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Butler settles; termination effective Friday

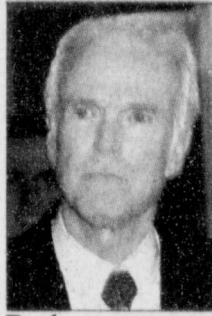
By Beth Aaron/The University Daily

A Texas Tech plague researcher who was convicted of almost 50 felony counts in December has agreed to settle the terms of his termination, despite earlier efforts to fight them.

Floyd Holder, attorney for Health Sciences Center researcher Dr. Thomas Butler, who was convicted of 47 felony counts of embezzlement and mail and wire fraud related to the plague scare in January 2002, declined to discuss the terms of the settlement but said

his client's resignation from the HSC was effective Friday.

"They made us an offer, and we took the offer," he said. "It was in the best interest for everybody. We could keep fighting, but it wouldn't make much difference, so we're paying them some money and we're retiring."



Butler

HSC President Dr. M. Roy Wilson said a settlement with Butler will mark the end of Tech's involvement with the matter.

"With restitution and resignation, we will not pursue dismissal," he said. "All issues with Dr. Butler will be deemed resolved."

Tech General Counsel Jeff Young said the details of Butler's settlement should be worked out sometime this month.

"Settlement negotiations are ongoing and may be resolved shortly," he said. "He has made a written offer, and we are now in the process of responding."

Phone calls made to Butler's residence went unanswered Friday.

In December, Butler was convicted of 47 felony counts including embezzlement, and mail and wire fraud related to a bubonic plague scare that involved an FBI investigation and resulted in a briefing to President Bush regarding the incident.

Tech Chancellor Dr. David Smith did not return phone calls seeking comment on the settlement.

Earlier this month, a committee was scheduled to hear Butler's appeal, but it had

not yet been formed. The hearing intended to address Butler's termination from the university.

Though not directly involved in the case, Tom Lehman, a professor in the department of geosciences, said he has followed the case closely and believes the university prefers university officials not engage in a hearing.

"(HSC) would rather that the hearing not take place," he said. "They'll rather he resign before that happens, and they want him to pay."

Dr. Richard Homan, dean of the school of medicine, was not available for comment.



SWEET Tastes



South Plains citizens enjoy sipping on wine, tasting chocolate

By Nikki Siegriest/The University Daily

An edible, hand-sculpted bear, dragon's eggs and chocolate poker chips were all part of festivities at the Llano Wine and Chocolate Fantasia Saturday night.

Rich, decadent displays of chocolate made by area chefs were displayed as the public ate the works of art, washing them down with homegrown wine from the Llano Estacado Winery.

The seventh annual event was held to raise money for the West Texas Parkinson's Society and the South Plains Chapter of the Texas Chef's Association.

"It gets bigger and better every year," Russell Gillentine, tasting room director for the winery, said. "The (entries) just get better and better every year."

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TOP: LINDA KIRK, left, owner of Bakery Creations and Casey Meadows prepare their chocolate castle for the judges at the Llano Wine and Chocolate Fantasia on Saturday. ABOVE: Area residents taste wine.

Public Affairs

Former Tech employee sentenced for robbery

By Michael Castellon/The University Daily

A former Texas Tech Traffic and Parking employee was convicted last week of stealing nearly \$60,000 from the university.

Barbara Burks was sentenced to serve a 10-year deferred sentence and will be required to pay back the \$60,000 she stole over at least a two-year period from Tech while working as a cashier at the university's Traffic and Parking division.

As part of an plea agreement to plead guilty to theft charges, Burks avoided the maximum sentence of up to 10 years in prison.

Her sentence requires her to pay back the money she stole from the university, in addition to performing 500 hours of community service.

Tech's Vice President of Operations Max Hinojosa said the incident has led to changes in the department's procedures involving finances.

"We identified a lot of fixes in the cash-handling procedures that were weak," he said. "The whole thing was a tragedy, but we learned an awful lot from it. We want to see (Burks) make restitution and if the university gets a recapturing of the funds, then what more can we ask for?"

Burks, who worked for Traffic and Parking for almost 10 years, resigned

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Burks

Colleges

Engineering dean search over; Eibeck fills position

By Andrew Bell/The University Daily

After nearly two years, Texas Tech has hired a dean of the College of Engineering.

James Smith filled the interim position after William Marcy became the provost for Tech. Now the position belongs to Pamela Eibeck from Northern Arizona University, Marcy said.

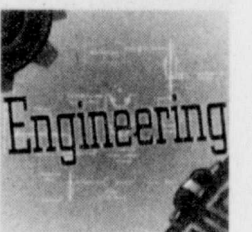
Since 1995, Eibeck has worked as the department chair and professor in the mechanical engineering department of NAU. According to the NAU Web site, Eibeck previously worked at the University of California at Berkeley as an assistant professor and then as an associate professor.

Eibeck received all of her higher education degrees from Stanford University. During her time at Stanford, she received a bachelor of science, master's and doctorate in mechanical engineering.

At NAU, Eibeck taught many courses and still teaches heat transfer, experimental methods and fluid dynamics. According to the Web site, her research interests include convective heat transfer, experimental fluid dynamics, renewable energy, and computer-based learning.

After a long search to fill the position at Tech, Marcy said he believes the university has found someone who will create new goals and a vision

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Overton project a year ahead of schedule; 2008 is McDougal Companies target finish

By Sally Gunter/The University Daily

Despite difficulties in purchasing property, the Overton project is a year ahead of schedule and will be completed in early 2008, said Mark Murdock, vice president of business development for McDougal Companies.

In 1999 McDougal Companies announced a 10-year renovation project for the North Overton area. The redevelopment extends east from University Avenue to Avenue Q and south from 4th Street to Main Street.

The 325-acre North Overton area was valued at \$26 million before the project began. Upon completion, Murdock said

the value will be \$325 million.

"It is the largest private redevelopment project in the history of the U.S.," he said. "It says a lot about Delbert (McDougal)'s vision and foresight to take on a project this size."

While McDougal Companies sold most of the property to developers, it will build a four-story apartment complex with a parking garage on the west end near University Avenue.

The east end of Overton will be developed into 600 houses. It already has a waiting list of potential residents.

Some of the current residents of the area offered to sell their houses to McDougal, but Murdock

said the company has not begun efforts to purchase all property in the east end yet.

McDougal Companies owns 82 to 83 percent of the property in North Overton. Four properties remain in the west end near University Avenue yet to be secured, Murdock said.

McDougal sold the building in which The Buffalo Beano Company is located to City Bank, despite the owners of the business still having years left on the building lease with McDougal.

The owners of Buffalo Beano referred all questions to their lawyer, Jerry Kolander. Kolander said he could not comment on the situation until the condemnation law-

suit is resolved.

Also at issue is a residence. In the middle of cleared lots stands a white house. Lane Hardwicke owns the house on 10th Street and Avenue W that McDougal Companies has been unable to obtain.

Hardwicke said McDougal offered him \$300,000 for the property a year ago. He turned the offer down because he did not want the house destroyed.

The house is valued at about \$48,000.

Hardwicke is willing to accept an offer that includes relocating the house to a different area outside Overton,

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TECH TALK

QUOTE OF THE DAY



FLOYD HOLDER
Attorney for Dr.
Thomas Butler,
HSC researcher

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Justice Department investigating challenge to student voting rights at black university

HOUSTON (AP) — The U.S. Department of Justice is investigating a district attorney's challenge to student voting rights at predominantly black Prairie View A&M University.

Waller County District Attorney Oliver Kitzman, who is white, authored a Nov. 5 letter that contended students from Prairie View don't automatically qualify to vote locally.

The resulting furor prompted a protest march on Jan. 15, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. The march involved more than 2,000 Prairie View students.

The Texas secretary of state, meanwhile, released an opinion Thursday that students at Prairie View can vote locally if they designate the campus as their official place of residence.

“When a student registers to vote

and describes his or her permanent residence in Texas for voting purposes, the presumption is in favor of the voter's factual statement on the face of the application,” the opinion from Secretary of State Geoffrey Connor reads.

Kitzman said in Friday editions of the *Houston Chronicle* that he believes Connor's opinion represents progress. “I'm very encouraged, particularly by his statement that students should be expected to tell the truth (about residency) on their voter registration applications,” he said.

Connor, in his statement, said that someone of voting age should be “able to make a factual statement about his or her voting residence.”

Kitzman said he would await a ruling from Attorney General Greg Abbott before reconsidering his posi-

tion.

A Jan. 16 letter from the Justice Department states that Prairie View students have the right to register to vote in the jurisdiction they claim as “home base,” and it expresses concern that they “not become the targets of any discriminatory residency requirements,” the *Chronicle* reported.

The letter from Assistant U.S. Attorney General William Moschella to U.S. Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, D-Houston, said federal officials would review Kitzman's statements and other developments in the case to decide how far to take the investigation.

A Justice Department spokesman said the agency does not comment on open cases.

Kitzman maintains that students at Texas colleges don't necessarily qualify to vote locally unless their new campus address also qualifies as their official residence.

He points out that 541 voters claim to live on the Prairie View campus but have mailing addresses outside the county; and that 220 university voters who claim to live on campus provide the same three post office boxes as their mailing addresses.

“It is my informed opinion that there are many infractions of the elections laws in Waller County and that bona fide voters are thereby being disenfranchised,” Kitzman wrote. “Political operatives have chosen to thwart my efforts by manufacturing a groundless racial issue. I will not lose focus upon the goal of integrity in our elections, however.”

The Rundown



Houston gearing up for Super Bowl

HOUSTON (AP) — With the nation's largest concentration of chemical plants and refineries and a mystique framed by movies such as “Urban Cowboy,” the push is on to create a new image for Houston as the Super Bowl puts the city in the spotlight.

Chuck Watson, chairman of the Super Bowl host committee, uses a cattle term — branding — to describe what the Feb. 1 game and its related week-long events should accomplish.

“We've taken a few hits the last few years,” he said. “Think about on Monday morning (after the game). You're on the front page of every newspaper in the world. It's about putting Houston in a positive light.”

This Super Bowl is seen as a chance to shed old images and dazzle outsiders by showing off sports arenas, a huge new downtown hotel and the first working leg of a new light rail mass transit system that, not coincidentally, links a reborn downtown entertainment district with the new football stadium seven miles away.

“It's going to be a large party at the front door,” said Bob Eury, who heads Central Houston, a city booster group. “When you get down to it, some of this happening now is the result of major projects a long time coming.”

While Houston and Texas are spending millions to help make the city shine, Houston must contend with a history filled with grit and sometimes scandal.

Tropical Storm Allison in June 2001 left the city under water. The last presidential campaign portrayed it as America's most air polluted city. An embarrassing financial scandal toppled Enron Corp., which was ranked No. 7 in the Fortune 100.

If that wasn't enough, mention of Houston resurrects recollections of some spectacular recent crimes — like the mom who drowned her five kids, and a woman who used her car to run over and kill her cheating husband. Then there was the tawdry legal battle of a former Houston stripper, Anna Nicole Smith, trying to claim the millions of her elderly dead oilman husband.

Six dead in South Carolina motel fire

GREENVILLE, S.C. (AP) — Fire broke out in a five-story motel early Sunday while guests were asleep, killing six and forcing others to leap from windows or climb down bed sheets to safety, authorities said.

At least a dozen people were injured, including at least four being treated Sunday at a burn unit in Augusta, Ga.

The Comfort Inn had standpipes and wall-mounted hoses in the hallways and stairwells, but none were activated and no fire extinguishers were used before emergency crews arrived, said Wade Hampton Fire Chief Gary Downey.

He didn't know the last time the building was inspected but said it was not required to have sprinklers.

“If there had been sprinkler systems in the hallways, probably the fatalities and injuries would not have been near what they were,” Downey said.

The blaze began about 4 a.m. on the third floor. The cause was under investigation.

Greenville County Sheriff's Sgt. Shea Smith said deputies arrived before firefighters and ran into the building to evacuate people, but they couldn't get past the second floor because of the smoke.

“The people that came out of their rooms, they didn't have much of a chance,” Downey said. “They get the smoke filled in there, and they panic, and panic takes over for them.”

Downey said some people on upper floors tried to lower themselves to the ground using bed sheets and others jumped from the windows.

“I came out after the fire alarm went off the second time and there was smoke everywhere, like you couldn't even see in the hallway,” Taran Hurley, who was staying on the fourth floor, told WYFF-TV. “There was fire right outside the window, coming up the wall. There was smoke in the exit ... and you couldn't go down, you couldn't go up. It was just like choking smoke.”

Scientist suspected of selling information

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — The father of Pakistan's nuclear program, considered a national hero for giving the Islamic world its first atomic bomb, has been confined to the capital as investigators probe into his life to determine whether scientists leaked weapons technology, an acquaintance said Saturday.

Abdul Qadeer Khan has been questioned “many times” in recent weeks, said Zahid Malik, author of the book “Islamic Bomb” on Pakistan's nuclear program.

“He's cooperating (with the investigation), but he's satisfied that he's done nothing wrong,” Malik told The Associated Press.

