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France to continue with head scarf law

DEMOCRATIC DEFIANCE: French officials ignore demands of militant holders of Frenchmen in Iraq

By Jocelyn Gecker/Associated Press

PARIS (AP) — France vowed Monday to press ahead with a controversial law banning Islamic head scarves in schools, despite demands by militants holding two French journalists hostage in Iraq that Paris revoke the legislation.

Government spokesman Jean-Francois Cope told Canal Plus television France would not compromise its values to win the release of the journalists, Christian Chesnot and Georges Malbrunot. Militants claiming

to hold them demanded the law be overturned within 48 hours.

"The law will be applied," Cope said, rejecting the militants' warning.

The head scarf law goes into effect when school resumes on Wednesday. It forbids public school students from wearing "conspicuous" religious apparel. Jewish skullcaps and large Christian crosses will also be banned, but the true target of the law is head scarves — seen by authorities as a sign of rising Muslim fundamentalism in France.

French Foreign Minister Michel Barnier

arrived in Cairo on a mission to help win the journalists' release. He said his country respects all religions and human rights and noted that Muslim leaders in France also had called for the journalists' release.

"I call for their release ... for all these reasons, and especially because the respect for human life is sacred," Barnier told reporters at the French Embassy in Cairo. Barnier said French officials were going to Baghdad to help the embassy there handle the situation. Asked whether he would go, he said: "Nothing is excluded."

Chesnot and Malbrunot were last heard from on Aug. 19, just before heading from Baghdad to the southern city of Najaf. Chesnot works for Radio France-Internationale

and Radio France, and Malbrunot works for RTL radio and the dailies Le Figaro and Ouest-France.

The abduction shook the notion that France's opposition to the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq gave some safety to French citizens amid the rash of kidnappings in Iraq. Some Iraqi militants have previously spared French passport holders.

The demand to end the head scarf ban was the first time hostage-takers sought to reverse a nation's domestic law. Insurgents in Iraq have kidnapped dozens of people, but until now their demands have focused on pushing nations' troops or companies out of Iraq.

Iraqi interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi

said the hostage crisis showed France cannot escape terrorists.

"France will not be spared — no more than Italy, Spain or Egypt," Allawi said in an interview published Monday in *Le Monde* newspaper. "Governments that decide to remain on the defensive will be the next targets of terrorist ... Avoiding confrontation is not a response."

In a video aired on Arab TV station Al-Jazeera on Saturday, militants calling themselves the Saturday Army of Iraq demanded France revoke the headscarf law, calling it "an aggression on the Islamic religion and personal freedoms."

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Tech faculty members honored for donations

RAIDER GENEROSITY: Tech employees donated \$539,728 to State Employee Charitable Campaign.

By Nick Coy/The University Daily

Several department members throughout the Texas Tech system were honored Monday at a reception held at Jones SBC Stadium for their donations to the State Employee Charitable Campaign.

The SECC is a way for state employees, including those at Tech, to donate to their favorite charities.

Debbie Torrez, supervisor for the vice president of student affairs and a member of the Tech SECC campaign committee, said employees can choose from about 600 charities.

For the 2003 campaign, Torrez said Tech employees donated \$539,728 to the campaign, surpassing Tech's goal of \$522,000. These numbers reflect how much was donated by Tech, the Tech Health Sciences Center and other campuses in the Tech system.

Torrez said the reception was a way to say thank you to the departments for their part in donating to the SECC.

According to Tech's SECC Web site, employees can contribute a one-time gift or have donations deducted from their paychecks.

Torrez said employees can deduct a minimum of \$2. She said an employee is not limited to a maximum donation.

On hand at the reception were the Tech Spirit squads, who led the crowd in several cheers, as well as Chancellor Dr. David Smith, Tech President Jon Whitmore and HSC President Dr. M. Roy Wilson.

The HSC received a state award for the Highest Per Capita Gift out of a category with more than 2,000 employees.

Wilson accepted the award on behalf of the HSC.

Also receiving a state award was the Tech System. It received an award for Highest Participation and Highest Per Capita gift in a category with 200 or fewer employees.

The system includes the satellite campus located in Junction.

Among the many departments receiving awards were the Student Government Association, College of Engineering, Traffic and Parking, the Tech Library and the Physical Plant.

Campaign coordinators were also on hand to accept awards for their departments.

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TECH CHANCELLOR DR. David Smith accepts an award from Glenn Cochran, president of Lubbock United Way, during a reception Monday in the club level of Jones SBC Stadium on behalf of the Texas Tech system for their donations to charity during the State Employee Charitable Campaign.

WINDY WALK



DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily

STEPHANIE CUNNINGHAM, A senior early childhood education major from Houston, fights against the wind with an umbrella while walking to class past Memorial Circle Monday afternoon.

Students facing hardships with services

By Jackie Schirard/
The University Daily

Backpacks are full, the parking lots are overflowing and everywhere students go, they face long lines.

Texas Tech students, however, can avoid some first week obstacles by frequently checking traffic and parking updates, arriving to the campus early and handling financial aid, business services and parking permits at the Student Union.

Student Government Association Internal Vice President Nathan Nash said the SGA put together a focus group last spring to settle the dilemma of students going to multiple buildings around campus to take care of school-related business. The SGA agreed to put a satellite service in the Student Union, referred to

as the Student Shuffle, that would consist of a table for each Student Business Services, Financial Aid and Traffic and Parking.

"This benefits both the students and the services," Nash said. "Those offices will be able to get feedback to the students faster, since the services don't have to call the individual offices back and forth."

Becky Akin, who manages the publications and training, is a representative at the Financial Aid table. Akin said Vice President of Student Affairs Michael Shonrock talked to her office about participating in this event.

"It's nice being by the Student Business Services, so we can settle issues quickly,"

Akin said. "We don't like it either that students have to walk around to individual buildings; it's bad customer service. It's a lot more convenient to be in a bookstore, so more students can handle multiple things at one time."

André McZeak, a cashier supervisor at the Student Business Services, said students have been giving positive feedback to the fast service.

"Students are jumping with joy that the wait is not long at all," McZeak said. "They also get the benefit of being next to Starbucks, so they can grab that while waiting in line."

McZeak also suggests going online to take care of payment for classes and parking

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Tech closes Doak, Gaston residence halls

By Nick Coy/The University Daily

Two student housing residence halls at Texas Tech closed this fall because not enough students were choosing to live at the two complexes.

Sean Duggan, managing director for housing and residence life, said Doak and Gaston halls closed because renting out the halls without enough students living there is too expensive.

Duggan said about 50 students were relocated to different residence halls under the same plans.

The students who chose to live in the two halls were notified after June 1 they would be relocated to different residence halls, he said.

Students living at Gaston were relocated to extra space in Coleman Hall, while students residing in Doak were moved to Sneed Hall.

If the students did not want to live at Sneed Hall or Coleman Hall, Duggan said they were allowed the option of choosing another residence hall.

Duggan said there was a six-year plan to update all residence halls to meet fire

standards.

