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Tech student arrested in Student Union

BOOK BURGLARY: Tech Police apprehend student for stealing textbook from Barnes & Noble bookstore.

By Andrew Bell/The University Daily

A 22-year-old Texas Tech student was taken into custody by the Tech Police at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday after employees of the Barnes & Noble Bookstore reported the student was shoplifting.

Maj. Gordon Hoffman of the Tech Police Department said the female attempted to steal a textbook containing CD-ROMs by placing the book in her backpack. The book, valued at \$78, was still in the backpack as Barnes & Noble employees stopped the woman from leaving the Student

Union Building.

Marybeth Moran, the general manager for the bookstore, said she did not enjoy notifying the police, but notification is a necessity when a person shoplifts.

"I felt bad to call the police on her, but we are a business, and we can't afford to not call in shoplifters," she said.

An employee of the store noticed the female place the textbook in her backpack while downstairs in the textbook section

of the store. Moran said the employee followed the woman to the register near the main exit.

While at the main register, the woman made a small purchase but did not purchase the textbook. In these situations, Moran said store employees suspicious of a customer have the right, while the customer is inside or outside the store, to search the person and the person's property.

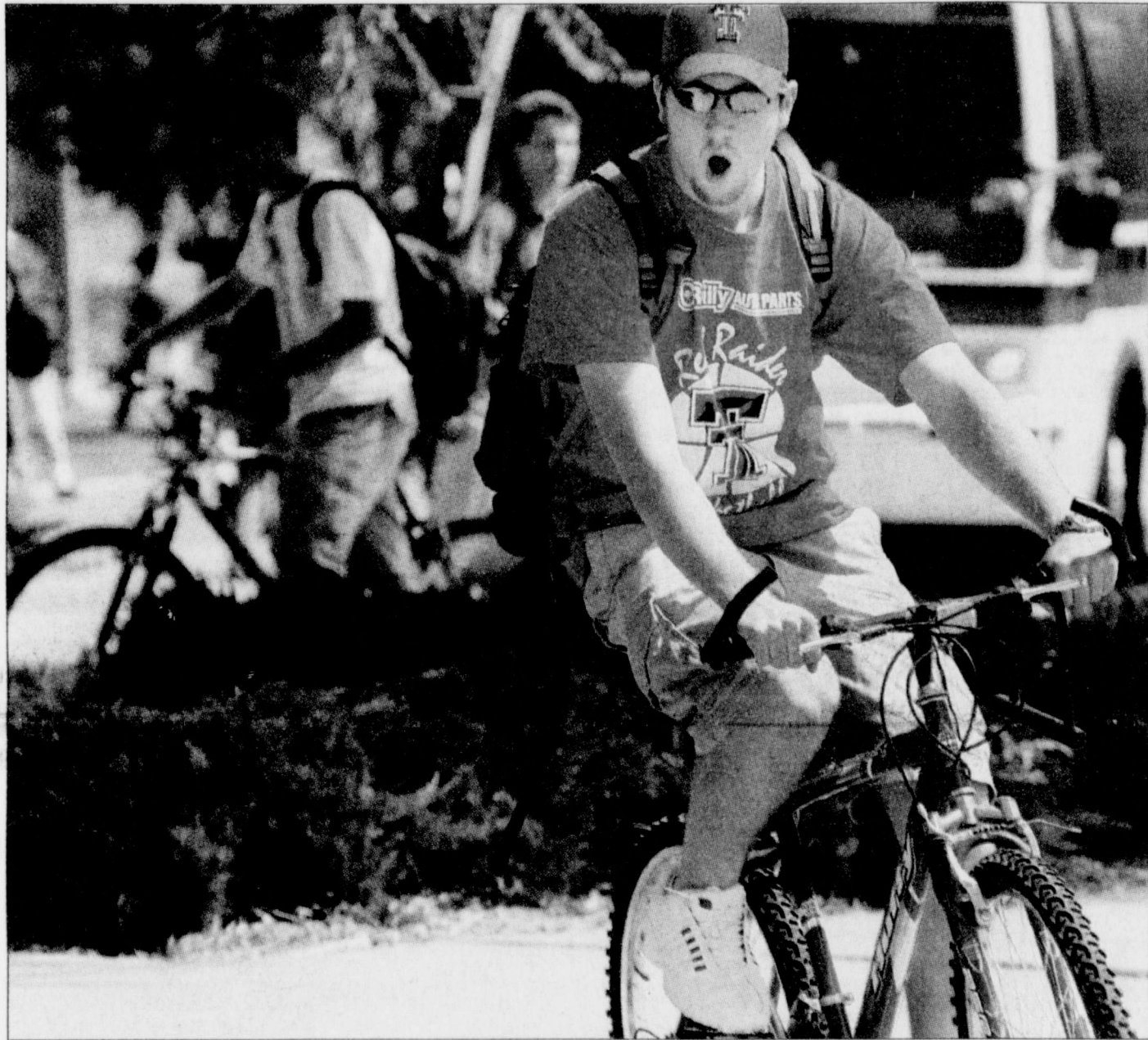
After making the purchase, the female

attempted to leave the store when a security measure notified the employees of the theft. Immediately, store employees detained the student and called the Tech Police, Moran said.

After the authorities arrived, Moran said the police arrested the individual and took her to the police station. Hoffman said the female was taken into custody and transported to the police station for further

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RULES of the ROAD



LINC ARMES/The University Daily

Tech pedestrian transportation rules causing confusion

By Jackie Schirard/The University Daily

The lack of signs and notifications regarding rules and regulations for bicycles, skateboards and in-line skaters is causing confusion among some Texas Tech students about where to ride.

Brandon Ridens, a senior mechanical engineering major from Stephenville, in-line skates on campus to his classes.

Ridens said he was stopped by a Tech police officer for in-line skating on the street and was issued a warning.

"He said you have to rollerblade on the side walk," Ridens said. "The same pertains to people with skateboards."

Ridens said he thinks the rules and regulations are confusing and that the same rules should apply to bike riders.

"I always see people riding bikes on the sidewalk," Ridens said. "It just doesn't make any sense to me why bike rules and rules for people on skates are different. I think blades should go on streets, because sometimes there isn't a crosswalk and you need to get to your classes. It's also hard for people not to ride on the sidewalk since the bike racks are so close to the buildings."

Maj. Gordon Hoffman of the Tech Police Department said the Texas Transportation Code dictates how bikes should be ridden. He said the rules are available on the Texas Tech Traffic and Parking Web site.

"It seems to me like the information is available if the students look for it," Hoffman

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TOP: A TEXAS TECH student rides his bike on the sidewalk beside Holden Hall after getting out of class, while another student pushes his bike to a bike rack. ABOVE: A Tech student walks her bicycle on the sidewalk Wednesday afternoon near Memorial Circle.

Time running out for Tech students to register to vote

By Katherine Amerson/The University Daily

An increasing number of Texas Tech students and professors understands the right to vote should not be taken for granted and thinks voting in the presidential election is important.

For students who have not already registered to vote, time is running out.

Assistant professor of political science Kevin Scott said for someone to be able to vote in the presidential election, an application needs to be filled out at least 30 days prior to the election.

Scott said if students have not already registered to vote, they can register at the Department of Motor Vehicles or online. He also said students can request an absentee ballot if they do not want a registration card for Lubbock County.

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VOTING TIMELINE

Oct. 4: Registration deadline for General election voter

Nov. 2: Election Day - Texas polls open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Source: Federal Election Commission www.fec.gov/pages/faqs.htm

Faculty Senate discusses issues facing university this semester

By Erica Hoff/The University Daily

Parking, tuition increase, new faculty and finance issues were discussed Wednesday during the Texas Tech Faculty Senate meeting in the Escondido Theater in the basement of the Student Union Building.

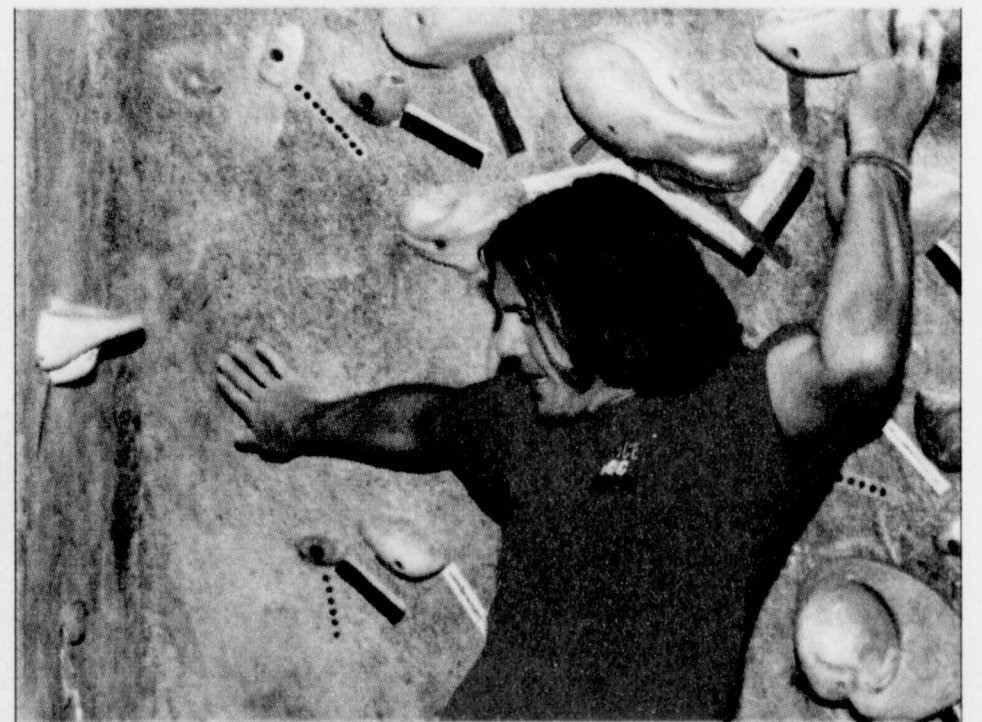
Although the issues addressed were serious, Guest Speaker Provost Bill Marcy started the meeting on a lighter note by acknowledging a successful start to a new school year.

"Seemed to me at least we got things underway in a very good fashion," Marcy said.