After denying for years that its scientists might have provided technology to North Korea, Iran, Libya and Iraq, Pakistan acknowledged some individuals might have leaked information for personal profit.

Saturday, President Pervez Musharraf told reporters the extreme secrecy surrounding the development of Pakistan's nuclear program 30 years ago gave wide latitude to scientists — and possibly allowed them to sell information.

“Covert meant scientists moved around with full autonomy in a secretive manner,” he said, adding that the program “could succeed only if there was total autonomy and nobody knew. That is how it continued.”

“Now, if there was some individual or individuals, unscrupulous, if they were for personal gain selling national assets ... it was possible because it was not open, it was not under strategic check and controls. That is why it was possible,” he added.

Speaking at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, Musharraf said his country's investigation started after Iran disclosed to the U.N. inspection agency the names of people who provided them with nuclear technology — including Pakistani scientists.

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Wine

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The event started when event coordinator Kurt Melle decided he wanted a way to raise money for a scholarship for local chefs, Melle said. He liked the idea of a chocolate contest.

He read about wine and chocolate complementing each other and enjoyed the two together himself.

They decided to partner with a charity, and because one of the members of the Chef's Association has Parkinson's disease, he said the Parkinson's society was a natural choice.

The event raises between \$5,000 and \$6,000 every year.

The money goes to help Parkinson's patients pay for services such as water aerobics and their support group, said Steve Swain, president of the West Texas Parkinson's Society.

The first few years, Melle said the event did not attract as many community members.

"It used to be that we didn't sell out," he said. "But we decided to make it an exclusive event, and we cut off the tickets at 300."

This year, the event sold out Thursday and the 32 contestants fed the chocolate-craving crowd an assortment of goodies.

A chocolate fountain, chocolate pyramid and chocolate bread helped give the evening an extra flair.

"I wanted the competition aspect to be friendly," Melle said. "We encourage healthy rivalries, and so far the competition's gotten pretty stiff. It's gotten to a point where everyone does such great work."

Jodi Gray, a sous chef for Texas

Tech Hospitality Services, entered the competition and earned a silver medal for her display of chocolate bears and cookies with pecan pralines.

She has entered the contest three times and said she enjoyed herself.

"This is an event that's very fun, plus it's an event for chefs to see other chefs and to get new ideas," she said. "This gives the chefs in this area an opportunity to compete with an amateur and beginning categories. We compete, but we have fun."

Gray was the only Tech representative competing in the event. Each year, she said she learns and tries something new. This year she hand-sculpted chocolate bears.

"I loved it. I started with a blob of chocolate and went from there," she said. "It's something I haven't seen that much of out here, but I think there will be more of it."

Kelly Cook, president of the Texas Chef's Association and head judge of the event, said he liked all the entries in the contest.

"I've been coming to these since the inception," he said. "It's good to see the participation from West Texas and the interest of the public."

Young or inexperienced chefs, he said, are sometimes afraid of competing in contests, but he encourages them to undertake other such events.

"Don't be afraid of it," he said. "We all took that first step. Everybody who participates is a winner."

Cook, who now lives in Austin, said he enjoys coming every year, not just for the chocolate and wine but also to have a good time.

"I enjoy the people. The people of West Texas are friendly," Cook said. "Every year, we have a good time."



Administration reaches trade agreement with Costa Rica

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration reached an agreement with Costa Rica on Sunday that will allow that nation to join four of its neighbors in creating a Central American Free Trade Area with the United States, officials of the two countries announced.

The deal must be approved by Congress.

The agreement came after two weeks of intense negotiations aimed at overcoming differences in such areas as telecommunications and insurance that had prompted Costa Rica to back out at the last minute from completing the CAFTA talks last month with the four other nations, Guatemala, El Salvador, Nicaragua and Honduras.

Administration officials said they were pleased with the market-opening language finally reached with Costa Rica, which had sought

to protect its monopoly operations in telephones and insurance.

Costa Rica agreed to fully open its insurance market to foreign competition by 2011. It also agreed to open three key sectors of its telephone market to competition — wireless services, private network services and Internet services.

While the country will maintain bans against foreign competition in other areas of telecommunications, U.S. negotiators said they were satisfied that they had torn down barriers in the areas of most interest to U.S. companies.

"Costa Rica needed a little more time to complete its participation in CAFTA, and we're very pleased it has joined its Central American neighbors in this cutting-edge, modern free trade agreement," U.S. Trade Representative Robert Zoellick said in a statement.

The negotiating breakthrough was announced jointly in Washing-

ton by Zoellick and Costa Rican Trade Minister Alberto Trejos.

Senior U.S. trade officials, who briefed reporters Sunday on condition of anonymity, said that they hoped to publish the full text of the CAFTA agreement by the end of the week.

They said the next step would be to add a sixth country, the island nation of the Dominican Republic, to the trade deal before submitting it to Congress.

The free trade deal covering Central America has stirred strong opposition among U.S. sugar cane and sugar beet farmers, who fear competition from lower-priced Central American sugar and from the U.S. textile industry, which is concerned that the deal will open their beleaguered industry to even more foreign competition.

U.S. officials on Sunday refused to speculate on when the CAFTA would be presented to Congress for a vote. Supporters hope that the addi-

tion of the Dominican Republic will pick up critical House votes among Democrats whose districts include large numbers of Dominican immigrant populations.

However, U.S. labor unions are vowing to strongly oppose the pact, which they believe would continue a trend of exposing U.S. workers to increased competition from low-wage nations with lax labor and environmental laws.

For its part, the administration hopes to use congressional passage of CAFTA as a stepping stone to achieving an even bigger goal, creation of a Free Trade Area of the Americas, covering all 34 democracies in the Western hemisphere.

In 2003, U.S. goods exports to Costa Rica totaled \$3.5 billion, up about 13 percent from the previous year, while the United States imported \$3.4 billion in goods from Costa Rica, an increase of 9.7 percent from 2002.

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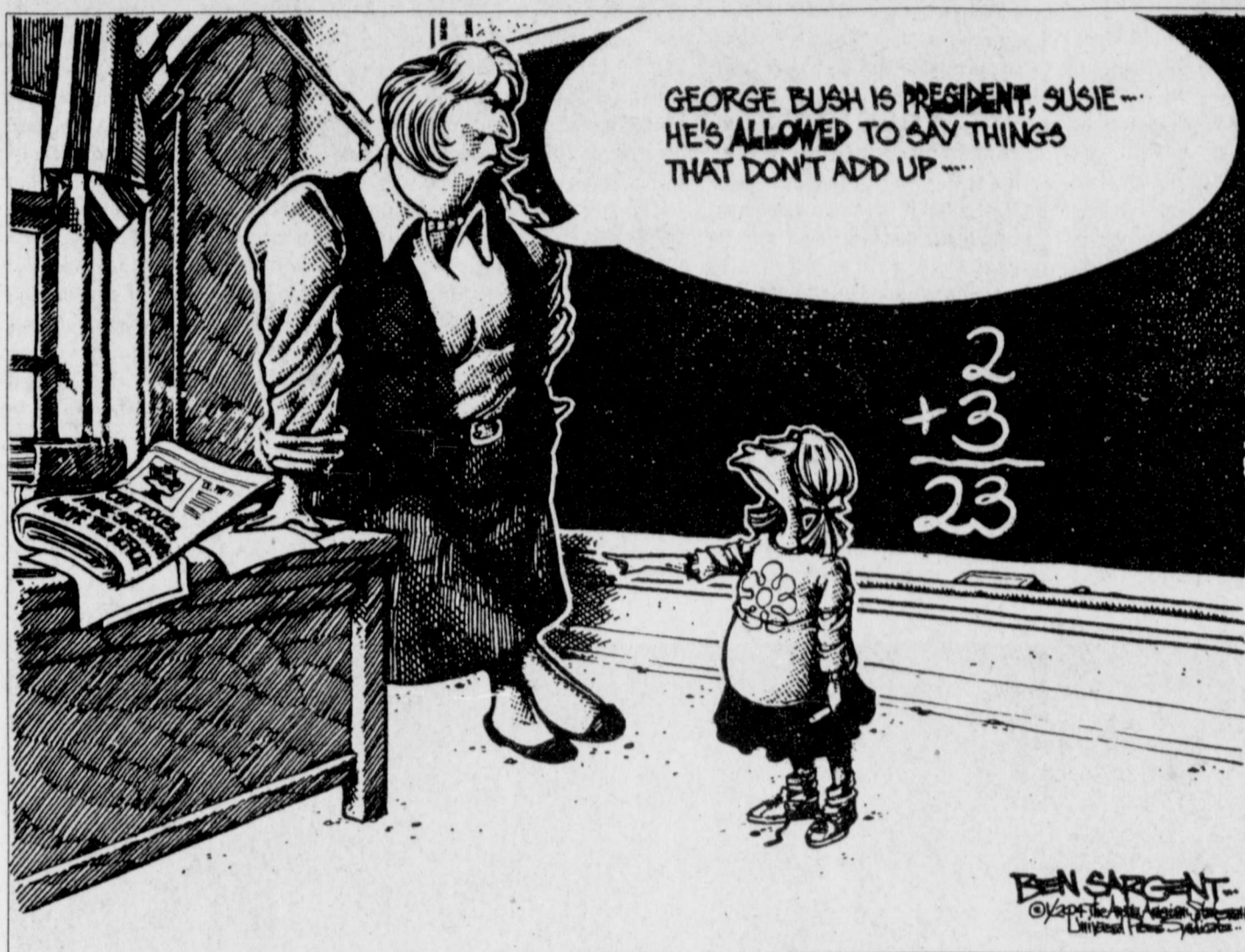
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Democrat hopefuls keep on truckin'

I've never really thought of myself as an astute political analyst, and since my last foray into political analysis in this paper, a lot of other people don't think of me that way, either.

I said that I thought Dick Gephardt, congressman from Missouri, was the Democrats' best candidate and best hope to beat President Bush in November. Shortly after that column was published, Gephardt finished fourth in the Iowa caucuses and quit the race.

Well, I wasn't really wrong. I didn't say that the Democrats would nominate Gephardt — only that they should. I still think he was their best hope and most skilled moderate candidate.

So why did he quit? Supposedly he had run short of money. Maybe so. But my feeling is he just didn't have the heart for it any more.

Carol Moseley Braun also quit (wisely) and endorsed Howard Dean (unwisely). However, if the Democrats can eliminate one or two candidates per primary, we should know fairly soon who their nominee will be.

If you ask me, the whole election system is way off base. Here you have all these candidates campaigning for at least six months before the first caucus, which is in Iowa, the state with the 30th largest population, and the first primary, which is in New Hampshire, the state with the 41st largest population.

And now they'll be campaigning full-speed for almost a full year before the election in November. There has got to be a better way.

Maybe we ought to do like the British and restrict open campaigning to just a few weeks before the election. Almost anything would be better than this current insanity.

Speaking of insanity, have you paid any attention to what the candidates are saying these days? The NH debate was last week, and in this forum and others the top Democratic candidates have continued to distinguish themselves with incoherent policy articulation.

Kerry is stiff, non-spontaneous, and characterized totally by politician-talk. He's got a big lead in NH because it's right next door to his home state of Taxachusetts.

But presidential elections are not won in NH, which has the 10th smallest population in the country; they are won in the population centers. The traditional Democratic strongholds are the big cities.

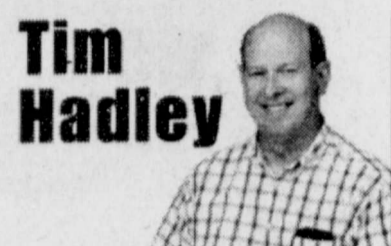
Kerry will have to win some primaries in some big-city states before he can think that he has a chance to beat Dean-or Bush.

Dean's rant in Iowa wasn't nearly as bad as the big media claimed. One reason he's popular is precisely because he does NOT talk like a typical politician, which is to his credit.

But the rap against him now is his volatile temperament, which makes people nervous when they think about him being the commander-in-chief. NH is also right next door to Vermont, Dean's home state, so if he falters here, he may be down for the count.

Clark failed badly when he tried to explain his positions on issues. For example, when asked about his views on Roe v. Wade, Clark said, "Life begins with a mother's decision." Does this bother anyone? It ought to.

Here's another gem from Clark: "If I'm President of the United States, I'm going to



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take care of the American people. We're not going to have (another) one of these (terrorist) incidents."

Doesn't he realize that he's implicitly criticizing his benefactor, Bill Clinton? Trying to blame Sept. 11 on President Bush is a feeble attempt by Clark to promote his military credentials, and it won't get him very far.



When Edwards was asked about how the Defense of Marriage Act protects the states from legislation or court rulings in other states, he couldn't explain it — because he

doesn't understand it (he got it backwards). Not that big of a deal, maybe — except that it betrays his lack of understanding of what is sure to be a major issue in this campaign.

I have a feeling that in August, at the end of this political yellow brick road, we'll all be agreeing with Jerry Garcia and saying "WALSTIB" (What A Long, Strange Trip It's Been). It's already been long, it's already been very strange, and we've just barely gotten started.