Michael Shonrock, vice president for student affairs, said the long-term plan was to install sprinkler systems in low-rise residence halls. The state fire marshal's office six years ago mandated all high-rise residence halls require sprinkler systems. Shonrock said Tech is taking this mandate a step further by installing sprinklers in all low-rise residence halls as well.

He also said upgrading Doak Hall and Gaston Hall to the new standards would be

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Tech Talks

How was your first day of school?

"I only had two classes. It was great. The teachers are a lot different than high school teachers. They're a lot more laid back."

Katie Dworsky, freshman marketing major from Ingram



"I had to go to lab today, which was a big letdown because I didn't take my books. I guess there's this new rule that you have to stay in lab the entire time now, so I was very disappointed."

Bryan Gibson, junior biology major from Lubbock

"I actually have two American professors, so that's good. It looks good so far. I'm taking organic chemistry and advanced calculus, but it was good. The parking was terrible."

Kassi Carter, junior math major from Kermit



"It went better than I thought, a lot better. The parking situation was better than I thought it would be. I thought I'd have to drive around for like 30 minutes, but I found something right away."

Steve Springer, junior microbiology major from Albuquerque, N.M.

"Today was perfectly fine. It's my third semester, so it's not really anything new."

Vishak Menon, sophomore computer science major from Miami



"Everything went fine. I had just one class in the morning, but everything went fine."

Lalith Karsani, graduate student from India studying electrical engineering



The Rundown

State court rules fetus is not an individual

AUSTIN (AP) — A stillborn child's parents cannot sue a hospital or doctor for negligence because a fetus is not considered an individual under state law, the Texas Supreme Court has ruled.

In a decision watched by abortion rights activists and anti-abortion groups, the court voted 7-1 to stand by legal precedence that allows only infants who have taken at least one breath to be considered individuals who can sue or have a suit carried out on their behalf.

The Friday ruling overturned a decision by the 2nd Court of Appeals in Fort Worth that would have allowed Tara and Donnie Reese to sue a Fort Worth hospital for the death of her unborn son.

Tara Reese was seven months pregnant in May 1998 when she went to the Fort Worth Osteopathic Medical Center's emergency room complaining of a racing pulse and dizziness. She said the hospital's staff should have delivered the baby by Caesarean section.

The hospital said Tara Reese was a high-risk patient who gained about 50 pounds during her pregnancy, eventually weighing almost 300 pounds. They also questioned the quality of her prenatal care.

A state district judge tossed out the couple's wrongful death lawsuit, but the 2nd Court of Appeals in Fort Worth ruled their son was being denied his constitutional right to equal protection under the law. The hospital appealed that decision.

Convention, protest of convention begin in NY

NEW YORK (AP) — Filmmaker Michael Moore and Jesse Jackson carried the banner Sunday for tens of thousands of protesters who peacefully swarmed Manhattan's streets on the eve of the Republican National Convention to demand that President Bush be turned out of office.

Flanked by police in riot gear, the protesters moved through the fortified city, loudly and exuberantly chanting slogans such as "No more wars." They accused the Bush White House of prosecuting an unjust war in Iraq, making the country poorer and undermining abortion rights.

There were no immediate reports of violence and only scattered arrests: in the largest incident, some 50 protesters on bicycles who stopped near the parade route were carted away in an off-duty city bus.

Police did not give a crowd estimate for the demonstration, which snaked in a circular route around downtown Manhattan, shutting down dozens of blocks and bringing out hordes of police in a city already girded against terrorist attacks. Organizers had claimed up to 250,000 people would participate in what was expected to be the largest protest of the week. At its height, the march filled much of the route, forming an enormous horseshoe of dissent in the heart of an overwhelmingly Democratic city.

"They chose New York, where they're universally hated," said writer Laurie Russo, 41, of the New York borough of Queens. "They should have gone somewhere they're more welcome."

Election results under fire after terror attack

GROZNY, Russia (AP) — The Russian government's choice to lead warring Chechnya easily won a presidential election held in the shadow of last week's terrorist destruction of two airliners, election officials said Monday. The opposition charged that voting was tainted by fraud.

Alu Alkhanov, the region's top police official, replaces Kremlin-backed president Akhmad Kadyrov, who was assassinated in a bomb attack in May.

The election of Alkhanov was central to the Russian government's attempts to bring a degree of political normality to the ravaged region. Alkhanov on Monday repeated campaign pledges to bring peace.

"The most important task for the president and the republic's power structure is that the course of peaceful existence," Alkhanov said at a chaotic news conference in the presence of heavily armed guards. "The course of restoration continues, and it will continue only in the presence of an effective power structure and corresponding measures to preserve stability."

Alkhanov received nearly 74 percent of the vote in Sunday's balloting, Chechen elections commission head Abdul-Kerim Arshakhanov said.

Arshakhanov dismissed other candidates' claims of fraud, saying there were no violations. Turnout was about 85 percent, he said, even though many polling stations appeared sparsely attended.

Man charged with murder in child's death

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A 20-year-old man was charged with capital murder over the weekend in connection with his daughter's death.

Joseph Anthony Mauricio was arraigned on the charge on Sunday and was being held in the Bexar County

Jail on \$500,000 bond.

Mauricio's 7-week-old daughter, Desiree, was found unresponsive in her crib on July 23, police said. She was taken to University Hospital, where she was pronounced dead.

An autopsy revealed Desiree had

sustained two separate brain injuries about four weeks apart. The second injury killed her.

Child Protective Services placed the child in her aunt's care after she was taken to a hospital on July 2 for vomiting.

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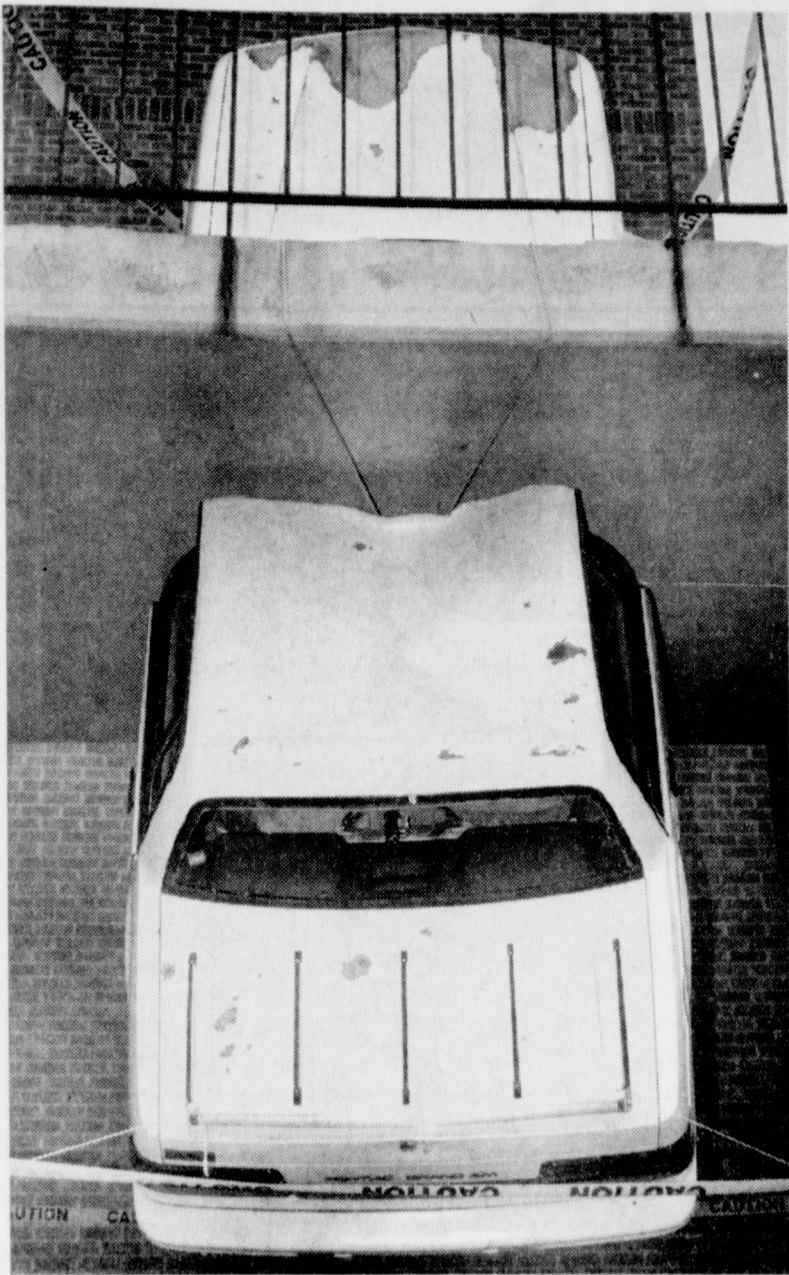
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Architecture earns reaccreditation

