No. 4.

Week 3: Texas steals a first place vote from UConn, and the Top 5 remains the same. Tech holds Wyoming to an opponent season low 26 points.

Week 4: Texas loses to No. 8 Penn State and drops to No. 6. Stanford cracks the Top 5, and Tennessee, Tech and Duke move up one spot.

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## Men's Basketball

# Andre ATTACK

Forward Andre Emmett close to the complete package; just ask his coach

By Matt Muench/The University Daily

Do not tell Texas Tech guard Andre Emmett he can be stopped. He won't say anything.

"I'm gonna laugh," Emmett said.

Enter Ronald Ross.

"Then he will prove you wrong."

Lately, the senior from Dallas has been making fools of all who say he can be stopped. He was recently named Big 12 Player of the Week for the fourth time this season. Some say he is the best player in the Big 12 Conference.

His numbers may prove that. He leads the conference in scoring for the third consecutive season by pacing a 13-2 Tech team with 22.2 points per game. Saturday during Tech's conference opener he scored 32 points. "Emmett certainly is the best player in our conference," Oklahoma State head coach Eddie Sutton said.

Emmett won't tell you if he is or if he is not. He will tell you he has changed a lot since first walking on the floor at Tech in 2001.

He remembers it briefly.

"I got to practice early because I wanted to fit in," he said. "And feel like I belong."

It did not take him long to be accepted. But he didn't become a star until Bob Knight was hired before his sophomore season. Knight introduced Emmett to the basketball world.

It was Knight that also changed Emmett's attitude, ability and even wardrobe.

"The first time I met him was at a team meeting and everything he was saying I felt like it was directed toward me," he said. "We knew right off that we were going to play basketball his way, get short hair cuts, wear khakis and no earrings."

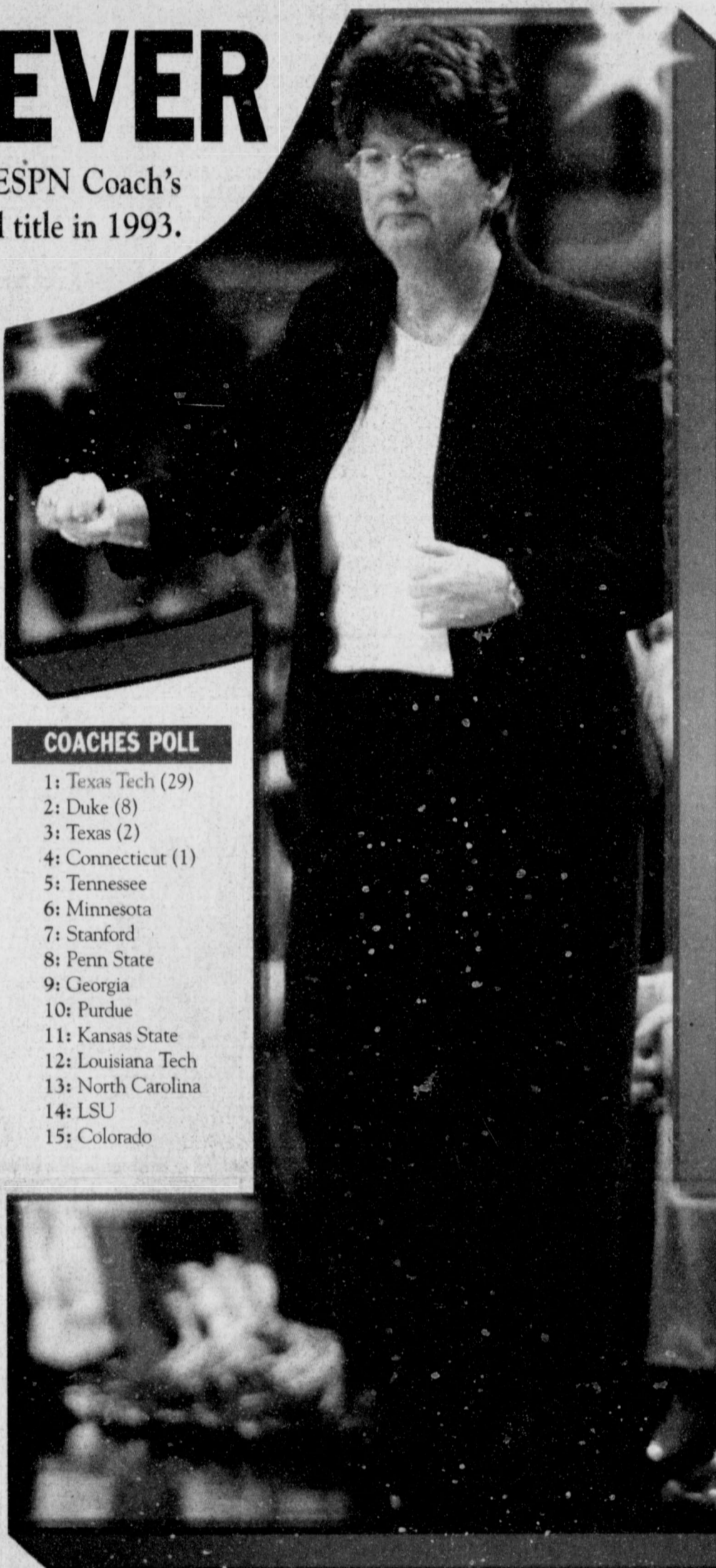
During the last three seasons Emmett is the usual target for Knight during press conferences.

"He needs to learn," Knight said last season. "He has a lot of growing up to do."

Fast forward to last Saturday.

"I think that this kid has matured a lot, and I think he is working at

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## COACHES POLL

- 1: Texas Tech (29)
- 2: Duke (8)
- 3: Texas (2)
- 4: Connecticut (1)
- 5: Tennessee
- 6: Minnesota
- 7: Stanford
- 8: Penn State
- 9: Georgia
- 10: Purdue
- 11: Kansas State
- 12: Louisiana Tech
- 13: North Carolina
- 14: LSU
- 15: Colorado

## Football

# Leach extension still in question

By David Wiechmann/The University Daily

Texas Tech head football coach Mike Leach signed an offer sheet to give him a raise of \$150,000 for the 2003 season.

The addendum was originally offered to him last January, and Athletics Director Gerald Myers said Leach had it on his desk the entire time. The raise was good for the 2003 contract year, which expired Dec. 31. He signed the document in mid-December.