What would be so refreshing would be if even one candidate would/could skillfully articulate a meaningful vision for America and the world that goes deeper than the TV sound bite and the latest focus group or overnight poll.

One thing I'm not going to do is predict Tuesday's winner in NH. I've learned my lesson.

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Emergency contraceptives a good thing for nights to be forgotten

Let's talk about sex. Actually, let's talk about after sex. Not the cuddling, spooning, the walk of shame or the phone call you are hoping you don't get.

Somehow things went a little wrong. You forgot to take your birth control — four times. The condom broke. You just couldn't help yourself. Whatever the circumstance, you didn't use protection.

"Crap!" doesn't describe half of it. You're in college, and there is just no place for a child in your immediate (nine-month) future.

Honestly, most college girls don't want a child now, and certainly not an "accidental" one. So, you have to sweat it out. You have to count the days, wait a week and take a test. Your nerves are frazzled, you can't sleep and life looks dim.

That doesn't have to be the case though — not at all. See, with the amazing miracles of modern science, you don't have to worry about getting pregnant after a night of passion and not thinking.

There are these pills called emergency contraceptives and if you take them up to five days after the temporary loss of foresight, they can prevent pregnancy.

That's right — prevent it, stop it, make sure it doesn't happen, save yourself — whatever you will. ECs are not the same as the abortion-in-a-pill. If you are pregnant, ECs won't hurt the fetus. They won't get rid of it and won't make it disappear.

ECs stop ovulation or in some cases prevent a fertilized egg from implanting. They are 99 percent effective; whereas wishing and hoping you are not with child are only about zero percent effective. Really, it's a miracle in pill form.

But! There are a few problems with this lifesaver. Many young women don't know about ECs. Just a hazardous guess, but I'm assuming few fellows know about ECs either. Doesn't seem to be their cup of tea as they don't have to worry about getting fat and having horrible food cravings.

The second problem is there is hardly a

Sarah Looten



Women need to be educated about the benefits of these pills. They need to know there are options out there. They need to be made aware. After the fact, they should have easy access to them.

place in this town where you can get ECs if you need it.

Several attempts that I made to get them at local emergency rooms (purely research inquiries mind you) were depressing. At every attempt, when the staff found out that sex was consensual, they coldly replied that they didn't have ECs.

"We don't do that here." I can see how someone could become quite upset if they really needed an EC. None of the clinics I called gave ECs, either.

Why? Ethics, they said. Apparently girls who make a mistake that was consensual are not worthy of medical treatment that could save their future.

Come on people! It's 2004, for goodness sakes! If I want to stop a pregnancy so I don't have to abort it, give it up for adoption or ruin the poor child's life because I wasn't ready for a child — that is my choice. And it's an admirable one at that.

Trying to fix your mistakes, even if you didn't try to prevent them, is better than not taking any responsibility. It's not an

abortion. It's like using a condom after the fact.

I applaud any woman who tries to get ECs in this town. They make you feel ashamed when they turn you away. The hospitals and clinics don't have anti-EC policies per se, the doctors that work there do.

But to be fair, some doctors believe you have the right to correct your mistakes. But no one tells you that such doctors are employed at said hospitals or clinics. So in the end it does you no good.

There seems to be the idea that women that need ECs are sluts or whores. That if you give it to them once, they will never use protection again, because they don't need to.

That, my friend, is bull. Give me a break. The majority of girls who use ECs are not repeat offenders. They make a mistake, learn from it and get on birth control. It's true.

Women need to be educated about the benefits of these pills. They need to know there are options out there. They need to be made aware. After the fact, they should have easy access to them.

They should be able to use them if they need to. Local health care officials should realize that women do indeed have the right to choose, and that right includes ECs.

For whatever reason, if you need ECs, go to Planned Parenthood or Thompson Hall. They are nice, courteous, professional and all around good people. They give you what you need and don't try to take your self-respect while they are at it.

You can call Thompson Hall at (806) 743-2848 or Planned Parenthood at 806-795-7123

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View from another university

Voter apathy worthless, un-American

By Justin Vann/The Daily Cougar

(U-WIRE) HOUSTON — I am not a psychic. I'm not even that good at making educated guesses. But I can say with unflinching certainty one thing about the future political climate in America: It's going to be intense.

Polls are showing that Bush is roughly neck and neck with his Democratic opponents in approval ratings, if not leading by a fraction. This means to me that America is in an ideological standoff. While the war in Iraq has spurred more Americans to go to the polls this year, it has brought equal numbers of hawks and hippies out of the woodwork.

So what is my official prediction for the presidential election? The undecided voters are all that matters. There are millions of people in the United States who have eight months to make up their minds about who to vote for, or whether they'll vote at all. I am writing this column to those undecided voters.

If I should discover that you, the reader, are not planning on voting this year, I will personally come to your home and beat you within an

inch of your life. OK, maybe I won't beat you, but I will assault you with brutal taunting.

During the last presidential election, roughly 40 percent of Americans voted. That is completely unacceptable. If those numbers don't go up, Uncle Sam will surely die of a heart attack. You don't deserve to call yourself an American if you don't vote. Cheat on your taxes if you must, but don't you dare skip the voting booth. You must vote. Make sure your friends and family also vote. Now that you're set on voting, you have another obligation: be informed.

Watch the news. Research candidates and understand their position on key issues like education and healthcare.

Don't skim over them either. You should be watching the 2004 election unfold with the same fervor as the Super Bowl.

It's pretty exciting to determine the fate of the country. Watch the debates between the candidates, or better yet, start some debates. I can't stress enough how important it is to make an informed decision.

Candidates are going to lie. Facts will be twisted, distorted and covered up to serve both

parties. Smear campaigns will dispense endless ad hoc drivel. Liberals will be called unpatriotic. Conservatives will be called greedy.

The candidates will contradict themselves, and then accuse their opponents of being contradictory. Between now and November, you will be buried up to your eyeballs in rhetorical garbage. Are you prepared for it?

But whatever you do, do not vote for candidates just because they call themselves Democrats or Republicans. Plenty of liberals (Bill Clinton) have been elected only to pander to corporate interests and conservative lobbyists, just as plenty of conservatives (Richard Nixon) have taken office and acted quite liberal at times. Voting "straight ticket" is almost as foolish as not voting at all.

It's a big commitment to vote and to stay informed, but it's a small price to pay when you live in what is arguably the greatest country on Earth. You aren't fooling anybody with that little American flag sticker on your car.

Be a real patriot and utilize the tools democracy gives you. Vote.

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for the College of Engineering. During the fall semester a number of candidates visited the campus and met with members of the administration and the College of Engineering. Marcy said Eibeck came back recently to negotiate a final offer. As a former dean of the College of Engineering, Marcy said he would like to see the college expand in many ways in the future. "I believe you will see a growth in faculty and research," he said. "They are looking to become very aggressive in their outreach to underrepresented groups." Dean Fontenot, senior director of engineering outreach and literacy, said the college has and will be creating outreach at the student

level and at the teacher level. "One of our main threads over the next year is through teacher training," she said. "We want to make a really strong impact with allowing teachers to gain knowledge about engineering and convey that to the kids." A couple of the outreach programs include a Legos workshop and an aero science program. During a Legos workshop, elementary students will learn some of the principals of engineering by building robots, Fontenot said. Elementary students could expand on this education during a Super Lego Robotics summer camp designed for the students to learn more about robotics while building with Legos, Fontenot said. The aero science program is similar to the Lego workshop in that kindergarten to high school students would learn more about en-

gineering through learning and building rockets. However, the aero science program is developed for teachers to bring back to the classroom to get students interested in the subject of engineering, Fontenot said. The program is intended for teachers throughout the state of Texas who may be interested in bringing the subject to the classroom. Fontenot said the innovative program is one way to bring Texas teachers together. "This is training that the teachers can integrate back into the classroom," she said. Fontenot will be able to explain these programs to Eibeck in more detail when Eibeck takes her position as dean of the College of Engineering at the end of the spring semester. Marcy said Eibeck would begin working at her new position when she arrives at Tech in May.

Burks

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from the university after Tech police began an investigation and audit into the departments finances in December 2001. The investigation and audit was ordered after Tech officials noticed discrepancies between records that indicated funds collected when compared to actual funds deposited. Hinojosa said he is satisfied with the terms of Burks' sentence. "If she misses a payment or is unable to make a payment, then the sentence is enacted in full-force," he said. "The DA recognized that in order for her to pay restitution she needed a

good incentive." Burks could not be reached for comment. According to police reports, several hundred dollars was determined to be missing from a Nov. 12, 2001, nightly deposit while Burks was acting as head cashier. Police reports indicate Traffic and Parking operations manager Eric Crouch said he looked through Burks' desk but did not find the missing money. After another employee spoke with Burks, who denied knowing the whereabouts of the missing money, Burks returned the money and paperwork to the department. Crouch then examined previous deposit records and found discrepan-

cies only on the days Burks worked. Hinojosa said while Tech was insured against the theft, his office will be responsible for about \$20,000 of the loss in the form of a deductible, which will be financed from the Office of Operations' budget. "You use a tragedy as a learning process, and we did that beautifully," he said. Managing Director of Traffic and Parking Buddy Knox agreed. "We're glad to have closure to this," he said. "With all the changes we've made its important to note that we're not the same organization we were 18 months ago." Phone calls to the Lubbock County District Attorney's Office went unanswered Friday.

Halliburton under fire for Iraqi contracts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Halliburton employees have been accused of taking up to \$6 million in kickbacks from a Kuwaiti subcontractor that was supplying U.S. soldiers in Iraq, new trouble for Vice President Dick Cheney's former company. A Halliburton spokeswoman said the company fired the employees involved and reported the problem to the Pentagon. "We found it quickly, and we immediately reported it," spokeswoman Wendy Hall said. "We do not tolerate this kind of behavior by anyone at any level in any Halliburton company." The Pentagon already has in progress a criminal inquiry into possible overcharging involving another Halliburton contract: the company's deal to supply gasoline to Iraqi civilians. Democrats have criticized the contracts and demanded further inves-

tigations; the company has denied wrongdoing. Meanwhile, Halliburton has begun an advertising campaign to improve its image. A television spot running on CNN says Halliburton supplies hot meals, laundry and telephone links for soldiers in Iraq. The ad shows a man in desert camouflage holding a phone, his lip trembling, and shouting, "It's a girl!" "Halliburton. Proud to serve our troops," an announcer says. "Halliburton gets beaten up every day by people who don't have the facts. We can stand the heat, ... but we will tell our story," Hall said. "Our employees are doing great work in Iraq making life better for our troops and for the Iraqi people." In the latest investigation, Halliburton auditors found a \$6 million overcharge by a Kuwaiti subcon-

tractor in its Army supply contract, Hall said Friday. Part of that money may have been paid as kickbacks to one or two Halliburton workers, she said. Hall did not identify the workers or the Kuwaiti subcontractor. She also did not say how large the alleged kickbacks were.

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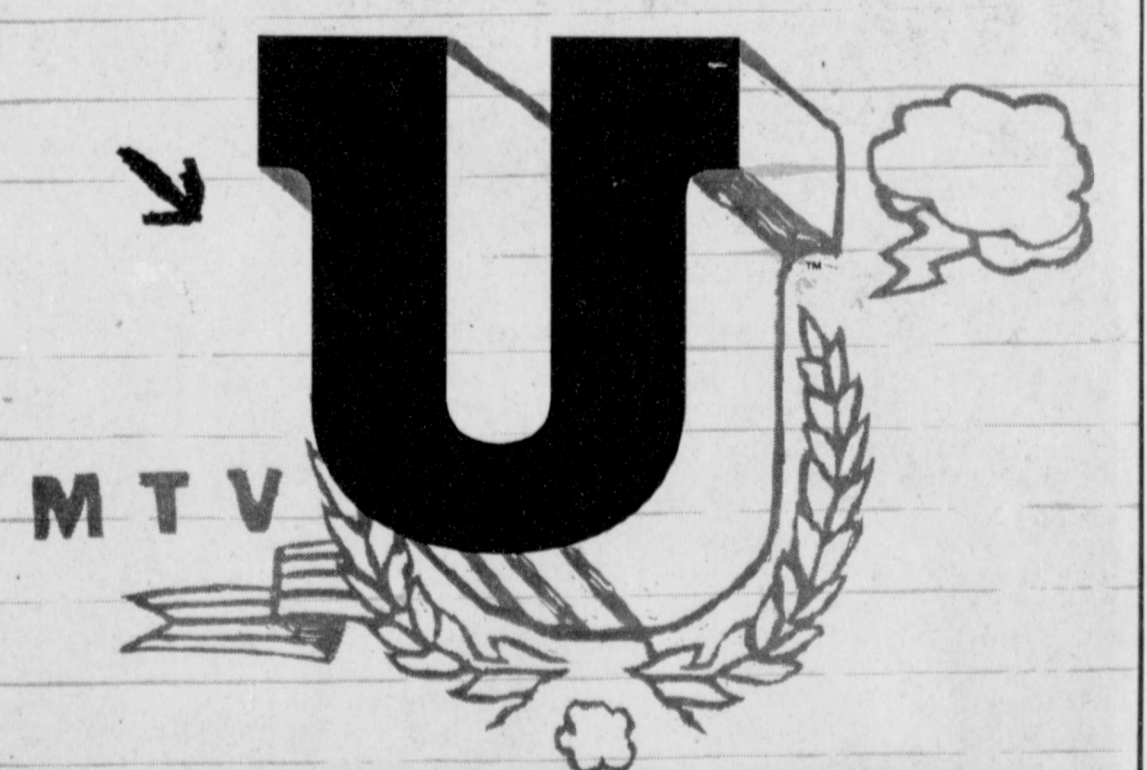
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Kendall appointed to committee researching Superfund site cleanup

By Katie Hepburn/
The University Daily

Superfund sites are hazardous not only to the environment but also to human health. However, with help from Texas Tech's Ronald J. Kendall, the dangers of these sites are being reduced.