By Erica Hoff/
The University Daily

A six-year accreditation granted to the Texas Tech College of Architecture in July by the National Architecture Accreditation Board will go into effect in January.

A team from the National Architecture Accreditation Board, headed by James Lawler, visited the College of Architecture for four days in March to review every aspect of the college. The team room, which is a collaboration of the students' outcomes within the college, was a rather large aspect of the visit, said David Driskill, associate dean of academics for the College of Architecture.

The review team then returned to the board to make a recommendation regarding what accreditation the college would receive, Driskill said.

The team declared the college successfully met 37 of the student outcomes, as well as having eight of the required criteria well met. The team was also highly impressed with the format Tech's College of Architecture uses, said Academic Dean of Architecture Andrew Vernooy. The team suggested a similar layout could be useful in other schools.

Lawler said Tech's College of Architecture was the first college out of 23 team visits in

past years that has met all of the required student outcomes. The college received a letter in July notifying them of their six-year accreditation, which will be effective January 1, 2005, according to the visiting team report.

The College of Architecture has been accredited since 1957. The school received a five-year accreditation in 1993, but then lowered to a three-year accreditation in 1998, as well as a three-year accreditation in 2001.

The lower accreditation was partially because the Tech College of Architecture was the first college in the U.S. to convert to a five-year masters degree, in 1996. Doing so, Vernooy said, created a lot of attention for the school, and although the curriculum has remained strong, the conditions were lacking. A six-year accreditation, which represents the highest standard of accreditation, was vital to the college because without receiving it this year, the college would have lost accreditation, said Driskill.

According to the mission statement of the College of Architecture, the college educates students for future design practice and advances knowledge of the discipline for the benefit of society.

The six-year accreditation shows success within the college and also sends an important message, Driskill said.

"What this also says in the future practice of architecture is we

see ourselves as bridging the discipline of architecture to the practice of architecture," said Driskill.

The curriculum and college has not been changed, but organized. Several additions helped in the process of receiving the six-year accreditation, said Driskill.

These include courses covering Non-Western Architecture, as well as history courses redeveloped to embrace Non-European Architecture. Other changes to the College of Architecture are a diversity committee, which was formed within the faculty and staff, as well as the creation of a new position chair of instruction.

Thirteen fulltime faculty have been hired within the College of Architecture, and students as well as faculty may notice the enhancement of their visual resources, Driskill said.

Future focus will be put into national architecture, historical preservation and community development and visualization, Vernooy said. The goal of the college is to establish status in these three areas.

"We balance to keep a strong commitment to the profession and to be known for that commitment," Vernooy said.

Driskill said he attributes the six-year accreditation to many aspects, such as ongoing support of the administration, as well as a

steadfast leader.

"Really, this effort was led by our dean Andrew Vernooy," Driskill said. "He really has spearheaded the whole effort."

The administration at Tech is very proud of the outcome of the recent visit, said James Brink, senior vice provost.

"The praises administration at Tech Architecture got from the visiting team were unsurpassed," Brink said. "They were impressed with the holistic approach which the College of Architecture uses with their students."

With the six-year accreditation, the board will not have to return to review the college for another six years, according to the visiting team report.

During this period, plans involve organizing around the highest accreditations, Driskill said. The college is planning ahead with intentions to revamp existing Tech courses to meet future demands, he said.

The process of receiving the six-year accreditation was labor intensive, said Sharen Hart, Director of Architecture. Now the school must maintain while preparing again in the next six years, she said.