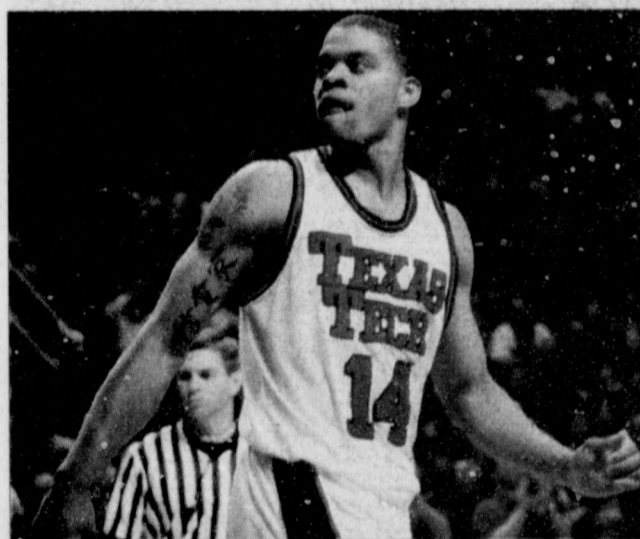
The raise brings Leach's guaranteed income to \$752,000. Myers said the raise will go into Leach's contract as outside income and not base salary Tech is required to pay. Leach will make the extra money through endorsements and apparel contracts. Tech makes up the difference if Leach does not make his full income through outside income.

Myers said he was glad Leach signed for the raise and said he was confident Leach would take the raise.

Although Myers and Leach are in contract discussions through Leach's agent, this is not a new contract.

"(Talks are) still on going," Myers said. "I think we can get it done pretty quick. His agent is kind of like a third party. I have not had any direct talks with Mike about the contract; it's all been with his agent."

Through speaking with Leach's agent as often as possible Myers said he is sure the two parties are getting closer to reaching



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/Photography Editor  
TOP: ANDRE EMMETT glances at the crowd during Tech's win Saturday. Above: Emmett splits two defenders.

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# Raiders focused on redemption

By Joey Kirk/The University Daily

The winter break was long. In fact, it was too long for several Texas Tech baseball players. With the end to a little rest and relaxation, they are set to take the field again with anticipation of their opening day three weeks away.

For Tech's three seniors remaining from last year's team there is something to prove and dignity to regain.

Senior pitcher Steve Gooch said last season was a disappointment compared to years before.

"The year before, we had done real well," he said. "We were one of the top in conference. Last season was just terrible."

Tech had a 30-25 overall record with eight wins in its 26 Big 12 Conference games. During the 2002 season, the Red Raiders had double the amount of wins in Big 12, with 16.

Gooch said the 2002 season can already be compared to the upcoming season.

"We have a similar schedule. We get a chance to play in a couple of cool venues, but it's better because we are playing in a few more pro parks," he said.

During the middle of February, Tech will travel to Houston to play in the Minute Maid Classic held at Minute Maid Park and First Ameri-

can Bank Park. During March, the Red Raiders get to play at the Dell Diamond in Round Rock.

Although these are professional ballparks, Gooch said the team's one main goal is to get deep in the playoffs and possibly make it to the Big 12 tournament and the College World Series.

"You can make up every single goal you want, but those shouldn't even be talked about," he said. "Those are everybody's goals."

As far as talent goes and their chance to achieve those goals, Gooch said he has a good feeling just from what he has seen in the off-season.

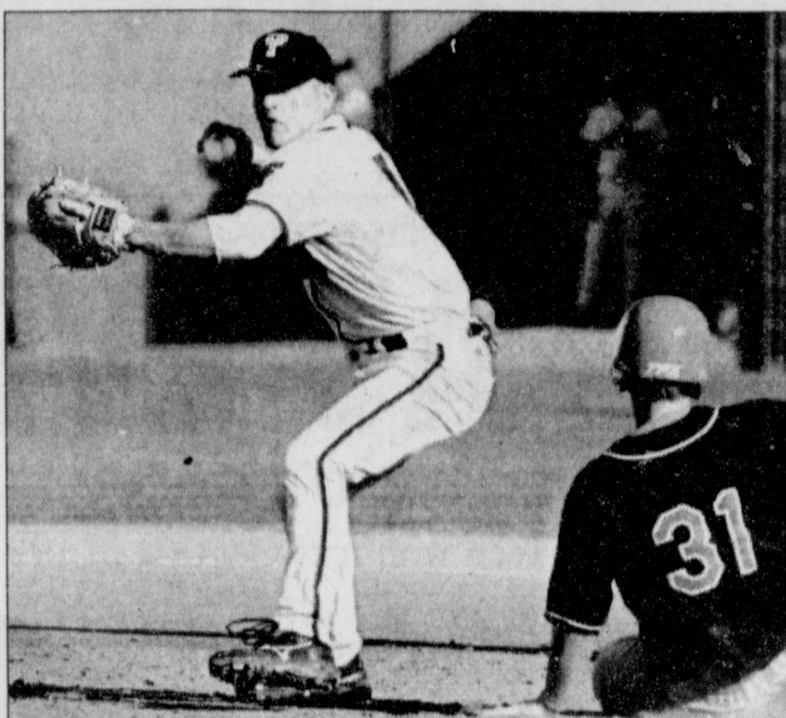
"This is by far the best team I have had the chance to play with," he said. "We have our new pitching coach Travis Walden, and Joe Dillon is doing good things. We just have to feed on each other."

Gooch said he feels as though he must present an example to the younger players on the team.

"Some of the guys look up to me to know what to do," he said. "It's a big deal to me."

Senior infielder Josh Haney said he also has seen a difference from last season.

"There is a difference in our work ethic and priorities," he said. "Last season, there seemed to be a few cancers



FILE PHOTO/The University Daily

THE TEXAS TECH baseball team will begin its season at 3 p.m. Feb. 2 against Campbell at Dan Law Field. The Red Raiders finished the 2003 season with a 30-25 record with an 8-18 Big 12 Conference record. With several new players Tech will try to improve this season.

and we weren't gelling well. It's better to play with friends and this team does play well together."

Haney said with the amount of talent Tech has, he is ready to have a good time as his last season with the

Red Raiders.

"I want to enjoy myself because this might be my last year playing," he said. "I have to take advantage of my opportunities."

These next three weeks are being dedicated to touching up and polishing their game, senior pitcher Juan Razo said.

"We have to be ready for the season 'cause when it is here it goes fast," he said. "We are all on the same page and working for the same goals. There are years you come together and years where it is mediocre. This team flows."

Tech begins practice today and opens the season against the Campbell Camels in a three-game series beginning Feb. 5 and ending Feb. 7.

# Transfer additions key for Red Raider softball squad

By Adam Boedecker/  
The University Daily

Texas Tech softball coach Bobby Reeves does not deny the disappointments of his team's last two seasons, when his teams finished 13-39 and 22-41 after reaching the NCAA Regionals in 2001.

With only seven returning players on this year's squad, he said he sees the beginning stages of a great young team.

"I don't want to call this a rebuilding year for us," he said. "We don't have time to rebuild; we've got to get in there and get after it. To me, the term 'rebuilding year' is just an excuse to lose. We're not looking for excuses, we're looking to get better."