The university is doing its best to fulfill the promise to students by using the increase in tuition to hire more faculties, Marcy said. A lot of money this year was spent on visiting and part time faculty, yet Marcy said \$7.35 million is marked for the use of new tenure

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HOLD ON BUDDY



DAVID JOHNSON/The University Daily

TIM BARNETT, A senior advertising major from Kingswood, plays add-on, a climbing game, with his friends at the climbing wall in the Robert H. Ewalt Student Recreation Center Wednesday afternoon. During add-on, each player repeats the moves of the climber before him and adds two moves of his choice.

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Space capsule parachute fails to open, causing capsule to crash during landing

DUGWAYPROVINGGROUND, Utah (AP) — The Genesis space capsule, which had orbited the sun for three years gathering potential clues to the origin of the solar system, crashed to Earth and cracked open Wednesday, exposing its collection of solar atoms to contamination.

Flight engineers suspect a set of tiny explosives failed to trigger the capsule's parachutes, and the capsule slammed into the Utah desert at 193 mph.

A recovery team that includes Genesis project members was dispatched to the crash site Wednesday afternoon on a salvage mission.

Scientists were hopeful they could salvage the broken disks that held billions of charged atoms collected from the solar wind, and perhaps still unravel clues about the origin and evolution of our solar system.

"This is actually not the worst-case scenario," said Andrew Dantzer, director of NASA's solar system division, noting the capsule embedded itself in soft desert soil and avoided hitting anything harder that would have made it a "total loss."

NASA planned to appoint a "mishap review board" within 72 hours that could take two to four months to determine a reason for the failure of the six-year, \$260 million mission.

The mishap raised questions about the durability of another NASA sample-return capsule called Stardust, due to land here in 2006. But that capsule

was built to be more rugged and will land on its own with a parachute.

A helicopter was supposed to grab the Genesis capsule almost a mile above the Utah desert and lower it gently to the salt flats. But before the retrieval team learned of the parachute failure, the speeding capsule had slammed into the ground.

"There was a big pit in my stomach," said physicist Roger Wiens of Los Alamos National Laboratory, which designed the atom collector plates. "This just wasn't supposed to happen. We're going to have a lot of work picking up the pieces."

A recovery team was working to retrieve the capsule, buried halfway underground 30 miles northwest of this Army base on a bombing range. It was uncertain whether the capsule could be brought quickly to a clean room for an inspection.

The spacecraft was designed and built by Lockheed Martin Space Systems in Littleton, Colo. southwest of Denver. A company spokeswoman said engineers were beginning to analyze the failure with NASA, but had no immediate comment.

The helicopters were supposed to snatch the capsule's parachute with a hook as it floated down at 400 feet a minute, or more than 6 feet per second. But the capsule tumbled out of control. It was supposed to be spinning at 15 revolutions a minute to slice evenly through the atmosphere, but camera images showed it tumbling

instead.

The solar wind is a stream of highly charged particles that are emitted by the sun. Scientists hoped the charged atoms gathered in the capsule — a "billion billion" of them — would reveal clues about the origin and evolution of our solar system, said Don Burnett, Genesis' principal investigator and a nuclear geochemist at California Institute of Technology.

"We have for years wanted to know the composition of the sun," Burnett said before the crash. He said scientists had expected to analyze the material "one atom at a time."

The Genesis mission, launched in 2001, marked the first time NASA has collected any objects from farther than the moon for retrieval to Earth.

Together, the charged atoms captured over 884 days on the capsule's five disks of gold, sapphire, diamond and silicone were no bigger than a few grains of salt, but scientists say that would be enough to reconstruct the chemical origin of the sun and its family of planets.

The five disks were of different thicknesses, which could make it easier for scientists to sort out shattered remnants and put pieces back together like a puzzle, Wiens said.

Scientists had expected to study the material for five more years.

The Rundown



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Delta restructures, stops flights to DFW

FORT WORTH (AP) — Delta Air Lines' retreat from Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport will reduce passengers' choices at one of the nation's busiest airports and throw more displaced workers into a weak aviation job market.

Delta announced Wednesday that as part of a restructuring plan, it would cut daily flights at DFW from 256 to 21 by Jan. 31, shifting jets to Salt Lake City and Cincinnati.

Delta's move will reduce DFW departures by 21 percent and cost the airport about \$20 million in revenue during the fiscal year that starts Oct. 1, airport officials said.

AMR Corp.'s American Airlines will take up some of the slack. Last week it announced it would add 70 new flights at DFW, evenly divided between the flagship line and American Eagle, and company spokesman Tim Wagner said after the Delta announcement that American is "seeing what type of opportunities it may create for us."

American is unlikely, however, to offer jobs to any of the displaced Delta workers. American still has thousands of furloughed workers who would get first call on any new jobs, Wagner said.

Delta executives told DFW-based employees about the changes Wednesday morning.

"I've been on the phone all day," said Lisa K. Sanneman, a local president for the Association of Flight Attendants. "They are worried and upset. This is home for many of us."

Sanneman and her colleagues are lucky.

They work for a Delta regional subsidiary, Atlantic Southeast Airlines. Sanneman said none of ASA's 330 Dallas-based flight attendants would be laid off, although they will be forced to move or commute long distances to work.

Delta Air Lines Inc., which also said it would cut up to 7,000 jobs, including about 2,000 at DFW, has operated at the airport since it opened in 1974.

Congress opts not to vote on weapons ban

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress will not vote on an assault weapons ban due to expire next week, Republican leaders said Wednesday, rejecting a last-ditch effort by supporters to renew it.

"I think the will of the American people is consistent with letting it expire, so it will expire," Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., told reporters.

The 10-year ban, signed by President Clinton in 1994, outlawed 19 types of military-style assault weapons. A clause directed that the ban expire unless Congress specifically reauthorized it.

Some Democrats and several police leaders said President Bush should try to persuade Congress to renew the ban. Bush has said he would sign such a bill if Congress passed it.

"If the president asked me, it'd still be no ... because we don't have the votes to pass an assault weapons ban and it will expire Monday and that's that," House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, D-Texas, told reporters later.

DeLay said the ban was "a feel-good piece of legislation" that does nothing to keep weapons out of the hands of criminals.

Appearing at a news conference, chiefs of police from the District of Columbia, Los Angeles, Atlanta and Seattle predicted an increase in violent gun crimes if the bans does expire.

"Our streets, our homes, our citizens and our police officers will face great danger unless the federal ban on assault weapons is renewed," said Charles H. Ramsey, the police chief in the nation's capital.

In March, the Senate voted to add the ban to a bill that would have immunized gun manufacturers from liability suits stemming from violent gun crimes. But the Senate voted 90-8 against the final bill after the National Rifle Association urge its defeats.

Russian authorities searching for answers

MOSCOW (AP) — A top Russian general on Wednesday warned the military will strike "terrorist bases in any region of the world," while authorities offered a \$10 million reward for information leading to two Chechen rebel leaders blamed for last week's deadly raid on a school.

In a nationally televised meeting, Prosecutor-General Vladimir Ustinov also briefed President Vladimir Putin on the investigation into the taking of more than 1,200 hostages in a school last week in the southern Russian town of Beslan.

His was the first official acknowledgment that the number of hostages had been so high; the government initially said about 350 people had been seized. A regional official later said the number had been 1,181.

Col-Gen. Yuri Baluyevsky, chief of the Russian General Staff, reasserted Russia's right to strike terrorists anywhere in the world.

"As for carrying out preventive strikes against terrorist bases, we will take all measures to liquidate terrorist bases in any region of the world," Baluyevsky told reporters.

Baluyevsky made his comments during a joint news conference with NATO's supreme allied commander in Europe, Gen. James Jones, after talks on Russia-NATO military cooperation, including anti-terror cooperation.

European Union officials reacted cautiously to Baluyevsky's comments, with spokeswoman Emma Udwin saying she could not be sure whether they represented Russian government policy.

"It's not clear what the status of these remarks are," Udwin said. "I would note we have not heard anything similar from President Putin himself."

Udwin said the 25-nation EU is against "extra-judicial killings" in form of pre-emptive strikes. NATO officials declined comment.

Judge No. 3: abortion ban unconstitutional

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — A third federal judge has ruled the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act

unconstitutional, adding judicial weight that some experts say could keep the issue from reaching the U.S. Supreme Court.

signed last year by President Bush but was not enforced because the three judges agreed to hear constitutional challenges in simultaneous non-jury trials.

U.S. District Judge Richard Kopf of Lincoln ruled against the measure Wednesday, saying Congress ignored the most experienced doctors when it determined that the banned procedure would never be necessary to protect the health of the mother — a finding he called "unreasonable."

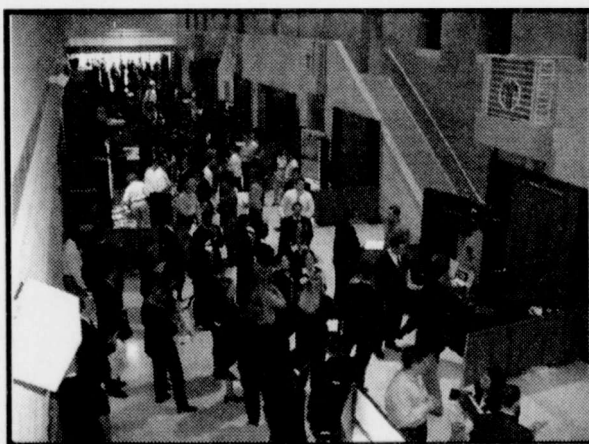
The ban, which President Clinton twice had vetoed, was seen by abortion rights activists as a fundamental departure from the Supreme Court's 1973 precedent in Roe v. Wade. But the Bush administration has argued that the so-called partial birth procedure is cruel and unnecessary and causes pain to the fetus.

His ruling echoed decisions by federal judges in New York and San Francisco. The abortion ban was

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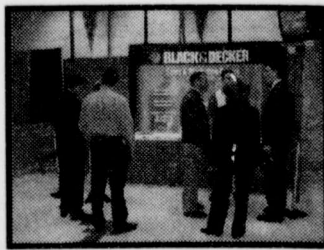
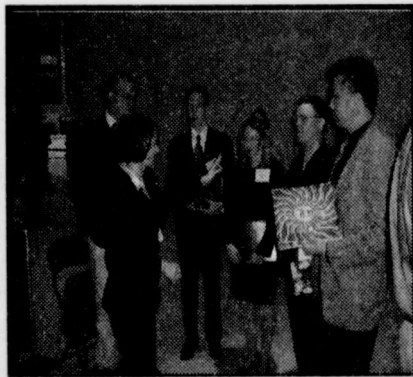
In Wednesday's edition of *The University Daily*, the quote from Associate Dean of the Rawls College of Business Don Clancy in the BA story should have read, "What it should bring is better employers, better jobs, better technology and more pride in the facility they're in."

