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Arena plans nearing completion Board of Regents meeting features busy agenda

James Walker

The University Daily

Final plans for the proposed Texas Tech basketball arena are almost ready and should be ready for presentation at the Board of Regents meeting Aug. 20, officials said Thursday.

The proposed 12,500-seat arena would be built to accommodate expansion, said Gerald Myers, interim Tech athletic director.

"I think we'll fill it the first day it's open," Myers said. "It's going to be a fun place."

Tech officials have had some negotiations with city officials about the project, and those negotiations are ongoing, he said.

"But this is going to be a Tech arena, and Tech will have control of the operations," Myers said.

Nothing has been approved yet by the Board of Regents, he said.

If the proposal is approved, then it will be presented to the state coordinating board some time in October.

The architects have solicited input from students, faculty, administrators and others in formulating their plans, Myers said. The arena will be designed to be compatible with the other architecture on campus.

"This arena is going to add to the image and prestige of Texas

Agenda Highlights

- Appointing the first chancellor of Texas Tech University and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center
- Establishment of Texas Tech Sports Health Program
- Authorization for the president to proceed on the approval of the expansion and renovation of the Jones Stadium-Athletics Offices
- Approval of Phase 1 of library renovation
- Approval of demolition of Carpenter/Wells Residence Halls and construction of new residence halls

Tech," he said.

The Student Association is supportive of the administration's plans with regard to the arena, SA President Geoff Wayne said.

SA officers are planning a promotional campaign for the fall on behalf of the arena prior to a student body vote on the issue, Wayne said. The vote would be held in conjunction with Homecoming elections.

Although Board of Regents members have not approved any specific plans yet, they have expressed enthusiasm for the arena idea, he said.

"The students are going to help pay for the arena, but in exchange, we are going to have a great deal of input in the process," Wayne said.

Some officials estimate the arena will cost about \$40 million, he said. About half of that money is ex-

pected to come from the general use fee, with the other half coming from private donors and other sources.

"We will definitely have to look at where that money would be going if it weren't going to the arena," Wayne said.

The arena would be used primarily for Tech basketball and volleyball games, but also would be available for concerts and commencements, with meeting rooms for use by registered student organizations.

"We want to make sure students get their money's worth," Wayne said.

All the missing details will be filled in when the final presentation is made to the regents Aug. 20, he said.

"Until then, a lot of questions are going to go unanswered," Wayne said.

New UT, A&M admissions policies not to emphasize usual standards

TYLER (AP) — Personal essays, extracurricular activities and family background will play a more prominent role in whether students are accepted to the state's two biggest universities.

At a Thursday meeting in Tyler, the University of Texas System Board of Regents approved the most significant revamping of admissions policies at the University of Texas at Austin in decades.

The board's action means UT

will stop automatically admitting thousands of students strictly based on good grades and achievement test scores.

The action also comes as UT drops two decades of affirmative action because of a recent appeals court ruling in a discrimination suit known as the Hopwood case.

The ruling bars race-based preference in admissions or financial aid at schools in Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi.

Boyz N the Band



Shanna Sargent-Milnor: The University Daily

New lineup, new release: Spilling Poetry plays on

Peter Wilkins

The University Daily

Spilling Poetry, one of Lubbock's most established rock 'n' roll bands, recently underwent a personnel change in the midst of preparing to release a much-anticipated tape featuring six new songs.


Michael Mayer, a sound engineer at On Cue Studios in Lubbock, has replaced guitar-

ist Jamie Sanders. Mayer, who has been involved with the band as a soundman and roadie of sorts for about a year, first met the members of Spilling Poetry while working on a recording project at South Plains College.

"The very first song they did, I knew everything was in place," Mayer said.

Following Sanders'

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 **Weather:**
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An Aggie in Raiderland:

Sen. Phil Gramm campaigns on the football field. He stopped on his way to the GOP convention to speak to the team. See what he had to say. Page 7

Little does Kirk know, Racer X is actually his long-lost brother



KIRK BAIRD

University Daily Editor

attract the all-important Generation X buyer.