Kendall, professor and chairman of the department of environmental toxicology, was recently appointed to National Research Council Committee on the Superfund Site Assessment and Remediation in the Coeur D'Alene River Basin, located in northern Idaho.

Kendall said the committee members will examine ways to effectively clean up the site. The results of their findings will be applicable to Superfund sites across the nation.

"A substantial amount of money has been spent trying to clean up the Coeur D'Alene site and other Superfund sites nationwide," Kendall said. "So it is important to

try and find cost-effective solutions that also are scientifically sound and protect our health."

Kendall said nationwide, there are more than 1,000 Superfund sites on the National Priority List.

While many of the sites are being remediated, new ones are being identified, and it is important to research how to best clean them up, as the sites can

present toxic threats to the environment or human health. Kendall said the Coeur D'Alene site is contaminated because of past

smelting operations. This has led to a tremendous amount of lead contamination in the area, provoking a debate on how to protect children from exposure.

"Lead exposure can be quite toxic to the central nervous system and children can be particularly sensitive to lead exposure," Kendall said. "For this reason, we must be careful to reduce lead exposure in homes and playgrounds to reduce risk of toxicity to children."

He is excited about the contributions to Superfund research his national appointment will provide.

"This will be unique," he said. "We do a lot of research, and this is

a substantial opportunity to evaluate how to clean up this site, learn new perspectives and help human lives."

Kendall said research conducted at the Coeur D'Alene River Basin is applicable to Superfund sites throughout the nation for several reasons.

"By better understanding how to assess risk at Superfund sites, and in this case the contamination at the Coeur D'Alene site, we can develop better remediation strategies that are cost effective," he said. "It will provide

an excellent case study because how do we do it cost effectively while assessing the risk to the environment and human health."

Kendall has previously served for three years as chairman of the Environmental Protection Agency's advisory panel for implementation of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act.

He also served on other National Academy of Science committees.

Kendall said he was probably appointed to the committee because of his long his-

tory in the area of toxicology.

He said he was contacted by the National Academy of Sciences to serve, and the Tech administration encouraged him to serve.

Provost William Marcy said Kendall serving on the committee is beneficial to Tech.

"It's very important for our senior faculty to serve because it is a way to bring recognition to Tech as a research university," he said.

Kendall agrees.

"To have challenging opportunities to evaluate scientific and technical aspects to Superfund site clean-up strategies may well create future research opportunities," he said.

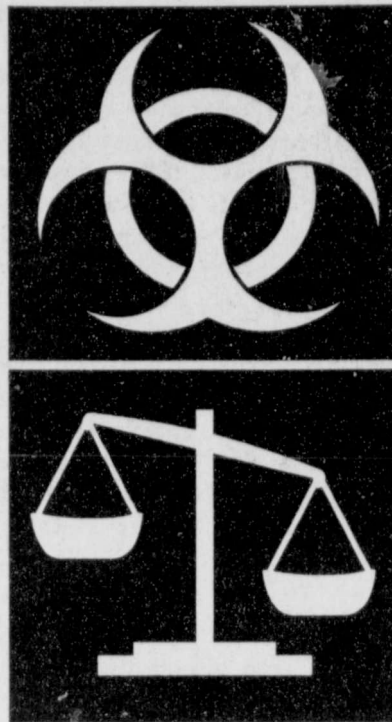
"Also, it will provide opportunities in the future for better education of our students."

Because of these two aspects, Kendall said he is excited about contributing to the university.

"I see it as a real win-win to participate," he said.

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— WILLIAM MARCY
Texas Tech Provost



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he said.

"My lawyer thinks he will talk to (McDougal Companies) this week," Hardwicke said. "It's too early to say anything, but I'm under the impression the lawyers want to talk."

A vacant lot valued at \$1,000 has not been purchased, as the owner is requesting a quarter of a million dollars, Murdock said.

The fourth property is a vacant building on University Avenue owned by the First Baptist Church. The building has an asbestos problem, he said.

It is unlikely imminent domain will be used to obtain the four remaining properties, Murdock said.

Imminent domain is the right of the government to take a person's property for public use without the

owner's consent.

"We are going to the negotiation table with the people and try to work something out," he said. "I think we can work everything out over time."

Lubbock Mayor Marc McDougal, son of owner of McDougal Companies Delbert McDougal, declined to comment

form of eminent domain, he said.

Russell Earhart, a graduate student from Houston studying history, said he knows the state of the North Overton area because he lived in the South Overton area while he was an undergraduate student.

He said while buying houses and property from residents in the area puts the residents in a sticky situation, the final result will be beneficial to Lubbock and Tech.

"I don't think anybody should be forced to move or sell their house. As a whole, I think it is probably a good idea," he said. "Personally, I'm glad

to see them doing something with the area. North Overton was pretty horrendous."

It is the goal and vision of McDougal Companies for the North Overton area to act as a natural bridge connecting Tech to downtown Lubbock, Murdock said.

"We hope the redeveloping will contribute to the growth of Texas Tech and downtown," he said.



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THIS HOUSE ON 9th Street in North Overton is isolated among the construction of apartment complexes and vacant lots as the redevelopment projects makes progress in the old ghetto. The owner of the house does not want the building destroyed and is suing the city to keep his property. This house is one of four properties McDougal Companies has been unable to purchase in the Overton area for its renovation.

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Indonesia confirms cases of bird flu; health officials warn of the dangers

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — Indonesia became the seventh country in Asia to confirm an outbreak of deadly bird flu, as the World Health Organization warned Sunday the virus could be resistant to basic human influenza drugs.

The disease has already affected millions of chickens in Indonesia, said Sofjan Sudardjat, a senior agriculture official. But the virus has not yet crossed over to humans, he said.

Indonesian officials had earlier denied the disease's presence, but the Indonesian Veterinarians Association said several independent investigations had revealed that bird flu had already killed millions of chickens over the past several months.

Asia is on a region-wide health alert, with governments slaughtering millions of chickens to contain outbreaks in Thailand, Vietnam, Cambodia, South Korea, Japan and Taiwan. Vietnam has slaughtered more than 3 million chickens while Thailand has exterminated some 9 million. On Sunday, the Thai government enlisted hundreds of soldiers and 60 prisoners to help with the mass cull.

Scientists believe people get the disease through contact with sick birds, raising concerns it might mutate and link with regular influenza to create a form that could be transmitted from person to person, fostering the next human flu pandemic.

Concerns are particularly high because the bird flu virus caught by

humans appears resistant to amantadine and rimantadine, the cheaper anti-viral drugs used to treat regular influenza.

"This is a disease that's appearing in the developing world. So what you want is affordable drugs," WHO spokesman Dick Thompson said. "Should this move from human to human — and it hasn't yet, I want to stress that — then it's going to be a real challenge."

So far, there has been no evidence of person-to-person transmission. But farms across Asia have been devastated but Vietnam and Thailand are the only countries this year where humans have caught the avian flu. There have been six confirmed deaths in Vietnam and one suspected fatality in Thailand.

According to WHO, the virus is resistant to key anti-influenza drugs, and an effective vaccine is probably more than six months away.

But "that's too late for the influenza season in Asia," said Peter Cordingley, a regional spokesman for WHO.

Thai Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra, faced with accusations that he covered up the outbreak, said his government had suspected that bird flu had struck his nation a "couple of weeks" ago. But he said he didn't tell the public because he feared mass panic.

The outbreak has devastated Thailand's chicken export industry — the world's fourth largest. Thailand

shipped about 500,000 tons of chicken worth \$1.3 billion in 2003.

Many countries have imposed bans on poultry products from Thailand, and the overall exporter could drop by as much as 0.4 percentage points and the gross domestic product could slip by as much as 0.1 percentage points as a result.

Thaksin met Sunday with hundreds of worried chicken farmers, some of whom alleged his government tried to cover up the outbreak to protect poultry exports. Until Friday, officials had insisted that millions of birds were sick with other diseases.

But Thaksin acknowledged Sunday that officials suspected a bird flu outbreak for weeks, and said he failed to inform the public of the government's concerns because tests for the virus had not yet been completed.

On Wednesday, Thailand will host a meeting of foreign, agriculture and health ministers from bird flu-affected countries and international influenza experts to devise strategies they might use to thwart the spread of the disease.

Thailand has also planned to send representatives abroad to allay customer worries.

In Vietnam, an 8-year-old girl was being treated for bird flu in a Ho Chi Minh City hospital. Two boys, aged six and seven, are seriously sick in Thailand and two others are thought to have been exposed.

Republican legislators try to take ban on same-sex marriage further

Despite laws on the books already barring gay marriage, legislators in at least eight states are pushing for new, more sweeping measures in hopes of preventing any ripple effect from laws and court rulings elsewhere.

In each case, Republican lawmakers in states with existing Defense of Marriage acts seeking to go a step further, amending their constitutions to specify that marriage must be heterosexual. State Rep. Bill Graves, a bill sponsor in Oklahoma, wants to stipulate that same-sex unions are "repugnant to the public policy" of the state.

Supporters say the constitutional amendments are needed to ensure legislation and court judgments in other states — such as the recent ruling in favor of gay marriage by the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court — will not compel recognition of same-sex unions in their states.

Gay-rights activists see the amendment campaign as vindictive and partisan.

"This is a political attack, motivated by fierce anti-gay opponents who want to slam us again and again," said Evan Wolfson, executive director of the national advocacy group Freedom to Marry. "They are not just looking to suppress gay marriage, but to deny gay people any measure of legal protection and human dignity."

In all, 37 states and the federal

government have Defense of Marriage acts that say marriage can only be between a man and a woman.

Ohio may soon become the 38th state; its Senate approved one of the most far-reaching gay marriage bans in the nation Wednesday, making only minor changes in a House-passed version. Going further than most states, Ohio's bill also would prohibit state employees from getting benefits for domestic partners, whether gay or straight.

Proposed constitutional amendments that would ban gay marriage have been introduced in Arizona, Georgia, Virginia, Oklahoma, Kentucky and Michigan; one is expected soon in Alabama.

An Idaho Republican, Rep. Henry Kulczyk, plans to introduce a similar measure there, to the dismay of some Democrats.

"We've got enough contention to deal with rather than going through a litmus test for the reactionary right," said Senate Minority Leader Clint Stennett.

Massachusetts does not have a Defense of Marriage Act, but the high court ruling there has sparked vociferous public debate and an anti-gay marriage amendment has been proposed by its lawmakers as well.

The measure in Virginia has already advanced, winning unanimous support this week in the House Rules Committee.

"Marriage for 6,000 years has been defined a certain way," said the

amendment's sponsor, Robert McConnell.

Georgia's proposed amendment — which could go on the November general election ballot — was presented Wednesday in the state Senate. Any change to traditional marriage "begins to tear at the foundations of our institutions," said Senate Republican Leader Bill Stephens.

Gay-rights advocates and some Democratic lawmakers denounced the measure as politically motivated.

"The purpose of amendments is to create protections for the citizens of Georgia, not to write discrimination into the constitution," said Allen Thornell, executive director of the gay-rights group Georgia Equality.

The American Friends Service Committee — a Quaker social justice group — this week joined the campaign against the proposed amendment in Michigan, urging people to e-mail their legislators.

In Kentucky, about 30 gay-rights supporters protested Wednesday at the state Capitol, many carrying signs saying, "Anti-marriage amendments hurt my family."

Two Kentucky legislators who oppose the amendment are sponsoring a counterproposal that would outlaw discrimination against gays.

"There's no excuse why fairness cannot be passed," said Democratic Rep. Kathy Stein. "Other than the fact that, unfortunately, a number of my colleagues ... are afraid to think about it."

Former Enron accountant Causey pleads innocent to conspiracy, fraud charges

HOUSTON (AP) — Enron Corp.'s former top accountant pleaded innocent Thursday to conspiracy and fraud charges related to a series of alleged schemes to hide debt, pump up profits and polish the company's pre-scandal facade of success.

The charges against Richard Causey, 44, came a week after former Enron finance chief Andrew Fastow pleaded guilty to two counts of conspiracy and agreed to help prosecutors

pursue possible cases against other top executives.

The indictment handed up Wednesday and unsealed Thursday alleged Causey was a "principle architect" of complicated plots to mislead investors.

The document noted Causey reported to Enron's chairman, chief executive officer and chief operating officer without specifically naming Kenneth Lay and Jeffrey Skilling, the men

who held those positions in the years leading to Enron's 2001 collapse. Neither Lay nor Skilling has been charged, and both maintain their innocence.