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Construction worker injured after fall



LUBBOCK EMS LEAVES the site of the Texas Tech Experimental Sciences Building after a construction worker fell at the building Wednesday.

By Andrew Bell/
The University Daily

A construction worker at the Experimental Sciences Building was injured after falling from a scaffold at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday.

One of the construction workers on-site, Kris Ford, said the worker, a 48 year-old male, was downstairs in the building working on drywall when he took an awkward step on a scaffold. As the worker began to fall backward, he lost his footing and fell off the structure four to six feet and landed on his shoulder, Ford said.

"It wasn't really that far of a

fall," Ford said, "but he fell back and maybe dislocated his shoulder."

Other construction workers at the Experimental Sciences Building said they were unsure whether the worker dislocated his shoulder or broke his collarbone.

Maj. Gordon Hoffman of the Texas Tech Police Department said the worker

man said. Other descriptive details could not be given concerning the injured construction worker, Hoffman said. Also, after the departure of the EMS and Tech Police, other construction workers on the site said they could not give more details because they had to return to work.

"It wasn't really that far of a fall, but he fell back and maybe dislocated his shoulder."

— KRIS FORD
Construction worker

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District 1 residents given chance to speak up at three town hall meetings

By Andrew Bell/
The University Daily

Get up, stand up, stand up for your rights. Lubbock residents of District 1 could take the advice of Bob Marley during the month of September to inform their City Council representative of what they would like to see change in their neighborhoods.

District 1 Lubbock City Council member Linda DeLeon held the first of three town hall meetings for the citizens of the district to allow residents to voice their ideas and opinions concerning codes enforcement and police patrol within the area.

Since Texas Tech students just began a new year of school, DeLeon said she has not received many complaints from students. However, many of the Lubbock citizens within the area voiced concerns, and she said she expects Tech students to lodge complaints as the year progresses.

Of the nearly 60 people who attended the event, Tom Williams, a resident of the district for the past seven years, seemed to be one of the few people whose house had not been burglarized.

However, he said he has seen the effect of crime in his neighborhood, and more police could help combat crime.

"It would be hard to say it wouldn't," Williams said, "but more police would help the problem."

However, other citizens have not been as lucky as Williams. Near the beginning of the meeting, a woman approached the podium to discuss the situation in her neighborhood.

Within one block, four robberies and an attempted murder took place. In one

robbery a dog was killed, the woman said. Most importantly, she said she is upset with the response of the police.

DeLeon said she decided to hold three town hall meetings in various parts of District 1 to hear what the residents would like to change in the near future. Those who approached the podium explained they would like to see something better for their neighborhood and district.

Like most districts in the city, District 1 covers a vast amount of space. According to City Hall, the district begins at 34th Street between Ave. P and Ave. Q. From there, the area moves up Ave. P to 19th Street. The area then covers the region between 29th Street and 19th Street in conjunction with the area between Ave. Q and University Ave.

From this point, the district expands to the city limits on the east side of town. Also, according to City Hall, the district encompasses the area north of Quaker Ave. and, finally, the remainder of the northeast section of the city.

Since the area covers a wide range of the city, DeLeon said there are not enough officers to protect the citizens and students who live within the district. More than 300 officers are on the payroll of the Lubbock Police Department, Mayor Marc McDougal said.

For the next fiscal year, the City of Lubbock budgeted the LPD payroll for an additional 20 officers. McDougal said eventually having 415 officers on the force is the goal of the city. However, he said making that goal a reality is impossible.

"Other departments also need attention," McDougal said, "but there's

not enough tax money to do everything."

However, LPD Chief Claude Jones has been given the green light to hire as many police officers as possible, McDougal said. As long as the department is able to hire more people, he said the city would find a way to pay for the hiring for the protection of the citizens.

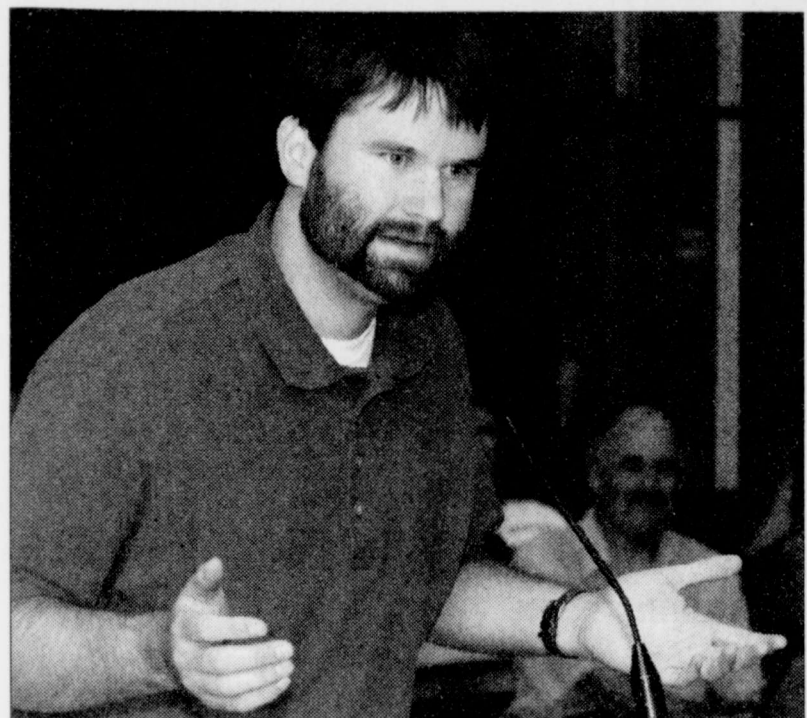
DeLeon also spent time at the town hall meeting discussing codes enforcement within the city. In District 1, she said codes violations involve a number of things such as broken sidewalks, abandoned vehicles and houses and excessive trash in alleyways.

The most prevalent codes violation within the district is excessive weeds, Codes Enforcement Supervisor Stuart Walker said.

There are 14 inspectors within Codes Enforcement department. Of the 14 inspectors, 10 are full-time field inspectors, Walker said. Housing inspectors are still in training, and the final officer is a graffiti inspector, he said.

The inspectors' jobs require them to notify residents of code violations. Walker said some code violations that occur in the district are more than two unrelated people living in the same household, vehicles parked on the grass and substandard houses.

The next town hall meeting will take place on Sept. 13 at the Maggie Trejo Super Center at 3200 Amherst St. Also, the third town hall meeting of the month for the residents of District 1 will take place on Sept. 20 at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church at 102 N. Ave. P. For more information, residents can call the City of Lubbock at 775-2052.



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JOEL WALKER COMPLAINS of conditions in District 1 during the town hall meeting Wednesday evening.

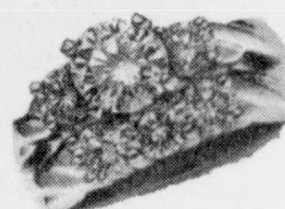
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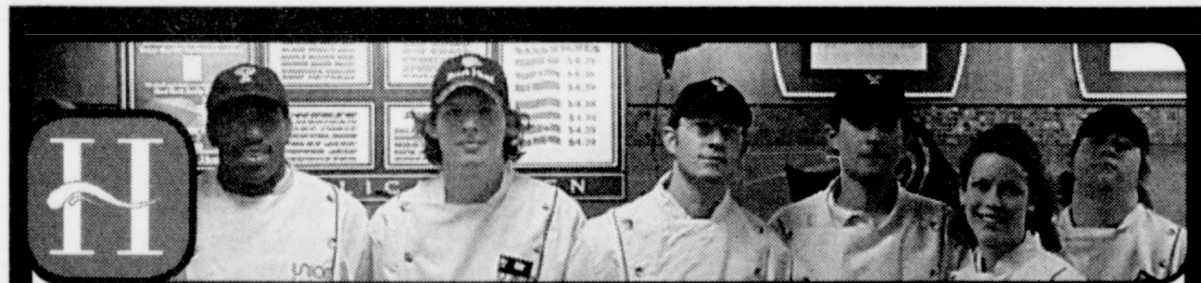
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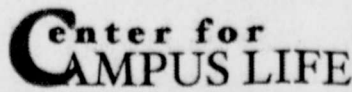
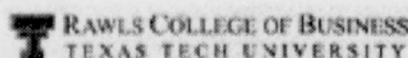


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Minus one state wouldn't be so bad

Poor Florida. Someone should just put the state out of its misery. Florida never has done anything to me personally — not counting Election 2000 — but much like a dying horse, I think it should be shot in the head (figuratively speaking).

Florida never has had much going for it. But in the last month, it has been devastated by hurricanes, and reprieve doesn't seem in sight. First, it was Hurricane Charley. Then Frances hit. Ivan is on the radar, and things do not look good for the Sunshine State.

Almost one-third of Floridians are without power. The total economic loss is estimated at \$40 billion. George W. Bush currently is asking for an aid package of \$2 billion. Insurance agencies are having night sweats about what this will do to their business. Charley was estimated to have cost insurers \$7.4 billion, while Frances would only cost them \$2 to \$4 billion.

The rest of the nation sadly looks on and thinks, "Wow! That sucks! Glad it's not me." But that is nothing new. We have looked upon Florida and had that thought many times before. That is why I think we should kick Florida out of our nation.

The politics in Florida is enough to make anyone question his place in America. How could we forget the hanging chad drama of 2000? All that nonsense gave us Jeb Bush's brother as president. What does it say about a state whose governor is named Jeb? Jeb is not even a name. It is the nickname of a Confederate officer — James Ewell Brown Stuart. It gives me a mental picture of a back-wood man with missing teeth, a shotgun and jug of moonshine.

There is also the fact that a large population of older people is in Florida. Nothing is wrong with older people. I will one day be older and I hope to enjoy that time in my life. However, certain stereotypes about older people exist for a reason. All I am saying is the

Sarah Looten



The rest of the nation sadly looks on and thinks, 'Wow! That sucks! Glad it's not me.' But that is nothing new. We have looked upon Florida and had that thought many times before. That is why I think we should kick Florida out of our nation.



Florida is a evacuation might have gone faster if the AARP was not driving out of Florida, too.