Reeves said Tech's new faces will be playing some key positions on the field and will have to contribute immediately to compete once Big 12 play begins at the end of March.

Tech enters the season with eight freshmen and some key transfer players, who Reeves said will be key contributors.

Reeves said he feels the new players could have a large impact and get the team back to its success of a few years ago, especially with the way the Big 12 is shaping up.

Texas, Oklahoma and Nebraska are perennially strong teams, but Reeves said he believes this season could be different in that every team will have a chance to compete.

"Conference will be very interesting," he said. "(Texas pitcher Kat) Osterman is taking the year off to pitch in the Olympics. There

won't be one team sticking out. I see the Big 12 champ having some conference losses. It's really wide open; everyone will be good."

One of those new faces is pitcher Julie Hauck, who appeared in four games last year at Florida State as a freshman before injuring her arm and getting a medical release.

She said she is excited to play for Tech in the best conference in the country and to get a few more games under her belt.

"In a way I still feel like a rookie," she said. "Now I'm more mentally tough, which is 90 percent of the battle for me. It would have been nice to have a few more games under my belt before I came to pitch in this conference, but I'm excited. I've always wanted to play in the Big 12."

Hauck will be a key piece of a pitching staff with only one returning player, sophomore Erin Crawford, who finished last year with a 7-15 record with a 2.99 ERA and 77 strikeouts.

The other pitchers are Keely Tucker, a transfer from Navarro Junior College, and Kassy Planck, a freshman from Palm Desert, Calif.

Reeves said the four will be integral parts of the team's success in the upcoming season.

"All four pitchers are good at what they do," he said. "You get different looks from all of them and hopefully we will be able to use that to our advantage."

With only three seniors on the squad in first baseman Andrea Joachims, catcher Elyssa Sigala and second baseman Britney Stolle, Reeves will be looking for them to step up and take on a leadership role - one he said they welcome with open arms.

"The leadership role for the three (seniors) will be very important," he said. "When you have as many young players as we do you have to have great leadership in your upperclassmen."

The seniors have seen the ups and downs of collegiate athletics, Reeves said, and probably have a bit of a bad taste in their mouths.

"We've talked about the past couple of seasons and they understand what needs to be done differently to see that it doesn't happen again," he said.

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RED RAIDER RECOVERY



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TEXAS TECH LINEMAN Keyunta Dawson picks up the football after a fumble by Navy quarterback Aaron Polanco while Ken Scott watches. Scott's hit forced the fumble during Tech's 38-14 Houston Bowl win.

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beating opponents by 31.7 points a game. Numbers like that can bring attention to a team, and Jackson knows that. However, she said it just makes the Lady Raiders work harder to maintain themselves as being the best of the best and strive to keep themselves there.

"I think definitely we have a bull's eye on our back," she said. "We still gotta play hard, and that just shows we have to play and in practice we have to continue to get better. We can't get complacent just because

we're No. 1; we still have to work real hard and get better every day."

Tech was denied the No. 1 slot on the Associated Press Top 25 Poll, but the team is not letting that bother them. The players said they know they are No. 1 somewhere, and at the same time remembering that being No. 1 now does not really mean anything. When the rankings matter most is in April when the season is finished.

"You always want to play like you're the best team in the nation every night and just go out there and play," said guard Jia Perkins. "That poll doesn't really determine who's gonna win the national championship. Just because you're No. 1 doesn't mean you're gonna win it. But at the same

time I think it's good to be ranked high in the top four when the NCAA's come out."

There is no doubt being No. 1 in one poll will help the Lady Raiders in seeding for the NCAA Tournament, but 3-point specialist Natalie Ritchie doesn't care where the Lady Raiders are ranked right now. She said she cares where the team is when everything is said and done in New Orleans this year after the Final Four.

"It's just a poll, like I said it's just on paper, and you show where you're ranked in your performance on the court," she said. "I'm not worried about it because we just want to be No. 1 at the very end and win a national championship."

Leach

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an agreement, and said, "we'll get it done."

Myers would not discuss exact numbers or length of the contract because he does not wish to do so until there is an agreement reached.

"I won't discuss anything in regard to that contract until it is done, and then it would have to come from

Leach or his agent," he said. "If they want to discuss it and talk about it, they can. I just think that's our coach's prerogative to discuss his contract and how much he's making."

With Leach signing the raise offered to him a year ago, this could be the next step to coming to terms on a new contract for the coach who has had the No. 1 passing offense in the nation two years in a row. Myers said discussions with Leach's agent are showing sign of development, but he

does not want to cause any unneeded attention to the contract talks.

"Things are moving; we're making progress," he said. "I'm not trying to be evasive; I'm just not ready to get into any details on that contract or anything. I just think the more you say about it then it becomes a big issue, and I'm not making any comment on it other than the aspect that it's on going and we'll get it done."

Leach was out of town recruiting and unavailable for comment.

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Week 5: The Lady Volunteers receive one first place vote. Texas gets back into the Top 5 when Penn State loses to No. 12 Louisiana Tech. Tech defeats back-to-back Top 25 teams - No. 24 Washington on the road 74-70 and Stanford two days later in Lub-

bock 55-46.

Week 6: The Top 5 remains the same as the previous week: UConn, Tennessee, Tech, Duke and Texas. Texas beats Tennessee in Knoxville.

Week 7: Tech jumps to No. 2, and Texas surpasses Duke and Tennessee for the third slot. Tech wins the Surf-Slam Classic in San Diego, Calif.

Week 8: The Lady Raiders become the No. 1 team in the nation when

UConn falls to Duke at home with a buzzer-beater to take the win 68-67.

The loss snapped a 69-game home winning streak for the Huskies. UConn dropped to No. 4. Tech received 27 of the 40 first place votes, Duke had 10, Texas received two and UConn still grabbed one despite the loss.

The release of the coaches poll came one day after Tech was denied the No. 1 ranking by the AP. The Lady Raiders and

Duke both received 20 first place votes out of 46. Texas received the other six.

Thirteen points separated the Blue Devils from the Lady Raiders in the AP poll, meaning Tech was more than likely third on a few more voters' polls than Duke.

Guard Natalie Ritchie said being No. 1 now does not matter.

"The only time that it's gonna be important to be No. 1 is when it's done," she said.

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# Emmett

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trying to be the best basketball player that he can be, rather than just a scorer."

Emmett credits a two-day workout he did last season after Knight suspended him for a game against Texas last February.

He was told he had to run 1,500 wind sprints in two days or he is off the team. It calculated to be about 50 miles. He said it was the worst two days of his life.

"But it personally made me focus," he said. "It was hard, but I am a hungry player, and it changed me forever." It changed his game also. Knight

has said his defense, attitude and maturity have vastly improved.