For those not familiar with "Speed Racer" or the commercial, here's a brief explanation. "Speed Racer" was a '60s cartoon series produced in Japan. It eventually found its way here in the late '60s-early '70s. The series concerned the exploits of a young, hot shot car racer, Speed, and his wacky family, girlfriend, lone crew member and wacky pet chimp.

The real star of the show, however, was Speed's ultra-cool racing machine, the Mach 5.

Not only was the Mach 5 incredibly fast, it featured a variety of nifty gadgets Speed could rely upon in a pinch. These gadgets also came in handy because the races were never on conventional tracks, but over mountains, around cliffs, through jungle terrain and scorching deserts.

The cartoon also was violent; each episode featured at least one car careening over a cliff, plummeting to a fiery explosion.

The commercial is the same, featuring the same style of animation and what appears to be the same voices. The idea of the ad is the Mach 5 is out of commission and Speed needs a car to finish the race.

Well, the gang piles into a Volkswagen (I cannot recall which type of car) and passes everyone in the race — including the obligatory car that plummets off the cliff to a fiery explosion — to win the contest. The theme song cues up, Gen. X-ers race out to buy a Volkswagen, the company's sales escalate, and everyone is happy.

Except me.

You see, I'm bitter.

Some years ago, in a decade known as the '80s, I was having a conversation with a friend of mine in a late afternoon high school class I cannot recall. In a rather animated discussion, we were discussing the merits of "Speed Racer" and Racer X (a "Speed Racer" side story concerning a mysterious racer who wore a mask with an X emblazoned on it, but who no one knew was really Speed's long-lost brother).

After a couple of minutes I could not help but notice a girl, "Tracey," was watching us and listening to our conversation intently. Finally, I acknowledged Tracey only to hear her call my friend and I "losers."

Why would anyone waste their time discussing these old shows nobody cared about any more, she said. It was useless information.

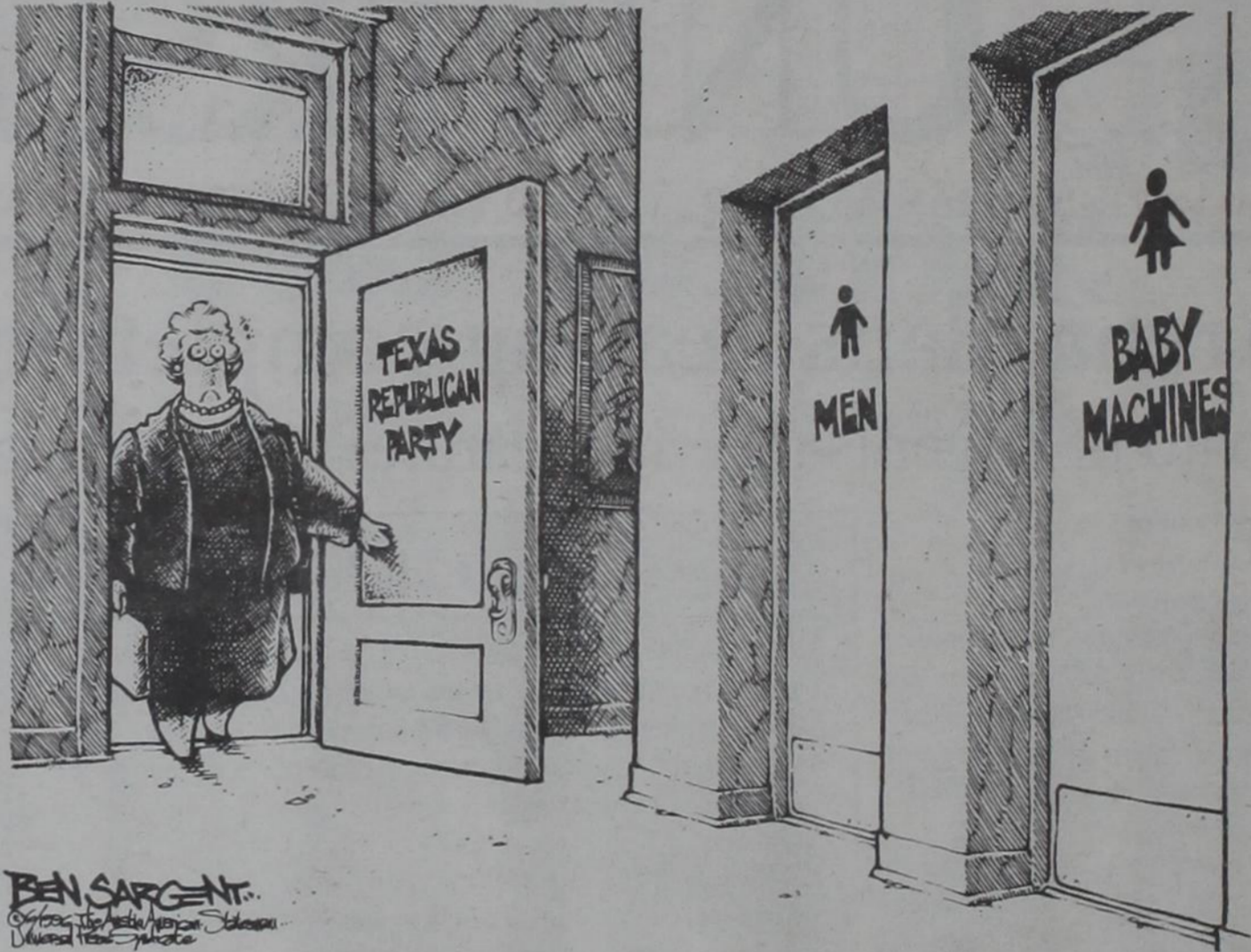
Well Tracey, in the immortal words of Speed Racer, "AAAAAAHHHHHHHHHHHHH!!!!!!"