All of this might be overlooked or forgiven, but Florida tied its own noose. Florida gave us not one, but two of the most horrific, evil boy bands ever. Thank you Florida for ruining the last few years of the 20th century with

the Backstreet Boys and N'Sync.

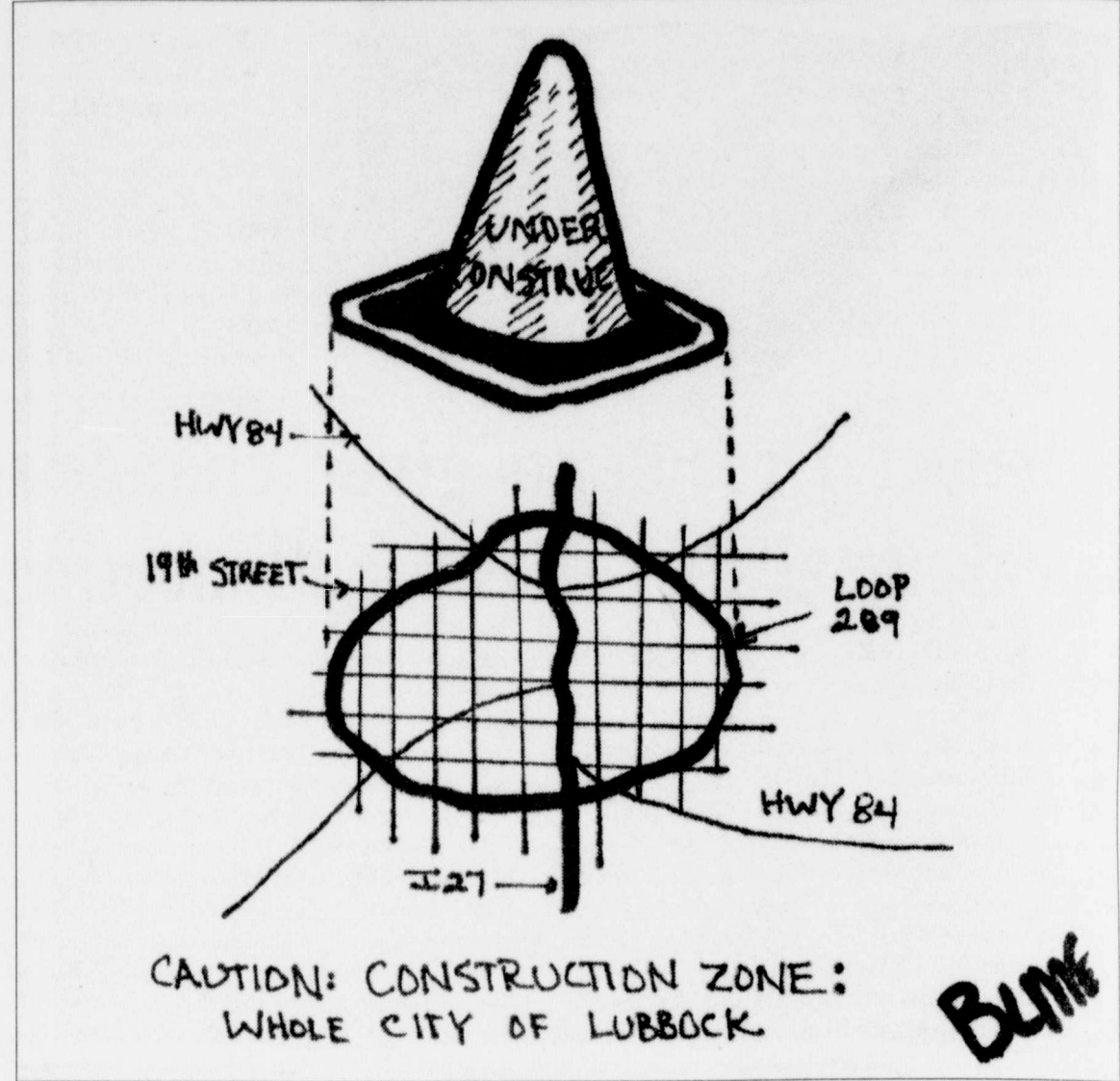
That is right. Florida should be made to cede from the Union, and no one should stop them. Let us take a critical approach to this. What possible positive effect could a state have on our nation with a manatee as its state marine mammal? The answer is simply none.

A few problems would arise being minus one state. Namely, we would have a lot of out-of-date flags. Therefore, I propose we finally let Puerto Rico become a state. True, it also was damaged by hurricanes, but it will be a lot easier to rebuild, as it is very small. Puerto Ricans are already U.S. citizens. They already have a non-voting representative in the House of Representatives. The only thing that would really change is their ability to vote in elections. I say, let them. There are not enough of them to make amuck in this election like Florida did last time.

This might offend some of you. But some of you might be saying, "Yah! That's the idea! And while we are at it, let's get rid of California!" Whoa. Slow down there, guys. Yes, California is a lot like Florida. They have hurricanes, wild fires and earthquakes. Oh my! Instead of older people, they have crazy liberal hippies. The state marine mammal is the gray whale. Their saving grace comes in their biggest reason for getting rid of them. I am staying away from any man who can battle Predators, Terminators and Thulsa Doom and come out the winner. The governor is not someone with whom to trifle.

I do feel horrible about the hardships and tragedies that Floridians will have to endure because Mother Nature does not like the Sunshine State. Sometimes the only thing you can do is put on a brave face and smile. Florida — you are in my thoughts and prayers.

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Fundamental Christianity not fundamental to everyone

I love how the French keep the world on its toes. They are constantly creating fresh and innovative ideas and trends. But the latest trendy idea to emerge from France has a bit of a fascist flair.

Actually, according to the Associated Press, this idea is now a law that forbids Muslims to wear headscarves in schools, all in the name of tolerance, of course. That such an artistic culture would desire to prohibit others from expressing their religious beliefs seems odd to me, though.

Scarves do not always have "dangerous" Islamic implications. Suppose a young French girl - not even a Muslim, just your average French pagan - decides to do some housecleaning before school and inadvertently loses track of time. While rushing about, trying to find her backpack and such, she forgets to remove the scarf she wore on her head while dusting the coffee table. Upon arriving at school, would she be punished for her accidental headwear along with her tardiness?

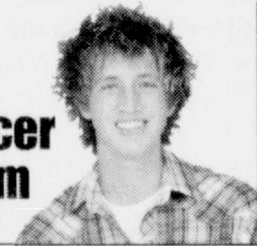
If a person's head scarf makes you uncomfortable, more than likely the true problem lies somewhere else, namely within your neurotic, paranoid little self.

France's new law significantly shortens the gap between the church and the state. In an attempt to remain neutral, the French took a big step toward endorsing a national pagan religion by banning other religious expressions, including the Christian cross and Jewish skull-cap. When restrictions are placed on some religions, rather than all, impartiality is no longer possible.

"Hey Spencer, you've been rambling about France for quite some time now, but what does that have to do with America?"

Well sir, I am glad you asked.

Spencer Ingram



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In case anyone did not know, some sort of election is looming in early November. Besides all that boring economical and foreign policy stuff, this particular election involves some moral issues as well. The main issue of this type is gay marriage.

Now, many fundamentalist Christians, or "fundies," for short, are pushing for a law that will ban gay marriage and reserve it for heterosexual couples only. They are sadly misguided, however, because you cannot force Christian morals on a non-Christian nation.

What exactly does "Christian" mean, anyway? A sociological study performed by www.adherents.com estimates approximately 2 billion people, or one-third of the entire world, are "Christians." However, I would estimate most of the people who claim to be Christians either do not fully understand the Christian faith or only prescribe to certain aspects. The word itself is used more

as a relative term; just another part of a person's life, not the one thing for which they live and die.

I used to think differently, that we are a Christian nation founded by Christian people. While it is true many of our founding fathers were believers, they did not come together to shape a wholly Christian nation, but rather a democracy where everyone has religious freedom.

If the fundies could see past their own agenda, they would realize if a law forbidding gay marriage is passed, then we, like France, will begin to close the gap between church and state and to lean more towards a theocracy, rather than an impartial democracy.

Moreover, Christian morals should not be forced on non-Christians, because, well, they are not Christians. To illustrate, suppose you have seen the positive effects of not eating meat and become a vegetarian. Now, you know it is the most healthy way to live, but would it be right to force all other carnivores to forego meat, without their first becoming voluntary vegetarians?

Likewise, the Christian faith is not based in legalism, so non-believers should not be subjected to it in that way. The "intolerable complacency" of God's love for us, as C.S. Lewis states, is something a person should choose to embrace, not be forced to reckon with.

Whether or not laws that allow or forbid certain sins exist do not make the sins themselves more or less wrong, because their absolute natures do not change. And although sins are inherently wrong, we have free will to choose what we wish, and the democracy we live in should not, within reason, restrict that choice.

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TECH TALKS BACK

Letter about Leach misinformed

The letter by Jay Wolffarth in Wednesday's paper is about the most misinformed letter I have ever read. If you are going to write to the UD and complain about our program "not getting any better," you better back the statement up with facts.

Well, it just so happens that under Leach, we have had the TOP recruiting classes in school history. You never saw that happen with the old coaching staff; our old head coach was always apt at going after some West Texas boy so he could remain buddy buddies with area coaches.

Also, the level of competition in the Big XII has increased. Dykes and Leach have something in common—neither raked up the wins against OU (until Spike's last game). The difference here is Leach has had the misfortune of facing OU after its return to prominence. Spike never beat an OU team that was down and out, before its re-emergence as a powerhouse in College Football. Those 7-5 records of Spike's came with losses against such pansies as North Texas. With the old coaching staff, we would always lose the games we were supposed to win (one of the reasons he was ousted). This once led Zach Thomas to refer to the Double T as standing for "Typical Tech."

With Leach, you get a winning attitude and the desire to play every second of the game. Playing every down is our team's philosophy and has been drilled into our team's psyche, and if not for that phi-

losophy, we could have very easily given up in various games where we seemed to be out of it, mainly the 2002 contest versus Texas A&M. We are very fortunate to have the coaching staff we have today; they are smart (several on staff have received doctorate-level degrees), and they have a genuine desire to win. Too bad some of our fans are stuck in the stone ages of College Football where you had to do the "politically correct" thing and make the other guy happy.

—Jildardo Arias, senior civil engineering major from Olton.