"As charged, the seventh-largest corporation in America was, in reality, and unbeknownst to its shareholders, a precarious business propped up by accounting schemes, and in many areas, was failing," said prosecutor Sam Buell, a member of the Justice Department's Enron Task Force.

Causey surrendered to the FBI before daybreak Thursday and was hauled off to court in handcuffs. He was described in the six-count indictment as "a principal architect and operator of the scheme to manipulate Enron's reported earnings."

He pleaded innocent to one count of conspiracy and five counts of securities fraud and was released on \$1 million bond, secured by \$500,000 in cash provided by a brother-in-law.

"Rick Causey is a decent, honorable and innocent man," his attorney, Mark Hulkower, said. "He has done nothing, absolutely nothing, wrong. We will vigorously contest these charges, and we look forward to the day when Mr. Causey's vindicated in this courthouse."

The indictment alleged the schemes included inflated asset values, hidden debt, sham asset sales, use of energy trading profits to make the

company's money-losing energy retail unit appear healthy and faking earnings in Enron's sickly broadband unit.

Causey's indictment alleged he had secret agreements with Fastow that the finance chief wouldn't lose money when his shady partnerships did deals with Enron. Fastow's October 2002 indictment also said he had such agreements with the former accounting chief without specifically naming Causey.

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MYSTERIES ILLUSIONS

Evasons stun Tech students by guessing names, numbers and names of loved ones.

By Megan LaVoie/
The University Daily

ne could say it was all set up, one could say it was real, but nevertheless Tessa and Jeff Evason shocked many Texas Tech students Friday night when their extra sensory perception show made a stop in the Hub City.

Tessa Evason described the practice of ESP as the sixth sense.

"ESP is the combination of all the senses together; it is something that individuals are not aware of, its intuition, it's a connection with yourself," she said.

Throughout the hour and a half show the Evasons stunned students by guessing their names, numbers they were thinking and the names of loved ones.

The biggest surprise of the night came when the Evasons contacted the deceased grandmother of Kandis Wenk, a freshman exercise and sports science major from San Marcos.

The Evasons had Wenk sit in a chair and took a Polaroid picture of her when she said she felt someone touch her shoulders. When the Polaroid developed, a ghostly female figure was shown standing behind Wenk, but when the picture was taken, nothing but a white screen lay behind her.

"I felt a tap on my shoulders and felt very cold, when I was sitting in the chair I was shaking, but after the picture was taken and I saw that it was my grandmother, I felt very comforted," Wenk said.

Ashley Menzie, a sophomore merchandizing major from Bedford, said

if the Evasons had contacted a deceased relative of hers, she might have bought into the act more.

"I think the dead thing would have freaked me out had it happened to me, but I also think it could have been fake," she said.

Wenk said she was skeptical of the Evason's show, but after being part of one of the acts, the Evason's made her a believer.

"At the beginning I didn't know if all their skits were real or not — my mother and I always wanted to try and contact my grandmother like on the 'John Edwards Show,' but now I know that this stuff is really real," she said.

Evason said reactions like Wenk's are common.

"Our show produces a lot of different emotions — people react differently depending on what they had previously been exposed to," she said.

The wide variety of emotions that are felt by audiences is one of the reasons the Evasons enjoy performing for

college students, Evason said.

"Campus shows are always phenomenal because people are young and don't have their beliefs set in place, the shows always end up unusual, but in an amazing way," she said.

The Evasons have been touring around the world and across the nation for more than 20 years, and Tessa Evason said her ultimate goal is to have a theater show.

"Jeff and I someday definitely want to have a theater show like in Las Vegas — it's the entertainment capitol of the world. It's funny because we have been doing this for so long that just when you think its going to get boring, it gets more exciting," she said.

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— KANDIS WENK
Freshman Exercise and Sports Sciences major from San Marcos

reading and ESP have long been a controversial subject, but Evason believes most people have a misconception of what ESP and mind reading are.

"ESP and mind reading are different for each individual, it is different for every person — its all about life experience and the mind and intuition," she said.

Shelly Smith, a senior public relations major from Austin, said she believed most of the Evason's acts were legitimate.

"I think some of it was real, I just don't understand it — during the mind reading I think they must have had secret words that mean stuff," she said.

Menden agreed. "Even if none of the acts were true — which I don't think they were because I don't believe people can read minds — the show was still worth going to because it was comical," she said.

ABOVE: TEXAS TECH Students effortlessly raise sophomore journalism major Jackie Shirard from Houston above their heads for a magic trick at the world famous Evasons ESP show at the Student Union's Allen Theatre on Friday. RIGHT: Brad Williams an undecided freshman from Austin, participates in a magic trick at the show.



TRAVIS GLODT/The University Daily

MYSTIC STARS

By Lasha Seniuk

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS THIS WEEK ... Subtle health issues affecting the immune system, circulation or kidneys may be briefly bothersome. Before mid-March, study daily routines, sleep patterns and fitness regimes. In the coming weeks, improved habits will greatly reduce minor ailments. After April 8, watch also for a sudden flurry of business openings, new job assignments or financial changes.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Old memories or forgotten friends may challenge present relationships. Expect loved ones to need careful support and extra reassurance. Plan private encounters or cozy family gatherings. This is not the right time to let nostalgic thoughts or past disappointments take top priority.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Group plans may be postponed or canceled. Close friends and colleagues are easily distracted by quick reversals and fast overtures. Take none of it personally. At present, underlying family or romantic tensions may influence social decisions.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Business relations may be briefly strained by private agendas. Pay special attention to career ambitions or ongoing power struggles between colleagues. Withheld emotions will rise quickly to the surface. Avoid public debate, if possible, and opt for solitary duties.

Aries (March 21-April 20). Sudden impressions may clarify a strained relationship. Watch loved ones for subtle clues and unexpected hints. Social power struggles are easily resolved before midweek. Ask probing questions and refuse to ignore public controversy.

Taurus (April 21-May 20). Key financial decisions prove worthwhile. Friends and relatives may compliment creative business strategies. Use this time to advance career plans, apply for loans or foster working partnerships.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Romantic overtures are gently persuasive over the next few days. Expect new love affairs or unique friendships to trigger key decisions. Some Geminis will soon change their daily obligations and long-term family plans. Stay focused and watch for subtle invitations.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Colleagues may be mildly confrontational over the next few days. Remain sensitive to lingering disagreements involving seniority, assigned duties or delayed promotions. Emotional reactions may be unpredictable. Avoid acting as mediator or adviser.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Intimate relationships begin an intensive phase of planning. Some Leos, especially those born after 1963, will adopt controversial family ideas. Shared expenses, rare promises or relocation may be accented. Go slow and press for reliable details.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Home repairs or unexpected family expenses may be temporarily draining over the next few days. Although financial luck is high, past duties or forgotten payments will briefly reappear. Quickly finalized all plans and obligations. A delayed response may trigger unnecessary conflict.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Late social invitations may prove emotionally complicated. Expect friends or colleagues to present conflicting facts, dates or times. Creative planning or group events may intensify private tensions. Loved ones will ask for acceptance; remain cautious and watch for key breakthroughs.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22). Workplace differences and minor jealousies may be annoying. New co-workers may press for advancement or request special favors. Public discussion is best avoided, however. Fresh ideas and creativity will be quickly challenged.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21). Compliments or rare group invitations indicate a new attitude of social acceptance. Watch for unique proposals or unexpected opportunities for change. Apologies from friends or workplace regrets will not be conventionally expressed.

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Last laugh for 'Friends' as show ends

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Friends" had the last laugh Friday.

The final episode of the hit NBC series, which ends its 10-year run in May, was being filmed at the Warner Bros. studio Friday night.

Series stars Jennifer Aniston, Courteney Cox Arquette, Lisa Kudrow, Matt LeBlanc, Matthew Perry and David Schwimmer were to trade their last quips and inevitable hugs around midnight.

"Friends" tended long production days and, with emotions running high and an extended, hourlong finale to film, a quick finish was unlikely on Stage 24, the sitcom's long-time home.

The mood this week has been "deeply emotional, very sad," Peter Roth, president of Warner Bros. Television, said Friday. "But beyond the sadness, I think there is an enormous sense of accomplishment."

The cast, which shared real-life friendships as well as highly productive salary negotiations, talked with reporters last week about the series' end.

Year at the movies: Best films of 2003

One of my favorite tasks every year is to sit down and hammer out my top 10 films of the year.

James Eppler



Rest assured, much scrutiny has gone into preparing my personal choices for the best of the year, without any hesitation to give credit where it is due

1. "The Lord of the Rings Return of the King"

When viewed as one whole project, Peter Jackson's three "Rings" films is an astounding achievement in cinematic history.

As for "King," it is a triumphant finish to an unforgettable series. One does not have to be a Middle Earth disciple to appreciate the visual grandeur and intimate storytelling showcased therein. There is not a cinematic experience to match it—and there may never be again.

2. "Big Fish"

Director Tim Burton reminded me of why I love movies so much: fantastical storytelling told with dazzling beauty that creates an emotional experience.

Albert Finney is perfect as an old man with wildly imaginative stories to tell, and Ewan McGregor is delightful as the younger version of the character. The question to be asked about this tall tale is not whether the stories are true, but rather, do you have the capacity to want to believe them?

3. "Mystic River"

This incredibly intense drama about three childhood friends whose lives intersect when one of their daughters is murdered has the impact of a stone thrown through a stained-glass window.

Sean Penn gives a dynamite performance as the father searching for his daughter's killer, and Tim Robbins is brilliant as the friend who comes under suspicion. Clint Eastwood directs from an excellent adapted screenplay by Brian Helgeland based on the novel by Dennis Lehane.

4. "Open Range"

The Western has been revitalized by director Kevin Costner after about 10 years of dormancy.

Beautifully shot and well-acted, the film stars Costner and Robert Duvall as free-grazers who go up against a group of ranchers in a small town.

Costner's film cares deeply about being authentic with its characters and rightfully places a high premium on the land on which it takes place. It's the best Western to hit the screen since "Unforgiven."

5. "Cold Mountain"

This loose telling of Homer's "The Odyssey" set in the Civil War is a film that aptly mixes a love story with a tumultuous journey.

Jude Law is a Confederate Army deserter who is trekking home to reunite with his love, Nicole Kidman. Renee Zellweger steals scenes as Kidman's friend and hired hand and will likely win the Oscar for supporting actress.

Director Anthony Minghella has produced a film that is every bit as beautiful as his "The English Patient."

6. "House of Sand and Fog"

Ben Kingsley gives what I believe to be the performance of the year as an Iranian immigrant quarrelling with an American woman (Jennifer Connelly) over the rightful ownership of a house.

Rapt with tension and trauma, this emotionally shocking film is an examination of the potential horrors of human nature.

7. "City of God"

Fernando Meirelles' unflinching film about children and teenagers in gangs in the slums of Rio de Janeiro is equally mesmerizing and horrifying. Images of violence from the film will haunt viewers for days, and the true terrors of the gang lifestyle are revealed with unrelenting raw energy.

8. "Lost in Translation"

Sofia Coppola is no longer the daddy's girl who couldn't act in "The Godfather III." With this well-written piece about two lonely Americans stuck in Tokyo who develop a special friendship, she has proven to be much more. Bill Murray and Scarlett Johansson are both superb in the leading roles of this poetic character study.

9. "Finding Nemo"

Disney and Pixar Animation continue their hot streak with "Finding

Nemo," a deeply touching and hilarious story about the relationships between parents and children. The animation is breathtaking and voice characterizations by Albert Brooks and Ellen DeGeneres are perfect.

10. "Kill Bill Vol. 1"

I know what you're thinking — since this is essentially only half of a movie, it must be disqualified from a top 10 list due to incompleteness. Au contraire, mon frère.

Quentin Tarantino's ultra-violent love letter to old kung fu and samurai flicks is so rich, so sharply engaging, that it screams to be recognized. Uma Thurman deserves an Oscar nomination (which she will not get) for her devilishly sly performance as a Bride who is seeking revenge on her old employers who left her for dead on her wedding day.

Volume Two, incidentally, has been pushed back from a February release to April.

But for those nit-pickers who feel "Kill Bill Vol. 1" is unjustified, please feel free to substitute any of the following choices (arranged in alphabetical order, not preference) as number 10.

— "21 Grams" Excellent performances with an out-of-sequence storyline.

— "Confidence" One of the coolest con movies around.

— "In America" A wonderfully optimistic treatment of tragedy

— "The Last Samurai" A good retreat with A-list performances from Tom Cruise and Ken Watanabe.

— "Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World" An excellent sea epic that just barely missed being in the top 10.

— "The Missing" Another good Western accompanied with a strong female lead in Cate Blanchett.

— "Owning Mahony" Philip Seymour Hoffman is excellent as a compulsive gambler in this true story of one of the biggest bank scandals in Canadian history.

— "Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl" The best movie of the summer, with a brilliant performance from Johnny Depp.

— "Seabiscuit" A great story told with an excellent cast and able direction by Gary Ross.

— "Swimming Pool" A deeply fascinating film with a killer twist.