I'm not for sure what it means, but after nine years and hours of therapy, damn it feels good.

Kirk Baird is a senior journalism major from Dallas

While watching television the other day, I was dumbfounded at a new Volkswagen commercial featuring, of all things, Speed Racer and his wacky gang.

Yes, the German car company that developed the ultimate floating vehicle has jumped on the latest trend in advertising and gone with a retro theme — presumably to



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• Police Blotter •

The following information was compiled from University Police Department reports.

August 1

- An officer arrested a non-student for public intoxication and disorderly conduct. The officer arrested a student for an outstanding LSO warrant. The incident prompting the arrests began in the area of Broadway and Akron.
- An officer investigated a theft of construction materials from the Wells Hall lobby.
- An officer arrested a non-student for traffic violations at 15th and Akron.

August 3

- An officer investigated a

hit-and-run accident which occurred in the Z-5E parking lot.

August 4

- An officer investigated a hit-and-run accident with a parking sign in the R18 parking lot.

August 5

- An officer investigated a traffic accident without injuries which occurred in the Z4-M parking lot.
- An officer investigated a traffic accident without injuries which occurred in the Z5-B parking lot.

August 6

- An officer investigated someone looking in a desk in Room 312 of Biology without the owner's con-

sent. Nothing was taken from the desk.

- An officer responded to Methodist Hospital in reference to an injured faculty member. The injury occurred at the New Deal farm.

- An officer investigated an accident without injuries which occurred in the R-7 parking lot.

August 7

- An officer arrested a student for public intoxication at Memorial Circle.
- An officer investigated an accident with no injuries which occurred in the 1B parking lot.

Kemp gets session with Dole as VP deadline approaches

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Putting aside years of strained relations, Bob Dole is seriously considering former HUD Secretary Jack Kemp as he looks for a running mate who would ignite the GOP convention and add vigor to the Republican ticket, campaign and party sources said Thursday.

Sen. Connie Mack of Florida was said to be another finalist.