Reasons to support Bush not present in column

Tuesday's Freedom Forum showed the lack of real reasons to support President Bush. While Dave Ring struck with important issues Bush ignores (homosexual civil rights, women's reproductive rights, international relations), Will Davis responded with the sappiest column ever to appear in the UD. His lofty attempt to make me shed a tear and cuddle with a beanie baby fell flat. Just because Bush is a nice guy does not make him a good leader. Bush's alienation of anyone who is not rich, heterosexual, Christian or male has led to complete polarity in America. Equal rights for all and unity are two things I used to associate with America. However, a leader's unwillingness to listen to different points of view can only do one thing to America — tear it apart.

—Matt Bober, a senior business major from Garland.

Bike issues need to be brought to forefront

I have to say I agree wholeheartedly with the stance Chris Huot took regarding Tech police and bicycles, and I would like to add further comment.

First of all, if you do not want students riding on the sidewalk, why put bike racks on the sidewalks? I suppose we are supposed to walk our bikes up to them — but I thought we were riding our bikes to avoid the long walks around campus? Then, there is the issue of University Ave. I will take my chances on the sidewalk, thank you.

Students cannot even skate around campus without catching flack from Tech's finest, and what is worse is in-line skaters and skateboarders are stopped even when they cruise on the street. That means there is no place on campus you will not be hassled by a Tech cop. The only signs that say "no skate boarding" are by some of the statues and concrete benches by the BA, and there is no sign anywhere saying no skating. Yet my roommate was threatened with a ticket if he did not take the blades off the sidewalk.

I guess my real beef with the whole thing is there was no advance warning, and there is no reason why such a regulation exists on campus. Maybe this subject should be taken up by the Student Government, or the cops should explain the regulations, or, better yet, maybe the cops should be more worried about cars that hit students every year and leave us "alternate transportation" people alone.

—K.C. Gilcrest, a senior theater arts major from Pflugerville.

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Voting

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Stephanie Shepperd, a senior English major, said she is definitely going to vote in the election.

"It's extremely important," she said. "Women haven't always had the vote, and we should take advantage of the right."

The focus of the elections should be reevaluated, Shepperd said.

"It's not a circus, it's a serious issue," she said. "The media brings things into play that don't seem as relevant as they make them out to be. It should be more about the issues."

Scott said even though the media focuses more on the candidates than on the issues, he still enjoys presidential elections.

"They're really not interested in educating voters," he said. "I just like the pageantry of presidential elections, and it's a good opportunity for candidates to articulate competing visions."

Martin Edwards, assistant professor of political science, said his problem is not with the media.

"My complaint wouldn't be about the media; it would be about the politicians," he said. "Campaigns go negative; they go negative because it works. It's what the media is being fed."

"Politicians are long on flowery rhetoric," he said, "and short on details."

Garrett Middleton, a senior political science and advertising major, said he is going to vote in the election because he believes the issues he cares about are determined by whom he votes for, but he believes the media is biased.

"It's so hard; there are so many

news programs that are partisan toward certain candidates," Middleton said.

Important benefits are to be gained from voting.

Edwards said people who vote are consistently better educated, richer and older. He also said an important issue is the economy, and students should have an interest.

"When college students graduate, they might want to see more than one want ad in the paper," he said. "No one wants to say, 'Hi, I'm a Tech grad, welcome to Dairy Queen.'"

Some people make the argument that with the electoral college, individual votes do not count, Edwards said.

"People make that argument about the electoral college all the time," he said.

That this is an important issue should be patently obvious, he said.

Scott said he has a somewhat different opinion about the electoral college.

"It's unlikely that your vote will matter in a national election," he said. "George W. Bush is going to win

Texas; that's not going to change."

He said in states where the presidential race is closer, voting matters more.

He also said the electoral college is unlikely to ever go away completely.

"It requires a constitutional amendment; it's obnoxious, but it's not so dangerous that people worry about it," he said. "If anything, states will allocate their electors in proportion to the state."

The overall system could change, Scott said.

"I think I'd expect states to move away from a winner take all system," he said. "It's not like members of the electoral college can do whatever they want."

others to steal from any establishment, because theft only adds to the increased costs of some products.

"It's already tough for somebody to buy textbooks," she said, "and it makes it harder when people steal."

Senate

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track faculty.

In regard to hiring more faculty, Marcy said 111 new positions were requested by the different colleges, and \$7.9 million is needed to fund those positions. The new faculty is already allotted \$3.75 million, and Marcy said he would declare an allotted amount for each college to the deans, and from that point, deriving the maximum number of positions and benefits from those funds would be up to the deans.

With the possibility of a 5 percent total budget cut for Tech and a financial audit in the near future, Marcy said overall the budget is in good shape with funds available for matching and startup.

Marcy said the tuition increase has been used for all student-oriented projects and programs. To improve the conditions of classrooms \$850,000 will be used, as well as the technology in classrooms. The same amount is intended for use towards instructional support, he said.

The financial audit will take place at Tech when the financial books close between Sept. 15 and Oct. 1, he said.

Parking on the Tech campus

also was addressed during the meeting. Although no definite plans were diverged, the Faculty Senate did recognize parking as a growing problem caused from lack of planning and loss of spaces that could lead to further turmoil.

The academic council is discussing the possibility of lengthening the passing periods between classes because of the parking and bus situation. The topic is still under discussion since a decision was not made during the meeting.

Following a request by students who felt too much cheating and plagiarism was at Tech, a task force for academic integrity was formed. The task force begins with students but also considers academic practices of the faculty. Dealing with the academic integrity of students is troubling to a large number of faculty. The task force completed a report, and guidelines are in development phase. An honors code also has been discussed, but it will not likely be pursued because of a lack of enthusiasm.

The Faculty Senate also is contriving a way to eliminate services from the Tech campus that sell copies of exams. While copyrighting and changing exams have been considered, Faculty Senate President Gene Wilde said the plan is to create a business obstacle for these services.

Hairs from boat introduced at trial

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) — Two strands of dark hair found on Scott Peterson's boat could not have come from him and are consistent with strands taken from his slain wife's hairbrush, a prosecution expert testified Wednesday.

Karen Korsberg, an FBI trace evidence expert, took the stand as testimony turned to the hairs, a key piece of physical evidence to bolster the prosecution's contention that the boat was used to dispose of Laci Peterson's body.

Korsberg said her tests excluded the possibility that the hairs, found on a pair of pliers on the boat, came from Scott Peterson. She said they were consistent with the hair on Peterson's pregnant wife's brush.

Laci Peterson, eight months pregnant, vanished just before Christmas 2002 from the couple's home in Modesto. Her remains and that of her fetus were found on the shore of San Francisco Bay several months later.

On cross-examination, Korsberg acknowledged that she was unaware of a pubic hair collected from duct tape found on Laci Peterson's remains and never compared that to the samples she was given from Laci's hairbrush.

Korsberg said she forwarded the two hairs to another FBI lab for further testing, a technique known as mitochondrial DNA. Defense lawyers have attacked the mitochondrial testing, calling it the unreliable subject of "raging debate" among scientists.

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—STEPHANIE SHEPPERD
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Rules

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said. "I don't know if more signs for bikers should be put up, because there's already so many other signs."

Capt. Richard Foster with the Tech Police said he is concerned students are not aware of the rules and regulations.

"To me, it's common knowledge that riding a device on a sidewalk is illegal and can result in a citation," Foster said.

Riding devices that are prohibited on the sidewalk include bicycles, in-line skates and skateboards, Foster said.

According to the Tech Student Handbook, a student is violating the code of conduct if skateboards, in-line skates, scooters, bicycles or other similar devices are used in a university building or on university premises in such a manner as constitute a safety hazard or to cause damage to university property.

According to the Texas Transportation Code, a pedestrian, defined as a person on foot, may be the only one allowed on the sidewalk.

Curb ramps are not for bikes, and students can be fined up to \$500 for riding on the sidewalk or ramp areas, according to Texas Tech Bicycle Laws found in the Student Legal Services.

Darren Rasberry, a graduate student and teaching assistant from Wichita Falls, said no one has pointed out bike routes or lines.

"I just go where I want to go," Rasberry said. "I think there should be apparent notifications for bikers to see where they can ride. I see no harm in what I'm doing -- it's more dangerous to ride on the streets. If there were bike lanes traced out, then more people might not ride on the sidewalk."

To address this issue, the administration planned to incorporate bike lanes after the Tech Parkway construction is finished.

Vice President of Operations Max Hinojosa said because of the delay in construction and budgeting issues, bike lanes will be constructed around the university later in the fall semester.

"Our contractors made a higher bid than what we expected, so there are delays in the construction," Hinojosa said. "Bike paths will be put in once construction is finished."

Corey Cisneros, a freshman biology major from Lubbock, said he rides on the sidewalks all the time.

"I ride on the streets if there are too many people, but no policemen have ever said anything to me riding on the sidewalk," he said. "If there were signs around campus, I think it would be more clear to students about what to do."

Hurricane Ivan hits Grenada, kills 9

ST. GEORGE'S, Grenada (AP) — Hurricane Ivan made a direct hit on Grenada with ferocious winds, causing "incalculable damage" and killing at least nine people as it turned concrete homes into rubble and hurled hundreds of the island's landmark red zinc roofs through the air, officials said Wednesday.

The most powerful storm to hit the Caribbean in 14 years reportedly devastated Grenada's capital, St. George's, and damaged homes in Barbados, St. Lucia and St. Vincent. Thousands were without water, electricity and telephone service just days after Hurricane Frances rampaged through.

"We are terribly devastated here in Grenada," Prime Minister Keith Mitchell said in comments broadcast Wednesday by radio stations in Barbados. "It's beyond any imagination."

The prime minister, whose own home was destroyed, spoke from aboard the British naval patrol vessel HMS Richmond, apparently by satellite telephone.

Ivan strengthened even as it was over Grenada on Tuesday, becoming a Category 4 storm. It got even stronger as it headed across the Caribbean Sea, passing north of the Dutch Caribbean islands of Aruba, Bonaire and Curacao. In Curacao, the government ordered the evacuation of about 300 residents of a neighborhood in Willemstad, the capital.

Mitchell said at least nine storm-

related deaths had been reported and he feared the toll would rise.

"If you see the country today, it would be a surprise to anyone that we did not have more deaths than it appears at the moment," he said. "I don't think anyone expected the kind of damage that they saw."