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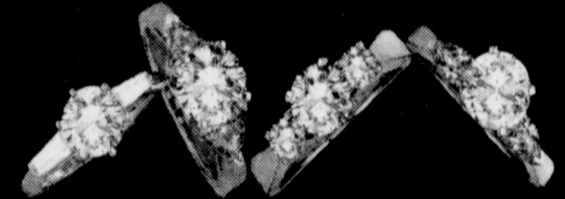
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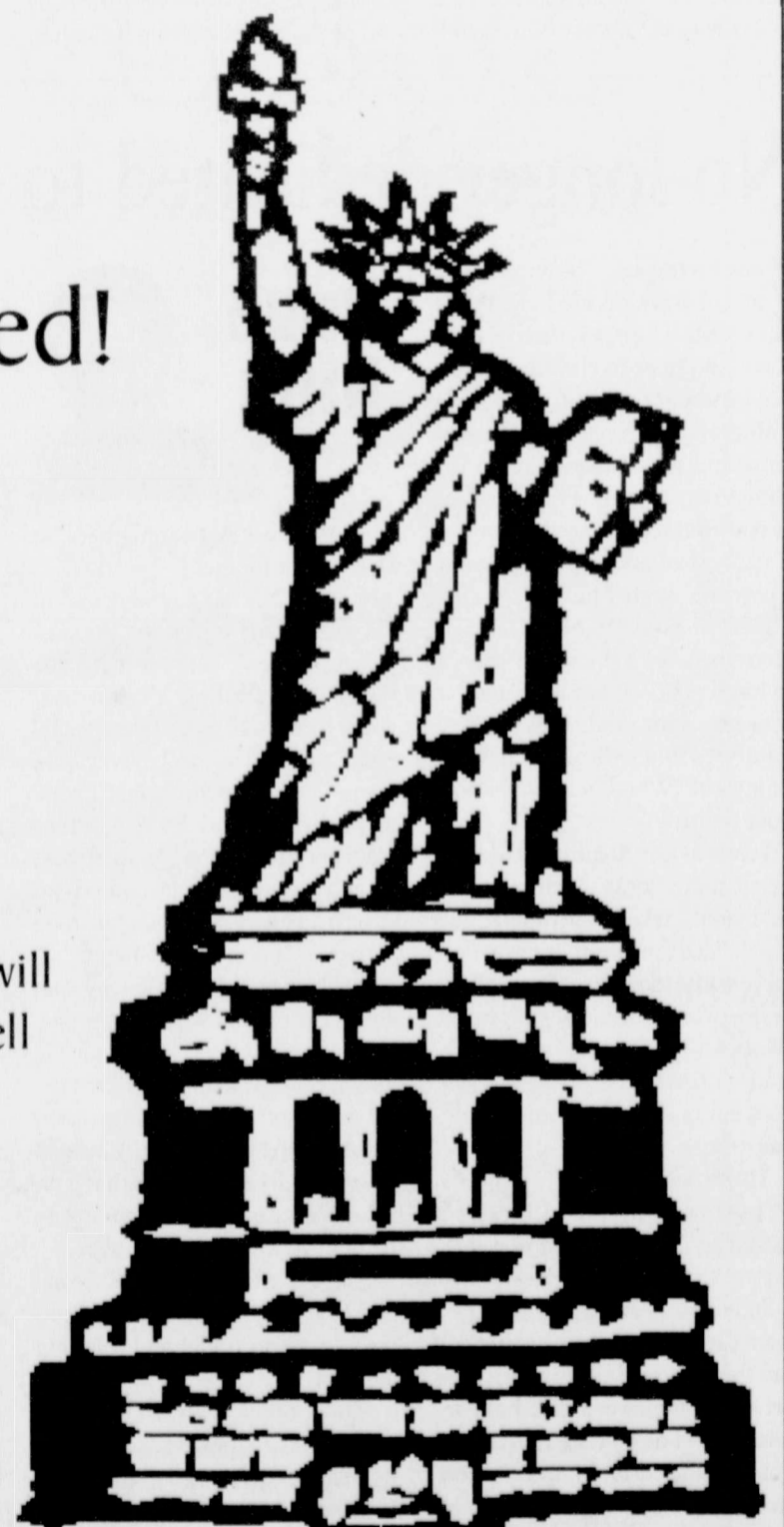
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Lubbock citizens pass bond package for school system

By Andrew Bell/
The University Daily

\$100 million. Dr. Evil might be proud of the Lubbock citizens who voted and helped pass a \$98.8 million education bond package for the Lubbock Independent School District on Aug. 24.

Dan Pope, chairman for the bond committee that created the ideas for the proposal, said the bond package will help LISD in three distinct areas: technology advancement, facility utilization and capital improvement.

On the night of the election, 8,326 Lubbock voters voted for the issue while 4,563 voted against the bond package.

Tracy Gregory, executive director of finance and election administrator for LISD, said the final tally for the election had a majority of about 65 percent for the project, with 35 percent against.

Of the almost 13,000 people who voted on the issue, 8,194 voters cast their ballots in the early election.

Originally, Skip Watson said more than 8,200 people voted on the matter, but some ballots were discounted from the final numbers.

Watson, director of public information for LISD, said the early election numbers, as with the final numbers, indicated a majority of the voters were for the bond package.

In the past 15 years, Lubbock voters have consistently voted for school bond issues, and the most recent election is no different, Pope said.

"I believe there has been large community support, because, first

and foremost, it is concerning education," Pope said.

Essentially, a bond is similar to a home mortgage. Bonds are sold to competing lenders to raise funds for the costs of constructing and equipping facilities. The bonds are repaid over a period of years through local tax dollars, he said.

To ease the impact on local taxpayers, Pope said the increase would be presented to the taxpayers in a stair step fashion.

The bonds will be sold to lenders over a period of time. The tax will increase as more bonds are sold over the coming years, he said.

However, taxpayers will not have to worry about an increase in taxes during the 2004-2005 school year, Pope said. Instead, the tax will begin next year and increase until the bonds are sold by 2008 or 2009, he said.

During this time period, the net increase in the tax rate could range from 4.5 cents to 9 cents, according to the newsletter.

For the owner of a home at current average home value of nearly \$84,000, the homeowner's monthly tax increase will cost between \$2.60 to \$5.21 per month.

However, the cost is for a purpose. LISD Superintendent Wayne Havens said every student in the district will realize the benefits of the most comprehensive bond

package he has ever seen.

Technology advancement, facility utilization and capital improvement are the focus points of the bond package for LISD students. In total, the technology initiatives recommended by the committee would cost taxpayers over \$18 million, Pope said.

First, the funds will be used to replace labs in the senior high, middle and elementary schools in the district.

The funds also will be used to provide wireless technology to the labs of the senior high and middle schools, while accommodating teachers and libraries with new computers, Pope said.

Since the average age of LISD campus buildings is 42 years, the bond package also is designed to provide maintenance and upgrades for the LISD schools throughout the district, he said.

In particular, the bond package allows for the renovation of heating, air conditioning and electrical systems for the schools within the district at the cost of nearly \$25 million, Pope said.

The final portion of the bond package concerns the facility utilization of LISD.

Unlike many districts in the state, LISD does not currently have a middle school that contains sixth through eighth graders, Havens

said.

However, through the use of the bond package, LISD would be able to set up the middle school concept and help to further educate the students within the concept, Havens said.

"Through our research, we have seen that it is the best format to offer a constructive education for that particular age group," he said.

The change of facilities will be possible because the nearly \$56 million facility utilization program will include the construction of two new elementary schools, Pope said.

The changes to come for the district during the next five or six years of construction and funding could possibly enhance the infrastructure of the entire school district, said Eddie McBride, president and CEO of the Lubbock Chamber of Commerce.

The future success of the bond package is a testament to the support of Lubbock citizens for the continuous improvement of education for the students of Lubbock, he said.

"This is a ringing endorsement by the city of Lubbock," McBride said.

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Justin Barnes, a senior mechanical engineering major from Pampa, looks at the literature distributed by Leslie Simon, who works for the Student Alumni Association. Those that join will receive a free t-shirt.

Auctioning piece of freedom

JERSEY CITY, N.J. (AP) — What price Liberty?

Well, a starting bid of \$60,000 could get you a small piece in an eBay auction of items removed during renovations of the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island from 1984 to 1992.

The items include 18 10-inch pieces of Lady Liberty's original inner framework and 25 bricks from

the Great Hall on Ellis Island, the immigration center's main processing building.

The auction began Friday, but there were no bids as of Monday afternoon. The minimum bid for a splice bar that connected metal beams in the statue is \$60,000; a single brick goes for \$25,000. Ten percent of the auction's proceeds will be donated to the Epilepsy Foundation.