"I told him to look up vastly in the dictionary and that vastly means a big difference," Knight said. "I told him, if you have reached vastly, I could probably still use vastly two or three more times. (Emmett has) that much room to get to where I'd like (him) to be."

Emmett has been yelled at numerous times by Knight. It gets him down sometimes.

"I never really understood why he was doing that to me," he said. "But I am thankful that he has taken time to focus on me and help me."

Knight also has his compliments for Emmett. But one has really stuck out. It wasn't anything about basketball. "He said he cares about me."

Emmett didn't have a male figure growing up. Not even uncles.

"It was the best compliment he has ever given me," Emmett said.

Knight won't say if Emmett is the best player in the Big 12.

Ross will though.

"In my opinion he is," Ross said. "He works very hard at being the best. 10 times out of 10 he will prove you wrong if you say you can stop him."

Knight is still waiting for Emmett to be a better player.

"I've told him that I want people to ask me what kind of player you are," Knight said. "And (I want to) be able to say that nobody works harder and nobody plays harder than you do and that your defense is vastly improved."

Emmett knows he can be a better

player.

"We know Andre is our best player," Ross said. "But what young players notice is he works hard even though he is the best. He teaches us to keep going no matter who is the lowest or highest player."

His favorite offensive move is his hesitation play inside the paint.

He used it numerous times Saturday to entertain the 13,000 plus crowd at the United Spirit Arena. The fans love him.

"I love feeling the crowd. I am also an entertainer," he said. "I use their energy. Sometimes I'll even blow fans a kiss or pop my collar. But most times I'll just smile."

Just like when someone tells him he can be stopped.

# Lakers star Bryant injures shoulder

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (AP) — Kobe Bryant is expected to miss at least five games and could be sidelined for several weeks with a sprained right shoulder.

The Los Angeles Lakers' star was injured when he was fouled by Kedrick Brown late in the first quarter of a 89-79 victory over the Cleveland Cavaliers on Monday night.

Lakers coach Phil Jackson said Tuesday that Bryant won't need surgery but probably will go on the injured list. Bryant had an MRI

exam Tuesday morning, and the results were not as bad as feared.

"In basic terms, it's a sprained shoulder," Jackson said. "I don't think there's any long-term effects to something like this."

Bryant's injury was the latest blow to the Lakers' star-studded lineup. Shaquille O'Neal and Karl Malone also are out with injuries - Malone for the past nine games with a sprained knee ligament and O'Neal the last five games with a strained right calf.

# Texas running back Benson decides to remain a Longhorn

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas running back Cedric Benson announced Tuesday that he will stay with the Longhorns for his senior year.

Junior backup quarterback Chance Mock, who began last season as the starter before losing his job to Vince Young, also said he would stay at Texas. He had considered transferring to a Division I-AA school.

Benson, who rushed for 1,360 yards and 21 touchdowns in 2003, considered leaving school early to

enter the NFL draft. He's only the third Longhorn back to rush for 1,000 yards in three seasons.

"I have a lot of things I'd still like to accomplish at Texas but the most important one is to win more games and try to help the team win a Big 12 and National Championship," Benson said.

Benson said.

"I'd also like to prove that we can be one of the most explosive offenses out there and continue my development into hopefully one of the best running backs in the country," he said.

His decision means the Longhorns will still have two of their marquee players in 2004. All-American junior line-

backer Derrick Johnson announced last week he'll also stay at Texas.

Texas finished 10-3 and ranked No. 12 last season after a 28-20 loss to Washington State in the Holiday Bowl.

Benson's 3,706 career yards ranks behind only Longhorn Heisman Trophy winners Ricky Williams (6,279) and Earl Campbell (4,443) in the Texas records book. His 45 career rushing TDs ranks him second behind Williams (72) on the UT career list.



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# Symons' surgery postponed

Following Texas Tech's win at the EVI.net Houston Bowl, quarterback B.J. Symons had an announcement: he was having surgery.

The rumor mills had been turning in Lubbock for more than two months as to how serious his knee injury was, but the nation's leading quarterback gave clarity to the situation after the game by stating he was having reconstructive knee surgery in January.

Symons tore his anterior cruciate ligament while jumping to celebrate a touchdown pass to Wes Welker during the Iowa State game October 11. He played half the season with a torn ligament in his knee.

Tech Assistant Athletic Director of Media Relations Chris Cook said



Symons

Symons was scheduled to undergo surgery on his left knee Jan. 6, but a turf burn where his knee was to be cut prohibited that for fear of infection.

The surgery was rescheduled for one week later to allow the scab to heal. However, the scab did not heal and the surgery has been postponed to next week.

Symons declined an invitation to NFL Combines so that he could have the surgery and begin the rehabilitation process afterward.

# Red Raiders rout Navy in Houston Bowl

By David Wiechmann/The University Daily



DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily

TEXAS TECH CENTER Toby Cecil and the rest of the Red Raiders hold up the Houston Bowl trophy after Tech's 38-14 win against the Midshipmen.

The Texas Tech Red Raiders' Air Raid offense dropped the bomb on Navy during the Red Raiders 38-14 win against the Midshipmen in the EVI.net Houston Bowl.

Following a touchdown late in the game, the offense participated in the "Drop Da Bomb" celebration dance. Aside from the celebration, which has drawn flack from fans on Web sites, commentary on radio shows and in newspapers, Tech dominated the game not just offensively but defensively as well.

Quarterback B.J. Symons continued his record-breaking season by throwing for 497 yards and four touchdown passes. He added to his NCAA record for single season passing yards to make the total reach 5,833, and he fell two short of tying David Klingler's record of 54 touchdown passes in a season.

Nehemiah Glover led Tech in receiving with nine catches for 116 yards with one touchdown. Taurean Henderson added eight catches for 83 yards; Mickey Peters had eight receptions for 80 yards. Henderson added 43 yards rushing yards on 11 carries with one rushing touchdown. Peters also had two receiving touchdowns.

Wes Welker caught seven balls for 110 yards. Carlos Francis rounded out the receiving corps with six catches for 90 yards.

The game was touted as being a clash of the titans, pairing the No. 1 passing offense versus the No. 1 rushing offense in Navy. The pre-game offensive hype proved to be true.

Tech's defense could not stop the Midshipmen from moving the ball as the unit's rushing yardage amounted to 289 yards, but the Red Raiders kept the Midshipmen out of the endzone as the final score was 38-14.

Navy finished the game with 17 first downs. The Midshipmen fumbled once during the game, but Navy quarterback Craig Candeto did not throw an interception. Candeto finished the game with 33 passing yards and 90 rushing yards before being replaced in the fourth quarter.

Navy fullback Kyle Eckel, who led the Midshipmen rushing attack this season, finished with 14 carries for 71 yards.