Sporadic looting also was reported in St. George's, a British Royal Navy spokesman said on condition of anonymity, speaking from London. HMS Richmond and a British supply ship were providing disaster relief to the former colony, he said.

The storm was threatening to cross right over Jamaica by Friday morning or Saturday, and then Cuba, the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami said.

"After Jamaica, it's probably going to hit somewhere in the U.S., unfortunately," said meteorologist Jennifer Pralgo of the Hurricane Center. "We're hoping it's not Florida again, but it's taking a fairly similar track to Charley at the moment."

Hurricane Charley killed 27 people in southwest Florida last month and caused an estimated \$6.8 billion in insured damage.

Ivan terrorized Grenada for about two hours, said Hugh Cobb of the Hurricane Center.

"They took a really bad beating," he said, adding this grim warning: "Whoever gets this, it's going to be bad."

Ivan's sustained winds were clocked at 120 mph as it raced through the Windward Islands. But it strengthened to 140 mph with gusts just over 160

mph. Cobb said Ivan would be the first Category 4 storm to hit Caribbean islands since Hurricane Luis in 1995.

He said that if Ivan hit Jamaica, it could be more destructive than Hurricane Gilbert, which was only a Category 3 storm when it devastated the island in 1988.

Howling winds raged through the hilly streets of St. George's, Grenada's capital, trashing concrete homes, uprooting trees and utility poles, and knocking out telephone service and electricity. The islands were cut off and transmission was halted from the Grenada Broadcast Network.

ChevronTexaco said it evacuated nonessential staff from a natural gas well off Venezuela's Atlantic coast.

The Caribbean Disaster Emergency Response Agency based in Barbados said St. George's "suffered incalculable damage" and Grenada's emergency disaster office, at the 19th century Great House at Mount Wheldale, was destroyed. Grenada's airport also was damaged and an air charter company in Barbados said it was refused permission to fly in.

The Barbados agency said it was sending a relief team to Grenada.

St. George's main hospital also was damaged, the agency said, as were some shelters. "The population in public shelters is 1,000 and climbing," the agency said.

No news could be had from other islands in Grenada, which has about 100,000 residents and is best known for a 1983 U.S. invasion after American

officials determined the airport was going to become a joint Cuban-Soviet base. Cuba insisted it was helping build the airport for civilian use only. Nineteen Americans died in the fighting.

Two private boats near Grenada have sent out distress signals, according to the U.S. Coast Guard in San Juan, Puerto Rico. It had no details.

There were unconfirmed reports that storm damage allowed prisoners to escape Grenada's crumbling and overcrowded 17th century prison, a zinc-roofed stone edifice on a hilltop. The prison has held former Deputy Prime Minister Bernard Coard and 16 others convicted of killings in the 1983 coup.

Cobb said Ivan's heaviest rains likely will sweep the southern peninsula of Haiti, where deforestation and shacks make any excessive downpours deadly. Heavy rains in May triggered floods that killed 1,700 people and left 1,600 missing and presumed dead in Haiti and neighboring Dominican Republic.

Haiti posted a hurricane watch for its southwest peninsula Wednesday.

At 2 p.m. EDT, Ivan was centered about 105 miles northeast of Bonaire and was moving toward the west-northwest at nearly 16 mph. Hurricane-force winds extended up to 70 miles and tropical storm-force winds another 160 miles. The storm raised battering waves that the Hurricane Center warned could cause normal flooding of 3-5 feet and above storm tides with 5-7 inches of rain that could cause flash floods and mudslides.

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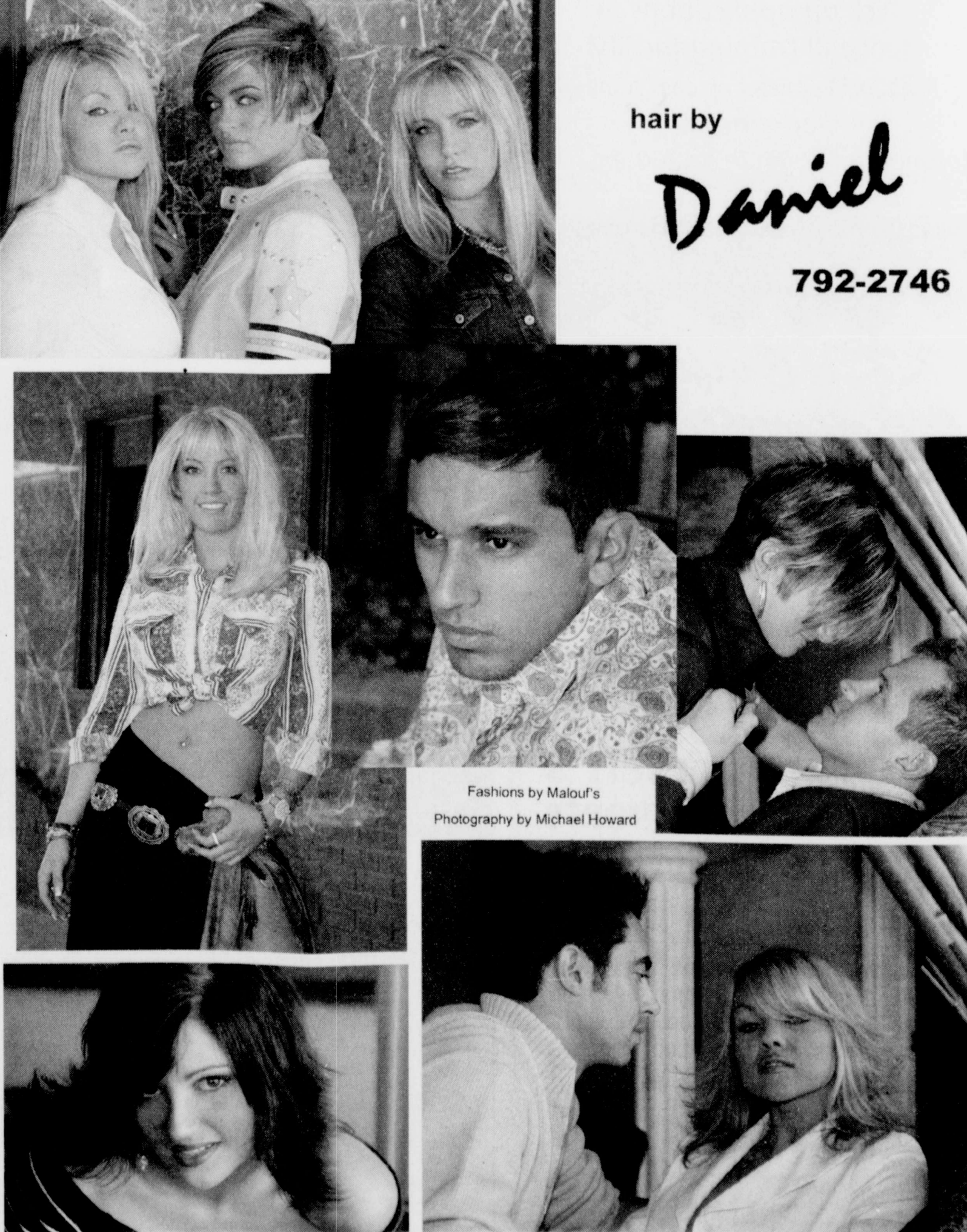


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The 'Tech Demon' sits down for a chat

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He just might be Texas Tech's biggest fan, or at least he aspires to be. Cornelius Allen, or as he likes to call himself, "The Tech Demon," moved to Lubbock in May 1999.

"I wanted to give Tech something that no one else has got—'The Tech demon,'" he said. "They need some fire and desire like me."

Hailing from Plainview, Allen said he always has been a proud supporter of Tech.

"Tech is too hot for words," he said. "It started when I was young, and I would always ask my mom what that big 'T' was, and when I got older I found out."

Regular bar patron Allen can be seen riding his customized bike through the Overton area. He makes his living mowing lawns for the residents of the neighborhoods surrounding Tech.

Alison Berney, a senior economics major from Arlington, agreed Allen is one-of-a-kind.

When she first saw him, she said she was frightened.

"Whoa, what the heck is going on with that guy," she said. "I didn't know who he was; I just thought he looked like a reggae rasta king."

Allen has made a similar impact on others throughout Lubbock with his unique fashion style vest and eccentric behavior.

Ryan Cappelli, a senior mechanical engineering major from Plano, said he always sees Allen riding his seat-less bike around the Depot District sporting his



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CORNELIUS ALLEN, A regular on the local bar scene in Lubbock, poses outside Cricket's Grill and Draft House.

black cape. "I think he's the next Lance Armstrong," he said. "He person-

ally will bring the cape back into fashion. He reminds me of Batman because at night I see the cape fly-

ing in the wind. Kinda brings me back to my childhood." Cappelli said he does not feel like Allen is hurting anyone with his flashy uniform and his wild actions.

"I like the flashy lights," he said. "At least you always know where he is, he can't sneak up on you."

Allen is comfortable with his style as well and said his mom always encouraged him to be himself.

"Nowhere in the world can they find someone like me," he said.

Aside from seeing and hearing Allen, other Red Raiders have had different experiences with him.

Drew Kennard, a junior English major from Houston, said he has had his own experiences with Allen.

"I work at Dominoes, and he comes by asking for food," he said. "He's definitely himself—he's crazy."

Even those who have not experienced a moment with Allen

have likely heard another student's 'Cornelius' story.

Meredith Ford, a sophomore musical education major from Plano, said she never has met Allen, but word about him travels quickly.

"I heard that he's hilarious, and he has no problem talking to anybody," she said.

Allen said he has many plans for the future, and before he begins to execute them is just a

matter of time. "Everybody that made it to the top didn't make it from nowhere," he said. "They made it from some-

where." Allen said he already has completed a documentary about his life. His next project is to make T-shirts.

"I'm getting up to the age where I gotta do my business," he said. "Man, they're gonna sell like hotcakes."

Allen said one of the most rewarding things about his life is when he hears positive feedback. "The kids are enticed by me," he said. "Parents come up to me and tell me that. I feel good about it, but that's just the way I am."

The support Allen said he has received from the community has been reciprocated by some Tech students who feel Allen is a supportive Tech fan.

"People should befriend him—this Tech local," Cappelli said. "I think he's the biggest fan of Tech women. He's just the man, dude."

"Nowhere in the world can they find someone like me."