SPEEDO SPEED

Losing a Bet

Tech student skates around Memorial Circle in 45-degree weather to pay a wager he lost.

By Katie Hepburn/
The University Daily

Depending on one's view point, either the best or worst sight at Texas Tech on Friday morning was C.J. Santiago roller-skating around Memorial Circle wearing only a Speedo.

Santiago, a sophomore civil engineering major, was compelled to roll past hundreds of his peers in 45-degree weather because of a bet he lost, said his friend David Sanchez, a senior industrial engineering major.

"Well, we're both real competitive," Sanchez said.

Several hours of late-night competition between the two — first in air hockey, where the pair tied, then in ping-pong, where Sanchez said he severely beat Santiago, led them to bet on a game of racquetball.

"Him and I made a bet to play racquetball, and he lost," Sanchez said.

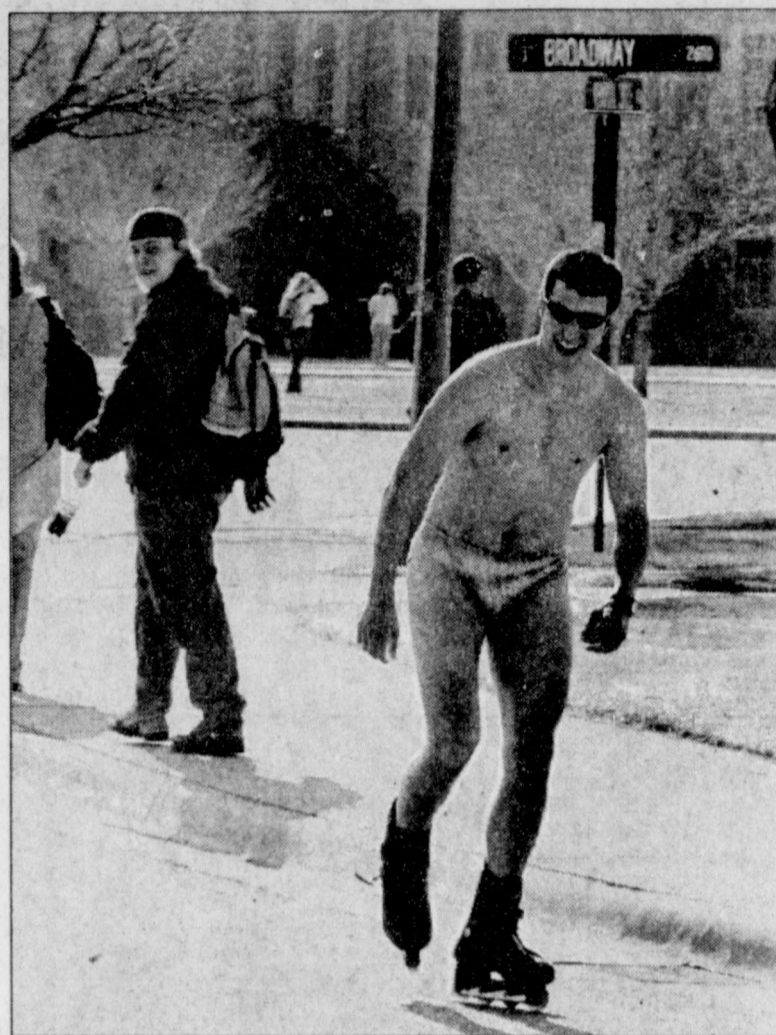
They agreed the loser would skate three times around Memorial Circle in a Speedo, which resulted in Santiago's Friday morning's exhibition.

About 15 friends gathered around Santiago as he prepared to make good on his bet.

Pamela Lopez, a senior general studies major, said Santiago is a member of the Catholic Student Association, and most of the students gathered to watch were also involved in the CSA.

"He's pretty outgoing," Lopez said of Santiago. "He's pretty up to everything."

Santiago proved Lopez's statement true. About 10:50 a.m., his friends began counting down as Santiago peeled off



HEATHER DOUGHERTY/Staff Photographer

C.J. SANTIAGO, A sophomore civil engineering major from Houston, skates around Memorial Circle on Friday morning after losing a bet with his friend David Sanchez, a senior industrial engineering major, over a racquetball game.

his shorts and T-shirt, revealing a great deal of skin and a little bit of swimsuit.

Without a word, he was off-speeding around Memorial Circle as his friends cheered and videotaped him.

The group that began as 15 quickly grew to several dozen spectators. Most were students commuting to and from class who were taken by surprise as Santiago, wearing little more than a smile, glided

around the circle.

Santiago's friends laughed as they watched him, but Santiago appeared to be all business in carrying out his task. When his three laps were finished, he re-dressed and started heading out for class, not taking any time to stop and chat with fans.

He only had one thing to say, when asked if it was cold.

"Uh, yeah," he said with a grin as he jogged off to class.

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A GROUP OF Texas Tech students currently studying abroad in Spain. Students studying in Spain are able to broaden their Spanish fluency and absorb the Spanish culture. In addition to Spain, several other countries fulfill different interests of study. England, France, Italy, China and Russia offer similar programs.

BROADENING your HORIZONS

Scholarship deadline nearing for Red Raiders interested in studying abroad.

By Sarah Davidson/Contributing Writer

trolling through the streets of Paris, savoring the taste of authentic Italian cuisine and standing at the gates of Buckingham Palace describe a side of the world that is only a plane ride away.

The Office of International Affairs provides an overseas study program. Texas Tech gives students an opportunity to take their education a step further.

According to councilors at the International Affairs Office, there are many misconceptions students have about studying abroad.

Study Abroad councilor Lilly Kilcrease said students do not realize studying abroad is not only a program for foreign language but can fit into any major.

Many classes are available, depending on the session attended. European business environment, Shakespeare and his world I, intermediate Spanish and aspects of French fashion and design are a few of the available courses.

Study abroad councilors are available to help eager students take part in an international experience, said Donna Wright, study abroad councilor.

"If you want to go, 99 times out of 100, we can find a way for you to go," Wright said.

Wright also said only 1 percent of Tech students take advantage of studying overseas. She said people do not realize it will fit into their degree plan.

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In addition to Spain, several other countries fulfill different interests of study. England, France, Italy, China and Russia offer similar programs.

Students travel beyond the pages of their textbooks to visualize the history and culture of a country. Field trips are incorporated into classroom lectures, which

are taught by English-speaking professors.

College students also have the opportunity to incorporate an overseas internship into their curriculum. The extent of the stay can be three weeks, six weeks, nine weeks, an entire semester or a year abroad.

"When students come back, they are much more self-assured," Sandra Crosier, director of the study abroad program, said. "And they have that international perspective."

To begin this program, students are encouraged to take advantage of financial assistance. A scholarship application is available, and for students covered by financial aid, that carries over.

According to the American Institute for Foreign Study, general fees for studying abroad include airfare, housing, meals, tuition and special support services.

Optional weekend traveling excursions are accessible for an additional cost.

Wright spent a semester in Spain with a group of Tech students.

"It was the highlight of my life," Wright said. "It comes from real-life experiences, with real-life issues and scenarios."

After graduation, students are expected to jump into the work place. Taking time off work, to travel overseas, is not an option unless the job calls for it.

"You can have the time of your life before you get bogged down with responsibilities," Kilcrease said.

For someone who would like to take advantage of studying abroad, planning begins early. The scholarship deadline is Feb. 20.

The study abroad application is due, depending on the program chosen. All a student needs to do is show interest and the help is available.

You can have the time of your life before you get bogged down with responsibilities.

— LILLY KILCREASE
Study Abroad Councilor

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Chicago man arrested with Oscar nominee movies charged with copyright violation

CHICAGO (AP) — A man arrested on suspicion of helping illegally copy Oscar nominees on the Internet was charged Friday with violating Hollywood studios' copyrights.

FBI agents arrested Russell Sprague Thursday night at his suburban Chicago home. He appeared briefly Friday afternoon before U.S. Magistrate Judge Martin C. Ashman.

This is the first time anyone has been arrested in the pirating of so-called screener copies of films supplied in advance to Academy Award voters, according to the FBI.

The Motion Picture Association of America, which represents studios, last year banned the distribution of so-called "screener" DVDs and videotapes over concerns about bootlegging, but partly lifted the ban after complaints from filmmakers, producers and independent production companies.

The judge set \$25,000 bond for the 51-year-old Sprague and scheduled a hearing for Monday on a move by federal prosecutors to send him to Los Angeles for trial.

As he left the courthouse, Sprague denied the government's claim that he was part of a plot to violate Hollywood copyrights.

"That's baloney, they have an agenda," Sprague said, adding that he copied films as a favor to friends and made no money at it. "No one should make money on someone else's copyrighted work — I agree with that philosophy. But when they make an example out of me, that's over the top."

He said he worked in Hollywood for 20 years installing audio and visual equipment in the homes of Academy members, but moved here in 1999 "because I got tired of the Hollywood scene." He denied putting movies on the Internet.

Sprague was charged in Los Angeles with conspiring to violate copyrights on "The Last Samurai," "Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World" and "The Matrix Revolutions."

He was also charged with making equipment designed to download and decode satellite-to-home television signals without paying for them.

Sprague told the judge he's been working for a medical services company. His court-appointed defense attorney, Matthew Madden, had no immediate comment.

Sprague told agents he's been getting copies of films for three years from a friend, academy member Carmine Caridi, and copying them, agents said.

Agents said in court papers that the investigation began when Hollywood studios traced pirated versions of the movies posted illegally to the Internet to Caridi, a 69-year-old actor who appeared in the "The Godfather: Part II" and television's "NYPD Blue."

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Hecklers' luncheon raises money for Tech programs

By Joey Kirk/The University Daily

After cramming more than 500 people into the Frazier Alumni Pavilion at last year's Tech Hecklers' First Pitch Luncheon and silent auction, a change of venue was needed.

Friday, about 700 fans, players, coaches, speakers and community members gathered at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center to kick off the third annual luncheon in support of the Texas Tech softball and baseball programs.

Tech Heckler Mike Gustafson said the switch of locations added extra costs so a title sponsor was needed. That's when United Supermarkets stepped in.

"We didn't expect it to get this big," he said. "(United) is so active and does so much in the community. They already have a bunch of plaques. We know what they don't need is another plaque."

Instead of presenting the company with the common award, the Tech Hecklers gave them a rubber chicken.

"It's the highest honor a Heckler can receive," Gustafson said. "If you don't know the story of the chicken, you need to read the Web site or ask

a Heckler."

The keynote speaker of the event was introduced, and witty Texas Rangers play-by-play announcer Eric Nadel took the stage. Last year, Rangers pitching coach and former Los Angeles Dodger Orel Hershiser spoke.

Nadel said both the Rangers as well as the Red Raiders did not have the greatest of seasons last year.

"It didn't turn out to be the greatest year for your ball club and ours," he said. "But nobody's blaming Orel for it."

Nadel said the two teams' 2003 records stand, but there will be a different result this year.

"I know, coach (Larry Hays), your team will be back in the Big 12 tournament this year, which will be held at our Ballpark in Arlington," he said. "We're celebrating our 10th anniversary."

Rangers Colby Lewis and Hank Blalock joined Nadel at the luncheon to take on a short question-and-answer session about their careers.

Lewis led all American League rookie pitchers in wins with 10 while Blalock secured the win for the AL in the All-Star game.

Once the speakers were done,

both Hays and Tech softball coach Bobby Reeves and had an opportunity to talk about the upcoming seasons.

Reeves said he and the team appreciated the Tech Hecklers and all they have done for the program.

"They've given us some funds that help with recruiting and our new uniforms," he said.

In those new Wilson uniforms, Reeves said the team will only have seven returning players while 11 new ones joined the ranks, eight of whom are freshmen.

"Last year wasn't the greatest one," he said. "It's an exciting time and we have a team that works hard everyday."

Reeves encouraged people to come out and support Tech during the softball season.

"If you've ever come out and watched a game, you would see what a fast pitch softball game's all about," he said. "It's real quick, a lot of action and a lot of fun."

Hays, meanwhile, said there are three new things that will cause the upcoming season to be an exciting time.

"We have one of the best scoreboards in college baseball and it's



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TEXAS TECH HECKLER Mike Gustafson thanks a United Supermarket representative by presenting him with a rubber chicken during the third annual Tech Heckler's First Pitch Luncheon on Friday at the Lubbock Civic Center. United was the sponsor of this year's luncheon.

because of (the Hecklers), and our other sponsors," he said. "The other new thing is our coaching staff."

With the help of the Tech administration, Hays said the opening of the Marsha Sharp Center is the last item on his list.

"The time, the effort (the administration) put into our programs is great," he said. "We have these opportunities because of the leadership we have."

The Tech Hecklers raised more

than \$12,000 that is being distributed among the two programs. They purchased a computerized pitching ma-

chine worth more than \$5,000 and new uniforms for the softball team.

Panthers have overcome turbulent past

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP)—Rae Carruth was found hiding in the trunk of a Toyota sedan in the parking lot of a Tennessee motel, 500 miles away from the Panthers and the murder charge he faced for his girlfriend's death.