Kemp and Dole had a lengthy meeting Wednesday night in Washington, and senior Dole aides met with the former housing secretary again Thursday to pepper him with questions about an array of personal and political issues, according to two Kemp associates.

In discussing his conversation

with Dole, Kemp raised some hesitation about subjecting himself to the scrutiny of a national campaign, said the associates, who spoke to *The Associated Press* on condition of anonymity.

Separately, a campaign source confirmed that Kemp had emerged as a top contender as Dole closed in on making his choice.

Dole plans to announce his choice Saturday in his Kansas hometown. He told advisers Wednesday he was focusing on three prospects. It was unclear who was in the top tier beyond Kemp and Mack. Dole aides contacted several other candidates this week to request schedules for the coming days.

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Photography exhibit opens Monday

A new exhibit, Developing Visions: A Photographic Sampling of the Southwest, opens Monday and runs through Sept. 3.

The exhibit is located in the Forum On the Visual Arts Gallery on the Texas Tech campus.

The exhibit will feature the works of David Gibson of Dallas, Dennis Darling of Austin, Nicholas Trofimuk of Galisteo, N.M., and Mark Nohl of Santa Fe, N.M.

The gallery is located near the entrance of the Tech art building at 18th Street and Flint Avenue.

Hours are from 9 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

KOHM-FM still off air, needs repairs

KOHM-FM (89.1) remains off the air after more than three weeks of down time due to delays in receiving parts for repairs.

The station was knocked off the air "in the wee hours of the morning" July 15 when lightning struck the station's antenna array, said Jo Hayes, KOHM weekend director.

All But One Club for area Big 12 alumni

Chris Gray
The University Daily

Texas Tech Ex-Students Association members hosted a ceremonial Big 12 planning party for its new All But One Club Thursday.

The All But One Club planning party was designed to honor Lubbock-area graduates of the Big 12 conference institutions, said Don Harris, coordinator of the event.

Tech tailgater Jim Stewart served complimentary fajita dinners to more than 200 invited fans, friends and alumni of all 12 member institutions of the new conference, as well as graduates from other colleges and universities, he said.

The All But One Club is intended to encourage all South Plains residents who are friends or alumni

of other colleges and universities to show support for Tech at all home games, except when Tech plays its alma mater, Harris said.

"We anticipate that a program such as this will encourage even more participation, involvement, enthusiasm, interest and support for Texas Tech, both academically and athletically," he said.

Harris emphasized that the program also will call attention to the economic and entertainment strength of Tech to South Plains businesses and residents.

Many representatives of the Tech community were present for the event, including coaches, administrators and Interim President Donald Haragan, said Ronnie Hill, co-chairman of the club.

"The All But One Club is another super idea that has emerged from this committee," Hill said.

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port for Tech, the program was intended to provide an opportunity to develop Lubbock-area alumni chapters for other schools, Harris said.

Some Big 12 schools have active alumni chapters in this area but most do not, Harris said.

This event provided graduates of these schools a great opportunity to begin planning local chapters, he said.

Rather than inviting all local-area graduates of other schools, a select number were encouraged to attend and represent their institution, said event planners.


All Big 12 Conference schools were represented at the event.



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Movers and Shakers

Hey kids, it's time once again for "Movers and Shakers," soundbite musical reviews for people with short attention spans. Reviews are of singles showing significant movement on the KTXT-FM (88.1) "Top Thirty Countdown." Lists are compiled by KTXT music director Stacy Thornton and UD Arts and Entertainment editor Peter Wilkins. The opinions expressed herein are solely those of the two boneheads mentioned above, and not those of the Texas Tech Board of Regents or the members of the National Association of Man/Boy Lovers.

•Tracy Bonham "The One"

Thornton: "It may not be as catchy as 'Mother, Mother,' but features nothing less than innovative lyrics and talented guitar picking. Bonham, who began as a child prodigy violin player, has been shocked by the mass response to her music."