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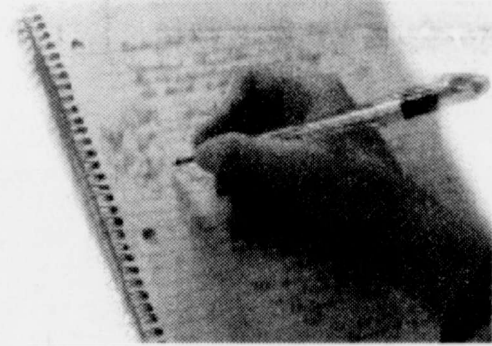
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Homelessness a growing problem in U.S.

By Kandis Wenk/
The University Daily

For some Texas Tech students, overcoming the normal stresses of balancing a semester's course load, a job and getting along with a roommate may seem daunting.

But others have the more troubling problem of having no place to live.

Bryant Black, a senior advertising major from Houston, like many Tech

students, said he could not imagine being without a home.

"I don't know," he said, "I can't really say what I'd do, but I guess I'd take out a loan and do whatever I could to get by."

Homelessness is a major issue in the United States, even though areas such as Lubbock do not have a homeless presence as strong as a major city such as Austin or Houston, according to the National Coalition for the Homeless

Web site.

According to Diane Hudson, family services director for the Salvation Army in Lubbock, homelessness is not a big issue in Lubbock.

"We do have homeless people in Lubbock," she said, "But often times they rotate living with family or friends."

Hudson said individuals still could be considered homeless if the person is temporarily living with someone.

Hudson said the issue is not with homeless people but with the lack of reasonably priced housing.

"We have an affordable housing problem in Lubbock, not just the fact that people are homeless," she said. "The difference is, we're not like Dallas or Houston where homeless people are often out in public view."

She said many people end up in homeless shelters because of poor choices they made.

Hudson said many times, people who choose not to pay rent for whatever reason oftentimes lose their homes or apartments.

However, she also said there are cases in which people cannot earn enough money to pay rent.

"Many businesses mostly hire part-

time workers for 28-hour work weeks," she said. "When there is a \$400 rent bill to pay, 28 hours at minimum wage makes paying bills very difficult."

Hudson said not many college-aged individuals are at the shelter she works, because many can find a friend with whom to stay.

Most people in the shelter are men ages 25-45, she said.

Michael Stoops, community advisor for the National Coalition for the Homeless, said homelessness has been increasing.

He said according to a survey conducted by the US Conference of Mayors, from 2002 to 2003, the request for shelter increased by 13 percent.

Thirty percent of all homeless individuals and 33 percent of all home-

less families were turned away from shelters.

"Seven-hundred and fifty thousand people in America are homeless on any given night, and 3.5 million are homeless at some point during the year," he said.

Single men and families make up the largest percentile of the homeless population, and the two fastest growing groups are women with children and the working poor, Stoops said.

"Forty-two percent of homeless people actually work but are only earning minimum wage and can't afford housing," he said. "In fact, someone I know did the math and found that you'd have to work 100 hours per week at minimum wage to afford basic housing."

Stoops said homelessness does not happen over night.

"It takes about two years of a downward spiral for a person to end up homeless," he said. "The average time a person stays homeless, though, is about six months."

Nevertheless, there are cases in which people overcome being homeless, Hudson said.

"We have a group that offers help to those with full-time jobs so that people can bank some of their money to use for housing later on," she said. "We've had 14 cases where people have stayed in our shelters while they worked and were able to find housing in an apartment complex."

Stoops said he believes colleges and universities should team up with local service organizations to provide scholarships for a few homeless people.

He said the upcoming election should help attract attention to this issue.

"John Edwards has talked about the reality of the two Americas, and President Bush has talked about the tragedy of homelessness," he said. "I can't remember the last time a political campaign has focused on poverty."

Students interested in learning more about homelessness may attend "Homeless to Harvard," tonight at 8 p.m. in the Biology Lecture Hall, room 100.

The lecture features Liz Murray, formerly homeless, who is now a student at Columbia University.

"We do have homeless people in Lubbock."

— DIANE HUDSON
Family Services Director
for the Salvation Army

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Source: National Coalition for the Homeless

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Moore yanks 'Fahrenheit 9/11' out of award run

Michael Moore is moving one step closer to sainthood for the political left. In what appears to be an act of sacrifice for a greater good, Moore announced this week he has opted not to submit his "Fahrenheit 9/11" for Best Documentary Oscar consideration.

Definitely one of the most debated films of the year, "Fahrenheit 9/11," is Moore's blitzkrieg on the Bush administration. Moore has stated his primary objective is to inspire voters to remove Bush from office in November.

The film was released in June after winning the top prize at the Cannes Film Festival and became the highest grossing documentary in history.

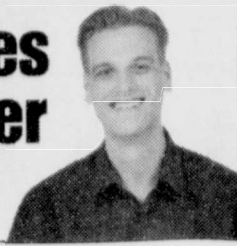
To be clear - I gave

the film a positive review and have encouraged all who have asked me about it to see it. Although I do not agree on every level with Moore's attacks on the administration, and some of Moore's tactics weaken the overall project, the film still contains some powerful imagery, biting humor, a few strong arguments and some accounts that cannot be ignored.

Moore is a gifted filmmaker, and the film is very good - but not great. In a strategic move, the DVD will be released Oct. 5, almost a full month before the election.

But Moore wants more. He wants to be able to show the feature film on TV before the

James Eppler



election. According to Academy rules, a documentary feature may not air on TV within nine months of its release.

Moore is pleading still with Columbia/Tristar, who owns the distribution rights of the film's home video release, to let him air the film once on TV. So far, his efforts have been in vain and may never see fruition. I highly doubt the movie studio cares as deeply about Moore's politics as he does.

Yet with the documentary Oscar out of reach, "Fahrenheit" could still receive other nominations - including Best Picture.

This possibility, of course, raises a few questions:

1. What are Moore's real intentions?

Moore often has been accused of twisting facts and of having duplicitous intentions. I sincerely believe Moore wants Bush out of office had enough that he would do anything to get a few million more people to see his film.

However, by taking the film out of the documentary race, Moore now forces voters who want to recognize the film to find alternate means.

2. Would Academy voters be likely to give "Fahrenheit" a Best Picture nod?

It all depends on the November election. The Oscars are just as political, at times, as a presidential race.

If Kerry wins, the film will likely be recognized as a major factor - rightfully so. The largely Democratic Academy, then, would feel more justified in recognizing the film. If Bush wins, the film could be viewed as a failure, and voters may be more reluctant to nominate it.

Either way, if the film receives the nomination, it will be a grossly obvious political statement.

3. Is the film worthy of a Best Picture nomination?

As a film, "Fahrenheit" does not deserve the recognition of one of the five best films of the year.

Although undeniable power is in the film's latter half, much of the first half of the film contains sloppy editing and easy footage of Bush's being dumb - a feat even David Letterman has proved is not difficult.

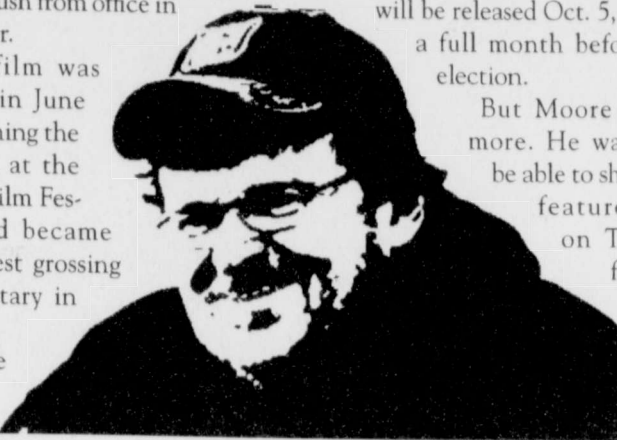
If the voting for Best Picture were held today, I can think of at least five films already released this year more

deserving of the nominations: "Kill Bill Vol. 2," "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind," "The Passion of the Christ," "Hero" and even "Super Size Me," the poignant documentary about the dangers of fast food.

Keep in mind, also, we have yet really to delve into Oscar season, where studios begin releasing their top contenders for awards. Many more films are left to see this year.

That, for Moore, may be the awful truth.

■ Eppler is *The UD's* movie critic. E-mail comments and questions to James.D.Eppler@ttu.edu.



Second person dies from apartment explosion

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — The family of a woman burned in a fatal apartment explosion at Texas A&M University have taken her off life support after watching her condition deteriorate for more than a month.

Saqib Ejaz told The Bryan-College Station Eagle in Wednesday's editions that he and his two brothers made the decision this week after Rabeya Chaudhury's pain

continued to worsen. "She suffered a lot," Ejaz said. "She was in bad shape, but she hung in there for more than a month."

Chaudhury, 62, was severely burned July 31 in a fire at a campus apartment, where Ejaz lived with his family. Chadhury and her husband had traveled from Bangladesh in May to visit family in Houston and to stay with Ejaz

and his family.

They had been with Ejaz and his pregnant wife, Lufthansa Kanta, for about two months when the explosion occurred. Kanta, who is a graduate student at A&M, was injured and is recovering. Doctors say her unborn baby is doing well. A 4-year-old daughter of Ejaz and Kanta also died in the blaze.

"We're in so much grief right now," Ejaz said.

His father, Ejaz Chaudhury, 69, remains in critical condition at a Galveston hospital. His condition has improved, and doctors believe he will survive.

"He's not fully conscious, but he opens his eyes and can sit up in his bed," Ejaz said.

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Olomua makes impact in return to gridiron

By Adam Boedeker/
The University Daily

The Texas Tech offense has a new addition. While many may not be able to pronounce his name, and others may not yet know who he is, he has something special according to Red Raider coach Mike Leach.

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His name is Bristol Olomua, Tech's tight end, who stands at 6 feet 5 inches and weighs in at 265 pounds.

The newcomer to Tech's offense was a hot commodity for Leach after the 2003 season.

"Most tight ends in the country are playing defensive line somewhere," Leach said. "In the NFL, they don't have too many tight ends. They have someone they line up there, but if I asked you to name five tight ends in the NFL, even though you follow it closely, I bet you'd have a tough time. I bet you couldn't. There aren't too many (tight ends), they're hard to find."

Leach may have found himself not just any tight end, but a special one — so good, in fact, that Leach said he may be the best in the country.

"It looks like it's kind of headed in that direction," Leach said. "The thing that's always impressed me about him is that he has really good hands — maybe the best hands on the team as far as outright catching the ball. He also has great body control."