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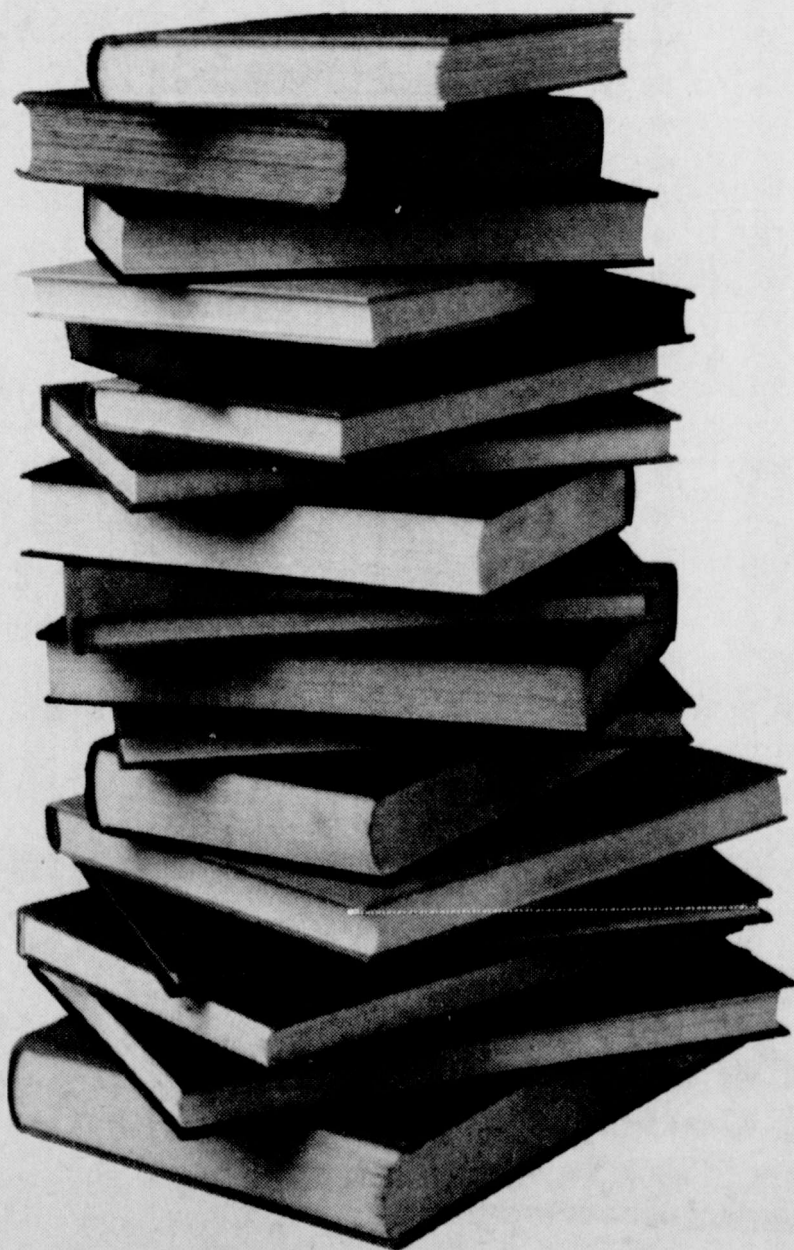
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Hardships

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permits. The tables at Barnes & Noble in the Student Union will accept checks or credit cards, but will refer student to individual offices if paying in cash. The Student Shuffle will be available from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. until Friday.

Janet Wright, an advisor in Mass Communications, said a high volume of students has visited for consultation.

"A lot of the students are in here now because they didn't pay their fees on time and were dropped from their classes," Wright said. "I always recommend to double check that everything is taken care of before starting school."

Wright said the advisors are recommending students take 15 hours a semester to graduate on time.

Students have to meet with their advisors twice a year before signing up for classes the following semester. Wright said students should

be able to register online without speaking to an advisor; otherwise, the advisors are available to answer questions about deadlines or change of major.

Michael Lopez, coordinator of events and transit operations for Traffic and Parking, said the Tech Parking construction continues to cause delays for commuters and satellite parking.

"Overall, it's different than what we expected," Lopez said. "We have tons of extra people on staff to educate and give direction to students. My suggestion is to be tactical about it take the bus when necessary, be familiar with bus routes and map out your classes. Once students get into the routine of school, the parking situation will get better."

Until then, Lopez said to arrive on campus 20 minutes early.

For updated information on traffic and parking, student can visit www.parking.ttu.edu or listen in the mornings to KTXT 88.1 or KOHM 89.1 for traffic reports.

Faculty

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Torrez said they serve as a point of contact running the campaign for their department throughout the year. Smith congratulated those

in attendance for their fundraising efforts.

"The family at Texas Tech truly is a compassionate one," he said.

Smith called on more people to participate in the SECC as it begins the 2004 campaign Sept. 1.

France

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They gave no ultimatum, Al-Jazeera said. The station showed a brief tape of the journalists saying they were in captivity — the first word on their fate since they disappeared.

A militant group with a similar name to the one holding the French journalists is believed to be responsible for the death last week of Italian freelance journalist Enzo Baldoni. Before his murder, the group had said it could not guarantee his safety unless Italy announced within 48 hours that it would withdraw its troops from Iraq.

French President Jacques Chirac vowed Sunday to spare no effort to secure the reporters' freedom and dispatched Barnier

to the Middle East.

The foreign minister arrived in the Egyptian capital for meetings with Egyptian Foreign Minister Ahmed Aboul Gheita and with Amr Moussa, secretary-general of the Arab League. In July, Egyptian diplomacy secured the release of one of Cairo's diplomats in Baghdad, Mohammed Mamdouh Helmi Qutb, held by militants for three days.

Speaking at the French Embassy in Cairo, Barnier did not directly address the militants' demand but said, "This ultimatum is incomprehensible, given the reality of French society." Barnier also planned to visit Qatar.

The Foreign Ministry in Paris said that a diplomatic envoy, Hubert Colin de Verdiere, was heading to Baghdad.

Chirac appealed on Sunday to the kidnappers, implicitly reminding them that France opposed the U.S.-

led invasion of Iraq.

"France ensures equality, the respect and protection of the free practicing of all religions," a solemn-looking Chirac said in a televised address. "These values of respect and tolerance inspire our actions everywhere in the world ... They also inspired France's policy in Iraq."

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat joined Middle Eastern religious and political leaders in condemning the kidnappings. Arafat called for the journalists' "immediate release," saying France was a friend of the Palestinian cause, according to a statement issued by the Palestinian news agency Wafa.

Other critics of the kidnappings included Egypt's largest opposition group, the banned Muslim Brotherhood.

The European Union also appealed for the reporters' liberty. Their kidnapping means "not only freedom

of expression is again at stake, but also the values of tolerance and respect for others to which all Europeans are profoundly attached," said Javier Solana, the EU's top foreign policy official.

Chirac postponed a Monday visit to Russia, where he was scheduled to hold two days of talks with Russian leader Vladimir Putin and German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder. Chirac planned to join the meeting on Tuesday, his office said.

Even French Muslim leaders who opposed the law on head scarves condemned the kidnapping and urged the government Sunday not to capitulate.

"We must not negotiate. It is blackmail which the Muslims of France reject," said Lhaj Thami Breze, president of the powerful Union of Islamic Organizations of France. France's Muslim community of 5 million is western Europe's biggest.