The Red Raiders outgained the Midshipmen by 232 yards. Tech finished the game with 561 total yards, while Navy had 329 yards.

The time of possession war which some thought would be dominated by Navy was a difference of less than thirty seconds in the Midshipmen's favor.

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# Winter break sprouts streak for Tech basketball teams

## Lady Raiders dominate West Coast competition

The Texas Tech Lady Raiders had a busy winter break as the team traveled to the West Coast twice.

Tech remained undefeated with six wins during the break to get to a 15-0 record.

Tech hosted Oklahoma State on Saturday and never allowed the Cowgirls to have a chance at winning. Tech went on a 29-0 run early in the first half on the way to a 106-43 win. Guard Natalie Ritchie also set the school record

for 3-pointers in one game with eight. The team also shot 14-of-18 from 3-point land.

Tech claimed two more ranked teams as its victims as well.

On the road facing No. 24 Washington, Tech walked away with a four-point win.

The Lady Raiders handed No. 7 Stanford a nine-point loss two days after beating Washington.

After the Christmas holiday, the team headed back to the Coast for a tournament in San Diego, Calif. Tech beat Maryland and San Diego to win its third tournament of the year.

## Emmett shows form in Red Raiders' win streak

Most Texas Tech students got to take a break between semesters. Not the Texas Tech men's basketball team. But it was not a bad thing for the players, as they went 7-0 during the month-long class lay-off.

The wins increase Tech's winning streak to nine games and its record to 13-2.

During the stretch Tech completed a Big Ten hat trick as it defeated Iowa, Minnesota and Ohio State consecutively.

Tech also opened Big 12 Conference play on Saturday against Oklahoma State by defeating the

Cowboys 84-63 at the United Spirit Arena. The Red Raiders were led by the usual suspect, Andre Emmett, who scored a season-high 32 points.

Emmett, the Big 12's leading scorer, has averaged 22.5 points per game since school let out which has helped him earn Big 12 player of week twice.

Tech beat TCU and San Diego State to open the holiday run.

The Raiders return to action Saturday to face Baylor at 8 p.m. in Waco. The game will be televised on Fox Sports Net. Tech's next home game is part of ESPN Big Monday against Oklahoma.

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# Tech's Johnson has Olympic aspirations

By Adam Boedeker/  
The University Daily

Texas Tech track runner Jonathan Johnson can be thankful that most track meets are held on weekends, otherwise he would be putting all his money toward his cellular bill.

Besides listening to classical music in the hours leading up to his races before switching over to his "pump-up music," which includes "Never Scared" by Bone Crusher, there is one thing Johnson always does right before he steps on the track - phones home.

"The last thing I do before I step in the blocks is call my mom," he said. "I talk to her because she helps me relax. I just like hearing her voice before I compete. From there, it's time to go."

The junior runner, who excels in the 800-meter, the 4x400 relay and the 1,600-meter sprint medley relay, has become one of the most decorated track athletes in Tech history, and one of the best coach Wes Kittley said he has seen in his many successful years at Tech and Abilene Christian.

"I had some great 800 (meter) runners at ACU," he said. "But just by talent I think he's the best I've ever had. He hates to lose more than anyone, and he's great as far as working out on a daily basis. To be great, you just can't be a Saturday runner, you have to work hard every day."

When Johnson lists his goals for the upcoming year, they include winning a third consecutive Big 12 title in the outdoor 800 meters, winning the Big 12 indoor championship and

winning nationals - something he fell one one-hundredth of a second short of last year.

But the ultimate goal for all track athletes, he said, is to go to the Olympics.

"There's nothing like it," he said. "It's better than the Superbowl. The whole world comes together to compete and the whole world watches you. Everyone wants to be a part of it."

Johnson likes his chances of competing in the 800-meter run in Athens this summer.

"I think I have a good shot," he said. "I'm not going to limit myself to anything short of that. I'm never gonna sell myself short on anything."

Kittley agreed. "He finished third at the U.S. Championships, which is basically the Olympic trials in a non-Olympic year," he said. "If he does that again this year, and I see no reason why he won't, he's on the Olympic team. Texas Tech has never had an Olympian, so that would be great for him and the program."

Aside from his work ethic and determination, his confidence is a great attribute, Johnson said.

"I'm determined to be the best I can be," he said. "I have big goals. When people have big goals they push themselves to unknown limits, you have to have that mindset, and I do."

With the indoor season kicking off Jan. 23, Kittley said Johnson will use it to get conditioned for the outdoor season that begins in March.

Johnson sat out the majority of last year's indoor season because of an in-



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/The University Daily

TEXAS TECH JUNIOR Jonathan Johnson will anchor Tech's mile relay team this season. Johnson finished third at last year's U.S. Championships and is hoping to earn a spot on the U.S. Olympic team.

jury, but it was later at the Texas Relays, one of the first outdoor meets of the season, when Johnson solidified his spot in Kittley's mind as the best.

Johnson is a member of the 1600-meter sprint medley relay, which is comprised of two 200-meter legs, a 400-meter leg and an 800-meter leg. He runs the 800-meter leg.

The group has been the No. 1 ranked relay team in the world for two consecutive years.

The Texas Relays was Johnson's first to run in since being injured for two months, and he did not disap-

point, running a 1:46 split, when Kittley had expected about a 1:48 split.

"I've never had anyone be injured for two months and go out and do some phenomenal feat like that," he said. "With being out of shape like he was, there's feasibly no way, with the condition of his body, to run that well. It shocked us."

Johnson holds some lofty aspirations for when his time in Lubbock is through, including running professionally for another ten years.

"I want to be the best U.S. 800

runner ever," he said. "I feel like anything is possible. I'm always striving to be the best."

But first things first, preparing during the indoor season and performing during outdoor, he said.

"It's a team thing, it's not individual," he said. "We're going into the season as one and we'll come out as one. I think we will finish in the top three in the conference. It would be great to bring a Big 12 championship back to Tech. It's a big goal of ours to step up and make something happen this year."

## Tech pole vault record broken in opening meet

The Texas Tech pole vaulters began the 2004 track season during the weekend as they competed in the U.S. Pole Vault Summit in Reno, Nev.

Five vaulters finished in the top five of their respective flights, but one sophomore Dana Rosenblatt soared above the rest.

She not only broke her personal best, but also her own school record of 11'-10" with a vault of 12'-7.5", which gave her the best women's vault in her division.

Coach Wes Kittley said the meet was only an exhibition, but was what he expected.

"It was just an exhibition," he said. "But it was a good start for her with her first vaults since before the Christmas break."

Another notable finish was turned in by Bobby Most, a 2003 indoor All-American, who cleared a height of 16'-10.75" to place third in his group.

Kittley said the Reno meet was a way for the vaulters to get rid of the jitters before opening the indoor season Jan. 23.