Fred Lane's body was discovered just inside the doorway of his Charlotte home, where he was shot to death by his wife.

That's just part of the sordid past of these Panthers, who have desperately tried to distance themselves from a laundry list of off-field crimes ranging from drunk driving arrests, domestic abuse and two slayings.

They can only hope that a win over the New England Patriots in the Super Bowl will be enough to move them past what owner Jerry Richardson refers to as "the two terrible tragic things that were the darkest" moments in the franchise's brief history.

"We're trying to do the best we can," Richardson, in a rare interview with reporters, said Friday about trying to maintain a trouble-free program. "We're trying to do now what we tried to do when those tragedies occurred."

He added: "Life's a struggle. If you live a life and think you're not going to have struggles, you're naive." Even before Carruth was arrested for planning the shooting death of his pregnant girlfriend, Cherica Adams, there were signs of trouble. The fairly new franchise was wrapped up in scandal after scandal, losing season after losing season.

Kerry Collins, the first draft pick in franchise history, got caught up in being a big star in a small city. He loved the nightlife—such as it is in a sleepy Southern town—and was a

regular at various watering holes.

The quarterback developed a drinking problem, got into fights with teammates after using racial slurs and eventually quit the Panthers, saying his "heart was no longer into it."

Then the Carruth scandal hit. And as Carruth sat in jail awaiting trial, Lane walked into his Charlotte home one day and was shot by his wife—once in the chest and once in the head. He never even had time to take his keys out of the front door.

Deidra Lane, who said the shooting was in self-defense, pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter.

"People talked about Fred Lane and Rae and Collins and that was all Charlotte was known for," defensive end Mike Rucker said. "Whenever you said Charlotte, that's what they referred to."

Safety Deon Grant, drafted about two months before Lane's death in July 2000, wasn't sure what he was walking into.

"I saw what they had going on in Charlotte and it was like a curse," Grant said.

The team owner, born and raised in the Carolinas and so proud of bringing an NFL team to his home community, couldn't take another moment of humiliation.

"Mr. Richardson got to the point where he said, 'Enough is enough,'" Rucker said. That meant placing a focus on character, community responsibility and respect that the Panthers had never seen before.

Richardson now makes it a point to visit with every draft pick, giving them a personalized tour around the stadium accompanied by a stern lecture

on the core values he finds important.

He told the story Friday of his first meeting with defensive tackle Kris Jenkins in 2001, recalling how excited Jenkins was to be picked in the second round. By the time Richardson had nearly been broken.

"I talked to him about conduct and our responsibilities to the team and the community," Richardson said. "He has since told me that when I got through with him, rather than a pep talk, he felt like he had been slammed to the ground."

The cleaning up in Carolina wasn't easy, and the off-field problems were punctuated by a 1-15 season in 2001.

Mortified by angry letters he received from fans who were humiliated and disgusted by the Panthers, Richardson fired coach George Seifert a day after the 2001 season finale and quickly hired John Fox.

In Fox he had a no-nonsense coach who held the same principles as Richardson and wouldn't tolerate bad behavior. Richardson felt confi-

dent that the off-field problems that had plagued the team would be few and far between.

"If any of us think that over the next 30, 40 or 50 years, everything is going to be hunky-dory, we are being naive," Richardson said. "But I am confident the players in that locker room understand how I feel about it. I think there is zero chance that they do not know."

Richardson has made a practice of calling players to his home for a "trip they do not look forward to making." He lets them sit alone in his living room, the steady tick-tock of his clock heightening the drama of the moment.

When he finally enters the room, he waits in silence to see what the player has to say. When the player is through, Richardson delivers his message.

The Panthers are now dealing with players on a case-by-case basis.

The result is a close-knit team that the community is no longer ashamed of: Thousands turned out Friday for a downtown pep rally in honor of the Super Bowl trip.

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Lady Raiders lose rematch against Oklahoma State

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Even though Nicole Campbell played just six minutes for Oklahoma State on Saturday, she needed just a few seconds to make all the difference.

Campbell made a jumper from just inside the 3-point line with 27 seconds left in the second overtime period to help the Cowgirls upset No. 3 Texas Tech 88-87.

"Nicole is a hustler," OSU guard Nina Stone said. "She goes hard every day in practice, no matter what. And she makes a lot of people better and tonight she just stepped up when it was her time to step up."

Campbell's shot was set up when teammate Kenzie Cole missed a 3-pointer with 34 seconds remaining, and Campbell got the offensive rebound.

"The most important part of that play was that she had to go through two people to get the offensive rebound," OSU coach Julie Goodenough said. "She didn't have anyone to pass it to and instead of trying to force something, she just took the shot."

Campbell scored five points and added a rebound.

The Cowgirls (7-10, 2-4 Big 12) were down by four with two minutes left in the second overtime when Cole had the ball knocked away, but she recovered deep in the OSU backcourt.

Stone was forced to put up a 3-pointer from just past half court but made it, moving OSU within one at 85-84 with 1:51 remaining.

"It's hard when she hits it, but at the same time you have to focus on the next trip down the court and say, 'OK we got it,' and get everybody focused," Tech guard Natalie Ritchie said.

"There were just a lot of hard things that happened throughout the game."

The teams were tied at 86 with 1:13 remaining when Christian Hood fouled

Tech's Cisti Greenwalt, who hit one shot from the line to put Tech up 87-86.

Texas Tech (17-2, 3-2) had two more chances to score after Campbell made her shot, but could not pull it out.

"I think they just shot it better than when we played them at home and we didn't shoot it as well," Tech coach Marsha Sharp said. "We made all those 3s in Lubbock and they took that away from us."

Tech shot 45.2 percent from the field and 33.3 percent from the 3-point line. The Cowgirls hit 55.2 percent for the game, and 40 percent from the 3-point line.

Stone scored 20 of her 30 points after halftime, including four 3-pointers. She hit a 3-pointer with 2:23 left in the second half to tie the game at 71 and send it to overtime. Stone added seven assists for the Cowgirls and center Trisha Skibbe scored 14 points.

Alesha Robertson paced Texas Tech with 27 points and Greenwalt added 19. Erin Grant had nine assists, and LaToya Davis finished with 10 rebounds.

Oklahoma State rallied from an eight-point deficit in the last 12 minutes of the second half. The Cowgirls led by four points with 30 seconds left in the first overtime before Texas Tech tied the game at 81.

In the second overtime, Oklahoma State overcame a late four-point deficit.

Tech beat Oklahoma State 106-43 in the teams' first meeting, Jan. 10 in Lubbock, Texas.

Since then the Lady Raiders have lost the team's leading scorer in non-conference play, Jia Perkins, because of medical reasons.

Tech will face Texas A&M at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the United Spirit Arena.

The Lady Raiders beat A&M by an average of 33 points in the two meetings between the two squads last season.

No. 4 Huskies upset by Providence

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Ryan Gomes had 26 points and 12 rebounds to lead Providence to a 66-56 upset of No. 4 Connecticut on Saturday, extending the Friars' winning streak to five games.

The Friars (13-3, 4-1 Big East) are 2-1 against ranked teams this season and handed the Huskies (15-3, 3-1) their first conference loss of the season. They beat then-No. 11 Illinois on Dec. 9, and lost in overtime to No. 16 Texas on Jan. 5.

UConn had few answers for Gomes who was able to score both inside and out.

Emeka Okafor, the only Husky in double figures, led UConn with 19 points and 13 re-

bounds. The Huskies shot 40.7 percent from the field, their second lowest mark of the season. They shot 38 percent in the loss to Georgia Tech on Nov. 26.

UConn guard Ben Gordon finished with just nine points, nine below his average. It was his first game since undergoing surgery Wednesday on his broken nose. Gordon, who had a team-high five turnovers, played with a protective mask.

UConn trailed by six points at halftime and battled back to take a 49-48 lead on Rashad Anderson's 3-pointer with 8:56 left in the game. Gomes picked up his fourth foul on Huskies' next possession, drawing a huge roar

from the UConn crowd as he left the game. Taliek Brown went 1-of-2 on the ensuing free throws to extend the UConn margin to three points, but it would be the Huskies' last lead.

Undaunted by Gomes' absence, the Friars went on a 9-2 run, fueled by two 3-pointers from Sheiku Kabba, and UConn never recovered.

Kabba finished with 10 points, while Donnie McGrath led the Friars with seven assists.

The Friars had a season-low six turnovers and their zone defense got the best of UConn early. The Friars had nine steals in the first half, stepping into the passing lanes repeatedly for easy picks.

Baylor, Tech battle again at track meet

By Adam Boedeker/The University Daily

Like many times before, Saturday's track meet came down to two familiar foes, Texas Tech and Baylor.

The 2004 Texas Tech Quad pit Tech against Baylor, SMU, Texas-El Paso, North Texas and the Texas-San Antonio women.

In team standings Tech's women beat Baylor by 10 points, while the men's standings came down to the final race — what many fans were calling "the main event."

The main event was the men's 4x400 relay comprised of Matt Stewart, Albert Booker, Bryan Scott and a last minute addition of All-American Jonathan Johnson, who battled illness all week.

Tech's team is ranked No. 8 in NCAA track's Dandy Dozen, and Baylor's team is No. 2.

Baylor won the race by four seconds, but Tech coach Wes Kitley was proud of his group's performance.

"We're going to get better," Kitley said. "(Jonathan Johnson) has been sick all week and Baylor has a great team. We wanted to run tough, and we ran tough. I'm real proud of that 4x4; it's a good start for us."

Johnson said despite finishing second to Baylor in both the relay and the team stand-

ings, he is not worried about the season.

"I feel real good about everything," he said. "We're not in the best condition. Most teams have two or three meets already and this was our first. Everyone competed to the best of their ability, and that's what we wanted to do."

Baylor is traditionally good early in the indoor season, Johnson said, but Tech is a good outdoor team that uses indoor as preparation for success in the outdoor season.

"(Losing the meet) is not too big of a concern for us," he said. "We know that when it's time to compete at indoor nationals and in outdoor we're gonna be ready."

Although the 4x400 relay finished second, Johnson said he is excited about the team's performance, especially with freshman Scott stepping in.

"I'm not disappointed," he said. "We have a young team. We had a freshman running the third leg and he had a good showing. We're not worried. We'll come back and when it counts we're gonna show up."

Kitley said Scott will fight for the fourth spot on the relay with Tyree Gables and Shawon Harris.

Johnson did not compete in his best event, the 800-meters, because of his lack of training. He instead ran the 600-yard run

and won with a time a 1:09:81, finishing better than Baylor's Kevin Mutai, who almost caught Johnson.

"I knew I could finish if I got out hard," Johnson said. "As time goes on I'll get more 800's in, once my conditioning and training gets better."

Other notable Tech finishes were the women's team's Brionne Yosten, who finished second in the mile and won the 3,000-meter run.

The No. 11 ranked women's 4x400 relay comprised of Tori Polk, Shereefa Lloyd, Rachele Evans and Loretta Sibley beat Baylor with a time of 3:41:84.

Tech was also represented well in the men's 400-meter sprint, which was won by Baylor's Jeremy Warner with a time of 45.83.

Booker finished third with a time of 47.35 and Matt Stewart came in fifth, running a 48.22.

Overall, Kitley said he was pleased with his team's effort in their first competition of the year.

"Jonathan (Johnson) looked good in the 600 (yard run)," he said. "Booker looked good in the 400. Matt (Stewart) looked great on the first leg of the (4x400) relay. He's a great leader and for the first start of the season that was a good one."

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Knight appealing Indiana court decision

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Texas Tech basketball coach Bob Knight has asked the Indiana Court of Appeals to consider his appeal of a judge's decision dismissing his lawsuit against Indiana University for firing him as basketball coach.

The appeal challenges Monroe Circuit Judge Kenneth Todd's ruling in October that IU didn't violate Knight's contract when former university President Myles Brand fired the coach in September 2000. The judge last month denied a request by Knight to reconsider



Knight

complied with the terms of the contract," she said. "Obviously, we will continue to defend this case, as we have to date."

the case to correct errors.

University counsel Dorothy Frapwell said IU's position on the lawsuit hasn't changed. "We still believe that the university complied with the terms of the contract," she said. "Obviously, we will continue to defend this case, as we have to date."

Brand fired the 29-year Indiana basketball coach for allegedly grabbing a student who greeted him at Assembly Hall. Knight, now the head coach at Texas Tech, had been under a "zero tolerance" order from the IU administration for grabbing former player Neil Reed by the neck and other incidents.

Knight sued IU in 2002, alleging it violated his contract by failing to follow procedures for firing him. He said losing the job had cost him \$2 million in income from media contracts, basketball camps and endorsements.

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Mailbag overflowing with lingering questions

As some might have noticed **A**s the University Daily is almost a month and a half removed from its last mailbag and the bag now overflows with queries.

Such an atrocity cannot be allowed. Without further adieu I present the first mailbag of 2004.

Hey Kyle, I hate to put you in a bad mood but what's up with your Lakers? They've lost eight consecutive road games. Randy from Dallas.