Halls

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too expensive, because not enough students choose to live in the two complexes.

If needed, Duggan said, the two closed residence halls will be used for overflow housing. Duggan said Gaston Hall and the Gaston Apartments will eventually be demolished after a new student health center is constructed.

"We don't anticipate we'll use the current space after the Gaston Apartments close," Shonrock said.

The demolition process can be costly, Shonrock said.

There are costs to remove asbestos from the building and for the actual demolition process, he said.

Doak Hall will not be demolished because it lies in a historical part of campus, but Duggan said the building would most likely be used for additional office space.

Shonrock also said Drane Hall and West Halls were pre-



JAIME TOMAS AGUILAR/The University Daily

ROOMS IN DOAK Hall remain empty after the doors of the residence hall closed to residents. Gaston Hall also closed to residents this fall.

viously used as residence halls.

Drane Hall is now the home of Student Business Services, while West Hall is the home of the Financial Aid office.

According to Tech's hous-

ing and dining Web site, Doak

Hall is located southeast of the Human Sciences building. The Web site also states, "the non-air conditioned hall is designed as an economical option for

freshman."

The Web site said Gaston Hall is designed for upper class and graduate students. This hall is open-year round, including holidays.

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Awarding the summer movies

The summer was busy at the movies. For studios, every weekend was like robbing a bank, as they got their big films in, made their money and got out before the next big release weekend.

With four months' worth of movies to see, I found developing a way to recognize the standouts, both loathsome and loveable, necessary.

Here, now, are my own summer movie awards, which are, frankly, just a way to rant, rave and/or ridicule movies I saw this summer.

Lived up to expectations:

"Spider-Man 2." This sequel surpassed the original on every level and is probably the quintessential summer movie. One may worry "Spidey 3" won't be able to match it.

Lived down to expectations:

"King Arthur": An epic that aimed for mediocrity and hit the bulls-eye.

Biggest let down:

Troy" was a Trojan Horse-sized disappointment.

Best date movie:

"The Terminal." I never thought Spielberg and Hanks would produce something so schmaltzy, but they are part of a select few who could succeed.

Single biggest laugh of the summer:

"Shrek 2": When authorities frisk Antonio Banderas's Puss in Boots and find a small baggie of catnip, he says, "That's, uh, not mine."

Most welcome surprise:

"Saved!" was a sharp, hilarious jab at religious hypocrisy. Those calling the film anti-Christian simply have no seen it, or are the ones the film targets in the first place.

A close runner-up in this category was "Napoleon Dynamite," which was a funny, charming geek-fest.

You could smell it coming:

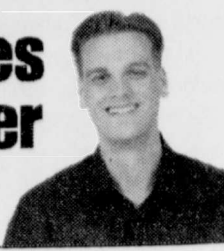
"Catwoman." Who could have thought this \$90 million Halle Berry vehicle would bomb?—Anyone who had seen the trailers months in advance. The stench from this litter-box was potent long before its release.

Most misunderstood movie:

"The Village." Most patrons were expecting a horror-fest, which has never been what writer/director M. Night Shyamalan is all about. Being disappointed at the lack of scares, too many people missed the provocative political message at the heart of this film.

In his film, Shyamalan demonstrated how government might use fear as a method of control

James Eppler



My vote has to go for Morgan Spurlock in his documentary 'Super Size Me.' Aliens and Predators are fictional, but fast food addicts like Spurlock walk among us daily. Now that's scary.

over its people—a timely message, considering the current administration. The fact that it was released on the same weekend as "The Manchurian Candidate" is more than ironic.

Most involving movie:

"Open Water" holds audiences in constant tension, scanning every frame for intruding sharks as a married couple is abandoned in the middle of the ocean. I was told a few viewers had to leave the theater due to seasickness. The video game was better than

the movie:

"The Chronicles of Riddick." One of the worst movies of the summer sure made a cool Xbox game. I only hope they make another video game instead of another movie. Vin Diesel may be running out of fuel.

Scariest movie monster:

Alien? Predator? Michael Moore? Nah. My vote has to go for Morgan Spurlock in his documentary, "Super Size Me." After eating McDonald's for three square meals a day for thirty straight days, Spurlock gains 25 pounds, almost pickles his liver, suffers from headaches and violent mood-swings and scares the daylights out of his doctors. Aliens and Predators are fictional, but fast food addicts like Spurlock walk among us daily. Now that's scary.

Movie everyone should have seen but didn't:

"Super Size Me" spent only one week in Lubbock theatres and soon left for lack of attendance. It's a shame, because the film is one of the most confrontational of the year.

While Moore's documentary, "Fahrenheit 9/11," pointed the finger at the Bush administration, Spurlock's film attacks fast food chains, but holds us responsible for eating ourselves to death. Summer film most likely to find a spot on my top 10 list:

"De-lovely." Kevin Kline shines in this musical biography of Cole Porter that is not afraid

to explore once taboo aspects of the musician's life, including his sexuality.

Most gratuitous nudity:

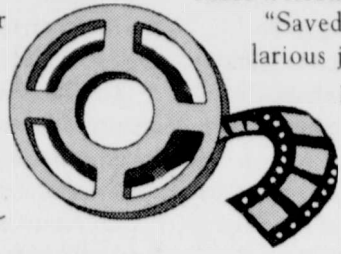
The game. Will Smith's naked derriere in "I, Robot" and Blanchard Ryan's full-frontal peep show in "Open Water."

I conveniently took my vacation

the weekend it was released:

"White Chicks." I was going to see this lame comedy, but darn it, I had to take my vacation sometime.

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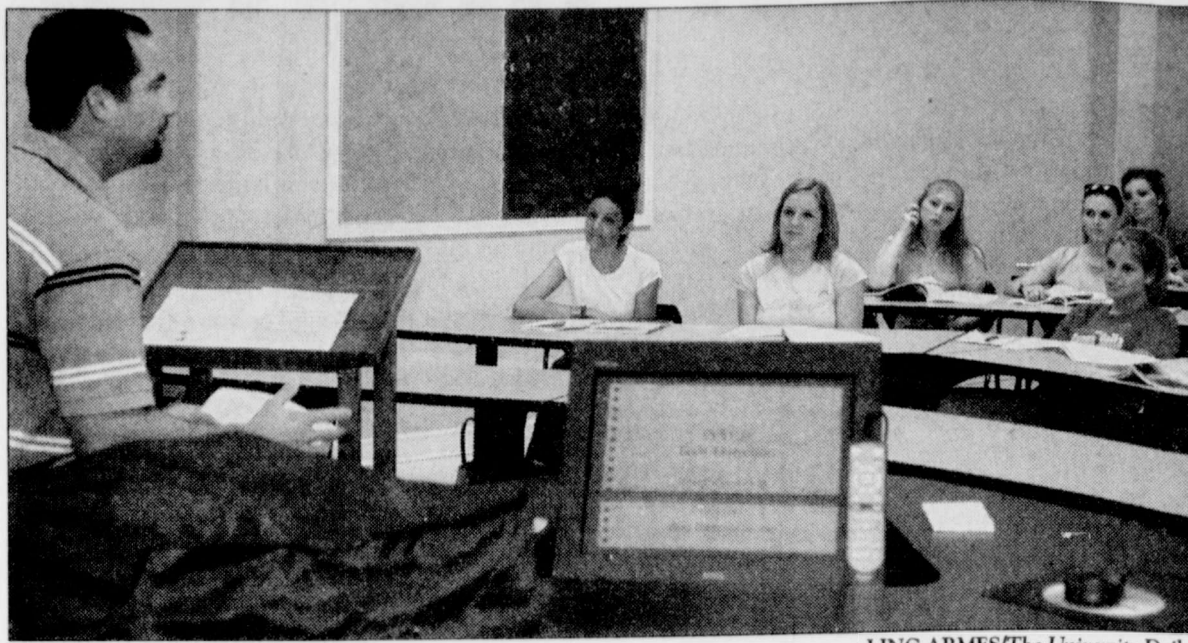
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Freshmen share their first impressions of Tech