"I think it's a great start the team," he said. "It's a good way to enter the indoor season and set the kids up to start the meets that really count next Friday."

Tech will begin competition Jan. 23 at home in the Red Raider All-Comers Meet and will proceed the next day in competition against Baylor and Texas-El Paso in the NTX Quad.



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# Ritchie's Record

## Tech guard hits eight 3-point shots

By David Wiechmann/  
The University Daily

Saturday was a long day for Natalie Ritchie because she didn't want it to end.

The Lady Raiders' 3-point specialist said she could not go to sleep after setting the school record for 3-pointers in a game with eight against Oklahoma State.

It was an accomplishment she had set her eyes on her entire career and finally had the opportunity to achieve in her senior year at Texas Tech.

"I could never have dreamed of a game that was that awesome," she said. "You always think how you would want a game to go and how you would want to perform. And I got to live my dream game."

Her dream game was 8-for-10 behind the arc and 9-for-11 overall with 27 points. She had the hot hand on Saturday, but it has been a growing trend for Ritchie, who also

was 5-of-6 from 3-point land in the previous game. Her touch has returned as the Lady Raiders get into Big 12 Conference action.

"I think the timing is great for me," she said. "Yeah, it doesn't matter how I shot at the beginning of the year, we won those games. We worked on things; the team's playing great; now it's just time for me to step it up."

The record-setting shot came in a 106-43 blowout of the Cowgirls, and the starters were all on the bench. When head coach Marsha Sharp learned of the chance to set the record, she jumped at giving Ritchie the opportunity.

She sent some of the starters back in the game with more than seven minutes remaining in the runaway victory and scripted a play just for Ritchie. Sharp said after the game she planned to keep Ritchie in the game until she made another one.

Sharp, Ritchie, her teammates and the fans did not have to wait long as the ball was given to her quickly and



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/The University Daily

LADY RAIDER PLAYERS Erin Grant and Jia Perkins celebrate with Ritchie on the bench after the guard broke the single game record.

she drained the record-setting eighth 3-pointer, touching nothing but net with a hand in her face.

She ran down the court with a smile on her face as the fans erupted in cheers for the eighth time of the day and gave Ritchie a standing ovation as she left the court moments afterward.

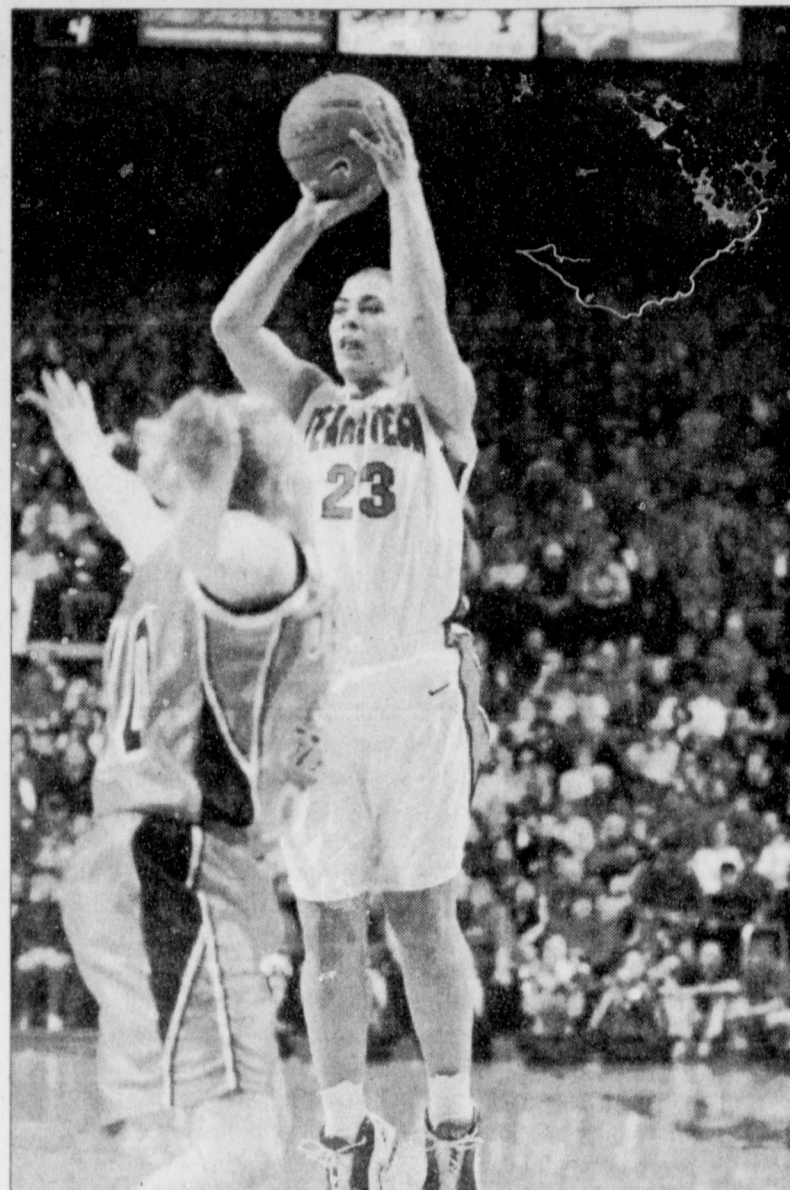
Sharp said she wanted Ritchie to have the record because she knew how important it was to her, and the Amarillo product has played an important role as a Lady Raider throughout her career.

"She has been such a huge part of our program her entire career and been such a great shooter for us you want her to have that opportunity and that chance to set the record," she said. "Now I told her I hope she continues to break it herself and continues to shoot it that well."

Shooting that well has not come easy for Ritchie, who said she struggled earlier in the year. She changed her shot in the summer to have more arc to prevent herself from shooting flat when she gets tired late in games.

She also has been doing extra shooting drills with long-range shooters freshmen Brooke Baughman and Alesha Robertson. Ritchie credits much of her success to the extra work and shooting games she plays with the freshmen. The extra work has paid off, and long-time friend and teammate Jolee Ayers-Curry believes Ritchie should have the record because of everything she put into getting it.

"I don't know of anyone who is



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/The University Daily

TEXAS TECH GUARD Natalie Ritchie shoots one of her record eight 3-pointers during Tech's 106-43 victory against Oklahoma State.

more deserving of breaking that record and holding it for a while because she has worked so hard to get it, and she is so deserving of it," Ayers-Curry said.

The Lady Raiders have always been a tight-knit group, more so this year than any other, and the relationship they have with their fans is tight as well. A group of fans watch practice every day, and if there is a change in practice time, Sharp calls to let them know. That is why Sharp believes the record meant a

lot to the fans as well as Ritchie.

"We were excited; everybody associated with our program was excited. I think you could feel the energy in the stands. They were having a good time," Sharp said.