There are no excuses for the Lakers' results, but a bevy of explanation remains. After spending the money to ink Kobe Bryant and Shaquille O'Neal to lucrative contracts money has not been something the Lakers have been blessed with. Los Angeles is lucky Gary Payton and Karl Malone have agreed to play for peanuts.

My point is the lack of depth on the squad is overwhelming and without Bryant, O'Neal, Malone and Rick Fox the Lakers are pedestrian at best. They'll still be in the play-offs. Hopefully, with a healthy group of all-stars.

What do you think about the Raiders not being able to find a coach? Is owner Al Davis that bad of a guy? Jimmy from Sacramento, Calif.

Yes Jimmy, Al Davis is a bad guy. He's not compassionate and he tolerates nothing but the best from his coaches. The problem is the best isn't possible in the NFL. I don't know how the Raiders reached the AFC title game in three consecutive seasons, but it isn't going to happen again. For the Raiders or for any



Kyle Clark

other team.

The NFL salary cap allows for one thing only. Parity. That's why the Giants got to the Super Bowl and why the Ravens won one. It's also why the Panthers are playing in one. Organizations get good and then all then salary cap problems ensue and the good teams go bad.

Whoever the Raiders hire is going to have a hard time winning, especially soon. And just how long is Davis going to give him?

Hey Kyle, what do you think of former Raiders coach Bill Callahan's plan to put the west coast offense in effect at Nebraska? Will Nebraska take to the passing offense? Steve from Wichita, Kan.

Steve, it will be a work in progress, but Nebraska will have to be at the least, effective offensively next season. I think the Huskers have acquired some passing talent in the past couple of years with the addition of receiver Isiah Fluellen and tight end Matt Herian. Quarterback

Joe Dailey will have to get them the ball, but he's capable.

If nothing else Callahan will have a captive audience of players and fans. Many are wondering if he can handle the pressure of being the Huskers head man.

Let's remember this guy worked for Al Davis. I'd rather have a month of public floggings than answer to that guy.

Kyle, you are the general manager of the San Diego Chargers. Who do you pick first in the NFL Draft? Troy from Santa Fe, N.M.

Simple. Eli Manning. Manning may not be better than Miami, Ohio quarterback Ben Roethlisberger, but he might be. The added bonus with Manning is his name recognition. If he goes to San Diego, fans will buy tickets and bringing in fans may be

as important as winning games right now.

Also, Manning showed critics what he needed to show them all along. He won games in the Southeast Conference. His Mississippi squad beat Florida, Arkansas and Auburn. Take away losses to Memphis and Texas Tech and Ole Miss is a top five team.

Hey Kyle, who would you take in the NFL Draft? Texas receiver Roy Williams or Pittsburgh receiver Larry Fitzgerald? Roy from Austin.

Roy, it's shameful that you wrote in to gauge your own draft status, but I'll oblige you question.

Fitzgerald is the choice, although I tried my hardest to make a case in my head for taking a hometown Odessa boy. Fitzgerald was Pittsburgh's only target. Opposing

teams knew the ball was going to him and he still caught a touchdown in 17 consecutive games. Williams' experience might make him an intriguing pick, but Fitzgerald's work ethic will grant him the higher selection.

Sorry Roy.
Kyle, I have a quick question. Is Tech's Andre Emmett the best player in college basketball? Sam from Tahoka.

Yes he is, Sam. Emmett's superb play in the final minutes of Tech's win against ASM showed this guy can take over a game better than any other player in college basketball.

He's an excellent defender, the best scorer in the nation and can move better without the ball than any other player.

I just hope ESPN's Dick Vitale makes it to Lubbock to watch a game this year. Maybe Emmett could even show him a dipsy doo dunkaroo.

Clark is a junior journalism major from Odessa. Send questions for his next mailbag to kevin.k.clark@ttu.edu



Wake Forest suffers upset to Florida State

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Tim Pickett scored all of his 18 points in the second half Sunday and Florida State made six straight free throws over the final 45 seconds in a 75-70 victory over No. 10 Wake Forest, which lost its fourth straight.

The win was the second in four days over a Top Ten team for the Seminoles. Florida State (14-5, 3-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) beat No. 7 North Carolina 90-81 in overtime on Thursday.

Wake Forest (11-4, 2-3), which lost to Texas, Duke and Georgia Tech, led throughout the second half until the final minute.

Todd Galloway's first points of the game, two free throws with 45 seconds remaining, gave the Seminoles the lead at 71-70.

Pickett's 3-pointer with 1:17 left pulled Florida State within 70-69.

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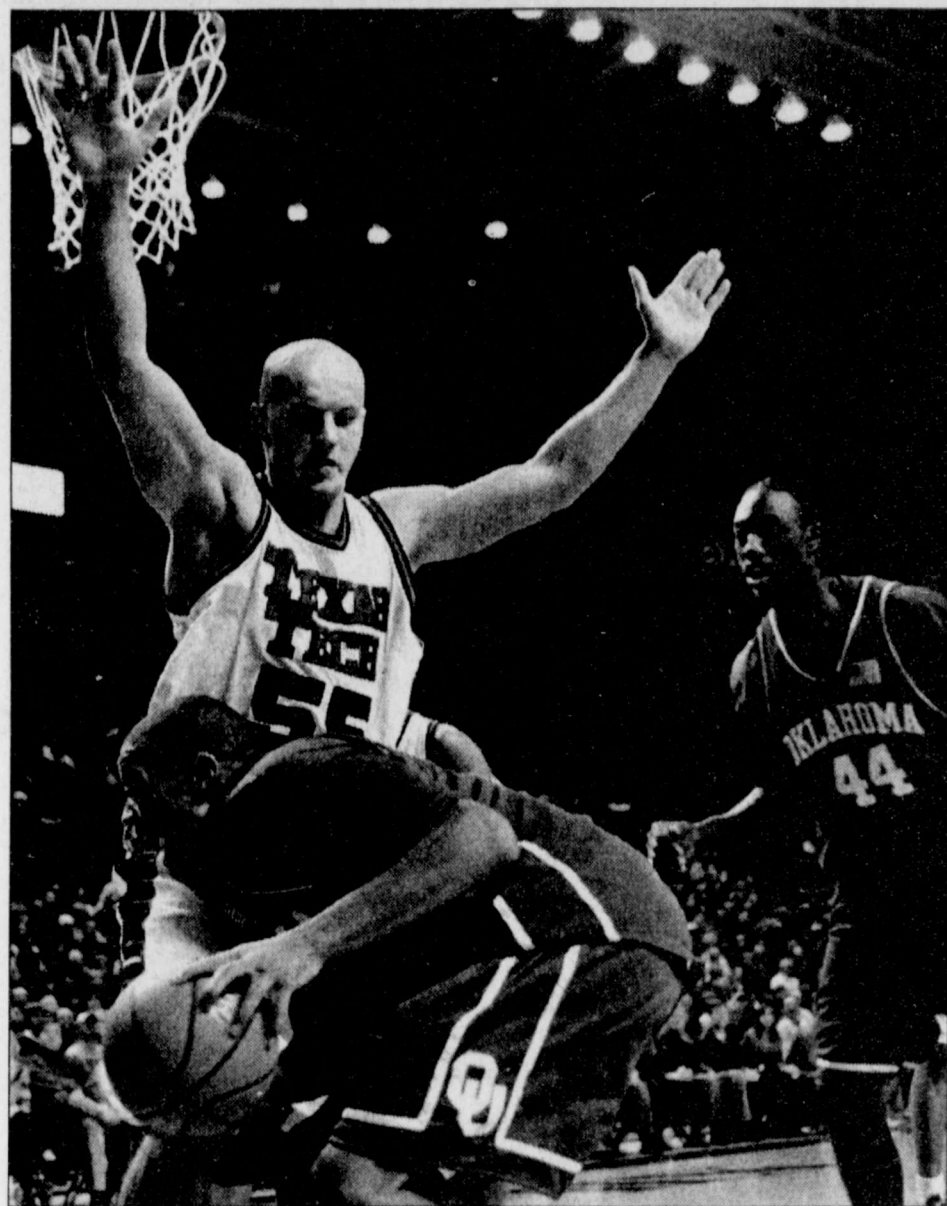
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Tech edges Aggies, turns focus to Texas



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TEXAS TECH CENTER Robert Tomaszek stops an Oklahoma player from moving toward the basket during the Red Raiders 67-47 win against the Sooners. The Raiders will play the Texas Longhorns at 6 p.m. in the United Spirit Arena. The game will be televised as part of ESPN's "Big Monday." Tech's win against Oklahoma was the team's first appearance on "Big Monday." The Raiders are 3-0 in Big 12 Conference play.

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COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Bob Knight drew up the play and Andre Emmett executed it perfectly.

Emmett scored 23 points and battled through arms and elbows for a layup with 6 seconds left to give No. 18 Texas Tech an 80-78 victory over Texas A&M on Saturday night, extending the Red Raiders' winning streak to 12 games.

"Coming out of the timeout, Coach Knight drew up a play and told me to pop out and drive, put it in the hole and get fouled," Emmett said. "Fortunately, we got the lead and the win."

The Red Raiders (16-2, 4-0 Big 12) led by 12 points late in the first half, but scrapped to a 40-37 halftime lead and the Aggies (7-8, 0-4) stayed in it in the second half.

It came down to Emmett's big shot. "He did a really good job," Knight said of Emmett. "We set up what we wanted to do. We ran Emmett down into the lane and instead of cutting him off, we gave it to him."

There were seven ties in the second half, the last at 78-78 on a putback by Jesse King of the Aggies after a long miss by Leandro Garcia-Morales with 20 seconds to play.

The Raiders, coming off an impressive 67-47 victory over Oklahoma on Monday, didn't wilt.

"The first thing I would say about this game is, I know had we lost, it would have been a tough loss for us and obviously it's a tough loss for them," Knight said. "They came back a couple of times in the first half and they came back when we had a five-point lead and they tied it up."

The Aggies got one more chance to tie it but Garcia-Morales missed a long shot at the buzzer.

"When teams are doing what we're doing right now, it's just a matter of time," Texas A&M coach Melvin Watkins said. "It's got to be that next game. It's on the

road at Iowa State and they're playing pretty good, but it's got to be that next game."

Jarrius Jackson added 16 points and Mikey Marshall had 14 for the Red Raiders, who shot 61 percent from the field.

Acie Law had 14 points for the Aggies, who shot 50 percent.

The Aggies took a 49-46 lead with 16:11 left in the game on a three-point play by Antoine Wright. That was A&M's first lead since the opening minutes of the game and set the tone for a tight battle down to the finish.

"A few times we had them in position to put them away and win the game, but they wouldn't go away," Emmett said. "It seemed like every time we score they'd answer. Fortunately we hung out for the win."

The Red Raiders kept pulling away, but the Aggies kept rallying in a back-and-forth first half.

The Red Raiders used an 11-0 run to take a 20-9 lead midway in the first half. The Aggies cut the lead to 24-21 before Jackson hit consecutive 3-pointers to stretch the lead to 35-23 with 4:36 to play.

Then, Wright hit a 3-pointer and Andy Slocum's three-point play got the Aggies back in the game. Law had two late baskets to cut Tech's lead to three at the half.

A&M won 64-59 in College Station last year, denying Knight his 800th career

victory.

Tech will return to action today at 6 p.m. in the United Spirit Arena against Texas. The game will be broadcast as part of ESPN's "Big Monday."

The Red Raiders are 4-0 in Big 12 play, while Texas is 3-1 after the Longhorns loss Saturday to Oklahoma State.

Texas has a tandem comprised of youth and experience leading the squad in scoring. Freshman forward P.J. Tucker and senior guard Brandon Mouton are both averaging 12.7 points per game. Tucker also leads the team in rebounding with 6.9 boards per game.

Meanwhile senior guard Royal Ivey has become a clutch performer for the Longhorns. Ivey is averaging

11.3 points per game and leads the team in assists with 3.9 per contest.

Last season the Red Raiders lost both regular season meetings to Texas, before eliminating Texas from the Big 12 Tournament in Dallas with a 92-81 win.

Emmett, who leads the Raiders in scoring with 22.1 points per game, averaged 25 points in Tech's games against Texas last season.

He scored 30 in the Big 12 tourney win and 20 in the Raiders' loss in Lubbock. Emmett missed the two team's meeting on Feb. 17 in Austin, which was part of "Big Monday," because of a suspension.

Emmett has not played against the Longhorns on "Big Monday" during his career at Tech.

PLAYER OF THE GAME

TEXAS TECH: ANDRE EMMETT



STATS: Was 9-13 shooting with 23 points. Was 5-6 from the free-throw line.

NOTES: Is No. 13 in the nation in points per game. Also is leading the Big 12 Conference in scoring.

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Tech on "Big Monday"

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- The Red Raiders have played in seven "Big Monday" games since Knight was named head coach and have won three of those contests.
- The Raiders will not play another "Big Monday" game this season, but have games on other days that will be televised on ESPN.

Tech's ESPN "Big Monday" results under coach Bob Knight.

W/L	Score	Opponent	Date
L	74-71	Texas	1/14/02
W	75-63	San Diego St.	1/6/03
L	96-64	Oklahoma	1/20/03
L	77-65	Texas	2/17/03
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