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PROFESSOR BRAD DABBERT gives a lecture to freshmen in the Agriculture Education building Monday afternoon. The course is IS 1100 and is designed to assist incoming freshmen with how to handle the college life.

By Kandis Wenk/
The University Daily

The 2004-2005 Freshmen class at Texas Tech University have come from near and far, but for the next few months, Lubbock and

the Tech community will be their home away from home.

Many students have adapted to trading private rooms and home-cooked meals for a new level of freedom as college students.

For some, nervousness of col-

lege classes has slipped out of view, due to the excitement of the first year as a Tech student.

Greg Norwood, a freshman electronic media major from Georgetown, said he is excited about freedom.

"I'm excited about being on my own for the first time," Norwood said. "I'm a little nervous about running out of money, though."

Although Norwood said he is not interested in getting involved with Tech organizations, he said he likes living in the dorms.

"The people are nice and easy to get along with," he said. "I like my roommate, too, we get along pretty well."

Norwood said the toughest thing for him would be getting to class on time, due to the size of the campus and having to walk everywhere.

"I like it here," Norwood said. "It's a big, but beautiful campus."

Julianne Henry, a freshman pre-med major from Houston, was set on meeting as many people as she could.

"It was pretty boring and quiet in the beginning, because not a lot of people had moved in yet," she said. "Now, there's been a lot more going on. I knocked on people's doors and left my door open so I could meet new people."

Henry said adjusting to Lub-

bock's climate was easy, and the weather is a nice change from her hot, humid hometown.

"I like the weather down here," she said. "Houston's always so hot."

Henry said she also has become a bit of a night owl.

"There's a lot to do if you're up at two or three," she said. "You can always find something to do."

Although Henry has almost nothing bad to say about Tech, she said she has had some problem adjusting to dorm life.

"Haters! Haters that erase my board and are jealous of my room," she said.

Payal Patel, a freshman Pre-medicine major from Arlington, said she is anxious to explore all Tech has to offer.

"I'm ready to get involved and get into organizations," she said. "A lot of people out here are willing to meet others and not stick to one group."

Henry agreed.

"In other words, they're not snotty," she said.

Patel said the thing she likes

least about Tech is its size. She said it takes her 15 minutes to walk everywhere.

Tara Higgins, Assistant Director for the First Year Experience program, said she thinks many freshmen come to Tech because they have so many options.

"I think Tech offers so many opportunities to explore and find the field or major that's best for them," she said.

The faculty at Tech works to ensure students are happy and taken care of, Higgins said.

"I want freshmen and all students to know that Tech is here for them, for the student," she said. "Tech believes in them and wants them to have the best experience they can."

Freshman students who want more information on how to get the most out of their freshman year should visit the Center for Campus Life, located in room 201 of the Student Union Building or online at www.campuslife.ttu.edu.

Austin plastic surgeon sucks his own fat

AUSTIN (AP) — Calling himself the biggest fat sucker in Texas, an Austin plastic surgeon performed liposuction on himself in full view of television and newspaper cameras to promote the potential use of stem cells that can be harvested in such an operation.

Dr. Robert Ersek, 66, also had a staff member videotape the procedure

Thursday as he sucked fat cells out of his belly.

"Somebody said we're doing our part to keep Austin weird," Ersek said.

The inventor of liposuction, Dr. Yves Gerard Illouz of Paris, in town for a plastic surgery seminar held at the Personique clinic where Ersek practices, ducked in and out

of the crowded operating room and, at one point, advised Ersek on his technique.

"This will be the future," Illouz said of stem cells. He said that in five years, adult stem cells derived from tissue, such as fat, and other organs will be successful in fighting disease and injuries. Illouz performed the first liposuction in 1977.

Ersek said he will encourage his patients to save their liposuctioned fat from now on.

With the media looking on, he climbed on an operating table and covered his legs with a drape.

"It's a lot better with the patient cooperating, huh?" he told his assistant.

Ersek then asked for a big needle containing local anesthetic to numb the left side of his abdomen. He jabbed himself many times, wincing once or twice.

"It's a little tricky when it first goes in," he said.

Satisfied that he was numb

enough, Ersek made a small incision near his navel. He made sure his videographer got a good shot.

"It's unbelievable," Ersek said. "I'm the actor, the director and the cinematographer."

Using a metal wand more than a foot long and about as thick as a pencil, he started to suck out the fat. Attached to a long clear tube with a collection bottle at the end, the wand was stuck deep into his abdomen.

"I feel absolutely fine," he said, as he operated. "I am surprised how simple and how comfortable this is."

In less than 20 minutes, Ersek had removed about a pound and a half of fat from his left abdomen.

Elizabeth Scarbrough, vice president of MacroPore Biosurgery Inc. of San Diego, told the Austin American Statesman Ersek collected 250 cubic centimeters of tissue, much more than the 100cc minimum for stem cell processing. Her company will isolate and store Ersek's stem cells at -370 degrees Fahrenheit in case he needs them in the future.

Ersek said he'd leave his right side "as is" for now and be his own before-and-after liposuction ad for his patients.