Wilkins: "Further proof that rock 'n' roll has become a woman's sport. Good solid songwriting, so her critical acclaim should come as no surprise."

•Soul Coughing "Super Bon Bon"

Thornton: "Forget about the name of the song—I can't figure it

out either. However, I do know this is one of the newest, most distinctive bands on KTXT. The California four-piece has a psychofunkadelic sound that keeps your head jerking to the bass line. This song paints a picture of four guys in dark suits and glasses walking into a debutante party with blue suede shoes. Very cool. Very hip. Very different."

•Pearl Jam "Who You Are"

Thornton: "The beginning sounds like a Visa Gold Commercial with tropical island scenes. However, the slow melody of this song is entrancing. Eddie Vedder

doesn't do any of his patented wailing, but the man should be allowed to sing without shredding his adam's apple. The drums are relaxing, with congo effects. But I will join the bandwagon and say nothing Pearl Jam does will ever top the songs from its album *Ten*. We'll hold our breath until the full-length disc is out."

Wilkins: "These guys just don't do it for me. What Stacy calls 'relaxing,' I call 'boring.' Eddie sounds like he's been influenced a bit too much by that big fat guy from Pakistan he sang with on the *Dead Man Walking* soundtrack."

Letterman intruder arrested yet again

NOBLESVILLE, Ind. (AP) — The woman who has been an unwelcome visitor at David Letterman's home several times said from jail Wednesday that it's just a coincidence she was arrested near his mother's home.

Margaret Ray, 44, was arrested Friday 15 miles north of Indianapolis, after allegedly trying to steal vitamins and a backpack from a Wal-Mart.

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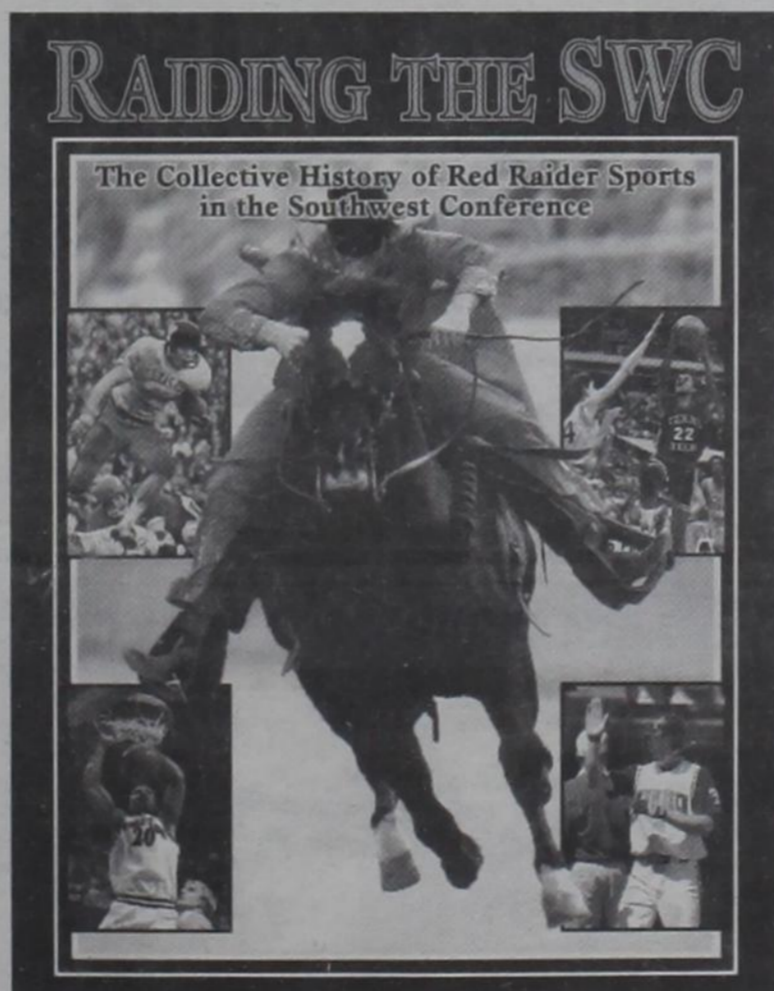
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Guitarist

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decision to leave the band, Mayer stepped in and immediately took over the reins, playing six live shows after only one rehearsal. Brian Enderson, lead vocalist and guitarist for the band, said Mayer picked up the guitar parts right away.