Ayers-Curry said the love the fans have for Ritchie was eminent after the game.

"There were people in the stands crying after the game in the parent's section because they were so excited to see her do it," she said.



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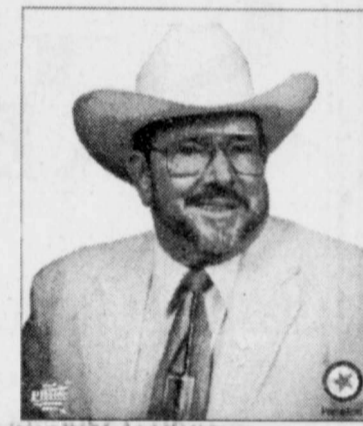
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# Manning having perfect playoffs

(AP)— Before nearly every play, Peyton Manning barks instructions to his teammates. He waves and points. Put a baton in his hand, and he could be an orchestra conductor.

Sometimes it's just for effect, hoping to fool a linebacker or safety into thinking Manning is switching plays. Often, though, he is making a key adjustment that leads to a long gain or a score.

It might look like chaos, but all of Manning's movements and words help the Indianapolis Colts' offense run perfectly.

"Phenomenal," is how Colts coach Tony Dungy puts it. "He's putting us in the right situations on every play."

That could be an understatement. Manning is playing so well he's drawing comparisons to Super Bowl-winning quarterbacks like John Elway, Brett Favre and Steve Young.

After entering these playoffs with an 0-3 career postseason record, Manning has engineered two victories with stellar stats: He's 44-of-56 for 681 yards and eight touchdown passes.

His passer rating is an almost-perfect 156.9, and he guided Indianapolis to touchdowns on 10 of 17 possessions. He also guided the Colts into

the AFC championship game at New England on Sunday.

Against Kansas City in the second round, the Colts just could not stop the Chiefs' offense. Every time Manning was on the field, he knew Indianapolis HAD to score.

So he produced five touchdowns and a field goal. Simple as that.

"We knew it was going to be that type of game," Manning said. "Kansas City has a lot of big-play players. But our offense has been in rhythm the last couple of weeks."

Well, yeah. And so much of that is Manning's doing.

The Colts often use a hurry-up offense. They don't huddle between plays, instead hustling to the line of scrimmage, which stops opponents from substituting players to fit the situation.

Then Manning surveys who is on the field and in what formation, and he calls the appropriate play. So far, he's been correct on nearly every call, winding up with receivers in one-on-one coverage or a defensive lineup filled with defensive backs trying to stop Edgerrin James' runs.

"We're calling a lot of stuff," Manning said.

# Clemens return sparks fan frenzy in Houston

HOUSTON (AP) - How quickly the perception of the Houston Astros has changed from playoff bumbler to World Series contender, all because of one future Hall of Famer.

Six-time Cy Young Award winner Roger Clemens signed a one-year, \$5 million contract with the Houston Astros on Monday that ended a brief retirement and turned the spotlight on his hometown, still looking for a pro baseball playoff victory.

Ticket sales and fan frenzy have taken off like, well, a rocket.

"This is undoubtedly the largest day of season ticket sales I've ever experienced," Astros vice president of ticket sales and services John Sorrentino said Tuesday.

Sales of the Rocket's No. 22 uniform were on sale on the team's Web site hours after Clemens agreed to pitch "at least" one more season after declar-

ing himself 99 percent retired following last season's World Series performance with the New York Yankees.

Not only are the fans excited, Clemens' new teammates are elated.

"How can you not be excited?" Jeff Bagwell said. "You go to the grocery store and everyone's asking about Roger. This is something I thought really might happen. It's the culmination of what you've striven for."

"As a player, things change throughout your career but for everything that's happened the past eight or nine years this would be everything I've worked for."

The Astros have teased their fans over the years with six visits to the playoffs, all ending in defeat. The Astros, with a 6-18 playoff record, have been particularly inept in their last four postseason appearances.

That could change with the famous

additions of Clemens and Andy Pettitte, a former New York Yankees teammate, who signed a three-year \$31.5 million contract with the Astros last month.

"It would be amazing (reaching World Series)," Pettitte said. "That's our goal. I want to be a part of the first team to win a playoff series and then you go from there. It's the same story. You keep everybody healthy and we should have a strong chance."

Bagwell and Craig Biggio, the team's marquee players in those years, have performed miserably in the playoffs. Bagwell, a career .300 hitter, has hit .174 in the playoffs. Biggio has been a steady .287 hitter with the Astros but he's only hit .130 in the playoffs.

Sorrentino was adding up more encouraging numbers since Monday's announcement of Clemens' return. He didn't have specific figures on tickets sold since Clemens became an Astro.

"I'm ecstatic, we've been looking for a day like this around here for a long time," Sorrentino said. "Days like this are what people in marketing dream about."

Sorrentino saw a big boost in the Astros' sales when owner Drayton McLane signed Pettitte.

"I think that was a boost of confidence in Drayton," Sorrentino said. "They saw the commitment. Things died down but now we've gone through a renewal. It's hard to describe the excitement."

Sorrentino has been with the Astros 18 years and recalls the opening of Minute Maid Park (then Enron Field) as the only other event that had fans clamoring for tickets.

"Our call volume was tremendous then but the difference is that now everyone calling is for season tickets," Sorrentino said.

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**Sports Clubs Updates**  
Sports Club general info session on Wed., Jan. 21 at 6:00pm in room 205 of the Rec Center.

**Mandatory Officer's Meeting**, Jan. 21st at 7:30pm Room 205 of the SRC. Please bring your calendars.

**Going Skiing This Weekend?**  
Heading to the mountains for MLK Weekend? The OPC is offering ski and snowboard/blade rental packages over the long weekend.  
Package price includes: skis, boots, and poles or snowboard/snowblade and boots. Cost for a Friday, January 16, pick-up and a return date of Monday, January 19, is \$24 for skis or \$30 for snowboards/snowblades. The quality of gear and price is hard to beat here in town or at the slopes. To reserve equipment please stop by OPC located outside the north entrance of the Recreation Center. Reservations are highly recommend.

**Weight Watchers**  
The weigh in is at 6:30 pm and the meeting begins at 7:00 pm in the SRC Rm 206, beginning Thursday, Jan 16. It is \$9 for students and \$11 for all others. Rec Center membership is not required.

**Girls & Women In Sports Day**  
The seventh annual Girls & Women In Sports Day is Saturday, January 17. It is geared toward girls (K-6) and their mothers. The girls and moms will participate in volleyball, soccer, softball, fitness and group initiatives. It is free and open to all Tech associates and the general public. The morning of the event each mother/daughter group will need to check in between 8:15 and 8:45 am and the activities are from 9:00 am - 11:30 am. There are free t-shirts and basketball tickets available to participants who are registered. Register by calling 742-3828 by January 16.