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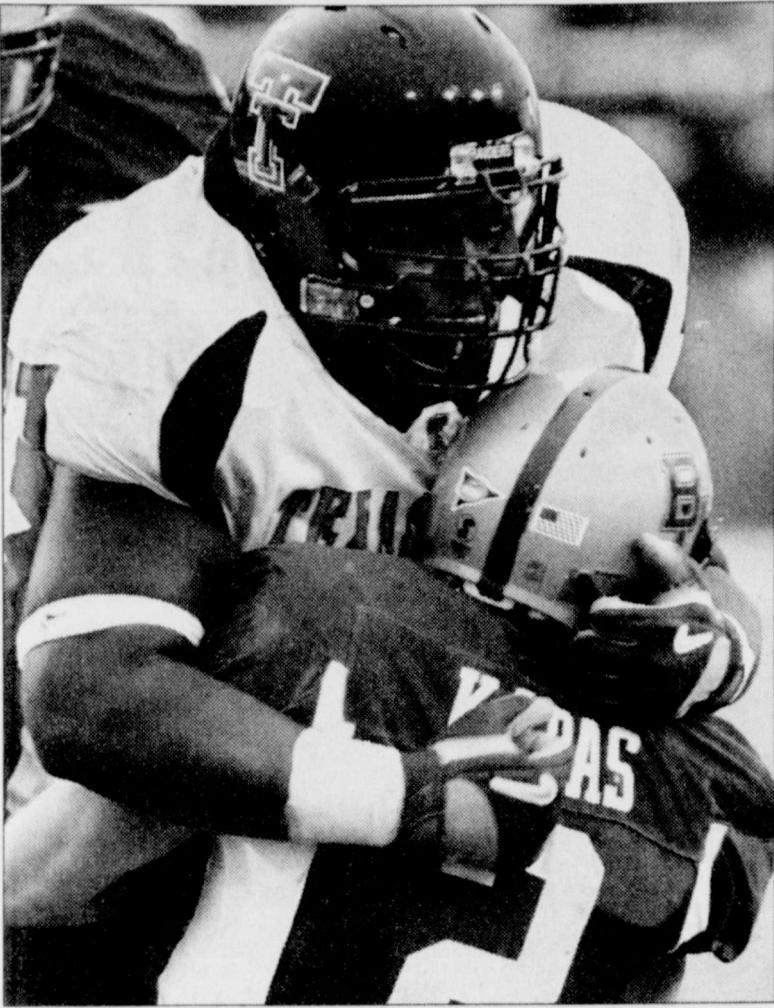
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Duckett on straight path to record season



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SENIOR ADELL DUCKETT recorded 14 sacks in the 2003 season, one of which came against Baylor's Aaron Karas on Nov. 8, 2003.

By Adam Boedeker/The University Daily

When Adell Duckett arrived in Lubbock three years ago, he had no trouble finding a roommate. His living with then-junior defensive end Aaron Hunt seemed logical. Hunt would go on to set the Texas Tech and Big 12 Conference record for career sacks with 34.

Duckett, now a senior, lived with and learned from the best, and now he has his sights set on becoming the best.

"I lived with Hunt until he graduated," Duckett said. "We've become really close. We've joked about (the record), and he said when he got it that he set it somewhere where I could go break it."

If Duckett does become the Big 12's all-time sack leader, the record will not be the first of Hunt's he has broken. Last season against Oklahoma, he broke Hunt's single season school record for sacks with 14, besting Hunt by two.

"He was actually at the game and after the game, he congratulated me," Duckett said of his former roommate. "He's been a big supporter of mine, and now he's trying to make it with the Miami Dolphins, and we talk on the phone every other day. We're each other's biggest fans, and we expect the best from each other."

Duckett has been known to make some big plays, resulting in his being named one of the four captains for this season's team, but two of the plays Duckett remembers most fondly came last season in a matter of seconds.

The game came the weekend after Tech's defense fell to No. 117 nationally. The Red Raiders had just lost two consecutive games, and the defense gave 113 combined points. The Red Raiders were in a dogfight against Colorado after a rare bad performance from the Tech offense.

The Buffaloes were poised at Tech's 45-yard line to tie the game, but Duckett took control and recorded two of his three sacks in the game back-to-back. Tech ended up winning the game 26-21 to break its two-game losing skid.

"It was probably the biggest two sacks I've ever gotten," Duckett said. "It was big because they were going in, and we ended up getting them three and out."

Although Duckett plans to have great memories added to his list this season, he still looks back on his first career start against Mississippi in 2002 as his greatest. The Rebels came to Lubbock riding their quarterback Eli

Manning, but Duckett did not buy into the hype recording six tackles, four batted passes and a 21-yard interception return for a touchdown.

"That game kinda put me on the map a little bit and got me a starting job," he said. "I've never looked back since."

No matter what Duckett accomplishes in 2004, the feat will be shared with his teammates. He hopes to have some burden taken off his shoulders and see fewer double and triple teams with the emergence of defensive linemen like Keyunta Dawson and Seth Nitschmann and returning starters such as Ken Scott.

"I honestly think Seth Nitschmann on the other end had a great camp," Duckett said. "Last year, people didn't get to see him play because of his injury, but he's back 100 percent this year."

Coach Mike Leach said Duckett should indeed have more help this season than he did in his junior season.

"I'm excited to see how things go on defense," Leach said. "Duckett anchors the front guys, but guys like Dawson and Nitschmann are stepping up. Dawson is emerging as a force, and I think that will make it harder to double-team Duckett. It's really incredible what (Duckett) did last year, because most of the time he was splitting double teams. It will be harder for teams to do that to him this year."

When asked what makes Duckett such a force on the defensive line, Scott gave a simple answer.

"I have no idea," he said. "I guess it's just God-given ability. He's just a freak. He's 6'4" and 265, and on top of that, he's quick."

Duckett's 14 sacks in 2003 was good enough to get him on the third team of the Big 12 coaches' squad. The lack of recognition has led some to say Duckett would get more accolades if he played for Texas or Oklahoma, but the senior is happy where he is and will look to prove his worth in his final collegiate season.

"I wouldn't want to play anywhere but Texas Tech," he said. "I've enjoyed my time here. I figure if I go out and put up a better year than last year, they'll have no choice but to see me. I've got to have a better year. That's a major goal of mine this year is to break my school record (for sacks in a season)."

Rawls ranked among top 50 best buys

By David Wiechmann/
The University Daily

When plans for the Rawls Course began taking shape, administrators and coaches in the athletics department predicted the course would bring attention to Texas Tech University. The links-style course has succeeded in turning the eyes of the golfing world to West Texas and has garnered another honor from the industry's No. 1 publication.

In its bi-annual rankings, "Golf Magazine" included The Rawls Course in its Top 50 Courses Under \$50. In February, Golf Magazine ranked the course in its top 10 new courses.

Director of Golf Jack North said the course is in a league all its own in West Texas.

"I think we're in a position where we are unmatched as far as playability in this area," he said.

The fair weather this summer, teamed with the hard work of head superintendent Eric Johnson have aided getting the course in the best shape it has ever been, North said.

The affordability of the course is because of two things—Jerry Rawls's desire to have a top-notch golf course for Tech and the economics of Lubbock. Golf is a growing industry across the country, and that trend is no different in Lubbock, but men's head golf coach Greg Sands said because Lubbock is not an elitist city, the price of golf becomes more affordable.

"I think this is a testimony of what we're trying to do and what Jerry Rawls' vision was, and that was to create a championship golf course that was available to your everyday player," Sands said. "It's a product of demand in West Texas. If we put this course somewhere else, like the Metroplex, the price would go up. I think this is a case in economics of what Lubbock can bear. They're getting a great



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THE RAWLS GOLF Course was ranked by Golf Magazine as one of the top 50 best courses under \$50.

deal. If you put this golf course somewhere else, you would easily pay \$75. Some places you would pay as much as \$150."

The Rawls Course is playing into the label given it by "Golf Magazine" even more than one may anticipate. Under \$50, according to Sands, is a steal, and North said he has been pushing a major

selling point this summer. "This is a price sensitive market," North said. "We thought it was very, very important to get people to play the golf course. The response has been amazing. People are really enjoying it. We're the cheapest championship course in the world, we believe."

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