"Our second show with Michael was in Odessa, and it was incredible," Enderson said.

Since his sink-or-swim introduction to playing with Spilling Poetry, Mayer has

managed to get in a couple more rehearsals. In the short time since his joining the band, Enderson said they have written about five new songs.

As far as playing guitar parts originally written by Sanders, Mayer said he was still in the process of deciding how to approach the issue.

"That's something I'm still working out," he said. "I want to put my own stuff in there, but keep some parts the same. Stylistically, I'm closer to Brian than Jamie."

Sanders, who said his decision to leave the band was "one of the hardest decisions of my life," left

to pursue a career at his father's company and to devote more time to his impending marriage. After announcing his decision to leave, Sanders recommended he be replaced by Mayer, a choice the other bandmates readily accepted.

Sanders, meanwhile, continues to support the local music scene as a member of CNI: Code Name Imagination, Sean Donahue's (Spilling Poetry's manager) recently-founded talent agency.

"In a background way, he's still a part of Spilling Poetry," Enderson said.

Hub City Happenin's

Depot Warehouse, **Jack Ingram** with **Todd Snyder** and **Pat Green**, Sunday. Cover is \$10.

Stubb's, **Kimmie Rhodes**, Friday. Saturday, **Wayne Hancock**. Both shows \$5.

Depot Beer Garden, **Easy Does It**, Friday and Saturday. Both shows \$5.

Hub City Brewery, **Passenger**, Friday. Saturday, **Coffee & Cream**. Both shows \$5.

Kyle's 88 Key Cafe, **Pido** and **Coffee & Cream**, Friday. Saturday, **Kyle's Singalong**. Both shows \$5.

Texas Cafe, **Ground Zero**, Fri-

day and Saturday. Both shows \$5. J & B Coffee Co., **Electra**, Friday. Saturday, **Maggie and Kurt**. No cover.

Dealers Skate Shop, **Dealers Skateboard Team Contest**, Saturday. Practice starts at 10 a.m., competition begins at 3 p.m.

Main Street Saloon, **Knee Deep**, Friday and Saturday. No cover.

Fat Katz, **Dangerous Dan and the Soul Patch Band**, Friday and Saturday. No cover.

Chelsea St. Pub, **Derek Lewis**, Friday and Saturday. No cover.

Conference Cafe, **Spilling Poetry**, Saturday. \$3 cover.

'Step By Step' star on the lam

VENTURA, Calif. (AP) — TV star Sasha Mitchell, on probation for beating his wife, is in trouble again, this time for allegedly leaving the Los Angeles area without finishing court-ordered domestic-violence counseling. An arrest warrant was issued for the star of the canceled comedy "Step By Step."

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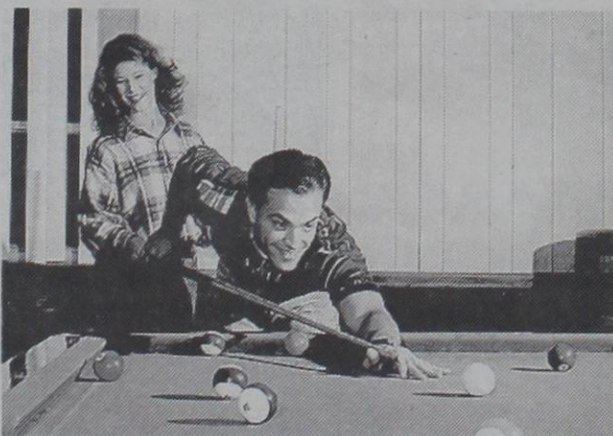
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