## FITNESS/WELLNESS

**Wellness Fair Coming Jan. 27**  
TechWell: An Interactive Wellness Fair will be on Tuesday, January 27 from 3:00 - 6:00 pm in the SRC. All faculty, staff and students are invited to come and test their wellness knowledge at some of the booths. Each booth will have some type of short activity, test, questionnaire or contest for all participants. No Student Recreation Center membership is required to participate in the Fair. For questions or more information, contact 742-3828 or 742-3351.

## Get Your Move On! Spring Specialty Classes

From Ballet to Yoga, there's a specialty class for everyone. Sign-up is going on now in the Fit/Well Center for the following classes:

Class	Day	Time	Cost	Dates
Ballet	T/TH	4:15-5:15pm	\$20	1/27-2/26
Ballet	W	8:15-9:15pm	\$10	1/28-2/25
Boxing Tech.	SU	3:30-5:30pm	\$20*	1/25-2/22
Cardio Belly	T	3:00-4:00pm	\$12	1/27-2/24
Fit. Inst. Training	T/TH	3:00-5:00pm	\$30	1/29-2/19
Irish Dancing	M	5:30-6:30pm	\$12	1/26-2/23
Jazz Dance	M	7:00-8:00pm	\$10	1/26-2/23
Knockout Jam	M/W	4:15-5:15pm	\$20*	1/26-2/25
	T/TH	6:45-7:45pm	\$20*	1/27-2/26
Mat Pilates	M	5:30-6:30pm	\$20	1/26-2/23
	T	5:30-6:30pm	\$20	1/27-2/24
	SA	11am-12:00pm	\$20	1/31-2/28
Men's Wt. Training	T/TH	8:00-9:00pm	\$16	1/27-2/19
Racquetball	T/TH	6:00-7:00pm	\$16	1/27-2/19
Spin City	T/TH	12:10-1:00pm	\$20	1/26-2/25
	M/W	6:45-7:45pm	\$20	1/26-2/25
	T/TH	5:30-6:30pm	\$20	1/27-2/26
Tap Dance	SU	4:00-5:00pm	\$10	1/25-2/22
USA Tennis 1-2-3	M/W	5:15-6:15pm	\$20	3/29-4/21
Team Tennis	M/W	6:30-7:30pm	\$20	3/29-4/21
Women & Wgts.	M/W	8:00-9:00pm	\$16	1/26-2/18
Yoga	M	9:00-10:00pm	\$20	1/26-2/23
	W	5:30-6:30pm	\$20	1/28-2/25
	W	6:35-7:35pm	\$20	1/28-2/25
	TH	5:30-6:30pm	\$20	1/29-2/26

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Free Class	Day	Date	Time	Room
Irish Dance	Mon	Jan. 19	5:30-6:00pm	LLMP
Cardio Belly	Tue	Jan. 20	3:30-4:00pm	114
Ballet	Tue	Jan. 20	4:45-5:15pm	121
Spin City	Tue	Jan. 20	5:30-6:00pm	LLMP
Mat Pilates	Tue	Jan. 20	6:15-6:45pm	LLMP
Belly Dance	Wed	Jan. 21	8:30-9:00pm	LLMP
Yoga	Thu	Jan. 22	5:30-6:00pm	LLMP
Knockout Jam	Thu	Jan. 22	7:00-7:30pm	121

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Saturday - Sunday 2pm - 6:45pm  
Noon - 1:20pm  
3:00pm - 8:45pm

**Special Monday Holiday Hours:**  
Rec Center: 11am-8pm  
Aquatic Center 2-6:45pm

## INTRAMURALS

### Intramural Basketball

The time is now to get your team organized for intramural basketball. Sign-up for hoop will be Tuesday through Thursday of next week. (Jan 20 - 22) Play will begin the last week of January.

Intramural basketball features divisions for men, women and a very popular co-rec division. It is standard 5 vs. 5 basketball and games are played at the Student Recreation Center. Players may play on only one men's or women's team and they may also participate on one co-rec team as well. Team captains should bring their rosters, complete with student ID numbers to room 203 of the Student Rec Center next Tuesday through Thursday of next week. The office is open 8am-5pm. There is a \$30 refundable forfeit fee required at time of entry.

Last year 304 teams took the courts. The finals were held on center court in the United Spirit Arena. Defending champions are Men's All-U champ "Samford and Sons"; Women's All-U champion "Ice"; and Co-Rec champions "The Force." Players of all skill levels are welcome. Teams will play a regular season and all teams (provided an adequate Papa John's Sportsmanship Rating) will advance to a playoff based on their record.

If hoop is your game or you just want to get in on the action get signed up next week!



### Basketball Officials

Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup> is your chance to part of one of the biggest events this spring has to offer. Over 3,000 students and 300 teams will compete in a grueling two-month season. Officials are paid \$10 per game. There are also paid clinics scheduled to assist perspective employees. The first clinic will be Tuesday, at 6:00 PM in room 201 of the Student Rec. Center. If you have any questions regarding employment feel free to call 742-2945.

## OUTDOOR PURSUITS

### New Mexico Ski/Snowboard Trip

February 6-8 and February 20-22

Here is your chance to escape to the mountains of New Mexico and enjoy their winter snow. The Outdoor Pursuits Center (OPC) is offering two weekend ski trips to Santa Fe, New Mexico. This is a great trip for beginners or those who do not have transportation to get to the slopes.

#### What is included in the trip cost?

The OPC will provide transportation, lodging, skis or snowboard rentals.

**What do you have to provide?** Personal clothing, lift tickets, and meals.

**What does New Mexico Ski Trip cost?** The trip cost is \$105

**How do I sign-up?** To sign up for this trip, stop by our office located at the north entrance of the SRC and fill out a trip registration form and pay the trip cost. You may also call 742-2949 or check out our website at [www.recsports.ttu.edu](http://www.recsports.ttu.edu) for more information. The deadlines for these trips are Jan. 29 and Feb. 12.

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It's Coming...

**The Annual Rec Sports All-Nighter**  
Friday, January 30th - Student RecCenter

Check out next Wednesday's page for complete details and list of events

## Community Advisor

# CA tch the Spirit

The Office of Housing and Residence Life is looking for Community Advisors for the 2004 - 2005 academic year. If you are interested in promoting learning and a community environment in the residence halls while developing personal leadership skills that will last a lifetime, you are encouraged to attend an information session to receive an application.

**INFORMATION SESSIONS:**

January 20	SUB Red Raider Lounge	4:00 P.M.
January 21	Education Building, Rm 1	5:00 P.M.
January 22	Wall/Gates Lobby	9:00 P.M.
January 26	Doak Formal Lounge	4:00 P.M.
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