Usually it's the little guys that have that, and Bristol's 6'5", 265. He's a big thick guy and has really good body control. That's really unusual. It's part of what lets him do what he does."

Fans have not had many chances to see exactly what Olomua does, considering he played his first game since 1999 Saturday night against Southern Methodist. He caught seven balls for 100 yards and two touchdowns in his first game in five years — numbers even shocking for Leach.

"I knew he was good, but I was surprised how polished he was," Leach said. "He seemed very relaxed playing out there."

Olomua began his college career at Brigham Young as a freshman from Red Mountain High School in Laie, Hawaii. After playing in eight games as a freshman, Olomua volunteered for a church mission and served in Seattle in 2000 and 2001.

While on his mission, which he paid for himself, Olomua said he did not have time to think about football but said he gained invaluable knowledge about life.

"I gained a lot more knowledge about Christ," he said. "The thing I noticed about it was that I became more open to different people, and I was able to learn about people and accept different people and different things."

When Olomua returned to BYU in 2002, he redshirted and during

that time decided he needed to go somewhere new.

"I always knew I'd get back out on the field," he said. "After I sat out a year when I got back, I was gonna play, but then I hurt my back. Also, I just wasn't happy there."

Fortunately for Olomua, he had a trusted source to steer him in another direction — his uncle, Robert Anae, Tech's offensive line coach since 2000.

"I knew I could trust my uncle," Olomua said. "I knew there was something here that was special, and of course the offense was appealing."

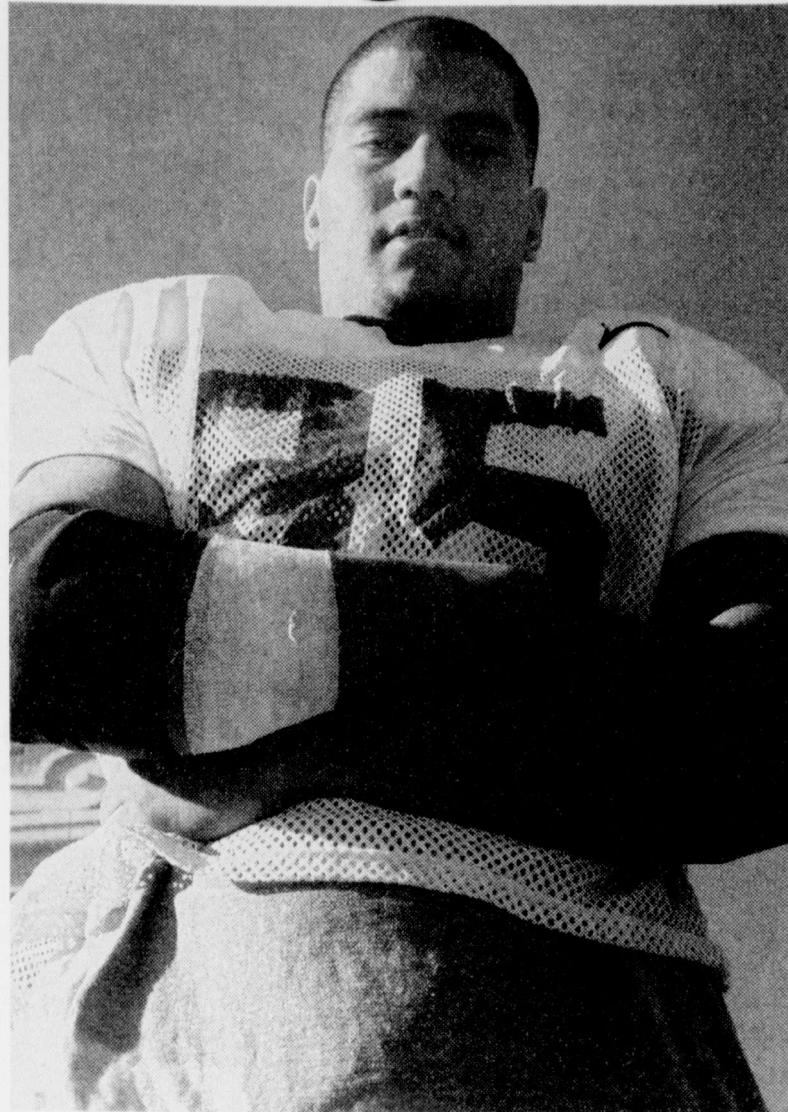
Anae said Olomua made the decision alone to attend Tech, but he did give him some advice on what approach his nephew should take to his new home.

"The way I like to look at it is — it's kind of like John F. Kennedy said, don't sit around wondering about what your country's going to do for you. Once you join the country, figure out what you're going to do to help your country. That was the approach with Bristol coming here."

Tech quarterback Sonny Cumbie threw half of his four touchdowns Saturday to 'The Big Kahuna' — as he calls Olomua — and said while most tight ends are seen as outlet receivers, Tech's situation is different.

"Bristol's not gonna be an outlet guy," Cumbie said. "He's gonna be a go-to guy. He's a guy you can count on, and he fits in well with the rest of the playmakers we have on the field."

While much of the country may not be aware of Olomua's talents,



LINC ARMES/The University Daily
JUNIOR TIGHT END Bristol Olomua has not played football since 1999, when he played at Brigham Young. He now starts for the Red Raiders.

Anae said he had fans all around the country Saturday.

"It was definitely nice (seeing him perform well)," Anae said. "We've had calls from Hawaii, California, Utah and Arizona, where family members are scattered about. They're very proud to know Bristol is in school and that Bristol's playing on the football field."

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Volleyball team serving up strong aces

By David Wiechmann/
The University Daily

In volleyball, one thing happens every play that can make or break the team — serving.

With the switch to rally scoring three years ago, the importance of the serve has added another element in that it can punish the team, but it has not changed in the fact that it is the only aspect of the game the team

can control, and it remains the most mental part of the game.

"Serving is definitely the only part of the game you can control," said Tech outside hitter Kelly Johnson. "Serving is all mental. Of any part of the game, serving is the most mental."

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Oskam has close ties with opponents' coaches

By Bryan Wendell/
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He is not Kevin Bacon, but Texas Tech soccer coach Felix Oskam has fewer than six degrees of separation from the coaches his team will face this weekend. Oskam will lead his team Friday against Angelo State and Sunday against Notre Dame. In both games Oskam will stare down the sideline at his former playing rivals and coaching partners. Angelo State coach Tom Brown and Oskam both were assistants for Notre Dame coach Randy Waldrum while they were at the University of Tulsa. But the history between Waldrum and Oskam reaches even further back. "When (Waldrum) was at MacArthur High School in Irving, Simon Sanchez, who later became my head coach at North Texas, coached him," Oskam said. Oskam played defense at UNT while Waldrum was a forward for Midwestern State in Wichita Falls. The friendship began, when the two schools were rivals at campuses separated by a three-hour

drive. "He kicked me a lot as a player," Waldrum said. "He was a dirty player. I joke about that with him a lot." Both men graduated college in 1981, and Waldrum went into collegiate coaching soon after. In 1989, Waldrum took a position at Tulsa to coach both the men and women's programs. In 1991, Tulsa's program needed an assistant coach, and Waldrum said he knew exactly whom to call. "When I got the job at Tulsa, I wanted to get (Oskam) back in the college game," Waldrum said. The two shared coaching philosophies and success at Tulsa. The Golden Hurricane men and women's teams both reached national top 20 rankings under their direction. Waldrum's status as a mentor to Oskam is one thing about which the two do not agree. "I just consider him my mentor," Oskam said. "No doubt about that." Waldrum views the relationship differently and said the two are able to

contribute to each other. "We have a mutual respect. I don't view it as a mentor process," he said. In 1995, the two left Tulsa, but both ended up in the Big 12. Waldrum started the women's program at Baylor, while Oskam spent two years as assistant coach at Tech before being named coach. Being in the same conference, the coaches played every year. "When we played against each other, he always thought the best of my team and me," Oskam said. This friendly rivalry continued until 1999 when Notre Dame hired Waldrum. In each of his first two seasons at Notre Dame, Waldrum led the Fighting Irish to College Cups. Oskam said he is not surprised by Waldrum's success. "He is well respected throughout the country. He is well versed, very intelligent," Oskam said. "I think he is one of the brightest coaches in the country." Waldrum has nothing but good words about Oskam as well.

"He is dependable; he is a company man. The loyalty he has is unwavering," Waldrum said. "He doesn't lose sight of players and their feelings." Tech assistant coach Jamie Woods said she sees many similarities between the two coaches. "They have the same philosophy. They have the same ideas of how they want the game to be played or what is good soccer," Woods said. She drew another similarity and said Oskam is her mentor in the same way Waldrum was a mentor to Oskam. "When you're around someone so much and you really get to know someone, you kind of form the same kind of ideas. You can finish each other's sentences and work well off each other," Woods said. Waldrum said his former assistants' having head coaching success is important to him. "It makes me proud to see people take over and do well," Waldrum said, "but I don't take any credit for the kind of coach (Oskam) is."

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Volleyball

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like clockwork and result in a quick easy point against the team.

The serve is the one chance a

player has to set the tone of the play.

"Serving tough can always take your opponent out of their offense," Johnson said. "It is the No. 1 way to get them out of their offense, so it's really important to serve tough."

The Raiders have some strong servers this year who bring different styles to the line. Johnson usually hits a jump serve with topspin so the ball dives down just across the net. On the other hand, junior outside hitter Desiree Batista hits a jump floater.

Batista set a school record for service aces in a four-game match last week against San Diego State when she tallied six. Five other Raiders had aces in that match. Batista said serving is a win-lose situation she is willing to take a chance on every time.

"I think if you serve harder, it makes the ball come back to you easier," she said. "If you just send it over the net, it will come back harder to you, so I'm going to risk it and serve tougher."

Johnson said some people find the pressure hard to handle, but she does not see anyone on her team buckling.

"Rally scoring either makes it more important, or it puts more pressure on you," she said. "When it's game point, for some people it scares them."

The threat of losing a point to the opponent does not seem to intimidate the Raiders, either. Coach Nancy Todd tells her team to deliver tough serves no matter what the score is, because delivering easy serves could serve up an easy point and a shift in momentum for the other team.

"We're told to go back and serve tough and not worry what the score is every time," Johnson said.

The Raiders are hoping to disrupt more offenses this week in the Red Raider Roundup tournament. Tech opens against UT-Pan American at noon Friday.

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